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## Market may get the boot from park

The Ganges Farmers' Market and the mobile food vendors must vacate Centennial Park, the provincial ministry of lands, parks and housing has decreed.

The Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission has received a letter from that ministry which stated in part: "The commercial use of this lease must cease or you could render the lease subject to cancellation."

The lease referred to, between the commission and the ministry, gives the commission responsibility for the park.

But while the commission has responsibility for the park it has no authority in the matter.

The letter lists several courses of action open to the commission to resolve the problem. The

commission voted Monday to send the matter to the Capital Regional Board for help in finding a way out of the problem.

The ministry suggested that the commercial use of the park, by the market on Saturday or the mobile food vendors during the week, should end and the park be used for recreational purposes only.

Another option would be to subdivide the parking lot from the park and have the zoning changed to permit commercial use. The commission would then have to pay the ministry rent based on 10% of the market value of the property.

Glenn Woodley, chairman of the parks and recreation commission, pointed out that the park has a market value in excess of \$400,000. To subdivide the parking lot would create a site worth \$50,000 to \$200,000.

The third option involves subdividing the parking lot from the park and leasing it to a commercial venture at a commercial rate. The commission would have to ensure that the rent would cover the 10% which the ministry would require.

The letter ended: "Please advise within the next 90 days which option is preferred so we can resolve the present situation."

The letter was dated September 1, 1983.

Centennial Park was created in 1966 from fill dredged from the boat basin. The original lease was between the ministry and the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce. In 1976, the lease was transferred to the recreation commission.

The CRD recently asked the

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Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

### Supper serves 170

The waitresses pause in their duties at the Beaver Point bean supper Saturday. The young ladies served 170 customers at the renewal of the traditional bean supper. The

hungry customers were fed in two sittings by the Beaver Point community. Back row, from left, are Robin Coombes, Meggie Coombes, Serena Steven, Lena Maron and

Anne Gardam. In front, from left, are Trinity Donnelly, Elaine Gardam, Jessica Maron and Maru Binkley. Story and photos on Page 14.

## It's not too late to get on that list

There is just time to get on the voter's list for the coming regional and school district elections on November 19.

Registration cards are obtainable from the school board office in Ganges and must be completed and returned before the court of revision next Monday.

The final list will be published around October 20, reports the regional information officer Jack Fry.

## Strip would endanger players—Cudmore

The tennis court at Fulford would be in danger from aircraft using the landing field says owner Gordon Cudmore.

He explained his position to the Parks and Recreation Commission Monday and pointed out the potential danger to tennis players if an aircraft crashed on landing or takeoff from the strip.

The landing field is used now, he said, although it is marked as being dangerous to land on. He also said that commercial airlines, such as B.C. Air and CP Air, are interested in the strip for commercial flights.

The land behind the fire hall would be in the flareout area of the strip and the potential for accident rules against using the area for recreation, he noted.

Cudmore said he would be

said. That would be space enough for a tennis court, he added.

Under the Salt Spring community plan, setbacks from a watercourse must be a minimum of 25 feet and up to 50 feet under certain conditions.

The airstrip has been used, on average, four times in each of July and August of this year, Cudmore told the commission.

"I'm not here tonight to discourage you from building," he said. His purpose was to warn the commission that if an accident occurred as a result of the tennis court, the commission could be subject to a law suit.

The commission decided to proceed with the plans to have the lease signed by the Capital Regional District and to check the requirements for a flareout

Island Trust Committee has re-asserted support for more restrictive zoning after a majority of interested Salt Spring Island residents favoured a reduction of population density in watershed areas. The committee also approved tighter controls on the Stowe Lake watershed.

On Tuesday evening last week the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee presented its proposed bylaw amendment to about 100 residents. The bylaw had already been considered and approved by the committee. But when it reached the minister of municipal affairs he called for reconsideration and a public meeting devoted to the question of increasing the minimum lot sizes in a watershed area from 10 acres to 30 acres.

The meeting heard more than 30 letters from interested islanders unable to attend. The vast majority supported the proposed changes.

For three hours the committee heard presentations. The opponents of the measure asked for some means of compensation for loss of potential value resulting from the

need for many more measures to safeguard the quality of water. It was urged that a tight supervision of septic tanks and disposal systems would result in cleaning up the lakes as would a closer control on logging and interference with vegetation.

The meeting was assured that the Islands Trust has no authority to check septic tank systems and that logging on private land is a private matter.

The meeting also considered the proposal to rezone the Stowe Lake

### Stowe with an "L", says trustee

Is it Stowe or Stowel?

Which name should be used, asked trustee Bev Unger at Wednesday's meeting of the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee.

Surveyor Phil Swift has advocated the use of the traditional

watershed from W2 to W1, with an increase in the minimum size of lots from five acres to 10.

Bruce Campbell was not sure of the purpose behind the proposal, on the grounds that the lake is unlikely to be called on to serve any community. Stowe Lake was used 40 years ago to supply the Fulford Water District, but its quality was not satisfactory and Fulford went to Weston Lake.

Campbell also called for extension of controls to all lakes or to no lakes. It was not fair, he charged, to exert tight controls on the Stowe Lake watershed without considering Bullock and Ford Lakes.

#### RE-AFFIRM BYLAW

On Wednesday the committee approved a motion from Nick Gilbert that the bylaw be re-affirmed and returned to the minister. John Rich seconded the motion.

Chairman Mike Humphries told the committee meeting that he had instructed the head planner and Richard McKenah to consider methods which might be employed

Hall and running back to the creek. He had measured the lot and found it to be at least 75 feet from the hall to the creek, he

Fire Protection District is being held up in committee at the CRD by Salt Spring director Yvette Valcourt.

future water supplies if such a measure were not imposed.

#### IT NEEDS MORE

Second aspect of the legislation cited by opponents of the plan was

"Stowe L." gave rise to the current, improper name for the lake.

The Trust must use the legal name, observed law student John Rich.

The powers of the Trust in this area of activity are somewhat limited, he added.

He looked at the section of the

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This is the sales pitch that is under fire from the Islands Trust. After last week's meeting Dennis O'Hara

is hoping to get in out of the cold this winter.

Driftwood photo by Frank Richards.

## Trust objects to tent

Salt Spring Island Trust found the sale of fish a fishy business last week.

When Dennis O'Hara appeared before the committee asking for approval of enclosing a small area at Mouat's Mall for the retail sale of fish, he was told that it was "another K & R, using selling space on an area formerly used as passive walking area."

Trustee Bev Unger expressed hostility to the proposal in those

terms. A tent had been used for the sales area without the necessary permit. Property is zoned for retail sales.

O'Hara explained that he sought to sell fish and intended to do so whether the Trust agreed with his proposal or not. He was asking for some protection from the weather.

He had chosen the site after some investigation, said the applicant.

The committee required the approval of the Advisory Planning Commission and the advisory design panel, he was told.

He neither understood the functions of the two groups, nor did he understand the depth of the political layers, responded O'Hara.

The Islands Trust has a statutory obligation to make decisions on land use, explained chairman Mike Humphries. To assist the committee there are two local groups. Bev Unger pursued the point with a reference to the make-up of the advisory planning commission.

The earliest a decision could be reached, O'Hara was told, would be October 6, if commission, panel and local trustees all agree.

"I hope it doesn't snow," commented the applicant.

"It is illogical," submitted Tom Toynbee, "that the Trust finds this a problem when it finds no problem vending in Centennial Park."

The Trust must decide whether this sale of fish is a contravention and then decide what other contraventions are in operation, he suggested.

## Hovermarine carried 5,000

Hovermarine service in the Gulf Islands was halted Friday following the end of the 30-day trial period.

But Seaspeed Transport Canada Ltd., operators of the 84-passenger vessel, are hoping to be back.

Seaspeed president Jim Yates told *Driftwood* last week that his company was pleased with the response to the inter-island foot passenger service. He was also very warm in his praise of islanders for the encouragement given the company.

It's now up to the B.C. Ferry Corporation to look at the Hovermarine's performance and decide whether to continue the service on a permanent basis.

Yates feels that it fits well into the transportation network in the

islands.

More than 5,000 passengers were carried by the vessel during the trial period, an average of 190 a day.

Majority of passengers carried were travelling between Ganges and Sidney. Yates noted that the 10.10 am sailing from Sidney was a popular one.

He estimated that 30-35% of the

people who used the service were daytrippers.

The numbers were encouraging, said Yates, considering that his company did virtually no marketing whatsoever.

A B.C. Ferries spokesman guessed that a decision on whether to continue the service would be made by the end of October.

## Director not concerned with mall

Director Yvette Valcourt, had nothing to say in response to a brief reference to the failure of Valcourt Centre to take out a development permit in respect of the water recycling plant at the shopping mall.

"I have nothing to say," said Valcourt. "My husband handles that."

The planner was directed to look into an alleged statement at a recent meeting that the Valcourt Centre had failed to take out a building permit.

"All legal permits were obtained," said the regional director.

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## Webster does it again

The Cortina became a concertina and now it is just junk.

*Driftwood* reporter Bill Webster was involved in another accident last Thursday when he drove the Cortina into a B.C. Tel truck driven by Don Spence.

The telephone employee attempted a left turn on the Fulford-Ganges Road and Webster was too close to avoid him.

Spence's vehicle suffered \$400 damage and the Cortina suffered an estimated \$700 damage. Spence was issued a traffic citation for failure to yield the right of way and Webster was ticketed for speeding.



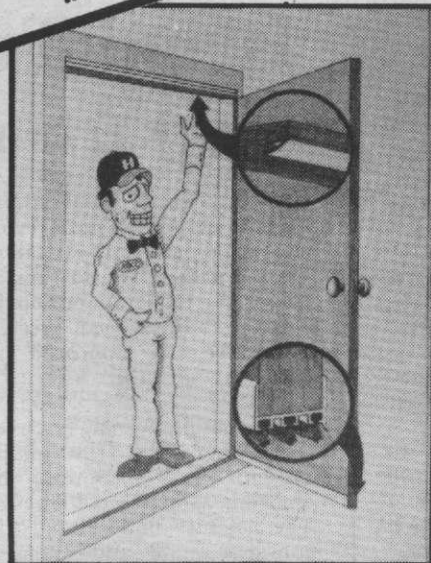
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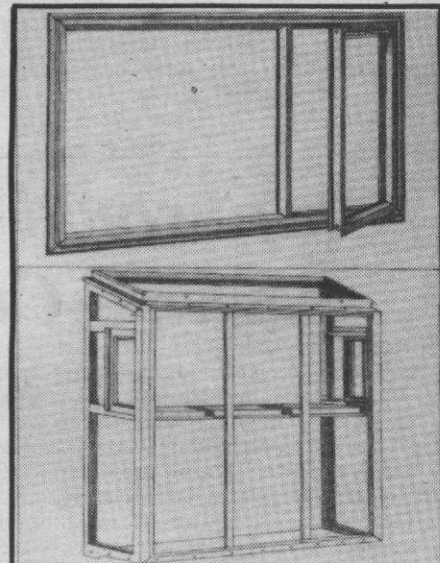
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# To Be Frank



by richards

## Big boys in Little League

Nick Toulmin went afar. He went to Caracas to row a boat gently down an Olympic stream. When the Canadian team landed in Miami, en route to the scene of the summer Olympics, all strapping six-foot-plussers were wandering about in their very clearly identified Canadian sports uniforms. An elderly woman came to them and urged them to follow her. Why, asked Canada coach, would they follow her? Because if they didn't, they would miss the bus, said the expatriate Canadian patiently. What bus might they be catching, pressed the coach. The guide looked at him in some puzzlement and gestured to the large, hefty oarsmen. "You are the Little League team, aren't you?"

## Which was which?

There was a car parked near the office last week and there's nothing odd about that. But a bumper sticker announced, "I am a woman: not a girl." I have never met the car before. In fact, we have never been introduced. But I was left in puzzlement. Did the sticker refer to the modern, but no longer new, import in very clean shape? Or did it refer to the driver who was not around? Maybe I'll never know. Not that it matters very much because I'm an old man, not a boy!

## Back to school and Manitoba

He was sitting in the dining room at Harbour House Hotel one day last week and I was in a hurry for a cup of tea. As I passed his table he greeted me and I responded absent-mindedly and then looked closer to realize that it was Herb Bradley, an old friend from Sidney and thereabouts. He was with various members of his wife's family, all here from Manitoba. I naturally enquired whether they were English-speaking or French-speaking Manitobans and learned not only were they more familiar with French, but that at least one of their number is a Trudeau man right down the line. And not every Manitoban Liberal wants to tell you this by the time he gets to the west coast with all its Tories and Socreds and New Democrats and separatists. But he did. All this took me back to the days when I sat in my form-room in an English school listening to one Dan Dillon, who taught me all I know about Canada. Winnipeg, he used to assert, has an extreme climate: extremely cold in winter and extremely hot in summer. I didn't realize at the time that I was destined to discover the truth of his assertions for myself. But my geography master insisted on pronouncing Manitoba in what I now see as the French style, with all the syllables marching double time until you hit the final "A" with a stamping of the feet. But his anglicized version of Manitoba French had us learning about a province approximately titled "manito-BAR". His second quirk, which all came back to me after considering the affairs of the Manitoba state so quickly, was his odd pronunciation of Seattle, here to our south. He called it Settle. It was years later that I realized that his acquaintance with affairs Canadian had been through a French Canadian, whose pronunciations were duly handed down in a very English setting. And off went Herb Bradley and his family to savour the liquors of the west coast and to await their return to a bilingual prairie province.

## That's quinquelingualism

Apart from those who live in Manitoba, the majority of anglophonic Canadians learn their second national tongue from the corn flakes box. This makes bilingualism very difficult for the Scots who prefer porridge. Which may be why so many early Scottish settlers seemed to wed up with French Canadian lassies. It was likely the only way they could learn French without resorting to corn flakes. This week we acquired a carton of orange juice and started a new course of multilingualism. The finer print tells me that Jaffajuce is a trade name for "Sinaasappelsap". I think that's Dutch because this juice comes from Holland. Which is a lesson in itself, because not many rabid orange juice fans would know that oranges come from Holland. But doesn't sinaasappelsap sound better than plain old orange juice? On the front cover you get it in three languages. After telling you it's sinaasappelsap, the carton hastens to explain that that means jus d'orange for the francophonic addict. But it then switches to explain that they both mean zumo de naranja. The back cover offers you additional information in two languages: orange juice and succo d'arance. Only trouble with this breakfast table lesson in languages is that the printers of the box of juice didn't bother to explain which language was what. But I do know that *Made from concentrated orange juice* translates into *A base di succo d'arance concentrato*. Or in French, *Prepare de concentre de jus d'oranges*. But the native, home-grown description still tops all the choices with *Uit concentreerd sinaasappelsap*. By the time you've finished your orange juice you don't even want to read the cereal box. You've seen it all before! Two other things about a carton of juice. It is 100% natural in one. Ah! You think, that's just in English! Or French? Or how many other languages? The carton also tells you in five languages that the contents are best consumed before: blank. Five times it tells you the best time to use it and not once does it disclose the date. The only clear lesson I can find is that if you really want to improve your linguistic skills there's nothing like orange juice to help. And that's the way it's done in Europe. Bilingual corn flakes? Grow up, Canada! They got it in five and that's quinquelingualism! I reckon.

## Gordon Hutton calling!

I see Gordon Hutton is starting out on a new career. When the Legion moves to the Farmers' Institute hall on Rainbow Road on Saturday, Gordon had better be in good voice. He's the auctioneer. He's been speaking out long enough for the Legion. And he talks a lot about golf. But when he takes up on the heels of the professional talkers like Bill Trelford and George Lamplie, he's got to talk fast.

# Driftwood among 94 papers to join B.C. Press Council

Gulf Islands Driftwood is one of 94 newspapers that have joined the newly-formed B.C. Press Council.

The council, whose objectives include preservation of freedom of the press and encouragement of high standards of journalism, held its inaugural directors' meeting September 7.

The press council will consider complaints from the public about the press and complaints from the press about the conduct of individuals and institutions towards it. It will also review and report on attempts to restrict access to information of public interest and will report publicly on action taken.

The press council heard its first complaint earlier this month when Labour Minister Bob McClelland objected to a story on the front page of *The Province* July 12. Columnist Allan Garr wrote that an RCMP officer was tracking a government employee in the bush near Terrace to give him a dismissal notice.

The council found that *The Province* made "an error of fact" in the story but also said accusations by McClelland about Garr's column were "unfair and unfounded".

It found that the RCMP were not involved in tracking the government

employee through the bush as Garr had written. The council also found that the newspaper did not make adequate correction to the error.

Garr acknowledged the error in his column July 14 but the council felt the admission should have

appeared July 13.

The council also decided that McClelland's accusations that Garr wrote "outright lies" and that his statements were "entirely fabricated" were unfair and unfounded.

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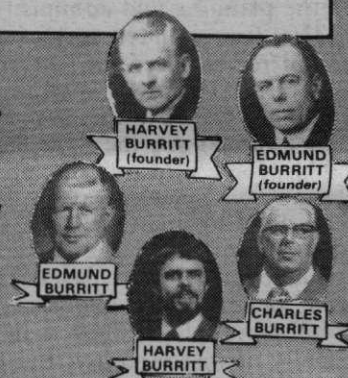
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## The Ganges plan

For as long as the Islands Trust has been responsible for planning and land use controls in the islands, there has been a degree of harmony and a sense of doing it at home. The Islands Trust has been an effective agency for the administration of controls in rural areas.

The present state of Ganges leads to the suspicion that the metier of the Islands Trust is not the planning of an urban or a semi-urban area. The Trust has shown itself hostile to the Ganges community and is now serving as planning authority and land-use police officers.

The hostility between trustees and the Ganges commercial community has been steadily increasing for the past many months, but the furore over the sale of fish last week is a sample of the petty approach being adopted by the trustees in their approach to the planning and administration of Ganges.

The fish counter is located in a commercial area where commerce has been the pattern of operation for almost 80 years. But the fish vendor is an evil-doer for the fact that he was unaware that in the Ganges paper empire tradition is of no significance. He hadn't applied for the right permits.

The people who are using planning as a whip around the ankles of the commercial operators in Ganges are those responsible for a revision of the plan for Ganges. At least one trustee has hinted at plans to drastically change the commercial community.

These incidents are part of the life of the island and if the Trust were not planning major revisions of the Salt Spring Island community plans, they would be accepted as the inevitable penalty of wise land use. But it must be borne in mind that the Ganges business centre is without representation on the Islands Trust. The two local trustees are from outside the commercial area. The Advisory Planning Commission includes other island spokesmen, but it is addressed to Salt Spring Island as a whole.

It is unfortunate that the community of Ganges does not have its own advisory planning commission to inform, guide and advise the Islands Trust in its dealings with Ganges affairs. If there were such a commission the interests of the Ganges community would be constantly recognized while a revision of the community plan is under consideration.

There has been a close and warm association between the islands communities and the Islands Trust. It is sad to watch it deteriorate in this, the only urbanized community within the Trust area. But there is no question but that more and more Ganges businessmen are feeling the lash as the Trust moves further away from a sympathetic consideration of the needs of the community.

The commercial community is an important part of living. Don't put it down! It is high time the Islands Trust met with a representative group of businessmen from the area to ascertain their concerns and their needs before entering into a wholesale revision of the plan for Ganges.

It is equally time that the trustees from Salt Spring Island looked back over the record and realized that the only champions left to Ganges on the Islands Trust are the general trustees. Planning should be aimed at the betterment of the community from all aspects and not be held over the heads of the unfortunate businessmen as a threat of worse to come.

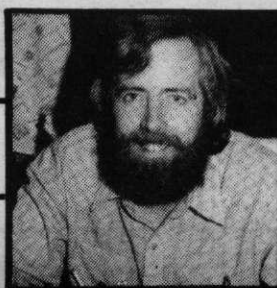
## Tennis issue resolved

Plans to construct a tennis court at Fulford are proceeding at a snail's pace, but the latest wrench in the works deserves consideration.

Commercial airlines, we are told, are looking at running flights into the Fulford airstrip. And judging by the speed with which this issue is being resolved, it's likely that a full-scale airport will be in place long before a game of tennis becomes even remotely possible.

In that case, Fulford residents could then board a flight to Ganges International (the golf course would make a good location), play a few matches at Portlock Park and catch the next flight home.

What a simple solution.



Tony Richards

**SALT SPRING** sheep farmers have been thinking about responding to some unkind comments about island lamb by *Vancouver Magazine* columnist James Barber.

It seems that Barber made some disparaging remarks about the local product in a recent column, describing it as "stringy", among other things.

One possible response could be a Salt Spring Sheep Dip Award for Calumnious Columnists.

**THERE WAS CHEERING** in our office Monday when word was received of Australia's victory in the America's Cup race. It's not that we don't like Americans but it's about time someone else won the trophy.

And as one observer noted, some shares in Australian breweries would have been nice to own this week.

**"YOUR FEET'S TOO BIG,"** goes the song from the Fats Waller musical, *Ain't Misbehavin'*, a song that I was expecting others to begin singing while my foot was enclosed in a hunk of plaster.

The cast is off, the discomfort of it is gone and now I'm beginning to remember some of the fonder aspects of a recent trip to Seattle.

Salt Spring residents of 12 years ago will perhaps remember Brian Fullerton, who became the owner of an old lifeboat that lay abandoned at Portlock Point on Prevost Island for many years.

Brian rebuilt the boat on the beach at Fulford Harbour a dozen years back and then sailed off into the sunset, heading north. A few years later he headed south and ended up in Seattle.

Today he is the owner of a 25-foot Folkboat and manages a bicycle shop in the Ballard Locks area of Seattle. Naturally, he's now an avid cyclist.

When I make a trip to Victoria, I invariably see at least half a dozen islanders. But I didn't anticipate seeing any in Seattle.

During one of the Yankees-Mariners games in the Kingdome, we found ourselves sitting six rows behind Salt Spring Island Matthew Schubart and his brother Peter, a Seattle resident.

And the memory of Seattle that will no doubt return on future visits to the States was making a 90¢ purchase from one of the beer and hot dog vendors circulating through the stadium.

I passed the guy a dollar bill and told him to keep the change.

He looked at me in utter disbelief.

Despite a careful examination of the bill prior to handing it over, it turned out to be a 10 and not a one.

There were some surprises in store after returning home.

I was in the office of George Manning, publisher of the *Goldstream Gazette* in Langford, and noticed a colour print on the wall. It was a copy of one on the wall at F. X. McRory's, a bar located near the Kingdome, and George had bought it while in the bar a few months ago.

And the Trading Company's Grant Carignan drew me aside last week and asked if the divided highway with which we'd had so much difficulty had been Aurora Ave.

It was, and he too had driven for miles trying to get across to the other side, the side on which his hotel was located.

**IF I WERE TO READ** all the mail directed to the editor in a single week, I would spend 168 hours of that week reading.

But I do manage to find the time to read a handful of the news releases and reports, a few of which can make interesting reading.

One of them is *The Torch*, the official newsletter of the Gulf Islands NDP Club.

I am not affiliated with any political party. In fact, I don't much care for any of them.

I haven't always agreed with the opinions expressed by *Torch* editor Gordon Wright, but I've never failed to find his observations interesting and thought-provoking. And the note of humour contained in every issue has made *The Torch* a lively little publication.

So it was with some regret that I read in the September issue that Gordon Wright is stepping down from the position he has held for four years. He is, as he puts it, "throwing in the eraser."

In his farewell, he wrote: "...four years of exposure to the editor's confused thinking and whimsical opinions does come fairly close to being cruel and unnatural punishment. A change in editorship is not only desirable, but likely essential."

If reading *The Torch* has been punishment, then I'm a masochist.

The new editor, whoever he may be, will find Wright's a hard act to follow.



# Letters to the Editor

## Are boaters responsible for pollution?

Sir,  
As a longtime boater and visitor to Ganges on many occasions during the last 14 years, I was hilariously amused by the article in *Driftwood* suggesting that all boats visiting the harbour be required to have holding tanks, the inference being that the boaters are solely responsible for the smell and pollution of Ganges Harbour!!

Your writer surely must be jesting. Ganges' sanitary drainage system has been the subject of much debate, discussion and expense for years now; it cannot possibly be suggested that requiring boaters to have and use holding tanks would make the slightest difference on balance to the amount of effluent put into the harbour by the community itself.

And just supposing this mandate was made law: where would the pump-out station(s) be located, and empty its effluent from the holding tanks? They have a limited capacity; and with holding-tank laws comes the requirement to provide pump-out facilities.

Personally, we have always enjoyed our time spent in Ganges: merchants and people have always been friendly and hospitable.

May I make a passing comment: although for size the two cities cannot be compared, but once Ganges has a sewer system, it would be nice, as a boater, to find similar washrooms and showers at dockside as are found in Nanaimo Harbour, run, as there, by the municipality.

**DOROTHY VAN WINCKEL,**  
Port Moody, B.C.  
September 22, 1983.

## They helped more than they will ever know

Sir,  
It is now nearly a month since I disappeared into hospital for a hip replacement job. It was summer when I left, autumn when I finally got home; a longish time to go missing.

Yet I never felt I was forgotten. Friends trailed into Victoria to see me; cards and messages and flowers and even a fine piece of Brie arrived in a steady stream. The phone by my bed kept me in touch with loved ones. The only sad note was that due to all sorts of drugs I was very hazy in keeping track of all this kindness. Now I am home, and the kindness

continues. And I am so grateful that I live on Salt Spring, where people so generously let me know that they care — I am sure no city dweller could expect more help and encouragement from friends.

To all those who kept me going, and especially those whose messages were lost in the general fog of hospital life, my heartfelt thanks. You helped a great deal more than you will ever know.

**NONIE GUTHRIE,**  
161 Acland Road,  
Ganges,  
September 21, 1983.

## Time for action is now

Sir,  
Opposition to the Bennett government's restraint measures has been growing in all areas of the province, the Gulf Islands being no exception. In the face of such a blatant attack on the social, economic and democratic fibre of B.C., more and more people realize that they can no longer trust in their government to legislate with their best interests in mind.

The people of the Gulf Islands have been well-represented in all phases of opposition to this regressive legislation and are being drawn together through a local Solidarity Coalition. This Coalition, comprised of community, church and labour groups as well as individuals, is a co-ordinating, unifying force that will ensure that the demand for democratic process be met.

Only through co-operation and

public education, understanding and a sense of individual responsibility can we effectively halt the decimation of human rights in B.C. We have a responsibility not only to the people of B.C. but also to the rest of Canada, which is closely following the political developments here.

All those interested in making their voices heard, in protecting their democratic rights are urged to call the following people, to aid in whatever way you can, the Solidarity Coalition in its fight for you.

Legislation is being literally rammed through now. The time for action is now.

Katherine Faulkner, 537-2756;  
Kathy Ratz, 537-4127; Mary Williamson, 537-2322.  
**SUZANNE GAGNON,**  
Ganges.  
September 26, 1983.

## Plans rolling along for Mr. Salt Spring contest

Sir,  
Plans for the Mr. Salt Spring Contest seem to be rolling right along to raise money for the Fulford Hall October 15. A modelling ramp is being erected, a female m.c. selected and Club Mongo will play background music. I hear some pretty interesting candidates are entering—all forms of beachwear are welcome, wetsuits, etc.

As for the talent contest, somebody is chug-a-lugging beer? And all ages are welcome, sexes, female impersonators, etc. I personally would enjoy seeing a certain guy model his shower outfit (a complete shower) that won first prize in the Hallowe'en contest last year.

Think of the possibilities, men. You get to try out all your Hallowe'en costumes early, to a "captive" audience.

You don't need a lot of talent, but I suppose a bit of nerve would help. Try to stay on the ramp, though. I've heard of models falling into the

footlights!

For the more serious-minded, a survey of women revealed that what they found most attractive in men, was kindness to others, a sense of humour, and a certain amount of 'ideational fluency', the ability to kick ideas around.

Strangely enough, a male friend said that's what men find most attractive in women also.

**SUE HISCOCKS,**  
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September, 1983.

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## Bill Webster

## Where does nonsense end?

Indignation and worse float like jetsam on the tides of discontent in Lotusland by the peaceful sea.

That sneaky Billie Wacyson tries to tighten belts but finds, instead, resistance from overwrought, overweight unionists.

"How dare that man govern this province as if he were the leader of all the people? We aren't going to follow because we voted for the other guy."

Nice rhetoric from those who pretend to believe in democracy.

Dave Doleft waxes eloquent on the subject of what should be done to the deficit as well as what Billie should do with his election victory. The people have spoken but, surely, says Dave, they made a mistake.

He thinks mayhaps the voters were confused when ballot stuffing. He thinks mayhaps Billie didn't mean what he said last year when the beginnings of the fat-cutting exercise began.

Were you confused? Did you understand Billie and Hugh and Grace when they talked about excess government milking the public cow dry?

To use the name Solidarity, connoting the struggle of the Polish workers to gain just a tiny measure of freedom, smacks of blatant opportunism. Much the same feeling comes as when Indira Gandhi tried to outlaw political opposition in India.

Where does the nonsense end? Billie's bunch want to do away with human rights.

Mayhaps, with our made-in-Canada constitution, the federal government will get on with the job to ensure that the enshrined Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms means more than just empty promises.

Billie's attempts to curb government may not be entirely palatable. He could have done things differently and achieved the same ends.

But one begins to wonder about the opposition, particularly in the legislature, which screams outrage at the wrong targets.

Robin Blencoe, late of the Capital Regional District board and Victoria council, squeals endless baloney. Dave and company pretend outrage when the government uses closure on a bill.

Many of these things dear governments in Canada exceeds that which needs to be. Time has come to curb those powers not just to avoid what we see

happening here in Lotusland but what comes out of Ottawa and indeed what comes out of the CRD board of misdirectors.

Many of the powers of government are aimed at protecting citizens from other citizens. But what we need most is protection from governments.

If you think the province and the federal bunch have excess powers, check some of the actions of those who affect us closer. Not just the current incumbents. But go over the past events.

Conflict of interest? The province doesn't admit to such actions because our elected folk are honourable.

Harassment? The laws are there so why not use them?

Misuse of office? They are elected to serve the community. But try to define service. Try to define community.

Bear in mind, friends, the revolution comes. But many people will be surprised at the results. The revolution will be bloodless and subtle. But it will come and it will be successful.

Eventually we will look back, not in anger, but in amusement. The wry smiles will result from

ourselves to be treated as children because we acted as children.

Watch for it.

better or for worse by Dave Doleft and company, which purports to oppose the actions of Billie's bunch.

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## More Letters to the Editor

### Help asked to combat 'Yellow Line Lady'

Sir,  
"The Traffic Sign and Yellow Line Lady", having been transferred from the Manhattan Transit Authority, is presently shaping the landscape on Salt Spring Island.

This island was previously occupied for most of this century by 2,000 farmers, loggers and fisherman, but has in latter years been taken over by a new wave of people.

Some of these people, having seen personal opportunity and a chance for fame and fortune, migrated from as far away as the east coast of the U.S.A. and with them they brought a lifestyle familiar with this area. One dictated by power and aggression.

We now have one of these people living here in the position of the head of the Transportation Committee, better known as the "Traffic Sign and Yellow Line Lady."

Only five or six years ago one came here to enjoy the rural environment. Winding country roads prevailed as a natural part of the beautiful landscape on the island. One could travel sometimes miles without seeing any form of government direction. There were few lines or signs on any roads. One understood without being told that the road turned, or that you were on an incline...It was also obvious that to pass an ongoing car one must keep to your side of the road.

### Why not install Bailey bridge?

Sir,  
I can't help wondering why, in this time of provincial "belt-tightening", the Vesuvius ferry can not be, at least temporarily, revived by the use of Bailey Bridging — which would also serve to give the Royal Canadian Engineers a useful exercise in re-opening damaged ports ("at user risk").

How about a little resourcefulness, B.C.?

I have written to Mr. Bennett to urge the resumption of this very useful ferry service.

C.N. GORE,  
Galiano Island,  
September 10, 1983.

Well, since the Transportation Committee was formed and taken over by the Yellow Line Lady from the Manhattan Authority, we have hardly a section of the narrow road on the North End of Salt Spring Island that has not been blessed by a yellow line or a traffic sign.

Are there some people out there who would like to save the

environment of this Island? We need help to avoid the traffic light and parking meters and the "Yellow Line Lady."

MARK MEREDITH,  
The Salt Spring Environment Committee,  
September, 1983.

### Ban recommended on hunting, not on discharge of firearms

Sir,  
I would like to draw to your attention that your article entitled "Firearms regulations to include all islands in Trust area", has misquoted one of the three recommendations sent to the Fish and Wildlife Branch.

The third point should read: a ban on hunting on a Sunday, *not* a ban on the discharge of firearms.

A ban on the discharge of firearms would discriminate against farmers protecting stock and registered Rod & Gun Clubs.

STEVE WRIGHT,  
South Pender Island,  
September 16, 1983.

### Restraint the Trust routine

Sir,  
I would be happy to forward to Minister of Finance Curtis the following statement, copied 1,000 times:

"Please restore the secretarial and planning staff cuts for the Islands Trust" if C.H. Vane-Hunt would sign it.

The Islands Trust is doubling up its workload. One planner's salary and one secretary-receptionist have been cut. Planners are now acting as receptionist, working the copying machine, answering the phone, etc., as well as covering more island work in less time.

Poor Richard needs roller skates to move from desk to phone to research to ferry. It's amazing the Islands Trust gets as much done as quickly as it does without more errors. Your trustees are both working overtime and weekends trying to keep up with the flow.

We ask your forbearance in times of cutback.

BEVERLEY UNGER,  
NICK GILBERT,  
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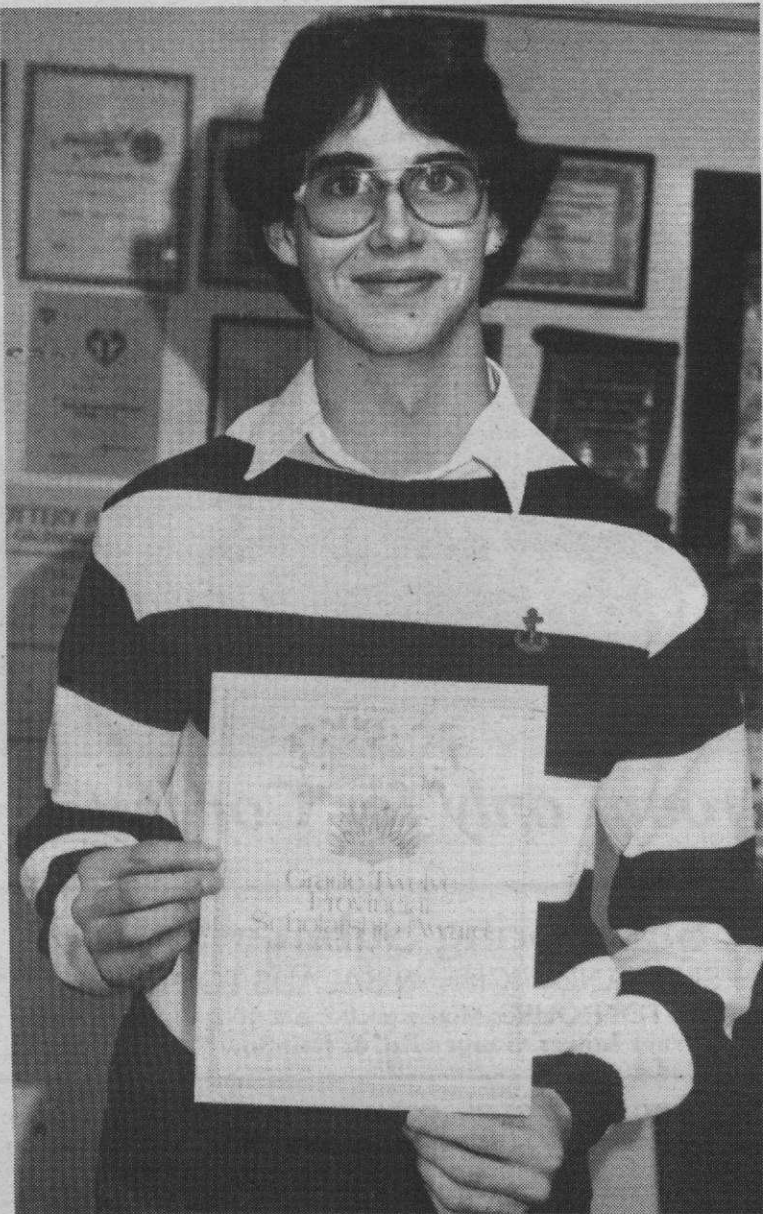
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Wins scholarship

Salt Spring Island student Gordon Hitchcock has been given the Grade 12 Provincial Scholarship Award of \$1,000. He won the scholarship after obtaining a high average in algebra, biology and geography examinations. His high marks have also earned him the P.A. Frattinger Award. Hitchcock

obtained all his schooling on Salt Spring Island and graduated from Gulf Islands Secondary this year. He is now enrolled at the University of Victoria, where he is studying science. He is the son of Dorothy and Bill Hitchcock of Cranberry Rd.

Agricultural pollution

Agricultural pollution of drinking water is a problem facing the islands.

Gordon Wallace told the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee last week that it is necessary to use every tool available in the protection of water sources.

Planner Richard McKellar reported that there is a ministry of agriculture program which uses peer group pressures to keep farmers aware of the need for water

protection.

The information should be made available to everyone and not merely farmers, urged Norman Mouat. Subdivisions are controlled at the time of subdivision and not afterwards, he pointed out. There are many lakeside dwellers who are not farmers and have no access to farm literature. They are gardeners and they can dig out the land and leave it open to erosion and be without caution or guidance.

Poetry contest offers prizes

Sharpen your pencils, Gulf Islands poets, a national contest offers 20 prizes with a total value of \$1,500.

The contest is open to "everybody living in Canada" and the deadline for entries is November 21. The poems must be at least eight lines and no more than 50 lines long and must be original. Published verse will not be accepted.

Entry fee is \$3 for each poem submitted. Cheques or money orders should be made payable to All Canada Poetry Contests. The address is P.O. Box 5752, Station F, Ottawa, Ontario K2C 3M1.

The poets retain the rights to the poems and are advised to retain a copy of the work as none will be returned. The organizers of the contest reserve the right to publish the winning entries in a future issue of a magazine.

Other advice from the contest organizers includes having the name typed at the top right corner of every page. The poem should be typed, double-spaced on one side of a sheet of paper.

Winner for the last contest was Francisco Gomez of Gloucester, Ontario. British Columbia poets took four of the prizes in that contest.

First prize is \$300 and second prize is worth \$200. Third prize is \$100 and there are two \$75 prizes for fourth place. The next 15 finishers win \$50 each.

Liquor stolen

The bar at the Salt Spring Golf Club was the target of thieves Sunday.

Ganges RCMP report that the clubhouse was entered sometime Sunday night. At least 12 bottles of liquor were taken and between \$20 and \$30 was missing from a money tray.

Entry was gained when the person kicked in a sliding glass window and removed a broom handle which was keeping the window closed.

RCMP are checking several leads as the investigation of the incident continues.



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STORYTIME begins Oct. 3. Parents, bring your 2-4 yr. old & enjoy 1½ hr. storytelling each Mon., 10:30 am, at the library.

LOOKING FOR A JOB? List with Job File, Comm. Centre. 537-9212.

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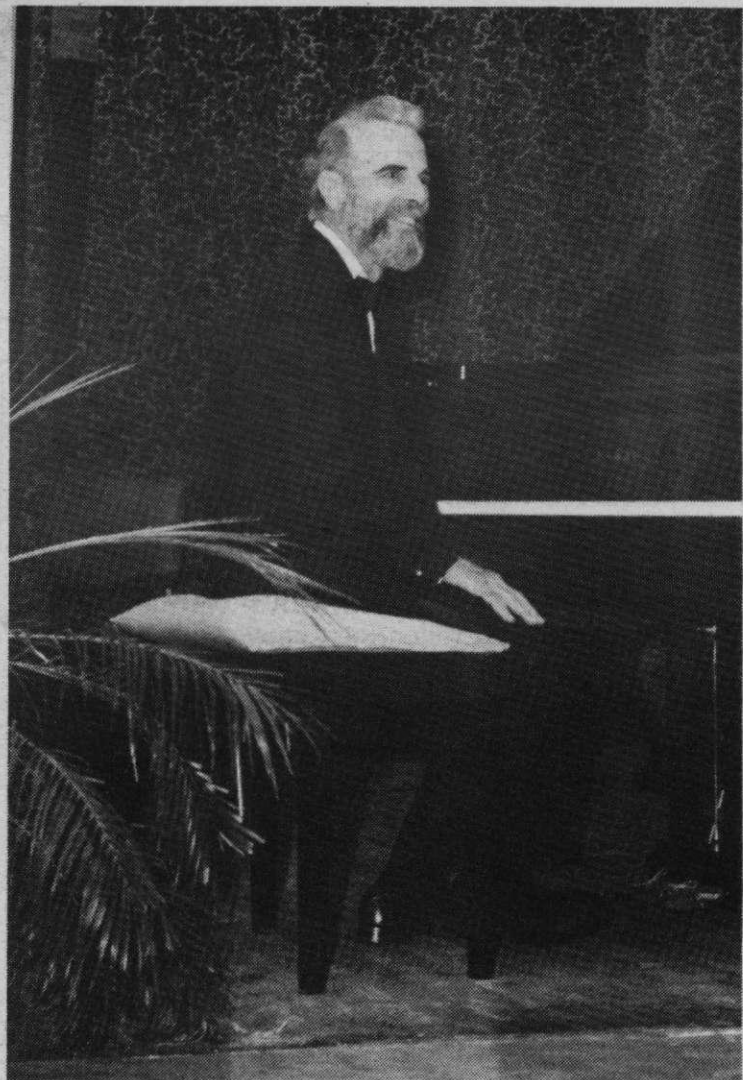
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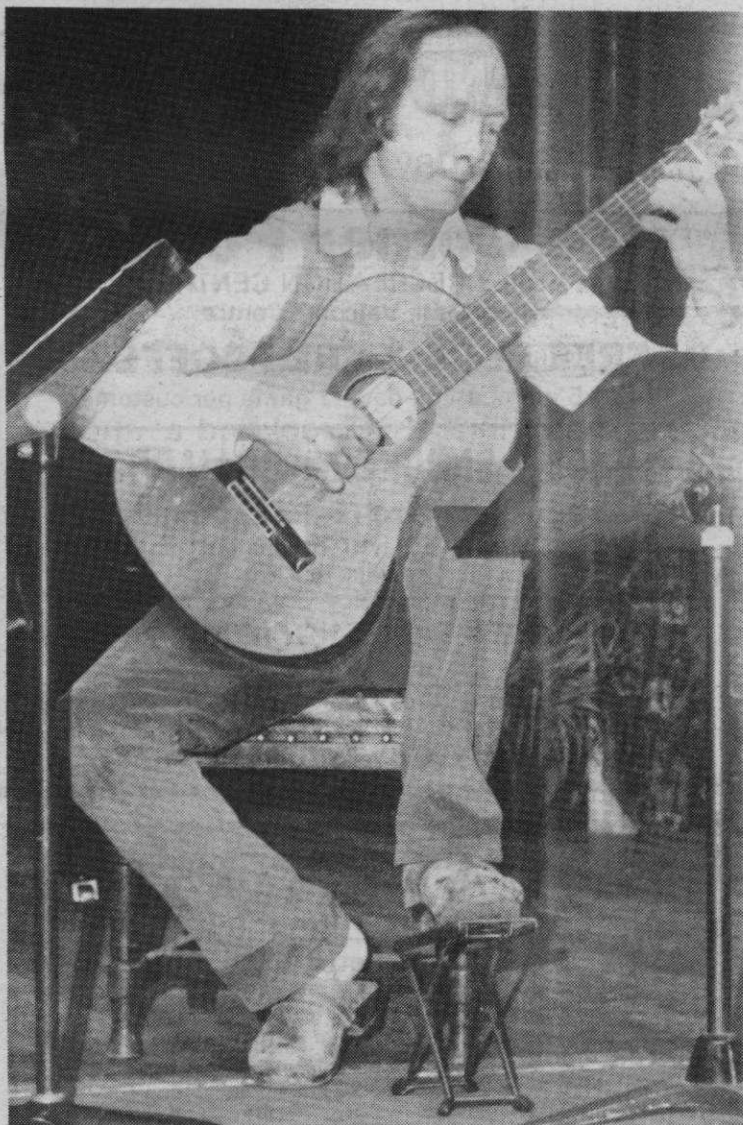
## Standing room only for Concert

Salt Spring Concert Society had a successful Variety Concert at Mahon Hall on Friday with standing-room-only attendance. Some of the performers of the evening are seen in photos. Top right photo shows almost all of S.O.C.I.E.T.Y. jazz singers. Missing is drummer Bill Smith. From left are Gary Lundy, piano, April Curtis, Janis Suess, Louise Couture, Mary Williamson, Ralph Miller and Dwaine Prosk. Top left photo shows John Guerin who performed three piano solos. Below is John Forbes, classical guitarist, who performed with Dwaine Prosk on flute and Jean Knight on violin.

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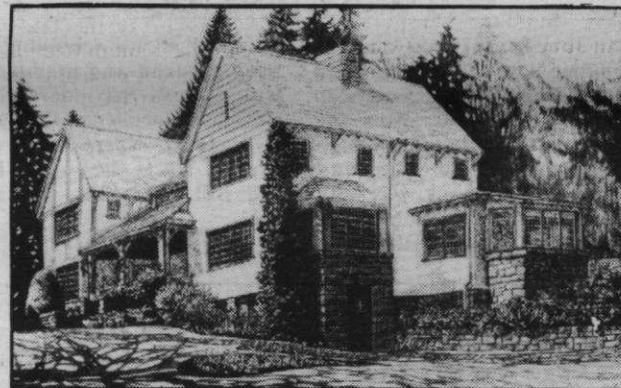
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What kind of plant is it?

Gwen Ruckle of Beaver Point Road is at a loss to identify 10-foot plant growing outside her house. Five years ago someone gave her a seed with the assurance it was a

Mexican tomato. After five years of tender loving care the plant, which must be kept warm in winter, has produced fruit shown in photo.

Readers are asked for help in its identification. Ruckle would like to know if the fruit or vegetable is edible.

Trust committee seeks legal advice as mobile home erected without permit

When a building permit was refused in June for the erection of a mobile home on Mount Belcher Heights, it was learned that the structure was already in place. Building inspector then called for removal of the unit.

Salt Spring Island Trust Committee directed that the matter

be passed on to the Trust solicitor when the committee last week received a letter from the Capital Regional District.

John Cake applied for the permit, said chief building inspector Maurice Neal. On July 12 the permit was refused on the grounds that there were already two mobile

homes on the property.

On July 25 a stop-work order was posted on the building and owners of the property, Gordon Cudmore and P. Pierrt, were sent a letter.

Cudmore returned his letter, unopened, to the building inspector at Ganges and advised him that he would not be moving the mobile home, concluded the CRD inspector.

On the motion of John Rich, the matter was referred to the solicitor with a direction that legal proceedings be undertaken if there was an infraction of the building regulations.

In the Islands Trust area the Trust establishes the regulations and the regional districts administer them.

Planner Richard McKellar should call Pierrt, suggested Nick Gilbert, to clarify the situation. A letter would be clearer, warned Bev Unger.

Health care auxiliary opens store at Pender

A new store opened at Pender Island September 3 in the former premises of Gold Star Cash and Carry.

The Nu-to-U Shop is the result of several months of meetings and a lot of work by the newly-formed auxiliary to the Health Care Society. There are 38 members, both men and women, and the auxiliary welcomes new ones.

The shop sells used clothing for all ages plus miscellaneous household items, and will be open for business from 10-4 every Friday and Saturday.

All businesses need stock to operate and the Nu-to-U Shop is in the same position, so unwanted items will be received when the store is open. The money raised by the shop will be used for health-related needs on the Penders.

Husbands of auxiliary members renovated the premises with new walls, shelves, clothes racks and partitions. Bea Lane was the originator of the idea for the shop and made the suggestion last spring at a Health Care Society meeting.

**NOTICE**

**FROM THE SALT SPRING PLAYERS:**

Ticket prices shown in last week's advertisement for **THE EFFECT OF GAMMA RAYS ON MAN-IN-THE-MOON MARIGOLDS** are incorrect. Tickets are \$5 each with special rates for students and seniors.

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# Life in Cuba is better since revolution, says visitor

BY BILL WEBSTER

Cuba is in a bad way economically, said a recent visitor to Salt Spring Island, but the situation is much better than it was before the revolution.

Mario De La Garde came to see the beauty of Salt Spring. He had been told about the island by friends who live here and when he got the chance recently to take a holiday, he came to find out.

He was born on the Caribbean island of St. Thomas and his family moved to New York when he was very young. When he grew old enough, he began to travel. De La Garde was looking for adventure and his curiosity took him to Cuba.

The time was the early 1960's and the revolution was in progress. De La Garde stayed to see what would happen.

When asked why he remains in the country, he replied, "You come in to see a movie and you have a front seat. You're sitting there waiting to see how the picture is going to end."

So far, De La Garde has found life bearable. He is classed as a professional musician and works 1½ days per week. The remainder of the time is spent reading and

studying.

## PRODUCTION MECHANIZED

In the early days he had to volunteer for duty in the cane fields but the production of sugar cane has been mechanized.

"You can still volunteer to work on the farms," he said, "but it's not a necessity."

Life in Cuba is complicated, he said, in economics, politics and social life. While life is much better than it was under Batista, there is no abundance of anything. Food is in short supply but no one is starving.

De La Garde was amazed at what he saw in North America. "There's supposed to be a recession," he said, "but I can't see it."

He explained the difference between capitalism and socialism. Capitalism, he said, is based on abundance while socialism is based on necessity.

Life in Cuba offers economics of security for the individual, he said.

"I don't know what you have to do to get fired."

## EXPECTED TO VOLUNTEER

But even with security of salary, the worker is expected to volunteer for certain projects to produce what is needed. "That's the incentive,"

said De La Garde.

Relations between Cuba and the United States are not good, he explained.

"With Mr. Reagan, we're not going to become friendlier," he said, "but that's just my opinion."

De La Garde was cautious about what he said. He would not talk about negative aspects of life in Cuba and he requested that his photograph not be taken.

Despite the relations between the two countries being "far from good" the money used for foreign travel is the American dollar. The Cuban dollar is the only currency used within the country but the American buck is needed by travellers.

To travel to North America poses another problem. No Cuban airlines go to the U.S. No U.S. airlines go to Cuba. The traveller gets out through Miami on Air Florida or detours through Montreal.

De La Garde said that Cuba can live without outside trade but when goods are needed they are channelled into the island through countries which have good relations

with Cuba.

## JAPAN TRADING PARTNER

Japan, he said, is a major trading partner. Buses are shipped into Cuba from factories in Japan but the engines of the vehicles are General Motors products.

The revolution has brought changes to Cuba, he said. Education is free and the people enjoy the best of medical care.

The differences of opinions with the U.S. will change, he said.

"Eventually both sides will have to adjust because we both have to live on this planet."

While he was on Salt Spring, the Cuban musician had the opportunity to play some music. In Cuba, a "romantic Latin country," people expect him to play romantic ballads. When he gets the opportunity, he plays jazz.

He sat in with the Ray Newman trio to play some jazz which, he said, "I play with pleasure."



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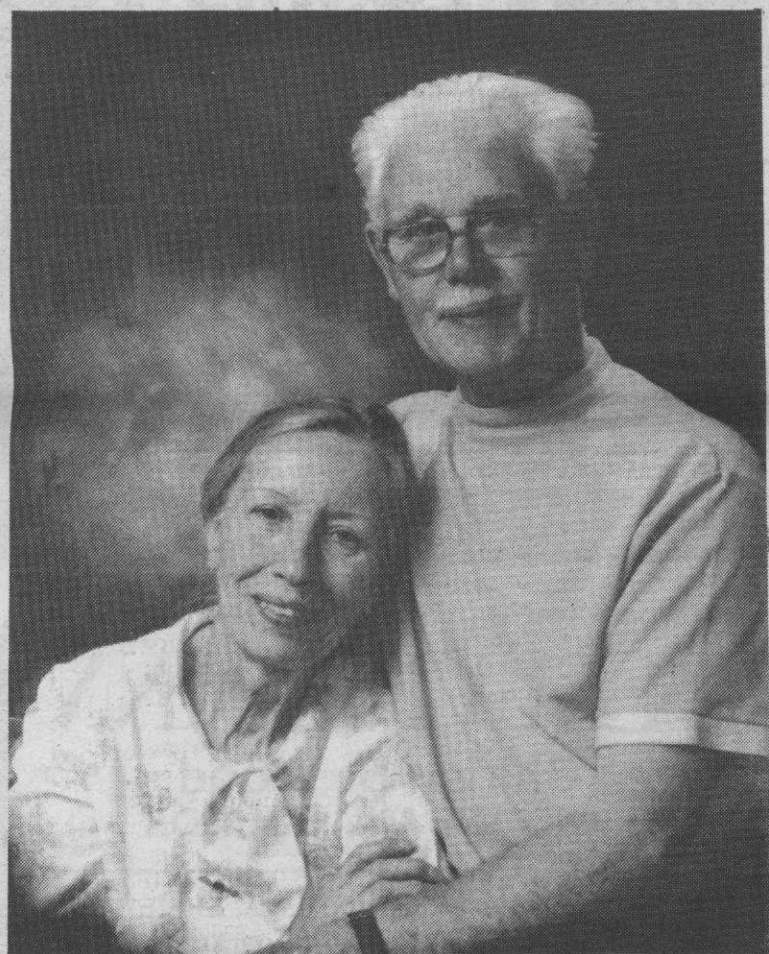
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## Married 50 years

A Salt Spring Island couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary September 15.

Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Barker marked 50 years of marriage with a party at their home on Cedar Lane.

Guests included Mary and Bill Keurvorst, Mrs. Barker's sister and brother-in-law, and Allan and Madeline Barker, Mr. Barker's youngest brother and his wife, who

were visiting from Nottingham, England.

Also present were Mrs. Leslie Hill and her three children from Kitchener, Ont., and Mr. and Mrs. Barker's son, Cedric.

The celebration was held in the bedroom of the Barkers' home as Mrs. Barker is recovering from surgery following a leg injury.

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# What you can do with concrete retaining walls

We have been talking about the most problematic landscaping situations, of steep inclines or banks without any soil or with very little of it, and have found ways and means to turn even these into an asset to our surroundings.

This brings another difficult situation to mind, vertical cliffs or concrete retaining walls. Granted that sheer rock faces have a beauty all their own and hardly require our intervention, large concrete retaining walls are another matter altogether as these seem to lack somewhat in appeal. The towering sheer cliffs surrounding the sunken garden at Butchart's Gardens provide a stunning example of what a bit of green can do to enhance even naturally beautiful bare rock.

I am always utterly enchanted by the acres of cascading ivies as they

drape and trail their way down those walls of rock, and as far as I know, I am the only one.

## QUIET, UNOBTRUSIVE

This may be due to my fascination with ivy, or the quietly unobtrusive way in which it gracefully and humbly blends with stone and leaf. Look for it on your next visit and perhaps you will be as enchanted as I am.

This then may be a way of lightening the brooding presence of a large concrete wall and at the same time displaying the unassuming beauty of leaf and tendril of ivy. We may also attack this condition from the bottom with Boston ivy.

At this point I would not blame anyone for groaning at yet another ivy but this one is different. An even faster grower than the other ivies, it is deciduous, turns a lovely scarlet red in late fall and leaves a lovely tracery of intricate tendrils over the winter.

It adheres freely and enthusiastically to anything and can climb to 150 feet without any sweat at all. To do this it needs average soil conditions and moisture with a near neutral PH, and occasional helping of manure over the root area.

## WILL SPREAD

It will spread over the ground in all directions as well, and may need some attention there. The best way would be to lift the errant shoots and tuck them behind some vertical ones, doing it periodically, or as required.

Boston Ivy is not a good ground cover, though, as it disappears in fall, except for its intricate tracery of tendrils. On a stone wall this tracery, if contemplated, will lead one rapidly into a deep meditative state, on the ground though it will do

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nothing to discourage winter or early spring weeds.

Perhaps I should now confess that I have been talking about Virginia Creeper, a close relative of Boston Ivy, but I could not resist one more ivy. Please forgive.

There are two more excellent candidates that will dress up areas such as concrete walls. Outstanding on poor soils, like the previously mentioned members of the broom family, is one large shrub and a tree. We know the shrub as "smoke tree" (*cotinus coggyria*) which comes in two varieties. Both are deciduous and grow as wide as they do tall, up to 25 feet on the poorest of soils without any more moisture than

nature supplies.

## NITROGEN FORAGERS

They would rather not be watered so we would have to keep them out of irrigated areas. Both are nitrogen foragers, with the little symbiotic nitrogen-fixing bacteria providing all they need. So they would rather not be fertilized either.

One has reddish-green leaves and large clusters of miniscule blossoms which dry into what appears to be a cloud of red smoke, hence the name. The other is of striking deep purple in colour with rich purple puffs of smoke. They are at their best under stress in poor and preferably rocky soil.

The "Tree of Heaven" or *ailanthus altissima* likes similar conditions and treatment. It hails from China or thereabouts and grows very rapidly to 50 feet, and taller but slower from then on. It may reach about 100 feet eventually with a 50-foot spread.

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the most severe conditions of drought, air pollution and every kind of poor soil.

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## SOMETHING AMISS?

With all these excellent and worthy attributes there must be something amiss somewhere. Well, there is. It suckers and sell-sows freely. Eventually it will take some vigilance so that one tree will not develop into a forest.

However, nothing beats this tree for summer shade and rapid growth on the poorest of soils and the fallen leaves are an asset to any compost pile. If planted in fall, a typical two-year-old specimen is usually 12 feet tall, and will survive its first season with minimal attention to moisture. The same goes for the "smoke tree". After that they are all best left alone.

So we do have a plant for every purpose, and to even the most difficult places we can introduce a touch of beauty.

## Evasion lies in farming, not forests

Outspoken Saturna Island trustee John Gaines warned his colleagues on the Islands Trust at the recent council meeting that there are many abuses of land tax provisions.

The Trust council was debating the propriety of forest land escaping normal taxes for years and then being taken out of forestry and used for residential development. It was mooted that the province be entitled to a recovery of the taxes which would have been paid had the land been residential.

Most forestry land is in the area of lowest density housing, he commented, and this exerts some discouragement against development.

"Most blatant form of tax evasion is the farm, not in ALR," he stated.

It is hard to exert pressure on forestry land owners in face of the farm tax abuses, he urged.

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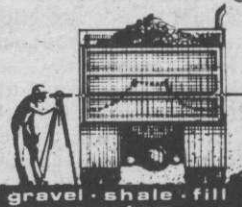
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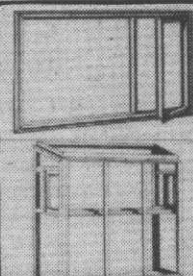
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**HORTICULTURE**  
Bank of Montreal Trophy for high aggregate, W.M. Carter; C.J. Freeborn Trophy, chrysanthemums, E. MacDonald; Scott & Peden Trophy, chrysanthemums, W.M. Carter; Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Freeborn Trophy, chrysanthemums, W.M. Carter; Garden Club Trophy, chrysanthemums, W.M. Carter; T.W. Mouat Trophy, dahlias, W.M. Carter; Mrs. W.M. Carter Trophy, best dahlia bloom, W.M. Carter; Lesley Wells Memorial, W.M. Carter; Mrs. W.M. Carter Trophy, best collection of perennials, V. Gyves; Garden Club Trophy, best arrangement, M. Pearce; Dorothy Edwards Trophy, best miniature floral art, A. Teal; Bank of Commerce Rose Bowl, best fruit exhibit, S. Ronne; Mrs. M.E. Davis Trophy, high aggregate in fruit, S. Ronne; Green Valley Trophy, best vegetable entry, E. Temmel; Daily Colonist Trophy, high aggregate in vegetables, L. Mollet; Jesse Bond Memorial Trophy, best potato, L. Mollet; P.G. James Trophy, best Salt Spring Sunrise Tomato, A. Teal; Farmers' Institute Trophy, best collection of vegetables, E. Temmel; Sunnyside Junior Trophy, P. Hazenboom; Garden Club Trophy, high aggregate junior, A. Skinner; Bunny Jordan Trophy, best district exhibit, Fulford Harbour.

**CATTLE**  
Burgoyne Dairy Trophy for best dairy entry, Caroline Hunt; Roy Lamont Trophy for best beef entry, Nolan Magnus; Wayne Murphy Trophy for best junior entry, Brad Magnus; Lancer Construction Trophy for best junior showmanship, Nolan Magnus.

**EGGS**  
White Wings Poultry Farm Trophy for high aggregate, J. Martin.

**FIELD CROPS**  
Garden Faire Trophy for heaviest pumpkin, S. Jang; Green Valley Fertilizer Trophy for highest aggregate, B. Goddu.

**GOATS**  
Lassie Dodds Trophy for best entry, J. Hartwig; Dana Farms Trophy for highest aggregate, J. Hartwig.

**HORSES**  
Gladys Pringle Memorial Trophy for best brood mare, C. Hunt with Tessera; Riding Club Trophy for best unregistered horse, W. Luth with Castor; Bob Blundell Trophy for best in show, W. Luth with Castor; Harkema Challenge Trophy for best junior showmanship, J. Anderson with Judy; Lancer Contracting Trophy for best junior horsemanship, Maria Betts with Scarboro Fair; Riding Club Trophy for high point performance, Jennifer Anderson with Judy.

**POULTRY**  
Dogwood Poultry Farm Trophy for best entry in chickens, V. Christensen; Valcourt Business Centre Trophy for high aggregate, V. Christensen.

**RABBITS**  
Spencer Excavating Trophy for outstanding entry, S. Murray; Island Savings Credit Union Trophy for highest aggregate, S. Murray.

**SHEEP**  
Bank of Commerce Trophy for grand champion, Ted Baker; Fernwood Farms Trophy for highest aggregate, Bright Farms; Raven Ridge Farm Trophy for best registered sheep, Ted Baker; Ted Akerman Trophy for best junior entry, Sandi Franks; Evans Trophy for best pen of market lambs, D. Thomas; Loom Room Trophy for best fleece, D. Thomas.

**SWINE**  
Bank of Montreal Trophy for best entry, Mike Byron.

**BAKING**  
Gulf Islands Secondary Students Council Trophy for highest aggregate in junior baking, K. Cruickshank; General Store Trophy for best junior bread entry, P. Melancon; Heritage Boutique Trophy for best homemade chocolates, E. Marshall; Fantasy Cakes Trophy for best decorated cake (9-12 years), Gina Ripley; Bright Farms Trophy for highest aggregate in natural foods, L. McCoy; Shopland Trophy for highest aggregate, Trudy Sloan; Margaret Howell Trophy for best decorated cake, Trudy Sloan; Mrs. J. Broughton Trophy for best Scotch eggs, Elsie Marshall.

**PRESERVING**  
Bank of Montreal Trophy for highest aggregate, T. Sloan.

**WINEMAKING**  
Flowers & Wine Trophy for highest aggregate, D. Lochhead; Wine Art Trophy for best overall wine, Paul Minvielle.

**HOBBY ARTS**  
Arbutus Clinic Trophy for best entry, Leon Fee; Marsim Trophy for best junior entry (under 12), Sean Pring; Marsim Trophy for best junior entry (12-18 years), Denny Box.

**NEEDLEWORK**  
South Salt Spring Women's Institute Trophy for 12 years and under, A. Skinner; Women's Institute Trophy for 13-18 years, Kara Cruickshank; Gerry's Fashions Trophy for highest aggregate, M. Poyntz; Ganges Pharmasave Trophy, junior needlework, Jenny Barnes; Kay Catlin Trophy for highest aggregate in sewing, Y. Sollitt; Nine Patch Quilters, best quilt, A. Wright.

**PHOTOGRAPHY**  
Gull Clinic Trophy for best entry, P. Almquist; Faccia Construction Trophy for best junior entry, Joelle Hann; Salt Spring Photo Trophy for highest aggregate, Joelle Hann.

**PETS**  
Dog Obedience Club Trophy for most outstanding dog, Sylvia Murray; Fulford Inn Trophy for most outstanding cat, Amy Kibble; Salt Spring Sea Products Trophy for most outstanding pet, Chris Magnus.

**PENTATHLON**  
Odd Ball Trophy, Slow Henrys, Firemen. Gift certificate winners were: Sylvia Murray, Buckerfield's merchandise certificate for best conditioned pet rabbit, Vicki Christensen; Buckerfield's certificate for best bantam, Joyce Hartwig, Buckerfield's certificate for reserve champion in goat section; and Ted Baker, Buckerfield's certificate for reserve grand champion in sheep section.

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# Beans, beans, the magical fruit, the more you eat....



Lisa Geller suggested renewing the tradition of the Beaver Point bean supper. The event was a

success with 170 people being fed in two shifts on Saturday evening.

Driftwood photos by Bill Webster

Beaver Point Hall echoed to the sound of eating Saturday evening when the bean supper was presented to the community.

The supper, sponsored by the hall committee, attracted 170 hungry people. The event had been a tradition in the south Salt Spring community dating back to 1954. The first bean supper had been staged as a means of paying off construction debts for the Beaver Point Hall.

The feast proved popular and it continued for 25 years. But for the past five, residents had to enjoy their beans elsewhere.

Lisa Geller, a member of the hall committee, thought it would be a good idea to restage the event. The hall committee turned her loose.

Everything at the supper was homemade. The beans, 85 lbs. of them, were cooked by 12 different cooks, and the 50 dozen buns came from ovens of the community. Dessert consisted of a choice of 14 varieties of pie from apple to yogurt-banana. There were 50 pies to begin with but by the end of the first serving the choice had been reduced to apple, pumpkin, plum or peach pies.

The young ladies who served the tables came from families of the community with the oldest being 13 years old.

More than 20 people had volunteered to help Geller put supper on the table. But as the evening wore on, others dropped in to lend a hand.

The recipe for the beans had been supplied by Lotus Ruckle. The early suppers had been made of beans

supplied from the Ruckle Farm but as the event grew, the organizers had to buy beans to have sufficient supplies to feed those who came.

"It's nice to bring back a tradition like this," said Geller as she surveyed the satisfied customers.

And they agreed.



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## Trust asks for help

Salt Spring Island Trust Committee wants recommendations from the Capital Regional District health services on the protection of potable water.

North America has placed a tremendous reliance on the septic tank, noted chairman Mike Humphries at Wednesday's meeting of the committee.

"After installation, the septic tanks are forgotten."

Many work for a year or two, he noted. In this climate the disposal system is affected by the heavy winter rains.

"We need some effective means of ensuring that they continue to operate satisfactorily."

He urged that the CRD work with the Trust and with local people.

If the water district were to send out information on the maintenance of disposal systems with its billing this could be of great value, submitted Bev Unger.

Mike Larmour, superintendent of the water district, agreed to consider the proposal.



The pies disappeared. With 50 pies for dessert, the supper ended enjoyably. Mary Coombes, left, and

June Stevens were part of the crew who cut and dished the pie for the hungry hordes.

## Cars sprayed

At least four cars were sprayed by foam from a fire extinguisher late last week.

And the trail led from Centennial Park in Ganges to Fulford.

The incidents occurred in the evening of September 21. Police are investigating the inspired use of the fire extinguisher.

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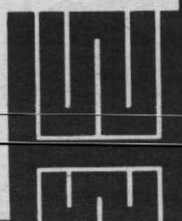


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### Victim of dogs

A number of north Salt Spring residents are threatening to shoot dogs seen running loose following an attack on this young deer last

week. The deer was chased by a pack of dogs on farm owned by Ken Byron, Sr. and finally run down outside a tent pitched on the

property. The animal's stomach cavity was torn apart and part of the hindquarters were eaten.

Driftwood photo by Alice Richards

## Insurance will cover much of cost

Tenders for the repair job on the Vesuvius ferry wharf are being called for and the closing date is October 5 at 2 pm.

The contract to begin work on the wharf is expected to be signed the same day, said a ferry company spokesman. The repairs have been estimated to cost close to \$500,000.

Insurance, however, will cover most of the price. The B.C. Ferry Corporation holds a policy on the wharf with \$150,000 deductible

which means the company will pay that much of the price with the insurance company paying the remainder.

Work on the wharf is to bring the facility up to the condition it was in before it was damaged August 8. Ferry service is expected to be back to normal by the end of November, said the corporation spokesman.

The rumour mills had ground out a story that the wharves at both

Vesuvius and Crofton would be replaced.

The rumour was just that, noted the spokesman. The corporation does not plan to touch the Crofton wharf and the weight limit of 15,000 kilograms will remain in place.

That limit had been reduced from 50,000 kg when the engineers of the ministry of highways checked the docks in 1980. The facilities were safe, was the conclusion at that time, but the load limit was reduced.

The cost of reconstruction of both docks had been estimated as high as \$5 million.

## Legion news

Contributed  
BY BETTY GALT

Another busy and active month has passed for Legion Branch 92 and the Auxiliary.

A special executive meeting was necessary owing to the rising cost of wines and spirits. The general meeting of September 12 was well attended and letters of resignation were received with regret.

Mrs. Burnay's visit was well attended and we hope help can be given to the requests made.

In the sports department we are glad to see the fourth dart board up and ready for play and to be able to say that shuffleboard players will soon be able to make those perfect shots again. The board is being refinished.

The next general meeting will be on October 3 at which time Fred Brookbanks will address the floor concerning housing. The green light is on for the joint project by the Lions, Rotary and Branch 92.

It promises to be a busy meeting. Long Service Pin awards will be given out.

Don't forget the general meeting October 3, the auxiliary meeting October 11 and the auction on October 1 at the Farmers' Institute Building.

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## October schedule prepared

The October schedule of the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club begins with two activities next Tuesday.

Molly Lacy will lead a walk on Bryant's Hill while three club members will lead a general interest walk and hike at Mr. Baker. Peggy Jacobs, Marjory Beggs and Jack Foster will conduct the Mt. Baker excursion.

Participants are urged to phone Beggs or Foster as soon as possible to indicate their intention to make the trip, which will be made via Long Harbour, leaving at 7 am and returning at 10 pm.

On October 11 Nina Wichmann will lead a walk at China Beach and Bob Ball will lead a hike on Mt. Tuam.

The two activities planned for October 18 are a walk at Nose Point,

led by Peggy Jacobs, and a hike at Mt. Erskine led by Bob Kertland. Meeting place for both is Centennial Park at 10 am.

A special interest walk will take place October 20 at the south end. Leader will be Nancy Turner-Chapman, a Victoria writer of books on wild foods and mosses. Meeting place is Drummond Park at 10:30 am.

Linda Goddu and Tor Miles will conduct a leaders' choice walk on October 25. Participants will meet at Centennial Park at 10 am.

On the same day Tony Pedersen will lead a hike on the Reginald Hill crossover.

Meeting places for all activities, unless otherwise specified, are Centennial Park at 10 am and Drummond Park at 10:15.

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## GALIANO NEWS

# Weekend visit of couple first return in two years

BY KATHLYN BENDER

Many events have taken place on Galiano this last week. One that captured the interest and attention of many islanders was the weekend visit of Dr. Hugh and Muriel Maclure, a red-letter event, as it was their first return to Galiano since Hugh Maclure gave up his practice here just over two years ago.

In the short space between Friday afternoon and early Monday morning the Maclures managed to do and see many things. They revisited the bluffs, viewed the new activity centre, walked around Montague Spit and enjoyed a picnic lunch in the sunshine on the beach opposite Parker Island and travelled the Porlier Pass Road to visit Devina and Harry Baines.

Sandwiched in between these activities were individual visits to ex-patients and friends, including both doctors who succeeded him—Kevin Nolan and John Hales. They met groups at dinner and lunch parties, and on Saturday evening showed a full house in Page Drive Lounge slides of their four months in Africa as missionary-doctor and pharmacist during the winter of 1981, soon after they left Galiano.

Dr. Maclure first went to Sierra Leone as a colonial medical officer in 1941, after which he and Muriel spent 18 years there in the medical mission field. A series of well chosen slides and commentary laced with Hugh's own brand of dehydrated and convoluted wit to relieve the pathos of some of the scenes was followed by a rousing hymn-sing with Hugh accompanying and leading from the piano stool.

The powerful message, that our needs here in Canada pale into insignificance before the far greater needs of Africa, was re-emphasized on Sunday morning when Dr. Maclure addressed a crowded church at St. Margaret's. Frank Reader, church treasurer, presented Dr. Maclure with a cheque for \$300 from the congregation. Dr. Maclure's colleague Dr. Dixon, who spoke at St. Margaret's three years ago, will take this to Ecuador next month when he puts in a four-month stint as a medical missionary.

At the conclusion of the communion service conducted by Rev. Leonard Pocock there was a baptismal service for 19-month-old Kathryn McEwan, the daughter of Alan and Cathy Buttery, which was witnessed by ten proud relatives including her maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Annie Gunn.

### Clanton Road

Clanton Road is open for traffic. All summer work has been going on directed by highways department engineers. Much of the task has been contracted out and local operators have had their share.

Bush was cleared, rock blasted and dumped, cuttings made, embankments built and large quantities of material moved from one place to another.

Then, in about four days last week, the rough road was surfaced with crushed rock and finally hard-

top. In two days over 6,000 yards of crushed rock were moved from a barge moored beside the ferry ramp at Montague Harbour and spread by dump truck over the 1.1 kilometre length of the road.

An off-island crew of machine operators with Italian accents expertly spread and graded the rock. The oil-combination finish was added and rolled during the following two days.

All who worked on the project are to be commended, for this is indeed an excellent example of highway construction. The gentle curves and gradient, the variety of views, and the interesting topography make the road a pleasure to drive or walk. One hesitates to estimate the cost per mile or per person regularly using the road, but it will surely be appreciated by many Galiano residents and visitors.

### Nature notes

Dennis Oldroyd was amazed last week to discover on his deck an insect resembling a beetle and about five centimetres in length. Not being an entomologist he enlisted the aid of Dr. Tony Kingscote to identify it.

It proved to be not a beetle but a member of the hemiptera order, suborder heteroptera, which includes bugs of many shapes and sizes. This specimen was a giant water bug, the largest of the bug family and known in parts of Eastern Canada and the U.S. as the electric light bug.

These insects inhabit fresh water ponds and are voracious carnivores eating worms, snails and even fish up to three inches in length. When the pond begins to dry up they are able to take flight in search of other accommodation.

Their family name is belostomatidae which Latin scholars may translate as "beautiful mouth," a terrible misnomer as the creature's mouth resembles a hypodermic syringe through which it injects digestive juices into its victim before sucking its food back. Such a bite can be extremely painful, even for humans.

### Bobak's back

The island friends of Molly Lamb Bobak were glad to welcome her back to Galiano on her recent visit to her daughter Anny. Molly's first of many sojourns on Galiano occurred more than 40 years ago when her mother, Mary Kingsmill, moved here.

The zest for living which has spilled out over three generations from Mary to Molly and now to Anny is clearly evident in Molly's exuberantly alive pictures. In just over a week Molly will be back in Fredericton to receive an honorary degree from the University of New Brunswick which wishes this year to honour a painter.

Molly's present reaction to this forthcoming honour is that an honorary doctorate is a sign of dotage and impending death—and she so wants to go on living. We hope that her many friends will

reassure her that it will take more than the title doctor to kill her off.

If she needs proof, we can point to Galiano's Doctor Dorothy Livesay who is extremely alive, and still writing furiously despite her recent honorary award.

### Northern lights

The weekly library opening under librarian Doris Russell at the North Community Hall each Friday between 11 and 2 has blossomed into a social occasion. South-enders are finding Porlier Pass a pleasant morning objective with the prospect of finding not only a good book, but also a cup of hot coffee.

Scottish dancing starts in earnest next Tuesday at 7:30 pm at the North Community Hall. The teacher is Laird Alistair Ross, North Galiano's leg-twirler par excellence, for 10 years president of Scottish Dancers in Vancouver. Beginning dancers are welcomed.

There is no better way to spend your Tuesday evening than to have music, to dance and to laugh, with partners to help you and Alistair and Jane Edwards, also an accomplished dancer, to show you how. Car pools from the south end may be arranged by phoning Bender at 5702, Stephen at 2586 or Paterson at 2475.

### Magician visits schools

Last week pupils of Mayne and Galiano Schools were entertained by magician Doc Myles. His performance was hilarious as he certainly knew how to evoke laughter from his audience. He made simple tricks look like works

of art. One illusion was to catch an invisible ball in a brown paper bag and although it was obvious that there was no ball he gave it the appearance of reality by the intensity with which he pretended to watch the ball and the noises he produced in the bag.

He is the third generation in his family to perform as a magician and the fourth generation, his 16-year-old daughter, is already in training to follow in her father's footsteps. (Contributed by a pupil, Tim Id III).

### Coming events

Sunday is World Communion Day and in its honour Rev. Leonard Pocock will share with his United Church colleague, Rev. Bob Archer, in a joint service first at St. Margaret's at 10 am.

Hopefully the two ministers will then be able to travel to North Galiano to take part in a harvest festival service in the Community Hall there at 2 pm. Islanders from both North and South Galiano will be welcome at either or both of these services.

Dr. Bill Paterson draws attention to a National Film Board of Canada series on warfare which will be shown on CBC television each Sunday evening from October 2 to November 13.

### Brownie pack

The Galiano Brownie Pack will begin its fall program under new leadership. In charge will be Cathy Buttery, former teacher and for many years swimming instructor at Galiano School. Cathy will be assisted by Laura Morrison who has also had considerable experience with children.

On Wednesday, Oct. 5 present members of the pack should meet in the South Community Hall at 3:30 pm. New members are asked to attend the second meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 12. Information may be obtained by phoning Cathy Buttery at 2343.

Cathy needs offers of help and resource people especially with Guide, Scout, Brownie or Cub leader experience.

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# Sounders off to good start

BY KEVIN MCCARTHY  
Coach

The Sounders were off to a good start at Portlock Park Saturday with a 2-0 win against Juan de Fuca. It was a hard-fought first half ending in a scoreless tie.

But in the second half the determination to score put the Sounders out in front with a breakaway by Paul Hatch and great support coming from Kevin Greenway, Damian Akhurst and Aaron McCarthy, all part of the

Sounders' excellent forward attack team.

A short time later came the clincher, with another breakaway and blistering show coming from centre-halfback Ryan Bradley.

The mid-field shows great strength, with Tony Turney, Malcolm Shoolbraid, Darren Lee and Derek Topping forming the balance of the line. Not to be outdone the defence, made up of Trevor Hardie, Willy McBride, Curtis Galbraith, Jay Pinchin, Mike Fenton, John Nelkin and Josh Hart,

checked hard and gave Juan de Fuca few chances to score.

All shots that were made on the Sounders' goal were disposed of with neat goal-tending by Mick Burger and Theo Horsdal.

The Sounders seem to have the positive attitude, determination and team spirit that promises to provide a season of thrilling soccer.

## August 31 was wet

August almost ended before the rain came according to figures released by weather watchers in the Gulf Islands.

And rain it did on August 31. North Galiano recorded 35.5 millimetres (approximately 1.5 inches) of rain. The weather watcher for that area of the Gulf Islands also recorded 18.7 mm (three-quarters of an inch) of rain on August 29. For the entire month, North Galiano was wet by 63.4 mm (2.5 inches) of rain. Only five days of the month were wet enough to record precipitation at North Galiano.

Meanwhile, on North Pender, the pattern repeated itself. August 31 had 20 mm (slightly more than three-quarters of an inch) of rain. Although rain records for the month on North Pender were not complete, 25.9 mm (slightly more than one inch) fell in August.

The rain fell on the Cusheon Lake weather station on Salt Spring on six days of August. By the end of the month, 34.8 mm (almost 1.5 inches) had dropped. The big rain came on August 31 with 16.6 mm (two-thirds of an inch). August 29 was another rainy day with 11.6 mm (slightly less than half an inch) of rain.

North Galiano proved not only

the wettest place in the Gulf Islands but also the warmest for August with a mean temperature of 17.8 degrees Celsius. The high temperature for that area was recorded at 27 degrees on both August 7 and 8. The lowest temperature came in at 11 degrees on August 4 and again on August 25.

For Salt Spring, the mean temperature stood at 16.1 degrees with a high of 28.5 recorded on August 7 and a low of 5 degrees on August 25.

For North Pender, the mean temperature was 16.2 with a high of 29 degrees on August 7 and a low of 6.5 degrees recorded on August 25 and 26.

Salt Spring recorded 21 straight days with a high temperature exceeding 20 degrees. The string began on August 3 and ended on August 23.

For North Pender, the hot spell of more than 20 degrees lasted 16 days in a row from August 12 until August 27.

The heat on North Galiano stood above 20 degrees for 24 days beginning August 4 and ending August 27.

## Auxiliary meets

The Ladies' Auxiliary to Legion Branch 92 held a potluck supper earlier this month to mark the first meeting since the summer break.

Members decided to make a donation to the All Island Hospital Fund in Victoria and to the George Derby Hospital Fund in Vancouver.

The meeting learned that Gordon Hitchcock has won the auxiliary's 500 bursary. Hitchcock is also the winner of a \$1,000 provincial scholarship.

Suppers began September 2 and will be held each Friday at 6 pm.

Next auxiliary meeting is October 1 at 8 pm.

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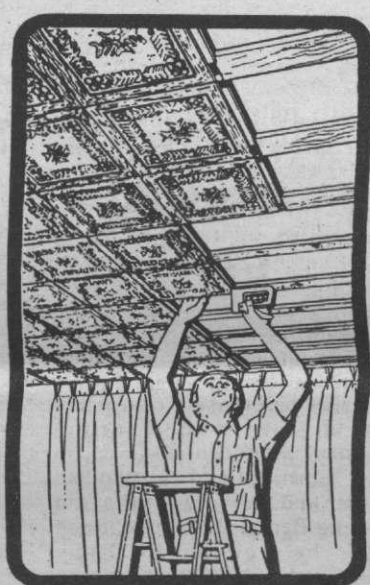
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## Pender meeting

# Hospice program is outlined

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

Dr. Ellen Anderson, the local physician at the Pender Island Clinic, introduced Ruthella Graham, co-ordinator of the Victoria Hospice, at a meeting held September 21 at the school-community centre.

Dr. Anderson said in her introduction that she had personally learned much from Graham, and had therefore invited her to Pender a couple of months ago to talk to the Pender homemakers.

The meeting, sponsored by the Health Care Society, was arranged to give the community at large an opportunity to learn what the hospice program does and if islanders should start their own.

Dr. Cecily Saunders opened the first hospice centre in England a few years ago.

Graham explained the operation of the Victoria hospice program. The hospice deals with the terminally ill patient, helping the patient and the family to cope.

The Victoria program has been in operation for three years. The team consists of one full-time and two part-time physicians, one full-time and two part-time counsellors who

are trained social workers and 14 nurses.

At any one time there are 40 to 50 patients in the program and a waiting list of 30 to 40. There are 125 volunteers who start out with 25 hours of training. The volunteers are carefully selected and work three-hour shifts in the hospitals or homes.

The Hospice's mandate is to help patients with their physical, emotional and spiritual needs and to help the family for up to a year after the death of a patient.

Graham stressed that not all terminally ill patients require hospice care as they are able to cope with help from family and friends.

How people react to life's situations is how they will react to dying. If they have been chronic worriers throughout their lives, the prospect of dying won't change them. Dying presents a life crisis and crises throughout life are always times of growth. However, it doesn't make old troubles and animosities disappear.

A film was shown entitled *Why Me?*, which illustrated the standard emotional reactions to the knowledge of death's inevitability; rage and anger followed by

depression and final acceptance.

"How can a person prepare for this experience," asked Graham, "which will surely come to everyone?"

She said that how you deal with the unexpected during your life is how you will deal with dying. An openness to life and an appreciation of the now is the best preparation for death. It's best to keep our lives current, settle old scores, get rid of the garbage cluttering our brains, and make sure those closest to us are aware of wills and financial matters and our own wishes about life support, burial and so forth.

It's most important to be open when death occurs and there are children involved. They should be taught early that death is a part of life.

How can we best help the dying friend or relative? We can do as Christ asked his disciples to do: "Watch with me."

Graham concluded by addressing herself to the time of grief. This too, is part of life, and here it helps to be good listener. There is no time limit on grief, each individual has to work through it at his own pace.

Grief is universal and it needs to be acknowledged as part of life.



Following Wilson Cup playoffs at the Salt Spring Golf Club last week, Irene Hawsworth, left, took the

title of club champion while Connie Hardy was runner-up.

Photo by Lois Popkin-Clurman

## GOLF NEWS

BY PAT DOHERTY

Eighteen ladies in the nine-hole section of the Salt Spring Golf Club played on Tuesday as the course was taken up with a B.C. Ferries tournament on Wednesday.

The ladies played a two-ball foursome and the winners were Ann Sober and Bertha Walker, followed closely by runners-up Ruby Webster and Mary Pike, who tied with Joan Tiernan and Marg Fisher.

In the ladies' 18-hole section the finals of the Wilson Cup flights were played off. Irene Hawsworth is club champion, runner-up is Connie Hardy. Julie Godwin won the consolation flight, Barb Maguire the first flight, Jerry Alexander the second and Libby Noble the third. Congratulations to all the girls.

The rest of the field played a two-ball. Doris Beach and Dolly Whorley had low net, runners-up were Kathy Darling and Dorothy Sneddon.

In the men's section play Gordon Alexander and Gordon Thorne turned back the challengers and are still at the top of the pyramid. Malcolm Robertson is low gross in the ringer at 30, while Jordan Smith is still low net at 22.

Nester Wilkie won the Parsons Cup in the 18-hole match play final against Malcolm Robertson. He won it by sinking a 12-foot putt on the 17th. Nester plays to a 22 handicap which should encourage all higher handicap players that the handicap system gives everyone an even chance to be a winner. Nester

won five matches on his way to the big win. Congratulations.

All those players who play their games around the Fickle Fingers are advised that on October 3 the starting tee-off time will change to 8:30 am.

October 15 is the big Harvest Ball Awards Night Dinner and Dance. You are advised to make your reservations early.

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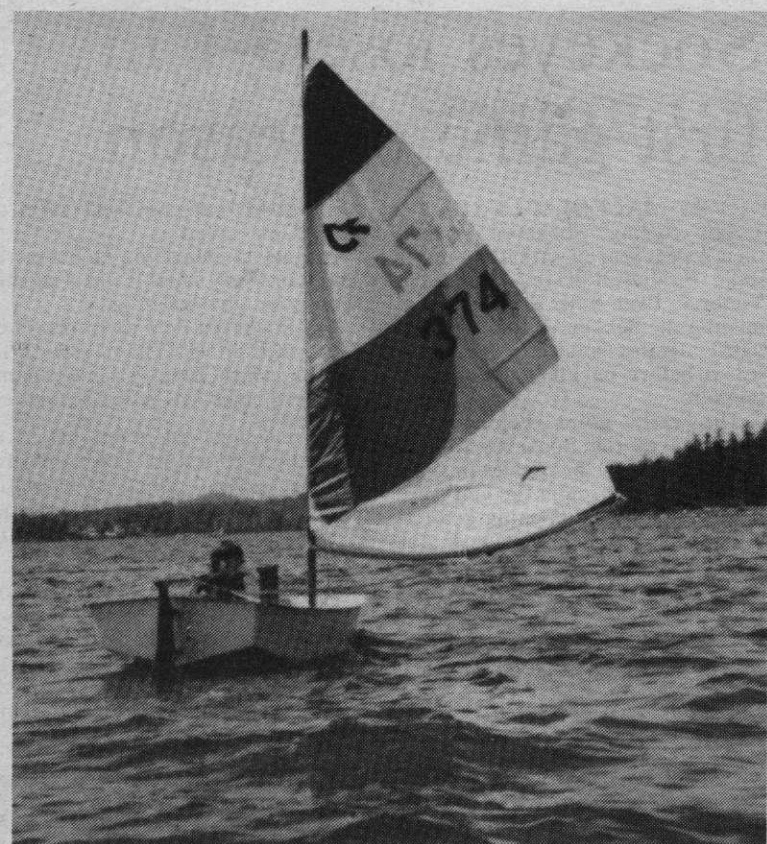
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Kate Gilbert sails sabot in Ganges Harbour

## It was a busy summer for island Sabot Club

The Salt Spring Island Sabot Club had a diverse and busy sailing program during the summer.

Lessons for youngsters were given Wednesday evenings and eight island children were introduced to the basics of sailing.

In late July a family picnic was held on Third Sister Island in Ganges Harbour. Several sabots,

## Strategy league drafts players

About 50 Salt Spring Island hockey fans gathered at the Fullford Inn recently to draft players in the local hockey strategy league.

Fourteen teams chose players in preparation for the beginning of National Hockey League play.

Membership fees of \$200 per team provide prizes to those teams with the most points, both on a monthly basis and at the end of the season. Points are earned through goals and assists scored by NHL players.

A visitor at the meeting was Vancouver Canucks spokesman Babe Pratt, who came over from Duncan where his team was in training camp.

two canoes, two yachts and a fishboat carried picnickers to the island for an afternoon of sunning, swimming and feasting.

A low-profile sabot race for adult men was staged to test their sailing prowess. The contestants, says a club member, were reluctant to make public the results so they have been locked up with the club's confidential files.

Sunday afternoons have seen sailing races in Ganges Harbour, with three to five races being held, depending on available wind, on a triangle course.

The purpose of the races is to strengthen and polish boat-handling skills of the racers.

The Sunday races in the harbour will continue as long as the weather permits.

In the Labour Day Regatta at Maple Bay Salt Spring finished with five of the top six places.

The sailors will be staying ashore one day this fall when the club stages a giant rummage sale. Further details will be announced in this newspaper.

More information on the club can be obtained from Aileen Neish, Jim Sinclair or Frans Beijik.

## DOWN THE GUTTER

# Only one bowler tops 700

BY TERRY JENKINS

One bowler made it over the 700 mark this week. Joe Toutant came in with 791 (151, 329, 301) and was the only bowler to bowl over 300 with his 329 and 301. He thought he only had one 300, but when the secretary checked the sheet a mistake was found and the 271 became 301.

Membership cards are here. Bowlers wishing to become members of the Canadian five-Pin Bowlers Association should ask at the desk. This card gives you 12 free games a year when you open bowl three games for the price of two at any bowling alley that is a member of Bowling Proprietors of Canada. It also makes you eligible to enter bowling tournaments and win award badges for different levels of achievement at the end of the season.

When we have a long lay-off from any sport we tend to forget basics. One of the basics for five-pin bowling is that you must not take your eyes off that centre spot 15 feet down the alley until your ball has passed over it. This gives you an aiming point, making you reach out with your arm then follow through in a straight line to the head-pin.

For any league bowler or person who would like to bowl but hasn't bowled before free coaching is available. There is no charge for bowling while being coached Saturday and Sunday at 7:30 pm.

Please phone for an appointment.

### Y.B.C. NEWS

The 1983/84 youth bowling season is under way and the kids have already bowled some pretty nice games.

Registration has been brisk with the exception of the seniors' league. Come on, you high school kids, bowling is on Wednesdays at three o'clock.

For any bowling information please contact the bowling alley.

High scorers Saturday were:

Jets and Pee Wees: Eric Taylor, 121; Simon Baines, 101; Nathan Helfrich, 89; Brad Smith, 75; Jennifer Neilson, 99; Rita Phillips, 82.

Bantams: Deanna Little, 169; Tammy Sloan, 147; Candice Miller, 134; Clinton Helfrich, 204; Adam Baines, 182; Mark David, 169.

Juniors: Jodie Harrison, 249; Lisa Jorgensen, 234; Shannon Taylor, 220; Sean Severs, 158.

Seniors (Wednesday, Sept. 21):

Robert Messam, 273; Donna Gosnell, 181; Jennifer Lucas, 203.

### GOLDEN-AGE BOWLERS

The high scores for the last week were as follows:

Helen Hopper 634 (268); Flo Kavanagh 609 (215, 213); Bill Harper 602 (225).

Other good games came from: Frank Krekel 244; Bill Vickers 241; Kay Cook 222; Les Giles 219; Ed Allen 218; Ruby Billington 217; Ann Jameski 216; Flora Robinson 212; Stan Wakelyn 209; Geoff Baker 205; Bill Harper 202; Flo Kavanagh 201; and Dave McRoberts 200.

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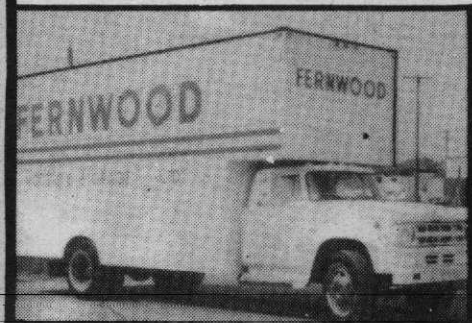
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## Soccer association magazine tells story of island's Mr. Soccer



Malcolm Legg

The contribution of a local man to youth soccer has been recognized by the B.C. Youth Soccer Association in its quarterly publication, *The Whistle*.

Salt Spring Island's "Mr. Soccer," otherwise known as Malcolm Legg, is featured in the fall issue of the magazine.

The story says that soccer has grown by leaps and bounds over recent years, "and no better example can be found than on Salt Spring Island...."

"Malcolm Legg, as the president of the Salt Spring Soccer Association for the past seven years, has worked very hard to formulate a program that would combine competitive ability with fun, and the 250 youths playing in 19 island teams attest to the success of this effort." The writer traced the origins of soccer on the island back to the turn of the century, when teams from Ganges and Fulford competed regularly and also made

trips to Sidney to play Vancouver Island teams.

Legg grew up in Surrey, England, moving to Canada in 1963, when he joined the West Vancouver Blue Devils of the North Shore Soccer Association. In addition to playing soccer, Legg refereed and coached.

When he arrived on Salt Spring in 1974 soccer was on the verge of disappearing, until former island resident Peter Moonen stepped in to run the program. He wanted help, and Legg agreed to assist.

According to *The Whistle*, the partnership "worked wonders" as they restructured the whole program on the island, "creating a better image of the sport and a better product on the field."

After Legg was elected president in 1976, a post he still holds, he became involved in staging the first girls' game between Salt Spring and Saanich, a game that led to the formation of the Victoria and District Girls Soccer Association.

Malcolm Legg, says *The Whistle*, gives the guidance and leadership to ensure the program continues to grow.

"He's added the BCSA soccer schools, pee-wee soccer, adult soccer and a host of other programs and continues to push the sport to even greater heights on the island."

"A certified official, Malcolm loves the game of soccer. He feels the sport is one of the healthiest activities for people of all ages and inexpensive to play. The sport promotes fun as well as competitive spirit and its structure allows youth to develop to whatever level they desire."

*The Whistle* forecasts that as long as Legg's enthusiasm for the game holds out, youth soccer will only grow on Salt Spring Island.

"So far (he) has watched the association grow from 75 players in 1975 to over 275 in 1982, and who knows what lies ahead. That is another challenge he is preparing to meet."

## Sockeyes lose 3-1 in first game of season

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Salt Spring Sockeyes opened their soccer season with a tough 3-1 loss in a well-played match in Victoria. Even with a few starters missing the Sockeyes put up a solid battle against a strong Nanaimo squad before buckling under their pressure.

The early going belonged to Nanaimo as the Sockeyes took a little time to get themselves in gear, and mid-way through the half were rewarded with the opening goal.

The Sockeyes rallied and put pressure on the Nanaimo defence, resulting in two penalty shots. Jan Hull connected on the first, missed the second and had a 1-1 tie at the half.

In the second half Nanaimo came on strong, applying a lot of pressure early in the half, but the Sockeyes held firm. The Sockeyes had only one spare and as the team tired, Nanaimo's chances increased and finally the bubble burst.

Two goals in five minutes sewed up their victory.

This year's team looks to be very competitive and has strength in all positions. Once the girls get used to playing together and get their team

work down pat they will form a formidable squad.

In goal is Denise de la Franiere who looks very capable of giving the team good goal-keeping.

The Sockeyes' defence looks solid with Marianne Allan, Suzanne Terrick, Maria Betts, Trish Graham and newcomer Michelle Laviolette.

In mid-field the team has Jan Hull, Beth Straarup, Teresa Byron and Becky Legg. Plenty of strength and experience here should give the Sockeyes the ability to build an intelligent attack.

Up front the team has plenty of speed as well as smart players. Brenda Akerman and Vicki Byron will combine with newcomers Sandi Franks and Joey Moger to create an explosive offence that should get its fair share of goals.

## Selects thump Cordova

BY MALCOLM LEGG

The Salt Spring Selects' return to action was right where they left off last season, with a convincing 6-0 thumping of Cordova Bay in Victoria.

Two goals from Mark Nordine, two from B. J. Severs and singles from Izak Ondre and Corbin Scott displayed the Selects' offensive fireworks as Cordova Bay were never in the match.

The Selects' magic started early as

Nordine roared down the right wing and notched goal number one after only five minutes. Two minutes later Severs made it 2-0 and the rout was on.

The prettiest goal of the game came in the second half when Rob Wanless and Ondre tic-tac-toed the ball through the mid-field before sending Severs in on a break-away. B. J. finished the play off with a well-placed drive into the far side of goal, giving the Selects a 4-0 cushion.

It was not a classic and certainly the Selects were nowhere near playing their best soccer, but it was a nice way to start off in the hunt for the 5C title.

In goal is Mark Nordine, "Mr. Zero", as the team knows him, with back-ups Corbin Scott and Darcey Kirkpatrick, who give the Selects some solid net-minding.

In defence the team has Chad Little and Tony Marshall as the two anchors in the middle and Mike Tranter and Rod Shoolbraid on the outsides. Kurt Sadler and Huey Lam will back up these players, giving the Selects a very stingy defence.

Mid-field is always a key and the Selects have the players to make their mid-field work in Izak Ondre, Ben Berry, Barry Bompas, Colin Walde and Justin Scott. This year we hope to see a lot of goals from the mid-field and with Izak notching one in the first match, this fivesome will have to be watched.

Up front the Selects are fearsome with the likes of Rob Wanless, Graham Wight, Corbin Scott, Darcey Kirkpatrick, B.J. Severs and Chad Page. This group should tear apart opponents' defences and score plenty of goals this year.

## Tourney next weekend

The Salt Spring slowpitch league playoffs will take place October 8 and 9 regardless of weather conditions.

Organizers of the tournament, to vie for the Roy Lee Memorial trophy, told *Driftwood* that the schedule of games will be made public next week and that eight or nine teams will be involved.

The tournament had been set to go in early September but was washed out by rain. Organizers deny that the problem sprung from the concern of teams who had to face the revitalized Jellyfish.

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Girls: T.B.A.

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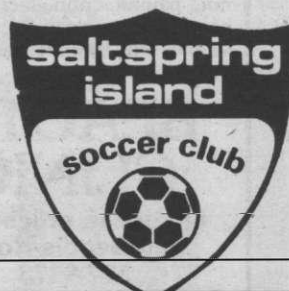
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