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Roof caves in on dream

By VALORIE LENNOX **Driftwood Staff**

Dreams of a home of their own were crushed for a local family when heavy snow caused the collapse of the roof on a just-purchased mobile home.

After five years of saving, Leon and Anna Esquivel purchased a quarter-acre lot on Salt Spring. Searching for an affordable home to put on the lot for themselves and their two pre-school children, they found a 1969 mobile home in Beaver Point available for \$10,000.

The deal to buy the 12 X 60foot mobile went through just before Christmas. But on December 31, part of the roof collapsed under the weight of wet snow.

The unit was still in Beaver Point and the couple had not purchased insurance. Visiting the site after the roof fell in, Leon Esquivel discovered the roof from the front end of the trailer collapsed in pieces on the living room floor and the side walls leaning in, touching each other.

With help from friends, the snow was shovelled away, the wreckage cleared from the floor and the walls braced upright with wooden crossbeams. A tarp was stretched over the open front end of the mobile to protect against further damage.

"Some kind of miracle happened that none of the windows were broken," said Anna Esquivel. Even the glass French doors off the living room did not break.

However, the kitchen cupboards were damaged, a small partition between the kitchen and living room smashed and carnets mined

The couple estimate it will cost \$3,500 in materials to do the repairs, including the installation of a new roof for the unit. Given the damage, the Capital Regional District (CRD) building inspector now requires the entire roof to be replaced before the unit can be used as a residence.

Leon Esquivel would like to move the unit to his lot so he and friends can more easily do the repairs. But first, enough work must be done so a CRD engineer can approve moving the unit.

They also expect some of the electrical wiring will have to be repaired.

Anna Esquivel said the couple exhausted their resources to acquire the lot and the mobile. Although Leon Esquivel works for Ganges Village Market and Anna

DREAM 3



Feeding time

Lisa Lloyd-Walters treats some of Fulford Harbour's resident swans to some feed during an outing on the beach at the

head of the harbour. The area is a popular feeding place for

wners redeem 3 animals from SPO

By VALORIE LENNOX

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Seven of 30 animals seized from a farm by the SPCA December 13 will be returned to owners Kevin Clark and Cara Clements today (Wednesday), provided they can meet certain conditions.

Clark and Clements were able to come up with the \$3,744 required to redeem three pigs, two dogs and two llamas, and return them to their Quail Meadows Farm on LePage Road. The money covered boarding fees since the animals were seized.

However, the two llamas have been sold by the couple and will go to another farm, and strict conditions have been set to ensure the safety of the redeemed animals.

The couple were given until January 15 to meet the conditions, which include:

 Providing clean grounds, pens and kennels with clean bedding and clean water to ensure a healthy environment;

· Daily feeding of adequate quantity and nutritional quality appropriate to each species to ensure good health;

· Veterinary attention where required;

· Agents of the SPCA to be allowed access to the farm to inspect the animals once a week;

· Immediate notification to the SPCA if the owners are unable to provide proper care to any animal.

"I think we've done everything we can to protect the animals," said SPCA president Pat Jacquest. The animals will not be released to the couple until the first condition is met, at which time the remaining conditions will apply.

She noted the llamas are not being returned to Quail Meadows Farm but will go directly to their new owner. That farm has already been inspected by the SPCA.

Capital Regional District animal control officer Wolfgang Brunnwieser also stressed that the redeemed animals will be monitored. "There's going to be 150 per cent control on the animals," he said.

He noted that he had been in contact with the farm owners for months before the animals were seized, issuing numerous warnings for animals which wandered at large.

"We'll have to just see and wait and watch," he said. "You have to

give people a chance." Of the remaining animals, Jacquest was finding new homes last week for 10 pigs, three piglets, a boar, a ferret, two llamas, a cat and two goats. Only one animal, a boar, had not been placed as of Monday.

Two of the Komondor dogs were euthanized Friday after observation and extensive research by the SPCA into the breed, which led to the gradual realization that the animals could not safely be placed in a new home.

"We have explored every possible alternative for these dogs," Jacquest said. Although fanciers related tales of the dogs' incredible courage when protecting isolated flocks, they also reported the dogs were extremely territorial and could attack visitors to a home.

Jacquest also learned the dogs are intensely loyal to their original owners and do not readily transfer allegiance to new owners. Bred as herding dogs, they are not appropriate as house pets. Jacquest said none of the dogs was trained or house-broken, and barked inces-

A veterinarian suggested the dogs could also suffer from hip dysplasia. Even a U.S.-based Komondor rescue association recommended the dogs not be found new homes if they had suffered any abuse.

The SPCA is hoping for donations to cover the cost of boarding the remaining animals, which was close to \$4,000 last week. Donations may be sent to the Ganges Post Office, Box 522, V8K 2W2.

The SPCA still intends to proceed with charges against Clark and Clements.

Storm section this week

The storm is history but the memories will live on for a long

To help preserve some of the memories of the great storm of '96, the Driftwood has produced After the Storm, a special section to commemorate the event.

The eight-page section inside this week's paper contains stories and photos of the massive snowfall of last month, and the floods that followed.

We have economic needs for next millennium

here must be some kind of millennium virus going around as more and more people express interest in predicting the future. Isn't it tough enough to say what might happen tomorrow?

One such discussion looked recently at what Salt Spring's future holds, producing a consensus of sorts that it certainly holds more people. The pace at which those people fill the remaining available parcels of land is debatable, but fill them they will.

However, if current trends can be expected to continue, it will take a

Real estate sales have picked up but they are nowhere near the level of a few years ago, when Salt Spring had half as many more realtors than today. It's hard to see sales rebounding to previous levels given the lower cost of real estate in communities on the east side of Vancouver Island. In addition, as Salt Spring grows its character becomes less

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distinctive in the eyes of the visitor and its appeal not as strong.

Real estate has been one of the engines driving the local economy for a long time so when it sputters it has a domino effect, and other engines begin sputtering too.

Residential construction has fallen off in the wake of the downturn in the real estate market, creating work shortages for many islanders.

At the retail level, Salt Spring has not been immune to the national malaise affecting this sector. (A look at the demographics of Canada today tells us that the huge bulge in the population, the baby boomers, has pretty well

passed the age where they spend a lot of money purchasing household goods. They have already done so.)

To top it off, tourism was not as strong last year as expected. All these factors leave the local economy in a precarious state, a condition that would likely be far worse if interest rates were not as low as they are.

There are people who can happily say the island economy is of little import in their lives. They have come here to retire because they like the island for what it is, and certainly don't want to see it change.

But if they enjoy any of the island's amenities, they ought to wish for a strong economy. Take tourism. Without it, Ganges would become a ghost town of empty storefronts and abandoned buildings. The choice of consumer goods and restaurants would be severely limited, and arts and crafts galleries would cease to exist.

It is tempting to curse the traffic congestion and ferry lineups created by tourism, but better we fix the congestion and ferry service than turn away the tourist.

Getting back to population growth, the trend for too long has been towards developing a haven for the wealthy. The law of supply and demand has created this situation, aided by land use policies that allow few price breaks in the cost of real estate.

Some people don't mind this. They believe that Salt Spring as an enclave for the rich, with the protection afforded by a natural moat, is a desirable

But many others - the majority, one would hope - see the diversity of its population as one of the island's key strengths, ranking right up there with its natural beauty.

It, too, needs protecting and a healthy economy is the only thing that will do it.

Youths pelt constable, guard

Flying bottles and rocks showered a police constable and private security officer Friday night when the officer attempted to arrest a young offender in Ganges.

The incident began about 11 p.m. when Const. Myles Hall observed a large and boisterous group of young people in the parking lot between Gasoline Alley and Centennial Park.

He decided to approach the group to encourage the estimated 100 young people to remain within the bounds of the law. Nearing the crowd, he noticed some youths were drinking and several were intoxicated.

One intoxicated youth swore at Hall, who recognized him as a young offender on probation. Two terms of the probation are that the youth is to be home by 9 p.m. and not to consume alco-

Although the youth initially cooperated when arrested for breach of probation, he then called to the crowd for help and broke away, fighting Hall.

A hostile crowd had surrounded the officer and the youth when a private security guard came to the aid of Hall, who was trying to shield himself from flying beer bottles and rocks thrown by the crowd.

The security officer was hit several times by the flying objects.

Additional officers arrived moments later and the young people scattered. Officers were able to disperse the few remaining youths.

The young offender was charged with breach of probation, resisting arrest and posses-

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Meetings set up with ministry reps as special needs services under study

Meetings with the minister of education's special needs review team have been arranged for next week.

The parents of special needs children are invited to meet team members between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. next Monday, January 20, in the Gulf Islands Secondary School library. Other parents are invited to meet the team between 7:30 and 9 p.m.

Teachers are invited to meet the team next Tuesday, January 21, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the library while paraprofessionals and other support staff are invited to a meeting that same night from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

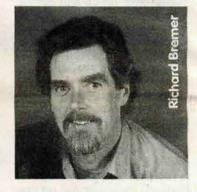
The team is reviewing special education services in the district at the request of the school board and

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Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Canadian Heritage Sheila Copps and provincial Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks Cathy McGregor will make the announcement.

Also invited to participate are representatives from the Capital Regional District and the Salt Spring Conservancy, which assisted in acquiring the 160-acre prop-

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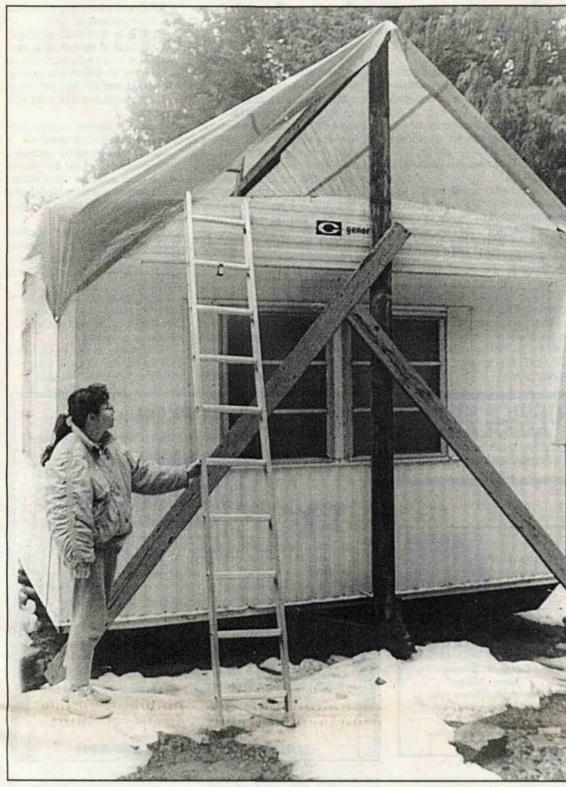
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CRUSHED: Anna Esquivel checks out the tarp protecting the front half of her mobile home after the roof caved in December 31 under

the weight of wet snow. She and her husband Leon had purchased the 1969 home just over a week earlier.

Photo by Valorie Lennox

3 men jailed after altercation; constable suffers broken nose

Ganges RCMP Const. Joe Penney suffered a broken nose in a drunken altercation outside the Harbour House Hotel Wednesday night.

Police were called to the hotel shortly before 11 p.m. after receiving a report that there was a fight inside the hotel. By the time police arrived, 10 minutes after the call, a group had congregated outside and no one was fighting.

Upon speaking to the group police learned one person was suffering a diabetic medical emergency and called for an ambulance.

According to police an intoxicated man ran out of the hotel minutes later, reported he had called 911 and been told the diabetic should be laid on his back. The diabetic refused to lie down, at which point the man threw the

diabetic to the ground, police

A fight broke out, with the diabetic and the would-be rescuer trading punches. The man ignored shouted demands from the crowd and requests from police to get off the patient. Warned that pepper spray would be used if he did not get off the diabetic, the man refused.

Police sprayed the rescuer with pepper spray, which prompted one of the bystanders to charge at police.

While police were attempting to calm down the second man, a third man stepped from the crowd and punched Const. Penney in the face, breaking the officer's nose. Police said he punched the officer twice, kicked him once and also slapped an ambulance attendant who was trying to deal with the diabetic

patient

Three men were arrested, spent the night in jail and were released Thursday pending a court appearance February 11.

Police also found that a hotel employee was assaulted during the fight in the hotel before they arrived.

Charged with assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest, two counts of uttering threats and breach of probation are Christopher Allan Quin, 19, of Toms Lake, B.C.

Charged with two counts of assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest and two counts of uttering threats is Morgan James Ferris, 19, of Victoria.

Charged with assault causing bodily harm, two charges of assault, uttering threats and resisting arrest is Joseph Edward Quin, 21, of Salt Spring.

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Esquivel supplements their income through baby-sitting, she says they don't have the money to do the repairs.

"We were just stuck. We didn't have money to fix it," she explained

To date they have received \$1,200 in donations from friends plus offers of help to do the repairs. One friend has offered them a place to live for February, since they do not expect to be able to move into the mobile by then.

"We can't do this without help," Anna Esquivel said.

They are also hoping for financial help from the province's disaster fund. Although they had not purchased insurance on the home, they will still be eligible for help if the disaster fund finds the damage was uninsurable.

A check of several insurance companies by the Driftwood revealed none could offer insurance against snow damage for older mobile homes. But Claude Dalley, Provincial Emergency Program (PEP) manager, needed a ruling from the provincial risk management branch on what will be uninsurable.

Dalley said he had received numerous calls from owners of mobile homes, marina boathouses, greenhouses and carports or decks, who are reporting that their insurance does not cover their loss.

"There's a lot of hurt out there," he said Thursday, noting he had been on the phone all day with worried owners.

By Monday, he had an answer on mobile homes. "Anything that's more than 10 years old is not insurable," he said. That makes the Esquivels eligible for assistance.

The fund applies a \$1,000 deductible and will cover up to 80 per cent of the remaining repair cost



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By VALORIE LENNOX **Driftwood Staff**

Agreement to take the first step towards bringing control of Mahon Hall back into the general community was reached at an informal public meeting in the hall January 7.

All present at the meeting agreed to approach the school board about turning the hall over to a local orga-

The hall was transferred to the Gulf Islands School Board in the 1940s and is owned officially by the Ministry of Education although it has been operated by the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) for the past two years.

That the hall is widely used was indicated by the diverse group of people at the meeting. Present among the 38 people were members of several theatre, arts, recreation and community groups. Also present were Salt Spring Trust Committee member David Borrowman and school district secretary-treasurer Rod Scotvold.

PRC administrator Tony Hume

Hall options examined

and others present outlined the problem. The hall needs repairs but the school district has no money to do them. Community groups and volunteers might take on the repairs but first want to ensure the hall will remain available for community use.

Structurally, the building is in good shape. However, a new roof is needed, the electrical system must be upgraded and work must be done on the kitchen to make it usable for

"The roof probably has no more than a year left in it," Hume said.

Six options were presented during the meeting for future use of the hall. One, which was ultimately rejected, was to leave the hall in school district hands with administration by the PRC under a longterm lease

The other five options were:

· Ownership remains with the Ministry of Education but the hall is operated by a community group; · Ownership is transferred to a

new, non-profit hall society which will also operate and maintain the hall;

· Ownership is transferred to the Capital Regional District - whose local arm is the PRC - and the hall is operated by a new, non-profit hall society;

· Ownership is transferred to an existing, non-profit community organization such as the Islands Farmers Institute or the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council, which would operate the hall;

· Ownership is transferred to a new non-profit hall society but the PRC takes on management and operation of the hall.

Hume said examples already exist on the island of the third option land or facilities owned by the CRD/PRC but operated by a community group — in the tennis bubble, the swimming pool and the Island Arts Centre Society.

Lawrie Neish, representing the arts council, said the council had no desire to own Mahon Hall. He favoured the third option which he felt would protect the hall against the natural waxing and waning of interest which afflicts volunteer community groups.

Ian Clement favoured turning the building over to a non-profit society with the PRC still handling administration. He also argued for preserving the hall more as a heritage site than a functioning building.

Generally, the hall operates at a loss, Neish pointed out. Maintenance and operating costs Neish tend to exceed revenue. In its most successful year, Neish pointed out the hall generated \$10,000 in revenue compared to annual operating costs of \$8,000.

Hume said the hall earned \$5,000

in 1996 and operating expenses were approximately \$14,000.

Questions were raised about ArtCraft's use of the hall for a summer sale of handicrafts from June to September, to which one person pointed out ArtCraft has 200 island contributors and therefore helps a lot

Neish said the arts council pays \$4,000 for the ArtCraft rental.

Clement suggested the operation and maintenance of the hall would be too great a burden for a volunteer, non-profit group. He felt the PRC was better able to administer

Arts Alliance member Michael Robb wondered if someone could be hired to administer and rent out the hall if it was operated by a hall

Lynda Jensen said the hall used to hum with activity with dances every few weeks and a host of different events and programs.

"Everybody in this room has a love for this hall. That is what will make the committee," she said.

Protest heard against condom machine plan

A flurry of protest, including a 104-signature petition, opposed the school board's December 4 decision to install condom machines at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Trustees received six letters plus the petition opposing the decision. Several concerned parents also attended Wednesday's school board meeting to express their opposition.

Letter writers made the following points:

- Ross Richardson suggested the board promote abstinence among teens, an opinion echoed by several letter writers
- Gordon and Linda Lee pointed out providing condoms was not part of the curriculum or a board responsibility, especially given current financial constraints.
- Chris Cormack said the decision was made too quickly, given the divided public opinion on the
- · Lorna and Brian Tolman said condoms in the high school sent the wrong message to students, a view repeated by other letter writ-
- · Rick Hill suggested the board either reverse the decision or, at least, evaluate whether the machines were effective in reducing pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases.
- · Judy Guedes said parents did not support installation of a condom machine, as shown by a PAC survey two years earlier.
- · Debbie Cairns hoped teens would be educated about the dangers of sexual intercourse.
- Darcie O'Donnell said an earlier survey did not produce an over-

whelming response in favour of condom machines in the high

The petition called on trustees to reverse their decision and had been circulated in local churches to collect signatures.

No trustees moved to rescind the December 4 decision although board chairman Charles Hingston said any trustee could move to reverse the decision based on com-

Trustee Judith Boel said she was pleased with the information on the issue she had received prior to the December 4 vote. She pointed out a sign will be put up next to the condom machines stressing that the only safe action is abstinence.

Linda Lee raised a question about school liability, to which Hingston said other districts had already installed condom machines after consulting lawyers. "On this issue, the Gulf Islands is not the cutting edge," he remarked.

He noted his own teenage children had received information in school which strongly encouraged abstinence. He felt behaviour is changed more by education, starting with the family and then in elementary school, than by whether there is a condom machine in the

He said he would request more information on the issue for a future board meeting.

Also received was a letter from Capital Regional District public health nurse Pam MacKenzie thanking the board for its decision and including statistics and background information on teen sexual-

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Ministry official rides water taxi

How long does it take to reach Saturna School from Salt Spring?

Representatives from the provincial Ministry of Education are getting first-hand experience of the transportation barriers facing the district this month, starting with a visit by ministry superintendent of field services Stewart Ladyman January 7 and 9.

"This is the man who has a direct line to the deputy minister," said Gulf Islands superintendent Andrew Duncan. "He will probably be our strongest advocate with the province.

Ladyman travelled on the water taxi to Mayne and Galiano January 7 and, on Thursday, went by ferry to visit the schools on Galiano, Mayne and the Penders. Duncan expects direct experience of the district's geographic challenges will help ministry officials to recognize the financial problems.

Also in the district this week and next week is a ministry team which is conducting a review of the special education needs of the district. This team will also travel from island to island and should gain a first-hand look at the challenges facing the district, Duncan predicted.

One challenge is this year's budget, which is now projected to reach a deficit of \$319,000.

To allow for the deficit, trustees agreed to ask the education ministry to incur an operating deficit of up to \$350,000 for the 1996-1997 school year.

This deficit includes the \$212,834 deficit carried over from the 1995-96 budget.

Board chairman Charles Hingston pointed out the district is also facing one-time severance costs of more than \$100,000 this year.

Without the accumulated deficit and additional severance costs, Hingston suggested the district's budget would be balanced. "We're running pretty close to a balanced budget this year."

He suggested unusual one-time costs be identified in budget summaries, so board members can get a better sense of how the district would fare over the long term. He also noted that instruction costs are \$300,000 more than funding allocated by the province but that the costs must be covered due to contractual requirements.

Duncan noted Hingston's summary was accurate although a simplification of the situation.

Newspaper criticism of contract prompts board to write staff

Trustees agreed Wednesday to write a letter supporting local teachers and other staff in response to criticism in the Driftwood over the current teacher contract.

Salt Spring trustee Jane Parlee moved the letter be written following a meeting with teachers at Salt Spring Island Middle School. She said it was important for the board to support staff in order to boost morale.

"It doesn't take much to write a letter of support for teachers," she

But not everyone at last Wednesday's board meeting agreed with the idea.

Pender trustee Russ Searle said he had not read the editorial as being critical of teachers, while board chairman Charles Hingston said he did not think the board should get into a debate with Driftwood editorials.

Schools superintendent Andrew Duncan agreed there is a sense of alienation felt by teachers in the district but said a letter of support would be better placed in their pay envelopes than as part of a public debate.

Parlee said the original criticism was public and said it is important for the board, as

employers, to let the public know that board members support the staff.

Canadian Union of Public Employees local president Dorothy Kyle observed teaching staff are not the only district employees working in the schools.

Parlee moved a letter be enclosed with every paycheque and a general letter of support for all district staff be sent to the newspaper, commending them for the fine work they do.

Trustees approved the motion. The editorial in question was published in November.

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Duncan doubtful about Internet timeline

Schools superintendent Andrew Duncan isn't convinced by promises that the Provincial Learning Network (PLN) will connect to Gulf Islands schools by the end of March.

Duncan says he will believe PLN and Internet access is available for local students only after it arrives. "I was called a rabid cynic when I said I didn't expect to see PLN access by the end of March," he told trustees last Wednesday.

He expressed his doubts at a meeting December 18 with PLN representatives and again Wednesday to the school board. He also reported that the cost of the connection is still under discussion but payment will be mandatory.

He told trustees that arrival of the learning network will require additional wiring in all schools except the middle school and Gulf Islands Secondary, installation of computers to act as servers, and someone to handle the training, system hardware and software maintenance. All requirements must be paid for by the local school board.

In response to questions from parents about uncontrolled Internet access, Duncan said there will be some restrictions on access and questionable sites will be locked out.

Meanwhile, access on the Outer Islands to the now-outdated Community Learning Network was cut off after the system began incurring \$600 in access charges per month. "It's been going on for at least three months," secretary-treasurer Rod Scotvold said.

No exact cause was identified for the charges, which could have been incurred either by someone clandestinely connecting to the system after hours or by mechanical problems.

Meanwhile, Duncan reported three old Macintosh computers are being pressed into service to establish a four-line system for district-wide e-mail. The server will be linked to the Internet, he said, but will only be used for e-mail.

Trustee Judith Boel said an effort is under way to push the B.C. Lottery Corporation into establishing a separate lottery which will support the cost of incorporating technology into the education system.

Board chairman Charles Hingston hoped to have an update on technology at the March meeting.



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NEW MATERIALS: Salt Spring Recycling Depot attendant Daniel Horth displays the new materials now being accepted by the depot: tetra-paks, milk cartons and spray cans.

Recycle depot to accept containers, spray cans

Salt Spring Islanders can add more items to their bags, boxes or bins when visiting the Recycling

Effective today (Wednesday), the depot is accepting tetra-pak and "gable-top" containers. Tetrapak containers usually contain juices, milk and soya drink products while "gable-top" containers include milk cartons and similarly-shaped containers used for juices.

Containers should be opened at one end, thoroughly rinsed out and then flattened before being dropped off at the depot.

The depot is also accepting empty spray or aerosol cans, although different instructions apply for different types.

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Empty spray cans which contained paint should be deposited in the scrap metal bin.

Partially-empty spray cans which still contain some paint should be given to a staff member for inclusion in the B.C. Paintcare Program with other left-over paint.

Nozzles and caps can be left on

School board will look at need for Mahon Hall

Trustees have not been formally asked if the school board will give up Mahon Hall but they know the question is in the wind.

At last Wednesday's board meeting, chairman Charles Hingston told board members that secretary-treasurer Rod Scotvold had attended a meeting on the

Scotvold said different interests were represented at the meeting January 7 but there was general agreement that the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission should approach the school board about transferring ownership of the hall to a community group.

Scotvold noted the building needs work which the school district cannot afford to do. He also pointed out it was difficult to reach a consensus at the recent meeting since opinions on what options to pursue appeared to be splintered.

Hingston said he wanted any transfer of the hall to the community to go smoothly. "There could be a real dog fight or it could be a real win-win," he observed.

Scotvold suggested the issue should be discussed by the board's committee of the whole or the operations committee in order to determine whether the hall is surplus to school district needs.

Hingston agreed the issue should be discussed "now that we know it's on the burner."

Health meeting endorses plan to give council advisory role

Islands Community Health Council into an advisory council for the Capital Health Board regardless of government sanction

was heartily endorsed by approximately 50 people who turned out to a meeting Monday on the islands' health care system.

The health council was abruptly dissolved November 29 due to a change in government policy. Salt Spring Island Health Association president Jane Parlee said the community has been outraged by the abrupt abandonment of three years of work by health council volunteers.

Salt Spring's Raging Grannies opened the meeting with a tuneful plea to Health Minister Health Joy McPhail to "leave us our team." Former health council members spoke about their work and their fears that the islands' unique needs would not be recognized by an urban health board.

Former council member Jean Taylor noted the Mayne health centre association was recently told it had not provided enough client input at 300 people. "Three hundred people looks like a drop in the bucket to urban centres but on Mayne Island, that's one-third of them," she observed.

Not allowing for the diversity of different communities in the province was the weakness which unravelled New Directions/Closer to Home initiative, Saanich North and the

Islands MLA Murray Coell said. "It was doomed to fail because it didn't take into account the differing needs of the province.'

He is frustrated by the sudden switch in government direction and the dumping of hundreds of volunteer health councils province-wide. "Now health care in the region is being dictated from the bureaucracy down to the rest of us," he said, stressing the need for community input.

He wondered how much the switch in programs had cost, compared to the cost of new medical equipment, and said he hoped for better continuity in the Ministry of Health.

"I hope this isn't another trial and 18 months from now we have a new minister and a new direction.'

Gordon English, former chairman of the council, saw a glimmer of hope in the new proposal for health care administration in the Capital Regional District. The Gulf Islands and Saanich Peninsula are being combined as a distinct area under the control of one director, which he felt recognized the unique nature of health care in the smaller communities.

"They didn't lose sight of the southern Gulf Islands when they did this," he said. He added that some of the key people involved in the reorganization will be coming to Salt Spring January 28 and are inviting local input.

His requests to have the com-

have all been turned down although the islands fit all the criteria outlined by the ministry for a council. But because the islands are covered by a health board, a health council is not allowed.

"I don't think we have an accepting no' crowd here,' Parlee remarked.

A Thrift Shop representative doubted the \$100,000 expected to be raised this year for the local hospital would be donated to a regional fund. Another speaker said residents should not ask for recognition of a community health advisory committee they should demand it along with appropriate government funding.

Those present also agreed to demand island representation on the hiring board which will choose the new health care direc-

Lady Minto Hospital administrator Karen Davies said senior health managers in the region learned just before Christmas that their present jobs will vanish, many management positions are being cut and they will have to apply for new positions.

Davies plans to apply for the position of regional director, community health centres, which will oversee services for the Gulf Islands and the Saanich Peninsula. Applications close Monday. There may also be a local manager's position, she





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New lineup helps U16 boys hammer Bays United 6-2

Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring U16 6, Bays United 2

Salt Spring's A-level U16 boys team hammered Bays United 6-2 at Portlock Park on Saturday to move back into the middle of the pack in the top league on Vancouver Island.

Leading the way were the three everimproving "youngsters" of the team who in the off-season last summer made the huge jump from the U15B level to the U16A. Zach Preston in goal, Sean McMahon at left back and Jess McEachern at right back were superb at their highly specialized positions. This allowed the team to be reorganized so that veteran players could ply their trade in the positions to which they are admirably suited and exploit opportunities that the "young boys" created.

The line-up reorganization had the sole purpose of creating an all-dominant midfield featuring skill, speed, defence and scoring power. Preston replaced the versatile Jonathon McDonald in goal so that the latter could go up front as a striker with Goebl. McMahon replaced highly-skilled Sean Carmichael at left back so that he could move to the middle of the back line with the ever-improving Thomas McKeachie. This freed-up Steffan Bond from the sweeper

position and put him into left midfield so that the strongest all-round player, Santih Buchan, could be put in centre midfield with defensive stalwart Dar Kinnear. Super speedster Tom Berry was brought back from striker to right midfield with orders to create havoc down the right flank as well as go at goal when possible.

Berry, Bond and Buchan, backed by Kinnear, dominated the first half joining with their backs and working off the skilled Goebl and McDonald in front whether to the left, middle or right. Buchan was rewarded just before half with a goal off a 26-yard shot.

In the second half, time and again, the

midfield overcame Bays' midfield and swamped their defence in overmanned situations. It led to a hat-trick from Bond and another goal from Buchan plus one from

One cannot diminish the efforts of Carmichael and Preston who, when the score was tied, made tremendous plays to keep Bays at bay.

The chink in our armour became evident when Goebl was injured and we were down to 10 players. Bays scored their two goals.

We have the basis of a provincial cup team but we still need another player at least to survive injury and fatigue.

BV RUTH HUME

Driftwood Contributor

Queen of the Lanes has been rescheduled and will be held on the afternoon and evening of February 1. The sign-up poster is at Kings Lane and we look forward to another great competition.

Sunday evening: Lance Leask 208, 212, Brenda Opel 206.

Circus league: Ron Cunningham 313, 245/618, Glenn Hewitson 225, Sam Cochrane 217, Deke Noonan 231, 205/610, Jonah Marshall 254, Amin Athanasious

Tuesday morning seniors: Helmut Losch 201, 219/618, Conrad Flebbe 206, Jack Godwin 202, Anne Kowal 200.

Tuesday afternoon seniors: Conrad Flebbe 210, Gwen McClung 206, Vanda Winstone 209, 208, Reg Winstone 208.

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Wednesday ladies: Margaret Baker 249, Deanna Marleau 231, 229, Shirley Bunyan 219.

Special Olympics: Terry Swing 171, 165, Brad Magnus 158, Mahjor Bains 215, 193, Jim Beck 143, 142, Gloria Dale 143, 182,

Joanne Sandberg 155. Golf ladies: Mary Campbell 200, Mary Kirkpatrick 200, June Webb 203, 214, Lorraine Toller 201, 216, Marguerite Meharey 210, Kay Booth 215, Maddy Cooper 204.

tunes: Darlene Looney Wellington 206, Ruth Hume 264, Ron Cunningham 209, Milt Boehmer 236, Catherine

Mellstrom 206, Jim Madison 200, 220, Steven Marleau 251, 278, 213/742, Doug Sykes 218, 213, Lance Leask 208, Sharon Sykes

Friday afternoon seniors: Ken Robinson 257, Edie Gear 200, 200, 201, Madalene Jory 233, Gordon Parsons 202, 206, Don Goodman 209, Bill Baker 225, Margaret Baker 233, 206/622, Bruce McFadyen 226, Pearl Motion 205.

Children's leagues: Rory Opel 79, Alex Haigh 83, Mario Denee 78, David Piperno 80, Chris Cairns 121, Jesse Hume 110, Zander Ritson 110, Jordan Borth 108, Christine Jarman 142, 115, Stephen Severn 134, 161, Liz Wiebe 105, Ryan Buitenwerf 115, Penny Dale 104, Emma Hopkins 75, December 7 — Alex Hague

Spurs sink Sooke 8-2

By TERRY STRINGER

Driftwood Contributor Salt Spring Spurs 8, Sooke 2

Fortunately, the Salt Spring Island Savings Spurs remembered last weekend that a game of soccer has two halves.

Their opponents, the Sooke Scorpions, only had enough poop for one half of soccer after the long Christmas break.

Under ideal winter conditions in Sooke, the first half was a close-fought affair. Anthony Rico opened the scoring when he split the defenders and directed the ball by a helpless keeper.

Rico then settled in and attracted the attention of their defenders, feeding the ball for good scoring opportunities off to his wingers and midfielders that joined in the attack. One such setup resulted in the Spurs' second goal by Greg Stringer. However, the play was not all Salt Spring's way as Sooke mounted several threatening counter-attacks which were largely stymied by our much-improved defensive play. One miscue on the backline resulted in a Sooke goal and a 2-1 half-time score.

Despite having the wind in their faces, the Spurs dominated the second half. A goal by Ian Reid started the onslaught. Two goals by Aaron Little and singles by Adrian Hingston, Eric Jorgensen and Dan Bennett gave the Salt Spring team an 8-2 lopsided victory.

Next Sunday the Spurs travel to Juan de Fuca in preparation for upcoming provincial and district cup games which will be exclusively against "A" teams. Our offence is ready, but the defensive integrity of all 11 players will certainly be

'Jamaican bobsledders' in 3rd place

By DEBORAH NOSTDAL

Driftwood Contributor

Four years ago when we started the Gulf Islands Secondary School alpine ski team, we were widely regarded as the "Jamaican bobsledders.

We were happy to place anything but last in a league which fields seven or eight teams a year.

Now, when I reveal I'm from Salt Spring to a stranger on the chairlift, they're apt to tell me about the keen Salt Springers who even have a high school

This year we are in a solid third position behind

Highland (Comox) and Vanier (Courtenay).

Our team has 12 members. This year in races we've posted a third place (Kevin Waldie), a fourth (Matthew Oldroyd), with Kristina Waldie and Oldroyd consistently in the top 10, followed closely by Nicholas Bardon.

The athletes are half-way through their season. Our first and second-year athletes are improving exponen-

Recently, the whole team benefitted tremendously by a coaching session from former World Cup racer Stan Hanson.

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Judo club members pick up three medals

Jonah Fisher won the gold in the under-95 kg boys divisions, respectively.

Both Andrew Greig and Sol Ruben came close to bringing home medals, coach Shaun Adams reported.

On Sunday, club members attended a provincial team workout and "dominated" the events, Adams said. Great performances were turned in by King, Fisher and Shannon Lercher.

Salt Spring Judo Club members picked up three

medals Saturday at the Nanaimo Open Tournament.

junior men's category, while Devon Cass won silver and Matt King bronze in the novice boys and juvenile

Kicks move into 1st place

Goals by Nick Abley, Sam Hannah and Jeremy Morrison gave Salt Spring Kicks a 3-2 win over Lakehill on Saturday, putting the under-13 soccer team into first

Man of the match was Myles

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Climbing back from the depths of hell

descent into hell." The phrase Cara Clements chose to Adescribe the SPCA's December 13 seizure of her and husband Kevin Clark's animals from their Quail Meadows Farm was unerringly apt.

The taking of their son by Social Services, the threatened foreclosure of their farm, financial failure, dying animals, depression and, finally, the loss of their stock to the SPCA; it's a daunting combination that demands compassion.

It has been, indeed, a descent into hell.

But the couple did not descend into hell alone. Those dependent on them — a child, pets and farm animals — were also dragged down.

By stepping in to rescue the animals, the SPCA followed its mandate to "speak for those who cannot speak for themselves." The volunteers and officers cannot be faulted. The organization was formed to protect otherwise helpless animals against the abuse or neglect of owners - intentional or otherwise.

And as much as Clark attributes their son being apprehended by social services to the boy wanting a "vacation from home," we doubt the boy was taken from home for frivolous reasons.

Although the couple has been able to sell equipment and use the money to redeem some of their stock, the situation is far from resolved. Irksome as the ongoing monitoring planned by local animal control officers will be, it is clear that until the couple have better control over their own lives, they should not have absolute control over the lives of other creatures.

What should happen now?

Ideally the couple will now become model farmers and build their few remaining animals into a thriving business, saving their farm and home in the process. But climbing from hell is rarely a single or simple step.

It's possible they did not know how to call for help once the avalanche of disaster swept down. In a success-driven society, failure is difficult to acknowledge. Depressed by personal and financial worries, it's also possible they did not recognize the full extent of what was happening.

Some recognition now exists, judging by their decision to redeem only a few animals and reserve some money to help care for them. How much lost ground they can regain depends in part on why the current situation developed.

We hope they'll have help from the community, now that the need is recognized. A lot of effort, by them and by those willing to help, will be required to salvage as much as possible from this descent into hell. But the reward will be turning a human tragedy into a possible future for the family.

We all feel better now

Tewspaper editorial writers cannot help but feel a sense of satisfaction when their words are greeted with interest by readers. Imagine, then, the thrill that must come from recognition by such a venerable public body as a school board.

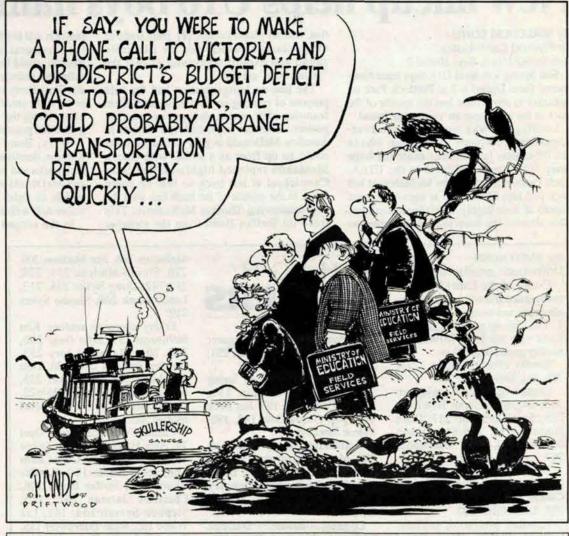
Just such a thrill was felt at this newspaper when trustees of the Gulf Islands School Board put an editorial from November on the agenda of their meeting last week.

That school trustees, elected to represent the public interest and entrusted with the education of our children, should take their valuable time to discuss the editorial is flattering.

It matters not that many trustees completely misunderstood the point of the editorial, which obviously must have been buried under too many disjointed thoughts and obscured by poor gram-

Nor does it matter that the core of the school district's financial problems lies with the teacher contract, which was the subject addressed by the editorial. What matters is that the discussion at the board table has left us all feeling good about ourselves: teachers, trustees and editorial writers alike.

We eagerly look forward to the next meeting, when trustees will no doubt build on the significant accomplishments of last week's session.



CRD, writer don't understand objectives of permit process

By NICKOLA AXTELL SEPPALA Tony Richards' article and column in the December 18, 1996 issue of the Driftwood indicate that he is either very poorly informed or is purposely attempting to quell the legitimate concerns of the residents

of Salt Spring Island that developments proceed in a lawful manner.

About half of Mr. Richards' column relates to a lawsuit in the Okanagan which he admits is "quite different" to the Bullock Lake issue. In fact, the two situations are very different. It is nothing less than fear-mongering to suggest that local property owners are risking liability by asking that governmental authorities require a developer to comply with the law. With all respect, the Okanagan case is irrelevant.

It seems that neither the Capital Regional District (CRD) nor Mr. Richards understands the objectives underlying the building permit bylaw process

The reason for having a building permit bylaw and a building inspector is to ensure that all developments are lawful in that they comply with all applicable laws. The person charged and entrusted with this coordinating duty is the building inspector.

The CRD's own building permit application form says, among other things, that the application must be supported by a permit to construct a sewage disposal system and evidence of potable water supply.

The facts suggest that a potable water supply was not even established by November 1996.

How come Dick Stubbs, the building inspector, now says it was unknown whether proof of potable water was a requirement of the application or only necessary prior to issuing a building permit?

In any event, this missed the point.

The point is that the building inspector must have sufficient information in front of him prior to issuing a building permit to determine whether or not the development will be a lawful one. To say that some other government body has the responsibility for water again misses the point. If some other authority has jurisdiction over water, such as the Ministry of

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Health, then it is incumbent upon the building inspector to ensure that the health ministry's requirements have been met. At the time of issuance of the controversial building permits, the Ministry of Health was not satisfied.

Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee Bylaw 340 permits a certain density on C-4 zoned land if there is evidence satisfactory to the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee that there is available a supply of potable water as required by the health inspec-

At no time has any evidence been provided to the local Trust committee with respect to the supply of potable water. In other words, it is impossible for the building inspector to say that bylaw 340 has been complied with.

As a final note, according to documents obtained

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plied with. That is

all that we are

asking for.

from the CRD, it is more than curious that the building permit applications represent Brian Hauff as the property owner. This was not true at the time of the application nor now. Even more curious is the fact that the CRD addressed the permits to a numbered company "doing business as" Salt Spring Island Village Resort.

The registered owner of the land is Salt Spring Island Village Resort Inc. This means that the owner of the land neither applied for a building permit nor was issued one. In

other words, the registered owner of the lands does not hold any building permit, valid or otherwise. Does this mean that building permits are not required

on Salt Spring Island?

The CRD should realize that it is not too late to right the situation. The fact that the developer has spent money to date does not mean that the law need not be complied with. The developer chose to spend money before having the issues resolved. It was his right to take that risk. Similarly, we have the right to see that the law is complied with. That is all that we are asking for.

Nickola Axtell Seppala is a Robinson Road resi-



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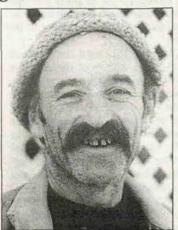
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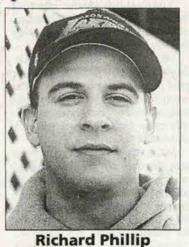
SALT SPRING SAYS
We Asked: Do you agree with the \$1 million paid to settle Brian Mulroney's libel lawsuit against the government?



Tom (the Piper's son) Billings I just think there's laws for the rich and laws for the poor and that just makes it obvious.



Don Fee Absolutely not. The government owes him something because they jumped the gun -I don't agree \$1 million was necessary to save Mulroney's non-existent good name.



of Victoria As long as he didn't do it, it's fine. Give a guy a break they did smear his name.



Linda Koroscil They have to pay the piper, don't they? They opened their mouths before they had enough solid evidence and we end up paying for their mistakes.



Wendy McClean It's better than \$50 million (the amount of Mulroney's

Letters to the Editor

Bordello High

Yesterday, I was in the process of recycling a Driftwood (using it to light the fire), when I noticed the article Two Years Later, School Trustees Give Nod To Condom Machines

I was delighted, that finally, a way has been found to eliminate the school board deficit.

I imagine students lined up to deposit their loonies and twonies to obtain one of these little conversation pieces. As I expect every student to have one available immediately, should the urge arise, this should generate considerable revenue, a percentage of which, presumably, would flow to the school board coffers.

As they are generally not reusable (recyclable?) it would be prudent of each student to carry several. Perhaps they should be sold by the gross. Initial sales would be brisk. Parents could help with a daily reminder to their offspring to make sure they carry sufficient change for the dispensing machine in order to make their daily purchase. (Just as my parents did for me. Although in my case it was for "school dinners".)

But why stop here? After all, just where is it expected that the students will be able to make use of them? Would it be the gymnasium or the principal's office or that of the public health nurse or counsellor?

Obviously the school needs enlarging to accommodate these extra curricular activities. Special cubicles can be built with timer locks like a parking meter. Two dollars for each 20 minutes or part thereof, would not be too much to charge. We would want to discourage loitering after the event to make sure that there would be room for the next couple. With several hundred students and the "professionals" assurances that everyone is doing "it," we would need to supply between 50-100 of them. Private enterprise could build them at no cost to the taxpayer in exchange for a percentage of the profits. These would be the ultimate in toll booths.

Then there would be the requirement for the health centre addition. This, because of government cutbacks, would not likely be provided by B.C. Medical and

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would also be user pay. After all, those pesky little conveniences have been known to leak, break or just plain fall off and so there would likely be a few unplanned pregnancies to be taken care of and each student would need a weekly medical and blood test in the interests of disease prevention and general hygiene.

This would provide quite a few more jobs and additional revenues for the School Board as they would share in the profits of the student health centre.

Now if sex is O.K., what else can be provided? It is well known that not only are students all doing "it", but that they also drink and smoke. On the same rationale, can cigarette machines, a student pub and lottery terminal machines be far behind? I hope a high school casino and pub is built post-haste. Tenders should be encouraged immediately. A casino should provide enough revenue to operate the school district without my having to pay any school taxes at all. I'm quite in favour of anything that would accomplish that.

The high school would have to change its name. "Bordello High" would seem appropriate.
TONY BROGAN,

Quebec Drive

Walk further

I am very grateful that no emergency vehicles or hydro or telephone repairs were required up in the area of Fort and Grantville Street during the recent snow storm as they would not have been able to get up the street.

A valiant attempt was made on two occasions by the highways

street but they were unable to because of the cars parked on both sides of the street and the vehicles that were abandoned half way down Fort Street.

I would like to strongly recommend that we agree to walk a little further from our parked cars and all of us park on the east side of the road (the ocean side), thereby leaving room for traffic to pass safely, graders to have access to the roads that desperately need plowing and room for emergency vehicles, if we should ever need

As for the abandoned vehicles, surely between the 60-80 neighbours in the area, we could somehow get cars up or down the hill using a winch, come-a-long, chain, rope or whatever. We would certainly volunteer to help in this regard.

MYRANDA O'BYRNE, MICHAEL PRICE, Main Street

Thanks, Santa
A cold Monday morning December 23, 1996, B.C. Ferries crew and early morning commuters, heading for Fulford Ferry, being stopped by a downed power

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Scarff Lane

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Feds should bow out of fisheries control

ALERT BAY - Four hundred people packed the community hall in Alert Bay. They had come from Sointula, Port McNeill and Port Hardy to this small northern Vancouver Island fishing village in the hope to save their way of life, and with it, their only means to make a living.

They were angry and hurt, and they were calling for federal

Fisheries Minister Fred Mifflin's head on a platter.

B.C. Fisheries Minister Corky Evans had called the meeting, to be followed by similar



protest gatherings in other communities, in a last-ditch attempt to convince Mifflin that a vote on the controversial fishing licence stacking plan was essential.

It was not to be. That same evening, Mifflin met with Evans and told him that licence stacking, which requires people to have more than one licence to fish in different areas, would go ahead.

As a peace offering, Mifflin announced a \$35,000,000 program that is to help people and communities hurt by the fishing fleet reduction that will result from the sale and stacking

here's a chance Mifflin will allow fishermen to vote on the stacking issue in the fall, after the next fishing season. That's got to be the first time a vote on whether to close the barn door will have been scheduled for after the horses are not only allowed but encouraged to bolt.

It is estimated that at least 200 licences, and perhaps as many as 400, will change hands. Those who can't afford to buy additional licences will sell and give up fishing. Those who are willing to go into debt will acquire additional licences, which are expected to go for a minimum of

The main beneficiaries will be the banks. They will finance the licence purchases and take the cream off the next fishing

It is also doubtful whether the stacking of licences and fleet reduction will result in a lower catch, which is the ultimate aim of the exercise, because most licences will probably be bought by owners of more high-tech boats, able to catch more fish than the ones who sold the licences.

In the end, we will see a repetition of what happened in the forest industry, where most cutting licences were originally held by small operators, who eventually sold out to bigger operators, who finally sold out to the very big forest companies.

And when it's all done, it will be too late. A way of life for small independent fishermen will be lost forever, and with it the most important resource - intimate knowledge of the industry at the community level.

Native leaders in Alert Bay warned that if the federal gov-ernment goes ahead with stacking, natives in British Columbia's fishing communities will be condemned to a life of destitution and welfare, because they don't have the education and skills to make a living anywhere else or in any

There is no disagreement between stakeholders, including fishermen, environmentalists and politicians, both federal and provincial, that it is necessary to reduce the size of the annual catch.

The problem is that the federal government, specifically the Department of Fisheries, is least qualified to oversee the operation. Under their guidance, the east coast cod fishery collapsed.

The best thing that could happen would be for Ottawa to bow out of the fisheries jurisdiction and let us handle it.

Evans got a standing ovation from the protesters in Alert Bay when he told them that the provincial government had for too long stood at the sidelines but was in the scrap for good and would never again walk away from it.

If only Mifflin and his boss saw it that way.

Beyer can be reached at tel: 920-9300; fax: 385-6783; email: hubert@coolcom.com

More letters

Bureaucratic

Your report on the meeting between CRD staff and 20 islanders revealed some disturbing attitudes held by some of those present.

Ms. Laushway's comment to Mr. Stubbs beginning with "You are paid people" was reminiscent of the many times that I heard "I pay your wages, mister." The comment usually came from the upset recipient of a traffic ticket.

Ms. Laushway must remember that she does not pay Mr. Stubbs' wages, I pay his wages along with all other property owners on Salt Spring. I pay his wages along with all the other applicants and payees for building permits. His wages are also paid by developers who submit fees for permits and by businesses who pay business and property tax.

I have had my own problems both with the Islands Trust and the local building inspectors' office with regard to permits and was involved in a three-month debate with them over misrepresentation of the relevant bylaws. I found both parties to be essentially very bureaucratic and indeed a bit hidebound.

I have dealt with bureaucracy at a variety of levels all over the world. Guess what? They were all bureaucratic and hidebound so there were no surprises here.

I must go on to point out that both parties were also fair and honest, they worked to the letter of the

Having followed the Bullock Lake saga with great interest I can only conclude that the building inspectors did what bureaucrats do best - they studied and understood the relevant regulations and then complied with them. If people like Ms. Laushway don't like the terms of the law or regulation then they should have striven to amend them by democratic process much sooner. Ms. Laushway may argue that her bids for public office were just that and if so then she should be aware that the decision of the members of the democracy who decided not to elect her are binding until the next electoral opportunity.

In conclusion, I congratulate you for allowing Mr. Hauff to express his viewpoint and to publish salient facts. All too often we only hear from special interest groups whose sole mission often appears to be to instruct us that their view is the only correct view. I suspect that there are more supporters of the Bullock Lake project than are commonly perceived. Amongst those supporters might be local businesses who can supply goods and services, local trades who can offer construction and maintenance service, local seekers of employment in a wide range of jobs and local retailers and merchants who can supply future guests on the island with a wide range of products. Maybe the property and business taxes paid by the resort when it is operating might also be of benefit to the island economy!

JOHN TAYLOR, Carvel, Alberta

Festive touch

Some time ago I realized there was a solution to the Canadian Coast Guard cutbacks on the west coast. What we needed was ICE. Well, during the last few days I witnessed it gradually spread across Long Harbour from Scott Point to Nose Point.

This called for action so I phoned Halifax and left a message for my son who had just returned from Northumberland Strait to render immediate assistance as I do not believe the Queen of Tsawwassen has ice-breaking capabilities.

A big red ship would add a nice touch to this festive season.

Happy new year, everyone.

GILLIAN COBANLI, Scott Point



JAN. 15: SS Painter's Guild, "Rescue Mission", Lions Hall, 9:30am - 12:30pm.

JAN. 22: SS Painter's Guild, Collage, Lions Hall, 9:30am - 12:30pm. JAN. 25: Canadian Federation of University Women Mtg./Speaker -1:30pm - All Saints by the Sea.

JAN. 16: SS Weavers & Spinners, Farmer's Institute, 7pm.

JAN. 27: Lady Minto Hospital Aux. Society, United Church Hall, 2pm. JAN. 29: SS Painters Guild, critique on collage, Lions Hall, 9:30am-12:30pm. JAN. 29: Physiotherapist Nuk on Falls - Prevention, Seniors for Seniors - Free, 2pm

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- Stamp Collectors all ages, Seniors For Seniors, 10am.
- Cancer Support Group, Croftonbrook 10am.-12 noon (every 3rd Wed.) Core-Inn Committee Meetings, Core-Inn on McPhillips, 4:30-6pm.
- Special Olympics Bowling, Bowling Alley, 10am-11am.
- O.A.P.O. Loonie tea & video, Lower Central Hall, 1:30 (except 2nd Wed.) Therapeutic Touch practise group, Seniors for Seniors, 7pm (every 3rd Wed.)

EVERY THURSDAY

- Salt Spring Weavers & Spinners Guild, 10:30-2pm.
- Parkinsons Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 2pm ,(second Thurs. of the mo.)
- Salty Wheels Square Dance Club, 6:30pm, Central Hall. Scottish Dancing, Anglican Church Hall, 6pm beginners/7pm advanced.
- Luncheon, Seniors for Seniors, 12 noon.

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- Core Inn, volunteers needed, 10:30-noon.

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- Free blood pressure clinic, Seniors for Seniors 10-12noon (last Mon. ea. mo.)
- Adult 22 rifle shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7-9pm.
- Taoist Tai Chi, for Seniors, Lower Central Hall, 10am.
- OAPO #32 carpet bowling, Lower Central Hall, 1:30pm.
- Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10am
- Teen Sewing Club, textiles lab, Middle School 4pm-6pm. - Life Drawing, Windfall rm., library, 1-3pm.
- French & Spanish conversation group, Seniors for Seniors,
- 10am-noon (not last Monday of the mo.) - Teen Sewing Club, SSI Middle School, 4pm-6pm.
- SS Weavers & Spinner, @ Farmers' Ins. to use the library, 10:30am (every 2nd Thurs.)
- SSI Buddhist meditation group, 135 McPhillips Ave., 7:30pm.
- Special Olympics swimming, Shelby Pool, 5pm-6pm.
- Bandimonium, Meaden Hall, the Legion, 7-9pm.
- Story hour for preschoolers, Library, 9:30am.

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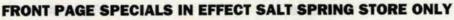
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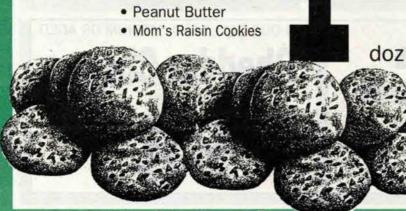


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Auntie Kate coming home for CD release party

By GAIL SJUBERG **Driftwood Staff**

Wherever the blues band Auntie Kate goes, they're booked.

Music clubs and promoters know the name and infectious, blood-pumping blues sound will bring people back to their nightspot every time.

And as Auntie Kate's fame spreads in a massively competitive business, they've been travelling further away from "home."

Salt Spring can still claim a kind of home base status for two of the band's members - Kathy Roland and Tom Bowler - who have played music together since the early '80s in the now-legendary Club Mongo group. But when someone in Regina asks them where the band is from, the answer is usually "Victoria."

From some people that answer draws surprise - they're convinced this talented, "authentic" blues band has wandered up to Canada from Chicago or Seattle.

But to honour their Salt Spring connection and the many Auntie Kate fans here, the band is having CD release party next Wednesday night at the Harbour House Hotel. It will be the kickoff for a tour promoting their new CD called Do You Have This in Blue?

Bowler said Roland is "front and centre" on the CD, along with the "exceptional" blues guitar work of Bill Johnson, once of Victoria, but now living in Western Canada's true blues centre — Calgary.

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"If you're playing blues or rhythm and blues, Calgary is way ahead of Vancouver," observed Bowler.

The Yale is the only all-blues venue in Vancouver, and Auntie Kate plays there a few times a year, as much as any other act.

"But in Alberta you can play the front of the week and the back end," he explained. "We really love the scene back there."

The Auntie Kate incarnation that will perform on Salt Spring January 22 includes Roland, Bowler, Johnson, Doug "the Buffalo" Saunders, Joby Baker and Tommy Knowles.

Johnson will give the audience some "wankin" blues guitar work in the first set, followed by two sets of the spirited shoutin' blues style of Auntie Kate.

An aside about the name: A few years back as a trio, the group was called Auntie Kate and the Cheap Suits, and Bowler said they've tried adding other names to "Auntie Kate." But the name has pared itself back to just "Auntie Kate" while encompassing the whole band. In one way, the lead singer has become the "concept." People relate to Roland well, noted Bowler. "She's a good showperson."

Next Wednesday, islanders will get a crash course in the new CD, where seven of the 10 cuts were written by Bowler and Roland. Bowler warned that "women are really going to relate to the plaintive wailing of the dejected, broken-hearted wife" in a slow, sad

tune they penned called After All These Years.

But all of the CD cuts are

"dynamite," he promises.

Do You Have This in Blue? was recorded last November in Calgary, with producer Tim Williams, a well-known name in Western Canadian music.

Auntie Kate discovered the Alberta scene after Johnson opened a blues club in Calgary. Now they tour that province and Saskatchewan a few times a year. They plan to keep moving a little further east to Manitoba, although Bowler jokes that they're not eager to travel through the stark void separating Winnipeg from populated Ontario.

The group would really love to play in the United States, where their 1995 CD Food for Thought received lots of radio airplay, but ridiculous American work visa requirements make it almost impossible.

Bowler said the band also considers touring Europe, if there was a chance they could "break even" doing it.

Auntie Kate is ascending the path to stardom. Catch them while they can still fit Salt Spring into a busy performing schedule.

There's more than blues from Auntie Kate next week, though. They're just kicking off "blues week" at the Harbour House. Thursday night, the 23rd, is Blues Night with Dave Roland and friends; on Friday and Saturday the blues band Blessed Relief is scheduled to perform.

NEW CD: Kathy Roland is Auntie Kate in the blues band of that name. The band is having a CD release party this week.

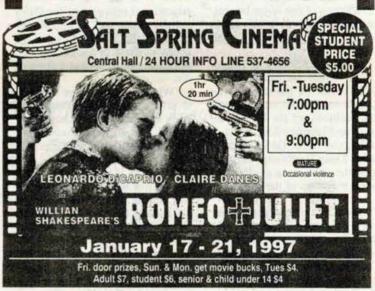
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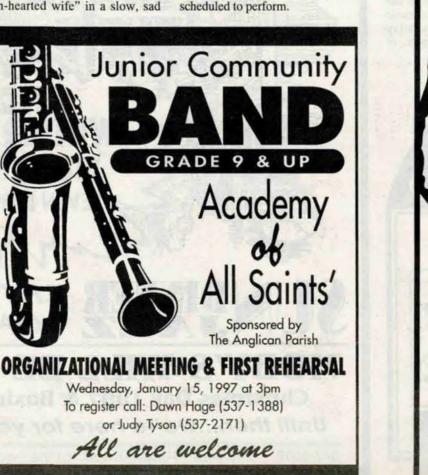
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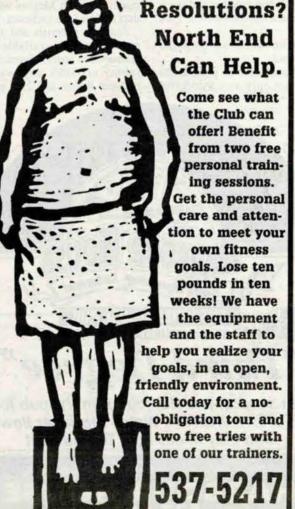
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- Fulford Inn Welcome back The Barley Bros. to the south end! Thursday, January 16, 8:30 p.m. 2661 Fulford-Ganges Road.
- · At the Legion Karaoke with Julie, Friday, January 17, in the lounge after the meat draw. 120 Blain Road.
- Salt Spring Roasting Co. Open stage every Friday night at 8 p.m. 109 McPhillips Avenue.
- · Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub - Rock with Third Degree on Friday and Saturday, January 17 and 18. 121 Upper Ganges Road.
- Alfresco Restaurant -Barrington Perry plays piano

every Friday and Saturday evening starting at 6:30 p.m. 3106 Grace Point Square.

· The Purple Parrot Restaurant - Simone Grasky, with accom-

panist Gary Lundy, sings old jazz favourites, rhythm and blues and contemporary ballads every Saturday evening from 7 to 10 p.m. 170 Fulford-Ganges Road.

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ligh school to produce musical

Production of one of the longestrunning Broadway musicals is now in the planning stage on Salt The Class Act School of Theatre

at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) will be producing the much-loved Fiddler on the Roof, with auditions set for January 20 and 21 and February 3 and 4.

Director and GISS drama teacher Doug Bambrough is opening up the auditions to all adult and student members of the communi-

"I see it as a unique opportunity to bring the school and the community together in a common and exciting goal," says Bambrough. "There is an enormous amount of human talent on this island, both at the school and in the community. We have a wonderful chance here to bring all that together and put it on stage in a full-blown New York musical.'

Six performances will be staged in mid-April.

educational opportunity for GISS acting, dance and technical students but also as a great chance for adults to share in the excitement, spirit and fun of putting a show of this size together.

"Whether people have interests in acting, singing, working backstage or in the front of house, we would love to have them share with and learn from the kids. This is a 'win-win' situation.'

Fiddler on the Roof was a great hit when it was last produced on Salt Spring 15 years ago. In the 1981 show, Michael Hayes played Tevye and Virginia Newman was Golde. Former cast members are welcome to try out for the '90s version.

The 1997 show will be choreographed by Sue Newman, and Virginia Newman is the vocal coach. Ramesh Meyers will conduct and lead the orchestra.

Audition materials and appointment times are available in the by calling the school at 537-9944, extension 131.

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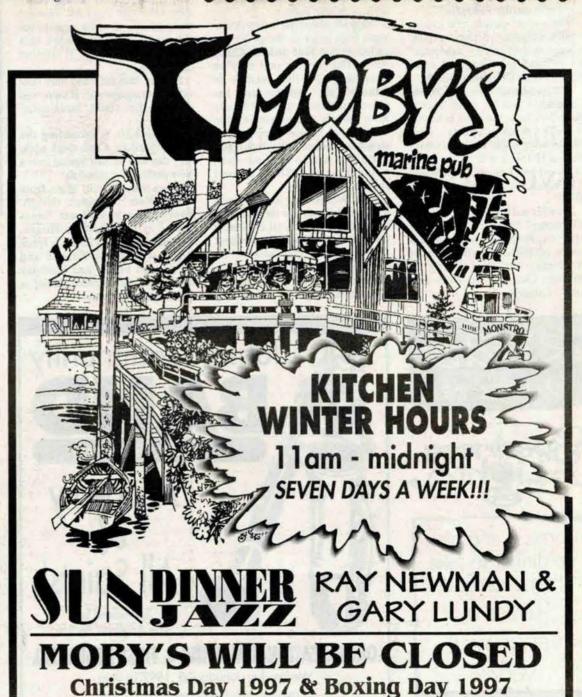
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Music teacher, Anglican church team up with new program for young musicians

By GAIL SJUBERG **Driftwood Staff**

A willing partnership is hoping to fill a void left by the lack of a music program at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Island music teacher Dawn Hage and the Salt Spring Anglican Church parish have teamed up to offer a youth band program.

With weekly practices and regular public performances, the plan aims to let teenagers continue playing music even if there's no formal class for them at school.

All that is needed now is young musicians who want to play their instruments together.

Sponsoring the program was Rev. Barry Valentine's idea. He approached Hage, a trumpet play-

er and 14-year member of the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra who, while not in the congregation, had played for church events on occasion.

While the Anglican Church has initiated and offered support for the project, it will not be a "church band," explained Hage.

"It's simply a venue for those kids who are in the void.

The only commitment to the church is to perform at services once a month. That's a real bonus for this group, she said, since most school or youth bands have few opportunities to perform in public. Participants must have played an instrument for at least one year and be able to read music. They may have taken private lessons,

been taught at home by parents, or be in or "graduated" from Bruce Creswick's program. Creswick taught band at Fernwood Elementary School and now runs the program at Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS).

It will not be a place for young people to learn to play an instrument or read music.

Practices will take place at All Saints By-the-Sea Anglican Church on Park Drive, possibly after school on Wednesdays, although that has not been final-

The form and function of the group will be flexible, said Hage, and she will begin with any combination of interested musicians.

"I may start with a trumpet

trio," she joked.

In addition to her work with the Edmonton Symphony, Hage has years of performance and teaching experience, including eight years in a brass trio and both private and music conservatory tutelage.

"I really like to get the kids enjoying what they are playing and to enjoy playing it well," she

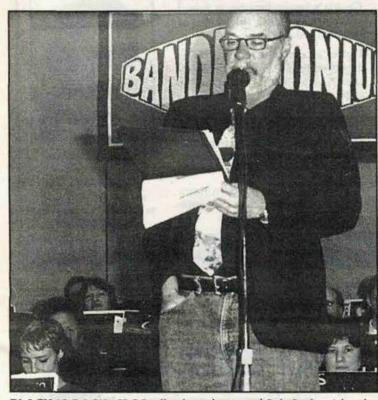
Hage stresses that her group would not compete with any high school band program formed in the future.

"It's the community filling a huge gap until someone else can

Interested musicians should contact Hage at 537-1388 for more information.



Dawn Hage



BLACK IS BACK: CBC Radio show host and Salt Spring Islander Arthur Black will MC Bandemonium's annual concert next

Bandemonium to offer two performances

By GAIL SJUBERG **Driftwood Staff**

Lots of people will be glad to know Bandemonium has scheduled two performances to showcase its talents this year.

Last year's single performance had people crammed into the multi-purpose room at the high school to hear the community band, middle school musicians and MC Arthur Black. The number of bodies reportedly even raised the eyebrows of local fire officials.

For its fourth annual Celebration of the Band event, Bandemonium has retained all the popular elements - its 45-member group, Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) bands and Black - but spread them over two days.

Next Saturday, January 25, beginning at 7:30 p.m., concertgoers will be entertained by Bandemonium selections and the humour of CBC Radio personality, island resident and author Black. Last year's audience really enjoyed Black, so he is "black by popular demand," explained Bandemonium co-director Wendy Milton.

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The next afternoon at 2 p.m., Bandemonium will be joined by the SIMS stage and senior concert

Bandemonium will play a wide range of music, from Bach compositions to marches, popular tunes and guaranteed toe-tappers such as

There will be Renaissance melodies and a "very challenging arrangement" of the 1996 Olympic Games theme.

A collection of French Canadian folk songs is also featured.

"Our mandate more and more content and music by Canadian composers," said Milton.

In the Mood and Fly Me to the Moon are two pieces in the repertoire of Bandemonium's 15-member stage band, joined this year by Salt Spring Elementary principal Kevin Vine on keyboards.

Tickets are available at Murray's Brewplace, Sharon's and Music Emporium. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. One dollar from each ticket sale will be contributed to the SIMS music program.



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Saturna 'pioneer' Ann Bavis dies in Victoria hospital

Driftwood Correspondent

Ann Queenie Bavis, one of Saturna's modern-day pioneers, passed away on January 3 at the palliative care unit of Victoria's Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Born in London, England in 1924, Ann came to Saturna as a war bride and spent the next 44 years of her life here. She and her late husband Charles (Chuck) Bavis raised three children, Gordon, Walter and Stacy, in their home on a remote area of Narvaez Bay.

John Money remembers meeting Ann when he was a small boy. She arrived at the populated end of the island driving an army jeep over the muddy logging roads and looking like she had just stepped out of a limou-

SATURNA NOTES

Ann enjoyed people and participated avidly in community activities. She was a notable bridge player. Ann was instrumental in forming the fire hall, the medical centre and the old age pensioners' housing devel-

Ann and Chuck built a logging company on Saturna and expanded their properties on Narvaez Bay. They spent a short while logging in a remote area on the central coast where Ann cooked for the crew and dealt with both primitive conditions and bears.

Ann was no stranger to tragedy. One Friday afternoon while she was playing bridge at the Community Hall her house caught fire and burned to the ground. She lost everything. She rebuilt and stayed on Saturna for a few years before moving to Sidney and then Victoria.

Ann leaves behind friends of all ages. John Money remembers how she was a friend first to his parents and then to him and later she befriended his youngest daughter Cara, touching each of their lives in a special way.

Family, friends and neighbours gathered at St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Sidney on Thursday for a memorial service in celebration of Ann's

life. The service was officiated by Rev. Roseland Westaway. Ann is survived by her children, six grandsons and her sister Margaret in England.

Margaret Fry, one of Ann's closest friends, sums up her life, "Ann was well-named.

New Year baby

Saturna's New Year baby has arrived. Morgan Alexander Scott was born on Saturday, January 11 at 2:12 a.m.

Morgan weighed 8 lbs 7 oz. His parents, Shelly Crooks and Scott Pearse, and his big brother Mitchell are all doing well.

Emergency services

Saturna firefighters met January 7 to discuss emergency planning following the blizzard that shut the island down over the holiday season.

It was noted that even when the hydro and all the East Point phones were out and the road was closed, the phone booth at the lighthouse continued to work. Plans were discussed to provide recharging stations at both ends of the island for emergency pagers and cellular

conditions not the best for bird count

By ALISTAIR ROSS

Driftwood Correspondent As elsewhere, Galiano's 1996 bird

count was completed under severe difficulties. December 28 was the day, and it

was cold (-7° C) and snowing, making visibility difficult. About 456 people took part, including those who stayed indoors but kept a record of the birds visiting their feeders. With fewer participating in the count, there were areas of the island not covered this year.

Approximately 3,700 individual birds were seen, 68 different species compared with the usual 6,000 - 8,000 birds and 80 species. Thirty bald eagles were reported seen, about the normal number for count day. Other birds of prey sighted included a peregrine falcon, a red-tailed hawk and a Cooper's hawk. A red-breasted sapsucker was sighted as were all the usual woodpecker species — the northern flicker, and the pileated, the hairy and the downy woodpecker.

Although total numbers were down, several species were found in greater numbers than in most previous years. Among them the American widgeon, band-tailed pigeons, northern crows, song sparrows, varied thrushes, house wrens, rufous-sided towhees, dark-eyed juncos and foxsparrows. Some of these species may have been seen more easily because GALIANO NOTES

they are especially attracted to feeders when snow covers the ground. An unusual sighting was an

Snow and rain

American tree sparrow.

Bill and Phyllis Stafford have been recording precipitation for Environment Canada in North Galiano since 1977.

Snow has fallen in December in reportable amounts in only nine of those 20 years. Heavy falls were reported in 1984 (8.6 centimetres), 1985 (12.4 centimetres), 1990 (15.6 centimetres) and 1992 (40.6 centime-

December's snowfall was 86 centimetres as measured by the Staffords. Along with that came 159 millimetres of rain, a total surpassed in 1987 (161.9), 1982 (164.4), 1993 (166.6), 1994 (193.4), 1981 (202.5), 1980 (219.7) and 1979 (290.3).

The driest December was in 1985 with 51 millimetres combined rain and snow, followed by 1995 with 58, 1978 with 65.5, 1991 with 83.4, 1983 with 86.4 and 1992 with 96.7.

Last December's total snow and rain was 245 millimetres, not a record for those years, but an impressive total

My Fair Lady

This Friday is opening night for Galiano Players' latest production, Lerner and Loewe's musical My Fair Lady.

Based on George Bernard Shaw's Pygmalion and set in 1911, the production will feature lavish period costuming. It is directed by David Clothier.

Performances will be given in the south hall at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays, January 17 and 24, and Saturdays, January 18 and 25. There will be Saturday matinees as well — January 18 and 25 at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets for opening night and the matinees will be \$10, other evening performances \$12. Tickets are available from the Corner Store and the Art and Soul shop.

Correction

Fred Stevens, who recently retired as assistant fire chief of the South Galiano Volunteer Fire Department asked me to correct the information contained in a year-end story about our island's fire departments.

Stevens did not leave his post because "of pressure of business" as reported, but rather, he states, "because of differences and disagreements which have developed within the group he has served for so many years."

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Grandparents Walter &
Alexandra Onofrienko of St.
Catharines. All very pleased
with the outcome. Family bit
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8 CARDS OF THANKS

TO THE honest person who so kindly turned in my purse to Thrifty's a few weeks ago. many thanks and a prosperous new year. Linda.

A BIG "Thank You" to the firemen and co-ordinator of our local emergency service who gave up their New Year's Eve celebrations to slog through thigh high water and snow. They came to our aid and diverted the water surrounding our condo. It had filled the crawlspace and would have flooded the main floor if they had not given so selflessly of their labour. It's comforting to know there are special people know there are special people like this you may call in an emergency. Many thanks to the neighbours who did what they could and LaFortune Construction for the use of their heater. We are drying out nicely. A Happy and Healthy New Year to all involved. D. and S. MacDonald, Valhalla

GAIL DYSON (of Salt Spring Island) along with her parents Marie and Stanley Johnson (of Penticton) express their grati-tude to: - The Salt Spring Fire Department Team, who went the extra mile, above and beyond the call of duty! -Gordon Lee and Barry Finch, of Gordon Lee and Barry Finch, or the Provincial Emergency Program, who sandbagged and trenched more than they bargained for! - Pat Byron and his "beautiful" backhoe! - Pat Akerman for his "sawing" talents! - Nancy Green for her "ice stairs!" Thanks to all the combined assistance we surfued bined assistance, we survived the storm of '96!

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PUGS - THE PC Users Group of Salt Spring meets Thursday, January 16 at 7:30 p.m. at Seniors for Seniors. Special interest groups on Windows, graphics, financial software and more. Internet hook-up guide, 3D glasses and how to talk to your computer. All Welcome. Info: 537-5145 or 537-4931.

YOGA WORKSHOP with Celeste Mallett, Sunday, January 26; 9 am - 12 noon. Salt Spring Centre, \$40. Lunch included after noon. Phone 537-5667 to register.

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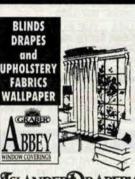
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LOAD RESTRICTION #1 SOUTH ISLAND HIGHWAYS DISTRICT

Pursuant to Section 26 of the Highway Act and the Commercial Transport Act, the following load restrictions are hereby imposed on all Provincial highways and roads within the South Island Highways District effective 12:01 a.m. Thursday, January 16, 1997, until further

No person shall operate any vehicle on the Pat Bay Highway #17. Trans-Canada Highway #1 and Cowichan Valley Highway #18, having a weight in excess of 100% of legal axle loading

The allowable weight on all other roads within the South Island Highways District shall be 70% of legal axle loading.

All term overload permits are invalid for th duration of the restrictions. Violators of the regulations and restrictions will be prosecuted. Appropriate percentage of the tolerance provided in subsection 7.06(2)

of the regulations pursuant to the Commercial Transportation Act are Your cooperation in the protection and elimination of damage to all

roads will be appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the local weigh station.

District Highways Manager South Island District Minister of Transportation and Highways

W.C. Bedford

Date: January 14, 1997

BRITISH COLUMBIA and Highways

Ministry of Transportation

Premier Bennett announced plans for 2 new ferries

Thirty-five years ago

· Premier W.A.C. Bennett announced that two new ships would be built for the Nanaimo-Horseshoe Bay ferry run and ready for service in 1963. At that point, the two former Black Ball ferries would be transferred for service to the Gulf

· Mr. D. Morris, the senior language teacher at Ganges School, spoke to the Parent-Teachers' Association about the province's "diluted education." Morris maintained democracy was an enemy of education and advocated higher standards and better textbooks in the

Thirty years ago

· A Gold Rush-style stage show, the Best of Barkerville, was coming to Salt Spring as part of Canada's Centennial celebration. The show

DOWN THE YEARS

was being sponsored by the Lions Club.

Twenty-five years ago

 A mobile crane from Duncan was used to raise the roof on the first part of the new Harbour House. The hotel was being built by Walter Herzog, owner and contractor. The project marked the first use of Meyer Bros.' mobile crane.

Twenty years ago

Salt Spring regional director George Heinekey said the CRD was recommending against further commercial zoning around St. Mary Lake, given the lake's use as a source of domestic water. Health regulations also prohibited construcof the lake shore, he added.

· Veteran school trustee Charlie Baltzer was elected chairman of the Gulf Islands School District board at its inaugural meeting. Baltzer had previously served as board chairman from 1973-75. He replaced trustee Ann Foerster in that position.

· A hawk attempted to grab Howard Byron's hand as the Fulford man was attempting to free a blackbird trapped in a fishnet. The hawk was apparently trying to attack the trapped blackbird but dug its talons into Byron's hand. Both birds escaped unharmed and Byron escaped with an injured hand.

Fifteen years ago

The cost of operating island schools had leapt by 95 per cent between 1977 and 1982, according to a five-year budget comparison released by the provincial Ministry

get was \$2.2 million in 1977 and had reached \$4.3 million by 1981. Inflation at 12 per cent a year accounted for much of the increase.

Ten years ago

· Four native bands laid claim to all of the Gulf Islands except Galiano in a bid to improve the social, cultural and economic wellbeing of their members. Spokesman Philip Paul said the bands never gave up title for the lands. However, he said the claim was only intended to affect undeveloped land on the islands as the bands had no interest in kicking people out of their homes.

Five years ago

· Rainbow Road residents formed a group to oppose establishment of a transfer station and recycling facility on Rainbow and Atkins Roads. A temporary use permit had been

granted for the facility by the local Trust committee. Meanwhile, Norman Twa had appealed to extend his operating permit for his Blackburn Road landfill but was considering withdrawing his appeal given approval for an on-island transfer station. He pointed out his court costs could reach \$12,000 if he lost the case.

· Salt Spring's Parks and Recreation Commission members decided that only Gulf Islands produce and crafts would be sold in the Saturday market. A 1991 survey revealed 84 per cent of those responding wanted locally made crafts and produce sold in the market while 76 per cent felt vendors should be island residents. Market Vendor Association members were opposed to the regulation and maintained inappropriate vendors could be gradually eliminated.

Food Safe offered again

By NEILL ARMITAGE **Driftwood Contributor**

Al Irving will offer another Food Safe class very soon for students currently registered at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS).

Interested students should talk to Al immediately because these sessions tend to fill quickly.

 Students hoping to live in residence at UVic this fall should contact the UVic housing office now even if they have not yet been admitted to the university. Room assignments for first-year students will be based on the order in which the applications are received by the housing office.

For more details, phone 250-721-8395 or view their web site at www.hfcs.uvic.ca.

Current information on the nursing program offered by Camosun College will be available at a free information session at the Lansdowne Campus on Wednesday, February 19 at 7 p.m.

Phone 370-3553 for answers to questions about the academic requirements for this program.

Camosun College is accepting applications for fall '97 programs beginning January 20. Students presently in Grade 12 should apply now even if they have not completed the required courses. Applicants have until July 4 to finish all of the prerequisite courses. Students and parents frequently ask us if graduates need to have completed four provincially examinable courses in order to meet college and/or university entrance requirements. The answer to this question is "no."

Most universities require students to have a high school graduation certificate; and in this province, students need to have English 12, Career and Personal

INSIDE GISS

Planning 12 and at least 10 credits in provincially-approved Grade 12 courses to quality for a dogwood (Grade 12) diploma. Courses offered at GISS are worth four (4)

Students also often ask us if they need a second language to meet the entrance requirements of colleges and universities. Again, the answer is "no." Credit in a second language is a good idea for all high school students who wish to attend post-secondary institutions, but many college and university programs do not require a second language for admission.

At the same time, we recommend students earn credits in as many different disciplines as they can simply because they end up with more choices. Students need to realize it is in their own best interest to spend time in the counselling centre familiarizing themselves with the requirements of post-secondary programs.

Questions are also often asked about mathematics. For most universities, Mathematics 11 is a basic requirement.

Students thinking about careers in areas that are based on a lot of mathematics and physical sciences should try to complete Grade 12 Mathematics and Calculus. Mathematics 11A is meant to be a course for students who have a great deal of difficulty with mathematics. This course meets the basic mathematics graduation requirement, but for post-secsite, this course is not acceptable.

Locallydesigned Web site named 4th

An Internet site designed by Marc Boucher of Salt Springbased aTerra Technologies has been awarded fourth place in the Vancouver Sun's list of top 10 World Wide Web sites.

Coq Sportif (http://www.canadas.net/sports/s portif) earned its place on the Sun's list for its "entertaining, independent hockey coverage." The Sun concedes the National

Hockey League has its own site, but rated Le Coq Sportif as number one.

Boucher is also the designer of Maple Square, Canada's Internet Directory, and the Driftwood's new web site, called Gulf Islands Online.

Ahead of Boucher's hockey site on the Sun's list were C/NET, in first place, CNN Interactive, second, and Salon, third.

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