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Tour boat owner seeks moorage at public facilities

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How should government dock space be allocated to best benefit the community?

The answer will determine whether Salt Spring Boat Tours sails this spring.

Owner Diane O'Connor has poured more than a year of effort and almost \$500,000 of her own plus investors' funds into the business, which she planned to start April 5. In Ontario, she operated a similar business for three years and did extensive market research before deciding to establish a tour boat business on Salt Spring.

She already has 31 groups booked for trips aboard the 50-passenger Swan Spirit, which is now being refitted as a sightseeing boat. She has hired three people and has applicants for several other jobs.

But she needs a place to base the 57-foot power catamaran, ideally

within walking distance of downtown Ganges.

Aside from commercial marinas, dock space in the inner and outer harbours is allocated by the Salt Spring Island Harbour Authority. But when O'Connor approached the harbour authority, her request for space was rejected.

Chairman Doug Rajala said the dock which O'Connor wants to use is allocated for transient vessels which come to Salt Spring over the summer. "That dock is a transient dock. We designate it as such so the boating public can come to Salt Spring," he said.

He feels a commercial venture like O'Connor's tour boat business should be berthed at one of the marinas.

O'Connor said she was unable to get space at Salt Spring Marina, while Ganges Marina is still being rebuilt after suffering extensive damage in a

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New name for old practice

A touch of spin doctoring changed some terminology at Thursday's Salt Spring Trust Committee meeting.

Islands Trust chairman David Essig noted that resolutions without meeting — those decisions made without calling a formal, public meeting of the committee — would be referred to in future as "resolutions under Section 24" (of the Islands Trust Act).

Essig, who also acts as chairman of the Salt Spring Trust Committee, explained that some people on some islands view the resolutions-without-meeting option as a way of handling business out of public view.

The Trust is the only body allowed to make such resolutions, an option granted under the Islands Trust Act due to the difficulty of arranging in-person meetings between trustees on different islands.

Most of the issues handled through resolutions without meeting are not contentious, Essig observed, and all such resolutions are available to the public.

Salt Spring trustees Bev Byron and David Borrowman did not comment on the wording change.

No dramatic change, Fyke tells hospital board

By VALORIE LENNOX
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Gulf Islands health services won't change dramatically April 1, even through the local hospital board will be dissolved and authority for Lady Minto Hospital will be transferred to the Capital Health Region.

That was the message Capital Health Region chief executive officer Ken Fyke brought to a January 28 meeting of Lady Minto's board, due to be dissolved March 31.

As of April 1, hospital employees will become employees of the Capital Health Region.

The hospital will be supervised by Bob Myers, currently the chief executive officer of Saanich Peninsula Hospital. On January 28, Myers was appointed regional director of community health centres, which includes the Saanich Peninsula and the

Gulf Islands.

The appointment disappointed those island residents who had hoped Lady Minto administrator Karen Davies would be given the position.

"There is a suggestion that Bob Myers might have a manager for the Saanich Peninsula and a manager for the southern Gulf Islands," Lady Minto Hospital board member Gordon English said.

He would have liked to see Davies as the regional director. Failing that, he hopes she becomes the Gulf Islands manager so her expertise is available for the local hospital.

Davies said a management team will have to be hired within the next few weeks, once the exact nature of the team is determined by Myers. "I'm hoping I can be more of a manager, hands on," she said.



Nice day for a dip

Robyn Millerd, despite her cat-like appearance, almost seems to be enjoying the cool waters of Vesuvius Bay on Sunday. The beach

at Vesuvius was the site of the annual Polar Bear Swim, postponed from New Year's Day. Story, more photos, Page 3.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

There is a way to give the people greater power

There was a very fine survey in a recent Economist magazine on the value of full, or direct, democracy.

Not too long ago I would have read the piece and reached a different conclusion. But cynicism and disillusionment with our method of government can only grow with time, especially given the scarcity of leadership so prevalent in today's world.

Many of us would like to have a say over issues such as our trade with China (and Cuba, too, for that matter). Some of us would prefer to have greater influence over federal and provincial spending habits, environmental issues, inter-provincial trade rules and other matters which affect us greatly.

But the level of influence enjoyed by the average Canadian means he has virtually no control over the manner in which his country is governed.

The prime minister rules like any other leader today, by following public opinion

TONY RICHARDS



and reacting to it. When leaders have views that don't quite mesh with those of the voting public, debate is stifled. (Don't hold your breath waiting for Jean Chretien's next town hall meeting on the CBC.)

And make sure you keep breathing if there's any hint of a forthcoming public policy announcement. You'll be sure to expire if you anticipate anything other than a pronouncement that has been carefully moulded by thorough polling in an effort to design something that will offend as few voters as possible.

Ah, so cynical, but how else can one think these days?

Well, one can think about the worth of direct democracy, a system which by many accounts is highly successful in Switzerland. When the British parliamentary system was coming into full flower a couple of hundred years ago, it made eminent sense that decisions affecting the masses should be made by the political class.

The masses, largely uneducated and ill-informed, were incapable of making decisions on issues of the day. The politicians, however, had the education and the information to enable them to take the course of action that was in the best interest of the public. (At least that's how it was in theory anyway. And it's a sensible theory.)

Today, things are much changed. The masses are well educated, as well as the political classes. They are also just as well informed; not only that, they have tremendous access to information through old-fashioned print and the huge new resource that is the Internet.

In short, then, those whom we elect to serve us in Victoria or Ottawa are in no better position than the rest of us to make the decisions that have traditionally been left to government.

So goes the argument in favour of full democracy, in which the voters are given the opportunity to have their (binding) say on matters of major import. Government by referendum has long been a platform of the Reform Party of Canada, but we should not write it off as further wickedness from radical right-wing neo-cons for that reason.

Instead, we should weigh it carefully and then proceed to whisper it among ourselves. And then one day, in the bright but distant future, a leader will appear before us and, having himself uttered the whispers, introduce sweeping reforms to our system of government.

Now that spring is just around the corner, it's nice to dream a little, isn't it?

Board says no to stop-work order; developer says water issue resolved

Electoral area directors of the Capital Regional District (CRD) voted Wednesday against putting a stop work order on the Bullock Lake resort project, despite presentations from Islands Trust chairman David Essig and islander Bob Jankura.

Both Essig and Jankura, who represented the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association, spoke in favour of halting the Salt Spring Island Village Resort project.

Local Trust committee members Bev Byron and David Borrowman also attended the Capital Regional District meeting.



Essig

The only unresolved issue is whether the developer can produce proof of potable water to serve the 123-unit development, Essig said at Thursday's Salt Spring Trust Committee meeting. "At the moment, it's not a very optimistic picture," he said.

But developer Brian Hauff said all of the water supply issues have been resolved. He said water potability, quantity and quality were all proven more than a year ago although the project is still waiting for formal approval of a government permit to construct the water system.

Claims that the water issue is unresolved — on which the Trust's bid for a stop work order was based — are untrue, Hauff said Monday. "It's not

unresolved. That's what is really sad."

He conceded there are different opinions on the island over the amount of potable water available.

Although the Trust bid for a stop work order did not succeed, Essig said the CRD board did agree to work with the Islands Trust to find out why a project opposed by the Trust and by many islanders still gained a building permit.

Borrowman said he was astonished to learn from the CRD that proof of potable water is not required for a building permit. Borrowman pointed out a Trust bylaw requiring proof of potable water for development is unenforceable because such proof is outside the Islands Trust jurisdiction.

Byron noted there is no provincial legislation governing groundwater. Although groundwater is not an issue in much of the province, she felt there should be legislation in the Islands Trust area, if no place else. "There is a problem here, on the islands," she observed.

Essig noted a study into groundwater legislation had been done on the Penders and on Hornby. Getting such legislation should be at the top of the agenda for the Islands Trust, he suggested.

Resident John Fulker suggested the CRD might face a class action suit by 123 buyers

of resort units if the water is not available for their units. "It's a very real possibility."

Essig thought existing residents whose water supply is diminished by the resort project might also take legal action.

Borrowman said there is nothing to be gained from attacking the CRD. The building permits for the resort are legal, he noted, regardless of how they were issued.

Essig agreed. "All the legal advice we've seen is that the building permit is valid," he said.

On Monday, Hauff said he would have had to take legal action to recover his losses if the CRD had tried to stop the project.

"There would be a damage suit that is horrendous," he observed. Although development of the resort has been hampered by the weather, he expects to have the first units occupied by July and the resort finished by November.

"I'm looking forward to integrating into the community a bit," Hauff said.

Meanwhile, at Thursday's Trust meeting, Byron focused on preventing any other properties from being developed as resorts. Trustees have asked staff to prepare a list of "time bombs" which they will be reviewing, she said.

Essig stressed completion of the island's official community plan is the best way to control future development. "The place to take that high moral road you're talking about is in your OCP," he told the meeting.



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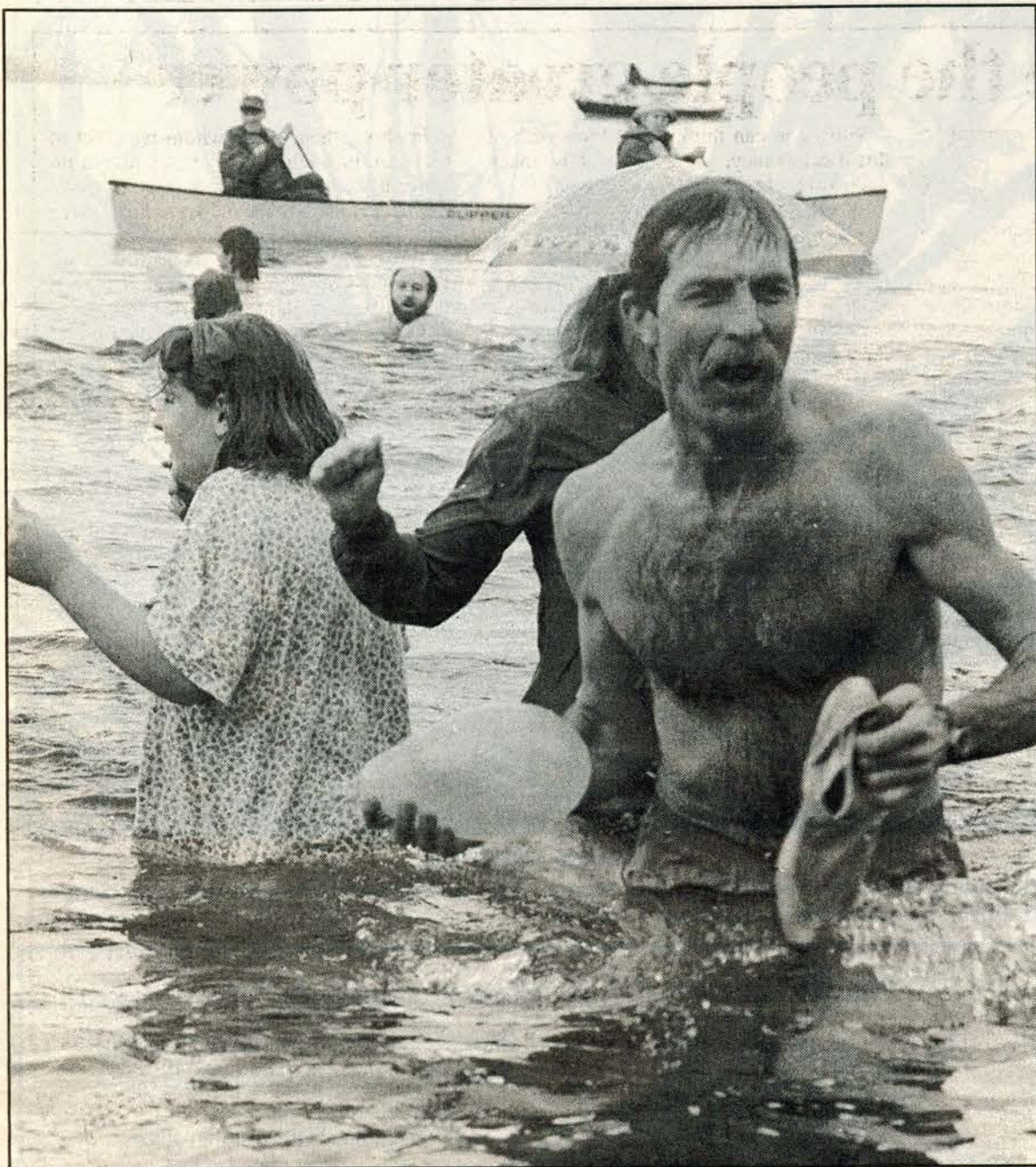
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JANUARY AT THE BEACH: Tony Meek, above, holds the balloon he retrieved during a refreshing swim Sunday at Vesuvius beach. Polar Bear swimmers who retrieved balloons were eligible for prizes. At left, Nigel Kay reaches for his prize balloon.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

50 take to the water on Sunday

Salt Spring's delayed Polar Bear Swim still drew a crowd of delighted dippers to Vesuvius Bay Sunday morning, with an estimated 50 swimmers and 50 watchers.

Sponsored by the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce, the event featured a pancake breakfast at the Beachcomber Motel in Vesuvius starting at 11 a.m., a parade to the beach at noon and the swim — a bit early — shortly before the scheduled time of 12:30 p.m.

"People were keen ... they were ready to go ... they were doffing their clothes," chamber manager Melva Geldreich said of the eager participants.

She described the water temperature as "cool" and the air temperature as kinder. "People were not standing around shivering."

Best costume prizes went to Ashe and Sierra Bluebird, who were dressed as mermaids. Four-year-old Ashe was also the youngest swimmer.

Other participants collected prizes by swimming out to balloons floating on the surface of the bay, placed there earlier in the day by the Salt Spring Island Paddlers. Inside each balloon was a tag corresponding to one of 40 prizes.

Participants could also pick up a polar bear swim T-shirt or get breakfast and a T-shirt for \$10, Geldreich noted. T-shirts are still available from the chamber office as are two prizes corresponding to balloon tags which have not yet been picked up.

Geldreich said 23 local companies or individuals contributed to the

event. Major contributors included Connie and Gary Ball of the Beachcomber Motel and Jan Macpherson, who helped organize the swim, Barnyard Graphix and Mouat's for the T-shirts, the Vesuvius Store for posters, Thrifty Foods and Sandpiper Marketing for helping with the pancake breakfast, Russ Crouse of Windemere Salt Spring Realty for providing a tent, the Salt Spring Rod and Gun Club for tables and Salt Spring Roasting Company for turning out with hot coffee.

"I hope it builds into a bigger event," Geldreich said.

Upcoming ventures for the chamber include celebrating Chamber of Commerce Week from February 10 to 15, a Klondike Night March 8 and a CBC personalities night March 22.

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Community plan nearing completion

The end may be in sight for completing Salt Spring's official community plan (OCP).

A short review of the second draft and adoption of the final plan by the end of July was urged by resident Hank Doerksen at Thursday's Salt Spring Trust Committee meeting.

Committee members Bev Byron and David Borrowman both noted they had heard few complaints about the second draft of the plan. Four hundred copies had been picked up since it was released last October and only nine responses had been received commenting on the plan's contents.

Senior planner Linda Adams outlined three alternatives for completing the plan, from a full review topic by topic to a few public information meetings followed by any required revisions and adoption. Cost for the first would be approximately \$8,000, she noted, while the shorter process would cost \$6,700.

Instead of general meetings, Byron suggested one or two open

houses at which people could drop in, talk to staff and/or trustees and give their opinions on specific clauses in the plan.

She felt the majority of people approved of the second draft of the plan. "Except for some fine-tuning and a little bit of this and that, they're happy with it."

Chairman David Essig said choosing the less expensive process would be a good move since there is no guarantee of future provincial funding for the process. "It would be good to do it the cheap way," he said.

Borrowman said the Community Planning Association, which created Salt Spring's original community plan in 1972 and an update in 1989, had been asked to write a vision statement for the new plan.

Trustees decided to meet with members of the Advisory Planning Commission and the OCP coordinating committee to discuss how the final review and adoption of the plan should be handled.

Harbour authority cited as model for others

Salt Spring's local harbour authority was cited as a model for other harbour authorities at the group's annual general meeting Thursday night.

"This harbour authority has really been an example for every harbour up and down the coast," said Gary Lacey, Small Craft Harbours area chief for the Gulf Islands, Fraser River and Interior.

He noted Salt Spring's harbour authority runs the most harbours — seven — of any such group in the province and is also well on the way to becoming financially independent of the Small Craft Harbours Branch. The federal department is both divesting itself of recreational harbours and turning the management of other harbours over to local harbour authorities.

Included in the Salt Spring harbour authority's jurisdiction are Ganges inner harbour (boat basin), Ganges outer harbour (off Mouat's), Fulford inner harbour (fishboats), Fulford outer harbour (Shell bulk plant), Musgrave Landing, Burgoyne Bay and next to the ferry terminal at Vesuvius.

Chairman Doug Rajala said new finger floats were installed in the Ganges inner harbour this past year, following the dredging

done the previous year. The harbour authority also took over responsibility for the Fulford outer harbour dock this year.

He introduced the directors joining the board: John Elliott representing the commercial fishing sector, Colleen Shannon representing the community sector, and Mike Byrne from the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce.

Dean Sevold and Diane O'Connor are both seeking to represent the commercial non-fishing sector and an earlier vote ended in a tie, Rajala said, so a second vote will be held next week. Voters will be the seven members in the commercial non-fishing sector.

Outgoing treasurer Oluf Olsen reported there was slightly more than \$46,000 in the harbour authority's account, with no significant expenses since the year-end of April 30, 1996.

The discrepancy between the official year-end of the organization nine months earlier and the annual general meeting prompted incoming director Shannon to suggest the two be more in sync.

Lacey suggested the board receive an updated financial report at the annual general meeting in addition to the audited financial statement.



Cedar sentinel

This gnarly old cedar tree, with its moss-coated limbs, is one of the features on a trail in Salt Spring Island's Mouat Park, near Ganges.

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Several developments come up at Trust committee meeting

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

A long-delayed development on Mount Tuam inched forward Thursday when the Salt Spring Trust Committee backed approval of a proposal to provide road access to the land-locked 243-hectare (600-acre) site.

The project was one of five developments considered by Trust committee members at Thursday's meeting.

For the Mount Tuam project, the committee endorsed removal of one-tenth of an acre from the Forest Land Reserve (FLR). The corner of land is owned by Texada Logging and is on Southeast Section 43, adjacent to Sections 42 and 38.

Section 38 is owned by Mount Tuam Developments, which applied two years ago to develop the property as a large-lot residential subdivision. The site could be developed into 30 lots, based on a minimum lot size of eight hectares (20 acres).

However, that application was turned down because of objections to the proposed road access, which cut across the mountain and did not conform with Salt Spring's official community plan or the Trust policy statement.

Removal of the one-tenth acre of Texada land from the FLR and a boundary change incorporating that corner of land into Section 42 will allow an access road to be built from an existing subdivision in Section 42 to Section 38.

"This access is the least destructive of the options for access,"

noted Trust planner David Marlor. Texada has agreed to turn the one-tenth acre over to Mount Tuam Developments in return for an easement over the proposed road, which will give Texada road access to Section 43, Marlor reported.

Salt Spring Trust Committee member David Borrowman noted part of the proposed road will pass through an area subject to high erosion, which may raise some questions at the Ministry of Transportation and Highways (MOTH), since the ministry will eventually assume responsibility for the new road.

Marlor reported the ministry has not yet approved the proposed road.

Also before Trust committee members was an update on the Swanson's Pond 21-unit multi-family project between Kanaka Road and Park Drive. Planner David Marlor reported a successful meeting between the applicant and the Ministry of the Environment in December to resolve concerns over development around the pond. Staff are almost ready to start drafting a development permit for the project, Marlor said.

An application to subdivide a Churchill Road property into eight lots was forwarded by trustees to the MOTH subdivision approving officer.

Plans for the subdivision, located between Churchill and Long Harbour roads, include a covenant to protect a creek and a heron rookery, plus a small park dedication.

Trustees agreed to a staff recom-

mendation to back a slight reduction in the average lot size — from one hectare to .97 hectare — for the subdivision in order to allow for the covenants and the linear park.

Essig noted the Islands Trust may be assuming authority for subdivision approvals from MOTH later this year, provided enough money is available to undertake the additional responsibility.

Trustees were updated on two more projects, a development permit for Ganges Marina and a development permit for Function Junction.

Ganges Marina is proposing expansion of four 600-square-foot buildings on its Lower Ganges Road property. Borrowman noted the project includes an additional section of the seawalk.

Another goal would be to add a marine septage pump-out facility to the island, which Borrowman said could occur as part of this project. Essig said the Trust would like to encourage the use of boat holding tanks in the entire Trust area.

The design for Function Junction — three commercial buildings offering 15 to 18 strata-title commercial/light industrial units — has been reviewed by the Trust's advisory design panel. It is now before MOTH and the Capital Regional District health and building departments, Trust planner Gerry Hamblin noted.

The development is on approximately two acres at the corner of Lower Ganges and Upper Ganges roads.

Trust meetings adopt new format

By VALORIE LENNOX
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Informality and an audience of approximately 20 islanders — a contrast to the often empty room — marked the first official meeting of Salt Spring trustees David Borrowman and Bev Byron Thursday.

At the outset, chairman David Essig of Thetis Island outlined a new format giving more opportunities for public input throughout the meeting. First, formal presentations or delegations could be heard at the start of the meeting; during discussion, audience members could be invited to comment at the discretion of trustees; topics could be brought up by those present under new business and; at the end of the meeting, questions would be invited.

Although questions and comments are welcome, Essig noted oration or ongoing argument would not be allowed. "These meetings are not platforms for debate," he said.

Former regional director Dietrich Luth pointed out the Capital Regional District (CRD) requires five days' notice of delegations to the board, allowing more control of the meeting. Essig, echoed by Byron, responded that the Salt Spring Trust Committee had decided to try a less formal process.

"We're trying to avoid the situation where these meetings become a set piece and you sit there watching us shuffle paper," Borrowman remarked.

Another small innovation introduced at the meeting was identification of areas or projects under discussion by their common or popular description, in addition to the legal designation in the agenda or on a bylaw.

Also cited at Thursday's meeting were recent resolutions passed under Section 24 of the Islands Trust Act (resolutions without meeting). They were:

- First reading was given January 17 to a bylaw permitting a caretak-

er's cottage with a maximum floor area of 1,000 square feet in provincial and regional parks of 10 acres or more. Installation of caretakers is being prompted by vandalism in island parks.

Borrowman noted the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission already has a resident caretaker in Moutat Park.

- Kathy Scarfo, Drew Thorburn, Ken Lee, Heidi Griffin, Neville Atkinson, Jac Andre and John Cade were appointed to two-year terms on the advisory transportation committee effective January 20. Andrew Lewis was appointed to the Trust's advisory design panel until August 14, 1998.

- A grant of \$600 was approved for the Salt Spring cycling advisory committee from the local Trust committee's discretionary fund. Also approved for the Salt Spring office from that fund was up to \$1,700 for a public announcement system, television set and VCR.

Also at Thursday's meeting:

- Completion of the official community plan (OCP) and related land

use bylaws were given top priority by Trust committee members. A bylaw allowing ticketing for bylaw infractions will be delayed until the OCP is completed, members agreed.

- Two volunteers are needed to sit on the Trust's Advisory Planning Commission.

- Trustees also received a letter from lawyer Jim Pasuta asking for a meeting with Trust committee members over a rezoning application from Ted and Winnie Kwong, which he noted had been halted by the previous trustees through a resolution-without-meeting on November 20.

The application had received second and third reading but had been delayed over changes requested by the Trust, Pasuta said.

Byron asked staff to provide a report on the rezoning application to supplement the information in Pasuta's letter.

- The next meeting of the Salt Spring Trust Committee is scheduled for March 27 at 1 p.m. in the Grace Point Square meeting room.



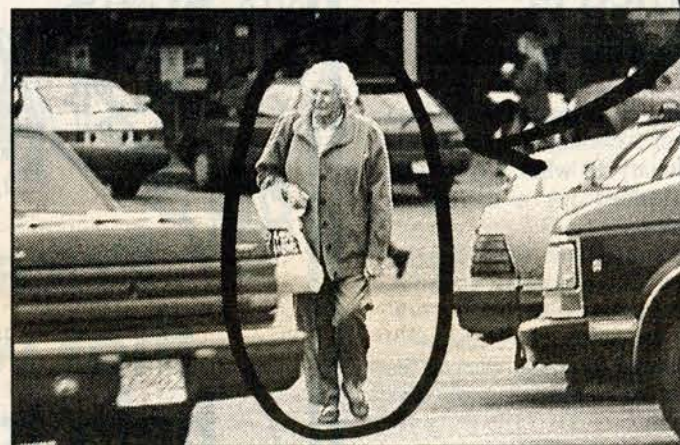
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storm last fall. She had also attempted to get space adjoining Ganges Marina.

In December she approached the harbour authority, meeting with a few of the board members to explain her proposal, and sent a written application to the board for space. On January 10 she was notified that her request was rejected due to lack of space. Her request to meet with the board to try and resolve the issue was initially declined.

Rajala said harbour authority board meetings are closed to the public, in part because some of the business deals with personal matters like individual moorage fees being in arrears.

"We have to make our decisions somehow," he said, adding that the board meetings have always been closed. "It's more for the sake of convenience we don't throw it open to the public every month."

The issue erupted at the harbour authority's one public meeting — the annual general meeting last Thursday — when Salt Spring resident Derek Emmerson challenged the board's decision on O'Connor's application.

"I think we may be missing out on a very valuable opportunity," he said, suggesting that providing economic benefits to the community should be part of the harbour authority's mandate.

Human error blamed in ramp incident

Human error caused the sudden raising of a loading ramp at Swartz Bay January 18 while a ferry was being loaded for a sailing to Tsawwassen.

An inquiry by B.C. Ferries revealed the equipment operator, seeking to lower the ramp a few inches to the ferry deck, moved the levers in the wrong direction, causing the apron to rise approximately one metre.

When a ferry is being loaded or unloaded, the ramp "floats" to compensate for movement. Sensors lock the ramp if the deck drops more than 4.5 inches below the apron. At that point, the operator adjusts the ramp position.

The ramp had locked so the equipment operator adjusted it, just as a car was just rolling from the ramp to the ferry deck. There were no injuries and only minor damage to the vehicle.

Emmerson wondered if downtown businesses would support the harbour authority's decision. He also felt transient boaters should not have priority over a local resident operating a business.

Rajala said the harbour authority is not concerned with revenue coming into the community. "Our prime concern is not for the retailers in this town."

The dock being eyed by O'Connor is full throughout the summer, Rajala said. "During the peak season we have to turn people away."

He maintained space has to be kept available for transient boaters to encourage them to stop in Ganges.

Board member Colleen Shannon said space has to be reserved for those who cannot afford full-time moorage in marinas and for those who come from smaller islands to shop in Ganges.

Emmerson suggested allowing a wider range of uses on the government docks would help the harbour authority generate additional funds if government funding for harbour maintenance is cut.

The inner harbour is for fishing boats and pleasure boats, added Rajala.

O'Connor pressed for a chance to meet with the board and discuss options. She feels the transient dock



Diane O'Connor

was originally suggested as an option by the harbour authority — not requested by her — and that a solution could be found through discussion with the board.

Her request was echoed in a letter from the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce, which would also like to see a solution found. "From the chamber point of view, we want to encourage business," said president Barry Green. However, his organization cannot take sides, he said.

Rajala agreed to a meeting between the entire board and O'Connor to discuss her proposal. That meeting is slated for Thursday evening.

Rajala maintained the actual board meeting, scheduled for the same night, would be closed to the public.

Board to look at impacts of budget cutting options

Consideration of the Capital Regional District (CRD) 1997 budget has been delayed until the next board meeting on February 12.

Salt Spring regional director Kellie Booth reported the delay after last Wednesday's board meeting.

The board is aiming for a zero per cent increase but has asked staff and board committees to outline the impact on services of both a zero increase and a 3.5 per cent increase. The provisional budget originally presented to the board December 7 called for a seven per cent increase, which was rejected by board members.

Also at Wednesday's board meeting:

• Saanich Peninsula farmer Ian Vantreight made a presentation on the issue of water access for agriculture. Booth obtained a copy of the presentation for the informa-

tion of the Islands Farmers Institute.

• Board members supported a CRD Health recommendation in favour of photo radar in the Capital Regional District. A report accompanying the recommendation noted that reduced speed leads to fewer personal injury accidents and lower health care costs.

• Board members suspended development of a new engineering satellite building in Centennial Square by defeating the borrowing bylaw for the project. Staff were directed to come up with less expensive alternatives to meet current needs.

• The latest edition of the CRD recycling directory is available by calling the CRD Hotline at 360-3030 or going online to the CRD web site at <http://vfv.com/crd/recycling/Recycling.html>.

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Large fir trees felled, removed from south-end park

Trees in local parks and rights-of-way in remote areas of Salt Spring are being stolen, most likely for use or sale as firewood.

Stolen last week were two large fir trees, 75 to 100 feet tall, from a beach access right-of-way off Eagle Ridge Road at Beaver Point.

"These were huge trees," noted Julia Atkins, who lives on nearby Forest Ridge Road. "It's stunning that no one heard them go down."

A truck would have been required to cart out the wood and one was spotted

in the area, she added. "There would have to have been several truckloads of logs."

In addition to the loss of the trees, which belong to the province, the bank which was held in place by the roots is now in danger of erosion, Atkins observed.

A number of residents are now keeping watch for anyone selling loads of fir firewood. Atkins said she can understand the temptation to steal trees — "Times are tough, people are hurting economically" — but feels the damage

to the environment cannot be justified.

Remote parks are also losing trees, noted Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission administrator Tony Hume.

"We've had several instances of trees being cut in Arnell Park," he said. "It's one of the reasons we've been so anxious to get caretakers in our larger parks."

Given the difficulty of selling fallen trees for lumber — the log must be stamped and the source identified — he suspects the trees are being taken for firewood.

Trees like the huge firs taken from the highway access can be worth a lot of money as truckloads of firewood, Hume observed. "That's just pure cash."

But it is illegal to cut down trees in parks and on road rights-of-way. It is also illegal to remove windfallen trees, Hume said.

"Because they're down doesn't mean they can be removed," he said, explaining that leaving a fallen tree to decay naturally is part of maintaining a natural park. "You can't help yourself to a tree that's down in a park."

ArtSpring board retreat produces 18 options; cost estimates being prepared on short list of 10

A brainstorming retreat by the Island Arts Centre Society board produced 18 possible options for completing ArtSpring.

President Bob Weeden said the meeting was marked by a determination not have any more "slow, stale years go by" without action on the facility.

Ideas ranged from borrowing the rest of the money to finish the building, completing the work and then dealing with the resulting debt to plugging along with fundraising and slowly building with comple-

tion in three to four years, assuming donations keep coming in and costs don't go up dramatically.

Board members reduced the 18 options to 10 which are being seriously considered. Depending on a variety of factors, Weeden said the building could open in late 1997 or early 1998 or not open before the turn of the century.

Among the ideas being considered is opening part of the building and deferring the remainder, or reducing the level of finishing before open-

ing all or part of the building. For example, the theatre could be opened without installed lights or theatre seating. Audience members would sit on pillowed risers.

The beneficial side is that the building opens. The downside is that the building, once open, may remain partially completed for a long time.

Board members have asked construction foreman Bob Jankura to draft the estimated costs of the various options. They are also continuing to contact potential donors and

putting together an application for a government infrastructure grant.

"We hope to make news — positive news — this year," Weeden said.

On the board for 1997 are Weeden, vice-president Bill Curtin, treasurer Raymonde Vachon, secretary Karin Weber, fundraising chairman Chris Chapman, Jean Addison, building committee chairman Richard Bremer and Joan Farlinger and Pat Fraser, who are both heading the program development committee.



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SWOVA campaigns in support of Bill C-46

SWOVA Community Development and Research Society is mounting a campaign urging the federal government to pass Bill C-46.

Drafted to protect women's private and personal records from being disclosed in sexual assault trials, the bill has been stalled after first reading and may not be passed before an election is called. If this happens, explains SWOVA's Lynda Laushway, "the process will have to start all over again with the next government."

Women's private and confidential records from health counselling, welfare, education and rape crisis centres have been routinely subpoenaed, disclosed and used against women in criminal proceedings where they have been victims of sexual assault, said Laushway.

SWOVA is urging Salt Spring residents to join a letter campaign to lobby the government to quickly pass Bill C-46 before a federal election is called. Letters with pertinent information can be obtained at et cetera, Salt Spring Community Services Society and medical offices in Ganges.

Letters to federal MPs can be mailed free of charge, SWOVA notes.

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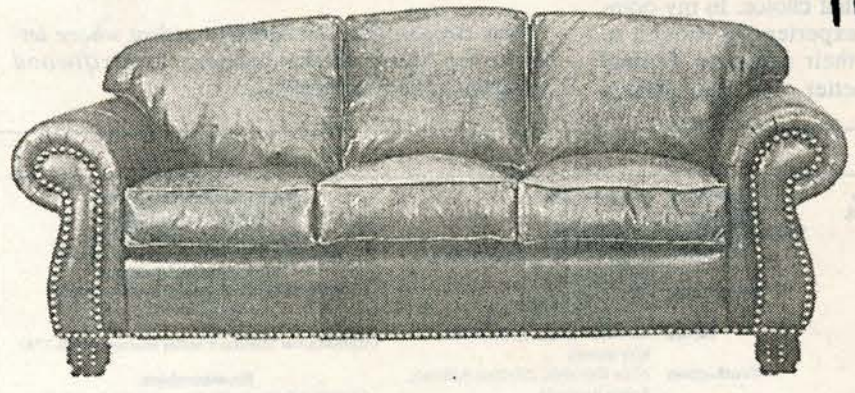


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O P I N I O N

Let committee finish its job, Mr. Petter

Belay that fare increase, Cap'n Petter. On Friday, B.C. Finance Minister Andrew Petter said part of the government's budget-balancing plan includes operating the B.C. Ferry Corporation as a commercial, self-supporting entity.

Variable pricing, increased reservations, a review of service levels, public-private partnerships were all suggested by the minister.

But before Petter starts filling the provincial government's bottomless treasure chests with gold wrested from B.C. Ferries' passengers, he should take a closer look at initiatives already under way and at recent history.

B.C. Ferries is already moving towards becoming a "commercial" crown corporation operating without provincial government subsidies. That is part of the point of the corporation's long-term planning advisory committees, which is involving communities served by ferries in making service more efficient.

The Gulf Islands committee members have already volunteered more than two years to this process. We think the government should allow that process to continue by letting the committee finish its work and make its recommendations.

We'd hate to see a repeat of Health Minister Joy McPhail's abrupt elimination of volunteer community health councils applied to the community advisory committees. Those on the committees — not the bureaucrats in Victoria — are best able to judge the impact of ferry service changes on the users.

And one message Gulf Islands committee members want to drum into the government is that ferry routes for islanders are not a luxury — they are the equivalent of the highways which link parts of the province not divided by water.

Using those highways is free. But the ferries are not. Just as a resident of Hope must use Highway 1 to reach medical treatment in Vancouver, a resident of Ganges must use the ferry to access the same service.

We're not saying — as much as we'd like to — that ferry service should be free. That solution might be fair but is financially unrealistic.

But it is equally unrealistic for the provincial government to regard the ferry service as somehow optional, a luxury whose price can be increased indefinitely because people can make the choice not to board the ferry.

How would the rest of the province respond to a suggestion that drivers pay, say, 50 cents for every mile travelled on a B.C. highway?

Petter's comments Friday make it clear that the government has long since abandoned the ferries-as-highway stance taken by the W.A.C. Bennett government in setting up the ferry corporation.

The provincial government has also abandoned any pretense to considering the social implications of its decisions.

To ensure social implications are considered along with financial realities, we urge the ferry advisory committees and B.C. Ferries to continue wrestling with the challenge of providing lower-cost, more effective service in the future.

Government intervention must be resisted. A government floundering in a morass of "election rhetoric" — Petter's term for what B.C. voters might prefer to call pre-election lying — cannot be trusted to see beyond the next headline or sleight of spin-doctoring.

We need leadership and Victoria isn't delivering.

Time to say thank you for doing thankless task

There is probably no job as thankless as attempting to represent the diverse interests of 10,000 Salt Spring Islanders in local government as it is now constituted.

For members of the Trust committee, it is virtually a full-time job without full-time compensation and it makes the unlucky trustees targets of an island population which ranges from opinionated to fanatical.

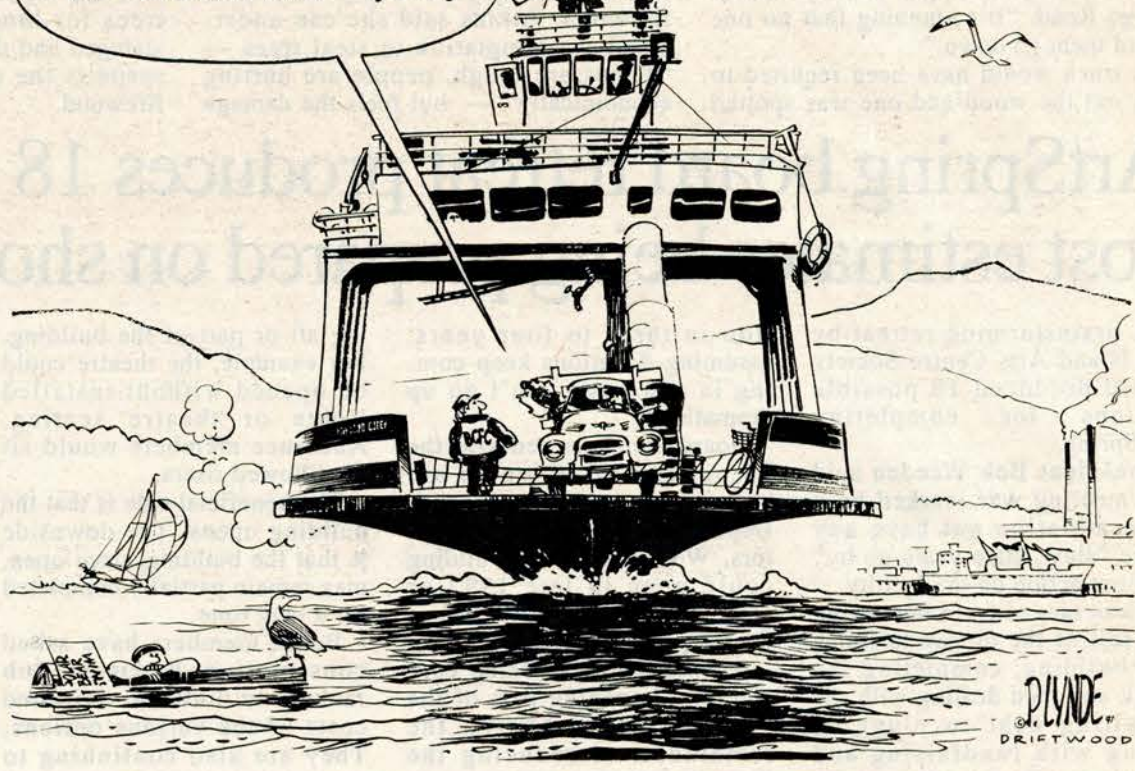
Few people seek election to the Trust and join the pursuit of its quasi-religious mandate without strong views, and former trustees Bob Andrew and Grace Byrne had their opinions.

But that is why they ran. There was no personal gain in sitting as a trustee and there are no patronage plums once finished. Nor is it a stepping stone to greater power.

Andrew and Byrne had their supporters and their detractors. But whatever you think of their performance you must give them credit for taking on the task. And while we needn't always agree with our representatives, for democracy to function we must always respect their views.

On Saturday, many islanders will gather to pay tribute to both. Let the bouquets flow. They've earned them.

IF THE GOVERNMENT FEELS THE FERRIES SHOULD BE "USER PAY", COULDN'T THE POLITICIANS BE "USER PAY" TOO?



Condoms: Tony Brogan responds to writers on more serious note

By TONY BROGAN

After listening to and reading the response to my tongue-in-cheek January 15 letter regarding condoms, I've reached the following conclusions.

All the people who have approached me about the letter have, with one exception, generally agreed with my opinion that condoms should not be available at school. They agree that it is not a suitable place for them. They are readily available elsewhere.

The letter writers have universally condemned me.

In conversations with various people, I know that those supportive of my position on this issue would rather not go public for fear of ridicule and intimidation, particularly if they have children in the school system.

It is also apparent that the people in favour of condoms believe, so they state, that the use of condoms constitutes the practice of safe sex. Calling a condom by its slang, a "safe," is an oxymoron. One writer suggested that not providing condoms for youth is "criminal." I suggest that providing them and then calling them safe is more likely the criminal act, given their record of failure.

I've yet to see any literature on any studies done on this subject that prove conclusively that the use of condoms reduces disease, pregnancies or abortions. It is also my understanding that it is many times easier to contract venereal diseases than it is to become pregnant, notwithstanding the use of a condom. The diseases today are more virulent than ever with many not responding to treatment as they used to and some being incurable. This is something that the individual, male or female, must live with for the rest of their lives.

The youths pleading that they be allowed to make their own choices, after evaluating the risks involved, are free to make that choice. In my opinion, they are not usually experienced enough to fully judge the results of their activities. If they think they are, they had better pick their partner



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with a great deal of care, and heed the counsel of more experienced people.

I listened to my parents as a youth. I did not always agree with them or fully understand what they said. The older I become the

more sane their advice appears to me.

My letter was directed not at the students but at the "professionals" who are advocating policies that lead to disaster. They appear to me to be devoid of common sense and obsessed with the rightness of their cause and determined to have their way. Their policies have achieved little success in the past.

As the law stands today, I believe that the Ministry of Social Services and the bureaucracy in general have rights over my children that I as a parent do not.

Life skills courses and moral issues are taught at school, the contents of which I have no say about. Policies such as condoms in the schools are enacted contrary to my or the majority of people's wishes.

If my child came to require medical advice, be it for an embarrassing disease or pregnancy, it is now the law that I, a parent, need not be informed and that all the counselling and advice to my child would or could take place without my input or permission. Further, if it were decided that a medical procedure or even an abortion were desirable then they could be performed without parental knowledge or consent.

I am not prepared to abandon my children to the care of the state, in such a fashion.

In these discussions it seems to be the females who are expected to weigh the risks and make the choices. It takes two to tango. I suggest that the males involved also assess the risks and ask what their responsibilities are and whether or not they are able or prepared to assume the burden, and not rely on somebody else to bail them out.

Tony Brogan is a Salt Spring resident whose letter to the editor in the January 15 Driftwood prompted a flurry of response.

After listening to and reading the response to my tongue-in-cheek January 15 letter, I've reached the following conclusions.



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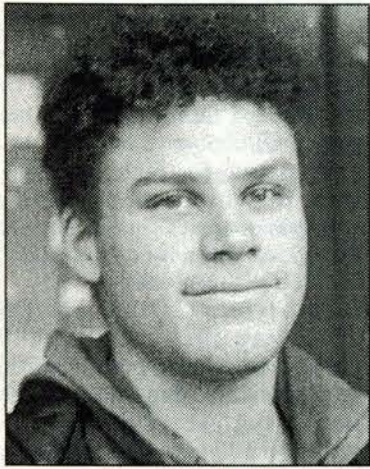
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We Asked: Should there be more opportunities — casinos, video display terminals — for people to gamble?



Kemal Morris

I guess so because it will give people jobs and a place to unwind.



Arnie Hengstler

No, there's enough with the charitable casinos that we have.



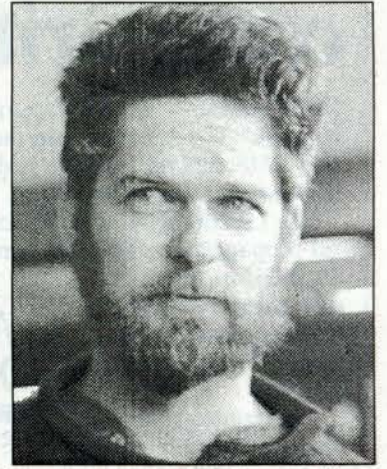
Greg Allen

I think it's a dangerous precedent. It seems it's pretty spelt out — Las Vegas, gambling, addiction.



Elvira Keim

Yes, because there would be something different for people to do.



Bruce Macdonald

No. It's just a gut feeling.

Parks

Those of us lucky enough to live on Channel Ridge share the feelings of Kathryn Landry who wrote so eloquently after enjoying a visit to our community (Driftwood letters, January 22).

Many on Salt Spring who look back with pleasure to hiking the ridge wish that it could be enjoyed by everyone as a park but unfortunately that opportunity was lost many years ago and virtually the whole area remains private property.

Visitors are reminded that the developer has the right to prevent all access but that so far walkers have not been denied the enjoyment of much of this beautiful area, but they should be aware of ongoing construction including extensive blasting. As residents we do encourage the reporting to the police of any misuse, especially involving the lighting of fires and the use of motor vehicles and trail bikes. (Incidentally, our association was originally founded in part to ensure that all the public would be able to enjoy the ridge through the designation of park area).

If Ms. Landry or other readers wish to preserve areas of our "island paradise" for future generations, we recommend that they write to Cathy McGregor, Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks, encouraging the transfer of the Crown lands on Mount Bruce, Mount Sullivan and Hope Hill so that they may be added to the Mill Farm purchase to form a major regional park. In addition, the transfer of Crown lands along Satellite Channel to either B.C. Parks or to CRD Parks will protect a wonderful waterfront from development.

We also hope that the Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy program funded jointly by the B.C. and federal governments will continue to acquire critical areas in the Gulf Islands for public enjoyment — so far Salt Spring has only received \$180,000 from the \$60 million fund.

JOHN MYERS, President,
Channel Ridge
Owners' Association

Letters to the Editor

Support growers

I am writing in response to your recent coverage of the water allocation conflict which is unfolding on Salt Spring.

This is an island blessed with as benevolent a growing climate as can be found in Canada. It is equally blessed with a community of farmers and market gardeners who work the land with a sense of responsibility for their product. This quality does not often exist among the large-scale commercial producers of the Lower Mainland and United States. It is a shame that there is fertile farmland here which goes uncultivated because of a lack of water with which to irrigate.

While reading Bruno Bleic's account of our already over-allocated surface water sources, it occurred to me that one water

source did not seem to be considered. Not all of the rain which falls on Salt Spring finds its way to the lakes or major streams. Much of it evaporates or finds an alternative route to the ocean. If we could begin to draw on that water, perhaps we could reduce the strain on our current sources.

Salt Spring is a gardener's paradise, and those gardeners use up a lot of water. The use of a cistern to retain water run-off from a roof can offset that consumption significantly. If the purchase and installation cost could be reduced through subsidies or tax breaks, maybe then the gardeners/homeowners of Salt Spring would be receptive to this idea. After all, it is free water in the long run. Equally valid would be government assistance for excavating irrigation ponds or installing cisterns on the land of larger-scale growers.

Support our growers and encourage and praise their integrity; it is because of their efforts that many of us consider Salt Spring to be a wonderful place to eat!

DARCY REPEN,
Fernwood Road

a complete stranger, to move into their duplex. I was and remain thankful for their complete trust.

Lloyd and Dee are two of the hardest working and most unforgettable characters I've met. Folks like this only come along once in a lifetime. When they leave Salt Spring Island, I'll miss them.

ALAN DAVIDSON,
Bridgman Road

Unforgettable

Twenty some years ago, I landed on the shores of Salt Spring Island. Fortunately, I had a job; unfortunately, I had no place to hang my hat. In those days finding rental accommodation was as rare as an on-time ferry today!

A co-worker pointed me in the direction of Dee and Lloyd Kinney. They were about to embark on a prolonged vacation. Before departing, they allowed me,

Renew spirit

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Household mailout costs Grits virginity

VICTORIA — Leave Victoria for a week's vacation and what happens? The Liberals lose their cherished virginity, and a former NDP cabinet minister is drinking from the public fountain. It's enough to make you weep.

The Liberal SNAFU is difficult to comprehend. Sending political propaganda to 800,000 homes at a cost that may surpass the \$1 million mark is one thing. Making the taxpayers foot the bill is quite another.

The mailout consists of a one-page survey, a four-page letter from Liberal leader Gordon Campbell, a one-page petition and one page of proposed Liberal legislation.

Currently, each MLA is allowed to spend \$6,100 a year on communication with constituents. That allocation is often pooled by the parties to get a bigger bang for the buck. The process is covered by guidelines.

According to the guidelines, "the contents of these messages (to constituents) should be restricted to outlining legislative developments in the House and in committees and to the roles played by the member in the legislative process. Members may not print or mail, at the expense of the legislative assembly, any material of partisan or political nature."

Blind-sided by the affair, Campbell offered somewhat lamely that the guidelines are too weak and fuzzy. The way I read them, they're pretty clear. And a household mailer telling British Columbians that Premier Glen Clark is a liar whose mismanagement and incompetence is threatening the province's health care, education and safety, does seem a trifle partisan.

And as if using public money for blatantly partisan purposes wasn't enough, the \$200,000 contract for printing the mailer went to a Liberal Party insider without tender, and another Liberal hack, Greg Lyle, Campbell's chief strategist in the last provincial election, received \$5,000 for helping set up the whole scheme.

Should the Liberals reimburse taxpayers for the cost of the mailer? Of course, they should, but that isn't the way Campbell sees it. The guidelines, he says, are simply not specific enough, and no laws were broken. Sorry, but the public will pay.

All of which is difficult to accept from a man who relentlessly attacked Clark last year for spending \$100,000 on a TV appearance to explain the government's budget deficit.

Clark, of course, didn't lose a moment to exploit the issue for his own purposes. "I hope this hypocrisy, this stunning hypocrisy, will demonstrate to people just what Mr. Campbell is made of," he said.

Meanwhile, however, the premier has a bit of a problem himself. Former finance minister Elizabeth Cull, it appears, has landed a lucrative consultant's contract with the Capital Health Region.

Cull will be paid \$1,000 a day for six months to develop a community relations strategy for the health board. Her remuneration will be capped at \$70,000. In my dictionary, community relations strategy translates into finding ways to hoodwink the public as elegantly as possible, but that's neither here nor there right now. Cull's contract is.

Again, no laws are broken, and Cull, too, has got to eat. But it doesn't look good when a former cabinet minister, barely eight months after leaving politics, gets paid so handsomely from the public purse controlled by the party she served under.

The point isn't lost on Clark, who says he doesn't feel comfortable with it and wants to bring in guidelines to prevent regional health boards from offering the kind of "ridiculous" \$1,000-a-day contracts Cull got.

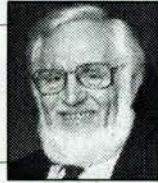
"We think the money should be going to patient care and community services. We don't think administrators and managers should get huge salaries."

Well, I do hope the guidelines will be adhered to more closely than those governing MLAs' communications with their constituents.

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

CAPITAL COMMENT

HUBERT BEYER



More letters

True caregivers

This is a letter of gratitude, compassion and service.

Last October I arrived at the point of adulthood that required me to care for my 85-year-old mother as she recovered from a hip fracture and slight stroke. Up until that time, she had been living a fairly independent life on her own in Vancouver with the help of family and home support services.

Since her injury in August, it became quickly apparent that she needed 24-hour care including some assistance with most aspects of day-to-day life. She went on a waiting list at the intermediate care residence of her choice in Vancouver and came to live with me and my partner until that vacancy presented itself. I enlisted the services of home support here on Salt Spring to be with my sweet mom while we were at work and to help me maintain our home while I looked after her.

The women from Salt Spring Home Support Services that came into our home were dedicated, kind and so very capable of giving the unconditional love that is necessary to be a true caregiver of the elders, as anyone who has done this will know. I had no idea what an essential service home support is, to help maintain a safe and high quality of life for people in need.

How truly fortunate we are to live in a place where this is offered. I extend my deepest gratitude straight from my heart to all who helped me at this very important time of my mother's journey through life. She's now settled in her new home feeling healthy and well.

LIZ FORREST,
Burgoyne Bay

Value staff

Over the last few months there has been considerable dialogue

in the Driftwood related to the staff of the school district, some of it expressing a positive perspective, and some to the contrary.

While appreciating that at times, community, trustees and staff may have different perspectives, the board of school trustees nevertheless wishes to go on record in saying that it values the contributions of its staff and supports them in their efforts to provide quality education programs for the children in their care.

CHARLES HINGSTON,
Chairman, board of school trustees,
DR. ANDREW N. DUNCAN,
Superintendent of schools

Short memories

I congratulate our school board for giving permission to install condom machines in the high school.

People who are so alarmed at youthful sexual activity must have very short memories. Have they forgotten the exciting, marvelous power of the sexual drive

when it is at its strongest — the teens, 20s and 30s?

Many young people will choose abstinence as a safeguard against unwanted pregnancy or the dreaded threat of AIDS, but some will choose to become sexually active for their own reasons. How happy we as parents and grandparents should be that these kids will not be "punished" for their youthful loves.

The world is full of real crimes against children and youths: starvation/malnutrition, environmental degradation, the increasing use of children as young as 10 years old as soldiers in the struggling have-not nations of the world, the widening gap between the rich and the poor throughout the world causing anger, hopelessness, drug abuse, street crime, broken homes, etc.

Can we not spend our extra time and energy as thinking adults to make a fairer, more loving planet for everyone's kids to grow up in?

VIRGINIA NEWMAN,
Quebec Drive

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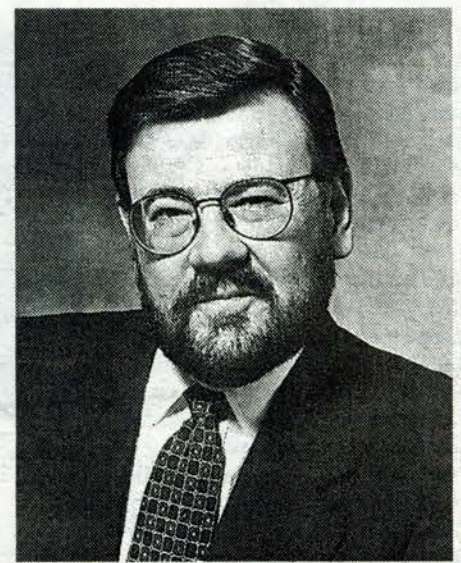
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Story offers support to destaffing plan

Support for the Canadian Coast Guard's lighthouse destaffing program exists, according to Lauren Kinney, acting director of marine programs. And she wants media to reflect that support when reporting on the issue.

"There are many in the marine community who support the destaffing process and in fact, some are pressing Coast Guard to get on with the project in view of the associated cost reductions," she wrote in a letter urging newspapers to give more balanced coverage.

Among the eight stations switched to automated equipment are one on Galiano, one on Mayne Island and one on Saturna.

To show support for automation, Kinney passed on part of an article in the October 1996 Harbour and Shipping magazine, in which writer Mark Wilson criticizes automation opponents.

Wilson also states "one matter in which the industry has been quietly voicing its support for government is in the automation of light stations."

Kinney's own report estimated automation will save \$3.4 million annually and noted the process was supported by the Pacific Marine Review Panel. A subcommittee formed to review the lighthouse issue included representatives from the Chamber of Shipping, the Council of Marine Carriers, the Fisheries Council of B.C., the Council of B.C. Yacht Clubs, the

Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons, Environment Canada and Transport Canada - Aviation.

A representative of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union withdrew after the first session.

Kinney was unable to produce a group or individual, other than herself, able to speak in favour of automation.

"I've never heard anyone from the boating public come out in favour of it," remarked Ganges Coast Guard officer-in-charge Dave Howell.

Liz Bennett, who edits the magazine in which Wilson's article appeared, said opposition to automated lighthouses is widespread among boaters and fishermen concerned about safety.

"I don't know anyone who wants to see total destaffing in terms of the coastal communities. They think it's daft," she observed. She cited a report on the October 17 storm, during which the computer system serving the automated light stations shut down.

Bennett said the "industry" to which Wilson refers is that of deep sea container ships, who now pay significant user fees to use B.C. ports and want to see costs cut so user fees don't increase. Such ships do not rely on lighthouses for emergency help.

"He (Wilson) is one of the few people I know about who support lightstation de-manning," Bennett remarked.

Review gives Lady Minto gold star, cites visionary leadership, direction

The equivalent of a gold star was given to staff and management of Lady Minto Hospital following the facility's accreditation review last fall.

In the report received late last month, the hospital's accreditation was renewed for three more years, the longest possible period. "Visionary leadership and direction is provided by the board and the chief executive officer," the report from the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation stated.

The hospital's board, administration and staff were praised for current services and for addressing the recommendations from a previous accreditation review. "There is strong evidence of an interdiscipli-

nary approach to care and excellent care throughout all service areas," the report noted.

The report also cited the hospital's success in meeting council standards and in offering services which match the community's changing needs. The hospital board and administration were commended for "providing a progressive health care model" and for participating in the provincial reorganization of the health care system.

Hospital administrator Karen Davies was pleased with the report, which she felt reflected well on all those involved with the facility. "They made a blanket statement that all the staff and the board were performing extremely well," she said.

Young driver charged after accident

A 16-year-old Salt Spring youth was charged with failing to keep right and driving without a licence after an accident in the 800 block of Fulford-Ganges Road at approximately 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

The vehicle left the road and sustained about \$3,000 in damage. The driver suffered minor injuries and had left the scene before police arrived.

In other police news:

• An 18-foot Sangster, brown and white fibreglass boat was stolen from the Vesuvius dock between Saturday and Monday. The boat had a 115-horsepower Evinrude motor and a 7.5-horsepower Mercury outboard.

RCMP REPORT

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• Turned into the RCMP as found property were a camera lens which was found in Centennial Park and also a blue sign with white print stating "Open Tues-Sun 10 AM to 5 PM."

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Win over Gorge on Saturday puts U-16 boys in semi-finals

By MALCOLM BOND
Driftwood Contributor
Salt Spring 7, Gorge 3

On Saturday Salt Spring's under-16 boys team advanced to the semi-final round of provincial cup play with a convincing 7-3

win over Gorge FC.

The ultimate winner of the lower Vancouver Island single knockout draw advances to the provincial championships for club teams, which will be held in July. Spotting the visitors a rather

soft goal at 10 minutes, the lads came roaring back and by the 65-minute mark had built a 6-1 lead before easing up with the game well in hand.

If warning was needed that the Salt Spring team has speed it was provided in spades. First it was striker Jonathan McDonald who outran the Gorge defence as he was put through on a neat flick from Mandu Goebel. McDonald made no mistake as he notched the first goal.

Again it was McDonald racing clear on the outside right, crossing from 10 yards out to the head of Goebel to make it 2-1 Salt Spring.

Centre midfielder Santih Buchan then outran all and sundry down the left flank, criss-crossing with Steffan Bond to the top of the box, where Dar Kinnear left-footed it from 18 yards off the far post. It was Kinnear's first-ever league or cup goal and no player deserved it more than this defensive stalwart.

This goal just before the half was a real demoralizing trick for Gorge to absorb as they had been pressing to equalize. On several occasions our keeper Zack Preston came off his line brilliantly to smother through-ball attempts and on two occasions risked serious collisions to snare the ball.

If the first three Salt Spring goals were brilliant, it was as the saying goes, "You ain't seen nothing yet." Goebel, on some nifty work with Bond, Kinnear and right midfielder Tom Berry, broke the game open making it 4-1. Then it was time for Berry and Bond to put on their own show of pace. Berry, with some gusto, ran up the middle on the right and found himself on the reception end of a Bond cross after Bond was put through by left back Jesse McEachren. Berry headed it in as calmly as could be for Salt Spring's fifth goal. McDonald again ran up the right and crossed to the head of Goebel to make it 6-1.

The prettiest goal was the last one with McEachren and Bond executing some great give and gos, followed by the same between Bond and Goebel before Bond put it home.

There were only 11 boys present with no spares. Shaun Carmichael played courageously at sweeper although quite ill with flu. Thomas McKeachie and Geoff Purdon took on the lion's share of the heavy defending with Carmichael ill and came through handsomely.



Soccer fan

Being not much bigger than the ball, Trevor Walker is still a little young to play soccer but he showed lots of interest in the sport during Sunday's FC game at Portlock. He was also cheering on his soccer-playing dad, Kerry Walker of FC.

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Hearty appetite gives Slashers tasty 7-1 victory over Lakehill

By MALCOLM LEGG
Driftwood Contributor
Salt Spring Slashers 7, Lakehill 1

It was a feast of goals as the Salt Spring Slashers fed heartily at the expense of a Lakehill team in B.C. Cup play last Saturday at the middle school field.

The under-16 girls team had not been on any scoring binges in recent games but they seemed really hungry for a cup match, knowing that a loss would eliminate them.

The ravenous Slashers started their feast early as the "K Twins," Kate McNair and Kyla Dares, both gobbled up scoring opportunities in the opening 10 minutes, both on set-ups from Stephanie Collette.

The Slashers' feeding frenzy was just beginning as the girls foraged for more weaknesses in Lakehill's defence, and on this day they found them.

A long pass from Launi Legg was intercepted by a Lakehill defender and then passed back to her goalie. Unfortunately, she miskicked and the

ball slithered over the line for a third goal.

Late in the half, Collette hungrily corralled a long Robin Morris pass, broke in on goal and quickly devoured the Lakehill defence to give the Slashers a tasty 4-0 lead near the half.

Late in the half, Lakehill finally seemed to get a little peckish and went looking for a snack themselves, but goalie Lisa "Barracuda" Baker made a series of sensational saves that quickly quelled their hunger pangs.

But Lakehill continued to press in the second half and were quickly rewarded with a goal on a free-kick after 10 minutes, and looked like they were poised to do some feasting of their own.

Fortunately, the goal seemed to reawaken the Slashers' taste buds and the girls set about looking for dessert.

The defence of Jenny Kerr, Hannah Smith, Morris, Heidi Straarup, Maia Vaillancourt, Alex Howard and Leah Martin closed their snack bar to the marauding Lakehill

forwards, allowing the Slashers offence to return to their feast.

And feast they did, like piranhas in the hunt, they preyed on the Lakehill goal.

Joelle Morrison and Dares with two more goals rounded out the scoring but Aslan Sinclair, Sarah Cameron, Andi Nelson, Legg, McNair, Sheila Stacey and Collette could have experienced the sweet taste of scoring in the one-sided second half.

With the final whistle from referee Gil Bard, the feast was done, the girls were content and full and, most importantly, the Slashers had gained the victory.

Next week the Slashers move on to the next meal in Victoria against Juan de Fuca. The only question will be if the girls will be hungry enough to feast on the Juan de Fuca defence or will last weekend's feeding leave the girls so content that all they will want to do is have a siesta?

The menu is laid out, the table is set, so let the Slashers feed on.

Grizzlies program comes to island

A Vancouver Grizzlies basketball program for students is coming to Salt Spring next week. NBA 2-Ball will be open to basketball players from all Salt Spring schools next Wednesday afternoon at Salt Spring Middle School.

Fernwood School principal Bruce Stewart said the National Basketball Association program is a two-person shooting competition in which winners can advance all the way to the NBA finals.

Two players are given one minute with the ball to score as many points as they can. Winners will compete for local prizes, and the opportunity to compete at a regional level at the Grizzlies' training centre in Richmond.

Winners in Richmond will compete during half-time at a Grizzlies game. From there, winners will advance to a Lakers game in Los Angeles, then the NBA finals.

Girls and boys will compete separately next week in three age groups: 9-11, 12-14 and 15-17. Girls' and boys' winners in each of the three groups will go to Richmond for the regional competition.

"It's really quite a cool set-up," Stewart said in describing the program.

Next week's competition begins with middle school students playing from 12:30-3 p.m. Elementary grades will compete from 4:30-6:15 and high school students from 6:15-7:15.

Spurs lose after kickoff time change

By TERRY STRINGER
Driftwood Contributor

Juan de Fuca 5, Salt Spring Spurs 2
When a team wins it is because the players performed well, but when a team loses, a coaching error usually plays a significant role. This was definitely the case on Sunday as the Salt Spring Island Savings Spurs dropped a key game 5-2 against Juan de Fuca.

The coaching faux pas occurred two days before the game when the kickoff was arranged to be delayed by one half hour. This was so the Salt Spring players and supporters could catch a later ferry and gain an extra one and a half hours of sleep on Sunday morning. As it turned out, confusion reigned when the appointed kick-off time arrived.

One Salt Spring player had arrived 90 minutes early, one had arrived without his mechanical leg, two were still somewhere in transit and the remaining eight were in various stages of dress or undress with only a few minutes of hurried warmup.

By the time the two wayward players arrived and the rest of the Salt Spring lads had stretched the kinks out of their legs, Juan de Fuca had a 3-0 lead. Spirited attacks by Eric Jorgenson and tireless digging by Ian Reid and Amos Mitchell swung the momentum to the Spurs' favour.

Goals by Greg Stringer on a free kick and Anthony Rico on a penalty shot in the second half kept the game close but the legs were not there to produce a full come-back.

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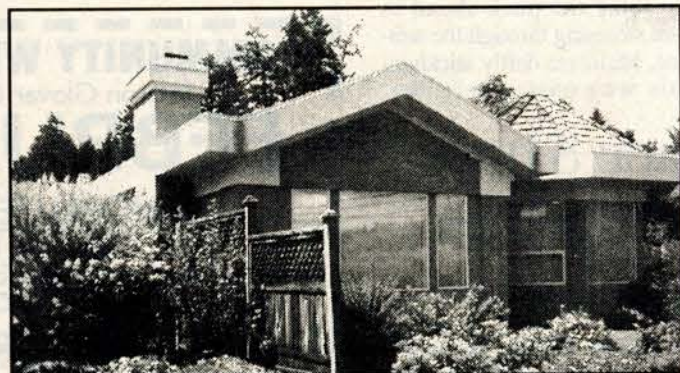
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Heavy metal prepares Slugs for win over Nanaimo Sunday

By **ANDY NAUMANN**
Driftwood Contributor

Slugs of a different stripe showed up in Vesuvius this Sunday ready for battle, determined to beat the Nanaimo Red Wings and not themselves.

The Beagle Boys sat up front as we slalomed through the ferry traffic at breakneck speed, energized by some kind of heavy-metal rock coming out of the radio. The boys in the back hung on, white-knuckled, to anything solid to counteract the G-forces around every curve, their pleading for country music falling on deaf ears. There's nothing like an adrenaline rush to get the competitive juices flowing. The faithful fans following us to Fuller Lake and watching us stumble out of the van at the arena must have known they were going to witness an exciting game of hockey, once the Slugs had stopped shaking.

After a brisk, concentrated warm-up, the Slugs started to dictate the pace of the play. Pat Akerman broke up a Red Wings sally in our zone, tipping the puck to Pete Schure who out-muscled a lone defender to break in on their goalie and shove the puck under him from close range.

The Red Wings forechecked our defencemen at every opportunity, and the resulting harassment led to a flurry in the corner and Rod Chaborn being called for tripping. During the ensuing powerplay, the Slugs were unable to lift the puck past their defencemen, who unloaded blast after blast in Derek Topping's direction until one of them hit him in the chest, dropped at his feet onto the stick of a waiting Red Wings forward, who batted it into the net.

The Slugs countered with new line combinations — John Procter moved up to the Todd McIntyre/Peter Huser line, Andy Naumann played "rover" (that is, he spelled off each Slug forward in turn). This strategy paid dividends almost immediately, as the new line went on the offensive.

McIntyre's aggressive checking got the puck to Procter who backhanded it to Huser, at the edge of their crease, who redirected it easily into the empty side of the net, to regain the lead. The Slugs defence, Deadstop and Chaborn, Brad Patchett and Kevin Porteous, were inspired too, breaking up numerous Red Wings rushes and sending the puck up to their fast-skating teammates. On one such occasion, Patchett fired the puck around the boards to a waiting Naumann who took a few slow strides and managed to relay the puck ahead to McIntyre steaming through the neutral zone. McIntyre deftly stickhandled his way past a defender,

Grade 8 boys win 2 games at jamboree

Salt Spring Middle School's Grade 8 boys basketball team returned with two wins in two games from a basketball tournament in West Vancouver on the weekend.

Coach Lindsay MacQueen said the boys beat Rock Ridge Middle School, host of the basketball jamboree, by 55-42. They also came away on the winning side of a 50-43 game against Seacove School, of North Vancouver, in the round-robin affair.

"Both teams were very tough competition," MacQueen said.

The Grade 8 girls' team also went to the jamboree but did not win any of their five games.

swooped down on their goalie, stickhandling still, and beat him with a hard drive between the pads.

Five minutes into the second period, Naumann on a pass from Porteous found himself on a two-on-one breakaway with Procter. He waited until the defencemen challenged him and skimmed the puck towards Procter's stick. Somehow he gained control of it in time and flipped it high into the net for a 4-1 lead.

The Red Wings, however, didn't fold up. They played a good passing game, catching us unawares a few times with odd-man rushes, forcing Topping to make some brilliant saves. But he couldn't hold them off alone, at the 14-minute mark, when a red tide flooded our zone, leaving Slugs washed up on the boards. It seemed every red shirt got a whack at the puck before the goal light went on.

The Slugs then had an opportunity to break the game wide open with a two-man advantage, but it was not to be. Their powerplay was stymied time and again by three defenders who iced the puck and by their own indecision — there were so many white shirts to pass to! After that, the Slugs lost a bit of their earlier confidence.

This state of mind continued into the third period, as the rejuvenated Red Wings forced the issue, causing the Slugs to scramble haphazardly for a few shifts, finally banging a bouncing puck into our net through a scrum of multi-coloured players in the crease. Topping, at the bottom of the pile, had no

chance. This goal was the turning point of the game. The Slugs, now feeling the hot breath of defeat on their necks, pulled themselves out of their tailspin.


On two successive shifts, the Akerman/Schure/Bernie Reynolds line led the way out of our dry spell. During the first, Reynolds stripped his check of the puck at their blue line, fed it to Schure in the corner who found Akerman in front. His shot caromed off the goalie's pads to Reynolds who drove to the net and buried the puck, without hesitation, in the twine.

On their next shift, excellent forechecking by Akerman and Reynolds left the Red Wings defenders tied in knots and their goaltender sprawling desperately on his stomach in the crease. Schure, in his ongoing quest for the all-time Slug scoring record, had no trouble adding to his totals, sliding the puck around the helpless goalie into the yawning net.

The prettiest goal of the night came a few minutes before the end of the game off the stick of Huser. Chaborn, cool and accurate, fed a long lead pass from inside our zone to Huser alone at centre ice behind their defencemen. It was like a penalty shot. A few quick moves, a sure hand controlling the puck and a deadly shot into the five-hole between the goalie's pads gave everyone a thrill. We were all still basking in the afterglow, with just a second to go in the game, when the Red Wings scored in a goal-mouth scramble to make the final score 7-4.


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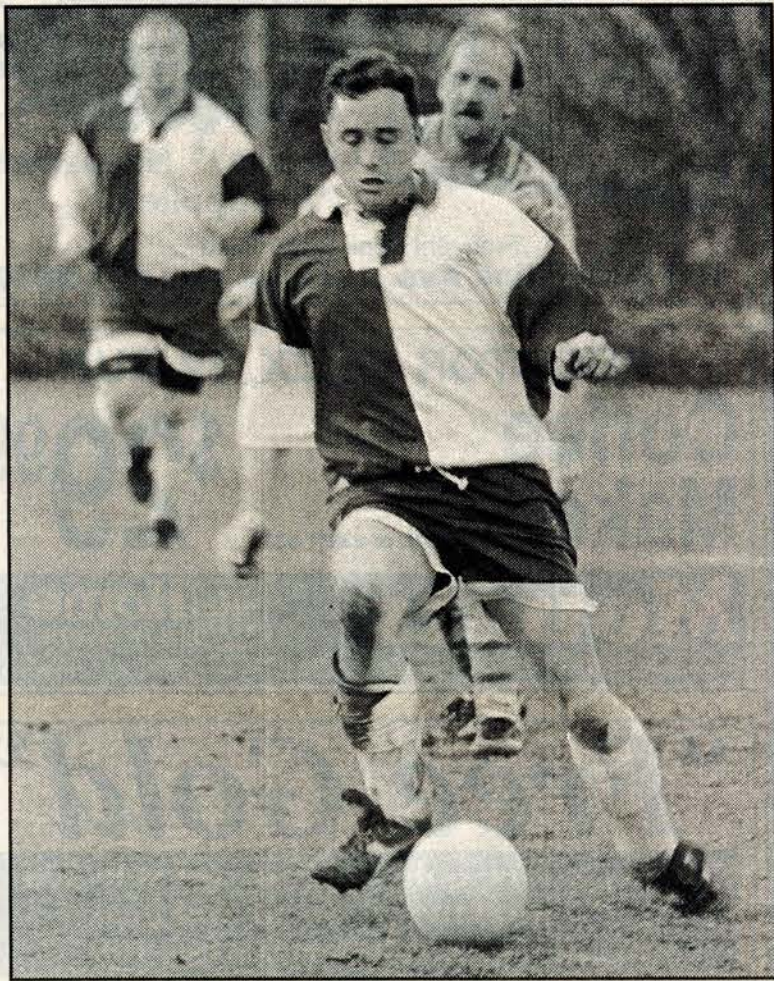
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Gordon Head beats FC at Portlock

A Gordon Head player gets past Salt Spring FC's Colin Walde, above left, during Sunday's game at Portlock Park. At right, Corbin Scott gets possession of the

ball for FC. Gordon Head won 1-0 in a closely-fought match which saw the local team robbed on several scoring opportunities.

Photos by Tony Richards

HIGH ROLLERS

By RUTH HUME
Driftwood Contributor

Yahoo! We have a winner in our Queen of the Lanes Tournament.

Vanessa Horel won the event last week with 116 points over average. This was Horel's first year as a league bowler.

Vanda Winstone and Lydia Buitenwerf came in second and third place, respectively.

Sunday evening: Lance Leask 213.

Circus league: Ron Cunningham 208, Glenn Hewitson 218, 214, Mary Tanti 211, Ken Strike 226, Ben Cooper 201, 224/623, Rick Bissett 206, Bunny Cooper 200.

Tuesday morning seniors: Madalene Jory 246, Audrey Illingworth 215, Isabelle Richardson 208, Con Flebbe 202, 203, Helmut Losch 204, Catherine McFadyen 231/609, Ann Kowal 227, Rita Brown 210, Jack Godwin 229.

Tuesday afternoon seniors: Deke Noonan 207, 251.

Wednesday ladies: Margaret Baker 202, 267/663, Deanna Marleau 202, Nora Dalby 232, Irene Mostad 221.

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Golf ladies: June Webb 222, Mary Campbell 231, 200.

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Friday afternoon seniors: Marg Baker 213, Don Goodman 232, Ken Robinson 201, Bill Baker 242.

Children's leagues: Cayce Fedberg 91, 79, Brendan Jimenez 85, Stephen Greenwood 134, 100, Jesse Hume 131, 115, Zander Ritson 139, Christine Jarman 131, 115, Stephen Severn 105, 145, Penny Dale 108, Cory Grylls 95, David Piperno 87, Alana Wagg 79, Danielle Holby 80, Kaitlan Thield 82, Rachel Dixon 97.

3 advance in cup play

Three Salt Spring soccer teams advanced to the second round of B.C. Cup play last weekend with convincing wins.

The under-14 girls team defeated Juan de Fuca 4-0, while the under-16 girls trounced Lakehill 7-1. The under-16 boys handled Gorge Canadians 7-3. Details of both under-16 team games are in other Driftwood stories this week.

League play saw the under-15 boys edge out Bays United 4-3 and the under-14 boys defeat Gordon Head 5-2.

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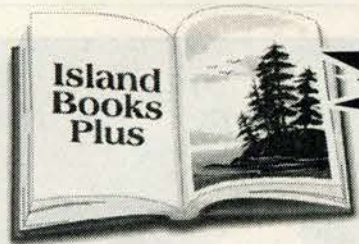
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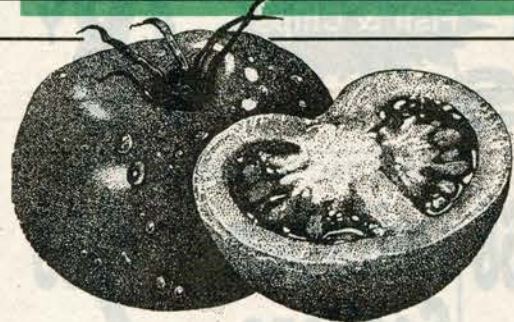
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NEW COMPANY SEES OPPORTUNITY FOR DRAMA WITH 'HARDER EDGE'

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

The writing is on the wall for a burgeoning Salt Spring theatre scene — and the latest addition promises to be provocative, innovative and challenging for people on both sides of the stage.

Graffiti Theatre Company has sprung from the collective vision of three Salt Spring women: Yvonne Adalian, well-known on the island for her years of acting and directing here; Sheri Israels, former theatre bookstore owner and costume designer extraordinaire; and Amanda Spottiswoode, a recent island arrival with reams of theatre experience, especially in the production and administrative side.

Graffiti's goal is to present high-quality, provoking and challenging theatre, combining professional and community talent, through a co-operatively-run theatre company.

Its first production will be *Random Acts*, a compilation of scenes and bits from 14 different works, directed by Adalian. It will include some contemporary issues, theatre of the absurd, "a fair sprinkling of comedy, but it's black, and thoughtful," she explained. The show will be for an adult audience.

With the structure and direction of the company now formed, Graffiti needs to fill its talent bank. To that end, auditions for *Random Acts* will be held next Wednesday, February 12 beginning at 7 p.m. in A.S.T.A.R. at Grace Point Square. Appointments for specific times must be made in advance by calling Adalian at 537-5396. Anyone else wanting more information about the company is also welcome to call.

About six experienced actors will be needed for *Random Acts*. Spottiswoode notes those actors must be versatile in order to cope with the variety of material involved.

Adalian has worked with most Salt Spring actors in the past, but believes there are newcomers who have yet to make their presence known. The auditions will also give Spottiswoode a chance to meet island actors.

Graffiti began to write its story when Israels and Adalian discussed the need for a year-round company to present "harder-edged" drama. Soon after, Spottiswoode called Adalian as one of the contact people for Theatre Alive! listed in the Lions Club directory. Spottiswoode, too, wanted to bring her expertise and passion for theatre to a new company. Before moving to the island from Vancouver, she worked for the Vancouver Professional Theatre Alliance and produced the Jessie Richardson Theatre Awards.

In Vancouver, Israels owned Graffiti Books, specializing in visual and performing arts materials, which gave her access to volumes of scripts and a keen eye for good ones. (The store's name has also proven portable.) On Salt Spring

she took a shoestring budget and twisted it into breathtaking costumes for Tuned Air's 100 Years of Broadway show last year.

All three women have intensive experience in different areas of theatre.

"We're all on the same wavelength and it seemed to divide up quite naturally," said Israels.

After *Random Acts*, which will run at Mahon Hall in April, Graffiti plans an outdoor family-oriented show, likely with a musical element, for August. There are lots of excellent kids' plays, the women say, stressing that the term "family" does not have to mean "fluff." An outdoor venue has not yet been found, and suggestions would be appreciated.

For the fall, a full-length play will be tackled, closing an overall "ambitious" first season.

One characteristic of Graffiti will be the use of professionals (paid people) working with community volunteers. One of its models is Caravan Farm Theatre in Armstrong, B.C., where Spottiswoode saw both sides benefit tremendously from co-operative ventures. Caravan was able to do productions that would have "cost thousands" if everyone involved was paid, yet the commitment level of the professionals rubbed off on everyone else.

"The basic idea is to develop a talent bank of people on the island but not be closed to people coming from off the island, too," Spottiswoode explained.

A professional director is currently being sought to work on the summer show, for example:

Adalian sees new talent and en-




READY TO PAINT THE TOWN: Graffiti Theatre Company founders and associate directors are, from left, Yvonne Adalian, Amanda Spottiswoode and Sheri Israels. Auditions for the company's first production, called *Random Acts*, take place next week.

ergy helping to spur a recent theatre Renaissance on Salt Spring. And she feels it would not have been possible to start a company like Graffiti when she became active in theatre on the island 13 years ago.

Spottiswoode predicts there is enough of a support base here for the company to be successful.

"I see that the island has a very supportive population when it comes to the arts," observed Spottiswoode. "It's a very different feeling from a small town in the Interior."



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Music

• **Moby's Marine Pub** — Wednesday Night Live! February 5, 124 Upper Ganges Road.
 • **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Blues night with Dave Roland and friends. Special guest Little Marty. Thursday, February 6, 121 Upper Ganges Road.
 • **Fulford Inn** — Jam with Buck on Thursday night, February 6, 7 p.m. 2661 Fulford-Ganges Road.
 • **Karaoke with Julie** — Friday, February 7, at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92, after the meat draw. Members and guests welcome. 120 Blain Road.
 • **Salt Spring Roasting Co.** — Open stage every Friday night at 8 p.m. 109 McPhillips Avenue.
 • **Moby's Marine Pub** — Our New Year's band arrives! Caravan will be playing for two shows: Friday, February 7, 9 p.m., and Saturday, February 8, 12 to 2 p.m. (brunch).

• **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Rock with Groovedigger on Friday and Saturday, February 7 and 8.
 • **Fulford Inn** — Blues Cats are playing on Friday and Saturday nights, February 7 and 8.
 • **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 accompanist 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.
 • **Moby's Marine Pub** — Sunday Dinner Jazz with Salt Swing, February 9.
 • **Fulford Inn** — Pickin' and Grinnin' with Buck. Acoustic musicians and singers welcome! Sundays from 2 to 5 p.m.
 • **Salt Spring Roasting Co.** — Every Tuesday is Irish Music Circle Night from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Cinema

• **Jackie Chan's First Strike** — A super cop (Jackie Chan) goes undercover in a foreign land, teaming up with a female martial-arts wiz, is framed, and fights off hordes of bad guys to clear his name. The amazing stunts always add an element of surprise. This time, Jackie

goes one on one with a great white shark and fights off a Chinese gang with a ladder, all with the help of director and stunt coordinator Stanley Tong. Playing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 7, 8 and 9, at 7 p.m., and on Monday and Tuesday, February 10 and 11, at 9 p.m. This movie is rated Mature P.G. B.C. warning: violence and nudity. Salt Spring Cinema, Central Hall.

• **The Whole Wide World** — Vincent D'Onofrio plays the '30s pulp writer Robert E. Howard, fabled creator of Conan the Barbarian, as a blustery young southern Turk, whose exaggerated swagger and hungry-sexy gleam seem, at first, charming in their brazenness. Renee Zellweger is Novalyne Price, the spiky local lass drawn to his self-dramatizing bravado, and she makes us feel the excitement of his attraction. But then she spies him at the typewriter, bellowing out the words to one of his Conan tales in a compositional rage, which reveals that Howard's eroticized fantasies of a rippling primeval warrior are really projections of his boxed-in inner life — he's a pulp virtuoso because he believes in this stuff. Playing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 7, 8 and 9, at 9 p.m., and on Monday and Tuesday, February 10 and 11, at 7 p.m. This movie is rated Mature P.G. B.C. warning: occasional coarse language and nudity. Salt Spring Cinema, Central Hall.

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Kaeshammer Trio plays Beaver Point February 14

Now that the snow has melted the Little Red Schoolhouse will try again.

An alumni dance originally scheduled for last November 23 will take place instead on Valentine's Day, February 14. Anyone who has been involved with the school (and those who are not) is invited to the dance, which is a benefit for the school.

The Michael Kaeshammer Trio has been booked again for the event, which organizers hope will be safe from any more freak weather conditions.

Kaeshammer is a 19-year-old Victoria pianist who studied classical music for seven years in his native Germany. At the age of 13 he discovered boogie-woogie and jazz piano.

He gave his first concert at 16 and then began travelling all over Germany, playing concerts and festivals. He moved to B.C. with his family about two years ago.

A student at Parkland Secondary School in North Saanich, Kaeshammer formed his trio a year ago with his brother Matthew, a drummer, and a bass guitarist. The group played last fall for Sunday night jazz at Moby's.

The Valentine's Day event begins at 8 p.m., an earlier hour than usual to encourage youngsters to attend, said organizer Lisa Erck.

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Some people consider Reinhardt the greatest guitar virtuoso ever, and his late 1930s quintette of the Hot Club of France to be among the most exciting bands ever formed.

A major attraction in the Victoria area, Caravan consists of Marc Atkinson on lead guitar — who is said to recreate Reinhardt's passion and drive with the instrument; violin and cornet player Daniel Lapp; Scott White on upright bass; and rhythm guitarist Paul Dowd.

The band had its roots in the early 1990s when Atkinson, Lapp and White first discovered their mutual love for Reinhardt's music. The three have played together in various incarnations since, with the present group drawing crowds for the last year. Islanders may know Atkinson and White from the band Loose.

Caravan plays Friday night beginning at 9 p.m. and on Saturday afternoon from noon to 2 p.m.



SOUNDS OF REINHARDT: Musicians, from left, Paul Dowd, Daniel Lapp, Marc Atkinson and Scott White share a love for the music of Django Reinhardt. They play at Moby's this weekend.

Theatre group to offer two-act comedy thriller

Ghosts, thunderstorms, the odd body ... suspense is coming to the stage with Salt Spring Community Theatre's next production.

For their third production, members have chosen Peter Colley's two-act comedy thriller, *I'll be Back before Midnight*. Packed into this play is a double dose of suspense and drama that will have audience members on the edge of their seats, promises Nancy

Holcroft, who is handling publicity for the play.

"The twists and turns of the plot will keep the audience on the edge of their seats, guessing the outcome until the end of the show," Holcroft said.

The mood of the play is established by the author, who notes "if you should find yourself alone in a farmhouse on a wind-swept moor, it's four in the morning and you can't

sleep because of a thunderstorm that's rattling around your ears ... that would be a perfect time to pull up a candle and read *I'll be Back before Midnight*."

Directing the drama is Marnee Bellavance. Producer is Fred Howell and set design is by Elma Rubright. Reg Taylor, who is known for his work locally and with Langham Court Theatre in Victoria, is handling set con-

struction.

Rosanne Leonoff and Don Monteith tackle the roles of Jan and Greg Sanderson, an urban couple who move into an old, tumble-down farmhouse built a century earlier. Also involved in the mystery are a neighbouring farmer, played by Dave Kmiecik and Greg's sister Laurie, played by Patricia Lockie.

Performances are slated for the evenings of February 27,

28 and March 1 and again on March 5, 6, 7 and 8 in Mahon Hall. Tickets will be available from Sharon's and from et cetera in Ganges and from Patterson's Store in Fulford.

Holcroft suggests the play will be enjoyed by adults and teenagers but is not suitable for young children.

The group's two previous productions were *Gone to Glory* and *Chamber Music*.

Space available in life drawing class Sunday

Space is still available in a life drawing class set for this Sunday.

The class, which will include a model, will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. at Salt Spring Centre School.

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Renowned ethnobotanist, writer Wade Davis to speak at Ganges

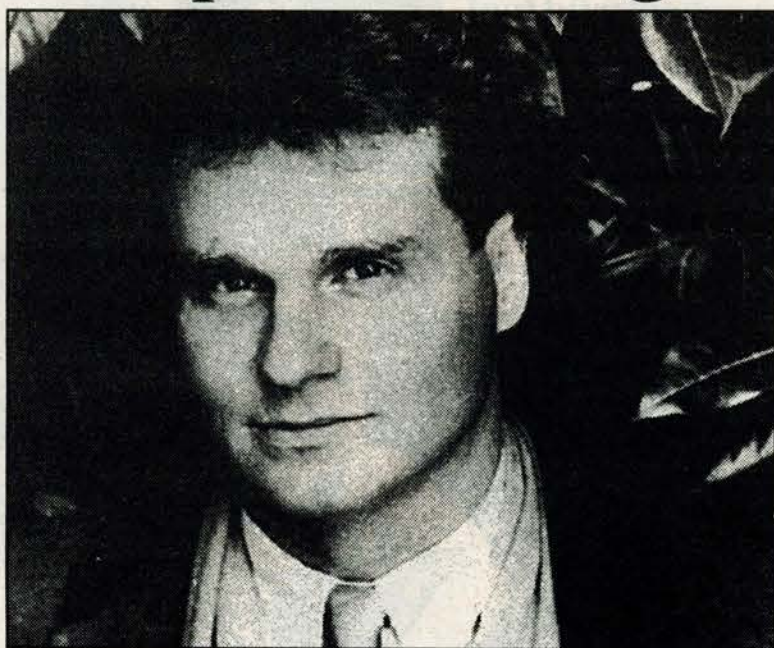
One of the world's renowned ethnobotanists will add Salt Spring to his list of lands traversed when he visits the island next week.

Wade Davis has collected plants in the Amazon and Andes regions, investigated folk preparations used to create zombies in Haiti and has published some 50 scientific articles on topics as diverse as the global biodiversity crisis and the traditional use of psychotropic drugs.

Davis will give a lecture, slide show and reading at Mahon Hall next Thursday, February 13, beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is \$5.

Event organizer Brian Brett asked Davis to bring his presentation to Salt Spring after being so impressed by it at the Vancouver Book Festival last year.

Davis has just released his sixth book, *One River: Explorations and Discoveries in the Amazon Rain Forest*. In a November MacLean's article, John Bemrose described the book as "one of the richest ever written about South America. Combining botanical lore, history, sensitive evocations of native cultures and a good deal of old-fashioned adventure, it is as fascinating



and densely varied as the rainforest itself."

One River recounts a year-long trip Davis took to South America in 1974 with botanist Tim Plowman, who, like Davis was a student of botanist and Harvard professor Richard Schultes (touted as an unintentional inspiration

to the drug culture of the '60s for his findings on hallucinogenic plants).

At the same time, Schultes' career and similar travels and discoveries are woven into *One River*.

Davis is also the author of *The Serpent and the Rainbow*, which was published in 1986 and became an international bestseller and a movie. That book and a later one, *Passage of Darkness*, were based on his experiences in Haiti. In the past six years he also published *Penan: Voice for the Borneo Rain Forest*; *Nomads of the Dawn*; and *Shadows in the Sun*.

He hosted and co-wrote a 13-part Discovery Channel TV series on the environment called *Earthguide*; explored the sacred role of masks in European and Native American cultures in *The Spirit of the Mask* documentary; and detailed the Moi people of West Papua, New Guinea, in *Cry of the Forgotten People*.

Forests Forever, a critical examination of forest policy in British Columbia, is his most recent documentary film.

Davis and his family divide their time between Washington, D.C., Vancouver, B.C., and a fishing lodge at Wolf Creek in the Stikine Valley.



SPEAKER: Richard Shultes, above, gathers plant samples in a photo taken some years ago. Top, Wade Davis, will speak in Ganges next week.

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What does music therapy really mean, though? When we turn the lights low and sit down to listen to Pachelbel after a hard day's work, are we practising music therapy? And if we are, why do we need a therapist?

"Music therapy is the skilful use of music by a trained individual to effect change or to bring health or restore balance to a person in the areas of emotional health, physical health or mental or spiritual health," Mary Reher tells me. "It's a very powerful tool that's been used for thousands of years. The heartbeat is the basic rhythm. We're born with that."

So, yes, listening to that soothing music is a form of therapy, but if we want to get full benefit of the healing possibilities of music, we need a trained therapist.

Reher is a music therapist on the Penders and I've sought her out to find out more. She has lived and practised here for 16 years, working at the playschool, elementary school and adult day care centre held at Plum Tree Court.

The healing effects of music fall into four basic categories, Reher explains. The first category is healing. Music can improve the quality of life for people with serious illnesses or depression and can help with pain or stress reduction.

Secondly, it can clarify and resolve psychological and emotional issues.

Thirdly, it can facilitate spiritual insight, and lastly, it can help communication on a deeper level, as Reher discovered when her father had a stroke several years ago and was unable to speak. She sat and played the flute during her visits with him.

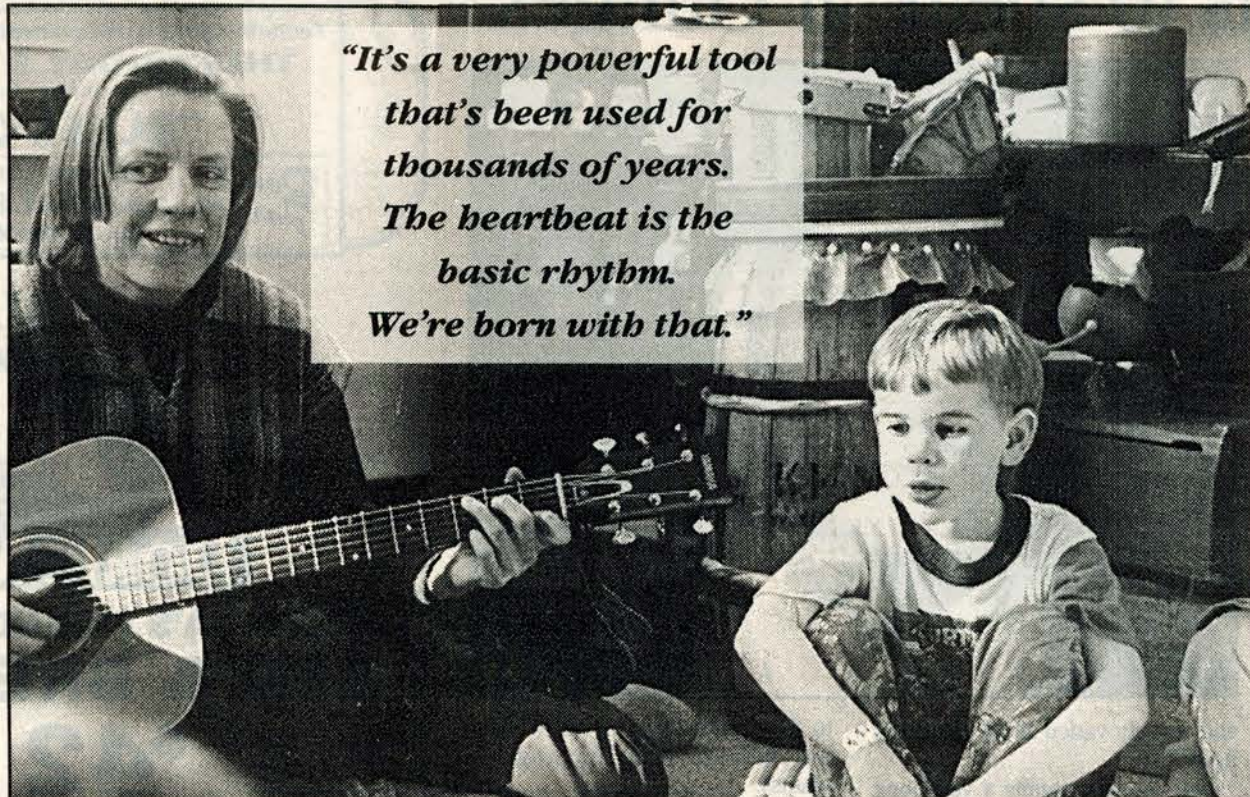
"It was like giving back to dad some of what he gave me. It was taking music to another level ... using music to communicate with him ... to reach his spirit. He would sing and harmonize with me ... yet he couldn't put a sentence together, and I'm not sure if he even knew who I was. I improvised for him ... and I did a bit of melodic intonation therapy." (That involves using melodic patterns to try to restore verbal ability.)

"But very much of what I did was just a spirit thing. Working with my dad like that taught me something that it's hard to put words to. It was beyond the emotions somehow, trying to reach him. It was profound ..."

Reher had a musical background. "My father was a violist, my mother a pianist. My dad always sat down and played with me. I learned a tremendous amount from him about music expression ... and in later years I used to sit across from him in a string quartet and play as a flautist ... There was always music in the household."

Music therapists are trained in music and in some of the human sciences, in observation, assessment, treatment planning, implementation and evaluation. They're grounded in the theory, research and practice of music therapy and psychology. In addition, though, they are accomplished musicians, able to play several instruments.

Reher plays the guitar, flute and sings. She trained at Capilano College in North Vancouver, graduating in 1978, and commuted



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THERAPY THROUGH MUSIC: Mary Reher shares her music with Michael Elliot and other children at Pender preschool in a photo taken last year. Below, Reher plays for her son Keenan.

HEALTH THROUGH MUSIC

Pender Island's Mary Reher

CHERIE THIESSEN
Driftwood Contributor

from Pender Island to jobs in Port Coquitlam and then Victoria before settling down with her young family and limiting her practice to the Gulf Islands, at least until her family grows up.

She's an accredited member of the Canadian Association for Music Therapy, a professional organization formed about 25 years ago, and also a fellow in the Association for Music and Imagery —

which uses a music-centred psychotherapeutic process of guided imagery and music. That group's founder, Helen Bonny, feels that music is one of the safest and most effective door-openers of the psyche.

Bonny developed and researched her method of guided imagery and music in the 1970s. The therapist selects a classical music program and guides the listener, encouraging her to bring all of her focus to



the music, allowing it to be a vehicle for travelling into the deeper states of consciousness. By exploring and honouring the imagination, one can stimulate a deep and rich unfolding of self. Insights can arise regarding the sources of internal disturbances. The music attracts and focusses one's attention. It can also be a means for catharsis.

Reher elaborates. "It uses an altered state of consciousness ... You become deeply relaxed and allow all the imagery that music can create in your mind to come forth ... tapping into the deeper levels ... with the therapist as the guide ... It's a very powerful means of helping people."

Brenda Adam-Smith, physiotherapist and Feldenkrais practitioner, was very impressed with the Bonny method's effectiveness. "My daughter and I got a lot of out of those sessions with Reher. It's something we should all take

the time to do. It's a real spiritual treat ... (you come away knowing) ... there's a rich inner life there."

How does living in the Gulf Islands affect the kind of work she does?

"There aren't many special needs children on Pender, (i.e. those with autism or mental or physical handicaps), so I add a larger musical education component. I teach them about music, to learn to love music and let it affect them. When I led sessions at the Pender preschool, for example, I'd bring different instruments and introduce them gradually. The kids would be so excited wondering what I would be bringing this time."

Reher has led sessions with children aged 2 to 14, as well as with adults and seniors. At Plumtree Court, working with seniors, she uses instruments as expressive media, helping people express their feelings through sound, song writing, and art, allowing music to dictate art and performance. People also learn to play instruments such as tone chimes in a structured way.

Reher writes individually tailored music for each person. "And sometimes I improvise on one of my flutes to lead them in a deeper listening and imaging experience."

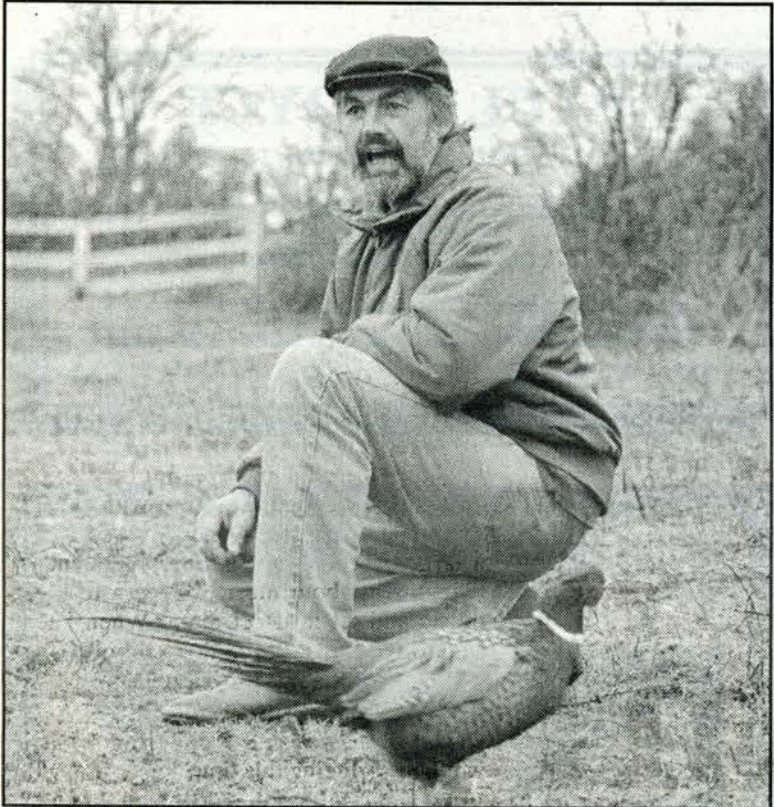
The benefits of music therapy on seniors have been well documented: for pain management, as part of an exercise program, for improvement of oral-motor functions through singing, for stimulating short and long-term recall, facilitating social interaction, and reducing aggressive behaviours, as well as providing opportunities for self-expression. One of Reher's fondest memories is of the time some of her "music kids" played at Plumtree Court.

"When I come away from performances like that, when the children that I've worked so hard with are offering their music as a gift to the seniors, who are really benefiting from seeing these beautiful children, it's a high job satisfaction for me. This is how I measure the value of my life, in quality experiences like that."

Reher practises at home as well as travelling to other Gulf Islands, and is available for individual, group or school sessions. She can be reached at 629-6431.

Sometimes an interview goes in a surprising direction; the person I've interviewed hasn't turned out to be the person I expected. Reher, though, is exactly as I thought she would be. Quiet, still, and centred, she strikes me as a strong woman who knows what's important in her life — she's her own best advertisement for music therapy.

"I've always had a desire to help people ... so putting music together with therapy seemed to be natural. It's who I am and what I love doing."



Faithful Fezzie

Salt Spring farmer Ingvaar Straarup, top, walks across his yard followed faithfully by Fezzie the pheasant. Fezzie, a male, has become convinced that Straarup is his mate, greeting him with mating calls and attacking him when he's ignored.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

after questionnaires have been reviewed.

• Denyse Erdos brings more than 30 years of experience in dressmaking and pattern work to her new home-based business on Salt Spring.

Erdos will offer dressmaking, custom tailoring, alterations, fitting and pattern-making services, and specializes in clothes for hard-to-fit bodies.

Erdos moved to the island from Seattle in October with her husband Peter, who is semi-retired and originally from Montreal.

She may be reached at 537-9259.

• Parkside News has grown into a second location. Island Books Plus is the name of the new store just opened in Ganges by Peter Valbonesi and Jacki Hooker.

Island Books Plus will sell books, magazines, newspapers, art supplies, artwork, CDs and cassettes and computer supplies. The store will also offer a computer for Internet access, e-mail and word processing services, computer courses and host a readers' group and other community functions.

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On January 28, winners were Joan Conlan and Blanche Poborsa, Ian Thomas and Conhor Hunt, Fred Struve and Yvonne Sollitt.

Friday game winners were Conhor Hunt and Irene Hawksworth, June Knowles and Norm McConnell, Bill Buckler and Elaine McAndrew.

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TAKE NOTE

OF THESE DATES

- FEB. 5:** Music & Munch, All Saints by the Sea, 12:10pm.
- FEB. 5:** Painters Guild, model, Lions Hall, 9:30-12:30.
- FEB. 8 & 9:** Painters Guild workshop, Kiff Holland, Lions Hall, Sat.: 9:30-4:00/Sun: 9:30-3:00.
- FEB. 12:** Follow up Kiff Holland's workshop, Lions Hall, 9:30-12:30.
- FEB. 19:** SSI Garden Club meeting, All Saints by the Sea, 1:30pm.
- FEB. 19:** Painter's Guild, Randolph Parker, beginners workshop, Lions Hall, 9:30-12:30.
- FEB. 26:** Painter's Guild, Peter Lynde workshop, brushwork, Lions Hall, 9:30-12:30.
- EVERY WEDNESDAY**
- Seniors & Alzheimers support group, Seniors for Seniors bldg. 11am
- Archery Shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm.
- 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.

- EVERY FRIDAY**
- Fulford OAP #160, bingo 2:00pm.

- Duplicate bridge, OAP Central, 1pm.
- Games afternoon, Seniors for Seniors, 1:30pm, Mah Jongg 12:30pm.

- EVERY SATURDAY**
- Book Sale, downstairs at library, 10am-12:30pm.
- Core Inn, volunteers needed, 10:30-noon.

- EVERY MONDAY**
- 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.

- EVERY TUESDAY**
- Duplicate Bridge, Meaden Hall at the Legion, 7pm.
- Seniors choir practices, Seniors for Seniors, 10:30am.
- Target Archery, Fulford Hall, 5-8pm.
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- * **COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS:** "Belly Talk" is a new group for pregnant women, which meets from 2-4pm every Friday in the Family Place, starting on October 4th. Come & share your hopes, fears, joys & complaints about your pregnancy & upcoming motherhood with other pregnant women. For more info call Jules Atkins at 653-4533.
- * **RECYCLE DEPOT:** Open Tuesday - Saturday from 10:00am-5pm, 349 Rainbow Rd., 537-1200.
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REAL SEAL: A carved soapstone seal by Rudy Stam is displayed by daughter Asya, 12. The carving was one of the raffle prizes which raises \$1,200 to help students like Asia and

Sophia Haase, 12, visit the Bamfield Marine Station next month, where they might get a glimpse of the real thing. Photo by Valerie Lennox.

Raffle of local products will help Grade 7 students get to Bamfield

A raffle featuring works created by island parents raised \$1,200 for a Salt Spring Island Middle School field trip.

Raffle winners were drawn Friday.

The money will be divided among the nearly two dozen students in Martin Thorn's Grade 7 class expected to participate in a February 19-21 field trip to Bamfield Marine Station on the west coast of Vancouver Island.

Thorn said the students will visit a marine research vessel on

the undeveloped coastline near the head of the West Coast Trail. "It's wild and woolly there. It's in the middle of nowhere," he noted.

The educational program is so popular that Thorn had to make reservations last August so students could attend in February. Cost is \$160 per student, but proceeds from the raffle will reduce the amount students must contribute.

Thorn noted parents with businesses or artistic skills contributed the eight raffle prizes.

Winners were Willy Bauer, who received six free months of Imagen's Internet access; E. Head, who won a cord of firewood; Kim Stewart and Alan Redpath, who each won a package of smoked salmon; Anno Delaney, who won a \$35 gift certificate from Golden Island Restaurant; Lyle Brown, who won a soapstone carving of a seal by Rudy Stam; and Mike Miles of Pender Island, who won a bronze sculpture of a cat in a basket by David Halliwell.

Liquor stores sales totalled \$5.1 million

Islanders dropped \$5.1 million for their favourite brews between April 1, 1995 and March 31, 1996, according to the just-released Liquor Distribution Branch's 75th annual report.

They spent \$4,161,998 at the Ganges liquor store and \$950,959 at the Pender Island store, buying 604,501 litres of alcohol in Ganges and 150,532 litres from the Pender outlet.

Beer was the favourite, accounting for 56 per cent of sales in Ganges and 61 per cent on Pender. Next came wine at 26 per cent in Ganges and 22 per cent on Pender; spirits at 11 per cent in Ganges and 10 per cent on Pender and, finally, cider and coolers at seven per cent on both Salt Spring and Pender.

Pender also had the distinction of being named a "store of the year," one of a dozen B.C. Liquor Distribution Branch outlets honoured in 1996.

Provincially, sales of alcohol totalled \$1.5 billion and net profits reached \$567 million. Of the 161 million litres purchased province-wide, 64

per cent was beer, 19 per cent was wine, 12 per cent was spirits and five per cent was cider or coolers.

General manager John Nieuwenburg noted buying alcohol was very different 75 years ago. Selection was limited, browsing forbidden and shop windows painted green so products could not be

seen. For determined buyers, a bottle of whiskey sold for \$3.

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5 BIRTHS

SCHLEIBINGER (NEE, Sollitt) Morris & Deanna are very happy to announce the arrival of their 3rd son, Kyle Craig born on January 9, 1997 in Comox, BC at 9:46 am, weighing 8 lb. 5 oz. Happy Grandparents are Wayne & Yvonne Sollitt of Salt Spring Island, BC; Ann & Bill Cameron of Merritt, BC; and Joe & Judy Schleibinger of Kamloops. Great-grandmas, Gladys Keys of Salt Spring Island and Dorothy Ralston of Edmonton, Alberta. A very special thanks to Dr. Fockler and the nursing staff of St. Joseph's Hospital.

6 DEATHS

WALLACE: THELMA Alberta, passed away peacefully on January 27, 1997 at Lady Minto Hospital, age 85 years. She was a member of one of the pioneering families of Salt Spring Island. She has lived on Salt Spring Island close to 40 years. She will be missed by all who had the pleasure to have known her. She leaves behind 1 sister, Mrs. Shirley Henry of California, sister-in-law Myrtle Holloman, 2 sons, Melvin (Bettye) and Clifton (Jean) of California; Grandson Mike Alexander of Chilliwack, 15 other grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, 4 nieces, Joycelyn Giles, Nadine Sims, Yvonne Claybourn and Carlita Stanislaus; 1 nephew, Charles Henry and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services were held on Monday, February 2, 1997 at 1:00 pm at Our Lady of Grace Church (Roman Catholic), Salt Spring Island, BC. Father Jules Gault officiating. Internment followed in the Ganges Central Cemetery. Haywards Funeral Service in care of arrangements.

BASELEY: CHARLES. Died at home on January 26, 1997. Charlie was born February 5, 1906, at The Crab Mill pub, Preston Bagot, Wootton Waven, Stratford-on-Avon, Warwickshire, England. He is predeceased by his parents, William and Elizabeth, his brothers, William, Albert, and twin brother Frank, his sisters, Nancy and May, and his wife, Irene. Charlie came to Canada in 1925, and worked for five years at the S. Anglin & Co. lumber company in Kingston, Ontario. He then went to work for the Collins Bay Penitentiary in 1931. In 1940, he received a leave of absence from work for war service and reported for active duty in the Canadian Armed Forces. He served in the No. 2 Canadian Provost Company, B & D Section, which was known as "Capt. Riskey's Rough Riders." Charlie served in Canada, the United Kingdom and continental Europe. He was decorated with the C.V.M. and Clasp, France and Germany Star, Defence Medal and 1939-45 Star. He was discharged October 15, 1945, at Kingston, Ontario, Depot No. 3, at which time he returned to work at the penitentiary. In the spring of 1948, Charlie took Officers Training with the Rockcliffe RCMP. In February 1951, Charlie transferred to the New Westminster Penitentiary, where he was employed as the farm manager until 1962, at which time he retired and came to live on Salt Spring Island. He worked part-time with the Ganges RCMP detachment for 16 years. Charlie enjoyed gardening, sport fishing and travelling, which he did extensively, taking many trips to Reno, and back to England. He is survived by two nephews, Leonard Baseley and Noel (Pat) Baseley, and two nieces, Nancy (William) Cammock and Mary (Harry) Murden, all living in England. Charlie's spirit and sense of humour brightened the lives of those who were fortunate enough to have known him. He leaves behind many friends, including his special friends, Lesley Cheeseman and Muriel Hale. Cremation. A memorial service will be held on a date to be announced.

6 DEATHS

MINCHIN, NORAH Mary, passed away January 25, 1997 in Lady Minto Hospital, Salt Spring Island, Age 98. Predeceased by husband, Harry and daughter, Mary. Survived by her son, Larry, 8 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Norah touched everyone she met with her great kindness and concern for others. She will be sorely missed by family and friends. A memorial service will be held February 9 at 3:30 p.m. at All Saints-by-the-Sea Anglican Church, 110 Park Drive, Ganges, Salt Spring Island. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind would be appreciated.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

THE SPENCER family would like to thank Dr. Woodley, SSI Fire Department, Myles Wilson, Russ Crouse, Ann Chiasson, the staff at Windermere Realty, Maggie McLaughlin, Fernwood School and all our friends. Bev Meyer, Marlene Cormack, Laurel Hill, Joyce Bader and their prayer groups. A special thanks to our family for your love and support. Christopher is home and doing well.

FERNWOOD ELEMENTARY School would like to thank the following, Barnyard Grafix, Windsor Plywood, Slegg Lumber, Harlan's Choc, GVM, Pharmasave, West of the Moon, Apple Photo, Country Casuals, Mixmasters and all the volunteers, parents & kids who worked so hard to make the Christmas Card Fundraiser so successful.

10 CELEBRATIONS

Calling All Witty Ones
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FRIENDS OF Maggie Warbey. Celebrate the first 50 years. Friday, Feb. 7, 12:30 p.m. - mid-afternoon, Moby's.

AUDITIONS FOR "Random Acts," the inaugural production of Graffiti Theatre Company, will be held on February 12th at 7 p.m. at A.S.T.A.R. Theatre. Experienced, versatile actors (male/female) are invited to attend. Rehearsals start March 16 for performances April 18-27. For further information and to book a time for these preliminary auditions, call director Yvonne Adalian at 537-5396.

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Ferron
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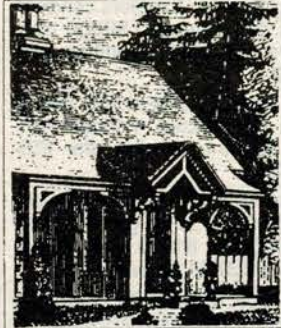
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525 RENTALS MISC.

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ROOM-MATES WANTED to share upper suite with fireplace, yard, close to Ganges. Prefer busy, non-smoker types. \$300. per month. 537-5733.

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SALT SPRING couple looking for caretaking or work for rent situation. We have a wide range of skills, including health care, gardening, building and forestry. Phone 537-8872.

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LOST: OR borrowed from dock at Burgoyne Bay, Large Dog Crate, Veri Kennel, with a peg board insert floor, no door, colour beige, sadly missed by "Spirit". If seen or in your possession call Walter or Damaris 653-4877, no questions asked!

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ROOM FOR rent: includes dresser & desk, washer/dryer, secluded on 5 acres, central, \$350. 653-9744.

SPECT TIME sale by owner. Spectacular ocean views; from this immaculate 8 year old custom built home. Everything has been meticulously maintained on this 1330 sq. ft. Lower Salt Spring Way home. Paved driveway, garage, 2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bathrooms, utility room and additional 320 sq. ft. of storage area on lower level. Living space all on one level, wheelchair friendly, \$295,000. By appointment only. Call 250-537-9504 between 6 - 9 pm.

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APARTMENT FOR rent: \$600/month plus utilities. Private, top floor, sea view, deck, near Ganges. All new appliances. 537-5491.

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GARAGE SALE at Anvil Iron. Saturday, February 8. 9 am. 427 Fulford Ganges Road. 15 cu. ft. Upright Freezer. Mostly shop stuff. 537-5631.

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Health group to continue its push for more nursing

By ALISTAIR ROSS
Driftwood Correspondent

Galiano members of the now dissolved Gulf Islands Community Health Council have decided to continue their work as an advisory group, and have sent the Capital Health Board a letter to that effect.

The three members — Kathryn Benger, Dennis Olson and Enzo von Resori — were appointed to the Gulf Islands council by the health board after the holding of several public meetings here.

Interviews with prospective members had been held, numerous trips and letters to Victoria were made, with phone calls and faxes to and fro as well — all this to introduce the idea of bringing the planning of health matters close to home. With costs soaring and the council members at last in a position to offer advice on their particular region's needs, the whole concept was thrown out and former cabinet minister Elizabeth Cull given several months to come up with a new plan to give communities "what they require in health care services." Will island residents be interviewed again and more meetings held? This seems doubtful given the time allowed for the completion of the ex-minister's recommendations.

The Galiano Health Care Society will now have to take on more responsibility in coordinating health services. One of its tasks will be to continue to push for

GALIANO NOTES

Closer to Home grant for additional nursing, which was applied for late last year. With the council's dissolution, it is felt we have lost potential for directly influencing health services, increasing the importance of support for the society in its efforts to coordinate services here.

Remembering Dobson

North Galiano residents were saddened to learn of the death of Mae Dobson of Saltery Bay.

Mae and husband Harold lived on the bluff above the bay for about 18 years, moving here from Salt Spring. Very private folk, they spent their days in their lovely garden and house-studio where they pursued artistic endeavours, Harold as a watercolourist, Mae as a sculptor. Mrs. Dobson was a graduate of the Winnipeg School of Art.

The Dobsons have two sons, Clive in Toronto and Charles, a teacher at the Emily Carr School of Art in Vancouver.

Trees along our roads

Before the recent harvesting of the forest, one of Galiano's beauties for tourists was our park-like roads, making their way hither and thither through the forest, roads

often overhung by alders and other deciduous trees.

Much of that is gone now, although attempts have been made to retain the island's sylvan aspect by leaving a border of trees standing along the roadsides. Lately, however, B.C. Hydro crews have been at work clearing right-of-ways for power lines to new homes, and the devastation continues. A short section of Porlier Pass Drive just south of its junction with Clanton Road was the first to be prepared for power lines. Recently, a longer swath was cleared along Cook Road — not a

pretty sight.

Coming events

The Galiano Garden Club's first meeting of 1997 will be on Wednesday, February 12 at 1:30 p.m. in North Galiano Hall.

The program will take the form of a panel discussion on vegetable growing. Experienced Galiano growers will share their thoughts and perspectives, and respond to audience questions.

Galiano Concerts Series — The Two Patricias will return to Galiano's south hall on Monday, February 17 to give another of

their entertaining and fun-filled evenings of music, nostalgia and nonsense. Concert time is 7:30 p.m.

Eyeglasses

The Lions Club has taken on the collection of old and usable eye glasses for shipment to Third World countries.

There, the grateful needy will be served through the recycling of cast-off glasses from those more fortunate. A box has been placed on the registration counter in the Health Care Centre for donated spectacles.

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By GAIL TRAFFORD
Driftwood Correspondent

Saturna volunteer firefighters have been treated as heroes since they saved a burning house at 101 Crossingham Road on January 27.

Many factors helped make this possible, including quick thinking by the owner who held the fire at bay with a garden hose. The house was located close to the road, only five minutes from the fire hall and the early evening alarm caught firefighters wide awake and ready to run.

Efficient training, upgraded equipment and good organization gave the team the edge they needed for this peak performance. The blaze might have completely destroyed the house if any of these factors had changed.

After the fire was extinguished, one firefighter remarked, "Everything that could go right, did go right."

Firefighters heroes since fire

Both the firefighters and the ambulance crew deserve a pat on the back for their quick response to this emergency.

Books and papers

February can be a quiet time of year and a good time to catch up on your reading list.

The Eddie Reid Memorial Library located in the church basement can supply almost any reader with enough fascinating material to pass the long, rainy winter evenings in front of the fire. The new bestseller books have become so popular the staff has started a waiting list. Another shipment of block books is due in the near future.

Why not check out the library and

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congratulate the workers for helping to make our island a nicer place to live?

•Saturna phone books are being revised and readied for 1997. Any new phone numbers or corrections may be noted and left in the appropriate envelope, at the free mail, at Saturna General Store.

The school is preparing the new phone books and, once completed, they will be on sale at both stores.

• The Saturna Parents Advisory Council is planning to have its new cookbooks prepared in time for the

Easter bake sale.

Thanks to all the contributors who have left their recipes in the box at the General Store. One advantage to a local cook book is that some of the recipes may have been tasted at local potluck dinners or neighbours' homes and an appreciation for those dishes has already been established.

• The Saturna Sunset Scribbler, published by Saturna School and featuring work of all the elementary students and many other local contributors, has just begun its fifth year.

This paper presents a unique child's eye view of our community and its events. The children deserve recognition and support for their hard work and steady improvement.

Let them know if you enjoyed one

of their stories. Letters to the editor are appreciated.

Coming events

This Saturday night is bingo night on Saturna.

The recreation centre committee will have the doors open at 6:30 p.m. and bingo will begin at 7. Bingo daubers and light refreshments will be available.

There is no admittance fee and cards cost \$1 per game.

• The Two Patricias are coming to Saturna on February 15 with Love's Old Sweet Songs for a Valentine's Day concert.

This event is sponsored by the Saturna Island Arts and Concerts Society. Tickets will be available at the door for those who don't yet have season's tickets. The show begins at 8 p.m. at St. Christopher's Church.

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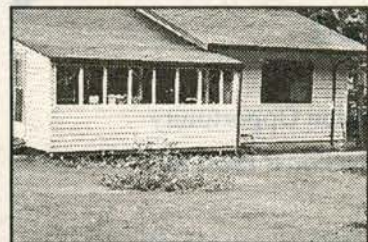
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Long Harbour was proposed as ferry terminal site

Thirty-five years ago

Members of the joint chamber of commerce of the islands asked the provincial government to supply interim ferry service connecting Vancouver and the Gulf Islands for the coming year. Long Harbour was proposed as the major terminal in the Gulf Islands. The request was made after islanders learned that a ferry promised for the run would not be available for another year.

The proposal was to base a service in Long Harbour to link the Gulf Islands to the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island.

Thirty years ago

Salt Spring Cablevision was expanding into the Vesuvius area, increasing TV options for island residents.

New kitchen facilities were installed at Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital, which had provided care equivalent to 3,638 patient-days the previous year. Admitted were 464 patients, there were 464 newborn

DOWN THE YEARS

infants and 1,023 outpatients were treated. The hospital also received a \$200 government bond from the Salt Spring Guild of Sun Shine. The guild was folding.

Twenty-five years ago

Minister of Municipal Affairs Dan Campbell rejected a zoning bylaw proposed for the Outer Islands, citing opposition in the islands and the election of a bylaw opponent to the Capital Regional District board. He also noted the plan contained no provision for development areas and suggested an alternative zoning bylaw, which had been developed for another island, be adopted instead.

Twenty years ago

A plan for the future development of Ganges established two areas for multiple-family housing

and restricted development in areas where land slippage was a risk. Major changes in development would have to wait for a sewer system. Regional director George Heinekey predicted such a project would be announced soon.

Heinekey also recommended against incorporating Ganges as a village, pointing out the change would lead to the island having to cover additional costs such as policing and secondary road maintenance.

Teachers in the Gulf Islands School District received an eight per cent salary increase for 1977. This brought the average teacher's salary and benefits to \$21,916.

Fifteen years ago

A special sub-committee was formed by the solid waste and sewage disposal committee of the Capital Regional District board to investigate the Ganges sewer issue. Bids for the system came in at \$400,000 above the projected cost,

giving the entire project a possible deficit of \$500,000.

MP for Cowichan, Malahat and the Islands Jim Manly said the economy, especially inflation and unemployment, were the major issues facing the country. He noted more than one million people were unemployed and that high interest rates were creating profits for banks and hardship for those on fixed incomes.

Ten years ago

Luigi's restaurant owner Peter Grant planned legal action against a take-out business launched in mid-January from half of a Maliview Drive duplex. Grant said the take-out pizza business contravened local zoning bylaws. He also felt the in-home business enjoyed a lower overhead and therefore an unfair advantage over businesses operating in commercial space.

DJ's North End Pizza had been opened by Ed and Jamie Armstrong as a take-out business selling pizza, ribs, chicken and other foods. The

owners said they had met all requirements to open their business, which they felt did not compete with restaurants since they were only open in the evenings, did not serve alcohol and had no walk-in traffic.

Salt Spring Trust committee member Nick Gilbert said the business fell within the definition of a home occupation. Chamber of commerce president Rick Rockliffe also felt the take-out business was operating legally.

Five years ago

Canada Post instituted a new system, sending all Salt Spring mail to Victoria for stamp cancellation. The speed of Victoria's cancellation machine was cited as one reason for the change, which was also supposed to hasten delivery of mail heading off-island. However, residents were complaining that letters mailed on the island were taking from three to seven days to reach another address on the island.

Post-secondary school reps to visit

By NEILL ARMITAGE
Driftwood Contributor

John Bergsma has arranged for representatives from the following post-secondary institutions to be at Gulf Islands Secondary School this Friday morning.

University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, University of Victoria, Trinity Western University, Malaspina University-College, Camosun College, British Columbia Institute of Technology and the Canadian Armed Forces will be represented.

Students are required to sign up for specific sessions, but parents are welcome to drop in. If you have a child in Grade 11, it is not too early to be examining the course offerings of these programs so you can help select courses in Grade 12.

Public health nurse Pam MacKenzie wants you to be aware that this week is Eating Disorders Awareness Week.

While eating disorders can affect anyone, the majority of people struggling with anorexia nervosa and bulimia are adolescent girls and young women. Signs that should alert you as a parent include:

Refusal to eat, excessive exercise, distorted body image, denial of hunger, frequent weight fluctuations, low self-esteem and perfectionism.

Eating disorders can be treated. For more information, call MacKenzie at 537-5541 or the Eating Disorders Resource Centre of B.C. at 1-800-665-1822.

MacKenzie is also giving reinforcing tetanus/diphtheria immunizations to Grade 9 students on February 12. Students in Grade 9 will have a permission slip included with report cards being issued on Monday, February 10. If you wish to complete and return this slip earlier, please have your child pick one up at the counselling centre. Direct your questions about these shots to MacKenzie at 537-

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5541.

Douglas College has sent us information about its Bachelor of Music and Basic Musicianship programs. Ask Liane Watson in the counselling centre to show you the audition program and scholarship information.

Of the many scholarships described in the counselling centre's resource books, senior students may wish to examine the criteria of the B.C. Government Employees Union Scholarships (due February 28).

We also have information about

\$1,200 awards to students entering the Recreation Leadership Program at Simon Fraser University this fall.

Students who plan to select education as a career will be interested in the six scholarships of \$1,000 each being offered by the British Columbia School Superintendents Association. Deadline for applications is March 1.

Ask Watson in the counselling centre for application forms for these awards.

A special note of interest for many readers is a letter we just received from Simon Fraser University informing us that Kristi Charish, who graduated from GISS last year, will be honoured at the university's annual awards ceremony next Friday.

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