

New act gets endorsement by Trust council

The new Islands Trust Act received a strong endorsement by members of the Trust Council, who met for a briefing on the new legislation last weekend in Sidney.

The Trust act, which has received three readings in the provincial legislature, was the sub-

ject of a full Trust Council meeting last Friday and Saturday.

Trustees were briefed on the act by deputy minister of municipal affairs Ken McLeod and assistant deputy minister Garry Harkness. On Saturday, Island Trustees went through the act clause by clause.

Wording contained in one part of the act raised the concern of some trustees, who interpreted it to exclude an incorporated island from the trust area.

Trust chairman Nick Gilbert told *Driftwood* however, the Trust area boundaries are part of the

legislation and "there is no way an incorporated area will be taken out of this."

What the act does say, is an incorporated area will not be included in the local trust area: it will fall under the jurisdiction of the Trust Council.

If, for example, the entire island of Salt Spring were to incorporate, it would still fall under the jurisdiction of the Trust Council. It would not, however, elect any Island Trustees. The Trust Council would in-

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Tuckered Out

Playtime turned out to be exhausting for four-year-old Cody

Brack, seen earlier this week in the Portlock Park playground.

WHERE'S THE LAMB?

It's not in island restaurants, that's for sure

BY SUSAN DICKER

Salt Spring lamb is considered a delicacy by many connoisseurs of good lamb and the title itself is coveted by meat marketers throughout the province.

People travelling on Salt Spring Island pass expansive fields dotted with sheep as they journey between Fulford and Ganges, but when they sit down with crystal and linen at a local restaurant, they rarely find Salt Spring lamb on the menu.

"It's embarrassing, in a way, when we have to tell customers it's not Salt Spring lamb," says Bay Window chef Steven Lynch, ad-

ding that there are a number of prohibitive reasons why most restaurants here do not serve local lamb.

Lynch, a former chef at the Hastings House, figures Salt Spring would need a similar ratio between people and sheep here as found in New Zealand — or about 600,000 — to keep up with restaurant demand. He says about one in two lambs are of restaurant quality, and even then restaurants usually want only a small portion of the carcass.

Lynch estimates that he serves about 40 racks of lamb each week at the Bay Window. With each

lamb providing two racks, the island would have to produce 20 lambs each week, just for the one restaurant.

"The fact is," he says, "it's a lot easier to get Gulf Island lamb in Victoria or Vancouver, or even Edmonton. Safeway runs a special every year on Salt Spring lamb."

Mike Stefancsik, who does the purchasing for the Waterside Bistro, says the Ganges restaurant serves New Zealand lamb.

"Salt Spring lamb is really expensive," he says, reinforcing statements made by Lynch. "To get a break on Salt Spring lamb, you

have to buy the whole lamb. Lamb chops, for example, aren't all that popular; most people want the racks."

Stefancsik says the restaurant is probably asked every second day whether or not their lamb is local.

Salt Spring lamb is available at Ganges Village Market, Gulf Island Trading Company and Matt's Meats.

At the latter store, Bruce Comba says he sells between 60 and 80 local lambs a month.

"Basically," he adds, "I can sell

Boil water—CRD

Fecal coliforms in Maxwell water

SALT SPRING — Health officials are urging residents who take water from the Maxwell Lake system to boil the water due to the presence of fecal coliforms.

A boil water advisory was issued by the Capital Regional District (CRD) health department yesterday (Tuesday) after three out of six tests revealed fecal coliforms in water from Maxwell Lake.

The lake is one of two water sources used by the North Salt Spring Waterworks District and supplies residents of the district to a point just north of Ganges.

Health department spokesman Les Potter said Tuesday that the water district will install an emergency chlorination system this week. He expressed the hope that with the system up and running by August 1 the boil-water advisory could be withdrawn.

The advisory came immediately after a decision by the water district to chlorinate Maxwell Lake water. There had been pressure from the CRD for some time to treat the water because of high (non-fecal) coliform counts.

The CRD suggests boiling Maxwell water for five minutes. Fecal

coliforms increase the risk of diarrhoeal illness, particularly to the elderly and the very young. The advisory does not apply to St. Mary Lake water.

Earlier this year the CRD withheld a permit authorizing the use of a pressure reduction chamber on the Maxwell Lake system to pressure the water district into putting in a treatment plant. Water district superintendent Mike Larmour told *Driftwood* Monday that the CRD cannot order the district to treat the water. But it can put pressure on by withholding permits, he noted.

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Police charge bank employee after \$60,000 goes missing

SALT SPRING — Ganges RCMP have laid charges of theft against a former Ganges bank employee. A 46-year-old woman has been charged with theft over \$1,000 from the Ganges branch of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

The woman, whose name has not been released, allegedly took more than \$60,000 from various customer accounts. She is scheduled to appear in Ganges provincial court on September 5.

Ganges RCMP Sergeant Larry Wendel said a total of \$62,040 was taken internally from a number of accounts at the bank. He said he understands all victims have been reimbursed by the bank.

The alleged withdrawals occurred between September 1987 and May 1989.

INSIDE



FINAL WEEK

Final week of the Salt Spring Festival of the Arts brings Alberta playwright Warren Graves and a reunion performance by Pied Pumkin, one of B.C.'s best known bands. Details, A17

MONEY MATTERS

Our monthly section of investment and financial information expands this week with a feature on a local business. We spoke to Mauveen Moore about her new Ganges business, the Willow Studio. See Page A11.

DOWN ON THE FARM

Salt Spring Aquafarms is one of B.C.'s smaller salmon farms but it's making a contribution to the industry in terms of research. Story, B1.

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THE WEATHER

Weather report for the week ended Monday, July 24, 1989.

High temperature:

July 24, 27 deg. Celsius

Low temperature:

July 22, 23, 10 deg. Celsius

Total precipitation:

0.6 mm

Days with precipitation:
Two

OUTLOOK:

Continuing sunny and warm through the weekend. Highs near 24, lows 11.

Trust Act amended

Trustees welcome act at weekend meeting

FROM PAGE A1

clude municipal trustees from Salt Spring.

Part five of the new act defines the relationship between the Islands Trust, municipalities and regional districts. Section 32 states that no regional district bylaws or permits shall be contrary to the bylaws of the local trust committee.

Section 34 sets out the approval requirements for municipal bylaws: "the council of a municipality, all or part of which is in the trust area, shall, before adoption, submit to the secretary for approval by the executive committee." (The executive committee is to be comprised of a chairman and two vice-chairmen, elected by the Trust Council.)

The section continues to say, that where the executive committee does not approve a bylaw submitted to it, the municipality may refer the bylaw to the trust council for approval. If it is again refused, the municipality may submit it to the minister for approval.

Gilbert said there is some con-

cern the minister has retained too much power in this area. He believes, however, it is all part of the "checks and balances" that made the legislation acceptable to Cabinet.

Gilbert also noted this appeal process is not an option for a private developer.

Gilbert said the Trust has not yet made any decisions regarding its policy statement or new office facilities.

The new act provides for the adoption of a policy statement to guide planning and development by local and provincial agencies.

The statement may establish different policies for different areas of the trust or may be a general statement of policies for the trust council to carry out. Bylaws will not be approved by the executive committee or trust council, if it is contrary to the policy statement.

Gilbert said the Trust will likely look to the province to provide the necessary staffing for establishing the policy statement.

Gilbert estimates the proclamation process for the new act will take until the end of next March, or the beginning of the next fiscal year. Between now and then, the Trust will have to establish a budget. The budget will determine the future of the Trust office, but as yet, Gilbert believes it will remain in Victoria.

Contributors, contacts sought for sports

With its fine climate and abundant natural endowments, sports and recreation play a vital part of the Gulf Islands lifestyle.

In order to better cover the myriad sporting events in the islands, *Driftwood* needs contacts and contributors.

If you have information about upcoming events or notable sporting achievements, or if you are interested in becoming a regular contributor, please call the *Driftwood* office at 537-9933.

Reporter David Fraser would like to hear from anyone who can help the newspaper publicize sports happenings.



Dave Fraser



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CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DU CANCER

Coliform count up at Maxwell

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The district has been looking at alternative methods of treating the water, said Larmour, such as ultraviolet and ozone. Each one has its pros and cons, he said.

The chlorination system planned for Maxwell Lake could cost as much as \$50,000. A vandal-proof building would have to be constructed at the lake and a meter installed to regulate the chlorine dosage.

Maxwell Lake is likely the only community water source on Salt Spring that is not treated. A health department spokesman said it is unusual not to treat domestic water taken from a lake.

The North Salt Spring Waterworks District pipes Maxwell Lake water to residents of Ganges south. That includes residents on Rainbow, Atkins, Swanson and Valhalla Roads, Lower Ganges Road to the Upper Ganges Centre, Park Drive and Lakeview Cres.

Croftonbrook, Greenwoods and Lady Minto Hospital take water from St. Mary Lake.

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Beginning on August 1, 1989, the North Salt Spring Waterworks District will, on the recommendation of the Capital Regional District's Health Department, disinfect water on the Maxwell Lake system.

The method of disinfection will be chlorination.

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Yours truly,
MIKE LARMOUR
Superintendent



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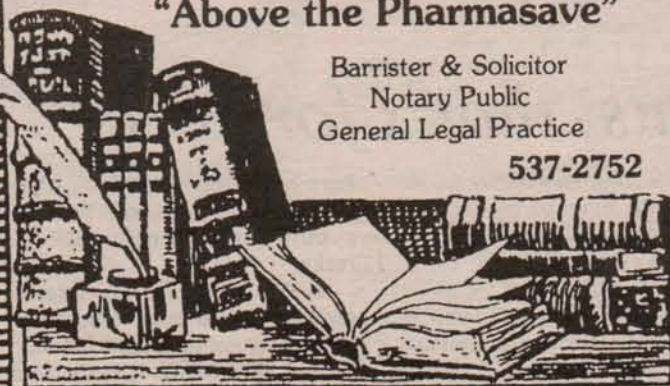
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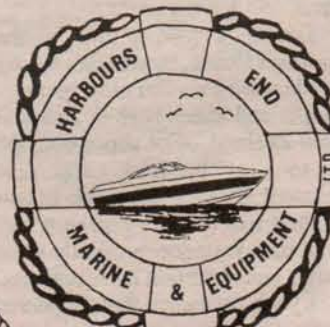
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Harbours End, Ganges

to be frank

by richards



Hot, hot, hot! That's France in a heat wave.

From a cold Calais and a colder Dover I struggled through the heat of the Cote d'Azur and on to an overheated Paris. Even further north, in the Champagne country of the Marne, the mercury still boiled in the thermometer. Mostly it was just hot. A lot of the time it was hot and humid.

The French Riviera, an English watering place since Victoria's day, was my first target. I wanted to know what had befallen an old air force oppo now living in France. I soon found the answer — not a lot!

When I sailed west and ever west after the war, he had been engaged in automobile racing until he pulled up stakes and moved south to boats; sailing them and building them. Like many an Englishman he now lives on the shores of the Mediterranean, enjoying French taxes and the southern French climate.

Churchill painted just down the street

It had only taken me 50 years to look him up. He's certainly following a great example. A few doors away is the house in which one Winston Churchill resided when he was busy painting the scenery of Cap Martin many years ago.

The south has everything. There's warmth and a very salty sea. There's wine and leisure. In addition, there's a very accommodating French view on taxation and that's what draws a lot of residents to those watering places.

On the negative side, however, there is the profusion of small, very noisy motorcycles and motorized bicycles. Darting in and out of traffic at fair speed, screaming their message of urgent necessity for haste, they jeopardize the lives of those with the temerity to ride them as well as others foolish enough to walk where they might ride.

Cap Martin and Roquerune typify the kind of country around Cap Martin and the rest of the coastline, where the Alps meet the sea. Steep mountain slopes defy direct access and only a mountain goat could climb straight up. Humans and their toys climb obliquely, up steep, winding roads as wide as the nature of the terrain will permit and it doesn't permit any adequacy in that direction.

They weren't invented for traffic

These roads are quaint, alright, just about as quaint as you'll find anywhere, but they just weren't invented for traffic.

One day I was awaiting a bus while the traffic signals changed. A dozen or so motorcycles gathered at the red light and many riders were well-acquainted. They were lined up across the road, chattering among themselves as the lights changed. One young lady was starting off while looking behind her. She was in the wrong lane as a tandem dump truck appeared. I was among those who shrieked at her to pay attention, but she sought no advice. With the nonchalance that only a French motorcyclist can conjure up in emergency, she allowed the heavy wagon to stop for her and she drove off, full bore, down the road.

It is many years since I drove a street where motorists sound their horns at each bend in the road, all labouring under the totally unsupported misapprehension that the blast will alert any driver beyond the blind corner, who will then rush to safety. It all makes life something of a gamble.

The gambling, of course, is the bread and butter of Monte Carlo, nestling down in the principality of Monaco. The famous gaming tables of that town are certainly not the only gambling centres in the south but their reputation drowns out the lesser casinos in the French communities of the Cote d'Azur.

High-rise apartments are everywhere

Monaco is a sharp disappointment. So much of the once-attractive principality has been lost. High-rise apartments are to be seen everywhere. They jostle each other as they vie for light and no apartment dweller can be assured of light for long. A lack of controlled planning in the community enables anyone to build anywhere.

Trains are fast, as they are in Britain. My impression was that the French trains were probably faster and that they maintain their speed with less movement being felt inside the car. In France the high-speed trains are so-termed, "trains de grande vitesse," or TGV. In Britain they are known as the "Inter-city 125."

The train had carried a near-full load straight from Calais to Nice. First-class sleeping is worth the extra cost. You sleep nearer the floor and suffer less shaking and jogging about. They are immaculately clean and meals are served in airplane style, heated up on the train.

Since I served in France during the Second World War I have always been something of a francophile and I have enjoyed my opportunity of once again visiting France in its various guises.

Expansion gets nod

SALT SPRING — The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee gave third reading last week to a rezoning application providing for an expansion of service station facilities on Rainbow Road.

In seconding the motion made by John Stepaniuk, Nick Gilbert said rezoning of the property — located beside the Esso Station — to the Commercial 3 zone (C3) is compatible with the community plan.

Among the permitted uses for land zoned C3 are development of retail stores, restaurants and service stations.

Property owner Rod Pringle plans to expand the Esso Station by adding a service bay and car wash to the adjoining land.

Pringle told a July 1 public hearing that although his original application specified use of the property for a sani-dump, he doubts he will proceed with this facility. He said he included the sani-dump

at the request of the Chamber of Commerce, but after further investigation, feels it is not a viable service for a private enterprise to offer. Sani-dumps are usually found in parks.

Speaking on behalf of the Advisory Planning Commission (APC), Tom Wright said the commission expressed some doubts about the traffic pattern on Rainbow Road, and its close proximity to the Ganges school site. He said the issue of traffic patterns should be addressed before the development goes ahead.

Gilbert noted the bylaw on the table referred only to a zoning change. He said the project would be subject to a development permit, at which time other concerns would be dealt with.

The trustees approved second and third reading to the bylaw, and agreed to send it to the minister of municipal affairs for approval.

From watershed

Golf courses excluded

SALT SPRING — With the strong approval of the Salt Spring Water Preservation Society, the Islands Trust last week approved a bylaw amendment that will exclude golf courses as a permitted use in watershed areas.

A letter sent to Friday's public hearing also expressed approval for the amendment by the North Salt Spring Waterworks District.

Both water groups said they favour the amendment due to the use of herbicides, pesticides and fertilizers (which encourage excessive algae growth in lakes) on golf courses.

The discharge of sewage, the destruction of natural landscapes (and subsequent loss of water retention), plus the increase of human activity on golf courses were cited

as further reasons to approve the motion.

Only one individual at the public hearing spoke against the motion, suggesting it discriminates against Fulford Harbour residents, who do not have access to a golf course on the south end of the island.

In approving second and third readings of the motion, trustee Nick Gilbert said the exclusion of golf courses as a permitted land use in watershed areas refers to watersheds on all parts of the island. Therefore, he said, it does not discriminate against Fulford residents.

Trustee John Stepaniuk also expressed approval for the bylaw amendment.

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It's time we heard more about chlorine

Like any proposal smacking of outside government interference, the Capital Region health department's requirement to chlorinate Maxwell Lake water — a move that came well before the discovery of fecal coliforms — will probably give rise to this month's mini-controversy.

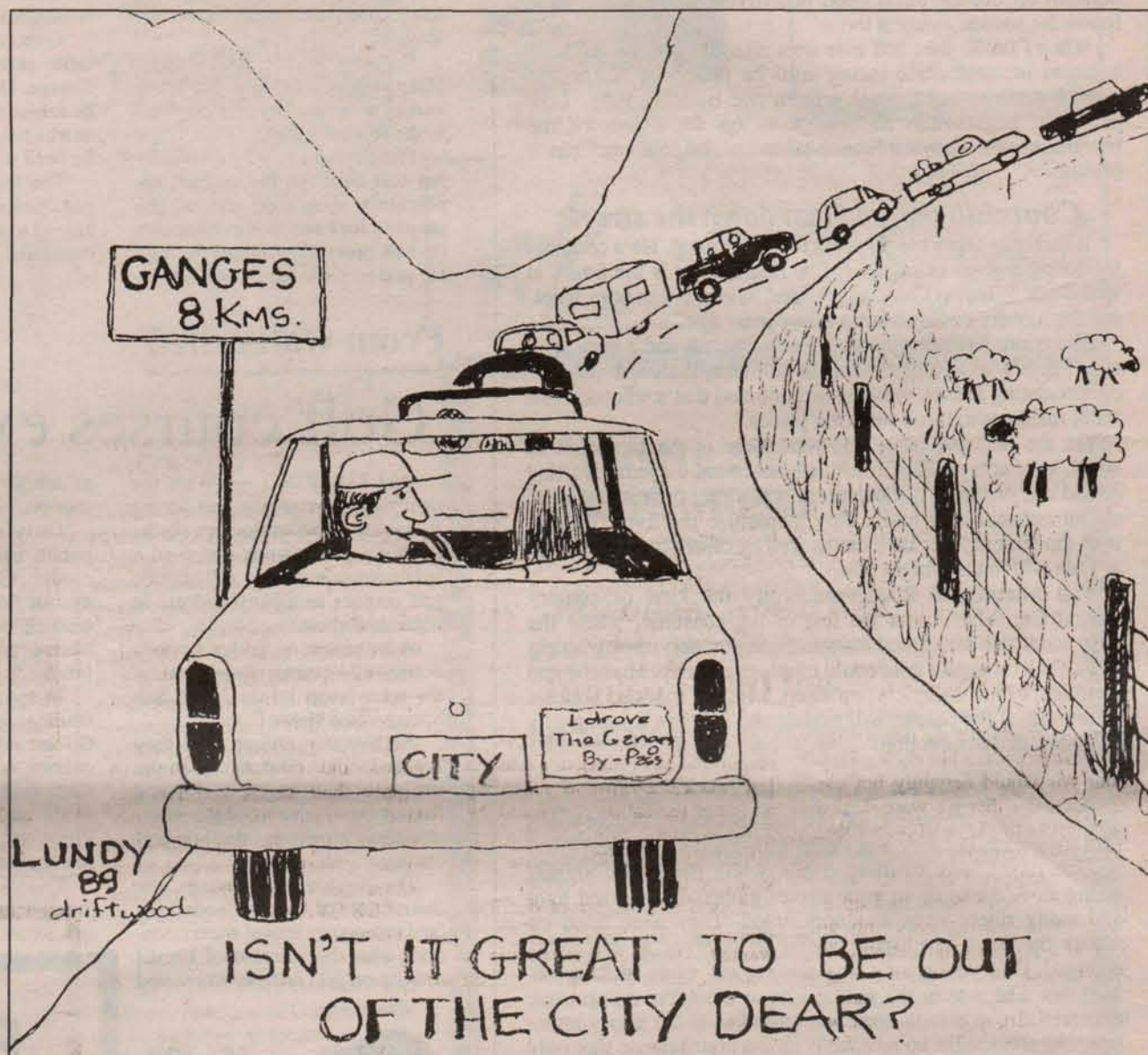
And there may well be sound justification for questioning the need to add chlorine to water out of Maxwell Lake. But before we trip over our fingers in our haste to type off letters to the editor, let's consider some of the facts.

First of all, as far as anyone in officialdom knows, the Maxwell Lake water supply is the only one on Salt Spring Island that is not already subject to chlorine treatment. Those of us who take our water from a community water supply other than Maxwell Lake, for instance, are almost certainly ingesting chlorine with every glass from the tap.

Health officials in Victoria tell us that very few community water systems deliver an untreated product. The treatment may vary — it could be chlorination, ultraviolet or ozone — but the fact remains that it has been treated for reasons of health safety.

The decision to require treatment of water is based on the results of testing for coliform counts. If water tests consistently high in terms of coliform levels, the health department will recommend that it be treated. That's what has happened at Maxwell Lake.

The reason for high coliform counts cannot be pinpointed to one specific problem: it could be brought on by animals grazing in the lake watershed, it could be the effect of certain plant life within the lake or it could be fish that are responsible. Fecal coliforms, however, indicate the presence of sewage



in the water, the product of a warm-blooded mammal.

But whatever the reason, the coliform count is consistently high, high enough that health authorities have stepped in to suggest treatment.

We suggest that chlorination of the Maxwell Lake supply ought to proceed but at the same time let's hear more about chlorine. One water district repre-

sentative not only questions the need for chlorine in Maxwell Lake but questions the safety of the chemical itself.

That spokesman said very little research has been done on the effects of ingesting chlorine into the body. If that is the case, then let's get on with research posthaste.

How do you spell Bactrian? Just ask my computer

By TONY RICHARDS

THERE ARE FEW WONDERS more amazing than modern developments in the printing industry, largely a result of developing computer technology.

This particular computer on which I now enter these bytes of wisdom is also amazing. In one breath it can miss a whole paragraph of Cs — the key just doesn't work sometimes — and in the next it can tell me that, oh yes, the spelling of Bactrian as in Bactrian camels is just fine. But in the same breath, and in the same paragraph, it had to query the word "farting."

I promptly added the word to the computer's built-in dictionary so that we couldn't possibly ever spell it wrong.

But it doesn't catch every error, as a correspondent pointed out in a

recent letter to the editor. But don't blame the proofreader. Iris Warner, who has read proofs in the frozen wastes of the Yukon and now does so in the lush tropics of Salt Spring, only reads advertising proofs and refuses to take responsibility for editorial mistakes.

That's my job — and this computer's.

FAITH IN MY FELLOW MAN was not in need of restoration a couple of weeks ago but the guy who stopped to help on the Island Highway sure made me feel good about people.

I was knowingly operating a defective motor vehicle (the knocking bearing in the water pump made it sound like a diesel) on the Malahat to Crofton. I paid for not getting around to making repairs.

We arrived home three hours late, a \$20 cab fare and a \$50 rental car later. But the oldtimer who pulled over where we'd stopped near Mill Bay made me feel a little better about the expense and the inconvenience.

Having seen the clouds of steam rising from our vehicle, he stepped nimbly to the rear of his car and pulled out a gallon jug of water. "Here you go," he said, and without any further comment, hopped back into his car.

He began to pull away but suddenly he changed his mind, hitting the horn and waving us over. My son walked over to the fellow's car and came back moments later with a copy of the *Times-Colonist* in his hand.

My son relayed the message: Better wait before you add that

water to the radiator and here's a paper to read while you're waiting.

There's some good in everyone; more in some than others.

IF EVER YOU'RE LOOKING for a meal in Victoria and you haven't got all day, I don't recommend Goodies on Broad Street. Twice in the space of a month the popular Victoria eatery was unable to bring me a meal on Sunday morning in less than 45 minutes. And that was after waiting for 10 minutes for a server to take the order.

But if you're looking for accommodation in the Colwood-Langford area, I would highly recommend the Fox and Trout, a

bed and breakfast operation on Millstream Road.

I took a young son with a passion for cars over to Western Speedway for some demolition racing — "hit to pass" style. The Fox and Trout was handy, being just down the road from the Speedway-All Fun Waterslides complex.

The single, detached unit offered living and dining rooms, bedroom and even a bar. Owners Barry and Bernice Beazley have furnished it with antiques collected over a period of many years. They also managed to salvage signs and bar furnishings from the Fox and Trout, an old English pub.

Despite the recent growth of the bed and breakfast business, it was the first time I had stayed at one. It wasn't the last by any means.

letters

Inaccuracies

Regarding your article of June 28, 1989, entitled "Montague Harbour Cancels Float Planes".

I feel that there are some overwhelmingly inaccurate opinions offered and statements made in your story that require a response to set the record straight.

Mr. Coulter makes the statement that he's getting "absolutely nothing out of" the service we offer.

First of all, we have been solicited by several different marinas in the Gulf Islands to become a flag stop for their customers, so it seems to me that this is possibly a short-sighted view in relation to what other operators see as an enhancement to their facilities and services.

Secondly, I wish to point out that we only stop at Montague on a "request" basis (when a passenger is booked). The statement by our scheduled services manager Bill Embrey, that our service is used to fly "heart patients," was inaccurately reported. What Mr. Embrey said was that people have used the scheduled service to commute to Vancouver for medical treatment.

With regard to Mr. Coulter's concerns about liability. If he felt he was at risk in this area, (none of the other operators have expressed concern), he could have easily been added as named insured on our off-premises coverage of \$2 million, but his concerns were not previously expressed.

With regard to us not having permission to use his docks, Harbour Air would certainly not use any facilities that we were denied permission to use, and resent that accusation strongly.

The next point about us "raising havoc" with boats tied up at his dock by waking occupants up at 7 am, is also a bit difficult to imagine, as our scheduled service would not reach Montague until at least 8.15 am, due to the fact we depart Vancouver Harbour at 7:30 am and usually have several other points of call to make first.

Coulter states that we have been involved in two "accidents" since taking over the route. Strangely enough, I am not aware of any "accidents" in Montague involving our aircraft.

In the last part of the article Coulter offers several opinions on the industry that I take particular

exception to, and illustrate that he is obviously completely misinformed. He says that "small operators have a difficult time getting quality pilots" because of competition in the industry. In fact Harbour Air, being the largest seaplane operation on the coast (24 aircraft at present), has exceptionally qualified pilots, with the average amount of flying experience exceeding 5,500 hours, and the majority on float equipped aircraft. Our pilots are selected from literally hundreds of applicants.

He also says that since deregulation "It's difficult to make a buck." My response is that it is curious then that Harbour Air has become very successful only since the implementation of deregulation.

His statements that pilots are somehow under pressure to "put to the air" because they are paid by the mile is ridiculous. Our aircraft are allotted extra time on our scheduled service, to allow for unanticipated delays. The pilots are of course aware that short cuts on any segment will gain them nothing in terms of financial benefit.

With regard to our service to Montague Harbour, we will continue scheduled service to that point, using private docks as made available by our passengers.

GREG McDOUGALL,
President,
Harbour Air Ltd.

Input sought

I am grateful to be able to respond to M.P. Morgan's letter in last week's *Driftwood* regarding an island recreation centre and the questionnaire I distributed through school children with the schools' kind permission.

I used this manner of distribution for two reasons. First, I wanted to reach as many people as I could. Second, I wanted to reach people in families with young children, children who require parental time, money, and effort for successful recreation experiences off-island.

I understand, of course, that Salt Spring offers natural recreation experiences, but they are limited and summer-bound. A facility carefully planned and developed within environmental boundaries would answer an ever-increasing need.

I think I was wrong in not attempting to reach more people, but I was in any case thankful and impressed by the response even such a limited group gave.

I use the term multifunctional to describe the recreation centre I envision. It could contain a continuing education centre, a bigger library, an environmental study centre, a room for drama productions and concerts and courses, an imagination market, a dance hall for teens, a swimming pool for year-round courses and hydrotherapy, an exercise room, and an ice and roller rink.

Many things can be done here in a smaller size than possible in a city providing we plan and organize in a practical way. A recreation centre can provide work for islanders and the disabled — and could it be subsidized by the government?

My purpose at this point is only to determine what people's needs are, what sort of centre we as islanders believe we should be looking toward. Certainly, everyone's input will be welcomed. I can be reached at 537-9298.

CECILIA PECH,
Ganges

Caring

Salt Spring Island people have once again demonstrated that this is a caring community in the warm reception given to the Alfaro family who are now comfortably settled in a house on Margoline Drive.

They received household goods and clothing enough to supply their needs and for this kind generosity the Alfaro family together with the Support Committee wish to extend thanks to all who so quickly responded.

LEE EVANS,
Ganges.

Lands

Crown Lands are important to most islands, and we on Lasqueti are studying them extensively. We would like to have contact with groups studying Crown Land options on other islands.

Our Task Force sees its job as researching the land pieces, the

community's wishes, and future possibilities to devise our own plan. We are developing ideas for the best "use" of these lands, within the "preserve and protect" concept of the Islands Trust.

Although land pieces differ, many of the ideas, problems, and options here on Lasqueti are similar to those on other islands.

Exchange and co-operation should be beneficial among Crown Land groups. Rather than re-invent the wheel, let's try to get some wheels rolling.

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VICTORIA—I honestly wrestled with my conscience, not to mention my instinct for self-preservation, but then I thought what harm can a five-member organization possibly do me, particularly if it's dedicated to non-violence. The organization is Sisters for Nonviolent Action Group or SNAG for short. The group describes itself and its aims as follows:

"SNAG is a Victoria-based affinity group of five women committed to the evolution of society to one which is co-operative, non-competitive, egalitarian and non-hierarchical. SNAG is dedicated to protecting the earth from rape, degradation and exploitation. Foremost, we seek to safeguard her virgin forests. We promote a rediscovery of our connectedness with the sacred web of life, and to equate violation of the earth with violation of self."

Couldn't stand by in face of adversity

Why bring up the Five Sisters in a column on provincial affairs? Because last week they launched an all-out attack on Forest Minister Dave Parker. Now, I'm not one of the minister's premier torch bearers, but there comes a time when men have to set aside their differences in the face of adversity.

I simply could not stand by indifferently, watching a fellow member of the male species being torn to shreds. Why, without a little support from his brothers, SNAG would probably drive the minister to resign, and that would snatch one of my favourite targets right out from under my gun sights. That would never do.

You think I'm being overly dramatic? Hah. Listen to what Susanne Klausen said in a SNAG press release about Dave, and then tell me again I'm an alarmist.

"Parker exemplifies the destructive patriarchal exploitative system which oppresses every creature who is not a white middle-class male. It is arrogant of Parker to think that trees are nothing more than a cash crop, and until we realize this we will continue to destroy our environment," she says.

Now, wait a minute. Parker may be a trifle arrogant, and his connection with the sacred web of life may be a little loose, but I have it on good authority that he likes puppies. Put that in your feminist pipe and smoke it.

An unending lack of respect for forests

Catherine Richardson, another of the Sisters, was even less kind to the beleaguered forest minister. Here are some of her choice words.

"Originally mandated to responsibly manage B.C.'s forests, Parker instead displays an unending lack of respect for forests, democratic process, and caring human beings. He consistently insults the intelligence of the people in B.C. and across Canada," she said.

Joanne Van Allen, on the other hand, goes beyond merely beating up on Parker. She offers solutions.

"At this time of global environmental crises, we must begin to understand our place as humans on earth. We are only one species among millions who share the planetary ecosystem and we can no longer afford to exploit other life forms for our selfish needs," she says.

In a flap over forestry commission

Now, you may wonder what has got SNAG in such a flap. It was Parker's permanent forestry commission that offended their co-operative, non-competitive and egalitarian feelings.

The five women say Parker should have established a royal commission instead. Well, there you are. That's what I said, but I had no idea that the minister shied away from appointing a royal commission because of his deep-rooted commitment to raping and degrading the earth without regard to the sacred web of life.

I almost applied for membership in SNAG when it occurred to me that the SNAG's sneaky aim was not so much to do battle the forest minister but to discredit yet another man. That's when I decided to come to Parker's aid. I'm sure he appreciates that.

My advice to Parker is not to buckle under. Stand tall, Dave. Take it on the chin. I'm right behind you. I know what it's like to be pummelled about by purists. I'm a smoker.

The minister could, of course, try to appease the Sisters by not insisting on violating the earth as much as he does; you know, be a little more in tune with the ecosystem he shares with SNAG and a lot of other creatures great and small. He could, for instance, declare a moratorium on all logging, but that would mean no more paper for SNAG's press releases. Back to stone tablets.

As for SNAG's unprovoked attack on the minister, I say, lay off. A guy that likes puppies and hates communism can't be all bad. Oh yes, I also think SNAG should change its name to Non-Violent Action Group Sisters. It makes for a punchier acronym.

Impaired

Erratic driving draws charges for two

SALT SPRING — Two local men have been charged with impaired driving, among other offences, after police spotted them driving irregularly through Ganges.

RCMP Constables Gary Styles and Brian Brack were northbound in Ganges when they observed a vehicle driving erratically in the opposite direction. Both Constables recognized the driver, whom they knew had been prohibited from driving by the court.

They pursued the vehicle to Drake Road, where they observed the driver and a passenger attempting to trade places.

The car was still running as the RCMP approached it. The original driver was subsequently charged with impaired driving and driving while prohibited. The passenger—who took over control of the car on Drake Road—was charged with

having "care and control" of a vehicle while impaired.

After being taken to the Ganges police detachment, both men, aged 24 and 29, refused to provide police with breath samples. They were

also charged with that offence.

Both men remained lodged in cells for the night. They are scheduled for a first appearance in Ganges provincial court on September 5.

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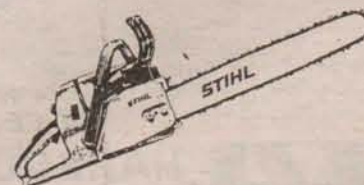
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Vesuvius Store is victim again

VESUVIUS — Proprietors of the Vesuvius Bay Store say it seems they're fighting an uphill battle against young offenders on the island, who have broken into the establishment twice in the past three weeks.

The second of the two break-ins occurred last Wednesday night, when two youngsters removed a window and entered the back of the store. In all, Peter and Jean Stark say they have lost between \$800 and \$900 worth of cigarettes, cash and miscellaneous items.

Following an investigation, local RCMP apprehended two youths from Vancouver on July 20 — the evening following the second offence at Vesuvius — and

charged them with breaking and entering and possession of stolen property.

Police have also apprehended the two local young offenders responsible for the first break-in which occurred two weeks ago.

Jean Stark praised local RCMP for their quick action in apprehending "both lots of kids within hours" of the offences. She said, however, the store is still out of its stolen merchandise.

She said the youths responsible for the second break-in even took the key to their pop machine — making it impossible for them to access it. Until they can obtain a replacement key, their machine will remain "out of order." Further-

more, she said the offenders had the "audacity" to return to the store the next day and purchase items with cash stolen from the premises.

"We've lost quite a lot of items and money," she said. "It's always kids and the parents don't seem to care."

One of the two young offenders charged in the July 21 incident pleaded guilty to the offence in Victoria court last week. Police, who have recovered most of the merchandise stolen in last week's crime, say they will be able to return it once the second youth has been dealt with by the courts.

Jean Stark says she would like to warn residents and merchants, who she believes may not always secure their premises, that they can never be too careful. The Vesuvius Bay Store is always locked at night, she said. And now everything of value is taken home.

Fire chief pleased by water main upgrade

SALT SPRING — Upgrading plans by the North Salt Spring Waterworks District are enough to keep the local fire chief happy — for now anyway.

The water district will replace the existing four-inch main with eight-inch pipe this year from Booth Canal Road as far as Brinkworthy Road. Fire chief Les Wagg says he'd like to see it replaced through to Crofton Road but described this year's project as "a help."

In his annual report to the fire district, Wagg had pointed out the need to upgrade the water line as far as Crofton Road because of the increased population density in the area. The line serves Lady Minto Hospital, Greenwoods, the HMS Ganges apartments, the provincial government building, Ganges Village Market, Upper Ganges Centre, Croftonbrook and the Legion, to name a few.

He said an eight-inch main would enable firemen to count on hydrants for water supply. With the smaller water line, he said, the tanker truck would have to be pressed into service as well.

Water district superintendent Mike Larmour told *Driftwood* that replacement of the line through to Crofton Road was within the district's five-year plan. He said he would like to do the whole job this year but money and other priorities wouldn't allow it.

Meanwhile, the fire department responded to 165 calls in 1988. Fifteen were structural, 25 were chimney and 22 were bush and grass fires. The remainder included inhalator and rescue vehicle calls, electrical and others. False alarms accounted for five calls.

Total value of the property involved was about \$1.6 million while total damage was estimated at \$660,000. Volunteer firemen put in 1,739 hours responding to the calls and another 1,640 hours practising on Tuesday evenings.

The department has 30 volunteers and two paid staff, chief Les Wagg and deputy chief Dan Akerman.

Motorist loses case

GANGES — A Salt Spring man who passed a vehicle he believed was obstructing traffic on a double-solid line was found guilty of the violation in provincial court here last week.

John MacLean, of South Bank Drive, pleaded not guilty to the offence before Judge R.W. Metzger on July 17.

MacLean was issued a ticket on October 28 by RCMP Constable Gary Styles, who told the court the accused pulled out and passed a vehicle driving south on Fulford-Ganges Rd.

Although the driver of that vehicle said she was travelling at approximately 80 km per hour, MacLean said he clocked her driving at about 20 kilometres per hour. At that speed, he said, he considered her vehicle a road obstruction and passed it in the same way he would overtake a cyclist or backhoe.

Judge Metzger said the section of the Motor Vehicle Act in question says a motorist cannot pass on a double solid line. He ruled a violation did occur.

Lake counts are up

Fecal coliform counts taken from Salt Spring beaches have increased in four areas this past week.

Latest figures released by the Capital Regional District (CRD) show increase in Blackburn Lake, up from 4 to 6; Cusheon Lake, showing an increase from 11 to 15; St. Mary Lake, now at 24 from 16; and Stowe Lake, with an increase to 25 from 19.

The fecal coliform count at Vesuvius beach remains the same at 35, and the count has dropped from 10 to 9 at Weston Lake.

The fecal coliform count is an indicator of sewage pollution of water and subsequent risk of gastro-intestinal disease. Beach warnings are posted when counts consistently exceed 200 fecal coliform per 100 millilitres of water, or when values fluctuate dramatically.

Five areas in the CRD currently have warnings posted: Ross Bay, Gonzales Bay, Shoal Bay, Cadboro Bay (at Telegraph Road) and Mt. Douglas Park.

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No insurance gets \$300 penalty

GANGES — A trial proceeded without hearing testimony from the defence last week, when the accused failed to appear in Ganges provincial court.

Judge R.W. Metzger found a Salt Spring man guilty of driving without motor vehicle insurance, and fined him the usual \$300 penalty.

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MB's logging plans to follow last year's pattern

GALIANO — MacMillan Bloedel's (MB) logging plans on Galiano Island for the next two years follow along the lines of what the company negotiated last fall with island residents.

MB outlined its plans at a meeting at Galiano on Tuesday of last week. "The cutting levels are along the lines of what we negotiated last fall," said Gary Moore of Clear Cut Alternatives.

Moore said MB will pretty well stick to last year's pattern. In 1989-90 they will cut 158 acres in six areas, compared to 130 acres in nine areas last year, with about the

To cut 17,000 cubic metres from 158 acres

same volume of timber — 17,000 cubic metres — to be cut. The blocks will range in size from 13 to 35 acres.

In the 1991-92 logging year 137 acres will be cut in six separate areas.

"It is within the context of downscaling operations in an orderly fashion over the next three to four years," observed Moore.

The new plans include leaving 200-metre strips between old and

new clear-cut areas; a 30-metre strip near major roads; and a 10-metre strip near private property if it has a house or clearing near the property line. "In the past they (MB) cut right to the property line," Moore explained.

The community representatives on the forest and land use council will now consult with the community over the logging plans, and meet again with MB by August 31.

Also discussed at the meeting was representation on the forest and land use council by Friends of Galiano (FOG).

Said Moore: "(MB spokesman Jim) Finkbeiner supports FOG representation on the council. But it is our attitude that the present community representatives—Ken Millard, Geoff Gaylor, Gary Moore and alternates Dale Lyon and Dawn Christian — were endorsed at a

well-attended meeting in January. We just can't let a seat go."

Council chairman Dr. Andrew Thompson said it is not within the scope of the council to discuss community representation. Last Sunday, at a meeting chaired by Diane Cragg, three representatives from FOG and CCA got together to discuss a mechanism to determine community representatives.

On August 1 Lower Mainland owners of Galiano property will have an opportunity to hear MB's plans at a meeting in Vancouver. The information meeting will take place at the Arbutus Club at 8 pm.

Bylaw gets second, third readings

Setbacks assure privacy—Trust

SALT SPRING — Although local Islands Trust representatives said they are "all for more imaginative uses of land," they agreed that they should provide a blanket assurance that people will have privacy on their own property.

In making these statements, trustees Nick Gilbert and John Stepaniuk last week passed second and third reading of an amendment bylaw, establishing rear lot line setbacks of 25 feet.

Approval of the bylaw was made following several objections raised at Friday's public hearing by architect Hank Schubart and building designer Bob Hassell.

Schubart began his series of objections by noting the bylaw may be a "sleeper," meaning that while it may appear innocuous now — everybody is in favour of having more space between buildings — it could lead to difficulties in the future.

First, Schubart said, defining the "rear" of a lot can be difficult: the rear is usually the end opposite the street. However, if the lot is between two streets, the rear is opposite the longer of the two roads.

Establishing a rear lot line of 25 feet also becomes difficult in shallow lots, where the depth may only be 50 feet in total.

Schubart cited the development at Maracaibo as an example. Rear lot lines on properties in that subdivision are already set at 25 feet from the water. With the passing of this bylaw, he said, building sites would have to be 50 feet from the water: "The lots would almost become unbuildable," he said.

"Arbitrary zoning setbacks are obnoxious because they often deny a proper use of the property," he said.

Schubart further stated that an application to the board of variance has to prove hardship before receiving approval.

"The design and intelligence (of a proposal) is irrelevant if you can't prove hardship," he said. "Therefore it's not enough to say they can go to the board of variance."

Hassell said he agreed with Schubart's comments, stressing the bylaw will prohibit creative land use, such as that at Maracaibo.

Both he and Schubart noted that numerous lots on the island, plus several in the design stage, will become non-conforming.

Hassell said it is apparent that the Trust is trying to plug a loophole that may be abused by some parties, but suggested there may be another

way of doing it.

An individual who expressed support for the bylaw said the Trust was only hearing the interests of the business community. He said as an "ordinary person" he would feel more secure if the omission of setbacks in the current bylaws was fixed.

At the conclusion of the public hearing, Gilbert asked Islands Trust planner Tony Quin to explain what remedies would be available to builders who wished to vary from the regulatory setbacks.

Quin agreed that the board of variance may not entertain applications which could not prove hardship.

Quin said anybody can apply for

a variance permit, which must have the approval of neighbours before being granted. For those building within the boundary of Ganges, relaxation of setback regulations may be obtained through a development permit.

Stepaniuk said he was perturbed over the points raised by Schubart, and agreed with the need for more imaginative land use. He also said it is important for those living in rural areas to have the assurance they would not be looking into their neighbour's window.

After the trustees gave second and third readings to the bylaw, they passed another motion, requesting that staff examine the question of defining rear lot lines.

Help for tourism projects

SALT SPRING ISLAND — Approval has been received here for an Employment Plus Tourism Project that will provide temporary full-time jobs for five islanders on income assistance.

Under the program, a crew of five people plus a supervisor will be hired for 22 weeks, commencing August 1. The crew will undertake projects relevant to island tourism.

Although the project is sponsored by the Salt Spring Salmon Enhancement Society, the crew will be available to work for other community groups. Projects will include work at the Linear Park in Ganges and for organizations such as the Legion, the Farmers' Institute and the Chamber of Commerce.

The crew will also clear foot

trails and riding trails for the Trail and Nature Club and work for the Community Coalition Group on the Crown land survey.

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Spring lamb will give the Hastings House an added rural flavour on the outside, the renowned delicacy of local lamb

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No lamb is embarrassment—chef

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all the lamb I can handle without touching the restaurant business."

The lack of meat inspection facilities on Salt Spring is another reason most restaurants do not sell local lamb on a regular basis. Because there are no facilities here (the Gulf Islands are excluded from meat inspection regulations), it makes it prohibitively expensive to purchase inspected lamb for restaurant sale, says Lynch.

The lamb would have to be sent off-island for inspection and brought back for sale, Lynch says.

Local lamb producer Ross McLeod agrees the issue of inspection has clouded the sale of Salt Spring lamb in restaurants here.

"Up until a few months ago, people didn't realize uninspected lamb could be sold in restaurants," he says.

A recent rescinding of a proposed bylaw to regulate the sale of uninspected meat in the Capital Regional District has kept the Gulf Islands outside of the meat inspection area. Ross says the district now says those selling meat at a retail level in an uninspected area should indicate it is uninspected as a courtesy to the consumer.

"For all of history here," McLeod says, "(Lamb producers) have found markets elsewhere. Most lamb is sold at the gate, either whole or in cut and wrapped portions, ready for the freezer."

Those in the business know, he says, that sales made to secondary processors usually involve the prime cuts, leaving the producers with shoulders and shanks.

McLeod agrees that no one on Salt Spring is large enough to supply the restaurant business and "somehow deal with" all the other sales made.

"Each farmer here tends to act as an independent."

McLeod describes local sales to

off-island restaurants as occurring on a "hit and miss" basis. Last week, he says, he sold 10 lambs to a restaurant in Vancouver, which will serve it as a special. The lamb was taken through a meat inspection process there, which cut into his profits.

He was able to make the deal, he says, because the restaurant agreed to purchase the entire carcasses. It

will be serving everything from lamb racks to kebabs and Irish stew, in order to use up the entire lamb.

In the meantime, lamb producers here are selling enough lamb to keep them busy. And as for restaurant goers, Stefancsik says most who ask about the lamb's origin usually end up ordering it even if it is not from Salt Spring.

Fishing gear missing

PENDER ISLAND — RCMP here are investigating complaints of fishing gear being stolen from boats at Thieves Bay on Pender Island.

Two suspects from Surrey are presently under investigation, says Constable Yves Antaya from the Pender detachment. The same suspects were sighted at Miner's Bay on Mayne Island, "snooping around and looking at boats," says Antaya.

Meanwhile, Gulf Island RCMP detachments are cracking down on fishing boats obstructing B.C. Ferries travelling through Active Pass. RCMP have recently received several complaints from the B.C. Ferry Corporation about clusters of fishing boats at both ends of Active Pass — at Helen Point and Georgina Point.

Constable Antaya says offending boaters will be charged under Canada Shipping Act regulations. "We won't issue warnings. They'll go to court and it's guaranteed the judge will give the heavy fine."

Recently, RCMP members from Ganges, Mayne Island and Pender have patrolled up and down Active Pass to make sure small craft are keeping channels free for ferries.

Antaya says only a few boaters stay in front of ferries until the last second and cause problems. He says that because of tides in Active Pass ferries need to maintain speed in order to negotiate the turns.

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Incurable

To paraphrase Gary Lundy's perceptive letter about self-healing in July 5 *Driftwood*, wealth is whatever we have lots of turned to our advantage.

While I have not met Dr. Bernie Siegel, author of *Peace, Love and Healing*, I can personally vouch for the accuracy of his conclusion regarding so-called incurable illnesses becoming curable, once they have been stripped of their excruciating garb to reveal an extremely valuable gift of life and awareness.

Only once have I ever spoken publicly about my own lifelong struggle with ANS syndrome, a "terminal" metabolic disorder which has the marked advantage of not being recognized by the medical establishment as a single bona fide life-threatening illness.

Without the official support afforded formally identified acute disorders, drawing beyond all of one's strength upon one's inner resources becomes the way to appreciate the freedom that comes from having no preconceived notions about the symptoms and degree of one's illness . . . or of its ultimate origin and cure.

Authentic healing addresses the ultimate cause of that struggle, for the purpose of revealing to us that the source of all our problems is the need to struggle itself.

It would take many letters such as the present one to explain the spurious reasons behind this entirely fabricated need, and to show how invalid every one of them is. Suffice it to say here, in terms most of us can understand, that the tap-root of this apparently essential need is what is called "the Authority Problem."

The question, put in a nutshell, is that if every one of us is a unique, indispensable, infinitely valuable and beautiful book in the Cosmic Library from which all such works originate, then Who exactly is the Author of these books.

Our entire world is based on the idea that books write themselves. But as long as we claim to be our own Originator, we will find ourselves, like mad ventriloquist puppets in fantasy films, in direct though entirely imaginary conflict with Whoever is our true Originator.

The Good News is that our Author will never be our enemy, no matter what we do and how often we do it, simply because characters in a story-line can only be at war on paper as they wrestle for the pen that writ them.

The essential function of Religion throughout the world, when remembered, has always been to reunite us with our Creator. That is why the gift one exalted messenger after another brings us is always the same as well: it has to do with love, life, peace and happiness, in other words with what is real, and not with what we *think* is real.

Loss of innocence is the only illness, and all healing does is return us to that original innocence, which is not simply related to radiant health: it *is* radiant health.

Death, which in our world is considered the most incurable disease of all, viewed in this light is nothing more than an all-encompassing symptom of loss of innocence. Perfect healing can cure even that.

Most of Christendom has forgotten that the Resurrection was much more than spectacular imagery designed to inspire hope where none could possibly exist. Its central message was to point to the complete unreality of death by *showing* that it can be overcome.

To believe in the incurability of anything is to think the Universe is other than what it is.

Ultimately, the distinction between "curable" and "incurable" is a totally arbitrary one. It is precisely that demarcation line I crossed last spring, only to realize what a paper dragon it had been all along.

Dragons have a way of losing their fire, and their need to devour, once they are approached with love and appreciated for what they really are.

In magical lore, dragons and unicorns are supposed to be each other's arch-rivals. My own recent crossing of the ground between them has shown me that their vicious enmity is completely unreal.

Yet such artificial division, necessary to a world-view where something must be killed in order for something else to "live," is a piece of pathology so immense it has given rise to the tangibly sick Earth we see, the one more and more of us are now seeking to heal by bridging that chasm within our souls.

Whether individually or globally, departures from what we are into what we think we are can only bring us pain, since cutting ourselves off from what is real

means distancing ourselves from what is happy, peaceful and loving. Pain hurts *because* we are going in the wrong direction.

FRANCOIS JAUBERT
Beaver Point

Callousness

To those people who were driving along Cusheon Lake Road on Tuesday July 11, around 3:45, and didn't stop.

A teenage boy had at some point crashed off his bike and hit the road with his face. He was stumbling along the road, hands covering his face trying to stop the flow of blood. Blood was splattered all over his shirt and legs. He was calling for help.

How could you drive right past him and not stop to help? I do not understand how you could do this. You could not have been so blind

that you couldn't have seen him, nor seen that he was hurt. I've heard of not wanting to get involved but that was the worst display of human callousness I've ever seen.

Just in case you're interested, he is OK: cuts, bruises, bumps and stitches, but OK. Think for a minute how he must feel knowing you drove right on by him and didn't stop to help. How would you feel if that had been your child?

G. NORTON,
Fulford Harbour.

Thank you

I'm a little late with this but would still like to thank those generous friends of Salt Spring Voice of Women and Friends of Ometepe who sent \$200 to me

earlier this month for a refugee family. The man has had open-heart surgery and is now recuperating nicely. However, he and his family are still in need of support and contributions, however small, would be appreciated.

I'm going to ask the Schubarts if they would be kind enough to accept donations in Crossroads.

Look forward to being back on the island in mid-August and seeing you all again.

SHEILA REID,
Mexico

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Mauveen Moore stands before selection of jewellery, skin care products and miscellaneous items for sale at Willow Studio in Ganges.

ISLANDERS AT WORK

The Willow Studio offers treatment for mind, body and soul

By SUSAN DICKER

Some people, says Anna Mauveen Moore, drift into the Willow Studio and fall under the spell of the merchandise and the treatments offered there.

Others, she laughs, circle the display area, and back out — quickly.

Located in downtown Ganges between Mouat's and the Harbour Building, the Willow Studio is a "metaphysical beauty shop," offering treatment for the mind, body and soul.

Working with the mind is Rosalie Miles, universal oracle, who does readings from a small room within. Miles works with a board she designed herself, combining Tarot, numerology and I Ching.

Moore says Miles' clientele is steady and consistent; she says it represents people "across the board" and from all walks of life.

Miles charges \$25 for a half-hour session, \$35 for one hour and \$60 for two hours.

As an esthetician, with Reiki and massage training, Moore says she treats the mind and soul.

Moore bought the local esthetics business from Colette Froment, with whom she trained for several months, and ran the "Crystal Clinique" out of her home. During the same period, she owned a restaurant in Vancouver.

Moore says she has coveted the building out of which she presently works for many years. Last year, she learned she could have it, and made the commitment to establish a permanent business. Believing the name Crystal Clinique had outgrown itself, she searched for a new name, settling on the Willow Studio with the encouragement of silent partner Brian Jewell, owner of the Shady Willows Resort.

The Willow Studio held its grand opening on February 5 of this year.

Moore says she tries to create a somewhat magical atmosphere at the Willow Studio — an environment she herself likes to be in and an "energy field" that makes people happy.

"I want people to come in, step out of their own life for an hour, and go back fully rejuvenated," she says.

Above the apparent usefulness of Moore's treatments, she says her facials and skin care pamper her clients. While she started off learning all the correct clinical treatments, she believes the care she offers goes deeper. Her training in Reiki healing — a well known technique in Europe and Sweden — takes her facial treatments beyond the merely clinical, she says.

In May, Moore attended a one-month course in advanced facial therapy, training with Daniel Silverman in Vancouver. He taught participants to work with energy — something Moore says has "blown open a whole new field" for her.

The hands-on facial massage, where the hands never stop moving, "sends people right off into space."

Through the Willow Studio, Moore offers a variety of facial treatments. The Dermolyse deep pore cleansing (\$35) "cleanses, uplifts and refreshes" the skin and includes a massage and masque. A regular facial (\$30) includes deep cleansing, massage and masque; while a mini-facial (\$20) only takes half an hour, rather than a full 60 minutes.

Moore also offers a mask quick lift facial, "for an immediate improvement to the texture and firmness of the complexion" for \$35.

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Simply a matter of record-keeping

Plan ahead to save major headaches, big bucks

By RON PARK, F.C.A.

Showing up on your chartered accountant's doorstep during the last week in April, clutching a receipt-filled shoebox, is not a good idea.

And especially if you are the owner of a small business, you need to plan for tax time throughout the year. Most accountants agree that very little effort can save major headaches and big bucks come April 30.

It's just a matter of record keeping.

The small business owner who keeps accurate expense records can benefit at tax time by being aggressive and creative in taking legitimate deductions.

Knowing what expenses to keep track of is the first hurdle.

Let's use a home-based business as an example. The obvious tax-deductible items include office supplies, business licences and insurance, promotion expenses,

accountant's fees and lawyers fees, and salaries and benefits if you have employees.

Some less obvious deductions may include portions of rent, house insurance, hydro costs, and property taxes. Account for any expenses associated with operating the home in which your business functions. At tax time, a portion of these expenses equal to the amount of space your business takes up in your home may be deductible.

To find out exactly what expenses are deductible, pick up a copy of Revenue Canada's *Business and Professional Income Tax Guide*. This booklet provides samples, forms and detailed, easy-to-understand information about your income taxes.

With a little more planning you can further maximize your deductions. For example, leasing office equipment may have some tax advantages. But, as the cost of leasing could cancel out the savings you receive in tax deductions, this must

be carefully researched.

And even the smallest things add up.

By keeping a log book in your car, and recording your actual mileage, you may be better compensated at tax time. Any trade papers or magazines you buy to inform yourself or employees are also deductible.

Once you know what to keep track of, there are a few basic ways to do it.

The first is to set up proper records. A little help from your chartered accountant at the outset will enable you to establish an efficient system that's easy to maintain.

Establishing a chequing account and credit card in your company's name will help you to separate your personal and business expenses. These items will also give you accurate records of these expenses. It's a good idea to write a description of the purchase on the back of

credit card slips and cancelled cheques.

Whenever possible, pay by cheque and not in cash.

If you're wondering if all this documentation and bookkeeping is worth the effort, why not try it for

a year, and compare the results with the previous year. The bottom line will likely be convincing.

For the brochure, *A Guide to Running a Successful Small Business*, write to Ron W. Park, F.C.A., Executive Vice-President, Institute of Chartered Accountants of British

No reason to change 40-60 strategy

By RICK SALES and PETER ROBSON

"In the maturing market environment we feel investors should be balancing their portfolios and be 40 per cent in cash and quality government bonds of no more than a five-year maturity and 60 per cent in equities." That was our conclusion in the August 1987 edition of *Your Money Counts* (Vol. 1, No. 8).

Subsequently cash and bonds have performed quite well on a total return basis. Short-term interest rates have risen abruptly during the period, actually to higher levels than we ever anticipated, providing a decent reward for cash holdings. Longer term bond yields have edged a bit lower providing some capital appreciation and an attractive locked-in yield.

Despite this two-year strategy of 40:60 we see no reason for change at this time other than to lengthen term on bonds and reduce cash.

In our opinion, short-term interest rates, which have been easing in recent weeks, will decline further, a conclusion based on economic developments in the U.S.

High short-term interest rates are slowing business activity. The construction and automobile sectors, two major pillars of the U.S. economy, are noticeably weak. It is exports which are carrying the load. The stronger U.S. dollar will temper activity here. In other words slow economic growth will further dampen inflationary expectations and lead to lower interest rates and higher bond prices.

From a technical perspective, as indicated by the Dow Jones 20 corporate bond index, bonds have pushed above their moving average lines and broken through resistance at \$92.50. Both are bullish signals. Bond prices will go higher.

Canadian interest rates are historically high relative to their U.S. counterparts. Also, the Canadian dollar has risen sharply to levels not really conducive to the financial health of our exporting industries. As a result, as U.S. interest rates decline Canadian rates will follow and probably at a faster pace.

Conclusion: lengthen bonds maturities. Buy interest-sensitive stocks (i.e. utilities, pipelines, financial companies).

Rick Sales and Peter Robson are money managers with the Vancouver-based investment dealer, Odium Brown Ltd.

Studio is metaphysical beauty shop

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Pigmentary stain removal also costs \$35.

Moore does full (\$28) and half (\$20) leg waxes for hair removal; full and half bikini waxes and facial hair removal. Eyelash tinting is also available.

Moore describes her Pelodia mud wrap treatment as a "phenomenal" method of relaxation and stress relief treatment. The wrap, which involves use of imported volcanic mud, cost \$40 for an hour-long treatment, and \$50 with a light aromatherapy massage.

Aromatherapy — an ancient Egyptian technique involving the application of essential oils by a light massage — is offered at \$40 for a full hour, and \$20 for a half-hour.

The Willow Studio is also an outlet for a number of retail items — jewellery, crystals, prisms, cards and books — supplied to Moore by her 20-year-old daughter Justine, who operates the Crystal Web in Vancouver.

Moore hopes to have her daughter working alongside her at the Willow Studio later this year.

In the meantime, she continues to offer her clients a chance to step out of their life for an hour, and be totally pampered.

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Better an owner than a loaner

By **BRUCE FOERSTER**

Dollar-cost averaging (DCA) and mutual funds are an ideal way to invest regular amounts of savings for long-term growth with minimum risk.

This dynamic duo lets you take advantage of a favourite maxim of many investors: it's better to be an owner than a loaner. What this means is that you'll profit more by investing in the ownership of companies through shares that trade on stock exchanges, than by lending money to corporations, governments or financial institutions in the form of bonds, deposits or other debt instruments.

There's lots of historical evidence to support this theory — if it's applied over long periods of time. One study, for example, tracked the performance of the shares of 500 American companies measured by the Standard & Poor's Index for the period 1926-1987.

The net compound return for these stocks over the 62-year period, after inflation and with dividend income re-invested, averaged 6.9 per cent per year. By contrast, the return on corporate bonds during the same period (again after inflation) averaged only 1.9 per cent while government bonds averaged 1.3 per cent and Treasury bills a mere 0.5 per cent. (See graph).

That clearly demonstrates how, over the long term, it is better to be an owner than a loaner.

But this same study also showed that during shorter periods of time the stock market is highly volatile. The best performance by the 500 shares in any one year was a net gain of nearly 59 per cent, while the worst year showed a net loss of more than 43 per cent. Over five-year holding periods, returns ranged from gains of nearly 24 per cent to losses of more than 12 per cent; for 10-year periods, from 0.9 per cent to 20 per cent; and for 25-year periods, from 5.9 per cent to nearly 15 per cent.

There were no periods of 10 years or longer in which investing in these 500 shares would have produced a loss. Clearly, if you want to reduce the risks of being an owner you should invest for at least 10 years, and preferably longer.

You can further reduce the risks of short-term fluctuations in stock market prices by using dollar-cost averaging to invest a fixed amount of savings at regular intervals, usually monthly. With DCA you can buy shares for less than their average selling price during a given period, which helps flatten short-term price fluctuations.

If stock A sells for \$10 a share in July and \$5 a share in August, the average price during that two-month period would be \$7.50. But if you invested \$1,000 to buy 100 shares in July and a further \$1,000 to buy 200 shares in August, your average purchase price would be only \$6.67.

An open-end equity mutual fund is the ideal way to put DCA to work, because it will allow you to invest as little as \$50 — or as much as you wish — every month. You will get automatic re-investment of earnings, detailed records and instant liquidity. As well, many

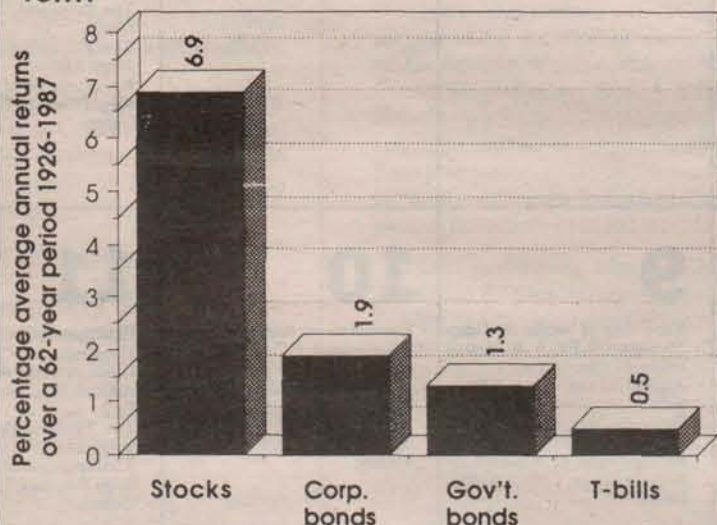
mutual funds can be included in a registered retirement savings plan.

If you want to invest regularly, a mutual fund — based on the evidence of historical records — offers a close to perfect combina-

tion of investment safety and growth potential, as long as you stick with it for the long term.

Bruce Foerster is a financial advisor with England Securities Ltd.

Stocks are your best investment over the long term



Source: Ibbotson and Sinquefeld, "Stocks, Bonds, Bills and Inflation"

Consider these factors in designing portfolio

By **HUGH HORNE**

No single investment will be best for you at all times. Therefore, a well-balanced portfolio should be structured with each part chosen for its own characteristics, and together, aimed to meet your overall financial needs and goals.

Factors to consider include:

1. Your financial goals (income and growth).
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Hugh Horne is a financial planner with Hodgins Leard Proteau and Associates, Vancouver.



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On the map of China, Xian is about 900 km southwest of Beijing and about the same latitude as Los Angeles. Situated on a flat, wheat growing plain the modern city inherited its site from the ancient city of Chang'an, the most populous urban centre on earth in the time of the Zhou dynasty, dating 1000 B.C. to almost 1000 A.D.

George Woodcock, in his recent book *Caves in the Desert*, describes Xian this way: "Boulevards (are) divided in the middle by gardens, like elongated parks full of trees and shrubs — flower beds were bright and fragrant with roses — in the city of Xian, at times, the old trees overhead formed a complete canopy — the climate was warm and dry like that of southern France."

These days westerners are most likely to know the city for its close proximity to the famous "Terra Cotta Army" — life-size replicas of soldiers wrought out of earthen clay — brigade upon brigade intended to form the guard of honour of the deceased and ancient tyrannical emperor Qin Shu Huang.

A time when the arts flourished

Woodcock goes on: "Before the pottery army was discovered, the past in whose glow the people of Xian liked to bask was that of the cosmopolitan T'ang city of Chang'an, once not only the greatest Asian capital and the largest city in the world but also the terminus of the Silk Road into which people of many creeds and races came lurching on their ragged and farting Bactrian camels."

"It was a time when the arts flourished and Chinese poetry was at its peak of quality, when the rulers and their ladies and courtiers led extravagant lives that have been romanticized into legend and still stir the imaginations of the people."

Well just as Woodcock went on to experience these stirrings in the form of opera in the T'ang dynasty style, Salt Spring Island last Friday was treated to a more down-to-earth expression from "the Folk Artists of Shaanxi," an ensemble of singers, musicians, and dancers whose aim is to preserve, compose and perform music, song and dance in the folk traditions celebrating work, nature and romance.

An exotic and energetic performance

It was hard to know what to expect, but what we got was an exotic and energetic performance of strange sounds from an array of unfamiliar instruments — the So-no (Chinese cornet) with its highly-pitched nasal tones, and the Pi-pa (Chinese lute) from which many extraordinary textures were extracted, both harmonious and discordant, in a solo of obvious virtuosity.

Often the music bore more resemblance to the innovative 20th century compositions labelled "new music" than to any other western designation. There was a strong percussive element, particularly in the dancing which was illustrative of folk stories or just plain celebratory of good times.

The music of Shaanxi to a western ear is a blend of the bitter with the sweet. The sounds are evocative and interesting on their own but also for their imitation of natural ones, as in the pieces, *Raindrops Beating on Palm Leaves*, *Galloping Steeds*, and *A Roaring Tiger Sharpening Its Teeth*. There were also songs of saccharine sentiment, humour and playful goofing around.

Fantasticks opens August 4 at Ganges

SALT SPRING — A simple story of love and life, mixed with music and moonlight and the magic of theatre. It will make you laugh and cry, and leave the theatre humming.

That's what director April Curtis says about the local production of *Fantasticks*, which opens at Off Centre Stage Friday, Aug. 4. Off-Broadway's longest running musical, it premiered in 1960 and has been playing for more than 25 years in many different languages to packed houses all over the world.

Island performers who will be featured in the presentation are: Sue Bowler as the girl, James Wilkinson as the boy, Dan Miller as El Gallo, Ralph Miller and Ron Brunette as the fathers, Michael Curtis and Brien Foerster as the old actor and Mortimer, and Malindi Curtis as the mute.

Assistant director is Lynda Jensen and musical director is Tone Prosk. Island pianist Chris Kodaly will provide accompaniment, joined by Prosk on flute and bass. The production is being staged by Active P.A.S.S. (Performing Artists of Salt Spring), now the resident company at Off Centre Stage.

The show will run four weekends in August, beginning August 4 and 5.

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Shuffle Demons hamming it up in preparation for Beaver Pt. dance

Shuffle Demons here Sunday

Bebop berets, el cheapo sunglasses

SALT SPRING — A street-wise mix of panache, sheer nerve, bebop berets and el cheapo sunglasses. That's how one Toronto magazine described the Shuffle Demons, a group that will perform Sunday at Beaver Pt. Hall.

War parody magic film

The Adventures of Baron Munchausen

Showing at Island Cinema Friday through Monday, July 28-31, at 8 pm. Rated mature; warning — some violence.

A devastating parody of war, this film is a successfully preposterous effort by Terry Gilliam, the comic genius of the Monty Python troupe. It is "a lavishly forged miracle of mind over matter: a divine comedy of mythic adventure and surreal special effects."

The baron, who is a mix of Ulysses, Robin Hood, Don Quixote and Aladdin's Genie, sets off in a hot-air balloon to find reinforcements to save his city from attack by enemies. He and his 10-year-old sidekick Sally go through some amazing adventures, like flying to the moon, falling through a volcano, and staring down a cyclops.

Robin Williams is brilliant in a minor role, Oliver Reed is a jealously oafish god Vulcan, and John Neville (from Ontario's Stratford Festival) "fills the title role with the kind of theatrical gusto that rarely finds its way to the screen."

A magic film about magic people in magic times, with a message for all time.

— Contributed

Described as a band all dressed up with everywhere to go, the Shuffle Demons got their start five years ago at the corner of Yonge and Bloor Streets in downtown Toronto. They entertained the passing multitudes of pedestrians, often drawing a couple of hundred spectators to see them perform.

The five-piece band is original in instrumentation, with three saxophones, bass, drums and vocals, and in presentation: hand-painted Demon duds. Their music is a blend of styles ranging from danceable original rap, blues, funk, swing, country and Latin to TV and movie themes, rock classics and jazz standards.

In 1985 the group did a three-month European tour. The following year they released their first album, *Streetniks*. It has outsold all Canadian independent albums, was nominated for a JUNO award and won a 1987 CASBY award.

Outrageous and irresistible, is how the Ottawa *Citizen* described the Shuffle Demons' show in the capital city. The reviewer said their performance was equal parts of improvisation-based music, theatre and pop entertainment.

Sunday's performance-dance begins at 8 pm. Tickets are \$7 at the door.

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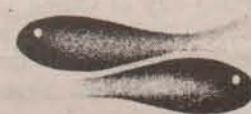
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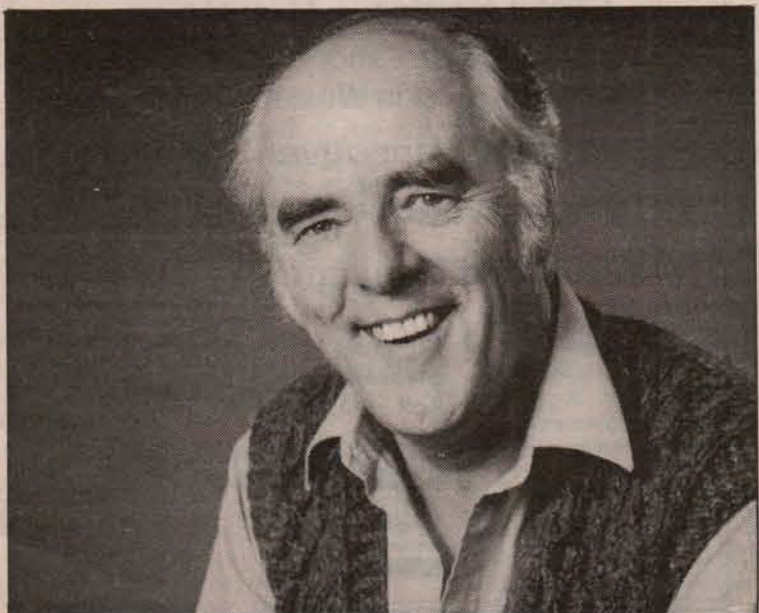
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From the top are Shari Ulrich, Rick Scott and Joe Mock, original members of popular British Columbia band, Pied Pumkin. The trio are currently on a reunion tour and will perform Saturday at Ganges as part



Theatre, Pied Pumkin on bill for festival's final week

SALT SPRING — Live theatre and live music make up the bill this week for the final presentations in the month-long Salt Spring Festival of the Arts.

Amazing Gracie, by Alberta playwright Warren Graves, will be seen Thursday and Friday at Off Centre Stage. Graves and Nanaimo actress Shirley Remington form the cast, portraying four characters who provide a "hilarious and penetrating examination of the male/female relationship."

The play was critics' choice earlier this month at the Nanaimo Theatre Group's Summer Spice Festival. One reviewer said fine acting performances and gentle, witty dialogue were highlights of the play.

Tickets are \$7.

Grand finale of the festival will be a concert-dance featuring Pied Pumkin, who are currently doing a reunion tour. Rick Scott, Shari Ulrich and Joe Mock got together last year to perform at the Vancouver Folk Festival, ending a 12-year hiatus from performing as a group.

When the band members went their separate ways 13 years ago — Ulrich to the Hometown Band and Scott and Mock as Pied Pear — they were one of the most successful independent recording acts in Canada, having sold more than 30,000 albums.

The three performed individually at last year's arts festival.

Tickets are \$8 for the event, which will take place Saturday at the Activity Centre.



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country gourmet

by john edwards



Second of three parts

Last week we left first-grade teacher Mr. Woolley in a faceoff with little Johnny's parents, Ruth and Jack Fraser, who are upset with their son's odd behaviour, which his teacher has termed "volcano fever." Jack has just asked Mr. Woolley if he gets paid "big bucks" to give his son nightmares. The second part of the story follows.

"Consider the benefits," Mr. Woolley went on soothingly. "The boy writes every day. He's ransacked the school library for information on the subject and his art is certainly, well, graphic."

"Look, I'll make it simple for you," Jack replied. "He only eats cereal if I shape it like a cone. He builds volcanoes instead of tree houses like all the other kids on this island. He drives my wife nuts every night with questions about which mountains on Salt Spring are volcanoes and is it safe to go to sleep or not. We just want our normal, happy little boy, back. Now you're supposed to be the expert. What should we do?"

There is only one obvious cure

"Obsessions like this are ... ah ... a little unusual, I admit. There is, of course, only one obvious cure."

"What? Tell me. don't keep it a secret!"

"A volcano hunt. You must take your son down to Washington State and let him find Mount St. Helens, in person, for real. Demystify the problem. Just do it as soon as you can, or he'll drive the second grade teacher crazy like he does me."

"Wait a minute, professor, dee what?"

"Demystify."

Are you a couple of yards short of a load?

"Well. The guys on the baseball team said your class was different but I never thought it'd send me on a mountain climbing expedition so my kid can sleep nights. You sure you're not a couple of yards short of a load?"

When they got home, John was stretched out on his bed staring at the poster on the ceiling. His eyes were glazed. Ruth leaned over him to get his attention then told her son that Mr. Woolley wanted them all to go on a volcano hunt. John's reaction was immediate. He jumped up and down with joy and asked so many questions Jack decided to let his wife deal with the situation and took off down to the pub at the head of Fulford Harbour. He had a couple of pints and pepperoni as he watched the herons fishing in the shallow water.

He never had liked schools much anyway and this Woolley guy must have been left out in the sun too long. On the other hand he loved to hike and it was a perfect excuse to quit pounding nails for a while and take off with Ruth and the kid. Jack ordered another pint, ogled the waitress out of habit, and declared himself on holiday.

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Musical, mystical fair is planned at lakefront resort August 18-20

SALT SPRING — Half musical, half mystical, is how the lady behind the Avalon Mystical Fair describes the event, slated for Salt Spring Island in mid-August.

Mauveen Moore is organizing the three-day mediaeval fair which runs August 18-20 at Shady Wilows Resort on St. Mary Lake.

She said in an interview last week that more interest has been shown by off-island participants so far, though several local musicians have shown support for the project.

The Avalon Fair began as a mystical event and has evolved into a musical one as well. It all started when Moore went to a psychic fair in Victoria and was disappointed with the event. That prompted her to stage one herself.

Exhibitors and participants are being sold booths, which will be in the form of brightly-coloured, mediaeval tents, 45 in all. And a wide variety of participants is expected.

Among the psychics, there will be healers, readers of tarot cards, runes, auras and palms, channelers and astrologists. Fairgoers will find laser therapy, facial massage therapy and muscle therapy.

Musical entertainment will run continuously during the fair with bands and individual performers. Wandering minstrels, local and visiting musicians, native drummers, jugglers, belly dancers, Morris dancers and other entertainment, including fencing skits, will round out the musical aspect of the event.

Visitors will be able to purchase books, pottery, jewellery, crystals and other goods. And various types of food will also be offered, from tortillas to sandwiches.

The fair is being promoted in the Vancouver area and in Seattle, with some promotion going as far as Toronto. It will run from 1-11 pm Friday, Aug. 18, 11 am to 11 pm on the Saturday and from 11 am to 7 pm Sunday.

Admission will be \$5; half-price for fairgoers in costume of any kind. More information is available from Moore's Ganges store, The Willow Studio. Also involved in the organization of the event are Lisbeth Jones and Rosalie Miles.



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Jazzercise instructor Judith Hart leads enthusiastic group through vigorous work-out at

Central Hall. Jazzercise combines jazz dance with popular music to make for an effective

work-out and is offered two mornings and two afternoons a week by Hart.

Jazzercise instructor wants to fill Central with participants

SALT SPRING — Jazzercise, a body conditioning program encompassing the art of jazz dance and the science of exercise physiology, turns 20 this year.

"That really says a lot about jazzercise. It's really not a trendy program," says Judith Hart, a jazzercise instructor on Salt Spring Island since the program started in May.

She trained in classical ballet from age three and began learning jazzercise six years ago

Hart, who moved here from Montreal three months ago, was trained in classical ballet from age three to 17. Six years ago she started training as a jazzercise instructor.

But Hart says a dance background is not necessary to participate in classes, or even to be an instructor. Hart says some people see the word "jazz" and assume that the classes are very demanding.

"It can be demanding. It depends on how hard you want to work out," says Hart. She says jazzercise offers an alternative to other aerobics classes such as those offered on Salt Spring by the Salty Sweat's.

Jazzercise is designed for all ages. "You work at your own pace. There's never a competitive atmosphere or a feeling you've got to keep up with the next guy."

It's up to each instructor to make sure students are monitoring them-

selves. "You have to be on your toes." She points out that instructors are certified through intensive workshops, including CPR training.

She says the fitness industry has really grown in the last eight years. Although many fitness programs have fallen by the wayside she says jazzercise continues to grow in popularity.

Jazzercise was started in 1969 by Judi Sheppard Missett, a professional jazz dancer, who started training other instructors in 1977. Boasting 400,000 adherents in 15 countries, it is one of the most widely taught fitness programs in the world.

Hart says the moves are fun and challenging to the everyday person. Jazzercise concentrates on coordination, balance and poise, as well

It can be such a good time that you forget it's an exercise... you leave feeling totally refreshed

as muscle tone, cardio-vascular elements and other fitness aspects.

"Sometimes you have such a good time you forget it's an exercise. You leave feeling totally refreshed, not dragged down by fatigue."

Hart has taught four sessions a week since May at Central Hall, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:15 to 10:15 am and on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.

At present she has 10-12 participants in each session. "My goal is to fill the hall."

Hart plans to do a seniors class this fall for over-50-year-olds. At last count two senior citizens were taking part in her classes, as do a couple of men.

Each 60-minute class begins with a warm-up segment comprising of gentle rhythmic movements and exercise for individual muscle groups. Next, a 25 to 30-minute aerobic segment increases cardiovascular fitness and burns off excess fat.

An aerobic cool-down and stretch is followed by a muscletoning segment which stretches the hips, thighs, derriere, abdomen and upper torso. A final cool-down allows the body to return gradually to normal.

For more information about jazzercise call Judith Hart at 537-5425.



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