

# Salt Spring Islanders share tales of the air

*Sudden shifts  
in technology  
spurred by  
World War II*

By GRAEME THOMPSON  
Driftwood Staff

Tall tales of the high flyers will be on the menu Friday as men and women who were once in the Royal Canadian Air Force gather at the Salt Spring Legion for an anniversary dinner. After the significant part played by many Canadian airmen in the first world war, Canada was encouraged by the fledgling Royal Air Force to start an air service of its own. The Canadian Air Force was founded in 1918 and on April 1, 1924, King George V assented to the prestigious prefix "Royal."

There are not many Salt Spring Islanders from those early days in the national air service — the late Mr. Lacey from Isabella Point was one — but a lot of air miles have been put on by islanders in the 70-year history of the RCAF. Some 150 Salt Spring Legion members are ex-RCAF and some were willing to share a tale or two from their log books for this special occasion.

At the start of the war, retired RCAF careerist Roy Lamont said last week, the Canadian air force was small, though highly regarded. But by 1945, the RCAF was the fourth largest air force in the world and had trained thousands of Allied and Commonwealth flyers, navigators and other airmen.

John Stepaniuk, who served in the Polish Air Force based in England during the war, said the air force attracted people "with vision" and who were "experimental and creative."

They had to be, he said. Technology was changing so quickly in the air.

"World War II from one end to the other was training," he said. "Things were changing just as fast as they are changing right now."

Comparing planes from the beginning and end of the war was like comparing Model Ts to Ferraris. And flying was not exactly a luxury, either.

Stepaniuk remembered the "groans, squeals and rattling" of planes in those days. It was cold, too, he said and there were no lights except for small ones at the navigator's station. The wool-lined bomber jackets prized so highly today and copied endlessly in fashion shops were a necessary article of clothing in such planes.

Lamont trained as a wireless operator and an air gunner after joining the RCAF in Regina. In the roundabout way air forces operate during wartime, Lamont found himself in Egypt looking for a squadron and he joined the RAF with other Canadians, Australians and New Zealanders in the North African desert.



**OLD BUT NOT OBSOLETE:** This Royal Air Force Dominie biplane was still in use during the second world war as a transportation plane to ferry VIPs and wounded back from mainland Europe to Britain and Canada. Salt Spring Islander Don Dabbs, right, was attached to the RAF in 1944 as a wireless air gunner. This plane had room for one stretcher, one nurse and three crew.

As wireless operator in a Wellington bomber — with targets like the port of Tobruk in Algeria — he said he spent most of the time in the air "trying to get the damn thing to work."

He said there were always more men than planes in the air force and generally the crews did not fly out every night. His log book for 1942 showed 10 missions for October and 16 missions for November. The rest of the time, he said, they played volleyball or soccer or went exploring in the desert or drove to the nearby Mediterranean.

Sand features in Stepaniuk's memories of the war. He was in Egypt for a while, ferrying information back and forth between officers and camps on a Norton motorcycle. The sand got into engines, eyes, ears and food, he said.

Lamont and Stepaniuk both ate "bully beef and biscuits" with their sand while they were attached to the Royal Air Force. One of Stepaniuk's memories of RCAF squadrons in England was that their food was better.

But it still was not much to write home about, Betty Galt said. She was a sergeant in the RCAF and was stationed in Trenton for much of the war. When real, the eggs were as bouncy as little balls and, when powdered, were cooked into unappetizing squares. When Galt joined the sergeant's mess — enlisted men and women, non-commissioned officers, and commissioned officers ate separately — she paid extra each week for the luxuries of ketchup and paper napkins.

Galt joined the air force in 1941, "for the same reason a lot of

women did — all the men were going.

"The air force was the first service to have women in it," she said. "They needed us."

For 90 cents a day, Galt looked after every piece of equipment on the base and managed the accounting system. Her sergeant's duties included instructing enlisted ranks in marching and obeying orders and teaching RCAF history and the King's Rules and Regulations.

Trenton was called the "University of the Air" because there were so many foreign nationals there. Men from the Polish, Dutch, Norwegian, and Free French services came to train.

Galt said many of the women on the base made extra pocket money helping these foreigners write their flying reports in English.

"After the Wings Parade," Galt said, "all the boys brought their wings to us. We spent the night sewing them on. We used to put pennies under the centre to make them stand up."

Eddie Gear sewed during the war, but planes not badges. Some RCAF planes used a thick cotton in their construction and it needed repair frequently. She worked in a hangar in Toronto and did that repair work.

The cotton was highly durable — except under machine-gun fire — and she said it "never wears out." She has kept some of it as a card-table cloth all these years.

As well as sewing, Gear painted planes during the war. Most planes were painted yellow and had the red, white and blue "bull's-eye" insignia of the RCAF

on them. Identifying numbers were painted on in black. When painting aircraft — from fighters to great big flying boats — Gear had to wear a mask. But she disliked the mask and kept it in her hip-pocket as long as the CO was not looking.

"We also had to drink a quart of milk a day so we wouldn't get

lead poisoning," she said.

At the end of the war, Gear was offered a job at \$5 per hour — a lot of money then — painting cathedral and church ceilings. After three years of RCAF painting, however, she had had enough of that and turned it down flat.

Don Dabbs is another islander

RCAF B3

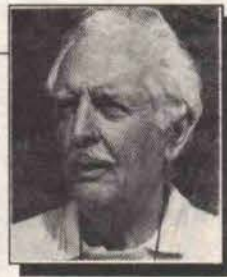


**AT WAR IN THE DESERT:** Career RCAF man Roy Lamont stands at ease before an RAF bomber in North Africa. Of his time working with the Eighth Army, Lamont remembered "tins of bully-beef and off-duty tours in the desert and to the Mediterranean for swimming."

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I didn't invite all and sundry to rejoice with me when I reached that traumatic age of 50 years. Rather, I buried my face behind a newspaper and hoped that it would go away. And it did! It went away and left room for the 60th birthday and then my 70th. Pity No. 50 didn't just stick around!

Yet when I marked the 50th anniversary of my entry into the world of publishing I didn't even notice the event. But it came, and went. Last December was the anniversary of my entry into publishing and it was in connection with no weekly newspaper. Nor daily, either. I was stationed as a corporal technician with the Royal Air Force at Patricia Bay Airport, now known as Victoria airport. The air force station boasted, among its many assets, a house magazine coming out once each month. The Patrician was a success from the start and although its masthead identified two editors, it owed its success to Jerry Gosley who had nurtured it from the start in October of 1941. Gosley was also well-known as the power behind the entertainment throne on the Sidney air station. His Smile Show travelled the coast and later became his demobilized Smile Show for many years after the war.

When the Royal Air Force demanded Jerry's contribution in other fields and all so far away he was posted off to Britain and the station invited newcomers to join the editorial staff.

It was in December of 1943 that I joined the company of adventurers into the print world of the Pacific coast. For several months I was among those editing copy, writing squibs, reading proofs and generally playing a small part in the production of the last issues of the Patrician.

In my turn, I was sent back to Britain as the station was taken over by the Royal Canadian Air Force. I was back in print when I joined the staff of the Sidney Review after the war. And ever since.

How can a guy as young as me spend half a century in the same job?

## Want a new face?

When the Driftwood invited readers to visit the new office and see for themselves how the world

darkroom is no more to the digital camera than a room at night with the lights out. The camera takes the impression on to a computer chip, from which it is then transferred to a computer and brought up on the screen.

Production manager Patti Gregson then demonstrated the transfer of features from one photograph to another, and shaved off the beards in shots of John Magnus and Ken Ackerman.

Visitors were shown the machinery that has taken over the role of hot lead and the Linotype of Intertype machines of old.

There were visitors too young to recognize the traditional lead slugs of the newspaper shop, but one visitor old enough to have many memories of those days was Gerry Holland, hopping around like a youngster despite his 94 years.

It was good meeting the visitors, but can you ever get sick of cream cake?

## Long ago and pretty close at hand

I paid \$5 for a copy of the booklet, Salt Spring Island, by Rev. E.F. Wilson. When I got home I found a note within the book explaining that further copies were available at 25 cents each, or \$2.50 a dozen.

But I hadn't been swindled by Sue Mouat, who sold it to me. The original price in 1895 was 25 cents. Like everything else, the price has gone up to 20 times its starting rate. If you write to the publisher, you may get a cheapie. As long as the letter is dated before December 31, 1895. Remember the address: Rev. Mr. Wilson, Vesuvius Post Office, B.C.

The rector of the Salt Spring Island Anglican church was a keen community worker. His Parish and Home was the first weekly paper on the island and lists all kinds of historical references as well as observations on island affairs.

Visitors from Manitoba and the

of history presented by a historian who reported on the passing show here, on Salt Spring, in 1895.

## That rotten old complaint!

I was in a second-hand bookstore in Vancouver last week and I acquired a 63-year-old issue of the Windsor Magazine, a book which I read avidly about that time. This glance back into my high school years is quite revealing.

Did I suffer foot and leg pains? Bladder trouble? Backache? Frequent urination?

Loss of vitality?

Nervousness?

Sleeplessness?

These, explained the advertisement for the "Electro Thermal Company," were signs of prostate disorder. If I were to send the coupon to the electro company I would get the

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vital booklet, "Why men are old at 40."

The notice shows that there was concern for such ailments over half a century ago even if the "drugless gland stimulation" that had proved such a blessing did not survive the 30s and the second war and the intervening years.

Every executive should read the Business News. To prove the point the advertisement for the magazine listed a number of new subscribers. Out of 41 listed four are Lords; 18 are "sirs;" one is a "Lady." There are three professors and a doctor; a lawyer, a military officer and a Member of Parliament. Six, including Thomas A. Eddison (sic), have no distinctive calling or title. Edison still needs none!

If you wanted to take the Harrogate and its stinky sulphurous waters you could write for information to F.J.C. Broome, Dept. WL, Harrogate. Would Canada Post permit such stark addresses? One happy customer of the Pelman School reported, via an advertisement, that he got a London city job simply by studying Italian.

Most quotable comment appears in a report on world security and disarmament by "the late Lord Thomson of Cardington," Minister for Air, who lost his life in the crash of the British

airship, R 101, in France en route to India.

"Fundamental cause of war has been defined as the 'war spirit,' but it would probably be more correct to say that this spirit is itself a product, and to use the phraseology of the studbook, is by Perversity out of Ignorance." (The studbook is the bible of

horse breeding in England.)

His contribution is an examination of armaments as a means of achieving peace. The entire commentary is accompanied by pictures of the R 101, although no reference is made in the text to the aircraft which took Thomson, and others, to their death at Beauvais.

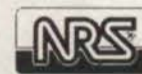
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APR. 5: C.A.S.C., SSI monthly meeting (Central American Support Committee) 145 Tripp Rd., 7:30pm.  
APR. 7: SSI Weavers & Spinner, business meeting, Mahon Hall, 2:30pm.  
APR. 9: Newlets, general meeting, Community Centre, 1pm.  
APR. 13: Salt Spring Island Golf & Country Club, annual general meeting, SSI Golf Club, 8pm.  
APR. 14: SS Weavers & Spinners, A Look at Overshot, Mahon Hall, 2:30pm.  
APR. 16: Gordi Ryan Drum Workshop, Beaver Point Hall, 10am-2pm.  
APR. 16: Native Ground Trio performance, Beaver Point Hall, 8pm.  
APR. 17: Dance workshop with Zoë Ryan, Beaver Point Hall, 10am-2pm.  
APR. 21: SS Weavers & Spinners, open weaving & spinning, Mahon Hall, 2:30pm.

## EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Seniors & Alzheimers support group, Seniors for Seniors bldg. 11am
- Archery Shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm.
- Playgroup for tots, Ganges United Church, 9:30-11am
- Stamp Collectors all ages, Seniors For Seniors, 10am.
- Cancer Support Group meeting, Croftonbrook 10am.-12 noon (every 3rd Wednesday).
- GISS Parents Group, School Library, 7:30pm (2nd Wednesday of the month).
- Narcotics Anonymous, Alano Club across from the elem. school, Rainbow Rd. 7-8pm.
- Tai Chi Chu'an, Salt Spring Centre, Blackburn Rd., 7-9pm.

## EVERY THURSDAY

- Weekly luncheons, Seniors for Seniors, 2 seatings 12:00/1:00.
- Weight Control Hospital Basement 7pm, no charge everyone welcome.
- Every 1st, 3rd & 5th, SS Pensions building fund-bingo, Legion Meaden Hall, 7:00 early birds, 7:30 regular.
- Scottish Dancing, Farmers Institute, 7pm.
- SSI Weavers & Spinners, Mahon Hall, 2:30pm.
- Children Archery, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 3:30-5:00pm.
- Teen Archery, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7:00-9:00pm.

## EVERY FRIDAY

- Smiles Cafe, United Church lower hall, 12:00-1:00.
- Line Dance, Meaden Hall, Legion, 7:30-9:00.

## EVERY SATURDAY

- Narcotics Anonymous, Community Centre, Fulford Ganges Rd., 7-8pm.
- Library will be open 10am-4pm Windfall Rm., will be open for book sales.

## EVERY MONDAY

- Carpet bowling, lower hall, Central, 1:30pm.
- Story Time, Public Library, 9:30-10am (except holidays).





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# God's help brings man closer to perfection

## Cross currents

By REV. MURRAY SINCLAIR

Salt Spring Island Baptist Church

In Paris, so I have been told, there is a high-class hair salon for ladies that is run by a master hair designer. The top of the line styling is called the "Angelic Coiffure."

For many ladies it is a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and is accompanied by all the pampered treatment the salon can give. When it is finally complete, the master takes the recipient of this

masterpiece to a large full-length triple mirror to observe the effect of her new appearance.

As the woman is admiring the master's handiwork, an attendant presses a concealed switch which produces a halo immediately above the head of the woman.

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seems to say, "If only it were really true!"

If there were a switch that someone could press that would instantly give you a pure heart, would you let them press it? Many of us do any number of things to impress on others how noble and pure we are, but in our quiet moments before God we understand just how far short we really fall of perfection, even in our motives.

Jesus accused the Pharisees of making the outside of the cup and dish clean, but having the inward part full of greed and wickedness. These were the most highly acclaimed religious figures of that society! When we are honest

with ourselves, it is not just man's inhumanity to man as seen on the evening news that bothers us, it's the impurity in our own minds and hearts as well.

*It is through the word of God that we are cleansed in our hearts*

What has God done to deal with this problem? According to the Bible, it is through the word of God that we are cleansed in our hearts. How shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word.

Jesus told His disciples, "Now you are clean through the word that I have spoken to you." In Ephesians we read, "... just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word."

For those who believe in Jesus, our legal cleansing was accomplished through the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. But it is through the ongoing application of the word of God to our minds and hearts that purity and holiness take root and flourish on the inside, producing a natural holiness externally. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.



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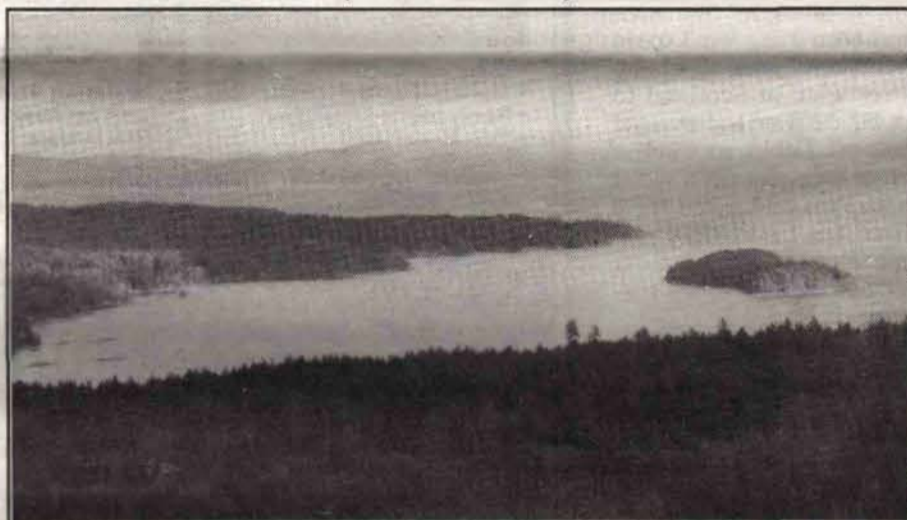


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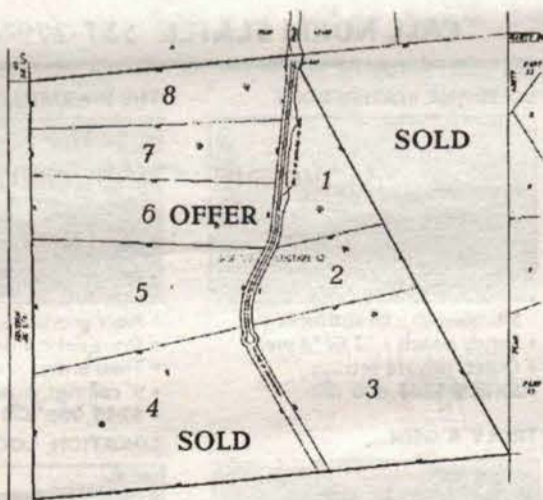
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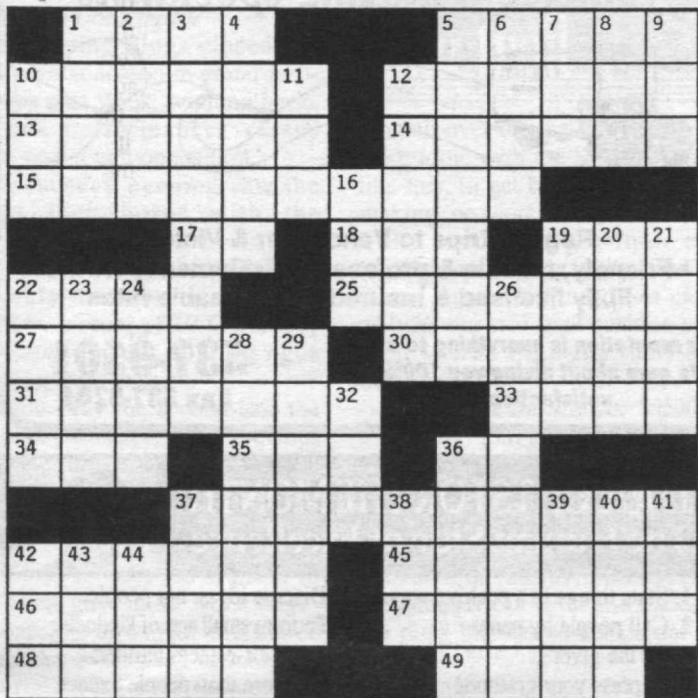


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Answer on Page B10

By RUTH HUME

Driftwood Contributor

Top scores this week:

Tuesday morning: Loft Houghton — 209, Audrey Illingworth — 229, 248/628, Gordon Parsons — 234, 220/615, Isbelle Richardson — 254, Edie Gear — 204.

Tuesday afternoon: Reg Winstone — 215, 248/654, Murray Anderson — 237, 237, 224/698.

Ladies Wednesday afternoon: Sylvia Ryles — 202.

Legion League: Gary Gaetz — 343, 217, 227/787, Sharon Sykes — 223, Doug Sykes — 251, Ben

## down the gutter

Martens — 261/611, Steve Martens — 227, Ron Stepaniuk — 204, Ron Cunningham — 212, Barb Emond — 222.

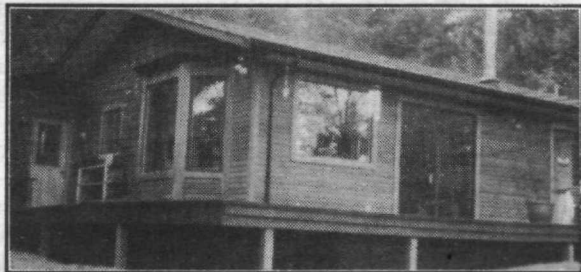
This week we say goodbye to our golf ladies league and look forward to seeing them again in September. Happy golfing!

Friday afternoon: Bill Baker — 210, Marg Baker — 200, Edie Gear — 200, Gene Graham — 204, 231/625, Ken Robinson — 259.

Friday afternoon: Gene Graham — 225, Ed Allan — 232, 217/626, Gordon Parsons — 214, 225/609.

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## sports &amp; recreation

## Old Boys suffer strategy slip

By MALCOLM LEGG  
Driftwood Contributor

The game of soccer has many important components, such as scoring, defending, ball control, team play and of course strategy. Well, the Old Boys of Salt Spring Island decided they would try something quite novel by using strategy in last weekend's Gumby tourney in Victoria.

In the past two seasons the Old Geezers have made the finals and walked away with silverware, something they wanted to repeat this time around.

This was where the strategy came in. The lads knew they did not want to win both games on Saturday and end up in the A Flight, therefore beating Castaways and losing to Sidney made sense as far as making the B Flight and a chance to hold on to their trophy.

Of course the lads forgot one other major component of soccer — execution of the game plan, consequently allowing Castaways to steal a 1-0 win in the last minute of play on their only shot on goal.

Next came Sidney, and a change to our strategy, since our first one did not work. We knew Sooke had lost both its games, therefore a loss to Sidney would put us in the C Flight semi-final.

The plan looked great after only 10 minutes as Sidney scored and were in total control. Unfortunately, someone forgot to tell our forwards, as moments later Doug Pearson raced down left wing and cracked a shot goalwards. The ball eluded the goalie, went off the cross-bar and Drew

## soccer kicks

Lindsay knocked the rebound in easily.

With the lads now in a tie it became apparent we could defeat our own strategy but for a very unselfish move by Tony "The Mouth" Finlay who got himself ejected from the game.

With only 10 men the lads were sure to cave in and allow Sidney the win — right! Wrong! The de-

*In the past two seasons the Old Geezers have made the finals and walked away with silverware, something they wanted to repeat this time around.*

fence played brilliantly the rest of the way in front of goalie Henry Braak and salvaged a 1-1 tie by game's end.

Luckily the result still put us into the C Flight against Sooke (a team we love to play) and more strategy — score early, score often and coast into the final.

Once again the Old Boys could not follow the game plan as a brutal first half left the score at 0-0. Even when the team finally did take the lead through Alvaro Sanchez, the lads quickly turned around and all but kicked the ball into their own net for the equaliz-

er. (In fact we are still discussing who Darryl was trying to pass that ball to.)

Rather than totally crumble in this situation the lads showed their composure as Henry Braak (trying to become a legend in a new position) scored the go-ahead goal on a lot of determination and Antonio "Moradona" Alonso nailed the clincher to put the Old Boys in yet another final.

The final saw the old guys matched against the quick-footed and crafty Prairie Inn team who also had lots of substitutes. The strategy was simple: score early, hold on for dear life and hope our 11 bodies, with no subs, could survive the game.

Once again the plan failed as Prairie Inn scored after only five minutes and the lads had to go for goals. This, unfortunately, caused two problems, one being that our forwards had to finish their chances, and secondly that our defence would be a little thin — and not just on the hairline either.

The score was 3-0 for Prairie Inn at the half and although the lads had a lot of the play in the second half the goals just were not there, and Prairie Inn were deserved winners.

So the closest we got to the silverware was removing the caps from the beer bottles when all the games were done.

As for the lads using strategy? Maybe the team is not ready for such a heady step up yet. We should return to our "play-and-pray" technique, relying on good luck charms and pagan gods to help us win and leave the real tactics to real teams.

## Island paddlers are ready to challenge the waves this spring

The Island Paddlers have drawn up a schedule of activities for April

On Saturday, April 9 there will be a trip at Cowichan Bay, via the Vesuvius ferry. For details contact Rob Denny at 537-1657.

On Saturday, April 16 canoeists from Nanaimo will join the club for paddling in local waters. Trip plans have yet to be decided, but will be available at 537-4631.

On Monday, April 18 members will hike among spring wildflowers on Brackman and Portland islands. Participants

will meet at 9:30 a.m. for a 10 a.m. departure. Contact Heather or Wally at 537-4631.

The regular monthly club meeting will be held Tuesday, April 26 at the United Church Hall at 7:30 p.m. Newcomers are welcome. An announcement will be placed in the "Take Note" feature in this newspaper.

Paddlers are warned that weather conditions may necessitate cancellations or changes in plans. "Usually we have a picnic lunch, sometimes we get wet, often we get tired, but always we enjoy," noted members Kay and

John Mowbray.

Paddlers conform to the B.C. Canoeing Association regulations. For example, participants must carry an extra set of clothing in a waterproof container, an extra paddle, a bailer and a whistle. As well, a lifejacket must be worn. The leader of each trip should be contacted prior to the scheduled date.

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5. Listen without interrupting.
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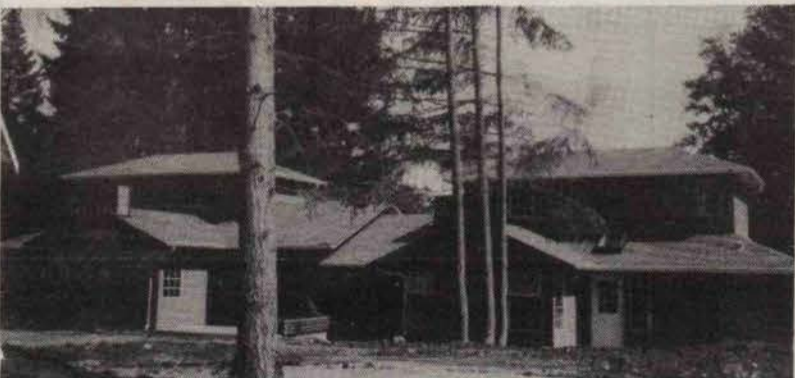


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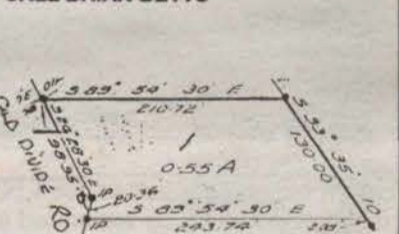
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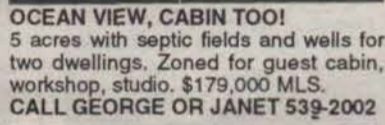


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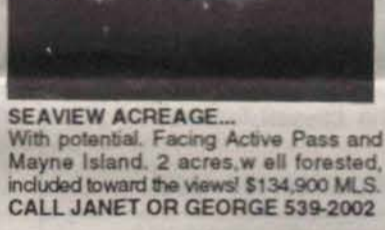
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**Mighty Minke  
braves waves,  
for new record  
in Prevost race**

A club record was set March 20 for the Salt Spring Sailing Club's Prevost Island Race, when Tony Meek's Minke finished the course in 110 minutes, six seconds.

Meek's Great Dane 28 won the race, six and a half minutes on corrected time ahead of Tony Brogan's Brigantia. Third place went to Phil Hume and Yeoman of Cestria.

Winds of 30-40 knots, with gusts as high as 54 knots, produced what Meek described as "enormous seas" at the southern end of Prevost Island. The wind blowing from the south over a tide flowing from the north produced short but steep waves, as much as two metres from trough to crest.

Of the 12 boats that started the 13.1-nautical mile course around Prevost Island, only six of the larger and heavier boats were able to finish. Fleet captain Kevin Vine reported that several of the smaller, lighter boats were forced to turn around soon after the start. Strong gusts and heavy seas make it impossible for many to sail into the wind, and the only recourse was to turn back, Vine said.

Max Fitch's Arcturus was forced to retire when his tiller snapped. Skipper and crew steered the boat home using their feet on the tiller stub. Terry Small's Night Moves completed the race but not before losing and breaking some marine hardware and having a jib sheet become tangled in the propeller.

For those able to finish the race, the day provided some exhilarating sailing, Vine said, with many boats making 10 knots down Captain's Pass to the Sailing Club finish line in Ganges Harbour.

Don Dashwood in Aquila got as far as the south end of Prevost Island before conditions forced him back. While surfing with the waves on the way home he saw his knotmeter hit 18.1 knots for a 10 to 15-second roller-coaster ride.

Meanwhile, other sailing events were cancelled because of the weather. The Sidney-North Saanich Yacht Club cancelled their event, as did the Royal Victoria Yacht Club. For the first time, it cancelled the annual THRASH (Thank Heaven Racing And Spring are Here) regatta.

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# Deadstop scores! Season ends

By JIM BLACK  
Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring Slugs closed out their regular season in grand fashion this past week, winning back-to-back performances versus some very tough opposition.

Wednesday evening saw the Slugs lock horns with the Chemainus Old Boys. In our only previous meeting the Old Boys not only handily defeated the Slugs by a score of 10-6, but they also brought our soaring egos crashing back to earth.

It was only the second loss the Slugs had suffered in the previous 10 games and it was the first time that an opposing team had outscored the Slugs by more than two goals in the last 24 games. Needless to say, we wanted to beat these guys in the worst way.

Beaming down for the match was none other than occasional, part-time Slug Pete Schure and his timing could not have been better. He stepped right into the lineup for Johnny Procter, a last-minute scratch from the game as his wife Joanne delivered a bouncing baby boy that afternoon. The little guy's name is Dayton and word has it that at the age of one week he can already outskate Deadstop in an end-to-end race.

The game started off quickly with the line of Pete Huser, Todd McIntyre and Bernie Reynolds setting the pace, and it wasn't long before these guys connected to open the scoring. Huser put us on the board when he one-timed a pass that McIntyre had fed him from behind the net.

But the Old Boys stormed right back and added one of their own on a nice three-way passing play. Shortly after that the OBs caught us napping and took the lead when Slug netminder Mark Hughes was screened by Deadstop's boxcar-size butt.

Immediately following their second goal we had a quick team meeting where we all quickly blamed each other for screwing up on the last goal and then went out to set things straight. Obviously we didn't have all the kinks worked out because it was the OBs who were the ones who lit up the red light first.

But Pete Schure was in top form and it was starting to show. With just a few minutes left in the first period, Schure went in and undressed the goalie with a beautiful deke to bring us within one goal before the buzzer sounded.

Into the second the Slugs seemed more disciplined team, and it quickly began to show on the scoreboard. First, Paddy Akerman, using his pin-point accurate shot, and a little luck of the Irish, beat the goalie with a shot from the blue-line. Then, before the audience of one had barely finished applauding, Paddy scored again. It was all over but the crying for the Old Boys, as the Slugs never relinquished the lead after that. Next on the score sheet was Todd McIntyre, and shortly after that the Old Boys did manage to get another marker after Deadstop redirected a point shot straight into the net, giving Hughes no chance on the play. But the Slugs weren't finished yet.

Next it was Andy Naumann's turn to light up the goal light, using his patented head fake before snapping the shot past a beleaguered netminder.

As the third period started, the Slugs had a momentary mental lapse which the OBs made the most of, and quickly. The play was hung up in the Slug endzone and the OBs had the Slugs run-

## slug trail

ning all over the ice. It didn't take them long, with the Slugs playing like this, to get back in the game, making the score 6-5.

But the Slugs got their act together once again and started to mount an attack. Pete Huser gave us back our two-goal cushion and then it was time for the Pete Schure show.

Linemate Paul Sinclair fed him a pass and told him to go play. It was all he needed to hear. Off Schure went like a rocket, scurrying down the right wing, around forwards and defencemen and then at the last minute cutting sharply out front and tucking the puck just inside the corner of the net.

*By now Deadstop was certain of one thing: he was going to score if he had to carry the puck into the net with his teeth, but he would try the more conventional methods first.*

Just minutes later he was at it again. Carrying the puck just over the blue-line, Schure whipped a bullet drive at the net that the goalie just waved at on the way by.

But the Slugs saved the best (?) for last.

With just 20 seconds left in the game, leading by three goals, the Slugs figured it was safe to let Deadstop out for one last shift. Deadstop picked up the puck in the corner of the Slugs' end and started lumbering out with it. The

first miracle was that he made it to his own blue-line and hadn't managed to lose the puck in his skates yet. By this point inertia was beginning to take over and Deadstop couldn't have stopped even if he had wanted to.

Sometime later Deadstop came lurching over the opposition blue-line, still — unbelievably — hanging on to the puck. At this point two things crossed his mind: first, on this very same evening Wayne Gretzky had scored his 802nd goal while playing in the NHL and Deadstop hadn't scored a legitimate goal in about 802 games.

His second thought was that puck hog or not, he wasn't passing this thing to anybody. Then something quite miraculous happened. Both defencemen, who had been converging on Deadstop, suddenly backed off to pick up their wingers, thereby leaving nothing but open ice between Deadstop and the goalie. This occurred by one of two means, either the hockey gods decided to give this poor schmuck a break, or more likely the other Slugs had heavily bribed the OBs defenceman to let him get through.

By now Deadstop was certain of one thing: he was going to score if he had to carry the puck into the net with his teeth, but he would try the more conventional methods first. About 15 feet in front of the net Deadstop started to make his move. Head fakes to the left, head fakes to the right, drop one shoulder, then the other.

He was starting to look like the opening act of a Michael Jackson concert when the goalie made the first move and Deadstop just managed to tuck the puck in between his legs. It crawled over the goal line with just two seconds left in the match. It may not have been pretty, but to Deadstop it was better than winning the Stanley Cup.

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# Chainsaw silenced as Slugs end season with win

By JIM BLACK  
Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring Slugs final game of the season was against the Salt Air Sharks, a team we had played twice this year and had a 1-1 record against. Back in the lineup for this match was Johnny Procter, and the team decided, before the match started, to try and win this one for the Slug of the future, Dayton Procter.

As it turned out it was a good thing his old man was playing because he not only scored a hat-trick, he assisted on two other goals. It was Procter who opened the scoring at about the half-way mark of the first period, on a nice passing play from McIntyre and Naumann.

Then just a couple of moments later he was at it again, one-timing a pass from Paddy Akerman and beating the goaltender cleanly. Not long after that Paddy Akerman put us up by three when he sent home

a pass from nearly the same spot by Pete Huser.

Although the score ended up being 3-0 after the opening frame, it was not indicative of the game. The Sharks had numerous good scoring opportunities, only to be stymied by a very hot Slug net-minder, Mark Hughes.

The Slugs added a new player to their roster just prior to the trading deadline. The newest Slug is defenceman Claude Deschamps, who the Slugs picked up from the Calgary Burned-Out Flames. In return the Slugs sent the rights to Scott Bergstrom, who has been in a contract dispute with the team ever since the club insisted on paying him in Canadian chocolate bars while he was demanding American ones.

In his first match with his new team Deschamps put on a good show, moving the puck out of the zone quite well and getting a number of good shots away from the

point. But he's no Deadstop, thank God.

Into the middle frame the Slugs pulled a very old and familiar trick out of the hat: they let the opposition score 35 seconds into the period. But as was said earlier, thank goodness we had Procter with us. Once again it was Johnny who got us going.

Making a nice move around a defenceman he ripped a low, hard drive which snuck in under the goalie's skate. This regained our three-goal cushion for us, but not for long. Enter Deadstop. On the first play out there, a Shark winger breezes past Deadstop like he was some kind of deformed ice sculpture, and gets in perfect position to take in a beautiful cross-ice pass. Then just 30 seconds later the Sharks managed to take the play back into our endzone once again and following an errant pass, the puck deflected off defenceman Rodney Challborn's

skate, hit the goal post, glanced off the back of Hughes' skate and rolled into the net.

This put the Sharks within one goal of us and they were really pressing. But their plan backfired when — you guessed it — Johnny Procter fed a great pass to McIntyre who went in and beat the netminder. Shortly after that, though, the Sharks picked up another one when they intercepted a clearing pass and wired one past Hughes. Soon after this play the Slugs managed to move the puck down the ice thanks in large part to the aggressive play of Slug winger Darren O'Neil and it was he who added the next Slug marker after parking himself in front of the net and directing in a pass from McIntyre.

Then McIntyre himself closed out the scoring for the good guys, on a nice passing play from Paul Sinclair. While the Sharks did manage one more goal, that was

as close as it got and when the final buzzer sounded we had won by 7-5.

It has to be noted here that the Slugs have acquired two rather ardent fans who have managed to show up at regular intervals and cheer on the good guys. They're not hard to pick out in the crowd, either, being the guys wearing the black leather jackets and goalie masks. The only other unusual thing you might notice about them is their choice of apparatus for cheering us on.

## See Salt Spring's spring with Trail club walks

The Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club's schedule for April is as follows:

Tuesday, April 5: Hike on Mount Tuam with Ian Fraser and consultant Bob Ball. Meet at Drummond Park at 10:15. Hikers are advised to take camera or spy-glass.

The walk is on China Beach with leader Nancy Holcroft. Meet at Drummond Park at 10:15.

Sunday, April 10: A group bird walk is scheduled. Meet at 10 a.m. at the Southey Point Christmas tree. Bring a bird book and binoculars. For information call Ailsa Pearse at 537-9261.

Tuesday, April 12: Work party is scheduled for those who feel guilty about not pulling broom last month. Bring tools appropriate to subduing growth on the trail to Mount Maxwell. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m. Overseer is Brian Radford.

Walk: Cedar Hill golf course and playfair park area. Parking is at the clubhouse on Derby Street. Leader is Anke Smeele. Meet at 9:30 ferry at Fulford.

Tuesday, April 19: Hike at Ruckle Park with homestead hike

leader Bob Ball, who says this will be the flattest he has ever led. If you believe him meet at Drummond Park at 10:15.

A walk to see the wildflowers at Tzouhalem and Honeymoon Bay will be led by Elda Soder and Peggy Jacobs. Meet at 10 a.m.

ferry at Vesuvius.

Sunday, April 24: Mosses and ferns with Fiona Flook. Meet at 10 a.m. at Drummond Park. Call N. Braithwaite at 537-9335 re car sharing. Bring magnifying glass.

Tuesday, April 26: Hike: Fred Powell leads an assault of Mount

Bruce. Troops muster at Drummond Park 10:15.

Walk: Historic tour with Ivan Mouat. Meet at Central Hall 10:15. Parking at Portlock Park.

Thursday, April 28: Monthly meeting 7:30 p.m. at United Church hall.

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# Pender Island resident strikes jackpot in B.C./49 March 16 draw



**LOTTERY WINNERS:** Bob and May Allison of Pender Island were in Victoria last week to pick up a \$50,000 cheque, their prize in a BC/49 draw.

"I always joked with my wife that I would visit the B.C. Lottery Corporation some day, and here I am."

With those words, Pender Island's Bob Allison picked up a check March 21 for \$50,000, his prize in the BC/49 draw March 16.

Allison and his wife May had been in Victoria for some shopping when he purchased the winning ticket at the Mayfair Mall. "I like the BC/49 because the tickets are two for a dollar," Allison joked. "I think that is from my Scottish blood."

As of last week, the father of four and grandfather of seven had no plans for his prize yet. "I need to think about it for a while. I still can't believe it."

Allison is a former Delta police inspector who retired to Pender Island.

## Salt Spring Foundation sends two gifted musicians to study in Austria

A Salt Spring-based foundation promoting musical excellence has awarded two scholarships to study in Austria this year.

Suzanne Klukas, a pianist from Tsawwassen who won a scholarship in 1993, and Rita Szekely, a classical guitarist from Rossland, will go to Austria this year to further their musical careers.

"The interest in the scholarship program is growing," Johann Strauss Foundation director Joseph Kandler said Friday. The foundation has been based on Salt Spring since 1987 and has given 14 scholarships worth \$53,000 in that time. Its purpose is to facilitate musical study by British Columbia residents in Austria.

"There is a great deal of appeal to studying in Austria," Kandler said. "Austria is a small country with only seven and a half million people but in terms of music it is a world power."

Students are awarded scholarships to study for the summer in master classes at the renowned Mozarteum in Salzburg, home of the Salzburg Festival or for the whole year at a specialist school in the country.

Students are expected to have a

working knowledge of German, Kandler said, and are expected to be accepted into their chosen school of study on their own merits. The scholarship selection committee is aided by a panel of off-island musicians and music instructors.

*'Austria is a small country with only seven and a half million people but in terms of music it is a world power'*

The scholarship winners are asked to perform a concert for foundation members and supporters when they return and last summer, this concert was presented at the summer Festival of the Arts. Michelle Mares' concert was well attended and well received by islanders and visitors, Kandler said.

The winner of a full-year course, Suzanne Klukas has a bachelor of music from UBC and was on the piano faculty of the Delta Institute for the Arts. Last

year she was awarded a scholarship to study at the School of Music and Dramatic Art in Graz, Austria. She was recently chosen to perform in an international concert in Italy.

"Suzanne is a very dedicated musician and a very serious and reliable person," Kandler said, "which has impressed us a great deal. She is hoping to obtain a master's degree in Graz next year."

The second scholarship winner is currently finishing a bachelor of music in guitar at the University of Victoria and has previously studied as an exchange student at the school of music in Moers, Germany.

"Miss Szekely is also an impressive young woman," Kandler said. "She came very well recommended and shows initiative. With this encouragement we hope she will continue her studies."

The foundation's main fundraising event of the year is the annual tea dance at Victoria's Empress Hotel which features big band arrangements of various ballroom dances. The scholarship winners will be introduced to guests. For further information about the event, phone Melitta Kandler at 537-2559.

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# Park planning is on agenda at Saturday meeting

By GAIL TRAFFORD  
Driftwood Correspondent

An open meeting to discuss planning for parks and open spaces will be held Saturday, April 9, at 1 p.m. at the Community Hall. The local Islands Trust representatives will be on hand to answer questions. All islanders are encouraged to attend this meeting and be a part of long-term planning for Saturna.

The Saturna Community Club held its annual general meeting March 21 and officers were elected for the coming year. Pam Janszen and Chuck Alp agreed to continue as president and vice-president. Lynn Piper relieved Flo House as treasurer and this writer will continue to be secretary.

Anne Popperwell, Melanie Games, Cal Hollings, Jon Guy, John Wiznuk, Barb Tinglin, and Karen Muntean were elected as directors.

Karen Muntean agreed to stand as the Community Club officer on the Parks and Recreation Commission. Ray Lindsey was acclaimed the local representative to B.C. Ferries and Anne Popperwell will continue as chairwoman of the barbecue committee.

Flo House was thanked for serving as treasurer for the past five years. She has served in every office of the Community Club and plans to spend at least one year in retirement.

Karen Muntean requested that interested parties talk to her about serving as Community Club officers. Since she was unable to locate a new vice-president this year the slate was largely unchanged. Some of the newer residents would be welcome to become involved. Interested parties should let Karen know as soon as possible so she has a chance to familiarize new candidates.

Harvey Janszen spoke to the meeting on behalf of the Islands Trust. He reported that the fees bylaw protested by Saturna has still not passed and negotiations are moving slowly.

Trust representatives are in the process of revising our Official Community Plan including the commercial, parks, subdivision, and woodlot regulations and by-laws. Plans for parks and open spaces will be discussed at the meeting April 9.

Jacques Campbell reported for the Capital Regional District. She is working on consolidating transportation and ferry committees from all the Outer Islands through the Islands Trust. She has recommended a workshop for representatives to parkland dedication committees from all islands so that their policies can become more standardized.

Campbell has been appointed to the health committee of the Capital Health Board to help plan and transform health services. She also informed the meeting that low-flush toilets are now available through the lumber yard on Pender at a discount as part of a plan to help conserve water.

Campbell praised the commissions operating locally on all the islands. She stated that she respects them for their dedication and individualism.

Doris Ackerman reported for the recycling committee that the dump has been closed and all the work required to bring it up to en-

## notes from saturna

vironmentally safe standards has been finalized. The committee has invested in a mulcher-chipper which it plans to rent out to help subsidize the recycling centre. Car batteries were requested since a small profit was realized on the last collection.

Betty Speers told the meeting that the Southern Gulf Island Health Plan Steering Committee is planning an information session from 1 to 4 p.m. April 17 on Saturna. This is an open meeting to discuss changes planned by the Ministry of Health in creating a community health council. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Some of the questions addressed by the group include the following. Will your services change? Of what community will the island be a part? How will council members be selected and how much direct voice will we have? And will your choices of off-island services depend on which community is our partner?

The woodlot committee was enlarged to 18 members. A five-member steering committee was elected including Marilyn Curtis, Bill Sheffield, Murray Rankin, Al Sewell, and Ray Lindsey.

The court of appeals (for assessments) write in response to a request from the Community Club. It will not be meeting on Saturna this year as requested but that decision will be reviewed in 1995.

Anne Popperwell spoke for the lamb barbecue committee. She is working with the local Parks and Recreation Commission to investigate the extension of trails around Winter Cove Park. The community has been asked to do some upgrading to the park in exchange for using it for the barbecue.

On behalf of the hall committee, Chuck Alp moved that all clubs be required to participate in a combined quarterly clean-up of the hall rather than continue the smaller monthly clean-up parties. He also requested money to upgrade the hall for fire safety and general improvements. His proposals were approved by the club.

Cal Hollings was granted funding for the health committee to build a shelter for the ambulance next to the fire hall. John Wiznuk, Alfred Reynolds, and Don Newell were thanked for installing a roof over the ramp to the medical centre.

Saturna Lions held a party for Vern and Joy Beaumont who are leaving the island after almost a decade. Vern has been very active in the Lions Club and brought a woodsplitter and can crusher to the island for use by the group.

Joy served her community through the Women's Service Club and enjoyed the local bridge group. She also ran a hairdressing salon from her home. Both belonged to the O.A.P. group. Seventy people came to the hall to wish them farewell.

A six-pack of beer won by the Lions Club for service work was raffled off at the party. Seventy-two dollars was collected and will be used to place a plaque in memory of Dave Jack on the crane which will be installed at the gov-

ernment dock.

The lamb barbecue is only three months away and craftspeople are invited to start thinking about creations for sale at the craft booth. The policy for commission paid to the barbecue allows volunteer workers who attend the work bees

a more favourable rate. Call Pip Woodcock at 539-2683 for more information.

Next weekend will be very busy. Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Lions will hold a barbecue at the Narvaez Bay Trading Company in conjunction with their customer appreciation day.

Beginning at 2 p.m. the Women's Club and the PAC invite everyone to join them at the hall for the Easter bake sale.

Delectable home-baked goodies, a cake walk, a plant table, and tea in the fireplace room make this a great outing.

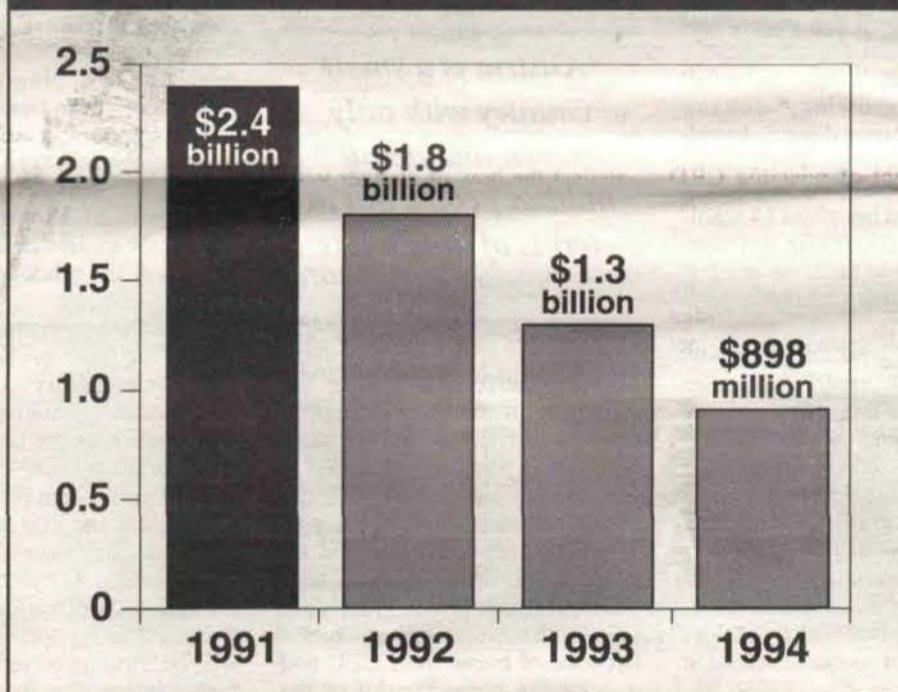
Dinner is being served by the Lions Club at the annual crab fest at the Community Hall. Tickets are available at both stores. All proceeds from this event go to the Saturna bursary fund.

This day promises something for everyone. I hope to see you there.

## REPORT TO THE PROVINCE

# Deficit down

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# Skylights sent flying by gale force winds

By ALISTAIR ROSS  
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A quorum of members was present for the March 20 annual general meeting of the Galiano Club. A year packed with successes was reported by president Susan Friend. The treasurer's financial statement and reports from other Galiano Club committee heads backed up the contention that it was a good year for the club, and thus for Galiano as well.

With many improvements to the hall and the grounds completed during the year, Galiano's 68-year-old community facility is now truly a comfortable and convenient place for most island activities.

Re-elected as directors for two-year terms were Debbie Holmes, Margaret Howell, Andrew Loveridge, Gordon Paimberg and Jim Trueit. With one year left in their terms are Friend, Ken Hardy, Haidee Lief and Shirleen Raines. Replacing Marx McAvity and Carolyn Bell on the board are Jenny Jarvis (for two years) and Jonathan Smith (for a one-year term).

It was agreed that the \$1,500 given the Galiano Club to hold in trust for a yet-to-be-formed Galiano parks commission be transferred to the club's bluff-mountain trust account. The \$1,500 came from Capital Regional District discretionary funds and was given the club to hold by then retiring CRD representative Vern Roddick.

The transfer of the funds, sanctioned at the meeting, is being questioned by some since the money was to be used for the establishment of possible CRD park facilities. At a special meeting held to discuss the matter of parks and community sanitary facilities (a meeting attended by Mr. Roddick himself), the idea was that these ends might be met with the funds.

## galiano notes

### Branches, wires and skylights

A lot of island folk had a difficult time sleeping on the morning of March 21, particularly west-side residents. Near hurricane-force winds during the night took its toll on trees and branches. Branches and greenery were everywhere after the storm, some of the flying branches effectively decapitating budding daffodils.

Several breaks in the power lines along Porlier Pass Drive left householders from Montague Harbour to Porlier Pass without electricity for about 26 hours as Hydro crews struggled to sort out tangled lines. A live break which threatened to ignite a brush fire near Gustin Road got the South Galiano Fire Department out early on Monday morning. An arbutus tree fell on a nearby resident's television receiving dish.

Elsewhere on the island shingles were torn from roofs and skylights popped and were carried away on the wind. One disappearing skylight resulted in a very wet kitchen, another in a sodden bed. The latter householder spent the rest of the night on a foamy on the lower floor, an idea favoured by many other islanders as well.

Severe damage resulted from the storm at Retreat Cove where the violence of the wind and waves during the night broke the lines on a vessel at the government wharf, throwing it up against the bow of another vessel downwind. Structural damage was done to both vessels.

### Exciting expedition

Tom Hennessy of Montague's Sutil Lodge took a group of young scuba divers to Wallace Island on

March 20 where they camped overnight. On Sunday morning the group enjoyed successful dives despite the increasing winds. Early in the afternoon, however, as the winds increased in velocity and reports of boating problems came in on the ship's radio, it was decided to head for home.

To make loading of divers, gear and canoes easier in the strong seas, a portage was organized across Wallace so all could be loaded from the lighter seas on the eastern side. Upon successful loading, skipper Hennessy and his divers made their way to the nearest landing on Galiano, Retreat Cove.

It was not an easy trip, tremendous waves and spray breaking everywhere. On effecting a safe landing, calls were made and a vehicle arrived to take the divers and their gear down-island to food and warmth.

### Galiano folk attend CORE rally

About 15 Galiano residents travelled to Victoria to join the

foresters' rally at the Legislature on March 21.

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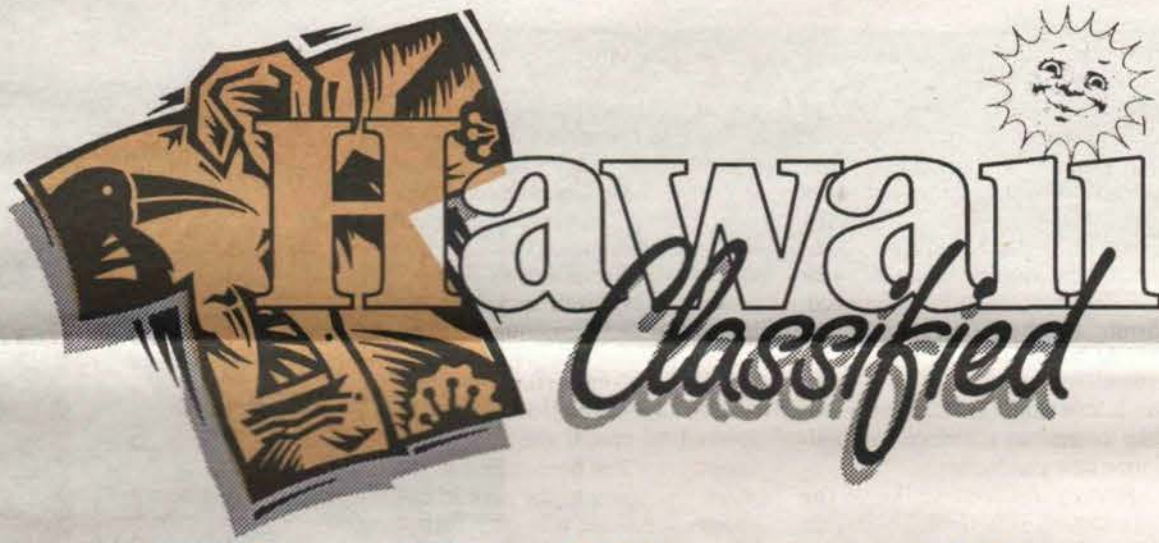
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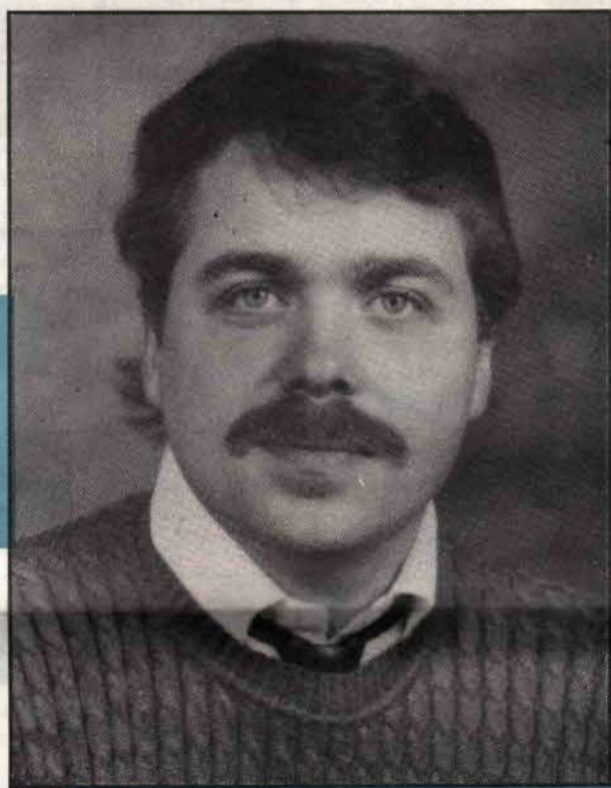
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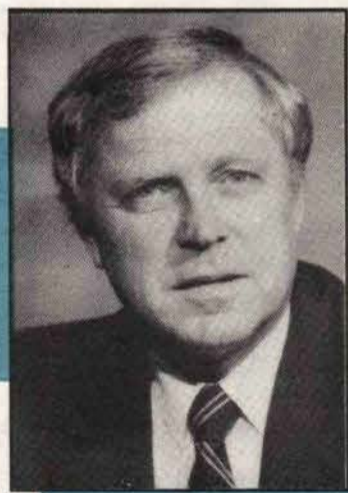
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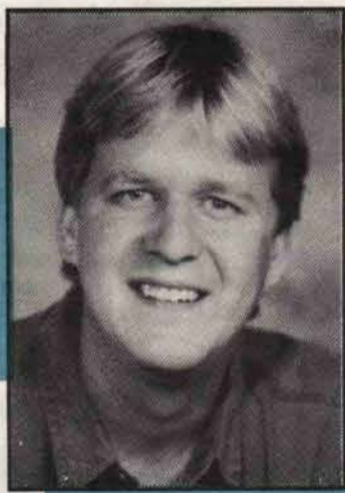
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