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## One more weekend till tourney

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With one more weekend to go until the intra-island tourney, Salt Spring Island Youth Soccer Association teams are battling it out for top positions. Anthony Marks

of the Sharks shows good form in game against the Lazars. Intercepting the ball is Michael Becklake of the Lazars. Other

players, from left, are Chad Ulansky, Lazars, Chris Laing, Lazars, and Kamel Morris, Sharks. Lazars won the game 1-0. Both

teams are in the senior division and their final league games will be played Saturday at 10 am at Portlock Park.

## Island Futures meeting opts for economic development corporation at Salt Spring

Another step on the road to economic development on Salt Spring was taken last Saturday as a follow-up to the recent Island Futures conference.

The steering committee which had been formed at the conference submitted its report to a meeting in Mahon Hall which decided to begin the creation of a community economic development corporation.

Islands Futures had been organized by the Community Society and the continuing education department of the Gulf Islands School District.

The conference featured speakers who explained how to go about setting up small businesses for the benefit of the community. A decision to look into the possibilities for Salt Spring had been made at the conference and a steering committee was formed to check things out.

The meeting held Saturday came out of the continuing effort to

the steering committee. He said the idea was not to create make-work projects but to encourage long-term business opportunities which would create employment for islanders.

The businesses would be "human in scale", economically and ecologically sound and profitable.

"I don't want to see any smoke stacks on this island," he said.

Ray Hill, chairman of the meeting, offered a correction of a misconception. Island Futures, he said, would not create employment directly but would aid in funding businesses which would set up jobs.

Minvielle added that the development corporation would "provide support for those with ideas and who don't know where to go with those ideas."

Hank Schubart suggested that the development corporation should consider retaining the name Island Futures. He said it should be a productive, business oriented

refine the idea and come forward with names of those people who might be interested in serving on the board of directors of the corporation.

The committee was instructed to look for people with diverse

expertise which would help address the needs of the corporation.

The new committee consists of Minvielle, Marg Simons, Dale Codd, Macie Pring and Mike Reynolds.

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## Meeting attempts to bar press

A move to bar the press was the first order of business when the Sewer Alternatives Committee met Underwood McLellan engineer Steve McMinn last week.

The meeting had been authorized by the Ganges Citizens' Committee to allow the SAC to question McMinn about his report on sewage disposal options, or lack of them, for Ganges.

When the meeting opened early Thursday afternoon, Ray Hill presented a motion to bar a

the Ganges Citizens' Committee had been formed last spring, the group agreed that all meetings would be open to the public.

He was also reminded that when the meeting between the SAC and McMinn had been okayed by the Citizens' Committee in emergency session last Tuesday, the SAC had agreed to meet as a sub-committee of the Citizens' Committee.

Andy Orkin affirmed that the meeting was indeed a sub-committee session of the Citizens'

found some place else to meet.

Hill subsequently withdrew his motion.

Valcourt introduced a motion calling on a member of the SAC to write a story about the meeting with the engineer. She criticized Driftwood's coverage of the Citizens' Committee deliberations.

Chalmers said a story could be written by a member of the SAC but publication would be at the discretion of the newspaper.

When the formal portion of the meeting began, observers included members of the Ganges Citizens' Committee, the public and the Driftwood reporter.

meeting happened on the island. At least 50 people showed up to see what was going on.

Paul Minvielle spoke on behalf of

other such entities on the island.

When the people at the meeting agreed to continue research on the idea, a committee was formed to

meeting. The motion was seconded by Yvette Valcourt.

Meeting chairman Arvid Chalmers was reminded that when

anyone who wanted to attend. He indicated that if the SAC had realized the implications of being a sub-committee they would have



## Sewer recommendations delayed

Members of the Ganges Citizens' Committee were kept busy last week with an emergency meeting, a sub-committee meeting and a regular meeting.

The emergency meeting was held Tuesday and was called for by the Sewer Alternatives Committee.

The SAC wanted to meet with and question Steve McMinn, engineer with Underwood McLellan, about his report on the sewage disposal options available to Ganges.

The SAC also wanted the eight motions which the Citizens' Committee had approved the week before, and which called on the Capital Region to resume action on the sewer project, to be tabled until later in the month.

The meeting with McMinn was approved by the Citizens' Committee and was held Thursday.

The Citizens' Committee agreed to delay presentation of the eight motions to the CRD until March 21 to allow them to be placed on the regular agenda for the March 28 meeting of the board.

If the motions had gone to the CRD last week, they would have been part of the supplementary agenda and as such would have come up for consideration late in the meeting of directors last Wednesday.

Andy Orkin, in urging the tabling of the motion, said that the SAC was concerned that the terms of reference of the sewage disposal study had not been met.

He referred to the second paragraph of the terms of reference which stated that the study should "identify all practical alternative solutions for the disposal of waste water in these critical areas of Ganges...." The paragraph went on to outline various alternatives such

as on-site disposal, cluster system disposal and others.

When the SAC had the opportunity to question McMinn at the Thursday meeting, he repeated the conclusions of his report that land disposal of sewage in or near Ganges was not feasible.

His basic message to the questions was that any system of disposal could be engineered but that alternatives to the proposed sewer system and ocean outfall for Ganges would be expensive.

He said that as the survey of the village had proceeded and the situation became clearer, he eliminated many of the possible options. His judgment had been based on the lack of available land, costs involved or common sense.

When the meeting between McMinn and the SAC concluded, a regular meeting of the Citizens' Committee began.

McMinn told the committee that a marine study of the outfall point could be carried out for a cost of \$7,204.35 by Dobrocky Seatech.

Paul Greisman, an oceanographer for that firm, had suggested that a dye-test through the pipe would be of importance. The test would permit a study of the initial dilution at the outfall point. The information would be invaluable, said McMinn.

The end of the outfall is capped with a series of diffusers. The diffusers are five metres apart and the end of the pipe rests in 20 metres (60 feet) of water at low tide.

Greisman was unable to attend the meeting but he sent a letter explaining his proposal to the committee. In the letter he noted: "In order to assure a worst case scenario, the study would be performed during a fresh southeasterly breeze when surface

tidal currents would be of insufficient strength to counter the effect of wind-driven currents."

He noted that the tidal currents should be only three percent of the wind speed.

The committee discussed the proposed study and instructed McMinn to check with the Waste Management Branch to determine if the proposal met the requirements of the discharge permit.

When the permit was issued, certain studies of the outfall point and water of the harbour had been part of the requirements.

McMinn said that under the right circumstances, southeast wind and ebb tide, the study could be finished and the results analyzed within a week.

## Bigger disappointments

When the Ganges Citizens' Committee met last week to discuss delaying recommendations to the Capital Region, the word disappointment came up.

Many people were disappointed that land disposal was not possible in Ganges.

Andy Orkin, in defending the position of the Sewer Alternatives Committee in urging the delay, noted: "I've lived with disappointment far bigger than a small quantity of effluent going into an irrelevant harbour in a backwater of the world."

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## Charges may be linked to water use

The cost of being part of the sewer system in Ganges for residential properties has been estimated at \$298 per year by the finance committee of the Ganges Citizens' Committee.

The finance committee programmed a computer to deal with variables involved in creating a financial formula to pay for the system. They introduced water consumption as part of the formula.

The residential section of the village accounts for 5.2 million gallons of water each year. That represents 28.3 percent of the total amount of water used in the village.

When the percentage figure was applied to the estimated yearly sewer system cost of \$175,000, individual residences would face a yearly bill of \$298 as a share of the costs.

The hospital and rest homes, with about 100 beds involved, consume

3.3 million gallons per year, or 18 percent of the consumption. The cost to those institutions would be \$315 per year per unit or \$31,500 per year.

The Ganges schools complex, including Mahon Hall and the school board office, accounts for 2.5 million gallons which represents 13.8 percent of total consumption. The cost would be approximately \$572 per classroom.

For the business section, the calculations became more complicated. The finance committee noted that "the business sector includes very large and very small water users and straight averaging would prove unfair."

The commercial section of Ganges goes through 7.3 million gallons of water each year. Based solely on water use, each business would face a charge of \$727 per year.

The finance committee will look at a combination of water use and floor area of the business as a way to equalize the charges.

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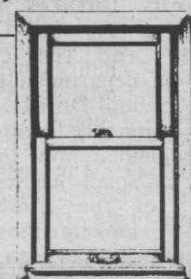


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### The chores of government

She was once a civil servant, she told me. The duties were onerous and eventually she left the employ of the provincial government. Her duties were in connection with the correspondence courses offered by the province. Each student mailed in his work and was sent out further assignments. It was her responsibility to remove stamps from envelopes and to despatch subsequent lessons using the same envelope. The stamps had to be removed without damage because there were many collectors on the staff and a damaged stamp was useless to a collector. The responsibility for sealing envelopes she found more arduous. They were sealed by means of a piece of thread and two fibre discs. The thread was wound, clockwise, across the discs, which bridged the chasm of the envelope flap. The thread might not be tied in a counter-clockwise direction. That would not serve. Neither did she for very long.

### He headed the chamber at the time

Gavin Reynolds was in the office at the weekend and I missed him. It is always pleasant to chat with Gavin, who has his fingers on a lot of island pulses even after a few years out in the Merritt area. He was the president of the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce when planning first came to the islands and the Salt Spring Island Planning Association was originally the planning committee of his chamber.

### He'd sue if it were untrue!

A startling statement on television, the other day, left me wondering where history will read the tale of the eighties. The observer explained that a charge must be true because the victim of the allegations had not resorted to the courts.

### That was a lot of beds!

There was another startling revelation in a morning paper the other day, when a columnist explained that Essondale Mental Hospital was constructed to provide 4,557 beds. In a province of about a million people, at that time, this works out to about one person in 200 occupying a bed in a mental hospital. If you assume that at least an equal number of people were suffering some degree of mental illness that did not necessitate hospitalization, you have the fathers of British Columbia anticipating a mental sickness incidence of one case per hundred people. It seems that the picture has improved since those days. But we must bear in mind that in Victoria times there were apparently more people in mental homes than in public office, whereas the reverse is true today.

Or, maybe, the numbers have been slightly exaggerated!

### The picture is unchanged

Once upon a time I went to school. Didn't do me a heck of a lot of good, but I went. In company with my equally small brother, I left the house each morning and returned each evening. Life could be divided into three segments. There was home and there was school and there was that period in between, when we wandered at will by one route or another. One route took us past the residence of a witch. We were sure that she was a witch and many of our youthful friends confirmed it. She was nasty and angry and shouted. The house was a shack, a wooden building covered in roofing material. It might well have started out as a chicken house.

We crept quietly past the house and occasionally we would wait by the fence, in great fear and determination, in the hope that she would appear. The routine was unchanging. She would rush out and before she could give vent to her feelings, we would run as fast as we could move our legs. The memory still lives with us.

### WE SAW A WOMAN

We, as small boys, saw an elderly woman, probably in her 60's. She wore long dresses in a dark-coloured cloth and an apron or pinafore over her skirt. Except for the long, pointed hat, she was a witch right from the past. She saw two small boys looking for trouble and hastened to get them away as quickly as possible. No way were they going to steal the produce from her garden! We never spoke to her. Nor she to us, if we discount the threats of the indignant householder.

That was more than half a century ago when I was very young and my parents were youthful.

I can never go back and explain that we were not intentionally rude and had no plan to steal her produce. Nor can she come to us and explain that she was fearful for her harvest in face of two small potential crop thieves.

It is only after 50 years that I can hark back with a sympathy that was beyond me until I learned compassion. I look back to see us learning fear of a witch of our own making and hatred of an evil woman who, we were sure, would not hesitate to hurt us.

Learning to fear and hate, we were content to live that way.

The lesson is too late.

I can't change what was. And I can't change what is. We feared because we didn't talk. We hated because we feared and hate is the son of fear. And all around me today, I see the same scene being played out over again and again between individuals and factions who do not talk over their differences. The stage has changed and the theatre is different, but the theme of each interplay is just the same as that between me and my witch in the 1920's. Just as empty, pointless, futile and unnecessary.

### It's spring and you can tell!

daffodils sticking out from under the dog. The buds are on some of the apple trees and although we know only too well they'll never produce it's a nice start. But what really clinches it isn't the small slugs crawling around the print shop. It's the squashed fat slugs on the driveway. The grass snakes must be drooling!

## One-way traffic on Kanaka?

Kanaka Road in Ganges must remain open but traffic could be channelled one-way only.

The Gulf Islands School Board has focused again on the problem of Kanaka Road, which bisects the play fields of the Ganges elementary and secondary schools.

Talks with the department of highways over the years have produced the same results. The road will be closed and moved further west when the village bypass is put into place.

But, say highway officials, the bypass is low on its list of priorities.

School trustee Ron McQuiggan told a recent meeting of the school

board that fire chief Bob Leask suggested one-way traffic on the road might add to the safety of children who must cross the road to get to the play field.

The Salt Spring Fire Department chief expressed reservations about closing the road, said McQuiggan. The firefighters want quick access to homes in the neighbourhood.

The school buses use Kanaka Road to reach the bus drop-off point for the school.

McQuiggan had earlier suggested that the road should be closed from Rainbow Road to a point just past the edge of the main play field. Such a closure would permit school bus

access from Church Road and allow residents along Kanaka similar access.

The School Board plans for changes in traffic and parking for the school complex also hinge on the closing of the road.

When the village bypass is eventually completed, the route would cross Rainbow Road at a point near the Hydro office. The route would swing northerly along the edge of the play field. When it is in place, the bypass route would permit the closure of Kanaka.

Until the road is closed, the school trustees can only hope that no child is involved in a traffic accident on the road, said McQuiggan.

## Reservoir and pumping equipment get green light

Total of \$66,463.45 was approved last week by the Capital Regional Board for the refurbishment of the Highland Water District on Salt Spring Island.

Water district was established for the benefit of residents of the Maliview and St. Mary Highlands subdivisions. It acquired the privately owned system and modernized it.

The newest expenditures are to provide the 20,000-gallon steel reservoir and pumping equipment approved by property owners in last November's election.

The 10,000-gallon wood stave reservoir has reached its 10-year life expectancy, the board was told last week, and is in danger of failure.

Contract was awarded to Environmental Installations and Contracting Ltd., in the amount of \$41,353.

### SEVEN FIGURES

Seven tenders were received from five firms. Unsuccessful bids came from Chew Excavating Ltd., \$44,680 (Option A) and \$42,680 (Option B); Jordan's Welding and Fabricating Ltd., \$49,230; Stenco Projects Ltd., \$52,635; Henry

Rempel Construction Ltd., \$65,000 (Option A) and \$60,000 (Option B).

The low bidder offered modifications in the design and construction to reduce the final cost to \$39,953, the board was told.

The lower pump station is old and beyond repair, the board also learned. The tender of Jordan's Welding and Fabricating Ltd., in the amount of \$25,110.45, was accepted.

Other bids were: Chew Excavating Ltd., \$26,583; Malcolm Construction Ltd., \$27,260; Henry Rempel Construction Ltd., \$37,500; Western Grater Contracting Ltd., \$43,724.



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**April 4, 7:30,** Peace Centre: Disarmament meeting.

**April 7:** Centennial Park: kick-off for Peace Petition Caravan canvass on Salt Spring.

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Report published last week about a meeting of the North Pender Island Trust Committee contained an error in connection with a bylaw limiting the height of commercial structures.

The Trust passed a bylaw at the meeting, held March 10, limiting the height of commercial buildings to 27 feet, and not 23 feet as reported.

The story also said Browning Harbour Resort is planning the construction of 53 new units. In fact, the resort is not planning the construction at all.

What owner Lou Henshaw told the meeting was that under existing zoning the resort was allowed 53 units.

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## Where is B.C. going?

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Is British Columbia a better place to live or to work or to stay as a result of the steadily worsening battle between government and labour?

Where are we going?

These questions are becoming significant to all British Columbians as they look for some assurance that the very harsh approach of the government towards their own and other workers is destined to bring benefits to all, workers and watchers, alike.

Parallel to these concerns there is a fear among many in the province that neither the government nor its opponents fully understand the present-day position of the province or the threats for the future.

Politics and economics in practice tend to be stop-gaps and compromises to meet the pressures of the moment with little thought to the effects in the future. We accept these expediencies with little thought to what might come next.

The economy offers us little assurance that it will bounce back to where it was five years ago. The government offers little hope that the seething labour market will settle back to the compromise of the past. The world offers no promise of vast new markets for our products at our price, or, indeed, at any price.

Are we going to wake up to another bright, new, prosperous day?

Not without some input to bring that day into being.

It is time that the iron and the resentment were withdrawn from the provincial scene. It is time for discussion and open debate.

The ordinary public has no great sympathy for labour practices apparently keyed to the aspirations of the beneficiary with little regard for the public weal. The ordinary public has scant sympathy for government measures. And the ordinary public has little sympathy with government measures which exacerbate the situation, whether or not that is the intention behind them.

Last year we saw and many of us suffered from the militant Solidarity, but there are few British Columbians outside the labour movement who see it as anything but disruptive.

There are few in this province who are confident that the forests will recover and once again reach the prosperity they knew.

The time has come for earnest, honest, face-to-face exchange between government, labour and industry, in good faith and free of the empty, artificial catchwords of political dispute.

The present path of British Columbia is running steadily downhill and it is high time we applied the brakes—all of us—in every phase of activity in the province—now.

## Butts out

Sir Walter Raleigh was a jolly little smoker. He introduced the North American weed, tobacco, to the world. For something like 300 years he was commended for his wonderful discovery. Getting into the 400th year of his innocence, he is being roundly condemned for it.

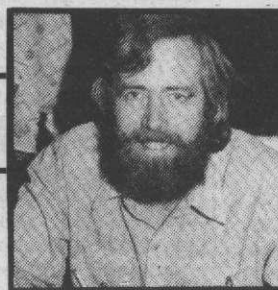
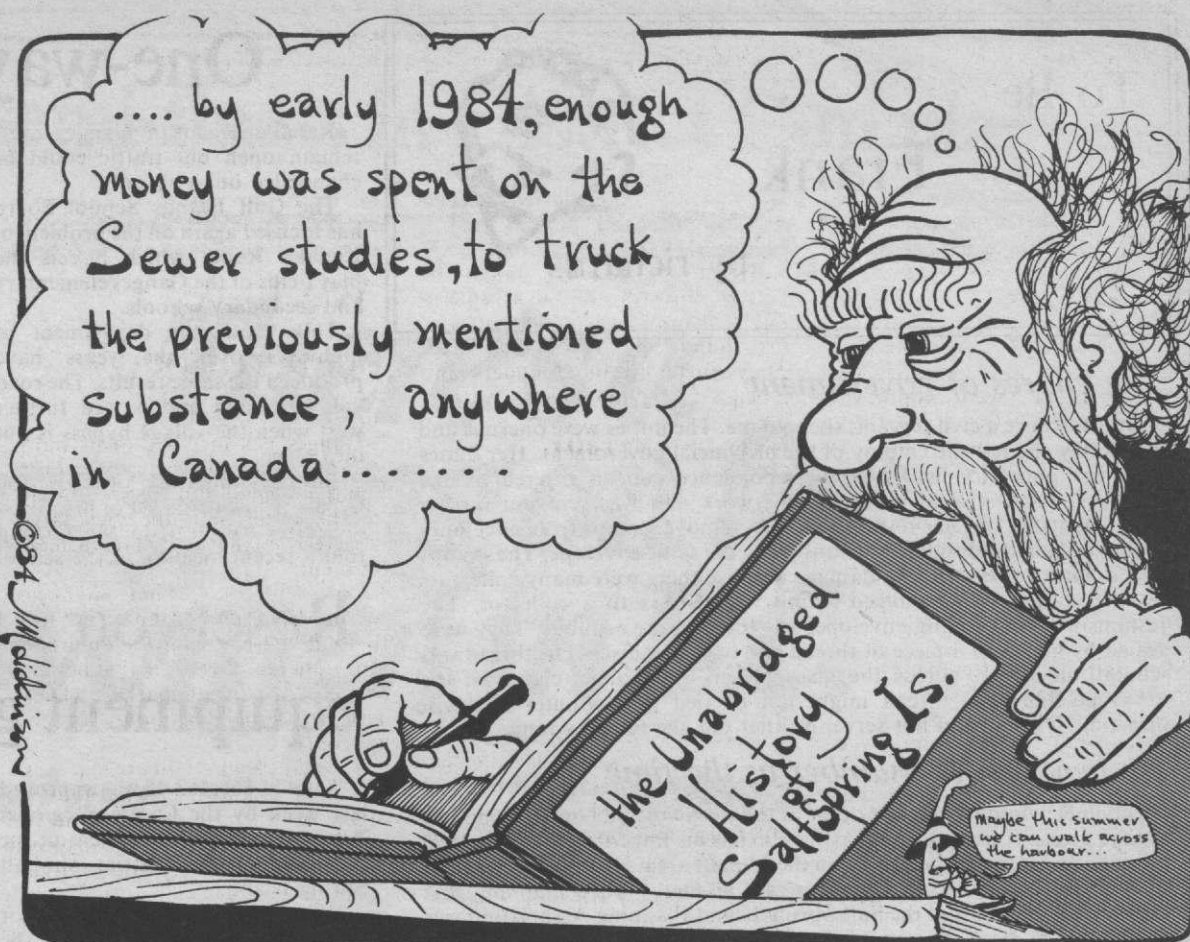
Perhaps it has been the revelation that smoking is just as harmful to those around the smoker that has brought a more militant approach to cigarettes and cigars and pipes. Second-hand smoke is breathed by those who would shudder to light up a fag. Medical research tells us that it is more offensive to the non-smoker than to the originator.

It has always been the privilege of the bystander to choke and cough and wheeze in rhythm to the smoker's coughing and choking and wheezing. Today, there are medical authorities, and others, who have paused to ask whether it is fair that the non-smoker suffer the same health hazards as the addict.

For several weeks the Capital Regional Board has been inviting public input to a smoking bylaw in the region requiring the allocation of areas in public buildings for the use of those who do not indulge. The bylaw refers to smoking in every type of public

There has been a limited public input into the bylaw and Salt Spring Island director Dr. Hugh Borsman last week predicted that the bylaw will be adopted in a matter of weeks.

Better put that lighted cigarette out.



## Tony Richards

**OUR CIRCULATION SYSTEM** normally functions quite well under the able direction of office and circulation manager Catherine McFadyen. But on December 30, 1983 Catherine was away on holiday and someone else took the call from a subscriber in St. Catharines, Ont.

He called to renew his subscription and did so with Mastercard.

On his subsequent statement, we learned later, he was billed twice for the subscription renewal. So his wife wrote us a letter to point out the mistake.

He phoned recently to express his alarm over what the day's mail had brought: a postcard advising that according to our records, his subscription was overdue.

Meanwhile, we haven't yet received his wife's letter, mailed more than one month ago.

**EVER HAD** a car accident, minor or otherwise?

If so, you'll know that a handful of passersby will become aware of your misfortune but within a few days it becomes history.

On the following Wednesday, however, you are forced to relive the embarrassment and humiliation when the story is retold for all to see in the local newspaper.

So you roundly curse the local newspaper for its nosy interference in your private affairs.

But it's a little different when the driver responsible for an accident works for the newspaper (February 29, Page 2).

All I could do was curse my own incompetence behind the wheel.

**THERE'S NO BUSINESS** like sports, and in case you didn't know, sports is business.

The University of Victoria Vikings, who won their fifth consecutive basketball championship Saturday, were not in Halifax for "fun and games".

In quotes are the words of the coach, who also said "this is business", describing the championship tournament.

If it is business, then all those well-worn clichés that make up a sports writer's vocabulary should be replaced with the terminology usually found in the financial section.

The result would be something like this:

Victoria Vikings out-manoeuvred their competition, Lethbridge Pronghorns, in a transaction at Halifax Thursday. When the Vikings closed the deal, they recorded earnings of 74 points, compared to the Pronghorns' 48.

Lethbridge was the shareholders' favourite but

quarters of the current fiscal year have been high. Income statement for the year's operations, expected to be out next week, should reveal a profit far in excess of that previously envisioned.

A Victoria vice-president, whose efforts earned him a bonus, said after the deal was finalized Thursday that the Lethbridge company had increased its leverage to the point where it could be in serious trouble.

"But we wanted them (bankrupt) real bad."

**WORLD TRAVELLER**, part-time Salt Spring resident and one-time Players president Ernie Rubright returned from Florida recently to catch spring and summer on the island.

Shortly after returning, he undertook what I would consider an enviable task—catching up on local news.

He spent two days reading back issues of *Driftwood*.

**EITHER A BRITISH COLUMBIA** postcard-making company is behind the times or postcard sales at a Campbell River store are awfully slow.

A friend picked up a postcard in the Vancouver Island town because one of the three scenes shown had a familiar look. It showed Ganges Harbour in a photo taken many years ago.

There's no hospital in the photo so it's at least 26 years old.



The Victoria company has been showing a healthy profit for the past four years, leaving competitors far behind. Earnings for the first three



## Worst solution

Sir,  
It is sad that the Citizens' Committee, after such lengthy debate, decided to approve the worst solution to the sewer problem and the CRD director, who sees an urgency which many of us do not share, urges quick action. The H.A. Simons report of 1979 provides, I think, the best answer to those who want an outfall in Ganges Harbour and a treatment plant in the very centre of the village. In all my travels I have never seen a treatment plant which can only be esthetically offensive and possibly dangerous in case of malfunction, thrust into the very heart of a commercial community—and on such a lovely island as Salt Spring.

I sit writing this letter in my house on Long Harbour, where the Douglas fir and arbutus trees screen my property from the water, ducks sail back and forth or move in stately rank with their families. Across is Nose Point with its trees and mossy rocks; in the waters are shellfish and fin fish; white gulls sail across the sky, and yonder sit a legion of black cormorants who get their food from the clean waters.

How long will the waters be clean if the sewer is built and all the muck of a sophisticated society—partly mashed and composited—will be floating past my premises, if the Simons report of 1979 is accurate because there isn't enough tidal action in the harbour to prevent it? Says the report: "The predominant harbour current is a clock-wise eddy at the harbour mouth. The outfall will discharge effluent into the eddy to ride around and around until the wind drives it onto the shores of Prevost, Welbury or Scott Points, Beaver Point or the inner harbour, Beddis and Churchill shorelines, depending upon wind direction". The winds can be ferocious in Long Harbour, tossing garbage from my deck into the sea as if they were match sticks. "C.R.D. studies contain no evidence that contaminated waters will escape the eddy."

What a pretty sight it will be for the yachtsmen and ferry passengers when the wind drives muck around our waters right up to the shores! How long will Salt Spring Island be able to sustain its present reputation as a place of beauty? How many people dwelling along the sea will want to live there, knowing their property's value is being eroded? Will the Vancouver Yacht Club with its heavy investment stand still for such a probable debasement of the waters?

Many will try to sell out before it is too late. Even the yachtsmen may stop coming when they have to ply their luxurious craft through the muck on the waters.

And what about the treatment plant? It will be hidden by a fence but the smell, when something goes wrong, will pervade the village. The very thought of its being in the village is offensive.

What's the answer to these problems? Many committees have studied it, and none have as yet come up with a solution satisfactory to us in terms of the amenities and the marine environment we want to save.

The last engineering report gave various options. One of them is to do nothing. If land disposal is impossible, isn't this the best way out? Ganges is not the beautiful village it was 25 years ago, when the ferries landed on what is now Mouat's Mall, and people came to enjoy the place for an afternoon, returning home on the late ferry. While the village isn't half as

Before any action is taken the C.R.D. director should arrange a public hearing where the issues as they stand today can be discussed. They affect all the islanders and precipitate action may create a backlash.

**ANTHONY NETBOY,**  
Ganges.  
March 17, 1984.

## Prisoner released

Sir,  
It was a long time in coming but the day of victory has at last arrived! The following message was received on Salt Spring yesterday: "We may all rejoice. We have confronted the oppressor and overcome! Massera was released from prison March 3, 1984."

Many of your readers have supported the Uruguayan mathematics professor Jose Luis Massera in both thought and deed and they will surely join with members of Amnesty International in celebrating this event. Massera is now 68 years of age.

He has spent the last eight years of his life in Libertad prison in Uruguay, first in deplorable conditions and later, under focus of international attention, in conditions which at least allowed his physical survival.

He was a prisoner of conscience who, like thousands of other prisoners of conscience around the world, was imprisoned unjustly for his political views. His sentence began with torture that left him crippled. His case was exceptional in that it wasn't only Amnesty International members who were working on his behalf.

Bulletins on the campaign for his release were finally circulated in approximately 50,000 copies. The last plea was sent to the UN Human Rights Commission in Geneva this February, signed by 51 Nobel Laureates and supported by hundreds of letters from around the world. (This same UN Commission had condemned Uruguay for Massera's unjustified imprisonment several years ago.)

More important than the involvement of so many of society's leaders in this campaign was the fact that its success can be traced back mainly to the work of two men. These two men, (mathematicians themselves), enlisted the support of the leaders along with the support of the other 50,000. And every indication was that they would have added another 50,000 to it had the campaign continued.

Working alongside Amnesty International, this campaign became a very powerful force. We may now look forward to the first word from Professor Massera!

**SHEILA REID,**  
Box 689, Ganges.  
March 14, 1984.

## Who is listening?

Sir,  
Who's listening? When people express concern for aging trees to be cut down, who's listening?

When people express concern for education, for the poor, for the

## 'We have been robbed'

Sir,  
Ganges has lost one of its most valuable natural assets. One hundred-year-old fir trees, formerly on the waterfront, the only large evergreens in the heart of town, have been cut.

The developers, Tom Toynbee, Norm Mouat and group do not feel that native trees belong in an urban atmosphere. "Trees like that belong in our provincial parks". (Dick Toynbee). Only deciduous trees are appropriate.

Trustee Nick Gilbert, a key person in this loss, believes that in order for the bulk of the island to remain rural, Ganges has to be "sacrificed", and "compromises" must be made. Native trees are troublesome and don't belong.

Members of the advisory design panel share those views, that buildings are primary and "landscaping" must suit buildings, not buildings designed to complement existing features.

No technical, horticultural, legal, etc. problem existed that was not easily solved by clear thinking creative human beings. There was no reason, of the many suggested by proponents of the slaughter, that the

trees had to come down. The trees could have outlived any building that they put there and could have been enhanced by an interesting complementary landscaping. All but one of the trees was on highways department land—that means they belonged to you and me. We have been robbed.

Most islanders like the Pacific coast landscape and would like to preserve at least some of it. But very few people were inspired enough to actually help save these trees. The local press did not see the issue to be important enough to properly investigate and inform. The developers did a good job of politics and timing. Only one of our elected representatives did anything but support the destruction or remain silent. The highways and Trust bureaucrats just went with the flow.

We have been robbed and every one of us is guilty. Plans are for Ganges to be totally urbanized. According to the presently prevailing philosophy all the trees will come down, streams and rock formations levelled, waterfronts filled, etc. I'm all for landscape changes, fine structures, new plantings, etc.—that's how I make my living. But some things are worth saving. In Ganges precious little is left that's worth preserving—so let's preserve it.

If you're interested in helping this effort when needed drop a note to

the Landscape Preservation Group, c/o Box 1218, Ganges.

We should also insist that the Islands Trust do its job and follow its official goals. We need to support strong candidates for this purpose and have our precious assets firmly protected in our community plan.

**WALTER DAVIS,**  
Landscaper,  
R.R. 3 Ganges.  
March 18, 1984.

## Minding others' business

Sir,  
Recently in a private conversation with Mr. Tom Toynbee I expressed my opinion opposing the removal of the fir trees in Ganges.

Thinking about it afterwards I realized how wrong I had been. I do not own the property or the trees and also do not contribute to the taxes so I should have nothing to say about the property.

One of the problems on Salt Spring Island today is that too many people are minding other people's business when they should be minding their own.

My apologies to Mr. Tom Toynbee and I thank him for being polite which is probably more than I would have been in a reverse situation.

**J. BENNETT,**  
Dukes Road.  
March 19, 1984.

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**Bill Webster**

## Farewell to a memorable character

And so Canada won't have Pierre to kick it around much longer.

The legendary finger steps aside to allow the comic books of history to write of what has been.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau will, undoubtedly, reside near the top of the list of memorable characters of this land. He brought promise to Canadian politics and left with so much of that promise unfulfilled.

Which is a pity. "Watch me," he told a reporter when asked how far he would go with the War Measures Act. And to this day, the debate continues whether there was a real, or an imagined, threat to Canada.

He presided over unprecedented growth and prosperity for Canada but is leaving us with an unprecedented national debt.

He promised reform and change but allowed the pork barrel to become the way of life in the nation's capital.

Contradiction piles upon contradiction.

Just when someone states boldly the definitive definition of PET, he changes.

Will the country be the same? Not likely.

We are losing something special in the Canadian psyche. PET of the one-finger salute

world capital which would welcome and listen to him.

Who was he, this son of both founding factions of Canada?

He showed us the face which he wanted us to see. But occasionally, he allowed another face to show through. The observer was left with the disappointed feeling that perhaps the hidden face might have been more beneficial to the country.

Back then, in 1968, when change seemed to be becoming a way of life, PET reached out and took the Liberal Party away from itself.

Here was the man who had, so few years previous, scorned the Liberals as a bunch of hacks. But when he wanted to chase power, he went after it through that same party.

And once he had the power, the people flocked to follow him. He held out the promise of better things to come. And the people accepted the promise.

As the years passed, and the promise was not fulfilled, the people began to turn against him.

Even now, as the legend prepares to leave centre stage, one is left with the nagging doubt that the promise might have been only illusion in the minds of Canadians who were tired of the

Joe Clark, the country has followed him. Willingly, unwillingly, wise or otherwise, Canada began to march to the rhythm of the Gallic shrug.

About the only thing which is certain at the moment is that the moment is too close to the man to allow rational judgment.

Mayhaps, someday soon we'll be able to measure his accomplishments for what they are and not for what we wanted them to be.

But that seems to be the key. PET would stir the pot and then stand back to allow the country to find its own level.

If so, we didn't see it and he didn't tell us.

Who knows? Perhaps history will give us a clue.

And the Liberal Party is going to miss him even more so than the country.

Chasing his throne are a group of less than inspiring individuals. The popularity polls nevertheless will close the gap now that the One-Finger is gone.

The next leader of the Libs will be sacrificial lamb on the altar of Canada's wrath. He will have to face and answer for so many things which hang about the government's neck from recent years and events.

The voters of Canada rejected

**D. MAGNUSSON,**  
Box 1386, Ganges.  
March 1984.

But he could also chase a dream of a peaceful world to any

For 16 years, except for the momentary aberration known as

the last we'll see of him is the Canadian salute.



## Meeting

Sir,

The executive and resource people of the Ganges Property Owners and Tenants Association will hold a meeting in the Elementary School Library on March 27, at 7 pm.

This meeting is to relay the information gathered at the Ganges Citizens' Committee which is dealing with the sewerage of Ganges. All people owning or renting in the proposed sewer area are welcome.

Please check coming events for further information.

**MIKE HAYES,**  
President.  
March 1984.

## Women's uniforms better quality

Sir,

Memo to Frank re uniforms. You are definitely correct in your statement regarding uniform colour shades, but did you know, as with all the finer things in life, women's uniforms were of much better quality? A.E. material?

Could the gentleman in question be thinking of the Royal Flying Corps???

**SHIRLEE PATON STROM,**  
W-111-705, C.W.A.C.,  
Page Drive,  
Galiano Island.  
March 9, 1984.

## Deeply moved

Sir,

Those of us from Galiano Island who attended the demonstration against the testing of the Cruise Missile on March 6 at Cold Lake, Alberta, were deeply moved by the event.

Upon arrival, we were greeted by the ominous droning overhead of the B-52 bomber testing yet another way to annihilate the planet. As the roar of the engines subsided we joined with a circle of people who stood hand in hand in the driving snow. The quiet peace and strength of the circle was infinitely more powerful than the threat of destruction that drew us together.

The 1.5 million acre base at Cold Lake is the site of numerous military manoeuvres which daily remind the surrounding community of the escalating preparations for war. Such preparation is supported by people who believe there is deterrence through strength (strength, meaning more weapons of destruction) an argument the local group of peace supporters who oppose the Cruise testing find difficult to understand and hard to justify.

However, despite their small numbers, they remain committed in the face of great odds. We were honoured to stand with them those few hours and we continue to stand with them in our hearts.

Each day people are reminded of our predicament. Facts and figures show all too clearly the path on which we find ourselves. The knowledge we have of what nuclear war could mean to ourselves and our children need not diminish our desire to work towards universal peace.

Our strength lies in our commitment to what we know in

grow.  
**CONNIE KENNEDY,**  
for Galiano Peace Group.  
March 12, 1984.

# More Letters to the Editor

## Big Brothers needed

Sir,

Ever thought about Big Brothers? My children, two boys, need a Big Brother—how about yours?

There are many boys on this island who are from father-absent homes. Life with mother is just great but sometimes a male companion to help solve problems, share in the joys of growing up, to talk to and to give advice, is needed in these young boys' lives.

A Little Brother is a boy who has no father at home or consistent male image outside the home.

A Big Brother is a man over the age of 21, married, single or divorced, maybe with children of his own. He volunteers some of his time to be with a fatherless boy—time that could dramatically affect the young boy's life.

Big and Little Brothers are carefully interviewed and suitably matched together—taking similar interests and activities into account.

The Big Brother is expected to see his Little Brother on a one to one basis, once a week for an average of three to four hours. At least one year's commitment is made to the Little Brother. The Big Brothers' organization is a preventive social service which receives its primary funding from the United Way.

A meeting has been planned on Wednesday, Mar. 28 from 7-9 pm at the Community Centre with Greg Saunders, Executive Director of Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Victoria (Capital Region).

Please come if you would like a Big Brother for your son, or if you are interested in becoming a Big Brother, or if you would like more information. Think about it, you would be giving yourself and some great little boys a wonderful gift. (If you have any questions please contact the Community Centre at 537-9212).

**ANNE ANSELL,**  
Ganges.  
March 1984.

## His teacher for five years

Sir,

Your March 14 issue was down to only four letters to the Editor. That must be close to an all-time low.

However, one of those letters asked for any information on an "Elfreda Morman, a schoolteacher, believed to have married and moved to Salt Spring Island."

Miss Morman was my teacher for five years. For five grades, that is, not five years in one grade! Four of those were in one classroom, in the old Ganges School, on Duke Road.

I shall be sending your writer a photograph of Miss Morman, with our class of 45 years ago.

I don't know if she ever married, as your writer believed, although I recall at least one bachelor who spruced himself up periodically so that she would notice him.

If anyone knows if Miss Morman is still living, and if so, her address,

**ROBERT W. RUSH,**  
3150 W. 26th Ave.,  
Vancouver.  
March 17, 1984.

## Damn the torpedoes

Sir,

"The decision of the Ganges Citizens' Committee to proceed with the Ganges Harbour sewer for Ganges came as a result of no other options." (*Driftwood*, March 14, Regional Directors' Report).

The Ganges Citizens' Committee has indeed voted to go for the Ganges Harbour Sewer. We beg to differ that it knows whether there were other options.

A year ago, the Ganges Citizens' Committee was formed by the CRD and the Provincial Government, to look for alternatives to the original, expensive, and very unpopular Ganges Harbour sewer. At the time it was recognized that without some form of community consensus, implementation of any solution would be difficult, if not impossible.

The Citizens' Committee set itself terms of reference. It hired Mr. Steve McMinn, a waste management engineer, to seek "information on all viable alternatives" and then to present a "comparative evaluation of all options."

Mr. McMinn recently presented a report to the Committee. Hugh Borsman, a recent arrival at the Committee's table, claims the decision to go for the Harbour Sewer was based on this report.

Last Thursday, Sewer Alternatives Committee (SSAC) members questioned Mr. McMinn in the presence of other members of the Citizens' Committee. He clearly stated the following:

1. That the report was a "status" (interim) report.

2. That his report stated that, in his opinion, any single solution for Ganges "would be other than land disposal, and would be an ocean discharge."

3. That nothing in his report could be construed as saying that the Ganges Harbour outfall was the only, recommended, option.

4. That nothing in his report could be construed as saying that the proposed treatment plant was the only, recommended, option; and most importantly,

5. That he had not had the opportunity to present the necessary information for a full evaluation of all viable options.

It is interesting to note that the Citizens' Committee has abandoned its own terms of reference before it has even spent half the money it was given to undertake a study of alternatives.

We are not delighted at this turn of events. We endorsed and participated actively in the work of the Citizens' Committee, but again watch ground rules being changed halfway.

Hugh Borsman says that he, and the people he talks to, are tired of this sewer business, and will now use the pro-sewer majority of votes on the committee. So much for community harmony.

We are tired too. But after ten years we were still pleased to work hard, and wanted the Citizens' Committee to finish the job it had set itself: making a decision based, at long last, on full information. We certainly recognize that the outfall already in the water is a most expedient option. We feel that our

mandate was to seek a viable, learned that land disposal is not a likely option within two miles of Ganges. It has also heard that in the engineer's opinion, islanders would

not be willing to attempt any innovative and highly water-conserving alternative solution. But it has learned little else.

Those of us on the Citizens' Committee, will remain there to ensure as best we can environmental safeguards and monitoring. In addition, we intend to ensure that the entire process is scrupulously legal.

We agree with the engineer's statement that he liked the committee's "cautious pace" and his recommendation that we return to it.

Sadly, a return to a cautious approach that could end in community unity now seems unlikely: Damn the torpedoes and full speed ahead on the original proposal.

And the thought this time is to tax the whole island for it.

**NOEL FOWLES, RAY HILL, ANDY ORKIN, PETER PENTZ, GAIL SECOR, PAT TIERNAN, ARVID CHALMERS.**

Ganges.  
March 18, 1984.

## Changes noted at Galiano

Sir,

I note the Capital Regional District is trying to close a new restaurant on Galiano. They should get their act together. I was in that new restaurant the other day and noted a business license to operate. As usual, one hand of bureaucracy doesn't know what the other hand is doing. Incidentally, I had a very nice lunch in that new restaurant.

I also noted other changes on the island, and it's nice to see the Lodge in operation again and cleaned up but I'm glad it's not with my money.

The pub was under construction. I always believed pubs were supposed to be in walking distance for imbibers. Apart from the make-work project I'm sorry to see another drinking place to peddle one of our worst drugs.

Noted too, that Tony K. has purchased a nice property and his daughter and family had just arrived back from Peru. Real nice for Tony. He'll need their help to get settled in his new home and he'll certainly be missed at Page Dr.

Corner Store Ron kindly took me to the North End and it was nice to see the storekeeper up there getting over his close brush with death. He really looked good and I trust Ron too will soon have the operation to get him more mobile.

Basil B. is getting on with his new home and looking forward to an early move. Time for another house warming. I would like to see Basil contribute more exciting and pertinent news about Galiano.

Also saw Linda Oil down at the filling station. Makes me want to take off about 40 years. I'm afraid her folks in Abbotsford will have to revert to the old Chinese custom if they hope to get Linda off their hands.

The island hasn't moved any closer to the mainland but I expect, one day, it will up and disappear and come up some other place. Wouldn't it be sad if the four people who went up to Cold Lake couldn't find it, on their return.

Capital Regional District, get on the ball or call it quits!

March 15, 1984.

P.S.—Our ferries will soon have another mouth to feed. Good luck Garry and wife.

## Driftwood first rate

Sir,

It is my understanding that Frank Richards will no longer be covering Islands Trust news for your paper. I hope that this in no way reflects any problems which may have arisen between your paper and individuals within the Islands Trust.

My experience is that your coverage of Islands Trust news has been thorough, informative, and spiced with no more opinion than may occasionally be necessary to enliven the sometimes rather dry subject.

In general I enjoy your paper and think it first rate. Your balance of local reporting, regular columnists, editorials and provincial as well as world news provides an interesting picture of Salt Spring and the Outer Islands. I especially enjoy your gardening column, peace news, and general reporting of the myriad of events that make up the fabric of island life.

It seems to me that the diversity of opinions expressed both by your regular contributors and your well stocked letters to the editor section makes your paper much more enjoyable than the freebie "advertiser" type of papers now so common.

The Islands Trust has gathered together a collection of islanders (all individualists) of many opinions, political shades, ages, and lifestyles. What all these people have in common is a love for "their" islands and a concern that they have a voice in determining how their communities and island lands will develop.

While the Trust has been prevented from actively acquiring land to preserve it has, upon the advice and input of thousands of concerned persons, both islanders and visitors, acted to represent the islands as special places needing special consideration. In seeking to preserve and protect these fragile islands from irresponsible development the Trust has flown in the face of trends to centralized unresponsive government.

In listening and responding to the wishes of islanders the Trust has allowed reasonable progress while keeping an eye on the islands' future needs.

In reading *Driftwood* I find this point of view and the Trust's goals fairly and thoroughly reported. Real local democracy is a bumpy road, often contentious, rarely unanimous. In pointing out the Trust's errors and problems *Driftwood* has both helped the Trust respond better to local concerns and brought the issues to the attention of islanders for their recognition and input.

By no means the perfect vehicle, nonetheless the Trust's 10 years of guiding island development according to island needs has been a far sight better than government by special interest or distant bureaucrats.

*Driftwood's* coverage of the Islands Trust and island issues has been thorough and I sincerely hope that you will continue to give the islands the benefit of your reporting, and yes, your opinions.

**JACK BARRETT,**  
Island Trustee,  
Lasqueti Island.  
March 9, 1984.

unable to attend the recent Trust Council meeting at Hornby Island and no one else was available to cover it.



## More Letters to the Editor

### Article sheds some light

Sir,  
An article by Ivan Illich in Co Evolution (winter '83) has shed some light for me on local discussions and processes. Here are a few quotes.

"People called commons that part of the environment which lay beyond their own thresholds and outside of their own possessions, to which, however, they had recognized claims of usage, not to produce commodities but to provide for the subsistence of their households. The customary law which humanized the environment by establishing the commons was usually unwritten.

"It was unwritten law not only because people did not care to write it down, but because what it protected was a reality much too complex to fit into paragraphs. The law of the commons regulates the right of way, the right to fish, and to hunt, to graze, and to collect wood or medicinal plants in the forest."

"Enclosure undermines the local autonomy of community. Enclosure of the commons is thus as much in the interest of professionals and of state bureaucrats as it is in the interest of capitalists. Enclosure allows the bureaucrat to define local community as impotent."

"Silence, according to western and eastern tradition alike, is necessary for the emergence of persons. It is taken away from us by machines that ape people."

Now it seems to me that a few local issues can be examined as regards this "commons" and common sense.

The use of our common spaces in Ganges for a market for farmers, craftspeople, and people's food outlets, must continue and no collection of bureaucrats and capitalists should prohibit activities supported by the community.

The ensured destruction of Ganges harbour as a food resource by a marine outfall has no common sense or support. Do you favour the degradation of our seafood production areas?

The further degradation of the pitiful aesthetics of Ganges by the removal of the few outstanding and historical trees left in town has no common sense—only advantages to those who disclaim their value.

R. ELKINGTON,  
Fulford Harbour,  
March 19, 1984.

### Red Cross needs help

Sir,  
The Red Cross touches the lives of millions of people every day. In fact, for over 100 years, people everywhere, regardless of race or religion, have come to depend on the World Red Cross movement for humanitarian service.

Internationally, the Red Cross is called upon to care for and comfort the victims of natural disasters, and in times of conflict, the Red Cross plays a major life-saving role.

The Canadian Red Cross provides vital services, programs and education for all Canadians from senior citizens to pre-schoolers. We are responsible for the operation and maintenance of a national blood program to ensure that a constant supply of human blood is readily available to all hospitals.

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There are Red Cross recreation and health programs designed specifically for senior citizens and veterans of the armed services. People of all ages benefit from our educational programs in which we teach life skills like water safety and first aid.

Our youth program, for example, is particularly important because it teaches young people the value of service to others, the merits of good health and safety, and the lesson of international understanding.

Whenever Canada faces an emergency situation, the Red Cross stands ready to help.

What can you do to help?  
The Red Cross needs your financial help to meet the needs of today and tomorrow and a donation to our local fund-raising campaign is an ideal way to ensure that we will continue with our many programs for all Canadians.

BRUCE SIBBALD,  
President,  
Canadian Red Cross Society,  
BC/Yukon Division,  
March 1984.

### NOTARY PUBLIC KEVIN BELL

OFFICE 537-5539 HOME 537-5833

### A fine memorial

Sir,  
The family of Roy Lee greatly appreciate the fine memorial which was created in Drummond Park by Roy's friends.

We would like to thank Fred Howard for overseeing the construction and donating the log, and to Hillbank Sawmills for cutting it at their mill. Also to Harry Penny for his pain-staking job of doing the printing.

And certainly to Fred Curtis for creating the brick work. Some of the other helpers were Gordon and Graham Cartwright, Tim O'Donnell, Jim Smith, and Dennis Anderson. To all of you, we thank you very much.

Salt Spring is fortunate to have your kind of people. Roy was fortunate to be blessed with you for friends. He will always be remembered.

From all of our family to all of you, our sincere thanks for your time, energy and love.

JEANNETTE LEE,  
Box 815, Ganges.  
March 1984.

### Necessary repair

Sir,  
I was called over the weekend about work being done by Highways on the road which leads to Musgrave Landing. It was felt by some people that this was a concession to the person who wants to develop land there.

Yesterday I received a letter from Hugh Curtis saying that no provincial money was to be used to upgrade that road. This morning I phoned Mr. Curtis' office and talked to the Deputy Minister who assured me that the road work being done is necessary repair (\$25,000 worth) approved by Ministry of Highways, and required to access the Federal government transmitter on the mountain.

He also told me that the developer's present option had run out and would have to be re-applied for, so at least for the present, no development at Musgrave is happening or possible.

I also asked the Deputy Minister about possible extra road work with

money allowed for snow removal but not used because of the mild winter and he said that people on the island should speak to the local highways superintendent about work they'd like done and if he agrees and then applies to the ministry it is most likely to be approved.

So if there is repair or upgrading needed in your particular area, that's what to do about it.

My personal choice of something which needs doing is work on Fulford Hill in the village; the culverting of roadside drainage and hard surface or smooth gravel surface over it and a line painted to make a safe area for pedestrians and bikes so they do not impede traffic or come to harm.

NANCY WIGEN,  
Box 72, Fulford.  
March 14, 1984.

### Like to dance? & party?

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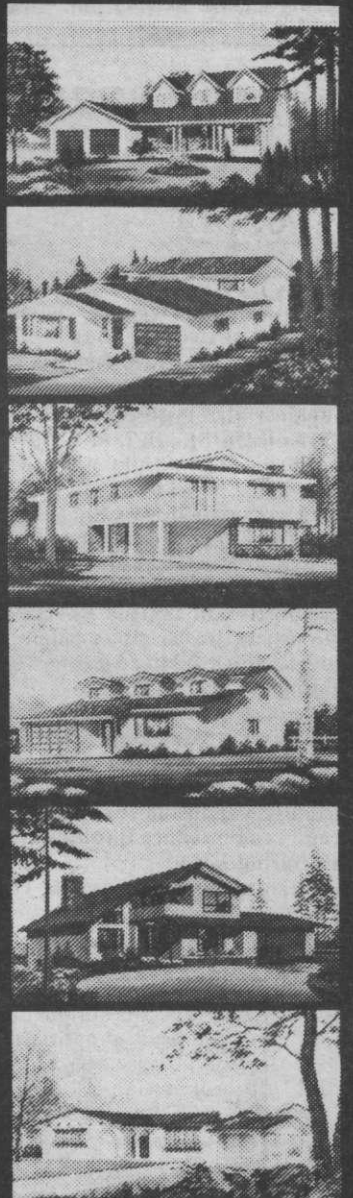
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### Paul Horn here April 1

Internationally renowned musician Paul Horn will give a performance at Salt Spring Island April 1. He will be heard at the Salt Spring Centre at 1:45 pm. Tickets

are available from et cetera for \$7.50 each. Seating is limited. Horn will also give a workshop at the centre during the weekend. It will examine the therapeutic value of music, how music works on the nervous system, its transcendental value and other aspects. The Salt Spring Centre is located on Blackburn Rd.

### Region wants out of lighting

The Capital Regional District wants out of street lighting.

Last week the board learned that the Sooke Parks and Recreation Commission has been paying for street lighting in the village community although the commission's letters patent do not provide for this function.

Executive director B.E. Doughton recommended to directors that they invite the Sooke Fire Protection District to seek an amendment to its letters patent to provide for taking over street lighting.

The cost is \$1,380 a year.

The executive director explained that the fire protection districts in Colwood and Langford are currently responsible for the service.

The same practice is followed on Salt Spring Island.

Directors approved the recommendation.

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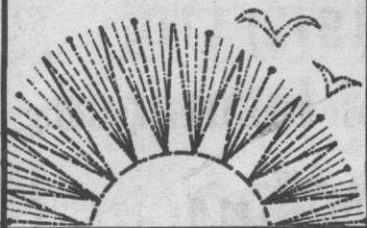
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## CUPE members approve program

Chairman of the local of the Canadian Union of Public Employees reported to the Capital Regional Board last week that the local has approved the hiring of over 40 workers, over 500 work weeks, for a total wages bill of some \$130,000.

This, said Michael Bennett in a letter to the board, has been undertaken in a time of recession when the membership has been faced with layoffs.

Wages in question were largely paid by the federal and provincial governments under special programs.

"Unlike other locals in the region, we have allowed these special grant programs to pay less than union scale in the hope that young people and the unemployed would have an opportunity to work and to gain experience at a time when opportunities were few," wrote Bennett.

The members of the local hope that the regional board will recognize that they continue to maintain a responsible and constructive attitude towards the regional district and the community they serve, he concluded.

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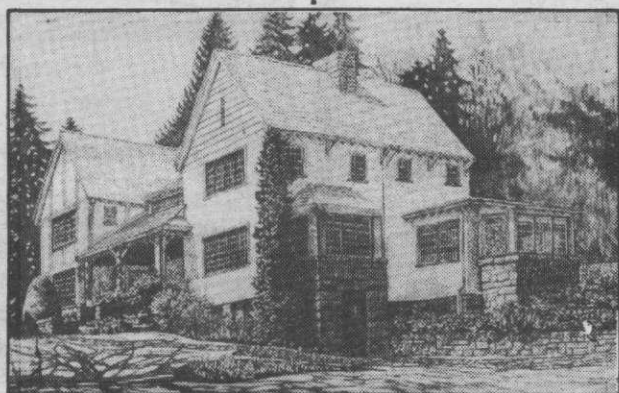
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# Society's directors come from diverse backgrounds

BY BILL WEBSTER  
Second of two parts

The Salt Spring Community Society, and the Community Centre from which it operates, exists as an entity greater than the sum of its diverse parts.

In the centre on Ganges Hill, the action exemplifies what the society represents to the community. From the Women's Place in the basement to family counselling on the second floor, the centre serves not so much the heart of the community but its soul.

And those who bring their talents to the society and the centre come from diverse backgrounds to match the differences involved in the activities.

On the board of directors, businessmen Jack Albhouse and Tom Toynbee talk society matters with Liz Armour, a farmer, Jean Brindamour of the Homemaker Service and Shirley Vida, who is retired.

Chairman of the board of directors, Judy Boylan, holds down a part-time job as secretary at both the elementary and secondary schools in Ganges.

Jim Fogarty is a tax consultant and he has served on the board of directors for four years. He brought his talents with numbers to the board as the treasurer.

## Diversity is its strength

Fogarty defines the diversity of the board as being its strength.

"The thing that holds everybody together is a concern for certain aspects of community life," he said.

He became involved in matters of the Community Society through a friend, Reid Collins, several years ago. He wasn't sure what to expect when he began his term of office but soon found out.

He has been impressed with the people he has met—on the board and through society business.

"Personally," he said of the experience, "it's been really rewarding."

Fogarty has seen the society grow. When the 1978 income tax form was filled out, only about \$35,000 was involved. In 1983, the sum had grown to close to \$266,000.

While members of the board of directors deliberate the wider concerns of the society, the daily concerns are met by such people as Jo Logan and Wendy Case.

Case, for instance, serves as a prime example of the social workers who operate from the white house on Ganges Hill.

She came to Salt Spring from Alberta with a stop at the University of Alaska where she picked up a degree in psychology and sociology.

Case describes her task at the centre as one of liaison between the people who need help and the agencies which offer the help.

## She offers a guiding hand

"I try to help people to help themselves."

To that end, she offers a guiding hand in setting up groups such as the one for women who experience physical abuse at home. Once the group gets going, Case eases herself into the background and allows the group to go where it has to.

But the support is always there, she notes, because some groups take over on their own while others need that continual guidance.

She watches the community to understand it better. In that way she, and the other workers from the centre, can recognize needs as they arise.

The centre, and the workers there, are under contract to the ministry of human resources which supplies the needed money. But, noted Case, the ministry has drawn back and now only concentrates on child protection services.

"Somebody has to pick up the rest," she said, "and on Salt Spring—that's us."

Fogarty sees changes coming in the focus of the Community Society. Many of the functions carried out on the hill deal specifically with crisis situations. That is what has been needed and



Community Centre on Ganges Hill

that is what the society has been involved in.

But a restructuring of the society would allow it to "strike out into new areas," he said. The changes would allow for the family counselling services, for instance, to move from crisis counselling to counselling on marriage, parenting and the broad range of family life.

## Housing needs attention

Another area which needs attention, said Fogarty, is housing for seniors, the young, single parents and the handicapped.

"We don't have a good supply of low-cost housing," he said.

In the constitution of the Community Society, one of the objectives is "to buy, sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise acquire and dispose of any lands, housing, buildings, machinery and merchandise of every description."

The annual general meeting of the Community Society is coming up soon. Fogarty, because he has served two consecutive terms, must step aside. The bylaws of the society call for elections of half the board of directors each year.

"Anybody who wants to go to work," said Fogarty, "is welcomed with open arms."

The society is democratically oriented, he said. The meetings are

open and the ledgers can be viewed by any member.

A member of the board of directors should be willing to put in about six hours per month on society business, said Fogarty.

While the Community Society must draw on the community itself for its strength, the community grows richer through the activities of the society.

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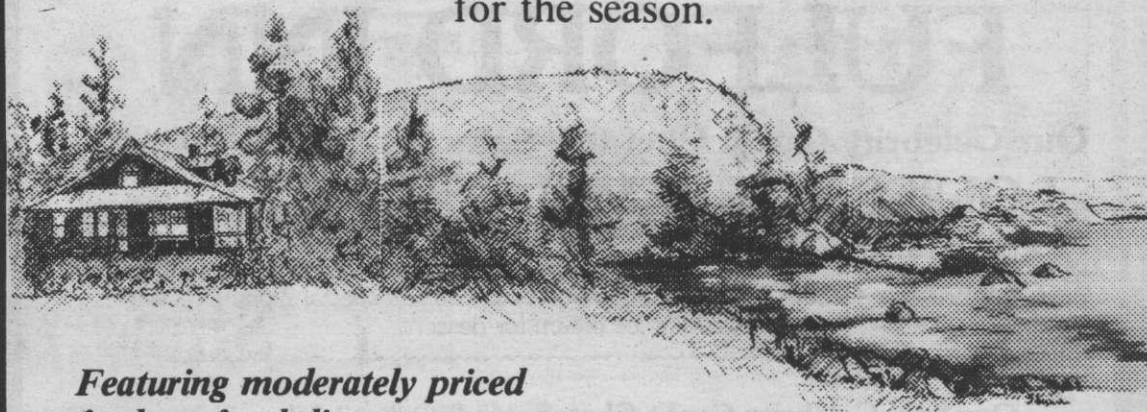
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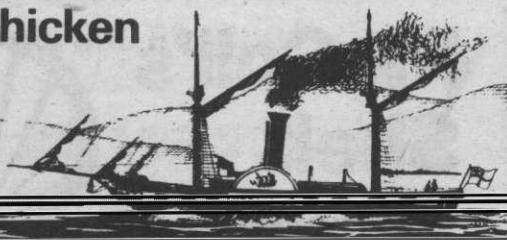
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### Writer talks to students

It was Writing Week at Fernwood School last week and invitations went out to people in the creative writing field to visit the school and explain their work to students. Lyn Hancock explains what a

manuscript is and the role it plays in writing a novel. Hancock is the author of many books including *There's a Raccoon in My Parka* and *Love Affair With a Cougar*. She didn't bring any of her famous pets

with her but did give a slide show which included her varied menagerie. Another visitor during the week was Joan Raeside of Salt Spring Island.

## Manly nomination uncontested

Federal New Democratic Party leader Ed Broadbent was the speaker last week at the uncontested nomination meeting of Jim Manly, MP for Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands.

Manly was nominated by Irene Wright of Salt Spring Island, who said she had supported Manly in 1978 when he first sought the nomination because he was "a person of principle" who would "work hard for people in the area."

Wright said that had proved to be true, that Manly manages to be available to people in the riding to listen to their concerns and raise them in Ottawa.

In his speech, Broadbent called on Prime Minister Trudeau to give U.S. President Ronald Reagan one year's notice to terminate the arms testing agreement. The NDP leader also went after Conservative leader Brian Mulroney and his party for failing to say what policies they would institute as government. He warned that all indications are that the Tories would follow a course similar to that followed by Social Credit in B.C.

Meanwhile, the NDP platform, said Broadbent, was one for "ordinary Canadians". The party would push for a major commitment to forestry, to

managing the forests so they would provide a sustained, continuing base for the economy.

The NDP would also push for a policy that would link tax benefits for businesses to hiring and retraining practices, a move that would help small businesses, he said.

Manly said he was expecting a tough fight in the coming election. He noted that it will be a two-way fight in the local riding. In the last federal election, he said, the Liberals received a lower percentage of the vote than in any other riding in Canada.

## Marathon by name and marathon by nature

BY BILL WEBSTER

The opening song to *Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well and Living in Paris* bears the title *Marathon*. The word describes the performance given last Saturday.

The show is being staged in Mahon Hall and continues its run on Friday and Saturday evenings this week.

The sensation, last Saturday, was one of endless listlessness. It could well be that the cast had an off night but when the pace picked up for the second to last song, one wonders what might have been if that energy had been there throughout the first two hours.

*Jacques Brel*, etc. etc., is being put on by members of the Inter-Island Performing Arts Co-operation Society (I-IPACS). The songsters are April Curtis, Kevin Wilkie, Barb

Slater and O. Sinclair Riley.

Providing the instrumental work are Dwaine Prosk on bass guitar and flute, Chris Kodaly on piano, Ross McCall on percussion and Peter Taschuk on guitar.

There is talent there to be sure.

The show is composed of 26 of Brel's songs which focus on various aspects of life in relation to love. The songs are cynical, moving, humorous and on occasion raunchy.

The staging of the show in Mahon Hall offers a challenge to the cast which is not quite met. The set has been designed to resemble a Parisian cafe but the limitations of the hall take away from the efforts.

On balance, the entertainment value of the evening rates as being worth a visit to Mahon Hall.

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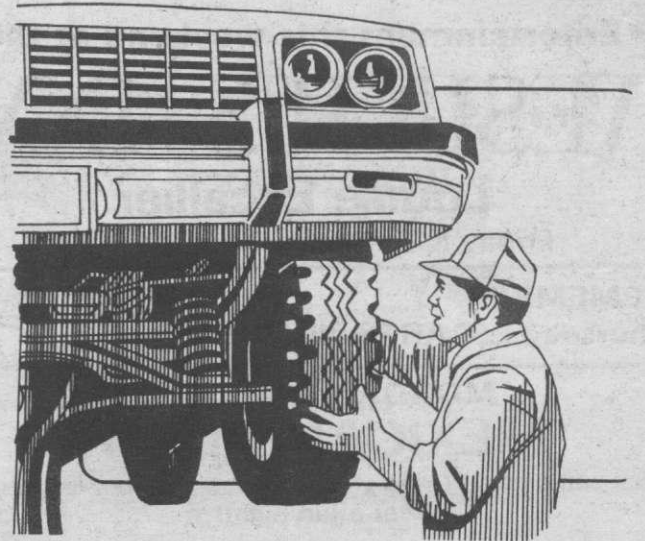
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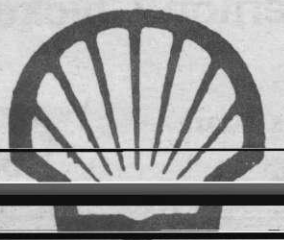


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# Two-day trip to Seattle planned

BY VIRGINIA NEWMAN  
Continuing Education

The title is staggering—7,000 years of Chinese Art—and the show is magnificent, according to Debra Mason of Our World Tours in Seattle.

Continuing Education has planned a 2-day tour south of the border to view the art show in Seattle Centre's Pacific Science Building as well as some fun activities in one of the west coast's most interesting cities.

The Salt Spring group from Continuing Education will leave Sunday morning aboard a Commac bus with local driver Gordon Cartwright at the wheel. We'll have breakfast on the ferry and pack a bag lunch to munch on the three hour drive to Seattle, check in around one or so at the Mayflower

## Recyclers get \$500 grant at Salt Spring

Recycling committee of the Salt Spring Island Community Society has received a grant of \$500.

Grant-in-aid offered by Dr. Hugh Borsman was approved by the Capital Regional Board last week. All such grants require the approval of the board before they are official.

The committee administers the recycling service on the island, with its collection shed behind the Valcourt Business Centre.

Park Hotel, and have a few hours to shop or walk around.

(Stores will be open on Sunday and the hotel is located adjacent to the Bon Marche, etc.).

Our bus is at our disposal the whole two days so we can make any plans we wish.

There is a handsome oyster bar with an amazing beverage selection down by the pier as well as excellent restaurants, Chinese, seafood, etc. The Seattle pier is a busy, attractive place with a holiday atmosphere on the weekends.

Our bus can park in the area and we can break off into groups of six or seven for dinner and sightseeing, then rendezvous at the bus about 10 or 11.

Monday morning (Canadian Victoria Day) will be planned around our noon booking at the art show. A leisurely breakfast at the hotel followed by the bus trip to the Seattle Centre will allow some time for exploring the centre.

After the show, we will have time for lunch (Chinese or otherwise) at the adjacent International Food Fair with fast food of many ethnic origins.

We will leave late in the afternoon and catch the Long Harbour ferry at 9:50 pm in Tsawwassen. For more information, call the Continuing

Education office in Mouat's Mall or stop by and check out the details.

The show will also have artists working at very intricate traditional weaving with silk, and incredibly fine silk embroidery with different images on each side of the cloth—no knots!

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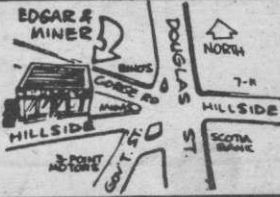
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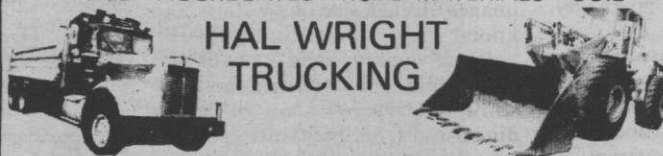
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# Students can start own business with venture capital

Summer employment for young people is the focus of two recently announced programs of the provincial government.

The 1984 Jobs For Youth Program offers to pay half the wages of a job created for youth while the Student Venture Capital Program encourages students to create their own businesses for the summer. The package offers an interest-free loan of up to \$2,000.

The provincial ministry of labour sponsors the program with help from the ministry of industry and small business development. Also involved are chambers of commerce and the Royal Bank of Canada.

Cedric Barker, business information officer at Ganges, has been talking with teachers and students at Gulf Islands Secondary School about the program and how it works.

"The educational aspect of that type of program," he said, "outweighs the financial return."

Young people, aged 15 and up, who intend to return to high school, college or university next fall are eligible.

To satisfy the requirements of the Royal Bank, any participant under 19 must have a co-signer for the loan.

The business activity must take place between April 2 and October 1 and the business must be operated in the province. Applicants must be

eligible to work in Canada.

If a partnership is being contemplated, the business can apply for only one loan with the ceiling of \$2,000.

The chamber of commerce gets into the act as an advisor to potential young business operators. To help the young person get started, the government has created a pamphlet to outline the guidelines as well as to explain how to apply for the loan.

The participant fills out the application form and submits it to the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce. A recommendation for approval goes from the chamber to the two ministries. If final approval comes, a loan will be arranged through the Royal Bank.

The one drawback to the program, said Barker, is the repayment date of October 1.

If the loan is not fully repaid by then, default penalties come into play. Interest will be applied to unpaid balances. To avoid a hurried last-minute payment, participants are advised to arrange monthly instalments to spread out repayment.

The participant is required to submit an interim status report about a month after the loan is received and when the summer is over, final outcome statement is required.

Jobs For Youth aims at the

creation of 8,400 jobs for young people between 15 and 24 years as well as any student over 15 years. The provincial government is putting up close to \$10 million for the program which runs from April 2 to September 3.

The money will be channelled into three parts of the program. Jobs created for youth have \$7.25 million earmarked to help subsidize salaries.

A further \$2 million goes to post-secondary institutions for creation of career-oriented jobs such as research, environmental studies, clinical psychology and other such jobs.

In addition, \$750,000 is available to tourist information centres and museums to increase the level and quality of services available to travellers.

Pay for jobs created under the program must meet minimum wage requirements. Persons under 18 must be paid at least \$3 per hour while those over 18 must be paid at least the basic \$3.65.

The ministry of labour will reimburse employers at the rate of \$1.50 for pay up to \$3.99 per hour; \$2 for pay up to \$4.99 and \$2.50 if the pay is at least \$5 per hour.

The jobs created must be in addition to regular full-time and seasonal positions. The jobs must not result in dismissal, lay-off or reduction in hours or period of work

for any existing employee.

If the firm is unionized, the created summer job must be approved by representatives of the bargaining unit.

For the youth seeking jobs, the ministry of labour has produced cards to inform prospective employers about the program.

The cards state: "If you create a job for me this summer, you can apply to the ministry of labour to recover part of my wages."

The job-seeker signs the bottom of the card and will also have more

information to let the prospective employer know how to go about applying for funding.

Businesses need not wait for a young person to apply. Employers can take the initiative and create jobs themselves.

To be eligible for the program, the young people must be 15 to 24 years old, and be either Canadian citizens or landed immigrants. Students must have attended an accredited educational institution for at least one semester since last October on a full-time basis.

## Death of Devina Baines at North Galiano home

North Galiano is mourning the death of a neighbour who was born on the island and spent her life there. On Monday Mrs. Devina Baines died in her home after an extended illness. She was 86 years of age.

Devina Baines attended the old log school at North Galiano in 1916 and was among the first students to enter the new school in 1927. The school was built by the community and is now the North Galiano Community Hall. She was the daughter of Sticks Allison, the first lightkeeper at Porlier Pass

Lighthouse.

She married Harry Baines in 1923 and settled to the life of a fisherman's wife.

She took part in every community activity on the island and for many years wrote a regular column for *Driftwood* and for other newspapers.

She leaves her husband, Harry, at home and seven children, Joy, Harry Jr., Francis, Thelma, Laurence, Tilly and Floyd.

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### Four generations

Four generations of island-born Cantrells gathered at the Park Drive Rest Home last week where Edith

Cantrell now resides. Born on Salt Spring before the turn of the century, Edith Cantrell is seen here

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## Nominations close

### April 12

The by-election to choose a Pender Island school trustee to the Gulf Islands School Board will be held April 28.

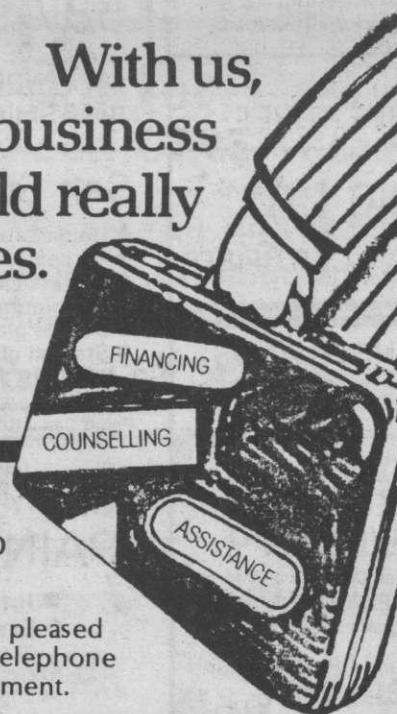
Nominations close at noon April 12.

The school board has named June Knowles, executive secretary for the district, as returning officer for the by-election. She will be at Pender School on April 12 to accept nominations.

The by-election became necessary when John Zacharias resigned his position on the board due to ill health. Zacharias had held the seat since 1978.

The by-election winner will serve the remaining months of his term, which expires in November. The Act calls for a by-election if more than six months remain in the term of a school trustee who resigns.

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## At this time of year their fancy turns to golf

BY PAT DOHERTY

Well it is that time of year again and most of the travelling members of the Salt Spring Golf Club have returned from their sojourns down south. This year Mexico seemed to be the favourite spot, perhaps the rate of exchange between the peso and the Canadian dollar was more attractive than the American dollar exchange.

South Salt Spring this year was a place called San Carlos. If you missed a familiar face at Mout's or the Trading Company you went to San Carlos and there they were.

They say in spring a young man's fancy turns to love. Well on this island at this time of year the ladies'

fancy turns to golf. The ladies open their season with a nine-hole mix of the ladies from both the nine and 18-hole sections. This will be followed by lunch.

There are over 50 signed up for the golf and over 80 for the luncheon. The date is March 27, the golf goes at 10 am and will be followed by the lunch at 1 pm.

The golf is a shotgun start so make sure you are there in lots of time to get to your allotted tee before the gun goes off. The entry sheet is on the ladies' notice board. Don't be disappointed: make sure your name is on there to take part in the official opening of the ladies' season.

## Sockeyes gave their all

BY MALCOLM LEGG

In the finest women's match of the season the Sockeyes gave it their all but fell to Gordon Head 3-2 and their aspirations for a cup final berth fell too.

The match was a see-saw battle that had both teams controlling play for periods, creating flurries of scoring chances at both ends. It was a hard game but both teams played clean, attractive soccer to provide the spectators with a very exciting match.

The Sockeyes started the game slowly while Gordon Head came out flying. Gordon Head pressed for the first 20 minutes and were rewarded with a two-goal lead that looked insurmountable.

Slowly the Sockeyes came back in the play as Sue Spencer settled her defence and halfbacks Teresa Byron, Vickie Byron and Janice Hull started to control play. But by the half the local squad was still down by two.

In the second half the Sockeyes came to life as forwards Beth Straarup, Trish Graham, Donna Sneade and Brenda Akerman poured on the pressure. Teresa Byron brought back one goal as a

beautiful chip shot eluded the goalie. Then Brenda fought the ball away from their goalie, squared it to Beth and the game was tied.

The Sockeyes continued to press but could not tally the big go-ahead goal. As time wore on the Sockeyes tired due to all the pressure they had applied.

With only 15 minutes to go Gordon Head started to come on.

The Sockeyes were scrambling and they could not clear the ball out of their zone. The girls escaped losing a couple of times as one shot rattled off the post and Gordon Head also missed a penalty shot.

With only three minutes left Gordon Head picked up a loose ball and slipped it home for the victory. The Sockeyes went numb, they had worked so hard all game long and it slipped away.

Congratulations to all the Sockeyes on a fine season. They are Denise de la Franiere, Maria Betts, Suzanne Terrick, Sue Spencer, Marianne Allan, Teresa Byron, Vicki Byron, Jan Hull, Trish Graham, Beth Straarup, Donna Sneade, Brenda Akerman, Joey Moger and Annette Drohan.

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**Junior:** Devils 0, Eagles 0; Panthers 1 (R. Ulansky), Demons 1 (A. Slingsby); Leopards 0, Mites 0; Devils 0, Leopards 1 (M. Bietel); Panthers 0, Mites 1 (H. Jason); Eagles 0, Demons 0.

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## DOWN THE GUTTER

BY TERRY JENKINS

Frank Keoppel leads the list of high scores this week with 801 (289, 311, 201) followed by Terry Jenkins 778 (272, 237, 269) and Steve Marleau 759 (254, 266, 239). No scores over 700 for the ladies.

Just two 300 games, Frank Keoppel 311, Carole Corcoran 308. Pins over average: Frank Keoppel 174, Margaret Mather 163, Patricia Broughton 128.

### GOLDEN-AGE SCORES

Over 250: Babs Ross 272.  
Over 225: Gladys Harper 228, Bob Davidson 227.

Over 200: Anne Jameski 223, Fred Jones 219, Edie Gear 218, Geoff Baker 218, Helen Herron 213 and Ed Gavin 213, Mary Vickers 212, Jean Blatter 212, Kay Cook 210, Annie Code 206, Ruth Bedford 206, Grace Garner 205, Dave Slingsby 201, Walter Blatter 200.

On March 12 we should have had Chemainus Golden-age Bowlers over here but things got all fouled up. They thought that we should have been over there. Anyway, we decided that they would bowl over there and we'd bowl here. Our bowlers did well, bowling 200 over combined averages: Those who bowled well for us were Anne Jameski +159, Dot Beech +79, Mary Macgreggor +36, Nellie Herbert +30, Helen Hopper +20, Jean Blatter +16, Jessie Wagg +6.

### Y.B.C. NEWS

Our "I Beat My Average Tournament" is completed and I am happy to say that nearly all who entered beat their own averages. Good bowling, guys and gals.

I have to apologize for not being more prompt with the high scores these past few weeks. Here are our

high scorers for February 25, March 3, 10 and 17.

**Jets & Pee Wee's:** February 25; Jenny Neilson 128, Amy Stafford 105, Kim Baillie 69, Simon Baines 156, Eric Taylor 137, Nathan Helfrich 108, Gordon Mainwaring 104.

March 3: Amy Stafford 121, Alicia Gopp 109, Kim Baillie 86, Eric Taylor 140, Sandeep Sandhu 105, Gordon Mainwaring 107.

March 10: Amy Stafford 101, Alicia Gopp 86, Simon Baines 163, Eric Taylor 138, Gordon Mainwaring and Sandeep Sandhu 105.

March 17: Amy Stafford 116, Alicia Gopp and Kim Baillie 88, Eric Taylor 155, Simon Baines 130, Danny Wilkin 128, Gordon Mainwaring 125.

### BANTAMS

February 25: Becky Stafford 206, Candice Miller 196, Bonnie Stafford 140, Adam Baines 186, Jeffrey Neilson 182, Mark David 175.

March 3: Becky Stafford 173, Candice Miller 169, Bonnie Stafford 164, Brett Marshall 239, Mark David 184, Jason Alsberg 161.

March 10: Candice Miller 188, Tammy Sloan 177, Loa Mairwaring 152, Mark David 221, Damen Grooms 214, Dean Crouse 179.

March 17: Bonnie Stafford 193, Candice Miller 183, Becky Stafford 170, Brett Marshall 234, Clinton Helfrich 225, Mark David 209.

### JUNIORS

March 3: Martin Wales 122, Chris Ratz 127, Lisa Jorgensen 224.

March 10: Martin Wales 105, Lisa Jorgensen 201, Marnie Shaw 181.

March 17: Lisa Jorgensen 222, Marnie Shaw 172, Chris Ratz 149, Martin Wales 129.

### SENIORS

March 7: Jennifer Lucas 290, Donna Gosnell 235, Shawna Cross 166.

March 14: Jennifer Lucas 230, Donna Gosnell 157.

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Sealed tenders will be received by the Board of Trustees or Secretary-Treasurer by 14:00 hrs. on April 12/84, at which time tenders will be opened in public.

For field details please contact the undersigned. The Board may not necessarily accept the lowest or any tender.

**FRANK SUTHERLAND**  
Superintendent of Works

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## Gulf Islands Community Arts Council

## Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, March 27, 1984 at 8 pm - Mahon Hall

### AGENDA:

- Minutes of previous meeting
- Treasurer's report
- Committee reports
- Reports from associate groups
- Chairman's report
- Election of Officers
- Appointment of auditor
- New business
- Adjournment

Membership dues payable. New members welcome.

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# 'It was some kind of thrill to see Slugs Sunday'

With the Slugs virtually 0 for '84, mired in perhaps the worst slump this side of Ronnie Reagan's chest, who better to kick them when they're down than Parkville's own Wowie Howie Squeaker.

Known affectionately as "The Master of Squawk", Howie doesn't let facts stand in the way of his opinions and can be guaranteed to tell it like it was back then before he gave up dyeing his hair and started bleaching his face.

BY WOWIE HOWIE SQUEAKER

Holy jumping jehosophats, jiminy cricket, and golly gee whillikers, I'll tell you it was some kind of thrill to come back down here to see those young Slugs again after all these years, but hey what with the hockey schools gone under and Gary Doernhoefer and Mickey Redmond doing all the work for CBC I have nothing better to do anyway.

So, hey—that was some kind of game Sunday at Fuller....I don't know if it was hockey fellas but it was some kind of game.

The Slugs came out a'hoping, like a Mexican jumping bean in a frying pan and easy as falling off a slippery log they're up 1-0 over those young bucks from Ladysmith when little Ronnie Moger puts a great great move on the defence and wheels like a hoop round a barrel in home free and gives the goalie a silver dart through the five hole. Problem is, what's good for the goose, is also good for the gander—the Lunchbuckets get back in a hurry, when one of their forwards is

sent in all alone and bingo, it's 1-1.

Well that's just the start—between the Slugs' bantam type defence and a Lunchbucket goalie who can't kick out anything but his own feet we've got a real barn-burner with a scoreboard to prove it.

The boys go end to end showing great great wheels and some super super moves playing Kitty-bar-the-door. It looks like it's going to be some kind of humdinger but then the Slugs begin putting too much lumber to the Lunchbucket forwards and the ref starts beating a steady path to the sin bin. Playing regular four on five the Slugs go dead in the water and quick as a flea on a hotplate the Lunchbuckets are Johnny-on-the-spot and—they're up by two—the Slugs have to play catch-up.

You know, this game is won and lost in the trenches playing old time hockey with the bump and grind, but when the tigers turn pussycat and start running around in their own end like chickens with their heads cut off trying to beat them with skill and finesse when they're only brown baggers it's all over.

Time and time again the Lunchbuckets scoot round the defence and go eyeball to eyeball with Farm Boy Hughes, who's flopping around like a fish out of water. There's not much he can do when he's bellywhomping around down and out to lunch so it's like picking cherries for Ladysmith every cotton-picking time.

Suddenly it's 8-5 Ladysmith and the Slugs are behind the eight-ball. Gaines and Reynolds put the Slugs back in close but another bone-

headed penalty and quick as a wink Ladysmith is there to put it upstairs and it's all over but the shouting.

But hey, I'll tell you, it was a heck of a hockey game. Every time I see the Slugs they remind me more and more of the Canucks.

As I told Jimmy Robson years ago, gosh darn it if they'd only learn to skate, pass, and shoot they could do it all. Problem is they know how the game is played, but they just

can't play it. All they need to do though is dump a bit of dry rot and tear a few strips off some overpaid behinds and they could get back in the thick of things. Unfortunately for some of them the only place they're thick right now is between the ears. I'll be watching next week when the Slugs take one more kick at the can when they take on high-flying Green Lantern.

But anyway, hey, it's been a great

great thrill to come down here to see the Slugs play again. Next time though, Tony, I'll be better prepared—the money will have to be up front and you supply the Graval.

## Da Stats

Ladysmith 9, Slugs 7 (Gaines 4, Moger, Stringer, Reynolds, Bergstrom, 47 penalty minutes).

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## Selects thrash Lakehill

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Salt Spring Selects turned on the magic Saturday, leaving Lakehill on the short end of a 6-1 thrashing.

The Selects started quickly, scoring four goals in the first 15 minutes and it looked like it would be a rout. Izak Ondre got things going, scoring after a beautiful give and go with Mark Nordine.

Minutes later it was Ondre again, again from Nordine, as he split Lakehill's defence to score easily. Nordine then followed with a pair himself, one on a break-away, the second on a miscue by their goalie.

The Selects continued to press but Lakehill tightened their back wall and the score remained 4-0. But shortly after the half the Selects struck quickly again with two goals in five minutes, both by Nordine on set-ups by Chad Little.

Rather than run up a slaughter the Selects then utilized their second string to finish the match. This allowed Lakehill to regain their poise and apply some pressure of their own. Their reward was a late goal to complete the scoring.

The game could never be called a

classic because the Selects dominated in the early stages and then coasted the rest of the way. The boys took the game to Lakehill and overpowered them completely in the first half, making the remainder of the match a little anti-climactic.

Next week's game will not be so easy as the Selects meet Peninsula at 11:30 am on Saturday at Portlock Park. The defence will have to make no mistakes, the mid-field will have to control play and the forwards will have to be hungry if the team has plans to make the final.



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## KICK-OFF

# Two teams reach semi-finals in District Cup play

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Cup play continued last weekend with two teams reaching the semi-finals and another bowing out at their semi-final.

On Saturday the Selects in Division 5C came up with a superb effort to down Lakehill 6-1. The Selects scored four times in the first 15 minutes and coasted to an easy win. Next weekend the team meets Peninsula on Saturday, 11:30 am at Portlock Park.

A victory would see the boys in their second consecutive cup final, so come on out and cheer these youngsters on.

The Sounders did not play last weekend but have a semi-final berth against Lakehill in Victoria this Saturday. It will be a tough match for the Sounders but hopefully they will rise to the challenge and also be finalists.

Sunday saw the Sockeyes take on Gordon Head in a semi-final match-up. The women fell behind early by two goals, roared back to tie the game, only to see victory slip away with only minutes remaining. The Sockeyes can take a lot of pride in the quality soccer they have displayed in recent weeks, as they turned their team from also-rans into a competitive challenger.

In the intra-island division there was plenty of action as the teams all played double-headers on Saturday.

In the senior loop the Stingers and Kicks kept up their torrid pace in the battle for first place. The Kicks defeated the Dodgers 3-0, the Stingers nipped the Fury 1-0 and then they fought to a 1-1 tie against each other.

Next weekend will decide which of the two becomes Cup champions, as both play double-headers. The Stingers are one point ahead but the Kicks have a game in hand and the better schedule ahead.

One bright spot last weekend was the return to form of the Lazars as they won two, 1-0 over the Sharks and 3-1 over the Dodgers. This kind of form should make them a threat when the tournament on March 31-April 1 rolls around.

In the junior loop all the games were close as four of six resulted in ties. The only teams recording victories were the Mites and the Leopards and this should provide an interesting finish to the season this weekend.

At present the Eagles and Mites are tied for first but the Leopards are only two behind and the Panthers are four points back. In the two remaining games the Leopards play both the Eagles and Mites and should they win both first place will be thrown wide open.

The Mites have the easiest schedule but one must not discount the Eagles.

The improved play of the Demons last weekend means the tournament at month's end will be up for grabs.

Our schedule is as follows:

March 24-25: District Cup play-downs, Coers Cup completed.

March 31-April 1: District Cup Finals, SSIYSA Intra-Island Tournament.

April 7-8: Duncan Tournament (Sounders and Selects), Girls Cup Finals (Cosmos), Peninsula Minor Tourney (Junior All-Stars).

April 14-15: SSIYSA Eighth Annual Soccer Tourney.

April 20: SSIYSA Banquet.

April 22: SSIYSA Oldies Tourney.

Please note that our intra-island

The seniors coached by Chris Marks and Don Mackey will travel to Duncan this Sunday for a game with

Duncan, returning on April 14. They also have games in Vancouver and Victoria that may be played,

weather permitting.

The juniors coached by Ken Byron and Dennis Beech are entered

in the Peninsula Minor Tourney on April 7 and 8 in Sidney. Peninsula returns on April 14.

## There's a lot going on for women in B.C.

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In British Columbia, there are many opportunities for women to get involved in or take advantage of programs, services and benefits offered through the Government of Canada. You owe it to yourself to know about them. A few are listed here and there are many more. Just use the coupon below to get more information.

### Need help getting a job?

If you're planning a career or looking for a job, your Canada Employment Centre can help you. If you're thinking of going back to work, or changing jobs, or going to work for the first time, you may want to consult the Women's Employment Counselling Centre in Vancouver. The WECC can help you decide what work you are best suited for and would most enjoy. It can teach you job-finding skills, and help you get essential training and on-the-job experience. Counsellors specially trained to help women get ahead in the labour market will provide a variety of job-related assistance. Some Outreach Projects specifically for women offer similar services. Ask at your local Canada Employment Centre for details.

### Can't afford to get job training?

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### You can earn while you learn

Another option is on-the-job training. Opportunities to be trained in non-traditional jobs can be found in B.C. Many of these jobs are both challenging and high paying. The Government of Canada, through its General Industrial Training and Critical Skills Training programs, encourages employers to hire and train women. Generous financial assistance is offered. Interested in working as a systems analyst, computer programmer, chef, or in other fields, there are lots of possibilities. Find out more by mailing the coupon.

### Help with child care

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### The Women's Program

This program was created to support women's voluntary associations working in fields of particular interest to women. Through it, The Secretary of State Department makes grants and other resources available to women's groups to develop projects that will contribute to community education and action around status of women issues. Program staff are available as resource persons for information and project assistance. They also develop and distribute print material. Nearly half a million dollars was spent in British Columbia on The Women's Program in 1982/83. Offices are located in Victoria, Kelowna and Vancouver.

### Canada Works might help you

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A shop steward named Marilyn never had to reveal her inability to read except when the new union contracts came out for discussion, etc. She took her copy home "to look it over" where her husband

read and analyzed it with her. Then she carried on follow-up discussions with her crew through the spoken word.

Ministry of education figures show an average of one percent of the adults in the province need basic math and literacy help. If this figure is true of the Gulf Islands, then we need to mount some adult basic education classes for 50 to 100 people!

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We will call on Camosun College as well as the ministry of education to provide us with up-to-date materials.

An important point addressed in the many ABE programs throughout the province is the relevance to the needs of the real adult students in any given situation. For instance, some people

feel uncomfortable in a school classroom but make good progress in the living room of a neighbour or volunteer.

Some people are bored by reading materials having no relationship to their own backgrounds and future needs. In fact, most adult learners need to be involved in the planning and choice of their learning methods and materials.

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So call us. Or have a friend write us. Or send a relative and/or spouse in to let us know how we can help you to read and write. Stop by the Continuing Education office in Mouat's Mall (across from the Thrift Shop). A note dropped off at the school board office beside Mahon Hall will reach us, as will a letter addressed to Virginia and Ray Newman, c/o Gulf Islands School District, Box 128, Ganges.

## Galiano chamber to meet

Power blackouts at Galiano Island will be the topic of a special meeting of the Galiano Island Chamber of Commerce next Wednesday.

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### SOCCER

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Div. 6C: S.S. Sounders vs Lakehill, Sat., Mar. 24, 11 am, Victoria.

Girls - S.S. Cosmos vs Oak Bay, Sat., Mar. 24, 2:15 pm, Victoria.

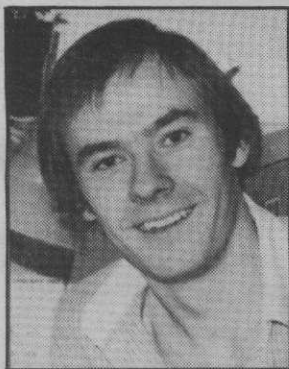
INTRA-ISLAND: Senior 10 am Sat.: Lazars vs Sharks, Portlock #1; Fury vs Stingers, Portlock #2; Dodgers vs Kicks, Portlock #3. Sharks vs Kicks, Portlock #1; Stingers vs Dodgers, Portlock #2; Fury vs Lazars, Portlock #3.

Junior 9 am Sat.: Demons vs Panthers, Portlock #1; Mites vs Leopards, Portlock #2; Eagles vs Devils, Portlock #3. Panthers vs Devils, Portlock #1; Leopards vs Eagles, Portlock #2; Mites vs Demons, Portlock #3.

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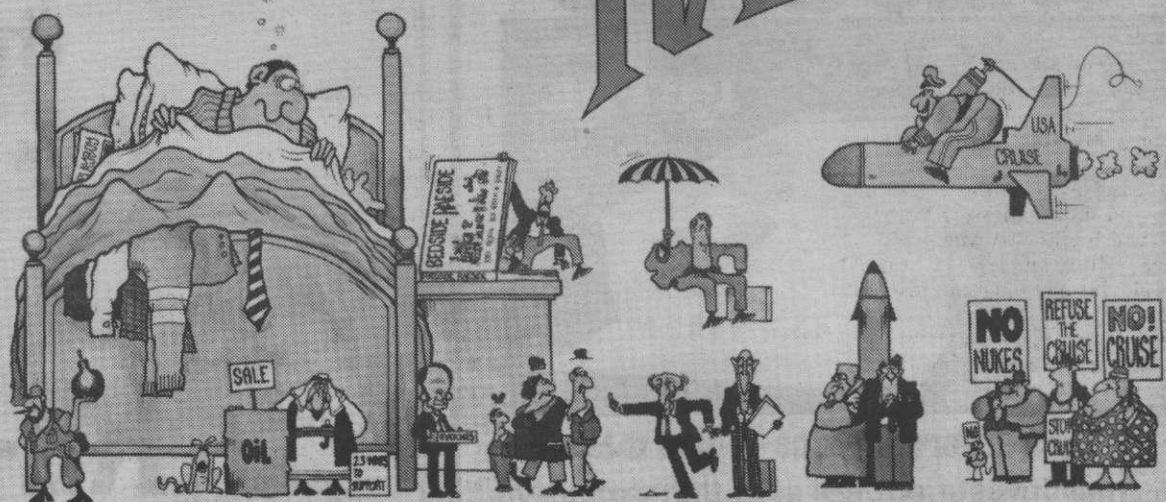
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## Legion named beneficiary

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 92, in Ganges has been named a beneficiary in the estate of the late Edward George Meaden.

He died February 22 in Royal Jubilee Hospital in Victoria and had willed a one-acre property on Blaine Road, where he lived, to the Legion.

Meaden had been a member of the Ganges Legion for many years. He served in the Lord Strathcona Horse during World War Two.

Neither Jake Javorski, president of the local Legion, nor Hugh Ross, executor of the Meaden estate, would comment on the matter other than to confirm that the property had been willed to the Legion.

The will is in probate and neither man felt free to comment until the matter had been settled.



Driftwood photo by Frank Richards

## They're out for a ride with Rosie

Out for a ride with Rosie are Jack Hughes, her owner, and Mrs. Mags Oliphant, of Rainbow Road, and her daughter, Diane. The Clydesdale mare and her happy passengers were seen in the Mouat's parking lot on a ride around Ganges. Rosie has a history. She also has her papers. A thoroughbred Clydesdale, she was a twin from a mainland stable. When she failed to come up to size, her owner was concerned that she find a good home rather than making a good price. She was a good horse. And she found a good home. And the good price was one dollar. The little Clydesdale will be working for her living this year. Hughes has acquired a five-seat democrat and during the summer he will operate it as a taxi. Visitors and residents will be invited to take rides around Ganges.

## Island Futures

From Page 1

The committee will use the structure of a similar project in Nanaimo as a model and bring adjustments to the idea to fit Salt Spring.

When the committee has proceeded further in its investigations, another public meeting will be held to discuss the idea further.

In the meantime, a film on a project in Spain, known as Mondragon, will be shown, possibly in Mahon Hall at the end of the month, as a way of offering insight into what can happen when a development corporation gets working.

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