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Stewart Road -victim of weather

Salt Spring Island's release from a month-long cold spell brought its own kind of problems for the island road system.

Stewart Road, in particular, became a muddy, frost-blistered mess for residents and Beaver Point-Ganges commuters alike. The perennial question of when Stewart Road will be paved was raised once more.

By GRAEME THOMPSON Driftwood Staff Writer

"Something has got to be done," local resident Ingvar Straarup said. He wants to see the road paved as soon as possible. There are at least two places, he said, where there is not the required 150-foot visibility on the road and traffic is increasingly heavy.

"Traffic is phenomenal," he said. "I've counted more than 60 vehicles an hour — three, four and five vehicles at a time." Paving of Stewart Road began as long ago as 1988, Victoria Highway Maintenance Corporation Salt Spring foreman John Charlton said. It was intended to move along in phases. Additional paving was scheduled in 1990, but it was cancelled due to lack of funds.

"It's not going to happen this year," Ministry of Highways area manager Mark Stevens said. Stewart Road is on the district priority list, he added, but funding constraints largely dictate the timescale.

Stewart Road is in the top 15 in order of priority, Stevens said, though parts of it are closer to eighth. Last year three projects were completed from the priority list; the previous year, five. At that rate, it will be between two and four years before Stewart Road is completely blacktopped.

In the meantime, the road is

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Spray appeal date nears

Friday is the final day for appeals against the spraying of pesticides to combat gypsy moths on Salt Spring Island.

Agriculture Canada was given a two-year permit January 6 to use *Bacillus thuringiensis* var. Kurstaki (BtK) on 370.5 hectares of land on the south end of the island.

Environmental Appeal Board secretary Diana Collier said no appeals have been received yet from anyone on Salt Spring Island, though there have been several calls for information.

Appeals can be made on a number of grounds, Collier said. Appellants may want the pesticide applied in a particular method or at certain times or not at all. Appeals must be made within one month of the issue date of the permit.

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Off-season vendors must wait until April 3

spotlight

Salt Spring's Parks and Recreation Commission has been flexing its bylaw enforcement muscles the last two weeks over off-season vending in Centennial Park.

Vendors have been told they cannot sell their goods without a permit and permits will not be issued until April 3. But PRC administrator Tony Hume said the problem may be resolved within a couple of weeks. Local producer Harry J. Warner is one vendor concerned about the

new attitude toward off-season vendors. He has been selling his garlic, eggs and vegetables for the last two and one-half years in and out of season at Centennial Park.

He was told January 20 he could not vend before the official season started. Last weekend another halfdozen vendors were told to stop, and their photographs were taken

Rachel Katerina and mother Buffy Saunders

New Year's baby finally arrives

Salt Spring Island's official New Year's Baby arrived a little later than New Year's this year.

Rachel Katerina was born January 27 at 8:08 p.m. at Lady Minto Hospital weighing just under eight pounds. She is a baby sister to three-year-old Aaron. Proud parents are Buffy Saunders and Roger Trory. to Lady Minto Hospital presented her with a knife, fork and spoon set. These are the traditional gifts given to New Year's Babies across the province.

"Every little bit helps," Saunders said. The official New Year's Baby is the first baby born in the local hospital each year. Two expectant island mothers went to Duncan to have babies this

The B.C. Medical Association gave Rachel a baby car seat as a birthday gift and the Womens' Auxiliary month and there was one baby girl — Sarah Bridget McCormick — born safely at home January 4.

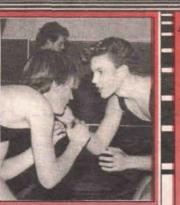
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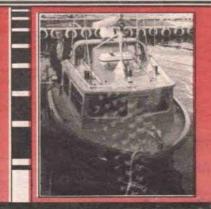
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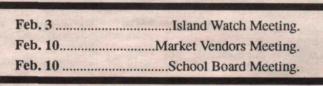
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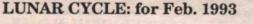


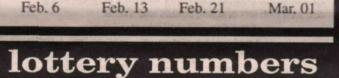
Ground Hog Day was clear and warm - this means there will be cold weather for another six weeks. But who made the ground hogs into forecasters anyway? After a long winter hibernation, their faculties are apt to be a little fuzzy!

weather

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scheduled for major gravelling work, Stevens said. The stretch from Peter Arnell Park south to the current blacktop will be graded and gravelled.

Charlton said there will be "full gravelling on Stewart Road" this year. That includes cross-sectioning, grading, drainage and five inches of crushed grey product. Some areas will be drilled and blasted, he said, answering concerns about limited visibility.

Some islanders, however, want the highways ministry to consider the implications of major improvements to Stewart Road.

The Water Preservation Society of Salt Spring is concerned about drinking water becoming more polluted by increased traffic. Metals in particular which come off Cusheon Lake Road, among others, and into lakes which provide drinking water, are already in excess of levels permitted by industrial effluent, spokesman Bob Twaites said.

"Any short term (road) fixes have to include consideration for our water resources on the island," he said.

"Concerns are expressed on a regular basis for Cusheon Lake Road not to have more traffic," Stevens said. "Our desire is to move traffic towards Beddis Road."

Stevens did not say how traffic would be encouraged to flow from Stewart Road to Beddis Road rather than along Cusheon Lake Road, but he said "there will certainly be no improvements to Cusheon Lake Road."

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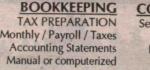
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Warner said, "I've been told to discontinue this practice. I don't see why my habits of selling should be changed at the whim of the PRC."

A small number of vendors have been in the park since the market officially ended October 31. This has always been the case, Warner said. The number of off-season vendors fluctuates with the weather and the approach of April, but normally it is small.

A sign notifying vendors that permits are required was put up in the park 10 days ago. Hume was unclear as to what action may be taken by the PRC against vendors who continue to sell in the park, though he said "there could be legal action."

He did say the Market Advisory Group has been considering the issue of off-season vending. The group may make a recommendation as early as February 22 and that recommendation may be to issue permits to producer-based vendors in and out of the normal season. Most vendors who sell off-season



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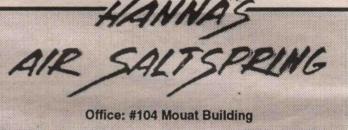
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islands trust briefs

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The following matters were discussed at the January 19 Salt Spring Island Trust Committee meeting:

Meeting procedures

A proposed bylaw which would have clarified committee meeting procedures and made its chair obligated to vote on all motions was not endorsed by the committee.

Chairwoman Diane Cragg said she would not vote on the bylaw (as allowed by current rules) to break a tie, instead wanting agreement from trustees Bob Andrew and John Stepaniuk. Andrew approved while Stepaniuk voted against the bylaw.

QUICK RESPONSE: Ambulance crews rushed to the scene of a Sunday afternoon accident on Beddis Road after driver of a pick-up truck landed in a ditch. The passenger was taken to hospital,

> Stepaniuk was critical of the bylaw's four page length. "This goes into such detail Madam Chair, I'm glad my term is coming to an end, because I don't think I could learn all this." Cragg said she would have welcomed the bylaw and change to mandatory voting by the chair, particularly because she had in the past received criticism for exercising her option to vote or not, according to Bourinot's Rules of Order.

Applications public

Regularly-updated lists of applications for service received by the Trust will be made accessible to the public. The list includes a brief description and general area location of Salt Spring rezoning applications, Crown lease applications, subdivisions, development permits and development variance permits, and the date each application was received.

However, the committee stopped short of attaching names and precise locations to the applications, saying it was legally "questionable" whether an applicant's name should be made public.

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Agriculture Canada was also granted permits January 6 to spray BtK in parts of Greater Vancouver, Hope and Victoria. Vancouver city council has appealed the permit in order to prevent aerial spraying from taking place. The council wants the pesticide applied from the ground, Collier said.

She said one appeal may have been made in the Victoria region.

Agriculture Canada is sponsoring a public information meeting and open-house February 17, Agriculture Canada plant protection program officer Doug Kyle The meeting will explain the biology of the gypsy moth, the impact on the environment and approaches for control, he said. It will be held at Beaver Point Hall February 17 at 5:30 p.m.

For information about gypsy moths and gypsy moth spray programs, phone Agriculture Canada in Vancouver at 666-0593. For information about the appeal process or to submit an appeal, phone the Environmental Appeal Board in Victoria at 387-3464.





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Road logic needed

Something is missing in the Victoria Highway Maintenance Corporation's logic.

opinion

Responding to repeated complaints over the condition of Salt Spring's Stewart Road, which runs between Beaver Point and Cusheon Lake roads (effectively creating a quick link between the south and mid-island), the corporation has elaborated on road maintenance plans for this thoroughway.

A recent spell of frigid, island weather rendered Stewart Road a "muddy, frost-blistered mess," with more potholes than usual and areas where the road appeared washed away.

The mess prompted a resurgence of support for a fully-paved road. Paving began on Stewart Road in 1988. Further paving was supposed to have occurred in 1990, but the plan was dropped due to lack of funds. The corporation has stated, however, that paving of Stewart Road is a priority and should occur within the next four years.

The corporation's logic falls apart in its consideration of Cusheon Lake Road, the connecting link between Stewart Road and Fulford-Ganges Road. Many people believe that Stewart Road improvements will increase traffic on both Stewart and Cusheon Lake roads.

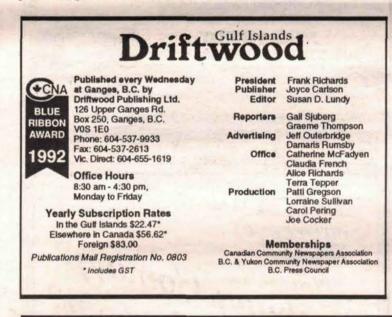
The highly residential Cusheon Lake Road, which accesses Cusheon Lake, is used for recreational purposes throughout the year. Cusheon Lake is also a source of drinking water for numerous area residents. Portions of it are extremely narrow and visibility is limited. The Water Preservation Society is concerned about the effects increased traffic may have on water quality, while others are concerned about safety.

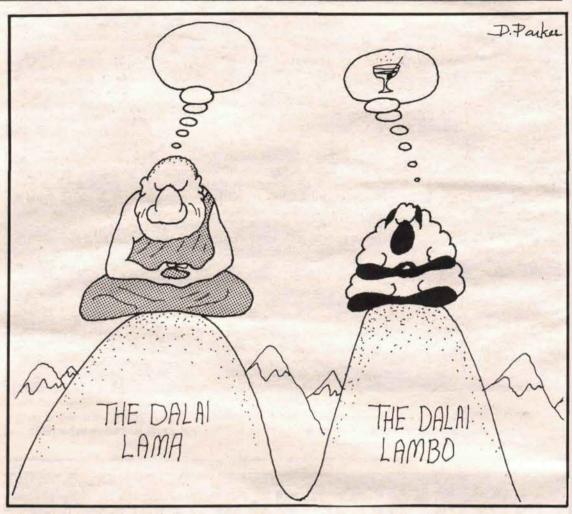
As the corporation concurs, "concerns are expressed on a regular basis for Cusheon Lake Road not to have more traffic." The corporation's "desire," therefore, is to move traffic towards Beddis Road. Where is the logic in this line of thinking?

Firstly, Beddis Road is also a narrow, winding road, subject to potholes and limited visibility. Secondly, while Beddis Road does provides a link with Fulford-Ganges Road, the route is much longer than the Cusheon Lake connection.

Finally, the corporation cannot indicate how it will encourage the flow of traffic towards Beddis Road, other than to suggest "there will certainly be no improvements to Cusheon lake Road." Does this mean the latter road will be so treacherous that drivers will automatically take Beddis Road instead?

Island roads do not exist in isolation and longterm planning must encompass the entire road network. Stewart Road does provide a valuable link between the south- and mid-island and merits improvements. Certainly, its present condition is unacceptable. Those concerned about increased traffic on Cusheon Lake Road, however, have valid reasons for their opposition. And these concerns must be addressed alongside improvement plans for Stewart Road.





DFO policies hurting industry

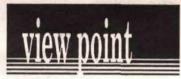
Federal policies affecting Native involvement in commercial fishing are finally getting media attention. Unfortunately the issues are numerous, complicated, emotional, and too often decided by political expediency rather than sound management practices.

As one of the numerous people on Salt Spring island who make their living in the fishing industry, I wish to share my views on this subject.

By JAMES SCARFO Driftwood Contributor

Problems came to a head during the 1992 salmon season. In June the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) finalized the first agreements allowing several Native groups the legal right to sell salmon.

These agreements are referred to as "aboriginal commercial fisheries" and were meant to increase the involvement of Native people in the fishing industry by allowing the sale of fish taken in



what were considered food fisheries in the last 100 years by the DFO.

The federal government says a recent court decision known as the Sparrow case obliges it to create these aboriginal commercial fisheries. The federal government also maintains it has an obligation to ensure more involvement by Natives in the fishing industry as a whole.

Unfortunately, as so often happens in our eastern Capital, policies are developed that are so flawed, they have devastating effects on both the resource and those that make a living from it.

The agreements for an aboriginal commercial fishery was signed with only three of approximately 90 Fraser River bands.

These bands, Musqueam, Tsawwassen and Stolo, are the major lower Fraser River Native communities. The problems arose when it became clear during the seasor that the DFO had been instructed not to enforce any fishing violations against Native fishermen.

This directive from Ottawa lef the West Coast fisheries management unable to control abuses and illegal fishing by Natives anywhere in B.C. and resulted in overfishing of the salmon resource on rivers and streams coastwide. This abuse was most apparent on the Fraser River where Native gillnets fished seven days a week for most of the summer, even after fisheries closed the coast to all fishing on Fraserbound sockeye, and necessitated a federal inquiry into the disappearance of one-half million fish in the river.

The over-harvesting in the lower and mid-Fraser even stopped up river Native bands from harvesting their food fish requirements.

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salt spring says

we asked: Do you think Prime Minister Brian Mulroney should step down?





Bert Schuurmans I think it would be a good Yes, definitely. The idea to let someone else in the Conservative party run.

Marilyn Tamboline country is in a terrible mess.

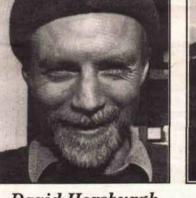
David Horsburgh state of the economy. He worse. has no vision.

Jeremy Goodwin Yes, I do think he should He should probably stay resign because of the on - the alternatives are

Peggy Elves Yes, I do. I think he has lost sight of who the Canadian people are. He has no fresh ideas.









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VIEW POINT

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Commercial fishermen are furious. We believe the DFO has abdicated its responsibility to protect the resource, has severely set back many years of salmon stock rebuilding, has disregarded the "no" vote on the Charlottetown Accord, is creating a multi-tiered system of justice and rights, and has once again made political decisions where scientific management plans were needed.

The DFO has also misled the public into believing that there is little involvement by Native people in the commercial fishing industry. Since 1972, the salmon fisheries have been restricted to license holders. At that time, anyone who had an active interest in the fishery was given a license, with no restriction for race or ethnic background. There has since been a policy of affirmative action to increase Native participation by purchasing vessels and licenses within the industry and converting them to Native status (from A to AI), ensuring minimal cost to Native fishermen through low interest and forgivable loans, and reduced annual fees.

The result is that over 25 per cent of salmon licenses are in "AI" status, not transferable to non-Natives, and over 30 per cent of all fishermen are Native. This does not include numerous Native fishermen who have chosen to own "A" licenses.

The annual license fees on my boat are \$800, as compared to \$20 on the equivalent Native vessel. These licence fees are used to offset management and enhancement costs. The Native fisherman that lives on a reserve is exempt from income tax as well as certain fuel taxes.

Within the lucrative herring fishery, Native involvement is even higher. The West Coast fishing industry is the most racially and ethnically integrated industry in Canada, if not the world. This is because Ottawa has long recognized the importance and historical involvement of Natives in the commercial industry.

Ottawa has interpreted the Sparrow case quite differently than any of the expert legal opinions obtained by commercial fishermen. We believe this decision obligated the federal government to ensure that fish are available to aboriginal people for food, societal, and ceremonial purposes under the Constitution.

Ottawa has determined that this includes the establishment of Native-only commercial fisheries. There are numerous recent decisions that clearly uphold the DFO right to restrict the sale of fish by Natives.

Our federal government, through the DFO and Native Affairs, has stated that the policy of creating separate aboriginal-only commercial fisheries with management by Natives will continue. It has also stated that other resources

Commercial fishermen are ious. We believe the DFO has dicated its responsibility to will be transferred to Native control, including wildlife, forests, and mineral rights.

Those of us opposed to this policy have taken the following positions: that no Native-only fisheries be allowed; that further Native involvement occur by providing more licenses to Natives within the existing commercial fishery; that all agreements over resource allocation to Native people include full participation by affected third parties; that resource issues be dealt with as part of comprehensive land claim settlements; that the costs of settling our outstanding obligations to aboriginal peoples be shared equally by all Canadians, not just one sector such as commercial fishermen or other resource sector industries; that all agreements reflect the equality of all Canadians by not creating separate rules or status; that agreements be fair and equitable to all Canadians; that there be only one management body of the fishing resource - the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

I believe this country cannot afford to develop policies that separate people from one another on the basis of race, ethnic background, or gender. A look around the world clearly indicates how quickly stability can turn to violence when one group believes it has more rights than another.

Lack of response

To the Editor,

I have been very alarmed at the relative lack of response on the island to the fact that Agriculture Canada will soon be aerial spraying the bacteriological, chemical pesticide, (Foray 48B) over the Fulford-Beaver Point-Weston Lake area.

I can only imagine that some of

you still believe that the spraying is necessary and benign.

Gypsy moths have been coming to the Lower Mainland at least since the first documented sightings in 1911. They have co-existed with the trees in the world's largest forest, stretching from Siberia to the Ural Mountains, for centuries.

These moths have never established themselves anywhere in our forests and they have had very little impact even on the deciduous forests of Ontario.

The "infestation" of gypsy moths in the Vancouver area previous to last year's aerial spraying consisted of five moths found in Vancouver and one in East Vancouver.

As the city's chief medical health officer Dr. John Blatherwick has said "if there is a strong justification for this to happen, it isn't in any of the material (Agriculture Canada) has presented to me."

Further, he states, "Dropping anything on a population involuntarily is a very big thing. If you're going to do that, you'd better have the justification."

The bacterial chemical pesticide that will be sprayed over Salt Spring Island (Foray 48B) is listed in Agriculture Canada's Reg. Information sheet as a restricted product group for biological control of anthropoids and mollusc groups. It is produced by the U.S. owned company Novo Nordisk Bio-industrials.

One part of this compound is made up of a bacteria, *Bacillus Thuringiensis* (Bt), described in Stedman's medical dictionary as "a species that is an insect pathogen and that has been implicated in human and mammalian infections."

It survives in fresh water for 70 days, in salt water for 40 days, in the air up to 17 days and on foliage up to 30 days. One of the only two independent scientific studies done by a group other than the manufacturer, demonstrate that *Bacillus Thuringiensis* produces a haemolysin identical to *Bacillus*

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The other ingredients (approx. 97 per cent) of the BtK formula, have not been disclosed to the public nor to Agriculture Canada because of a patent information protection policy.

In the United States it is not illegal to get rid of hazardous wastes or banned pesticides by adding them to other pesticide compounds (e.g. banned eight years ago in the U.S. as a suspected carcinogen, Methylene chloride is used in 127 pesticides in Canada).

In 1957, on Long Island, an environmental group challenged an upcoming gypsy moth spray in court. The pesticide, they said, had not been proven safe for humans, but the judge ruled against them. The state authorities who were conducting the spray program had convinced him that the pesticide was harmless to humans. It was DDT.

The B.C. Medical Association,

among others, has called for a moratorium on the spraying.

Because of our bitter experiences of the past few decades we can no longer comfort ourselves by thinking that the government is protecting our environmental and health interests. It is now left up to us, the common citizen, to become informed and to use our informed voices to override those of the powerful drug and chemical companies.

The final date for appealing the pesticide use permit is this Friday, February 5, through the Environmental Appeal Board in Victoria.

GAIL RICHARDS, Parents For A Safe Environment

For the record

Sazjo Stone wishes to inform *Driftwood* readers that she is not the S. Stone who wrote the letter "Teach your children" which appeared in last week's issue.





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opinion

Sexual abuse

To the Editor,

I would like to offer my thanks to Driftwood for printing Mr. Stone's letter about child sexual abuse on Salt Spring.

I have a friend who has recently learned that his daughter was abused at age nine here on Salt

Spring. The girl is now 24 and is giving enough details that it appears charges will be laid and the case will be brought to court.

Unfortunately the legal course only deals with the crime; the emotional scars caused to an abused victim, especially a child, can take many years and much counselling to heal.

I too wonder if my friend's case and the five or six others that Mr. Stone knows about are truly "the tip of the iceberg" and that there are many that go unreported.

Yes folks, from first-hand knowledge, crimes of this magnitude really do occur right here on our beautiful island!

JOANNE POLLARD, Ganges

Outrage

To the Editor,

I would like to use this forum to express my outrage at the treatment of Shelley Wilson and her children by the Ganges Village Market (Viewpoint, January 27 edition).

If events transpired as Ms. Wilson recounts in her article, I will no longer do business at GVM until it makes amends to Ms. Wilson and her children, and its policy is changed to one that is more humane and flexible.

I would like to hear GVM's side of the story, although the fact that the Crown dropped the charges, leads me to think the case had little merit.

I have little sympathy for shoplifters. I think they should, in most cases, be prosecuted. Honest mistakes however, happen on the part of both shopper and retailer as anybody who buys or sells groceries can attest.

I look forward to hearing GVM's version of events and will keep my mind open on this matter. **RODGER BEALS**, **Fulford Harbour**

Garbage

To the Editor,

Yes, it was picturesque, the skaters, in clouds of colours swirling around Weston Lake. Then the thaw and with it came a view of the garbage they left behind, on the public float, in the water and at the shoreline access way.

The crows came early and cleaned up what was edible but styrofoam cups, brown paper bags and assorted clothing - even they can't stomach it and neither can the water destined for Fulford's water taps. Talk about fouling your own nest!

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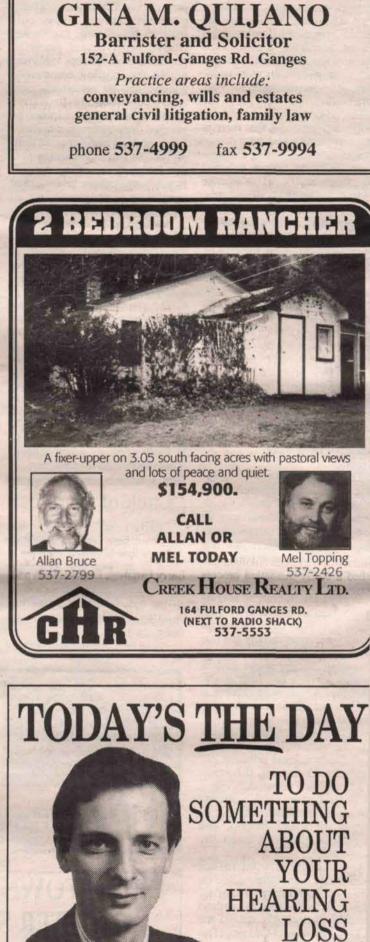
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COMMENT **HUBERT BEYER**

British Columbia, the awesome Tatshenshini River is on the threshold of destruction.

Geddes Resources Ltd. of Toronto wants to build a copper mine of massive proportions at Windy Craggy Mountain. The company plans to open the area to commercial exploitation by building a 100-kilometre road to the huge mineral deposit.

The mine is expected to create 500 jobs for 20 years. That's when the copper deposit will run out.

A small city, roads and slurry pipeline would be built in the wilderness. Waste rock would be dumped on nearby glaciers or buried in a lake created by a dam.

Stephen Owen, the province's Commissioner on Resources and Environment has recommended that before making a final decision, the B.C. government call for a six-month period of public consultation to deal with a number of issues he raised in an interim report about the proposed mine.

A mining expert, playing down the environmental concerns, recently referred to the project as "just another mine in the mid-dle of nowhere, for Pete's sake." A friend and fellow journalist has somewhat a different view.

No less worthy of protection

Most of us will never see the pristine, lonely and awesome beauty of the Tatshenshini. Nor will we ever trek through the Amazon rainforest. But that doesn't make them any less worthy of protection.

Mark Hume has rafted the Tatshenshini and devoted a chapter about the river in his book The Run of the River, published last year by New Star Books of Vancouver. Here is Mark's account as he and a small party of wildwater rafters approach the confluence of the Tat and Alsek rivers.

Roaring out of a broad, glaciated valley, it joins with the Tatshenshini to produce a river as wide as the Fraser, six times the volume of the Colorado.

At one time there are 24 glaciers visible. Their tongues are dirty and cracked; there are pillars and spirals of snow; blue ice shines in the crevasses; when you get up on them you can hear the ice moan and crack and ring.

No adequate way to describe scenery

"There is no adequate way to describe the scenery. Surrounding the river are jagged mountains where glaciers are moving. At your feet, tufts of Arctic cotton, bear tracks and just there, a few feet from shore, the dark dorsal fins of a school of Coho salmon

"The mountains are layered with colour. It is mid-September and fall is sweeping across the north. Along the valley floor are lush green cottonwoods, marbled with bright yellow willow thickets; above are great swatches of red fireweed and then bands of amber moss - finally the fresh snow, steepled and smooth.

"Looking across this scenery, where a \$3 million road will cut across the mountain flanks if Geddes goes ahead, you have to wonder: how important is it that the world has another copper mine?

How important, indeed? Owen's report gives us some insight into the importance of the area as a wildlife habitat. The Tatshenshini Alsek area, Owen says, is one of the last strongholds of a thriving grizzly population in North America. It also provides habitat for the blue or glacier bear, found nowhere else in Canada.

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About half of the estimated 4,000 Dall's sheep in British Columbia, he says, have their summer and winter range in the area. Other species depending on the area for their habitat include about 300 mountain goats, 180 species of birds, and a huge annual salmon run.

Economic gains should not be ignored

Spawning grounds in the Tatshenshini watershed contribute 95 per cent of the Chinook salmon, 90 per cent of the Sockeye salmon, and 75 per cent of the Coho salmon to the commercial fishery in Alaska at the mouth of the Alsek River.

On the other hand, the potential economic gains should not be ignored. The mine would provide 500 jobs for 20 years, and gross metal value of the ore at Windy Craggy is estimated to be at least \$15 billion with a recovery value of about \$8.5 billion.

During the lifetime of the mine, Ottawa would collect an estimated \$550 million in taxes, and the province about \$720 million, including corporate and personal income taxes, mining, fuel and sales taxes.

But the question is this: are 500 jobs and \$36 million a year for 20 years worth the unavoidable violation and corruption of something as awesomely beautiful and irreplaceable as the unsullied wilderness of the Tatshenshini? I think not.

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letters section

Fool's joke

To the Editor.

The Driftwood cover story "Market plans move" (January 20) announced Salt Spring would have "two markets from April 1," a fool's joke indeed if community feeling does not ensure sufficient goodwill to remain one.

I have sold books, antiques and collectibles in the Salt Spring Farmers' Market in Centennial Park for the last 11 years. Now the Parks and Recreation Commission members have effected their "takeover" of the market, I am barred from selling there since I do not "produce" my goods. At least 22 out of approximately 100 other island vendors face the same loss of income.

The Market Vendors' Association always had a philosophy of openness and self-regulation. The principle of openness, which implies a recognition of the free enterprise system and individual rights, is tempered by the fact of self-regulation, which means that as a body we determined the space available to various sellers.

Vendors gradually evolved policies, including islanders first; seniority giving choice on space; the central strip on the street side reserved for farmers and their produce; season and day permits available; crafts favoured over commercial goods, and other ongoing refinements hammered out at our meetings.

Always those marketeers that attended MVA meetings remembered that this entire community is composed of market-members-atlarge. As in any democratic institution, to be heard meant to actively participate.

Many in our community will be aware that last fall Capital Regional District director Julia Atkins established a costly mediation process between "stakeholders" to deal with the market issue (sold to the Market Vendors as a means to arrive at accord).

No consensus was reached, but even before the mediator's report appeared, the Parks and Recreation Commission began publishing ads in the *Driftwood* implying they were in charge of the market. A monitor position went into Help Wanted; advisory commission members were called for, and advertisements asked for island vendors who produced their goods to make submissions for space.

A current joke suggests the "producers only" market in Ganges would basically be "Artspring with lettuce." Children liquidating last year's toys, recycled goods and clothing, third world stands, any commercial products, and other island entrepreneurs would all be eliminated.

Over the weeks I have noticed a softening of PRC's early stance on vendors. I've even had another marketeer tell me he was empowered to hint I might be included in a Parks and Recreation Market, under a kind of "grandfathering" While self-interest is a powerful motivation, and temptation to simply ensure my own selling space might over-power my community instincts, I have the powerful example of my fellow vendors to guide me.

At the Market Vendors' January meeting, the principles of openness and self-regulation were re-enforced. Long-time member Pat Barnes stated that despite being a "first-class citizen" as viewed by Parks and Recreation, her shirts being made from scratch as well as hand-painted, she would not sell in a market where many of her friends were barred, or would be "secondclass citizens" if accepted this year.

This selflessness was echoed by other craftspeople and farmers in an open discussion, and led to a unanimous decision by the 58 vendors attending to move the market rather than cut the economic legs of any participating member.

Sadly, the January 20 Driftwood report by staffer Graeme Thompson on the MVA decision to move spent the majority of space on Kellie Booth's plans for a PRC market.

Mr. Thompson was responsible for the Driftwood editorial summing up the mediation issue. There he stated that the argument to perpetuate the existing market because the vendors depended on it for their livelihood was "too individualistic to consider." (Let them eat cake?) Doubtless, this palace viewpoint precludes his presenting the MVA's extraordinary position.

I still hope the PRC will discover they have spread themselves too thin with an annual budget of \$435,126 they have enough to do already. Let us "de-mystify" the commission, naming its nine appointed members — Kellie Booth, Bill Curtin, Ian Fraser, Peter Lamb, Malcolm Legg, Alisen Lambert, Barry Urquhart, Lawrie Neish and Max Soder — and ask if their collective prejudices offer a superior understanding of community needs and wishes.

Different commissioners could have supported the market, re-affirming its legal right to operate in Centennial Park. This commission has chosen to force their control of the market on the community. The Market Vendors' Association has painfully and reluctantly decided that if existing members are being eliminated, they will protect their own, and move.

It may be that relocation of the market to private land at Harbour House will allow us all to flourish. Since additional parking is offered behind the hotel, ongoing congestion problems in the village could be solved. There is a beautiful view down the harbour. The site is close to town, and has a forested area adjacent. A longterm lease is proposed. Good could yet come of this painful debacle.

The PRC could still return the administration of the market to the market vendors. The MVA decision to stand united and move might so galvanize the community that the PRC is left giving a party no one attends.

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United we stand. Divided into two markets we stand to lose both. And the joke on April 1 would be on all of us.

YANTRA WALKER,

Fulford Harbour

EDITOR's note: The exact quote taken from Graeme Thompson's guest editorial is as follows: "One point I heard argued was that regulation could deprive a vendor of a livelihood. That is too emotional, too individualistic, and impossible to negotiate without personal offence."

Postal blues

To the Editor,

I wondered for a while after Christmas why my mail was late and strangers were delivering at the mail boxes on Collins Road as late as 3:30 p.m. or later, each day.

At first I though our post lady was on holiday, or perhaps sick, or perhaps our wonderful slippery, snowy roads were too dangerous to travel. I could hardly walk on them, they were so icy, and still I kept wondering. Then I read she had been fired by our wonderful "Canada Post Office."

This lady, Janet Ross, was always friendly, delivered our mail on time, in the correct boxes, each day of delivery and was, I thought, a credit to the post office.

Now Canada Post has increased the postage (again), fired an excellent employee (and heaven help us there aren't many of these at this present time), and now we have late delivery, if at all, and no explanation nor apology nor reduction in postage for their efforts.

What finally prompted me to write was a letter posted to my husband on January 5, 1993, from Ganges. It arrived in our mail box on January 20, 1993.

Excuse me whilst I laugh, I could have walked many times from downtown Ganges to our mail box in 15 days.

If you thought "Wells Fargo" was slow guys, hurrah for 1993, for we now have stupidity, expense, and dead horses delivering the mail.

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JENNIFER GILLETT, Ganges



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letters

Methods

Following is an open letter to the principal and teachers of Salt Spring Elementary School, filed with this newspaper for publication.

I feel obliged to write this letter in regards to the teaching methods currently being used in school, as I am sure they are not satisfactory.

The Year 2000 Program and "Child Centred Learning" techniques are clearly not the answer. I will try to avoid giving the old "In my day..." train of thought as this may well not be completely relevant today.

None the less, the fact remains that students today are leaving school with very little hard, practical knowledge.

On the surface, programs and courses are laid out for teacher and students with the idea that several subjects overlap and are dealt with at one time in the classroom, the idea being that this gives a wellrounded understanding of the overall picture of learning. Letting a pupil progress at his or her own rate sounds like a good idea but what can happen is that the ones who don't progress are not pushed to achieve the next level.

By removing competition and not having to meet rigorous standards (such as those in Japan, Germany, Sweden, etc.) it seems to be felt that a student will have more self-esteem and will not feel that he is left behind. Unfortunately, this is not the way life works in the real world. Self-esteem follows accomplishment and the only real way to accomplishment is hard, organized work.

It is my feeling that most classrooms are run in a very sloppy manner. Exercise books seem to have very little theme or continuity, and are often extremely sloppy. Desks are in disarray and need cleaning out and organizing. If work is not completed, there is very little done about it. The idea of the hard work of learning math, spelling, science and geography in a friendly but firm manner seems to escape most students.

Even though I feel the teachers are following the program laid out for them, much more could be ac-

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pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. IAN SHORT to the position of Branch Manager of their Salt Spring Branch. Mr. Short has been employed by a complished. Half an hour a day spent on fast math and spelling and general knowledge drills would do wonders, all apparent pace of learning, this extra work would be slipped in without the slightest problem.

What's more, the students would get to like it as they felt themselves achieving higher than average standards which would be an asset to them for the rest of their life. A friendly but much firmer attitude in the classroom would also go a long way toward more effective learning.

Homework is almost non-existent at the sixth grade level. The "we did it in school time" excuse isn't good enough. Homework is just that — homework. Students should have regular homework

Discipline with understanding is what is needed. In the real working world you can't always carry on at your own preferred rate, you must hustle up and get things done just to keep your job.

Our children deserve the best we can give them, but this does not always mean giving them just what they want. A young puppy will not learn a thing if a firm hand is not kept on the leash. Children actually do like discipline when given out honestly and fairly. They know where they stand and that they are loved and cared about, and will eagerly do the hard stuff — the

rest is easy. JON PAGE, Ganges

Foundations

To the Editor,

The advertisement in your January 27 issue, placed by the Saanich Peninsula Hospital Foundation, is a tribute to the many generous residents of this island who, over the past year, have donated more than \$62,000 to our local hospital foundation.

In addition, for the past several years they have given more than \$60,000 per year to the Auxiliary to the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital. I guess the news of our local fund-raising has spread farther than we had expected.

Our hospital has a very good working relationship with the nearby larger facilities which provide some services that we do not have available at this time. The focus of local fund raising is to increase the capabilities of Lady Minto Hospital so that more islanders can receive medical care closer to home.

On behalf of the hospital foundation, I thank those many islanders who have donated money and their volunteer time to help provide better hospital care here. RON McQUIGGAN,

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He has also held positions with the Federal Business Development Bank; British Columbia Development Corporation; a chartered bank; and in general management and controllership in companies manufacturing marine equipment. He is married, with three sons aged 23, 20 and 16. In his spare time, lan enjoys competitive sports such as squash and tennis and also outdoor activities such as hiking and a recently developed interest in ocean kayaking. Island Savings has four financial and six insurance offices serving southern Vancouver Island and Salt Spring Island, with assets approaching \$300 million.



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Weight restrictions placed on local roads

tions were placed on all district side-roads last week.

The restrictions took effect January 27 on all roads on Salt Spring Island except the main ferry routes. Frosty conditions affecting road surfaces were responsible for the move.

"Normally we put weight restrictions on when it is frosty,' said John Marriott, acting area manager for Duncan. The frost gets under the road and makes the surface very soft, he said. The road is not up to 100 per cent strength and heavy loads tend to make things worse.

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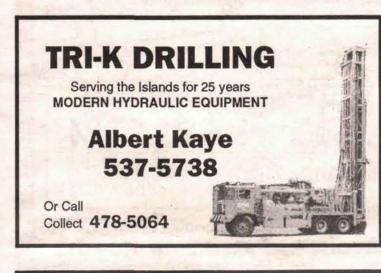
essential goods on ferry routes,

Heavy-traffic weight restric- Marriott added, trucks may carry 100 per cent of their licensed legal load. On all other roads, only 70 per cent of the licensed legal load may he carried

This could mean, for instance, that a side road may be used on a return journey when the truck is empty. Some roads identified by the local highways contractor or area manager may be further restricted to 50 per cent of licensed legal loads, but there are none of these on Salt Spring.

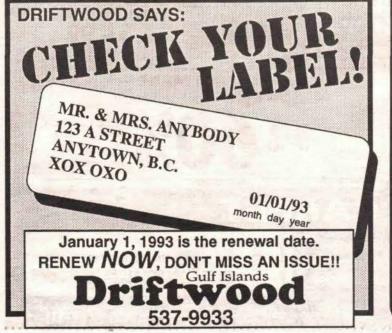
There are fines for infractions, Marriott said, but most vehicles are expected to obey the law.

"It's the taxpayers money down the drain if you don't obey," he said.



MAKING THE GRADE: Salt Spring's highways maintenance contractors were out in force trying to make Stewart Road easier and safer to drive on. Major work will come in the spring. Driftwood photo by Graeme Thompson





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Market Advisory Group formed

Organization of the Saturday market in Centennial Park is moving ahead with the formation of the Market Advisory Group.

Terms of reference for the group were approved at the January 25 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

MAG consists of 16 people belonging to the PRC, Community Arts Council, Organic Growers, Chamber of Commerce and various craft guilds on the island. Twelve of the 16 are not members of the PRC and individual members of the Friends of the Market and the Market Vendors Association are also in the group.

The group is charged with understanding the mandate, goals and objectives of the Salt Spring PRC and reading the report from last fall's mediation process. The group is required to meet and discuss issues relating to location and operation of the market as well as guidelines for who can sell, what can be sold and what exceptions there may be.

MAG is to report back to the PRC by February 15

with recommendations on farmer to crafter ratios, size of stalls, season start and end dates, hours of operation, fee structure, market coordinator job description, definition of acceptable products, when producers must be present, resident versus non-resident vendor status.

MAG has until February 28 to consider congestion issues in the market, parking issues, loading and unloading areas, a dispute mechanism for market issues, entertainment and educational issues.

In other market matters:

• The PRC passed a resolution asking the Capital Regional District to take legal proceedings against vendors who sell in the park without a permit from the PRC.

• The PRC has recently hired a market coordinator for the coming season. Robert Davidson has considerable background in public markets. He started February 1 on a salary of \$15/hour and will work part-time, mostly on Saturdays.

Island health plan developed

A health plan for the southern Gulf Islands is now under way.

Sidney-based consulting firm Humanite Services Planning Ltd. has been selected to assist the Gulf Islands Health Council in preparation of the plan over the next five months.

"We are up and running," steering committee vice-chairman Sid Smith said. "This represents the first community initiative of its kind in the region."

Information gathering among local providers of services will be

the consultants' first task, Smith said. Current utilization of services in the region, types of services, and what resources are available are the kinds of questions to be addressed.

The group will take a "broad approach" to the term "health care," Smith said, and include mental health and drug and alcohol services in its study.

"We're trying to get beyond health care and health services *per* se and look at health in the broadest context," he said. In a month or six weeks, an extensive public consultation will begin, with public meetings and focus groups. The steering committee is made up of 14 members representing Salt Spring and the Outer Gulf Islands, Lady Minto Hospital, the Capital Regional District, the Capital Health Council and the ministries of health and social services.

The southern Gulf Islands Health Council is funded by the Ministry of Health, the CRD and the Ministry of Social Services.



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Meetings discuss seawalk

Ganges' seawalk may yet be completed.

A number of individuals and groups connected with the incomplete project have been meeting to discuss what can be done to finish the job, according to a January 25 press release.

The seawalk extends, sometimes in the mind's eye, westward from Mouat's Trading Company to a point across Lower Ganges Road from the Kingfisher Cove development.

Representatives of land owners along the walk have been meeting with members of the Islands Trust, Capital Regional District and the Parks and Recreation Commission. They have discussed funding, insurance and maintenance aspects of a completed seawalk, as well as obtaining permission to cross private foreshore lease areas necessary to finish the boardwalk.

Protection of private commercial interests has to be integrated with the desire of the public to see



the project completed, the release said.

But at least one resident is concerned about protection of public commercial interests. Dietrich Luth is angry that the subject of a 40-foot sea-access for barges is being neglected at the meetings.

"The working harbour is being obliterated," he said. "People who make use of the harbour have no say in this matter. I'm trying to get the access back."

Luth said the access was altered during landfill activities next to Mouat's in 1971, making access difficult but not impossible. Without some consideration, the boardwalk will completely prevent working barges from accessing the shore, he said.

The meetings are continuing.

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Skua transferred temporarily

Coast Guard vessel Skua has been sent to Parksville while repairs are carried out on the Coast Guard vessel there.

But the Coast Guard in Vancouver assured the Driftwood the Skua will be back at Ganges soon.

Captain Ian Sacre, who is the Coast Guard regional manager, fleet systems in Vancouver, said, "The Skua has gone up to French Creek to replace a vessel which has to have a strut repaired. As soon as that is done, the Skua will be back."

We have a limited number of craft, we have to move them about," he said. The 27-foot Coast Guard vessel Swift and a Mark IV rigid-hull inflatable have come to Ganges to replace the Skua.

Ganges Coast Guard officer-incharge Dave Howell said the Coast Guard has seen budget cutbacks and federal government restraint which led to this exchange.

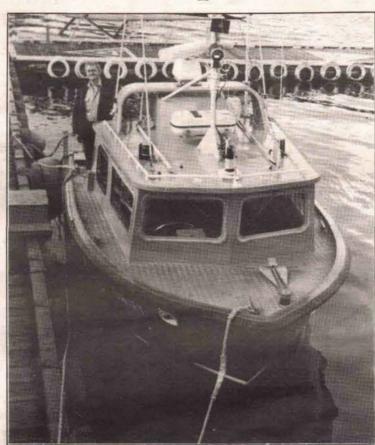
"I believe it is a temporary thing," Howell said. "They have to look at the whole picture.'

The whole picture also means looking at Parksville's needs, seaman Gordon Ruckle said. The Skua went to replace a hovercraft which operates as the local water-ambulance. The Skua, for all its capabilities, is hardly an ambulance and Parksville residents will no doubt want their hovercraft back, Ruckle said.

But that depends on whether Vancouver will give one up.

Ganges Coast Guard's beloved Skua is caught in the federal trap of not enough equipment for present need. Howell said the Ganges station is in the process of presenting a needs-analysis for more equipment and better equipment.

Ganges Coast Guard looks after a large and extremely busy area stretching from Nanaimo to Discovery Island, along the American border and up to Tsawwassen.



Driftwood photo by Graeme Thompson Coast Guard vessel "Swift" replacing "Skua"

Pleasure traffic, ferry and hydrofoil traffic, most of the commercial traffic for the Port of Vancouver and fishing boats pass through Ganges Coast Guard territory.

It must also patrol the increasing number of anchorages for the Port of Vancouver. Large ships sit and wait at places like Southey Point, Plumper Sound and Satellite Channel while a berth in a Vancouver dock opens up.

The loss of Skua, even temporarily, is felt by the Coast Guard.

"The Swift is a remarkable vessel but it can't carry equipment we have on the other one," Howell said. He will be happy when the Skua is home.



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June event encourages support for Clayoquot

A former Salt Spring resident returned briefly to drum up support for Friends of Clayoquot Sound. The pristine watershed near Tofino is in imminent danger of being logged and Gary Gagne is taking the next six months to draw a huge international web of support for Clayoquot, culminating in a June 21 event there.

Sound. June 21 will be the focus of a huge demonstration at Clayoquot Sound. Schools will be out, the weather will be nice and the loggers will be going ahead at full-speed to finish before the fire season, Gagne said.

An army of 1,000 international

entertainers, environmental supporters and media representatives converging on the Kennedy River bridge will force the government to back away from allowing logging in the sound.

"It is totally beyond our means and capability alone," Gagne said.

With 65 Friends arrested in the last year, many ordered to stay away from the area and others burned out, the prospect of this scale of event is daunting.

"If we can get people from Victoria, Vancouver, Salt Spring to help us," he said, "we will pull it

Salt Spring Raging Grannies have promised to put on concerts and lend a supportive arm and voice wherever possible. Others interested can contact the Friends of Clayoquot Sound in Tofino at 725-4218.

By GRAEME THOMPSON Driftwood Staff Writer

"Clayoquot is a gem and ought to be a world heritage site," Gagne said.

It is the largest, contiguous area of temperate rainforest in the world, he said. The temperate rainforests exist on the Pacific coasts of North and South America, parts of Australia and parts of Turkey. But little is left after a century of intensive logging.

'As we speak," he said, "one third of Clayoquot Sound is gone.' The government and the forest giants are involved in a process of

talk and log," he added. Last fall the Clayoquot Sound Sustainable Development Steering Committee fell apart when it came to an impasse on old-growth forests. The current Commission On Resources and the Environment is another talk and log, he said.

While people have been at negotiating tables discussing the future of old-growth forests, logging continues. Bulson Creek and Upper Fortune Channel have been lost forever.

But there are successes, Gagne noted. Meares Island, the Tsitika and the Upper Carmanah were saved only by direct action.

"The only thing that works is a blockad

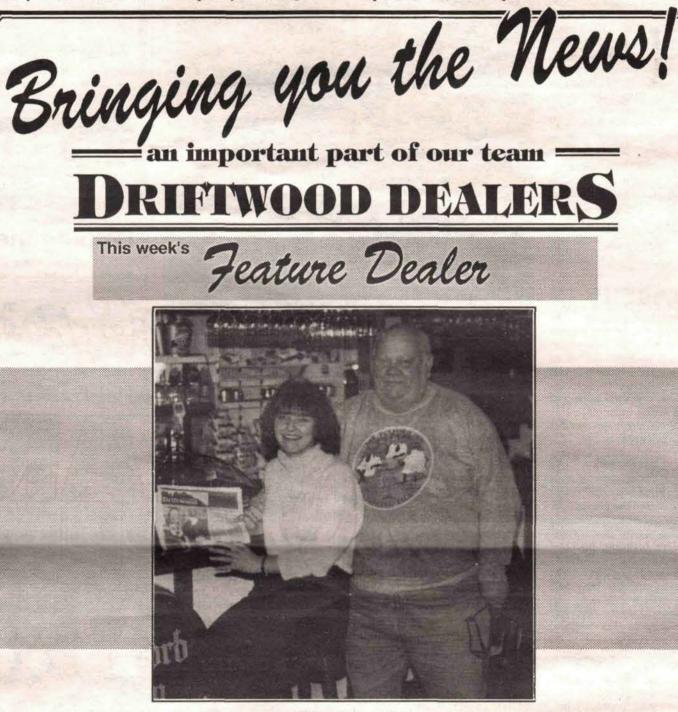
A blockade of the lower Tsitika ended up with a five-year moratorium there.

"Even more effective than blockades is international pressure," Gagne said. "Politicians do not listen to protests at legislatures. They do not read letters.

(Minister of Environment) John Cashore's hands are tied, he said. "Dan Miller is running the show and he's a logger." (Miller was temporarily suspended late last fall from his post as Minister of Forests for conflict of interest.)

Other pressures are now being put to bear on logging interests in B.C., Gagne said. California has outlawed clear-cutting logging in state forests, putting more pressure on B.C. for timber. On the positive side, U.S. Vice-President Al Gore is a long-standing defender of national rain forests, Gagne said. More and more Europeans are waking up to the practices of B.C. forest companies and boycotting B.C. forest products.

It is this kind of pressure which



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will save Clayoquot Sound, he said. An advertisement in the New York Times, January 12, spelled out very clearly how British Columbia's supernatural beauty is being ravaged by resource extraction.

Gagne said the Friends of Clayoquot Sound were expecting a decision on logging there last week.

"We were forewarned we wouldn't like the decision," he said, "but the article was so hardhitting, they've postponed the decision for a month."

"Clayoquot Sound is now becoming an international issue. We feel it is a really critical time."

The Friends are focusing on a long-range high-profile blast to have logging stopped in Clayoouot

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GROUND HOG DAY: February 2 was Ground Hog Day. The North American ground hog is also called a marmot or woodchuck. It lives in burrows or in piles of rock and hibernates during the winter. Ground Hog Day is the day when woodchucks are supposed to appear from their winter sleep and assess the prospects for spring. If the ground hog sees its shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter; if ithe weather is overcast, spring is on the way.

Although the Driftwood searched for an actual ground hog Tuesday, this (close to the ground) hog was the nearest thing we could find. She is named Priscilla.

Parent is concerned about knives at school

At least one local parent is con- Pocket-knives are more widely cerned about children taking knives to school, but Fulford Elementary School principal Glen Woodley says everything is under control.

"I didn't think knives were allowed to be on school grounds," Fulford parent Lisa Rainsford said last week. "Kids that age have tempers and there is nobody there to control them."

Woodley said some grade seven children were bringing pocketknives to class to use in a craft class with one of the teachers.

"He (the teacher) wants that option," Woodley said. "He wants to build a sense of responsibility."

"I don't want to give the idea that every kid in Fulford has a knife," Woodley added. "From time to time they use them in various projects." School exacto-knives are also used and on occasion Woodley has brought in his own steak knives for school work.

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available. One teacher involves children in various projects like whittling paddles from red cedar.

Most parents look on this teacher positively, Woodley said. But a quick survey indicatesneither of the other elementary schools on the island allows children to have knives on school property.

Woodley said there is a perception there might be problems. "Our feeling is that they could have (knives) in their pockets anyway. We wouldn't know. We don't frisk kids at the door. We trust our kids. We trust them to be sensible."

Any child that misused a knife would not be allowed to bring one, he said. One child has been told not to be caught with a knife.

Rainsford, however, has heard of a child taking money from other children by threatening with a knife.

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Contract negotiations broke down in early November and the union conducted a strike vote. Before the results of the strike vote were released, the parties met with mediator Brian Foley and a tentative agreement was hammered out.

"The bargaining committee had recommended acceptance," union executive assistant Penny Crawford said. "I have no predictions for the future."

The executive council will be meeting in early February to consider the next move, she said.

But the mediation process is not finished, mediator Brian Foley said.

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Centre gears-up with new members

Island Arts Centre Society has been buoyed by enthusiasm and expertise of new board members elected at its November annual general meeting.

IACS board member Valerie Rampone says most new directors are "new to the island and are bringing incredible talent with them. They haven't been worn down by Salt Spring yet, and everybody is really excited."

Bob Weeden will be serving on the building committee. Weeden is a retired zoology professor who worked in the wildlife conservation and resource management faculty of the University of Alaska and was an active supporter of the arts in Alaska before moving to Salt Spring a few years ago.

Hetty Clews will be board liaison with potential Artspring user groups in determining their vision of the facility's future functioning. Clews has taught literature and developmental drama in high schools and English and theatre methods in the education and literature department at the University of Victoria.

She has been president of the Victoria Theatre Guild, vice-president of Theatre B.C. and a board member of the Victoria Community Arts Council.

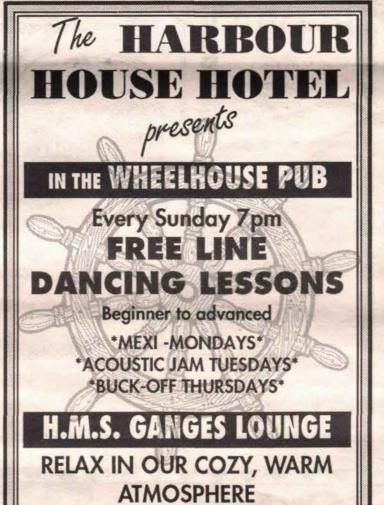
Elizabeth Pellet is the society's new membership secretary. A former instructor at Whittier, Cal State and the University of Southern California, Pellet moved to Salt Spring three years ago. While living in Los Angeles she was involved in an arts centre and is now exploring Northwest Native art through volunteer work at the provincial museum in Victoria.

Margaret Jardine will be the Off Centre Stage representative on the Artspring board and brings years of experience in theatre acting, direction and back-stage work. She has taught drama in school and recreational settings and hopes Artspring will enhance young people's theatrical experiences on Salt Spring.

Real estate agent Peter Bardon has taken on the task of fundraising committee chairman. Bardon has lived in Fulford Harbour for four years after working in real estate in Victoria for the previous 25 years. He is an avid arts supporter, is experienced in fundraising for church projects and welcomes fundraising ideas from community members.



READERS' THEATRE will be performing February 13 and 14 at Waterside Bistro. Nancy Holcroft, left, Alex Mitchell, Mariel Lee and Meg Arteaga will be reading a play about love.



Readers Theatre plans Bistro event

Salt Spring's Readers Theatre is presenting its third evening of Dinner Theatre at the Waterside Bistro, on Saturday February 13, and Sunday, February 14.

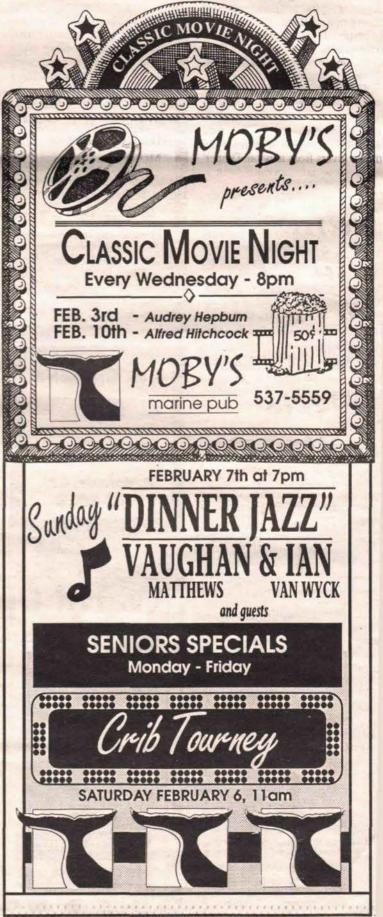
Restaurant staff has arranged a special menu for the two evenings, and Reader's Theatre members have prepared entertainment with the theme "Lucky in Love" — all kinds of love.

The program will include a medley of poems and short prose pieces, both romantic and humorous; a short play "The Importance of Not Shocking Mother" by Joan Mason Hurley, and dramatic adaptations of two short stories — "The Girl Who Went to Mexico," by Alden Nowlan, and "The Long Walk to Forever" by Kurt Vonnegut Jr.

Producer for the show is Meg Arteaga, who may be called at 537-9898 for further information.

The evening starts at 6 p.m; dinner service will commence at 6:45 p.m. Entertainment begins at 7:15 p.m. followed by dessert, coffee and intermission, and then part two of the program.

Tickets, at \$18 per person (which includes \$12 for complete meal, taxes and gratuities), can be obtained at Waterside Bistro. Patrons are encouraged to specify their entre preference (chicken pueblo or baked egg-plant) when making reservations.



Bob Birch has 23 years experience in the performing arts scene, as an actor and stage manager in Canada and abroad, and as a member of various acting and theatre committees. He has also taught theatre and stage management at Vancouver Community College and the Banff School of Fine Arts.

New members join Val Rampone, Lawrie Neish, Bill Curtin, Bill Cowan, Wendy Beattie and Trish Nobile to form the current board.

Fresh faces are always welcome to join committees and work on a variety of society projects, says

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Celtic music on tap at inn

Celtic music lovers may want to set aside Thursday evenings for a special dining experience at the Tides Inn in downtown Ganges.

House band Spanner in the Works, as well as a variety of other local Celtic musicians, will entertain diners with a lively variety of traditional and familiar Celtic tunes from 7 p.m. to closing each Thursday.

Spanner in the Works is a mix of familiar and new faces in the Salt Spring Island music scene. Derek Duffy, lead guitar and vocals, presents an eclectic selection of loved songs, while Miranda Byrne contributes vocals, guitar and traditional Celtic drum to the band.

Harry Warner brings his vast repertoire of songs from the old country, his strong vocalizations, as well as his guitar to the evenings. Terry Warbey can be counted on for original interpretations of traditional Irish and Scottish tunes on dulcimer and mandolin.

While the acoustic presentation provides a pleasant background to dining and visiting, diners should be prepared to stop everything from time to time as they listen as their favourite tunes and airs enhance the evening.

Gary McNutt of the Tides Inn and Spanner in the Works hope to make Thursday evenings a tradition on Salt Spring. They look forward to sharing them with Celtic music lovers from now on. Dinner reservations are suggested from 7 p.m. Call 537-1470.

Dance will say farewell

The Muster family is leaving Salt Spring later this month to return to their home in Germany. Friends are staging a *Forward to the Future* reggae dance at Beaver Point Hall, February 6.

Maja Muster was born mid-November at home on Salt Spring, but complications took her to the Children's Hospital in Vancouver, leaving the Musters with a bill for more than \$7,500. Islanders rallied to help the Musters pay the bill.

Now the Musters, who are not Canadian citizens or landed immigrants, must leave Canada.

Islanders of all ages can join the Muster family to wish them well



on tap at ISLAND WATERING HOLES HARBOUR HOUSE.....Line Dancing Lessons, Sunday. MOBY'S.....Classic Movie Night, Feb. 3. Crib Tournie, Feb. 6. Sunday Dinner Jazz. VESUVIUS INN ...Heart & Stroke trivia contest, Feb. 10/11.

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District 69 CAC calls for art entries

A call for entries in the annual Fine Arts and Crafts Jury Show has gone out to Vancouver Island, Gulf Islands and Powell River artists from District 69 Community Arts Council.

The show dates are February 18-20 with a February 10 entry deadline. The popular event will take place in a different venue this year, says arts council president Jennifer Tindall.

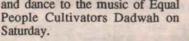
The new Civic Centre at 747 Jones Street in Qualicum Beach will host the show. The public is invited to come to the opening reception between 7 and 9 p.m. on Thursday, February 18. Works will be displayed throughout the following two days, and awards will be presented on Saturday February 20.

The recipients of \$100 Awards of Excellence and of Honourable Mentions will be encouraged to enter the Pacific Regional Arts Council Show. A selected number of these works will then be presented at this year's B.C. Festival of the Arts.

Entries in all two and three dimensional art forms are invited. More information may be obtained by calling the arts council at 248-8185.







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arts & entertainment

Trio opens series

Gulf Islands Concert Series opened with a flair recently, as the membership of over 200 created a receptive audience masterfully entertained by the Vancouver ensemble Joe Trio.

> By PAULA ANDERSON Driftwood Contributor

Allen Stiles (piano), Cameron Wilson (violin) and Janet Steinberg (cello) describe themselves as a "classical ensemble on the run." Schooled extensively as classical musicians, they share the common aim to reintroduce traditional music to contemporary audiences with sensitivity, energy and humour.

The January 24 program opened with familiar melodies as "Batman" and the theme from "Jaws" playfully enticing the listener into an afternoon of fun.

The group's sensitive interpretation of standard piano trio repertoire in Beethoven's Trio No.1, Opus 1 and the slow movement of the Mendelssohn Trio Sonata, left no doubt that these were accomplished young musicians. The balance of the trio and the interplay between the instrumentalists was exquisite.

Violinist Cameron Wilson had arranged much of the ensembles' "light spoof" music. The audience was treated to an eclectic smorgasbord of sound from Rossini to Brahms to "O Canada".

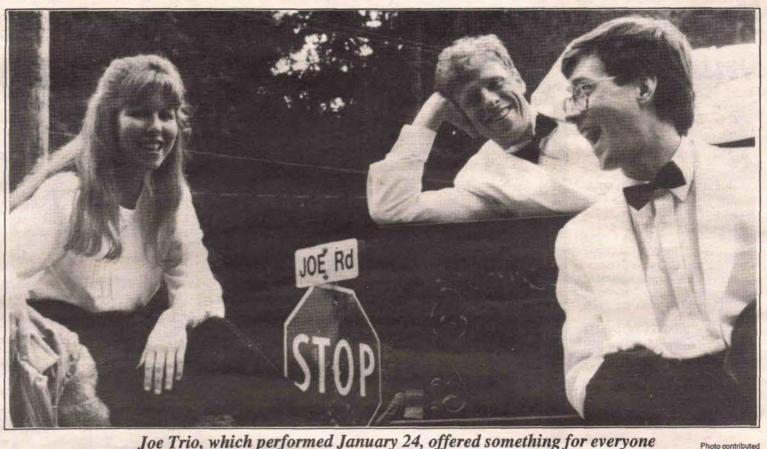
The trio brought the house down with its witty musical humour ex-hibited in "A Broad History of Western Music" (apologies to Henry Mancini). Using the theme from "Pink Panther," Joe Trio took. us through history and demonstrated the stylistic differences the tune would have enjoyed if used by the likes of Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Stravinsky, Country & Western, Blues and Rock

There was something for everyone in this concert. The next concert series offering will be Foothills Brass on March 7.

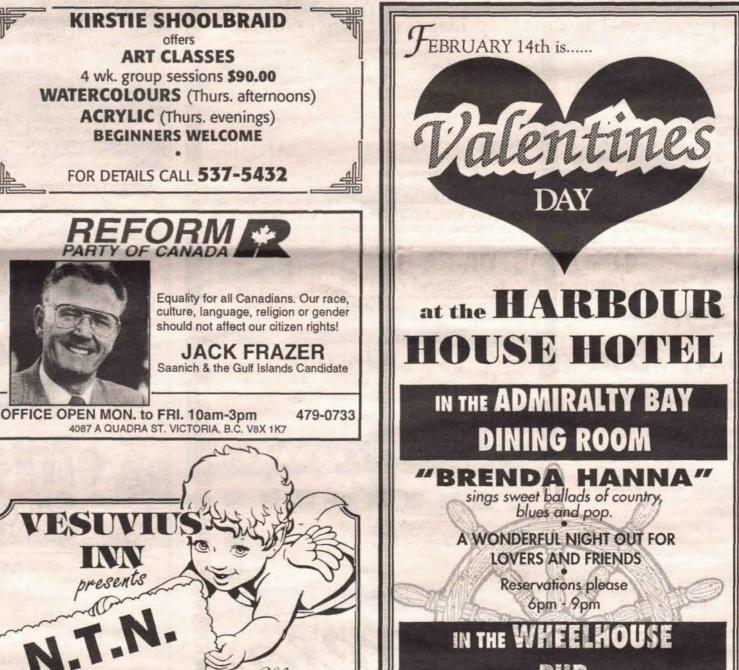
It is not too late to buy memberships for this exciting series. With three concerts left to enjoy it is a bargain at \$37 per adult and \$10 per student. For information call Wendy Milton 537-4654, Trish Nobile 537-4167 or Shelagh Ballard 537-9878.



A raffle benefitting the Salt Spring Youth Centre gets underway this week.



Joe Trio, which performed January 24, offered something for everyone



Islanders are urged to support youth programs by purchasing one or more of the \$5 tickets or helping with ticket sales.

Four prizes are offered. They are, in order, \$250; a haircut from Bevan and a facial and manicure from Natural Beauty; a \$50 gift certificate from the Harbour House Hotel; a \$20 gift certificate from Video Ranch plus two large pizzas. Tickets are available from Gulf Islands Secondary School students

and various island retail outlets including the Harbour House Hotel, Mixmasters and Carolee's and Michael's.

Contact Youth Centre programs coordinator Orion Holtby at the centre, 537-9938, for more information or to assist with the fundraising venture.

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coming events



MOUAT'S SHARES ITS POLE: A Heart and Stroke Foundation flag is flying from Mouat's flagpole this month to remind islanders about donating to and taking part in heart and stroke events.

Heart month kicks off Numerous fund-raising events planned

Have a heart — February is Heart and Stroke month.

The Salt Spring Island Heart and Stroke Foundation has a full program of fund- and fun-raising events to increase awareness of heart disease and raise money for research.

Local president Scotty Wild said an information display will be set up in the library every Friday in February. Pamphlets and experienced volunteers can answer questions about any aspects of heart disease.

Wild said there is a packed slate of events this year, starting with a television trivia contest at the Vesuvius Inn February 10 and 11. Local businesses have generously donated prizes and it is hoped teams of four will join the fun for both evenings.

Friday, February 12 is the Jump Rope for Heart event at Salt Spring Elementary School. Last year pledges for this skipping-a-thon raised \$2,800.

The Heart and Stroke Founda-

tion provides skipping ropes and prizes for the most pledges.

Also in the month, Wild said, there will be sidewalk fund-raising on February 13. Supporters of the Heart and Stroke Foundation will be given rose badges as a token of thanks.

A presentation at the Seniors for Seniors centre is slated for February 24 and a bowl-a-thon is planned for March 6.

RS GUILD

Linguistics prof demonstrates language learning, analysis Pentacostal assembly sponsors evening seminar

Dr. Michael Walrod, professor of linguistics at Trinity Western University, will be the featured speaker at an evening seminar at Central Hall on Sunday, February 7, at 7 p.m. sponsored by Salt Spring Pentecostal Assembly.

Walrod is also the director of Canada Summer Institute of Linguistics held at TWU each year. He has spent 15 years translating the Bible into a tribal language in the Philippines.

At the February 7 meeting he will give a live demonstration of language learning and analysis with a speaker of a non-Indo-European language unknown to himself. No English will be used during the demonstration. In 15 to 20 minutes he will be able to produce several sentences in the other language.

Walrod will also explain and illustrate the complicated nature of the translation task and its strategic part in making the Bible available to all language groups. A question period will follow.

The public is welcome to attend this informative session. No fee or collection is taken.

For further information please call Paul or Val Konig at 537-9531.



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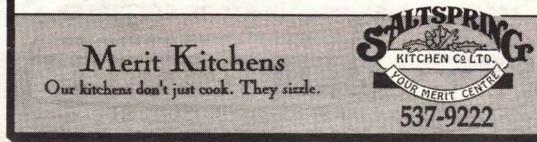


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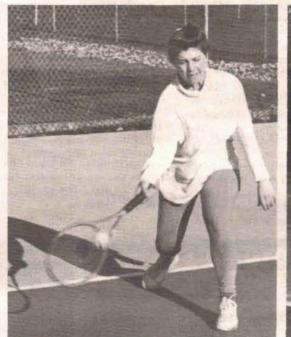
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THEIR DAY IN COURT: Sunday's warm temperatures and blue sky brought a number of tennis players onto the outdoor courts, including Marianne Allan, left, and Gunter Burger, right.

down the gutter

I've been collecting for B.C. Bowls for Kids and so far we've raised close to \$600 for B.C.'s handicapped children. A big hand to Daniel Draper, one of our YBC bowlers who raised over \$137.

By PAULA BEDFORD Driftwood Contributor

One of my policies is to name my lambs after staff, favourite customers, or good friends. Bob Graham has a little namesake "Bobsy" born Sunday and our newest staff member has one named "Laney." I'll keep you posted on the new arrivals. Now to more serious matters. Top scores for the week:

Tuesday Morning: John chardson 215,216/618; Richardson Madalene Jory 204; Isabelle Richardson 219; Les Horncastle 208; Edie Gear 200,222; Betty Horncastle 256; Cliff Jory 235; Joyce Taylor 211; Harvey Read 232

Tuesday Evening: Goodie 201,338/680 (Great!); Deke Noonan 225,281/677; Flo Kavanagh 222; June Webb 241,258/655; Margaret Baker 205,227/615; Vanda Winstone 223.

Friday Morning: Bill Baker 218; Marg Baker 263/631.

Golf Ladies: Mary Kirkpatrick 223: Pearl Motion 245,212; Marie Hopkins 208; Mary Campbell 218.

Circus: Gene Graham 211; Vivian Dawson 217; Bryan Dawson 231/604; Ron Cunningham 203; Sam Cochrane 210; Diane Harris 243; Gary Whitehead 226; Gordon Ruckle 211.

Wednesday Mixed: Dora Reynolds 285,226/655; Rockin' Reg 217; John Sutherland 207,267,227/701; Rene Sutherland 210; Lucille Marcotte 204; welcome newcomer Michelle Greenwood 200,241/610.

Legion: Ian Byron 216; Gord McEwan 214; Ben Martens 267,278/732; Al Hall 235,205/614;

Doug Sykes 207/209/629; Shanon Sykes 259,220/632.

YBC Smurfs: Carman Cormack 81; Amanda Sykes 71; Valerie Harkema 65.

Pee Wees: Kimberly Sykes 100; Kate Reynolds 88; Kimberly Cormack 50; Braiden Dragomir 88; Kara Huser 98; Jacquie Harkema 94; Daniel Draper 58

Bantams: Tony Sevoid 159; Kelsey Antonik 108; Chrissie Letkeman 121; Robert Heaton 129; Mike Reynolds 175; Andrea Bergsma 126.

Juniors: Joshua Marshall 152; Jonah Marshall 187; Robert Bergsma 183.

Senior girls slam Queen Margaret's

The Gulf Islands Secondary School Senior Girls Basketball tear travelled to Duncan to beat Queen Margaret's School 42-30 in a we deserved victory.

> By JAIMIE HILTS and GITTE BAKER Driftwood Contributors

It was the senior girls second win over QMS. The first win occurred here on Salt Spring where GISS came up from behind to steal the gam 38-32.

In other games, the junior boys travelled to Richmond for a tournamen where they won two out of three with scores of 71-49, 37-50 and 75-50 Most valuable player off the tournament was Jason Harrison.

The senior boys lost their game against Lake Cowichan, most likely because of the absence of four starting players.

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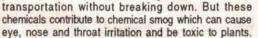


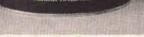
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sports & recreation

OLD BOYS

Salt Spring Old Boys kicked off 1993 with an impressive 5-1 thumping of the Prairie Inn in Victoria last weekend, even with many key players missing.

By MALCOLM LEGG Driftwood Contributor

With the likes of Cal McKay, Graham Tweedle, Gary McNutt, Bill Lea, Ian Cameron, Tony Finlay, Jack Braak, Rich Lopuchinsky and the ever lovable Ingwer Nagel all missing, the pressure was squarely on the shoulders of the remaining Old Boys to get the win.

Of course, after winning 5-1, the question we were all left with was do we really need the missing cast anyway?

Considering the long lay-off, the lads did not look rusty. In fact they moved the ball with authority and created numerous scoring chances (this had nothing to do with Prairie Inn starting with seven then eight, then nine players in the first half).

The Old Boys' offence looked dangerous right from the opening whistle and with the "Finnish Flop," Ronne promising three goals, one knew that it was only a matter of time before Prairie Inn collapsed.

The only problem was that Ronne flopped on the first four break-aways before he finally scored the opening goal. Then the flood gates opened as Geoff "Dad" Fishleigh, Alvaro Sanchez and Henry Braak all quickly built up a solid half-time lead.

The second half would not be as easy as the local squad had to play



Salt Spring Slugs lived up to their name in a match against the Salt Air Sharks this week.

> By JIM BLACK Driftwood Contributor

Despite the fact the Slugs have defeated the Sharks more times than not this season, the team was badly outplayed by the opposition, losing 5-1.

The game saw the return of netminder Mark Hughes following four weeks off due to a sprained knee. If not for some superb saves Hughes made against relentlessly attacking sharks, the score would have been much more lopsided. The only Slug marker on the evening was scored by Todd McIntyre after Paddy (the Windmill) Akerman won a face off in the Sharks' end of the rink.

McIntyre fired a wrist shot at the net, while winger Peter Huser did a fan dance in front of the net to screen the goalie. Not only did Huser's tactic work, but the Shark

soccer kicks

uphill, Prairie Inn's tenth player arrived and Rob Watson pulled a muscle. Salt Spring put Watson in goal,

due to his lack of mobility, and brought goalie Darcey Bjornson out to play full-back.

Late in the game the eleventh man arrived for Prairie Inn and they finally broke the goose egg, shortly after a Steve Harmer goal. But it did not dampen the solid win for the lads and kept them in contention for top honours.

STRIKING FORCE

soccer team into a good one, and such was the case last Saturday when the Striking Force travelled to Victoria to play Juan de Fuca.

Normally the Salt Spring girls have at least enough players to field a squad, but last weekend saw the team with only eight and the seemingly impossible task of beating Juan de Fuca.

Instead of deflating the Force, this shortage bonded their determination to play well and the girls came up with their finest 90 minutes to steal a 3-1 victory.

How could this team of only

players, with substitutes, for a full 90 minutes? Determination and hard work were the answers in this gutsy performance by every girl in every position.

Leanna Hingston, playing only her second game in goal, shared once again with several great saves as well as coming off her line quickly to break up other threats.

The three defenders, Rachel Gillett, Jocelyn Hazenboom and Liz Sampson, played tenaciously at the back and showed their cleverness by catching Juan de Fuca offside time after time.

The Force played with only one mid-fielder, Kirsten Somerset, and she showed her talents with strong clearances and tireless play as she swung from one side of the field to

The forwards, Shelagh Baker, Cara Herman and Kristi Kallip, also had a fine game.

Baker and Herman gave the Force a comfortable early lead with two goals in the first 20 minutes, both on close-in hard drives. Juan de Fuca seemed confused by this turn of events and although it scored once, did not really press until the second half.

Hingston and her defence held firm through the Juan de Fuca pressure and when Baker scored her second goal of the game with a long, high shot, the victory was assured.

The game showed the girls that if they dig deep enough they can overcome any obstacle and play well.



goaltender asked him for a date.

McIntyre's goal keeps his scoring streak alive and well. He has potted at least one goal in every game this season. (The whining would be unbearable should he be kept off the scoresheet.)

While the team was basically outplayed, some Slugs deserve honourable mention. Scott Bergstrome is still eating his Wheaties every morning and playing hockey like a man half his age - which most of us are. Rodney Challbord and Paul Sinclair both put on some good rushes to move the puck out of the Slugs' end of the rink.

Paddy Akerman was probably the best face-off-man on the team for the evening and the Sharks quickly learned to give him lots of room following his performances as the "human propeller."



financial planning **Quick tips for RRSP race**

By CAROL GAY Investment Officer

The race is on! Sort through your shoe boxes, run to your accountant, figure out how much your 1992 deduction limit is, wonder how on earth to pay it, and decide how best to invest your RRSP deposit as you are being bombarded with options - all before March 1, 1993. Here are a few tips to help you through the RRSP maze, and make more money in your RRSP.

Deposit early.

Revenue Canada provided everyone who filed a 1991 return with the 1992 RRSP deduction limit, including the unused contribution room carried forward from 1991 on the Notice of Assessment of your 1991 return. So all you have to do is find that notice in your shoe box and you'll know your limit for 1992. (Be sure that the Pension Adjustment amount is deducted if you belonged to a registered pension plan in 1991)

Wait no longer, on to step two Maximize your RRSP contribution annually.

Try to contribute the maximum deduction limit annually, the RRSP earnings are tax sheltered within the RRSP, and the contribution will defer your taxes at your personal marginal tax rate.

The higher your income, the more taxes you save: \$1,000 RRSP saves \$266 in B.C., if income is less than \$29,5000; \$1,000 RRSP saves \$406 in B.C. if income is less than \$43,000. New legislation allows CPP disability income received in 1991 to qualify as earned income for 1992 and onwards, so you may contribute up to 18 per cent of CPP disability income for the first time this year.

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You will not see the \$6000 "pension transfer deposit" on your deduction limit statement prepared by Revenue Canada. Revenue Canada does not allow you to carry forward this Spousal Deposit, so if you forgot last year, you can't add it on this year.

You can make your 1992 \$6,000 deposit and your \$6,000 1993

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The federal government has proposed changes in legislation which will be of considerable benefit to Canadians who buy Registered Retirement Savings Plans (RRSPs).

By MARTIN HOOGERDYK Investors' Group

Parliament has not yet approved the new legislation, but Revenue Canada is operating on the basis that it will be passed before the March 1 deadline for purchase of a 1992 RRSP. You can feel reasonably sure you won't be out of line if you take advantage of the changes now.

The two most important new rules affect the amount of money you contribute each year to your RRSP. One deals with under-contributions, and the other deals with excess contributions.

If you didn't contribute your maximum allowable amount to a 1991 RRSP, you can carry forward the difference and add it to the amount you're entitled to contribute to a 1992 RRSP.

For example, if you only could afford to contribute \$5,000 of an eligible \$10,000 for the 1991 tax year, you can invest an additional \$5,000 to your 1992 RRSP anytime before March 1, 1993. Let's suppose your contribution limit for 1992 also is \$10,000 then you can

financial planning **Changes aid RRSP planning**

contribute to a total of \$15,000 to your 1992 RRSP and claim that amount as a tax deduction when you make out your 1992 income tax return

Under the new rule you can carry forward the "unused room" in your RRSP program for at least seven years, and claim the tax deduction in a year of your choice.

Ideally, you should endeavour to contribute your maximum each year. That's because your RRSP investment grows within the plan on a tax free basis. The more money you can shelter for tax the better. And the earlier the better.

There may be circumstances, however, when it may be to your advantage to delay making a maximum RRSP contribution.

For instance, if you expect to be of this tax concession. If your in a much higher tax bracket this year that you were in during 1992 -because of a big increase in your income — it may be worthwhile carrying forward at least some of unused contribution room to your 1993 RRSP. Your tax deduction for the 1993 tax year may result in greater savings overall.

The new rule governing overcontributions to an RRSP is also a helpful one. In essence, the new legislation gives you leeway to contribute up to \$8,000 over and above your maximum contribution without penalty during the life of your RRSP.

However, you should be supercautious when you take advantage

cumulative over-contribution is more than \$8,000 there will be a one per cent monthly penalty tax on the extra amount.

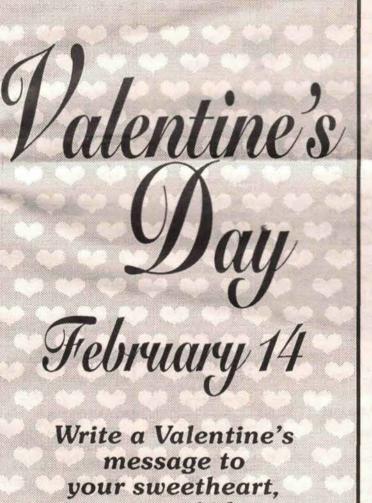
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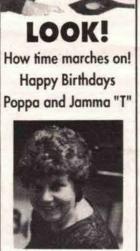
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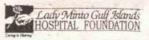
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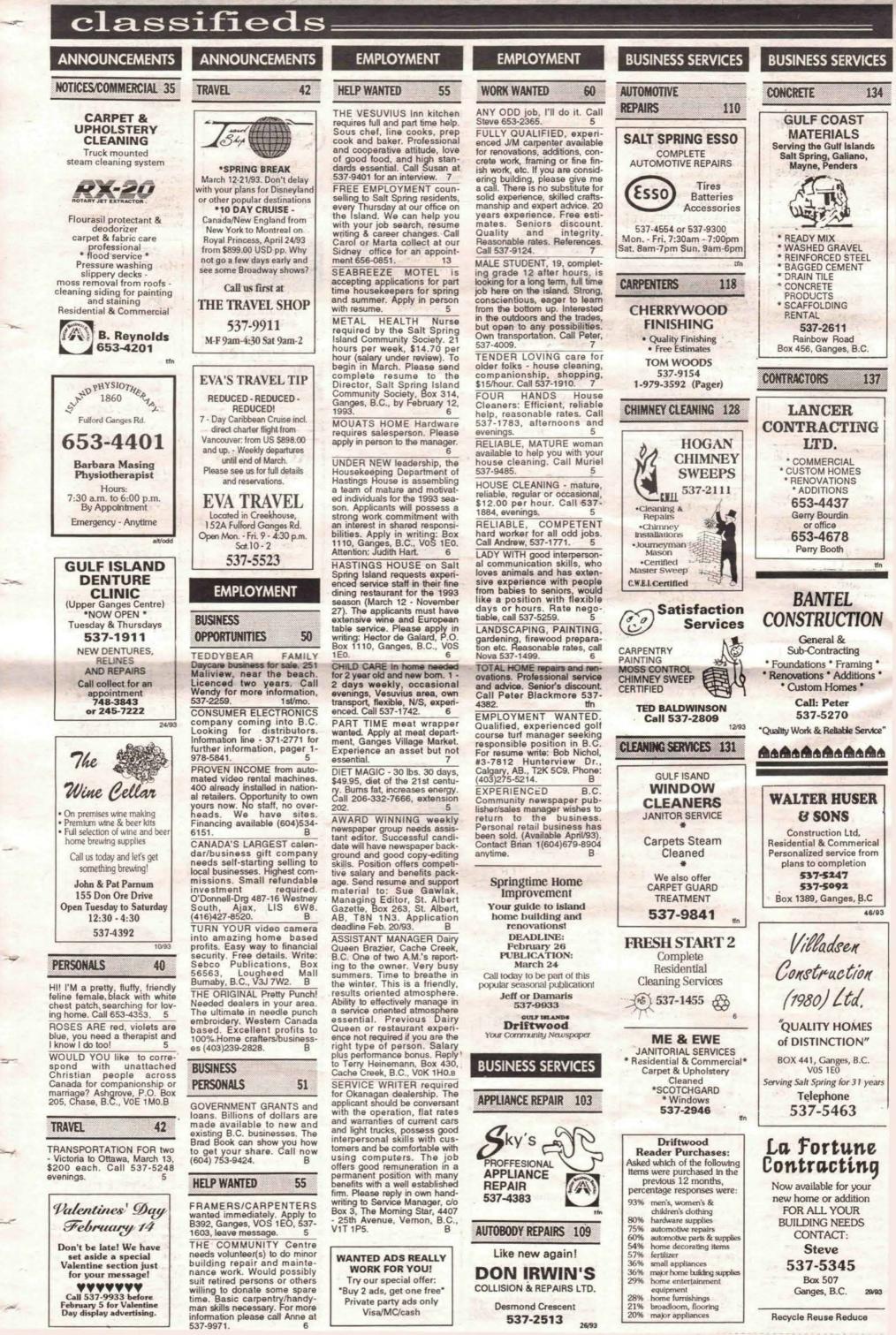
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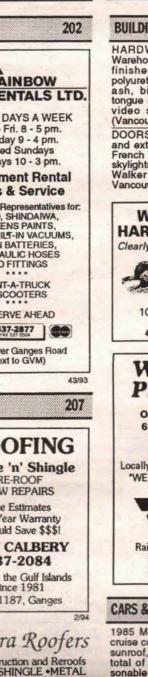
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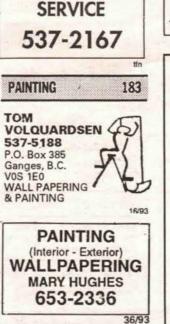
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TWO BEDROOM furnished cottage on St. Mary's Lake til May. \$500/month plus utilities. tfn Call 537-2585.

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BRIGHT STUDIO/office space. Steps from Vesuvius ferry heat, water, fax, \$350/month Call 537-4178.

WANTED 540

TWO RELIABLE people seek cabin from April 1 to August 31. References. Call 294-8481, Bumaby

WANTED TO rent March to November, cottage or suite, furnished or? Local references available. Call Bob 537-1015 anytime. WANTED: RELIABLE couple

seeks house/cabin in South island area for March and April. Island references. Call 653-4593. 6

WANTED TO rent: motor home for late August to middle of September. Call 537-4113.5 TWO BEDROOM, one month, August 93, family from London, England. consider trade? Please call 537-2784. 5

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FULFORD FITNESS starts Thursday, February 11, 7:00 p.m., at Fulford Hall. All levels welcomed. Call Damaris 653-9409.

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THE ORIGINAL Salt Spring Saturday Farmer's Market is moving - for permits and information call David Mathews 537-9858.

FOR SALE by owner: Hobby farm. Large ranch style home, bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, big sunroom, lots of glass, oak parquet floors. Southern exposure overlooking large pond surrounded by weeping willows on 5 sunny acres. Centrally located on Salt Spring island, 5 minutes from Ganges. Quiet rural setting, creek, garden, greenhouse, fruit trees, several out buildings, mostly fenced. 600 sq. ft. cottage on pond, built to lock up, ideal for B & B, cottage industry or rental unit, \$297,000. Call (604)537-4249 for appointment

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LOST CAT, 10 month old male, longhaired, grey with white face and chest, Mansell and Robinson Rd area. Call 537-9151.

JOYCE MORRIS to speak at Women's Aglow luncheon February 11, 11:45 - 2:30 at the Blue Heron Restaurant. Cost \$7.50, tax included. For reservations call Trish Byron, 653-9245 or Deb Caims 537-4374

AS NEW: Suzuki Samari convertible 4x4, 2,200 kms., \$8,500. Call 537-9330 (evenings).

?Va a Mexico? ?Necesita practicar la lengua? Espanol para los extranjeros. Clases bilinguales a tu orden. Skawah Arts 537-9142.

> Planned renovations to the Gulf Islands Trading Company will result in changes to its tenants. The grocery store will close its doors in June. Chatterbox Cafe owner Steve Ingle will relocate his eatery across the street in the building where Thrifty's Foods will open this summer.

events".

Real estate appraiser Ron Mc-Quiggan is looking for new premises as well but has not yet made a decision on where his move will take him.

New old look

Gulf Islands Trading Company building will return to its original look if it proves feasible, say its owners. Built by Salt Spring Island Trading Company Ltd. principals Henry Bullock and the Scott Brothers in 1912, the frame structure will have to meet current building code requirements that did not exist when it was erected some 80 years ago.

The company assets were ac-

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classifieds

THE GREAT Canadian Junk

store trek, Seminar: Thursday, 11 February, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. The

trek: Saturday, 13 February, for

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1975 PLYMOUTH VALIANT, slant

6, 79,000 original miles. Very dependable, comfortable. Call Jo,

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working, Thursday evenings start-

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1984 GMC PICKUP, long box, 3

speed, man, 6 cyl.,50,000 miles, very clean, rust proofed, \$5400. Call 653-4720.

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you remember skipping rhymes please send to P.O. Box 1140,

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\$9.00 per hour, depending on

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FOR SALE: stainless steel dou-

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Ganges, B.C., VOS 1E0.

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North End. Call 537-4111.

appointment 537-1938.

condition, Call 537-9667

537-9142.

653-9989

WASTE DROP - Ganges only, Saturday, 9:00 - 5:00 p.m. (Fulford drop off cancelled). 537-9311.

RENOVATION EXTRAS: 30 gallon hot water tank, \$20, 2 water pumps for parts only (Jacuzzi and Monarch), \$10/lot. Call 537-4595.

APPROVED INFANT car seat, \$25. Call 537-4595.

KITCHEN/DINING table, measures 42" x 78" when extended. An excellent buy at only, \$60 OBO. Call 537-4595.

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VHF RADIO telephone operators course (mandatory for all VHF operators), S.S.I. Secondary School, February 15, 16 & 17. To register call Bob Currie 537-4878, fee \$10.00 + G.S.T. Sponsored by S.S.I. Power and Sail Squadron

FOR SALE: double bed with foam mattress, \$75. Call 537-5266.

1979 DODGE 1/2 TON pickup, slant 6, mags, \$400 OBO. Call 537-5497.

FOR SALE: 1980 Pontiac Parisienne, 2 door, \$475; 1988 Mazda, B2200 pickup, with ext. cab., one owner, \$5,900; 9 pce, oak dining suite, Queen Anne style, \$1,950 OBO. Call 537-9887 or 5537-4950 evenings.

BEAUTIFUL ONE-of-a-kind fabric lamp shades, custom made specially for you. Call Shady Lady Lampshades, 653-9989. THERAPEUTIC TOUCH workshop by Phyllis Coleman R.N. February 6

& 7 at Braehaven, \$135. For information call 537-2378. SEEKING HOUSE sitting position:

woman experienced in caring for homes and animals. Call Sharon at 537-1543.

Recycle Reuse Reduce

quired by Mouat's in 1969, however, Salt Spring Island Trading Company Ltd. remains a separate entity. Dick Toynbee said the building has been modified over the years, most recently in 1969 when a bank vault was installed to accommodate the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

Disposing of the vault will be a major part of the renovations.

An addition will replace the old one erected to house the bank, making the entire building an Lshaped structure to emphasize the original store, which had a wide veranda around the exterior.

Invitation to tender

Transportation Service: Sealed tenders for the following transportation service will be received at the address below until 15:00 on the specified closing date

Service: Victoria - Ganges Stage Service

Specifications: Full details as to contract specifications, schedule of service and tender form may be obtained from: Victoria MPP, Ganges Post Office, 4181 Glanford Ave. Canada Post Corporation Transportation Contracting Services Box 2110 Vancouver, B.C. V6B 4Z3

menu ignores seafood, steak, lamb,

old building, they are delighted with the new facility which has a larger, more comfortable waiting room. An expanded pharmacy and laboratory are also included in the

Andress says there is a "proper flow" for the animal patients and their owners when they enter the

On the move

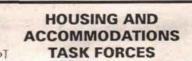
Ganges Village businesses have been or will be in the next few months playing musical premises.

Sears has moved two doors down from its previous location next to Gulfstream Pro Hardware and has a new owner Carol Perry.

Island Spoke Folk owners Lisa and Bruce Grey are searching for new quarters in the village core for their bike shop. The Kanaka building which they currently occupy will be demolished in April.

Fencing and landscaping to screen the parking area will be erected from the fire hall to the Chamber of Commerce information centre.





baum who trained in Italy and other European countries. She serves up new clinic.

veal, chicken and beef. The Martins own another Italian restaurant in Coquitlam. The restaurant's current staff of 15 includes chef Mirjana Tennen-

biz briefs

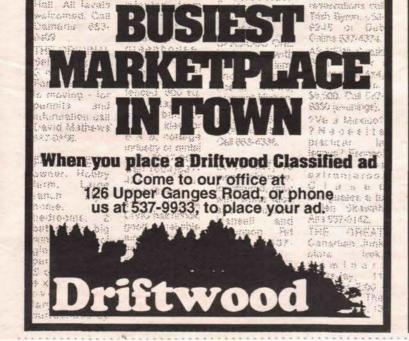
creative Italian food with most full meals under \$8. Winter hours for the restaurant are Tuesday to Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for lunch and 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for din-

New restaurant More room Alfresco's Restaurant has Gulf Islands Veterinary Clinic opened its doors in Grace Point Square. Owned by Steve and Linda Martin it features pasta, pasta and more pasta. That's not to say its

has expanded into new premises that are five times larger than its building on Rainbow Road. Located at 540 Lower Ganges Road, the 3,500 square feet facility includes a very large treatment centre and adjoining surgical facility.

Vets Claus Andress and Derrick Milton were "so cramped" at the

new clinic.



community willing to sit on a task force that will investigate and provide advice about a number of important and inter-related issues affecting housing and tourist accommodation on Salt Spring Island. The sorts of issues to be addressed are:

adequacy of the current and projected housing supply for all income levels.

- use of seasonal cottages as permanent residences or for tourist accommodation.

innovative ways of providing needed housing within the goals of the Official Community Plan.

use of single family dwellings for daily and weekly tourist accommodation.

desirable means of accommodating tourists.

Task force members will be briefed on these and other issues and will be asked to invite comment and opinion from a broad cross section of the public, prior to making recommendations to the Committee. The Committee is especially interested in appointing task force members with previous related experience and with impartial, creative approaches to investigating these complex issues, which are felt to be of great significance to the community.

Letters of interest, should be sent by March 15, 1993 to:

SALT SPRING ISLAND TRUST COMMITTEE Box 804 Ganges, B.C., VOS 1E0

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down through the years

Thirty Years Ago

• Due to inadequate screening and lack of care for outlets, trout escaping from Weston Lake were dying in the shallow pools of "slash-choked" creeks. Many of the creeks had been used by trout and salmon for spawning purposes. Once outside the lake, however, the fish were unable to travel through the shallow waters and were left to die of suffocation or starvation.

• Pender Islander Terry Martinich won a nation-wide CBC contest by naming a baby gorilla. The prize-winning name was *Mumba*.

• The Salt Spring Island School was slowly being transformed from a "little red schoolhouse" to one with the atmosphere of a city school. Plans for the first school annual, to be published in June, were being finalized by the graduating class.

Twenty-five Years Ago

• B.C. Telephone Company's 1968 expansion program included \$48,000 for additional cables and for central office facilities on Salt Spring Island. The work would permit customers to dial station-to-station long distance calls directly to any of more than 90 million telephones.

• A new lumber mill was established on Salt Spring Island. Operated by Gavin Reynolds, the mill was the first of its kind on the island for several decades.

• A Beaver Point farmer reported the loss of more than 200 sheep in the past year. Of a herd of 400 roaming the slopes above Fulford Harbour, Gavin Reynolds could only find 200. Total value of the lost sheep was estimated at \$5,000.

Robert Akerman, who also ran sheep at the south end of the island, echoed Reynold's concerns. Losses were blamed on hunters and thefts carried out by boat or scow.

Twenty Years Ago

 A shortage of classroom space at the Mayne Island school meant some students would attend in the mornings only, while others would attend in the afternoons. Trustees of the Gulf Islands School Board hoped to have new classrooms available by mid-February. The classrooms would be portables.

 A Salt Spring Island businessman reported a lady had purchased a bottle of banana oil from his store 45 years ago. She wrote to request a second bottle; the first had recently run out. She said she needed it to continue baking her favourite cake.

• The Thrift Shop, operated by the Women's Auxiliary to Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital, grossed more than \$12,000 in six months of business. The group had donated more than \$7,000 to the hospital for medical expenses,as well as supplies for the extended onto Mount Erskine in heavy fog while the group was on a flight from Nanaimo to Seattle.

Ten Years Ago

• The Farmer's Market in Ganges returned to haunt the Parks and Recreation Commission at ameeting of the organization. At least 30 people gathered to voice opinions on efforts to control the market. Without exception, each speaker wanted the market left as is, with only minor changes.
A decision to drop boarding

allowances received protests from Outer Gulf Islands parents, causing school board trustees to reconsider the move.

The school board had been subsidizing boarding allowances for Outer Islands students attending school on Salt Spring. The trustees had decided to drop the allowances because daily water taxi service was available between the Outer Islands and Salt Spring.

Five Years Ago

• A meeting between members of Clear Cut Alternatives and representatives of MacMillan-Bloedel took place January 26 on Galiano Island. The consensus of CCA negotiators was that a spirit of cooperation was more in evidence especially from Grant Ainscough, vice-president of MB for the B.C. region — than was apparent at the previous meeting in November.

A presentation of islanders'

concerns as to the effects of the speeded-up logging and clearcut methods currently employed was given, before the company representatives gave assurances that no logging would take place in lots 92 and 95, adjacent to Coon Bay.

They also promised that, from 1990 onwards, cutting plans would be submitted in sufficient time for islanders' concerns to be voiced and seriously considered within an integrated resource management plan.



care wing.

Fifteen Years Ago

• A second meeting of the Fernwood Parents Group took place to discuss the proposed Fernwood School with members of the school board. Close to 60 parents attended. The main question of the evening was why build a school at all? Many parents doubted the necessity of a new school, feeling improvements to the present elementary school would be adequate.

Salt Spring Elementary School reported an overflow of 130 students.

• A coroner's jury found the deaths of four Vancouver Island residents — victims of a plane crash on Salt Spring Island — were accidental. The light plane crashed