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SWEET SURRENDER - Golden apple cider is flowing once again as Cindy Stalker turns the home-made apple press. Many old orchards on the island have been rejuvenated and harvesting the fruit can be as much fun as squeezing it. **Driftwood photo by Derrick Lundy**

Ruling upholds **EMO** regulation

A judgement has been delivered quality which was a reason given for in the B.C. Supreme Court: there will the restriction. be electric motors only on St. Mary

The decision was handed down at noon yesterday (Tuesday) by Mr. Justice Millward who heard arguments for and against enforcement of the ban on gas-powered boat engines October 5.

The suit was brought forward by the Salt Spring Water Preservation Society, the North Salt Spring Water District and Aubrey Marler. Opposition to the ban came from Brian Jewell of Shady Willows Resort and Ed Davis.

Peter Gall, attorney for the opponents, had argued the petitioners did not have status in court because they had not been party to the original

That judgement, by Mr. Justice Gibbs, ruled that the federal government, which had imposed the electric motor only edict on St. Mary Lake, did not have jurisdiction over water

Jack Woodward, attorney for the petitioners, argued the ban had effectively been upheld when a justice in a court of appeal case noted the St. Mary Lake ruling had been judged

Woodward told the court the electric motor only restriction was still in place and the court should order the law enforced.

The original case began in 1986 when the restriction to electric motors was issued. At that time, Rick Rockliffe, Blue Gables Resort, Shady Willows Resort and Davis took the matter to the Supreme Court of B.C.

They won their petition on the ruling of Justice Gibbs which effectively rendered the restriction to electric motors unenforceable. Parliament, which had approved the restriction, has not acted to remove it from the books. Therefore, with the latest decision, the restriction must be

GVM's ceiling crashes down

Shoppers received more than their 10 per cent discount while buying groceries at Ganges Village Market last Tuesday evening.

The suspended ceiling over the meat display area of the store suddenly caved in just after 6 p.m. on Tuesday, startling employees and shoppers and sending debris in all directions. The drywall directly above the meat freezers collapsed at the same time.

Only one person was injured in the incident. GVM manager Mike Tyson said a woman suffered shock and hurt herself, falling as she quickly moved to avoid being hit by debris.

She was taken to hospital and later released. Tyson says the woman returned to the store to finish her shopping that evening.

Tyson said it was fortunate no one else was injured. "It could have been a lot worse," he says, considering the supermarket is usually crowded on "10 per cent Tuesdays."

See Photo on A3

Tyson says an investigation found the accident was caused by improper installation of the suspended ceiling. The problem has since been corrected and the ceiling checked by the Capital Regional District building in-

Because Ganges Village Market only leases its space in the building it is not responsible for structural repairs. Tyson estimates \$4,700 worth of meat on display was discarded due to the incident. It is not yet known if insurance will cover that

Soder is one of five seeking seat

Islands Trust election Nov. 17

Max Soder is the fifth person to enter the race for two Islands Trustee positions in the November 17 election on Salt Spring Island.

Soder was born and educated in Switzerland and moved to Alberta with his wife and family in 1959, seeking unspoiled nature and wilder-

Soder's association with Salt Spring began in 1970 when he and his wife Elda bought property here. They maintained close contact with the island, and moved to Salt Spring in 1986. Soder immediately became involved in community affairs. He Coalition and other activities in sup-

port of the Trust. He is also the current chairman of the Trust's Advisory Planning Commission and a member of the Advisory Design Panel. Soder is probably best known for his work as the chairman of the committee appointed to review the goals of Salt Spring's Official Community Plan.

Soder says there are many specific issues he would address as a trustee.

made in the areas of policies, planning, procedures and communication.

He says "completion of the Community Plan review is crucial to arm the Trust with the proper instrument to meet increasing development pressures which are threatening the character and beauty of the island. The importance of a strong, clear and upto-date Community Plan bylaw can-

not be over-estimated."

shortages, he says. With recent staff increases and "an adequate budget," Soder believes Trust planners can start to work on critical problems such as low-cost housing, traffic flow, parking in our villages, the identification of sensitive environmental areas and trail development.

He adds that it is necessary for Trust expenditures to be "properly focussed," and as a trustee he would join the Trust's budget committee to ensure "money is spent on protecting the islands and not on building a dis-

tant bureaucracy." Soder believes a community has

Prepare for more sleep

It's that time of year again when our preparation for winter includes making the switch to Pacific Standard Time.

Unless you want to be out of step for awhile, clocks should be moved back or re-programmed one hour earlier as of 2 a.m. on Sunday, October

Dark and dreary mornings may at first seem brighter than they have been, but as daylight diminishes until



Fulford ferry woes solution

Former transportation committee chairman Bev Unger believes she has the formula to solve Fulford Harbour ferry woes "without costing millions."

Unger presented her ideas to a meeting with B.C. Ferry Corporation officials several weeks ago and recently expanded on her theory to the Driftwood.

To eliminate the back-up of vehicles waiting to board the Fulford- Swartz Bay ferry at Fulford Harbour, Unger suggests the system revert to a previous method of collecting double fares at Swartz Bay. Under this plan, those who board the ferry at the Swartz Bay terminal pay for the current sailing plus their return trip.

personnel could be used to re-open and run the Bowen Queen food concession.

The second part of Unger's plan involves the purchase, by the ferry corporation, of a nearby lot to facilitate ferry personnel and com-muter parking. Unger estimates there are about 50 commuters driving between 25 and 30 cars each day.

Purchase of a lot would open up space in the present compound and ease congestion in Fulford Harbour,

Unger says the precedent for such a step was made in the early 1980s when the corporation purchased land at Vesuvius.

The third step in Unger's formula was partially implemented by the Unger says Fulford ticket booth ferry corporation last year. Noting

from across North America. She and

a couple from Prince Edward Island

are the only Canadians involved in

days in Moscow - including a visit

to either the Bolshoi Ballet or Mos-

cow Circus - four days in

Leningrad, two days in Estonia and

day-long guided tour (in English) of

each city as well as tours through

specific attractions such as the

Leningrad art gallery which contains

five palaces and over three million

to organize meetings between

ISWNE members and Soviet press

people; members of the tour group

will have several opportunities to

ticles about the tour when she returns.

Carlson will only be dreaming about

the Bolshoi Ballet as she takes over

the position of editor while Lundy is

Lundy returns to Salt Spring on

Lundy will write a series of ar-

At the Driftwood, publisher Joyce

sightsee on their own as well.

The tour group is also attempting

Tour members will be given a

two days in Helsinki.

Lundy's itinerary gives her four

that Fulford Harbour has two ferry berths, Unger suggests a second ferry the Salt Spring Queen - be used during peak periods and on holiday weekends, ensuring vehicles do not get left behind.

The ferry corporation did implement extra sailings last year while the slower and smaller Quinitsa was used on the run during the re-fit period.

Another part of Unger's plan involves changing engines between vessels. Ferry spokesman Pat Steven says, however, this would not be feasible.

A new motor for the Bowen Queen could shorten her run by 10 to 15 minutes, Unger says, charging that the motor currently used in the Bowen Queen is a hand-me-down from the Mayne Queen.

The Bowen Queen's motor could then be installed in the Salt Spring Queen, shortening her run.

could be made to purchase a larger ferry as the growing island population requires it.

are entirely different vessels.

"It just wouldn't work," she says. Stevens also noted the speed of the Bowen Queen is partially determined by passengers, who would oppose the excessive wash created by the vessel travelling at a faster speed.

The next part of Unger's multipronged plan involves changes to the Fulford-Swartz Bay schedule. Unger says a 15 minute change on the first sailing of the day, for example (from 6:30 to 6:15), would allow commuters travelling through Swartz Bay to Vancouver to catch the 7 a.m. ferry. This would get them to Tsawwassen by 8:40 — at least 40 minutes earlier than on the Long Harbour-

Finally, Unger believes that by coordinating mainland bus schedules with the Fulford ferry, more people would be encouraged to travel as foot passengers. Allowing Fulford (and Outer Gulf Island) foot passengers to get onto the mainland bus for a reasonable price to go non-stop in and out of Victoria would help

Unger notes there is a safe area within the Swartz bay compound for buses to stop and pick-up or discharge passengers.





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Eventually, Unger states, plans

Sister ships Bowen and Mayne Queens have four engines, Stevens says, denying the Bowen Queen is running on an old Mayne Queen motor. It would be impossible to put the Bowen Queen engines into the Salt Spring Queen, as the two ships

Tsawwassen run.

eliminate congestion problems.

"These suggestions are cost effective compared to building an at-least eight-kilometre road, a new terminal at Isabella Point or filling in the shoreline," Unger concludes.



editor to Siberia.

Well, not exactly - but editor Susan Dicker Lundy is headed for a 12-day tour of the Soviet Union, beginning October 25.

The four-city tour, organized by the International Society of Weekly Newspaper Editors (ISWNE), will take in Moscow, Leningrad, Tallin in Estonia, and Helsinki, Finland.



Susan D. Lundy

THE WEATHER

OUTLOOK: For the week starting Monday, October 22

Partly cloudy with showers Monday and Tuesday.

Heavy rain expected on Wed., Thurs. and Sat.

70% chance of rain Friday.

Temperatures will be slightly higher than normal.

HIGHS: 14 degrees C.

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NEWSBEAT



THE SKY IS FALLING: Ganges Village Market's meat department looked like a war zone last THE SKY IS FALLING: Ganges vinage was need all of the store's meat on display.

Tuesday evening. The suspended ceiling collapsed onto all of the store's meat on display.

Driftwood photo by Gail Sjuberg

Progress on policy statement highlights Council meeting

Progress was made on the road towards a new Trust policy statement at the Islands Trust Council meeting held in Nanaimo last weekend.

Calling the development of a new policy statement "the major task of the Trust over the next three years," retiring Trust chairman and Salt Spring trustee Nick Gilbert says the Trust Council's discussion on the policy issue was a positive one.

The Trust's executive committee drafted a proposal on how to develop the statement, ensuring the input of all trustees and the public. After considerable discussion at the meeting, the proposal received council's endorsement.

The executive committee's memorandum suggests the post-election council form a drafting committee to review each subject in the new statement and together with Trust staff prepare a summary of the options and recommendations for the whole council.

Council will then meet to discuss the committee's proposals and respond with its recommendations. After a policy and its wording is determined, trustees will subject it to public scrutiny and input, which will be considered in the drafting of a final

One trustee had suggested the



Nick Gilbert

drafting committee consist of the entire Trust council. Gilbert says most trustees felt a 26-member committee would be "unnecessarily complex." The exact number to serve on the committee will be decided by the

Other concerns had been raised about the effect of an "all-islands" regional policy on the interests of individual Trust islands, he says. Some trustees perceived a threat to local policies being overridden by the larger regional interest.

Gilbert feels regional and community needs complement rather

than conflict with each other. "Community and regional interests work hand-in-hand," he says. "What is good for the region will be good for the community. It's a two-way street." He says Gabriola Island trustee Susan Yates pointed out that the entire Trust's stand against a bridge being built to Gabriola holds more weight than the sole voice of that

Gilbert says each island will actually "gain autonomy because it has a regional push behind it."

The current Trust policy was passed in 1983 and addressed a number of social and environmental issues. Gilbert says the main problem with the 1983 document is that the Trust had no legislative authority to make the policy, so it has no legal

The revised Islands Trust Act as outlined in Bill 78 clearly directs the Trust Council to formulate a strong policy statement. Because the act also states bylaws cannot be approved by the executive committee if they are "contrary to or at variance with the trust policy statement," a new statement is essential.

Gilbert says he is pleased the current council was able to give some direction on this issue to its succes-

Election coverage

Driftwood editorial department has established several guidelines for publication of election-related material.

In the letter's-to-the-editor section, the Driftwood will accept letters which relate to campaign issues and to statements made in the newspaper itself. We will not run letters which are mere endorsements or denouncements of candidates.

Due to the anticipated high volume of letters coming to the editor's desk, the Driftwood will, in its attempt to run as many letters as possible each week, edit and cut those letters that exceed 200 words.

The Driftwood editorial staff will profile each candidate. It will attend and report on all public meetings related to the election campaigns, but it will not report on meetings which are not advertised as open to

In addition, columns by incumbents will not be published during the election campaign.

'We want campaign coverage to be equal and fair to each candidate, giving members of the public the opportunity to decide for themselves who they want to represent the community," Driftwood editor Susan Dicker Lundy said.



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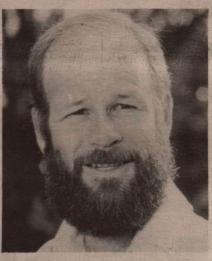


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Ingredients for a healthy Salt Spring election

Candidates for the November 17 elections have less than one week to file nomination papers and announce their candidacy for Islands Trust, Capital Regional District or school board positions.

Several factors including a contested race, scrutiny of numerous issues and an informed electorate will combine to make a successful election.

A healthy Islands Trust race, sporting five candidates for two positions, kicked off on Salt Spring. The competition will force each candidate to formulate and declare his or her position on a number of Trust-related issues.

Voters will then be in the position to make educated and informed choices on who is the best representative of their interests.

In this regard, the school board race on Salt Spring can be deemed unhealthy. To date, four trustees have announced they will stand for re-election. A fifth individual must come forward before Salt Spring can even fill its school board seats. A sixth individual must declare his or her candidacy before a race is initiated and before candidates are forced to develop and spellout their platforms.

Decisions made at the school board level affect many facets of the community. A contested election is imperative.

Two candidates have chosen to run for the position of Salt Spring CRD director. A "race" has been initiated, but the competition threatens to focus on one

issue rather than the many agendas dealt with by the CRD director.

While "garbage" is — and will continue to be — a major issue faced by islanders, subjects such as health care, local government, parks and sewer must also be addressed. Voters should have a clear understanding of where their CRD director stands on each of these

The other important component of a successful election is the voter. Islanders can only make an informed choice if they attend all-candidates meetings, question the candidates and listen to their responses.

A healthy, competitive race, dealing with a variety of issues and combined with an informed electorate will result in strong island leadership.



They called it a Whale of a Sale, but the setting was more appropriate to piranha at feeding time.

The term "book-worm" may evoke an image of thick-lensed bispeckled individuals "worming" their way from a room or into a corner to weasel another few minutes of reading time. The image does not suit the many, many people eagerly skimming through books titles at the library's recent book sale.

Cursedly, I slept-in that morning, missing the 9 a.m. opening (I knew I should have camped there the night before), and arrived (45 minutes later) without doing up my shoelaces, let alone consuming my compulsory first cup of coffee.

And wasn't it just the worst feeling to race down that driveway and see all these cat-swallowed-the-canary people emerging with boxes of books that I didn't even have a

chance at? I lost further precious seconds deciding where to begin, and left only the office and then back into town that Kozinski book while I wasted where I found myself once again parked beside the library. I managed to escape with only four books the second time around.

Of the Record

"We'll have to build another bookcase" was the warm response I received as I struggled through the door with my new books.

This of course is blasphemy. I still have all my Bobbsey Twin and Nancy Drew series stuffed in some cupboard at my parents' house. As for the books in bookshelf - I have been known to read a good book three

Driftwood staffers also like a good read. The entire editorial staff

time talking?

Reading the office walls became a Driftwood fad a couple of years ago when we translated composing room monotony into Tuesday afternoon hysterics by cutting up unused photographs and rearranging body parts. For example, former editor Duncan MacDonnell's face appeared on the buxom body of a female soccer player; Driftwood cartoonist Joe Cocker's mug received a new pinstriped suit.

Certain politicians suffered the greatest at the tip of our ruthless exacto knives, receiving new sets of tims" might stumble into the comp room and neglect to see the humour

in his amended face/body. Reading the walls took on a new meaning here in recent days. It seemed female staff members were taking an extraordinarily long time in the bathroom. Well. I soon discovered the problem. It's called "Ultimate Fantasy" and it features five scantly-clad American strip-off champions. Male exotic dancers in full flesh-tone colour.

Lonely male staffers retaliated quickly, posting a bare-back-sided woman entertaining boxing fans between rounds. It is uncertain just who the headline refers to: Dances like a butterfly, stings like a bee.

In any event, the Driftwood bathroom has become a busy placeif not piranha at feeding time, then certainly glassy-eyed fish.

· As a kind-of P.S., I'd like to thank all those people who have kindly reminded me to "fall" back at

my mother neglected her parental duty to inform me of the stupid saying which apparently everyone else knew — "spring ahead in spring, fall back in fall."

Lamenting the fact I forfeited the only night of the year to gain an extra hour of sleep, I consoled myself by looking forward to re-capturing that hour this year. Well those of you who have read the story on Page A2 will realize that, once again, I will not get my extra hour of sleep.

In fact, not only will I be on the other side of the world, but my internal clock should be immensely confused. I leave Victoria at 6 a.m. Thursday morning (Salt Spring time), fly to Seattle, then New York, and Helsinki, finally arriving in Moscow at 4 p.m. Friday afternoon (Moscow time).

On the other hand, I leave Helsinki on November 6 at 2:05 p.m. and



LETTERS SECTION

Sewer changes

To the Editor:

At the public meeting Saturday afternoon, October 20th in the Elementary School Library, it came to light that the CRD engineers are considering major changes to our Ganges sewage treatment system:

a) to reduce the quality of treatment by raising the allowable fecal coliform limits from 70 to at least 200 per 100 ml, and,

b) eliminate the ebb-tide only dis-

charge requirements.

To implement the above requires a major change in the operating permit PE-5521 issued by the Waste Management Authority.

Since the specific requirements of the existing permit were worked out carefully and thoroughly before it was initially granted, and since it has proven effective, any lowering of these procedures and standards must be looked upon with great concern.

Public input is being sought by the Ganges Sewer Commission and the Ganges Harbour Protection Association, P. O. Box 1032, Ganges.

Norman F. Best Ganges

Save the planet

To the Editor,

As one of Greenpeace's 300,000 Canadian members, I thought I would share the group's "TEN NOT-SO-SIMPLE WAYS TO SAVE THE PLANET" — perfect for a fridge magnet.

- 1. Demand that politicians stop representing corporate interests and stand four-square for the public interest.
- 2. Demand that communities participate in corporate decisions and demand that corporations reduce their waste and use of dangerous chemicals.
- 3. Demand an end to unnecessary packaging and question green marketing.
- 4. Demand an end to the nuclear age and to its military, economic and cultural promoters.
- 5. Demand that corporate profits fund the transition of workers from dinosaur industries to safe, sustainable employment.

6. Demand that health officials defend the public from toxic pollution.

7. Demand that government agencies adopt the precautionary principle and prevent the introduction of new products and materials unless they are proven safe.

8. Demand that government and corporations stop supporting environmenally destructive projects and instead fund energy efficiency and develop renewable resources.

9. Demand that corporations stop exporting toxic waste.

10. Demand that your local school board make environmental education a priority.

RICK LAING, Ganges

Double standard

To the Editor,

The Yankee-inspired August 9 embargo against Iraq reveals an appalling degree of favouritism and hypocrisy and is yet another discredit to the incompetent and corrupt U.N. organization.

The Iraqi operation which ousted the al-Sabah monarchical dictatorship, is arguably less offensive than the alarmist response by the capitalist, imperialist powers and is absolutely not as villainous as the Zionists' brutal 42-year occupation of Palestine, 23 year occupation of part of Syria and frequent invasions

thousands of Arabs were killed during weeks of bombardment.

There should be a blockade of the Zionist Entity to force the liberation of Zionist occupied Arab lands, but instead the capitalist powers actually assist the conquerors with billions of dollars in aid and superior weaponry!

Of course, the United States also has a long record of violent impositions which are more serious than Iraq's reclamation of Kuwait. There should have been sanctions against the U.S. for its recent conquests of Grenada and Panama and attacks on Libya and Iran.

What a pity that no one in the world was able to punish the U.S. sufficiently to deter it from such bar-

The message which the capitalist powers seem to be sending to the world is that privileged regimes such as the U.S. and the Zionist Entity have impunity to invade foreign countries or occupy foreign territory or use deadly force to further their selfish interests; only aggressions which oppose the imperialists' world order will be harshly dealt with.

I am disgusted with Canada for its participation in this perverse double standard.

CHRIS LITTLER, Ganges

Continued support

To the Editor,

On the occasion of our 12th anniversary, and in celebration of our new 35 millimetre projection equipment, Island Cinema would like to thank this community for the continued support. We've shown a lot of movies in the past, and with the new equipment, we will continue to show for a long time to come.

Thank you to our many patrons, who are the reason for our existence.

DANNY EVANISHEN,
Director, Island Cinema

Farewell to Salishan

To the Editor

We are writing as regular visitors to that beautiful retreat Salishan at the north end of Galiano for 20 years.

We never minded the miserable days of January and February quite so much as other people because always Salishan beckoned: "Only another seven months, after all."

There was a spirit of camaraderie there, and we looked forward to renewing acquaintances with the guests in the other three cabins and exchanging news about each other's families

Yet Salishan was also a very private place. Everyone did his or her own thing without interference from other guests. When the dreaded day of departure arrived, it was always "see you next year." And we always did. Somehow the frantic pace of working days became more tolerable because of those two idyllic weeks at summer's end.

So — for all the happy times, the friendly welcome we always received, the spotlessly clean cabins, warm blankets, even umbrellas and wellies on occasion, for the salmon barbecues you generously provided for so many years down by the old herring saltery, and for much more,

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Now there are only memories. We hope that you won't forget us. We shall remember you.

SHEILA AND EDWIN DOGUE, Victoria

Material world

To the Editor:

In response to Keith McHattie's letter in the October 17 issue of the *Driftwood*.

It is a material world in which we live; a comfortable lifestyle abounds for most on this island, if they so desire. The cities are another story, but many there believe what they are doing is true to them.

All people go through different phases in their experience called life. Those with poor health or loss of mental faculties live to the best of their ability. Universal love guides and answers everyone's problems no matter who we are.

This day and age can bring every comfort imaginable — money or no money. Social service aid, calculus lessons or having a hoedown with your favourite friends.

We cannot stop movement, change, evolvement with the times. Burnout, a discontinued job or great loss turns peoples' lives in upheaval. No one is free of the fierceness that can strike like a bolt out of hell from time to time. Whatever it is that happened in the past will never be again and was handled precisely to the capability of those involved at the time. In retrospect, there are a few

By living and letting live, without judgement, there is room for all types of people's stages. They move out of these phases when it is their time.

dozers we would all prefer to forget.

As far as comfortable lifestyles go, try them all. Tenting is cheap, outdoorsy, you don't have to work much. Attract a millionaire scene for a while — could be pretty hot-shot. Dare to be fully alive. Be a yuppy, mommy, yummy or even a hippy

Comfort is in the eye of the beholder. It is a big world — live it, enjoy, be happy; take your knocks. Live in environmental harmony with everyone and everything.

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OPINION

Sea Capers

To the Editor:

The Salt Spring Sea Capers Committee met recently to review the 1990 event, and to commence planning for 1991.

Since its inception in 1978 Sea Capers has donated the funds raised to a number of local groups and projects, and will continue to do so. For example, the Gulf Islands Handicapped Association received funds

from the 1990 "Capers" in response to their request for assistance.

The largest single revenue producing event is the Beer Garden, and last year we gave this up to the Pool Society which took on the responsibility for running it, with Sea Capers receiving a percentage of the net profit. The Committee has decided to adopt this practice again for 1991 and through this letter wishes to advise local groups who are looking for a way to raise a substantial sum of money, that we welcome

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The statistics also reveal the relationship between demographic changes in B.C. and the demand for housing and give a detailed forecast on the size and composition of British Columbia's population in the year 2000.

Booklet details economic activities

British Columbia Provincial Electoral District Profiles is a compilation of statistics on the 75 new provincial electoral districts.

Using data from the 1986 federal census, the most recent source of small-area demographic information, each electoral district is profiled in a way that allows for comparisons with other districts and the province as a whole.

The publication costs \$50 (individual districts are available at a cost of \$5) and covers a wide variety of factors, including income, educational qualifications, ethnic backgrounds, family structure and population by age.

And then there is the latest edition of Economic Accounts, a detailed statistical analysis of British Columbia's economic activities between 1961 and 1989, including production, income, capital formation, consumption and savings.

Spending twice as much on durable goods

The 150-page printed version costs \$20; the electronic edition is available in both disk formats (in ASCII) for \$75; the information contained in the 28-year economic overview is worth its weight in gold to any business whose success depends on adjusting to and exploiting trends in the marketplace.

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By extrapolating information from the statistics, you find that as a proportion of total personal expenditures, British Columbians now spend twice as much on "durable goods."

Furniture, appliances, cars, sporting equipment and other consumer durables account for 17 per cent of real personal expenditures in 1989, compared with only eight per cent in 1961.

Anyone selling goods or services might be interested in the fact that in real dollars, British Columbians today have twice as much money than they did in 1961. British Columbia leads the national average in real personal income per capita, although the gap has been narrowing since 1982.

British Columbians save less money

But while British Columbians earn more than Canadians elsewhere, they save less. According to Economic Accounts, the personal savings rate in British Columbia has been lower than the national average since 1962.

The most telling figures in the report are those relating to the Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP), the primary indicator of the provincial economy. Since 1961, the GDP has increased at an average annual rate of 4.7 per cent, a very respectable growth

The report also contains estimates of the Gross Domestic Product by industry. According to those figures, British Columbians are moving from "making things" to "doing things."

The goods-producing industries accounted for 33 per cent of the real GDP (adjusted for inflation) in 1989, down from 40 per cent in 1961. Meanwhile, the service industry has gone up from 60 per cent in 1961 to 67 per cent in 1989.

Like I said, at \$20 for the printed version or \$75 for the disks, Economic Accounts is a bargain. It and the other publications I mentioned can be ordered from the Planning and Statistics





LETTERS



TAKE YOUR PICK - Salt Spring Garden Club treasurer Mary Woods (right) helps Sharon Whalen make her purchases at the club's annual plant sale held at St. George's church hall last Thursday. A vast and varied selection of plants, bulbs, cuttings and flowers was almost cleaned out within 20 minutes.

Driftwood photo by Gail Sjuber

Begged reply

To the Editor,

Ian Myerscough's letter of October 17 (re: Malcolm Legg's soccer article of October 3) was amusing but begged a reply. Apparently Mr. Myerscough accepts Malcolm's characterization of Cove's play as "hatchet style" but feels Salt Spring F.C. was equally guilty of the same tactics.

I thought "hatchet style" was a mild description of Cove's play - brutish and cynical would be my choices. I do agree that F.C. responded in kind but that was late in the game, was limited to three minor, isolated incidents, and came after much provocation.

It's also true that one of our players unfairly challenged their goalkeeper but I must point out that our coach, Malcolm Legg, immediately substituted him for the duration of the game. Cove members were penalized four times for charging our goalkeeper, twice receiving yellow cards. The perpetrators of these fouls were not substituted and indeed, seemed to have the tacit approval of their teammates.

We committed two other indiscretions, one was a pushing retaliation by one of our forwards who was put in a headlock and hit by another defender simultaneously while the ball was already out of play. Our player was a man normally so mildmannered that in the 15 years or so that I have known him it was the first time I had seen him angry.

deliberate rough tackle. Our defender language it was the teams themselves clearly went through the player to resorting to "verbal abuse," but if one instance when our frustration caused emotions it speaks volumes about the us to emulate their defensive quality of the targets. strategy. Strangely enough this blatant foul went unpunished by the referee who, it must be said, over-

looked many similar infractions and literally dozens of other flagrant violations committed by their side.

Mr. Myerscough is quite right when he says it is difficult for a referee to control 22 men. Malcolm's point in the article was that the referee, by incompetence one supposes, abdicates control of the game from the opening whistle. All of the

ensuing scenes could have been avoided if the referee had exercised his authority properly. In fact, the Cove players approached us after the game and requested our participation in a joint complaint being launched against the referee with the league.

On the subject of cool heads I can only say that we tried valiantly to control our tempers throughout the

Cool heads seemed to overtake Cove only in the last 15 minutes of the match, and only after we had finally, and briefly, lost ours. A ridiculously bad call by the referee (favouring us incidentally) caused passions to cool and even injected a degree of humour to the game, but it was far too late to pacify our wounded and hardly qualifies Cove to claim equal credit for preserving the peace and avoiding a brawl.

Lastly, I take issue with Mr. Myerscough for his phrase that our fans threw "verbal abuse at the ref and opposing players." Our supporters could not be confused with European-style soccer hooligans. They expect us to play entertaining soccer — fairly — and with as little objectionable language as possible. We take seriously their wishes; we play attacking soccer and work hard at making it attractive to our fans, we play hard but fairly and respect the best traditions of the game, and we try to limit the foul language and carping at the referee.

Our supporters expect us to meet certain standards because if the roles were reversed they would try to meet The third foul was admittedly a them. If Mr. Myerscough heard foul or two of our fans lost control of their

ALAN WEBB, Ganges

Bombarded

Over the recent Thanksgiving weekend, we and our guests were continually bombarded by the sound of fire-crackers from a property several hundred yards distant from

Despite, a telephoned request for quiet, the noise continued throughout Saturday, and again on Sunday morning, when my husband visited the occupants to make a personal request for peace and quiet. This was ig-nored, and the fire-crackers were still being let off on Monday morning, despite a further request that they stop from another resident half a mile on the other side. Finally, a long-distance call to the owners of the property (who had been unavailable during the holiday) ensured that these particular renters will not be back, however the whole aggravating incident points up the necessity for a noise bylaw for Galiano which would protect us from the thoughtless and intrusive behaviour of others.

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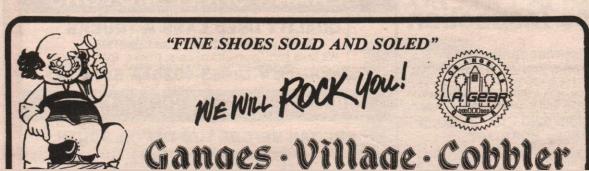


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A total of 41 people filled out questionnaires and participated in Gulf Islands Driftwood's second annual salute to small business during Small Business Week. Some of the answers were tongue-in-cheek, some partly humorous and some deadly serious. They reflect the characters of the people involved.

On the following pages informa-tion can be found about the businesses along with photographs of the entrepreneurs. Each photo is accompanied by the business motto and advice to anyone thinking about starting a business.

Doing it over again

More than half the respondents said they would not change anything if they were starting over again. One of the most common answers from those who would change something was "I would have started earlier", 40 years earlier according to Harlan Olsen of Harlan's Chocolates.

Bob Lorriman of Breadwinners would buy a boat first; Dan Pippin of Ace Courier would have bought a newer truck the first time instead of an older one which only lasted three months; island newcomer Janet Goehring of Parcels Unlimited says she will let us know in a year; Richard Weatherall of Gulf Islands Optical would have preferred not to commute to Burnaby for two years but that is all behind him now; Bruce Williams and Roy Cronin of Fulford Glass would have started a limited company right away instead of waiting; Trish Hoffman of Changing Habits says there is always something that should have been done differently, but "as it is and as faith would have it, it wasn't. Things are going well and we are happy";
And then there is Geoff Leason of

Gulf Islands Appliance and Refrigeration Repair who writes: ' I'd be a millionaire and wouldn't have to work at all!"

Why start your own business?

The predominant reason for starting a business is a desire for independence and to work for oneself as 37 per cent of respondents explain. Several wanted to live on Salt Spring and found to accomplish that goal,

they had to open their own business.

Joe Guilbault of Guilbault Electric started his own business after his employer died because he wanted to carry on service to the island; Clive Williams says he had a "masochistic streak"; Arlene Dashwood of Burritt Brothers Carpets had a desire to make good use of her time and energy; Peter Grant of Luigi's had "a momentary lapse in sanity"; Clare Thomas of Red Turtle Photography was "fed up with 9 to 5"; Bruce Williams and Roy Cronin wanted to develop a good window and create employment for people; Linda Herman and Margie Ensminger of Salt Spring Natureworks wanted to learn about nutrition and have a healthy working environment; Elaine and Krista May of A Thousand Words Picture Framing did not want to be limited to the restrictions of an employer which can limit creativity; Valerie Mackey wanted to use the effort she put into making money for someone else into her own cause.

Harlan Olsen was motivated by necessity as he needed to make a living. Fritz Arnold of Flashback likes to sleep in and have more control over his life.

Watching it grow

Every participant has experienced growth since opening or has

with wholesale sales then moved into the "fun and diversity of retail sales", from 250 square feet to much larger premises in Grace Point Square. Salt Spring Natureworks has expanded to new quarters as well with business increasing "tremendously" because of their expertise combined with public awareness and education on health habits. Since the business has been advertising "seriously", Fulford Glass has grown continuously and although it has been "overwhelming", Bruce and Roy have a handle on it. From making 10 different truffles in their kitchen, Harlan and Gwen now have a four page brochure of products and recently opened a 900 square foot chocolate factory in Gan-

What about the GST?

Shenanigans in the Senate aside, the proposed Goods and Services Tax will affect everyone — as consumers and as business operators. The main response from Salt Spring businesses is that the tax will add to paperwork and bookkeeping expenses. Others feel it will mean an increase in prices and slowdown of consumer spending.

Harlan Olsen says it is an unknown. He claims if the government would use action instead of words, quit spending our money foolishly and bring the deficit down, the GST would be "great". Bruce Williams and Ray Cronin say people are paying a hidden manufacturers' tax already but they hope the big companies do not raise their product prices to offset the GST. At Salt Spring Natureworks they say it will be confusing, frustrating and will mean a lot of extra working hours. Sharon Crouse says there will possibly be a reduction in retail prices but she is confident whatever problems the GST may present, she will be able to handle them. Dan Pippin says prices will increase although he is constantly improving service so customers will still receive good value for their money. Don Irwin of Don Irwin Collision expects the extra burden will be disastrous for some and he does not think the way the GST is set up will help the debt. Sue McNair of Sooz feels the GST will cause people to cut back and in order to save money, they will be encouraged to sew. At Changing Habits, they say the important thing is the tax will not be hidden and all customers will be able to see it upon purchase of an item. Peter Grant does not plan to participate in the GST while John Kuhn of Unclaimed Freight says it will lower the price of the goods he

As they are not an "end user". Windsor Plywood owners David and Eva Moore expect little effect on their business as 100 per cent of the GST they pay will be offset against the GST they collect. At Breadwinners, Bob Lorriman has a predicament — one-donut purchases will be taxed but a purchase of six at a time will be exempt. He wants to know if this will "sextuple my business!"

According to Dan Pippin, Joe Gilbault, Brian and Beth Holshoe of Salt Spring Dairy Products, Erling Jorgensen of Dec-k-ing and Andy Dietrich of The Picture Framer, the future holds growth, both for their businesses and Salt Spring Island.

What will the future bring?

John Kuhn is expanding to include used furniture, appliances, television and stereos. David and Eva Moore at Windsor say this community appears to have a very consistent positive attitude and as this prevails, business will remain constant for them and for others on the island. Breadwinners' Bob Lorriman wants to continue developing lunch and afterwork trade by providing good quality food. He believes Salt Spring has a promising future as more people leave the cities and look for more satisfying lifestyles. As a more sophisticated clientele is coming from everywhere to Salt Spring, Valerie Mackey is taking courses and

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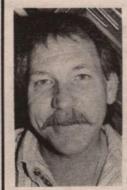
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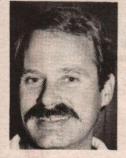


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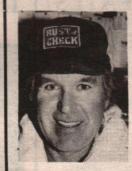
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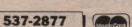


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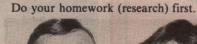
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... Friends and Neighbours

From Page A8

attending trade shows in Eastern Canada so she can be aware of what is going on elsewhere. She plans to go to the U.S. as well. The future is uncertain because of the GST but Angie Bell of Changing Habits thinks the community will pull together and make it through the tough times ahead.

Stable business

Don Small of Insite Home Inspection Services wants to have more people use his service and to accept that it is a necessary part of purchasing property. He sees Salt Spring establishing a stable business community. Cheryl Tammets of Glad's Ice Cream Parlour looks to continuing expansion of both her frozen products and confectionaries. Preston Ford thinks Salt Spring is a special place and people will keep coming here, providing some stability in hard economic times. As the population increases, Geoff Leason sees business becoming busier on the island where he wishes to continue living and working.

Richard Weatherall agrees, adding he sees nothing but improvement in his own business as he retains satisfied customers and builds a steady clientele. Blaahk Sheep Motors Rich Lopushinsky is looking forward to the day when he can have a new dealership on Salt Spring. Right now he is supplying customers with new and used vehicles but he feels island residents want the convenience of a local dealership. Dawna McGregor of Country Rays Tanning Centre sees peoples' concerns about the ozone layer having a direct effect on her business. She wants to accommodate people who want a healthful glow. Business on Salt Spring is expanding and residents are demanding all services be available to them.

Future looks good

Wendy-Scott and Gwen McClung of the Deli Shoppe feel the future of the deli business will be good as long as there is not a flood of similar businesses opening as has happened with restaurants. As long as the population can support the number of small businesses on the island, everyone should do well. Helen Heater of Salt Spring

Precision Jewellers wants to offer a greater selection of goods at competitive prices. Pam and Eric Donnelly are looking forward to moving Mobile Market to new premises and the diversification that will allow. However they warn Salt Spring must rationalize the impact of the tourist. Susan Baldwin of Cherub Choir Antiques thinks business here will be better than other places in Canada, especially for unique items. Rain-bow Rentals' Bob Kirkpatrick feels the island is relatively recessionproof so there can be protection from any slowdown in the economy. Cheshire Cat's expanded menu recognizes the need for greater diversification. Lisa and Bruce Grey of Island Spoke Folk want to see bicycles on Salt Spring accepted as an alternative form of transportation with the addition of bike paths or

Future questionable

Mickey McLeod of Deluxe Contracting thinks the future looks questionable with the GST, recession, oil prices and interest rates. His business could do well'and business on Salt

Spring has been good, but he wonders about the future. Parcels Unlimited with Janet Goehring hopes to assist customers with eagerness and willingness to give the best possible service and increase business. Sue McNair of Sooz Sewing Company is positive sales will continue to escalate as more people move on to the island. She will continue to expand her product base and in the future look for larger premises. Carolee's and Michael's with Carol Scott and Leslee Quesnel is not looking to expand any more but will continue to offer a wide selection of merchandise. Fritz Arnold of Flashback sees lots of recycling on all levels in the future. Expanding into producing other products such as cards, postcards and calendars is a future goal of Clare Thomas. As traffic in the city gets worse, Don Irwin see more people relying on the island businesses and says it is up to them to look after their customers well.

Steady growth

Salt Spring should grow steadily in population over the next 10 years, say Alan Redpath and Doug Barth of Calypso Carpet. Service industries will expand, they say, and home industry relying on computer technology will flourish. Harlan's Chocolates' Harlan Olsen is looking to slow and steady growth as he concentrates on some speciality products. He sees a levelling off of new space on the island. Satisfied Salt Spring Islanders who can shop on island and receive the same or better prices and choice of goods as off-island is a goal of Sharon Crouse. Elaine and Krista May of A Thousand Words say a return to more traditional styles such as wood frames, suggest people feel the recession and want a look that will remain a thing of beauty for a lifetime. Linda Herman and Margie Ensminger of Salt Spring Natureworks feel more people will go back to eating whole foods as there become more environmental hazards and they will be there to support them. Business on Salt Spring will grow but stabilize at a healthy limit, they add. Bruce and Roy at Fulford Glass think Salt Spring Island has a different economic base and will survive a mild recession.

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NEWSBEAT



Minister promises ferry assistance

Tourism minister Cliff Michael made a promise to Salt Spring Island residents attending a Chamber of Commerce dinner last week.

The promise was in response to a question regarding ferry service to the island.

By JOYCE CARLSON Driftwood Staff Contributor

"Have you got a little punch?" asked Ellie Thorburn, a bed and breakfast operator on Salt Spring.

Michael told the gathering of approximately 50 people at the Salt Spring Island Golf Club that he would prepare and arrange a meeting with B.C. Ferries Corporation for those who felt they had a plan which would work.

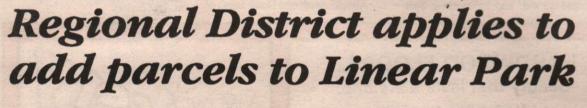
Michael was asked if the ministry of tourism had any influence with the corporation, and told that staffing and scheduling times continue to be a concern of many islanders. Michael said he has no "direct line" to B.C. Ferries but he felt the corporation was consulting with communities dependent upon ferry service. He added that the system was being expanded, noting that "on the island it is very difficult with the current number of vessels available."

While making his promise to set up a meeting, Michael also said he would sit in on it with island representatives.

"If your chamber, following an meeting with B.C. Ferry Corporation, is not getting an answer, come to the ministry of tourism and I will take your case up."

Concern about the proposed Goods and Services Tax and its implications for the tourist industry on the island was raised by Helmut Boehringer, a local resort owner. He asked if the GST would be charged in addition to the eight per cent accommodation tax now in effect.

TURN TO A15



Mouat Park will shrink by two more parcels of land when the Capital Regional District approves a proposal for the park.

At the urging of the Salt Spring arts centre society, the CRD applied to the ministry of parks to transfer five parcels of land from the provincial park for use as a community park and location of the proposed arts centre.

The ministry, while ready to approve the transfer, noted the two parcels of land behind the sewage treatment plant would be isolated from the rest of Mouat Park. The ministry suggested the CRD to apply for that land as well.

The application for the two isolated lots will be added to the original request for five parcels of parkland.

The CRD will then seek approval to add the two isolated lots to the linear park and to consolidate the five parcels of park on the west side of Jackson Avenue with the two lots at the corner of Jackson and McPhillips which the arts centre society has purchased.

A lane dedication between two of the parcels will be closed and a narrow strip of land set aside for a road allowance.

Meanwhile, Lawrie Neish of the arts centre society denied any problems in fund raising.

He referred to an article in the Driftwood, October 3, which quoted Bob Hassell who criticized the handling of a CRD grant by Salt Spring director Julia Atkins.

The society had originally request



\$200,000 from the Windfall Fund for use as part of the capital budget for the centre. Atkins had agreed to the request, tentatively. She waited to supply the money to ensure the other funding was in place and the centre would actually be built.

The society requested an interim grant of \$120,000 when the agreement between the society and the CRD on use of the land was signed. The agreement should be signed when the latest wrinkle is straightened out.

Meanwhile, Atkins approved a smaller grant of \$60,000. The other half of the requested funds will be forwarded when the agreement is signed and the final \$80,000 given when building permits are issued.

Speedy boater nets \$150 fine

A speedy boater had to slow down and pay a fine.

Salt Spring resident Brian Logan appeared in Ganges provincial court last week to enter a guilty plea for speeding in a boat.

The charge was laid in Bamfield last June. Logan left the Bamfield harbour in his 4.9-metre boat which is powered by a 60 horsepower outboard engine. The Coast Guard clocked him at a speed in excess of 20 knots.

The legal limit within a harbour is seven knots.

Logan was fined \$150.

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"It would have been easier for us if she'd given us the whole thing (\$200,00) at the beginning, but she needed safeguards and we understand that," Neish said.

Neish noted the society will begin a fund raising project soon. He said construction on the project will begin in January, "at the earliest."

He stated the society has, so far, gained most of what it had sought in government grants.

"I thought we'd have to bludgeon our way through bureaucracy," he said, "but the bureaucracy has been most helpful. With the help of our elected officials, (Atkins, MLAs Terry Huberts, Mel Couvelier and MP Lynn Hunter), we've come a long way."



CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

Pursuant to Section 817 of the Municipal Act, the following text of Bylaw No. 1857, cited as "Capital Regional District Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 1990", is hereby published as at third reading and prior to final adoption.

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- The words or expressions set forth in Column 1 of Schedules 2 through 15 to this bylaw designate the offence committed under the bylaw section number appearing in Column 2 opposite the respective words or expressions.
- The amounts appearing in Column 3 of Schedules 2 through 15 to this bylaw are the fines set pursuant to Section 934.1(6) of the Municipal Act for the corresponding offences designated in Column 1.

A copy of the complete bylaw including the schedules referred to above may be viewed during normal working hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday inclusive, from October 25, 1990 to November 7, 1990 at the offices of the Capital Regional District, 524 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C., and local Building Inspection offices.

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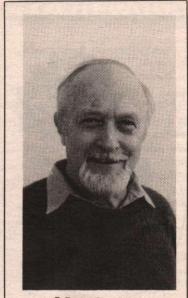
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Turn From A1 preferred lifestyle. That is precisely why the Trust has been given the authority to regulate land use, including density control. Development pressure comes most often in the form of requests for density increases. I am strongly opposed to rezoning for the sole purpose of density increase," he says.

He says a strong Community Plan and good planning will give islanders the self-confidence required to deal with difficult issues. "A self-confident community, sure of its rights, does not need to fear development pressures. I want Salt Spring to be such a community — strong, happy and in full control of its future. That is what democracy is all about."

Five Trust candidates to debate

Candidates for the two Island Trustee positions will spell out their platforms, debating three prepared questions at an all- candidates meeting October 29.

Sponsored by the Island Watch Society, the debate will be moderated by Driftwood publisher Joyce

Candidates — which so far include Bob Andrew, Dietrich Luth, Dee Kinney, Max Soder and John Stepaniuk — will each answer the following three questions:

 Should the planned population of 15,000 be a prominent feature of the Community Plan?

· How should density transfer be encouraged or limited?

· Should the Advisory Planning Commission be elected?

A "reserve question" will be put to the candidates, depending on the time factor: Does Salt Spring Island need a Forest Land Use Council?

IWS chairman David Borrowman said the questions were selected as "fundamental" to the operation of the Islands Trust.

After drawing to determine speaking order, each candidate will have five minutes to state his or her position on each question, two minutes for rebuttal and one minute to close.

Times will be clocked by volunteers from the Salt Spring Speakers ITC group.

Questions from the floor will be permitted at the conclusion of the entire debate, again depending on the time factor. The moderator will permit questions on the debated issues

Tourism will suffer from GST

Michael spoke at length about the GST and the B.C. government's attempt to fight implementation of the tax through the court system.

He said the predictions were calling for a possible two per cent reduction in tourism for B.C. in 1991 because of the GST. However that was before the Iraqi invasion of

"It can't be good news" now that the invasion has taken place, he added.

With the GST and higher prices for oil products, it is expected people will travel less, both into and around the province, the minister explained.

"Next year in 1991 it is going to be a real challenge to keep up with the 1990 results," he noted, adding that B.C. has had a six per cent increase in tourism this year.

Michael said the results are impressive considering the ministry of tourism has a small budget and staff of only 78 people.

He criticized the federal government for closing a Canadian tourism office in Australia because there had been a 15 to 24 per cent growth in visitors from that area during the last year the office operated. Recent statistics indicate the growth has dropped to ".8 of one per cent."

Michael said that reminded him of

a saying his grandfather had: "even if you are hungry, the last thing you do is eat the seed potatoes and that's what the federal government is doing."

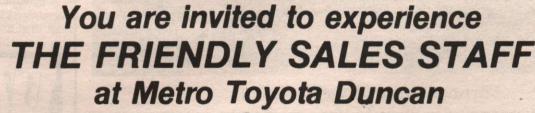
Expressing appreciation to the minister for his visit, local businessman Tom Toynbee told the gathering they could take heart in the minister's promise regarding the ferry corporation.

"I know him and when he says he will do something, he does it."

In addition, Toynbee said he and the people attending the dinner share the minister's enthusiasm for the long-term health of the tourism industry in B.C.

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Ceramists Christine Drake and Lee Sollitt work within the Japanese tradition of raku firing to create their one-of-a-kind sculptural pieces and jewellery. Yet each artist has achieved a distinctive individual style.

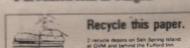
Sollitt fashions delicate egg-shell thin vessels, hand-built bowls and plates which shimmer with intricate patterns and subtle colours. Her jewellery includes "cat" pendants and earrings, unusual bead necklaces and, new this fall, jewellery based on primitive mask motifs.

Drake has designed a line of sculpted fish. Her hanging ornaments catch the light and are dazzling on the Christmas tree. Her free-standing fish sculptures glow with rich gold and multi-coloured glazes. Drake's raku brooches incorporate chains, tiny beads, pearls, and antique buttons. They are unique,

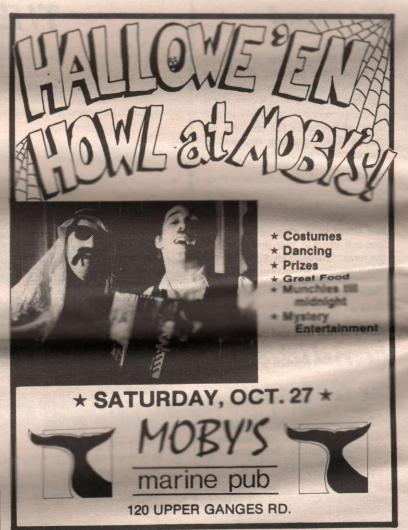
wearable works of art.

These and other raku creations will be for sale at the annual Salt Spring Island Guild's pre-Christmas sale. The potters' guild has been a part of this very successful show each year since its inception.

Sollitt, past president of the guild, and Drake, current president are only the control of the guild, and Drake, current president are only the control of the guild, and Drake, current president are only the control of the guild, and Drake, current president are only the guilds are only the guilds. The guilds' pre-Christmas sale begins with an open house and fashion show on Thursday evening, November 15, and is open for sales Friday, November 16, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, November 17 and 18 from 10 to 5 in Marcon Hall and Garage.







Arion male voice choir performs this Sunday

Canada's longest continuously performing choir will once again present a Salt Spring concert.

Since its inception in 1893, the Arion Male Voice Choir has performed in music festivals in both Canada and Britain. It has appeared at Government House for B.C. Legislature openings, seniors citizens' homes and in the United States.

The choir is comprised of more than 50 members under the direction of Horold Treloat, an outstanding musician who plays the saxophone and trumpet. Treloat was previously the conductor of Britain's famed St. Dennis Male Chorus.

The group's performance on Sunday, October 28 in Ganges United Church at 2:15 p.m. is sponsored by the Madrona Club, Daughters of the Nile, who work to provide assistance to outpatients at Shrine hospitals for crippled, burned and arthritic children.

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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Publishing your own works can be a very costly venture

frustrating experience but writers should note that publication is possible — if one is willing to pay for it.

> By BILL WEBSTER Driftwood Staff Writer

The American Poetry Associa-

Publishing poetry can be a tion, based in Santa Cruz, California, holds a contest at least twice each year and invites submissions from Canadians.

The press release notes "nine Canadians won prizes in the last contest...." The Driftwood has seen the same release with the same wording at least three times in the past year.

The aspiring poet who submits a poem to the contest, which does not require an entry fee, receives a stuffed envelope from the association that states the poem "has been accepted for the American Poetry An-

The catch is that publication costs money. If the poet sends \$40, they ensure publication of the poem.

The press release does not mention a publication fee.

For a further \$50, the publisher will include a biographic sketch and photo of the poet. A "presentation edition," in simulated leather binding and matching protective slipcase can be purchased at \$55.

The poet can even order extra copies, at \$32.95 each, as gifts for

A full-colour brochure extolling the benefits of being published in

er. The brochure notes the book could be "a resource to major university, public, and national libraries here (in the USA) and in other countries."

A check with the Greater Victoria Public Library, the McPherson Library at UVic and the Mary Hawkins Library in Ganges revealed that the book was not in stock.

A check of commercial book lists showed the book is not listed for sale.

The Better Business Bureau warns would-be writers of the dangers of vanity publishers, which is the category the American Poetry Anthology falls into.

Vanity publishers will publish writing, for a fee.

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By JOHN MASTERS **Driftwood Contributor**

Milo and Otis

The Adventures of Milo & Otis (RCA/Columbia) is a sweetly told feature-length film with nary a human in sight from start to finish. "On a pretty little farm," a song tells us over the opening credits, "the sun comes up on a curious cat and a pugnosed pup." These are our heroes, Milo and Otis, newly minted in the world and eager to see what's out

The twosome's big adventure comes when Milo hops in a box and is carried off down the river. Otis gamely follows, but loses sight of his friend. Milo shoots rapids, encounters bears, snakes, and other creatures before being reunited with the doggedly determined Otis, who has kept looking for Milo.

Even then the adventure continues as first one, and then the other discovers true love and begins to raise a family. And so we go through the seasons of Milo and Otis' lives.

Dudley Moore narrates, and does a nice job of balancing what young children will want to hear with a bit of glib wit that will keep parents amused, too. The photography is remarkable, as are the lead actors. The Adventures of Milo & Otis was originally made for Japanese television where it was a big enough hit to warrant its transposition to North American culture. It is a salutary diversion for a young family.

Just Out:

The Hunt for Red October (Paramount). The silvery Sean Connery as Capt. Marko Ramius, commander of the Soviet sub Red October, a secret new weapon that gives the Russians very much improved first-strike capability. But when Ramius takes the new vessel staff decide to defect to America, taking their prize ship with them.

Moscow throws everything it has into stopping Ramius, who must count on the intelligence of the Americans to figure out what he is American Poetry Anthology is intrying to do, and help him succeed. cluded in the letter from the publish-Americans to figure out what he is Taken from Tom Clancy's novel. With Alec Baldwin, Scott Glenn, James Earl Jones, and Sam Neill.

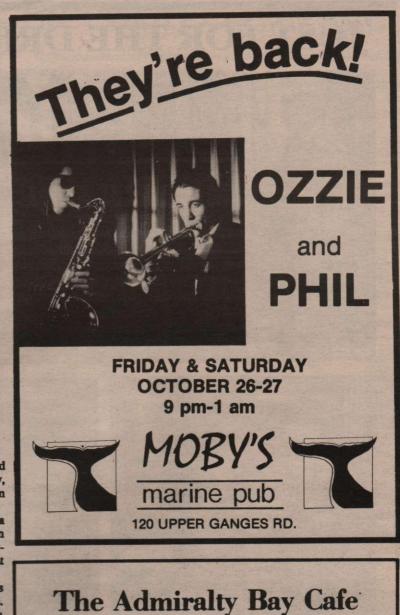
Miami Blues (Orion). Alec Baldwin's second appearance this week, this time in a completely different role from his Red October goody-two-shoes one. Here he plays Junior, a con just out of prison and setting up a new life for himself in Miami. He gets himself a steady relationship with Susie (Jennifer Jason Leigh) and a nice little house in the suburbs, but Junior just can't make the American dream work for him. He's just too much of a psychopath.

Baldwin has screen presence to burn, and Jason Leigh is equally good. With Fred Ward as the cop on Junior's tail.

Jetsons: The Movie (Cineplex). There's trouble at Spacely Sprockets and expendable George is sent in to figure it out. This full-length feature cartoon includes the rest of the Jetson clan, with popette star Tiffany supplying the voice of Judy, who gets to sing. Should sell for \$24.95.

The Cook, the Thief, the Wife, and Her Lover (Cineplex). British director Peter Greenaway has a unique style, and unusual pre-occupations, including one with things decaying. His story here is about appetites and revenge, both graphically displayed.

At an expensive restaurant Georgina (Helen Mirren) becomes involved in an intense sexual relationship with one of the customers, to the distress of her cruel husband, who exacts a horrible revenge. If you aren't nauseated, you may be fascinated. Indifference is definitely not an option with







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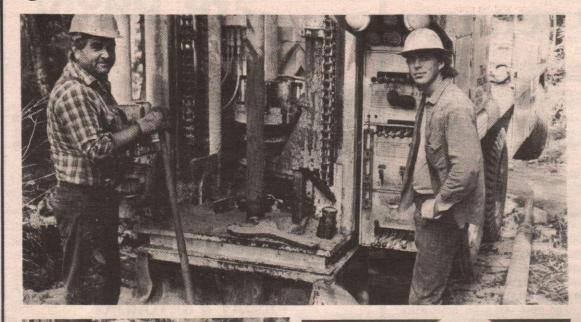


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Driftwood photos by Derrick Lundy





DRILLING FOR DOLLARS - Ed Elliot and Jason Schmidt from Tri-K Drilling hit H2O at 300 feet (top). Doug Box handles the auger into position (middle left). Don Fisher operates the boom truck controls for installing hydro poles (middle right). Electrician Mark "Eddie" Rasmussen drills holes for electrical wire (bottom left). Dentist Bill Lea demonstrates drilling technique (bottom right).

These men are skilled professionals. Any or all of these drilling activities should not be attempted at home.

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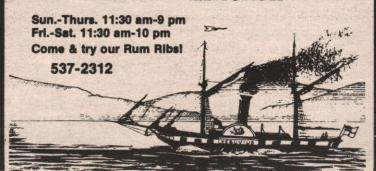


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Bylaw protects agricultural land

Agricultural land, golf courses and Channel Ridge were the topics of discussion at the October 11 Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission public meeting.

Members reviewed potential bylaws in their draft form as presented by Trust planner Tony

Agricultural Land

Bylaw 276 is intended to "provide policies which will protect land with the potential for present and future agricultural use." It suggests the amendment of the Community Plan by deleting policy three of the "Proposals for the Island" section of the plan, replacing it with more specific policies. Examined to date are the Trust's encouragement of inclusion of land in the ALR, food processing facilities and intensified agricultural uses.

The bylaw addresses the question of the potential subdivision of land after the Agricultural Land Commission has released it from the Reserve. If an application for subdivision of land zoned agricultural was received, the resulting average or minimum parcel sizes would have to be eight hectares (19.76 acres), as present zoning allows. Subdivision would not be encouraged.

The bylaw proposes a limit of one single family dwelling on each parcel, unless the Agricultural Land Commission approves additional dwellings considered necessary for farm use, such as accommodation for

Incumbent trustee John Stepaniuk told the meeting he feels this restriction is unfair.

"Economics are killing the farmers," he said. "Here we are questioning the guy putting a rental cottage on his property. We have to start giving a boost to him instead of regulating him to the extinction he is already headed for."

While recognizing the ultimate decision on what lands will be included in the ALR is up to the ALC, the Trust bylaw would not support removal of land from the ALR by the ALC "unless it is clearly demonstrated that the land was incorrectly designated or it is clearly demonstrated that removal is in the best public interest."

Golf courses

Uses for agricultural land were also discussed at the meeting in connection with the Trust's pending golf course policy guidelines (Bylaw

Bylaw 259, which ensures applications for golf courses in watershed and agricultural zones are taken through the public hearing process, has already been given first and second reading.

When APC member Jennifer Inderwick asked why Bylaw 259 had not been given final reading, Stepaniuk said the Trust felt it should be passed at the same time as the bylaw for golf course guidelines.

Quin urged APC members to carefully review the outline of the

new bylaw and be prepared to make comments at the next APC working

The island's zoning bylaw (123) would be amended by inserting a definition of "golf course" and creating a new zone for golf courses within the current Public and Recreation zone

Facilities allowed and minimum setbacks would be defined in the bylaw. A 20-hectare minimum parcel size is also suggested.

The local trust committee has already received inquiries about the development of two new golf courses on Salt Spring Island. The Trust hopes to pass a bylaw so it may be equipped to deal with the upcoming

Channel Ridge

The Channel Ridge development was again on the table at the APC meeting. Guidelines for the design of the village plan phase of the subdivision have not yet been finalized. Bylaw 255 was to be discussed at the last Trust public hearing on September 10 but it was withdrawn due to concerns voiced by the Advisory Design Panel.

A new bylaw (277) is in the draft stage. Quin told APC members the new bylaw should "reinforce what we believe to be the expectations of the community when the agreement (with Channel Ridge Properties Limited) was signed.'

Acting APC chairman Patricia Massy said "we have a history with this development of things not happening as they (Channel Ridge Properties Limited) said."

Quin reassured her the new bylaw would bind the developers in the village portion of their plan. He also noted they may not proceed with plans for the village site until the economic outlook was better.

Retiring trustee Nick Gilbert explained the Community Plan already spells out the use and development of all Channel Ridge land and Bylaw 277 would refine it further.

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School walk limit enforced to alleviate crowded buses

Classrooms are not the only place Salt Spring school children feel crowded — island school buses have also reached capacity.

The situation has led school officials to enforce the walk limit.

Essentially a provincial standard, the limit means those children in Kindergarten to Grade Three who live farther than four kilometres (2.5 miles) from the school, can ride the

For older children — Grades Four to 12 — the limit is 4.8 kilometres (three miles)

The school district runs five buses on Salt Spring, serving four schools. The buses have the capacity to carry 352 passengers. A sixth bus is on

Superintendent of schools Mike Marshall explained the walk limit had been dropped from the new School Act. The ministry of educa-

long-term links" between the Rain-

bow Road and Mt. Erskine areas.

Renaud feels the proposal "sets the

tone" for future trail dedications by

The subject property was at one

time used to store dead vehicles.

These have now been removed and

the site cleaned up, says Renaud.

private property owners.

tion sets the limit through the bus subsidies to school districts. The limit is supposed to be standard across the province.

The Gulf Islands officials have argued the point to have the walk limit reduced locally while maintaining the subsidy needed for district bus

"What makes for reasonable walk limits for Dawson Creek," Marshall said, "doesn't make sense on the islands."

The bus routes have been changed since the opening of school this fall, but any change is a juggling act to ensure as few children as possible are

inconvenienced. The district has included the cost of two new buses in its capital budget for the year. The buses will be purchased but the overcrowding con-



Erskine trail offer part of rezoning application

An application for rezoning of 13.3 acres of property bordering Rainbow and Canal Roads will be aired at a public hearing on Thursday, November 2.

Bylaw 275 proposes a change in zoning of Lot 2 of Plan 16325 owned by Richard Murakami from Rural to Rural Residential 1.

The rezoning gives Murakami the potential to subdivide the property into one more lot than would be allowed by its present Rural zoning.

As part of the rezoning application, Murakami has proposed the creation of a trail giving access to Mt. Erskine. A potential trail route has already been walked by Trail and Nature Club member Bob Ball.

Salt Spring architect and project manager Ken Renaud, who helped Murakami develop his proposal, says the trail would create "really good

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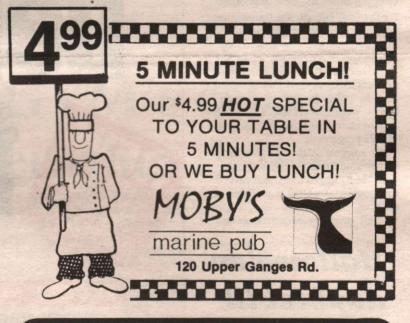
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NEWSBEAT

Assessment appeal deadline approaching

Time is running out for appeals to property assessment.

Written appeals must be submitted by October 31, 1990. The court of revision sits from November 1 to December 15 after which the tax rolls will be finalized for the 1991 taxation year.

Assessment authority officials urge residents who have questions to discuss the matter with them first. The telephone number of the district office is listed on the assessment notice.

If discussions solve nothing, the next step is to attend a hearing at the court of appeal. The appeal must be written, noting the assessment number, reasons for appealing, property description such as address and legal description of the property.

Don't forget your name, address as well as pertinent telephone numbers. If someone is to represent you at the court of appeal, he must have written authority to act on your behalf.

Appeals should be based on the correctness of information on the assessment notice such as the name of the owner or lessee of the property in question. That information is in the lower left corner of the notice.

A property owner could also argue for exemptions from the assessment. Most of the exemptions cover farm property, business buildings or churches, schools or government properties.

If the property is classified wrongly, or if the value of the property is considered too high or too low, an appeal can be made.

Property appraiser Ron Mc-Quiggan notes the total assessment for the Gulf Islands, the figure upon which taxation rates will be set for the next two years, came in at \$1.003 billion for 10,512 properties on the islands. That figure represents a 47.8 per cent increase above the assessed total in 1988, the last year assessments were calculated. The 1988 figures amounted to \$679 million on 10,371 properties.

"I suggest that each property owner study their individual situation," McQuiggan said, "and review the appeal process that is available to all of us.

"All property assessments are

Hallowe'en doublebill featured

Salt Spring's Island Cinema sets up a busy weekend with the regular feature and a Hallowe'en double bill.

Postcards From the Edge is the feature presentation beginning, Friday, October 26 and running until Tuesday, October 30 at 8 p.m. each evening.

Then comes Saturday.

At 10 p.m., The First Power begins the fun. Midnight arrives and Central Hall will echo with the classic motion picture Attack of the Killer Tomatoes. What more can be said?

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based on an estimate of market value and upon request, the assessment authority will provide the data they used to determine the value."

He explained mistakes can be made and assessments arrived at from incorrect information. He noted a property on Salt Spring which sold last year for \$415,000 yet bears a 1991/92 assessment of only \$280,000.

"The assessments are huge for

next year," McQuiggan said, "but the (real estate) market has dropped and won't support those high figures."

The assessment authority will not accept the argument that you seek a lower assessment because you will not be selling the property. They are interested in the market value of the property as if it were to be sold.

A final warning: property owners should appeal their assessment, property taxes cannot be appealed.



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