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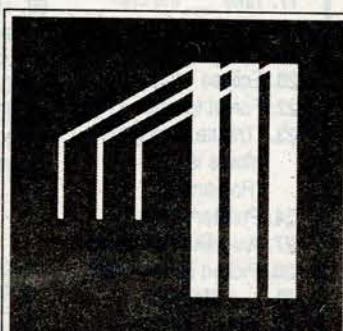
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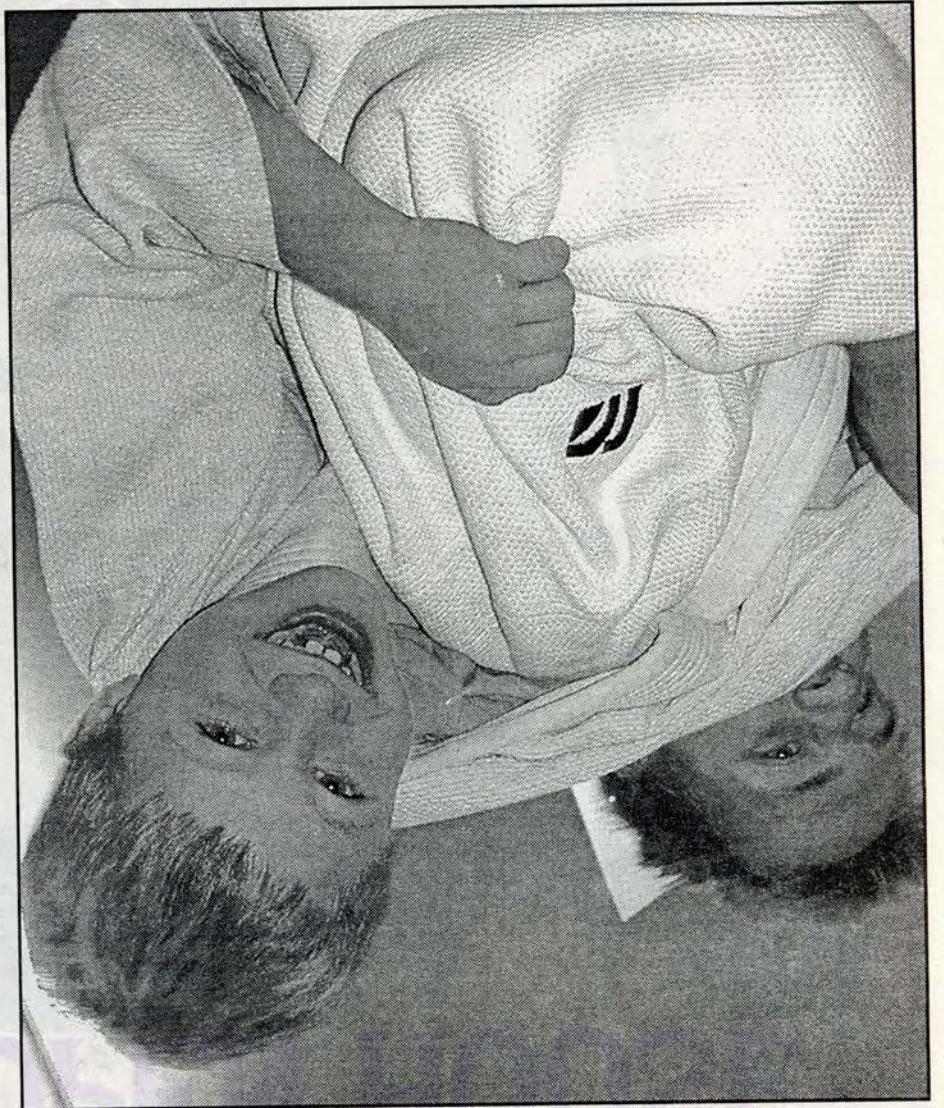
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**JUDO JUNKIES:** A national gold medal-winning member of the provincial judo team, Evan Stockwell, flips the newest member of the Salt Spring judo squad — Nico Reynolds. The provincial judo team was on the island this Saturday, using Shaun Adams' Ganges Hill dojo as a practice locale.  
Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club announces its October schedule

Following is the Trail and Nature Club's schedule of activities for the next month.

First off, the September social is on Thursday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the United Church. (The October 26 social is at the United Church, 7:30 p.m., and features the leader at Drummond at 10:15 a.m. for carpooling.

Frank Monaghan leads hikers on a Channel Ridge trip. Carpool at 10 a.m. to meet at Portlock Park at 10 a.m. Leads a ramble in the Cushman Lake area. Meet at Centennial at 10 a.m.

October 17 — Grace Bakes takes the Ramblers along the Norton Road route. Centennial at 10 a.m. and carpool to Kings Beaver Point Hall.

Alan Clews treats hikers to some great views from Mount Tuam via Mountain Road. Meet at Centennial at 9:45 a.m. and carpool to Drummond for departure at 10. No tricks now!

Walkers take a tour of Ruckle Park with Tony Pedersen. Meet at Centennial at 10 a.m. and Drummond at 10:15 to carpool to the Potato House.

Hikers stretch their legs on a Mount Bruce scramble with Fred Powell. Centennial at 9:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. to carpool for a Drummond Park departure at 10 a.m.

October 24 — Ramblers take a beach walk in the Fernwood area 4739 to reserve, as numbers are limited!

October 10 — Harold Page leads a roadside ramble in the new subdivision in the Dubois Road area. Good underfoot and spectacular views. Carpool from Centennial Park at 10 a.m. to meet the leader at Drummond at 10:15 a.m.

Fiona Flook will lead the walk-ers on the Ford Lake trail. Centennial at 10 or Garner Road at 10:10 a.m.

Hikers will follow Loes Holland on a Shepherd Hills trip. Centennial at 10 a.m. to carpool. October 17 — Grace Bakes takes the Ramblers along the Norton Road route. Centennial at 10 a.m. and carpool to Kings Beaver Point Hall.

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answers on B2

**ACROSS**

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4. Slimy vegetable
8. Gusto
11. Ancient Greek harp
13. Piece of asparagus
14. Burt's ex
15. Holler
16. Waitress top
17. Take \_\_\_\_\_ the chin
18. Extinguishes (2 wds.)
20. Eclipse
22. Forest female
23. "Tribute to whom tribute is \_\_\_\_\_"
24. Politster's data (Romans 13:7-8)
27. Anise-like seasoning
30. Picked up the check
31. Mamer
33. Moved in water
35. Douceur
36. Gob
37. "To All the Gifts"
38. Porters
40. Genesis gobbledy-
42. Fit of pique
43. Nocturnal noisemaker

**DOWN**

1. Stunt journalist Nellie
2. Watched
3. The younger Guthrie
4. Mr. Hollands
5. Olin of (1995 film)
6. Surprise attack
7. Video game venues
8. Show of hands
9. Sharing a secret
10. Time division: abbr.
12. Escaped
13. Noble horses
14. Compares
19. Isaac, to Abraham
21. Stocking mishap
24. Coin side
25. Lose greenness
26. Ravi Shankar's instrument
27. Got on Indiana's Senator
28. Adlai \_\_\_\_\_ Stevenson
29. Actress Linda Harper Valley gp.
30. Sci. room
32. Was in session
34. Flew high
40. Gestures
41. Furloughs
42. Less well
44. Hitter's hope with men on: abbr.
46. B-way sellout sign
49. Airplane wing part
50. Retread, e.g.
51. Departure door
52. Biblical paradise
53. "Never Give a Sucker an Break"
54. Actor Andrews
55. Osaka cincher
57. Ray Hutton
59. French refusal

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# Building the house of God: two churches open new doors

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2000

By ANASTACIA WILDE

Driftwood Staff

There's no place like home. Those words and the meaning behind them hold profound significance for members of both the Community Gospel Chapel and the Pentecostal Church on Baker Road. The grand launch of the 2,000-square-foot Pentecostal Church on Baker Road took place over the weekend with Sunday's open house and dedication ceremony, while the Community Gospel Chapel is gearing up for its official public appearance this Sunday.

Both churches have been "homeless" for years and a flurry of excitement and sighs of relief can be heard reverberating throughout the congregations.

Pastor Hill explained that the Pentecostal Assembly is energetically applying the complete church space and other additions at a later date and the one-year temporary occupancy will allow ample time to finish the sidewalk, back stairs and landing.

"It has been a complete renovation and a massive undertaking. In order for it to be used as a public meeting hall, there were major transformations that had to be performed," said Hill, who added the marked half of her will to the Pentecostal Assembly.

"The property that we have is quite remarkable — close to town but off the beaten path. Because of her gift, we have been blessed with a home," the pastor said.

Barely a hop, skip and jump from the ocean, the 5.3-acre property is ideally suited for its purpose and copiously filled with standing trees, eventually slated to accommodate community nature trails. Numerous volunteers have laboured endless hours clearing

the Pentecostal Assembly of 1999, the actual construction didn't hit full swing until three months later in June. Structural engineer Greg Slavov and local architect Jonathan Yardeley were major players in the project.

"I can't begin to tell you how much I've learned about construction," said Hill, who added that he couldn't hit a nail on the head before the 18-month overhaul began.

With an operating budget of \$30,000, a handful of construction savvy church members and a flock of eager church volunteers backing up the loose ends before the brand-new church swings wide its door at this weekend's open house, spirits are high and adrenaline is buzzing.

Since the former church burned to the ground three years ago, congregation members and administrators have been something of spiritual vagabonds. Sliding from the Gulf Islands Secondary School for Sunday services, to the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission's office space and banquets, church land was sold and the combined money from the land sale and fire insurance provided a third of the needed budget for the new local.

"It feels great," Cormack enthused. "We're in the finishing touches. It's wonderful to be at the tail end of it. There's a tremendous feeling in the congregation about all the creativity. People are coming in and out of the building every day."

The freshly-constructed church is a hefty 12,040-square-foot building and the multi-purpose room alone accommodates 260 people. Rivaling the downtown Artspring theatre with its capacity seating arrangement, the main building will be home to Sunday services, athletic activities, Christmas banquets and a slew of other events.

The enormity of the new church is a leap of faith away from the previous church stumping ground. For Chris Cormack of the Community Gospel Chapel, a deep sense of peace.

"Everyone is just so excited, it's great to have our own home. This gives the space for the young people to do drama, theatre and music, which they love."

Although the first church service was held on August 13, Sunday's open house from 12:30 to 4 p.m. is a chance for the church to bid thank you to all the contractors, suppliers and volunteer workers bees.

"We'd like to invite the whole community to the open house, or come down anytime," Cormack said.

There's no place like home to bring out the best in us all.

While the constant stream of workers was staggering, the rector singled out 75-year-old retired fisherman Otto Mostad as the dihard volunteer. "He has been working here every day, sometimes for eight hours a day. He is one of the main people to make this dream a reality."

Sunday's dedication service was especially poignant because local members were treated to a rare visit by Jim Caruso, the first pastor for



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# Audience caught up in world of Love Letters

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

A long theatre drought at ArtSpring ends October 7-8 with a performance of A.R. Gurney's acclaimed Love Letters play.

Catherine Caines and Antony Holland, veteran actors who have been touring the play since February, are looking forward to sharing the story they love with Salt Spring audiences.

"It's a wonderful script," Caines said Monday. "It's an amazing piece of work."

Love Letters is a poignant, humorous, award-winning play with a simple premise. A man and a woman — Andrew Makepeace Ladd III and Melissa Gardner — have known each other since Grade 2. Although they never married, their relationship grew and evolved as they shared their joys and sorrows, frustrations and dreams, which are revealed in the play through decades of letters sent to each other.

As the letters unfold, so does the listener's understanding of and connection to the complex characters.

Gordon English, president of the Gulf Islands Seniors Residence Association (GISRA), which is fundraising feverishly to

**What:** Love Letters  
**When:** October 7-8  
**Where:** ArtSpring  
**How much:** \$14

build Meadowbrook Seniors Residence, prompted the Love Letters visit to Salt Spring.

English said he thoroughly enjoyed the "very poignant and amusing play" when he saw it at Chemainus Theatre, where Caines and Holland were first commissioned to perform it.

Love Letters also delivers an emotional wallop.

"There weren't many dry eyes in the audience when it was over," he said.

Caines acknowledged that the response to their rendition of Love Letters has been "phenomenal." In pulling out all the stops to raise the remaining \$250,000 or so needed to make the non-profit seniors residence a reality, English thought he would ask Holland and Caines to bring Love Letters to Salt Spring as a means of raising more funds.

Caines notes the play has grown tremendously since English was so impressed by it, which naturally happens as more time and pas-

sion pours into the play. And playwright Gurney has given the actors a script they can delve into deeply, taking theatre-goers with them on the journey.

Caines said she and her partner enjoy creating a bond with their audiences.

"I don't like working in a black hole," she said. "I like to know where my audience is. I'm there to share."

Holland and Caines have about 80 years of theatre experience in acting, directing and teaching between them.

Caines said performing Love Letters has been a real treat for the Gabriola Island couple, who have not been on stage together for about 20 years.

She also said being invited to Salt Spring was a "great gift" given by English, who simply called the couple out of the blue.

English said that with 52 people on the waiting list for Meadowbrook Seniors Residence, the pressure is on to raise the required funds as soon as possible.

People wanting to see a terrific play while helping GISRA achieve its goal can get tickets, which cost \$14, through the ArtSpring box office, 537-2102.

Reserved seating is in effect,

which English noted is especially important for people who may be hard of hearing and should get seats closer to the front.

ArtSpring also has a few special head-sets to enhance sound levels for people with hearing impairments. Information is available from the box office.

The Saturday, October 7 show is at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee the next day at 2 p.m.

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# Students can 'open up' through song

There may be too many cooks in a kitchen, but there can never be too many singers on Salt Spring Island.

European-trained performer and vocal instructor Nina Holldorf is joining the groove, offering up group singing classes through the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC), along with private lessons from her home studio.

The German-born singer moved to Salt Spring two years ago, and in addition to coaching other singers, has linked forces with keyboardist Gary Lundy for a dynamic duo of classical standards.

"Nina brings a refined performance level which parallels her powerful, rich voice. The passion of musical expression is going to be a treat for Salt Spring audiences," the pianist said.

While in Germany, Holldorf travelled 130 kilometres by train for many years to study with a Japanese opera singer in Hamburg. Her love of musical interpretation

and vocal expressiveness propelled her extensive training in musicals, French chanson, German cabaret, jazz, blues and classical singing styles.

"For me, singing is the joy of life. My voice is my life, I couldn't live without it. I couldn't express myself without it," she said.

The vocal coach also studied drama and performance at a theatre school in northern Germany with a focus on body and breath work, voice and stage presence.

"Nina helps you discover a physical awareness in singing. The entire body is in song," said vocal student Terry McLees.

While respecting the unique flavour, colour and texture of each student's voice, Holldorf says her teaching style reflects the simple truth that the breath is the centre of a singer's universe.

"Everything begins with the breath," she said. "The breath carries the voice. The breath is the support system for the voice.

Without the real technique of breathing, you can't control the voice."

Unlike other instruments where people improve slowly over time, Holldorf explained that singers sometimes have unrealistic expectations of themselves.

"The voice is such an intimate object because it's such a delicate part of your being. If people don't hit the right intonation from the start, they get discouraged or are told to stop singing. With the guitar, you are not expected to finger the chords properly the very first time."

"There are so many people who would like to sing, but they have psychological blocks. I want to give people the possibility of opening up through their voices and feel the joy of singing."

Tune Up Your Life — If You Can Talk You Can Sing is a four-week course which runs October 16 to November 6 on Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m.

Body and Voice/ Building Bridges starts October 19 and runs through November 9 for four weeks on Thursdays, also from 7 to 9.

Call the PARC office at 537-4448 or Holldorf's Create Yourself Music Studio at 653-9868 for more information.

# Storytelling back at library

Salt Spring children can once again journey into story land as story circles resume at Mary Hawkins Library.

Retired kindergarten teacher Jean Voaden, who has been reading and telling children's stories at the library for several years, will meet with children aged three to five Tuesdays from 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Beginning her second year of storytelling at the library is Shauna Grylls, who will meet with older children (aged six to nine) on Fridays from 3 to 4 p.m.

Grylls' session will include reading and role-playing.

She invites youngsters to "come sparkle and shine in rhythm and rhyme with fairy/folk tales and myth story time."

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# Guild anticipating Baspaly workshop

When Donna Baspaly was on Salt Spring teaching with the Federation of Canadian Artists (FCA) this summer, her stunning collage pieces were a huge draw at the group's Artspring exhibit. Baspaly enjoyed her island visit so much that she's signed on to come back, this time sponsored by the Salt Spring Island Painters' Guild.

Baspaly will teach a two-day October 14-15 weekend mixed media workshop on the Northwest Watercolour Society, has created lithographs and cards for world-wide distribution, and her designs have been used on book covers, fabrics and even bed linens.

She is a popular art show juror and workshop leader, travelling across North America each year. Bernice Wood of the island's painters' guild says group members are extremely excited about the chance to work with Baspaly, although the 20-year professional artist also emphasizes the wonder of the artistic process.

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Photo by Derrick Lundy  
Morgan Kennedy.



# Young Jazz Players promises great sound at Music, Munch

An "amazing" and "serious" group of young musicians is set to entertain at next week's Music and Munch program.

Formerly known as the SIMS Jazz Combo, the group is now called YJP (Young Jazz Players) and includes Simon Miller on trumpet, Alex Perkins, alto saxophone, Garret MacDonnell, tenor saxophone, Ed Perkins, electric guitar, keyboardist Dan Fogarty and Dorian Koop on drums.

They take the stage at All Saints By-the-Sea on October 4, beginning at 12:10 p.m. The event is followed by a meal for \$4.75.

YJP has played several island venues, including Moby's Pub, the Saturday market and the SIMS Parent Talent Gala Night.

In addition to performing in YJP, the musicians are involved in either the middle school or high school band programs, and several members also take private lessons from Acoustic Planet Music Studios.

YJP was also represented at the Malaspina College Summer Jazz Camp in Nanaimo this

past July, where they worked with accomplished musicians such as Ross McTaggart (saxophone) and Arnold Chykoski (trumpet).

Simon Miller will open the Music and Munch performance with tunes such as "In the Mood". Then YJP will take the stage accompanied on both pieces by his mother, Jennifer Howard.

with a Baroque piece followed by a 20th-century composition, accompanied on both pieces by his mother, Jennifer Howard.

Then YJP will take the stage with tunes such as "In the Mood" and other jazz favourites.

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# Tickets going fast for MacLean show

The ArtSpring theatre has seen many a talented performer since its doors first opened in February 1999 and this weekend will be no exception.

From inadvertently being "discovered" on the Bowen Queen six years ago, singer/songwriter Tara MacLean has come full circle in her musical career to headline TSUNAMI's Sunday-night Homecoming Passenger concert.

After signing with Nettwerk Records — Canada's largest independent label — MacLean went on to release her debut CD called Silence.

Most of the songs written on this album were composed in a Salt Spring cabin tucked away on Beddis Road, which she rented from Sam and Elsie Cochrane.

After leaving the island, the overnight success-story performer has been building a loyal fan base through her folk-inspired songs.

MacLean's sophomore CD Passenger was released in the United States in February and has been available in Canada since October 1999. The rising star has toured with the likes of Paula Cole, Ron Sexsmith and the Barenaked Ladies and performed at Lilith Fair concerts. Other highlights of MacLean's burgeoning career feature being named Best New Solo Artist at the 1997 Canadian Radio Music Awards.

Sunday's concert at ArtSpring offers a tasty line-up of other female artists opening for MacLean.

Pianist Megan Robinson brings emotion to the stage and has been a remarkable performer each year at the Salt Spring Music Guild's Concert of Young Musicians.

The lively and passionate Kayla Schmah, who studies voice with Clemency Perrins and piano with Chris Kodaly, will infuse the audience with her own identity into works from classical to rock.

Not to be missed is the phenomenal singer/songwriter Allison Crowe from Nanaimo, who will present an exciting preview of the show she'll pour out at Moby's Pub later this month.

Two straight years of opening for and touring with The Cure, Lisa Loeb and Sarah McLachlan have given MacLean a ride into the music business that she'll never forget.

"I haven't stayed in one place for very long, so I've had to find the centre within myself," the singer said. "As I moved through life, I found music was my tool for survival."

**What:** Tara MacLean  
**When:** October 1  
**Where:** ArtSpring  
**How much:** \$12, \$8

Adrian du Plessis is the events coordinator of TSUNAMI (The Society for Unsung New Art and Music Innovators), a non-profit youth and arts society sponsoring Sunday's concert at ArtSpring.

"Her (MacLean's) growth as an artist, and her root experiences as an islander — from her birthplace on Prince Edward Island to her spiritual home on Salt Spring — help inspire young people to create and reach for their musical, artistic and life goals," he said.

Tickets are selling very quickly for the show and are priced affordably at \$8 for students and \$12 for non-students, available at Acoustic Planet, et cetera, Foxglove, Stuff and Nonsense and Thrifty Foods.



**FINAL SHOWS:** Most of the cast of Salt Spring's longest-running show, Friends and Neighbours, teams up with Harbour House Hotel staff to remind islanders the show is

winding down this week. The 70th and last performance runs with dinner tomorrow evening (Thursday) after a lunch-time matinee today.

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# Ten-day arts festival honours natural places and creativity

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A number of artists have already donated art works — creative hand-made items of all kinds — for the silent auction, but Centred at ArtSpring, it will feature visual artists, writers, musicians, poets and actors all contributing to an art show and the unique nature of our island recreation and community sustainability.

"It's an all-inclusive community arts festival for everyone," says coordinator Susan Pratt.

The event is being sponsored by the Salt Spring Appeal to support the protection and acquisition of Salt Spring lands for conservation, recreation and community sustainability.

Pratt notes that when the festival is on, it will have been almost a year since Salt Spring began fundraising to buy some of the ecologically sensitive lands purchased by Texada Land

really exciting ones not yet confirmed.

Already lined up and ready to go is an "Out to Launch" writers night of readings by some famous, "as well as infamous," Salt Spring authors.

Local bards are promising an evening of "passionate poetry delivered with tender loving care." A special Halloween activity is also in the works, and the preserve and protect calendar women will build a better butterfly garden workshop.

"The display of auction art runs the entire length of the festival, with the final auction of artworks on the November 5 weekend.

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# Zimbabwean dancer kicks up heels at hall

Lions' Hall may catch fire this Saturday when Zimbabwean performer and dance teacher Julia Chigamba comes to town. In the tradition of her family's dance troupe called Mhembero, the dynamic entertainer aims to educate young people and create awareness of the performing arts in Zimbabwe.

The native Zimbabwean has taught and performed internationally and is gracing Salt Spring and Canada with her second visit this week. Julia's father Tute Chigamba and sister Irene Chigamba turned Beaver Point Hall upside down last year during a performance to raise funds for a Zimbabwean school.

Julia is acclimating for her grace and friendly enthusiasm, her professional teaching style and her professional and athletic ability. Accompanied by drums, the dancer will share the Mbakumba harvest dance which celebrates and gives thanks for a good harvest.

Students in Salt Spring schools will have a first-hand opportunity to explore Zimbabwean tradition, history and arts when the teacher tours Gulf Islands Secondary School, Salt Spring Middle School and Salt Spring Centre School.

Organizers said that as well as being a great workout, "Julia's dance style can be drawn upon as a means for enhancing enjoyment and personal expression of world music styles."

The public dance class will be conducted on Saturday, September 30 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Lions' Hall with a performance by Julia to follow. Cost is \$30 for both events or \$5 for the performance only.



Julia Chigamba

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**Friends & Neighbours**, a light-hearted musical/dramatic history of Salt Spring Island, ends its whirlwind season at the Harbour House Hotel on **Thursday, September 28** at 8 p.m. Dinner precedes the show; doors open at 6:30 p.m. Friends and Neighbours also runs during lunch on **Wednesday, September 27**. Lunch is at noon and the show at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$10 plus the regular dinner menu. (\$5 for children under 10.) Reservations are recommended: 537-5571.

## music

- Cold Wave** warms up the Tree-House Cafe on **Wednesday, September 27**, 7-9:30 p.m.
- Atomic Blues Band** with special guests — Harry Manx, Sarah Morris, Ted Cook and more — is the dance band at Meaden Hall on **Friday, September 29**, 8 p.m.
- Last Tree-House open stage** takes place on **Thursday, September 28**, 7-11 p.m.
- Stack Sisters** play at the Tree-House on **Friday, September 29**, 7-9:30 p.m.
- Harry Manx** closes the Tree-House season of nightly music on **Saturday, September 30**, 7-9:30 p.m.
- Classical Encore** — the music of Schumann, Williams, Mozart, Schubert and Liszt as performed by scholarship winners of the Johann Strauss Foundation. ArtSpring, **Saturday, September 30**, 8 p.m. Tickets \$12, \$6 for students, through ArtSpring (537-2102).
- Tara MacLean**, Nettwerk/Capitol Records recording artist, headlines a concert at ArtSpring, with special guests Megan Robinson and Kayla Schmah from Salt Spring, and Allison Crowe of Nanaimo. **Sunday, October 1**, 8 p.m. Tickets \$8 for students and \$12 for adults on sale at Acousti Planet, et cetera, Foxglove, Stuff and Nonsense, Thrifty Foods. Presented by TSUNAMI.
- Simone Grasky Quartet** plays the first Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz night of official autumn, **October 1**, 8 p.m.
- Young Jazz Players** — YJP — perform a recital at All Saints By-the-Sea on **Wednesday, October 4**, 12:10 p.m. Free concert followed by lunch for \$4.75.
- Wednesday Night LIVE!** at Moby's runs **October 4**, 9 p.m.

### EVERY WEEK:

- Tuesdays** — Simone Grasky sings jazz and blues, backed up by Mike Lammers, at Talon's restaurant from 8 p.m.
- Wednesdays** — Argentinean Tango Practice at Lions Hall, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. \$3 drop-in. Info: Margie, 537-2707.
- Thursdays** — Tree-House Cafe Open Stage, hosted by Vaughn Fulford, runs from 7-11 p.m. Last one is on September 28.
- Fridays** — Rose's Cafe Open Stage — begins at 7 p.m.
- Saturdays** — Alfresco Restaurant — Barrington Perry plays piano starting at 6 p.m.
- Saturdays and Sundays** — Harbour House Bistro — Pianist Murray Anderson performs at lunch or dinner.
- Sundays** — Fulford Inn — The Other Brothers play from 6 to 9 p.m.
- Mondays** — Midnight Mondays Cafe at Rose's in Fulford. The cafe is open until midnight for an after-hours acoustic jam session with all musicians (and audience members) welcome.

## meetings

- Salt Spring Painters' Guild** regular meeting at Lions Hall on **Wednesday, September 27**, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Jack Avison will teach a session of "getting down to the REAL basics" and do a demonstration of wet on wet. On **October 4**, Rohana Laing will lead a presentation of "drawing as meditation."
- Caregivers Support Group** meets at Salt Spring Seniors on **Wednesdays** at 11 a.m. Info: Marg Monro, 537-5004.
- Salt Spring Garden Club** meets at Meaden Hall, with David Tarrant speaking on "Reflections on gardening on the west coast," on **Wednesday, September 27**, 7 p.m.
- Trail and Nature Club** September social is at the United Church, **Thursday, September 28**, 7:30 p.m.
- Transfer Station Draft Regulation open houses**, sponsored by the Capital Regional District. Fulford Hall on **Friday, September 29**, 3-7 p.m. Lions Hall, **Saturday, September 30**, 1-4 p.m. Info: 1-800-663-4425, local 3030.
- Green Party** meeting to nominate the candidate for the provincial Saanich North and the Islands constituency is at the Green House on Lower Ganges Road on **Saturday, September 30**, 7 p.m.
- Canadian Federation of University Women** meets at Lions Hall on **Saturday, September 30**, 10 a.m. A coffee party and registration for interest groups will take place.
- Pony Club** sign-up and meeting, at the Salt Spring Sailing Club, **Saturday, September 30**, 2 p.m. Info: Karen, 653-4589.
- Salt Spring Genealogy Group** meets at Salt Spring Seniors on **Wednesday, October 4**, 7 p.m.

## activities

- Contemporary Book Study** at Salt Spring United Church, led by Rev. Rohana Laing and Rev. Bob Wild, is on **Wednesday, September 27** from noon to 1 p.m.
- Advance Poll** for the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission referendum on securing land for future community recreation is at the Gulf Islands School Board office is on **Wednesday, September 27**, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Regular voting day is on **Saturday, September 30**, at Gulf Islands Secondary, Fulford Hall, Central Hall, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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- Soccer Linesmen's Clinic** run by Malcolm Legg at the Gulf Islands Secondary School library. **Thursday, September 28**, 7:30 p.m. Info: 537-4970.
  - Vintage Car Club Tour** — 60-plus cars from the '20s to the '60s and their owners are on Salt Spring from **Friday through Sunday, September 28-30**. Cars can be viewed at the Harbour House on Friday and Saturday afternoons, and on Saturday at lunchtime at Cedar Beach Resort. Cars will also tour around the island on Saturday and Sunday.
  - Book-signing** of A Rose Every Friday by Alex Mitchell is at Salt Spring Books on **Saturday, September 30**, 2 p.m.
  - Mapping Ganges** — everyone is invited to help create an all-encompassing map of Ganges as part of the Islands in the Salish Sea Mapping Project. United Church, **Saturday, September 30**, 9 a.m.
  - Community Gospel Chapel** open house at the new building, 147 Vesuvius Bay Road, **Sunday, October 1**, 12:30- 4 p.m. Free hot dogs and balloons for kids, and coffee and sandwiches for adults.
- EVERY WEEK:**
- Community meditation** is on every Thursday from 11:15 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. at the United Church upper hall.

# What!

**YOUR CALENDAR**

What's On is a reader service designed to highlight arts and culture. 537-9933, fax 537-2613 or email: news@gulfislands.net the D

<p><b>wed</b> SEPT. 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seniors tea</li> <li>Friends &amp; Neighbours</li> <li>Book study</li> </ul>	<p><b>thurs</b> SEPT. 28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Friends &amp; Neighbours finale</li> <li>Community Gathering</li> </ul>	<p><b>fri</b> SEPT. 29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Escapegoats</li> <li>Stack Sisters</li> <li>Transfer station by open house</li> <li>Vintage Car Club</li> </ul>
<p><b>mon</b> OCT. 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Storytelling circle</li> </ul>	<p><b>tues</b> OCT. 3</p>	<p><b>wed</b> OCT. 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Young Jazz Players</li> <li>Wednesday Night L</li> </ul>
<p><b>sat</b> OCT. 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Love Letters</li> <li>Mother; Cosmic Comedy</li> </ul>	<p><b>sun</b> OCT. 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Love Letters</li> <li>Choral Evensong</li> </ul>	<p><b>mon</b> OCT. 9</p>

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  - Salt Spring SPCA** holds an open house every **Saturday** below the vet clinic from 2 to 4 p.m.
  - Storytelling Circle** runs at the Bodyworks Collective studio, 5A-121 McPhillips Avenue, on **Mondays**, 7-9 p.m. All ages welcome. \$2 drop-in fee.
- ### for health
- The Screening Mammography Program** is at the Ganges courthouse until October 6. Appointments are necessary: Call 1-800-663-9203 to book one, cancel an existing appointment or for further information.
  - Nia Fitness dance classes** are at All Saints on **Thursday, September 28** at 5:15 p.m., and **Saturday, September 30** at 9:30 p.m. Nia takes a break from October 1-16. Drop-in \$8.
- EVERY WEEK**
- Beginner Step fitness classes** with Brenda Akerman run **Mondays and Wednesdays** at All Saints \$5 drop-in or \$35 for a book of 10.
  - Salt Spring Centre** regular yoga classes Levels with Laura from 4-5:30 p.m. **Saturday** with centre staff, 9:30-11 a.m. **Mondays:** Nia runs from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; Seniors Yoga with to noon (register through Parks and Rec); runs from 4:30-6 p.m. **Wednesdays:** Joy from 11 a.m. to noon. For info, call the centre.
  - Dance and Feldenkrais Classes** with / **Mondays** at Cats Pajamas Studio. Feldenkrais Through Movement, runs at 6 p.m. following dance class combines a stretch and strength energy dancing for fun and fitness. Info: 537-5571
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<b>sat</b> SEPT. 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Classical Encore II</li> <li>Harry Manx</li> <li>Zimbabwian dance</li> <li>PARC referendum</li> <li>Transfer station bylaw</li> <li>Vintage Car Club open house</li> </ul>
<b>fr</b> OCT. 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sunyata dance</li> </ul>
<b>tues</b> OCT. 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Gathering</li> <li>Bingo at Meaden Hall</li> </ul>
<b>wed</b> OCT. 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Toy Library</li> </ul>

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 Life, Paint and Passion workshop with Stewart Cudley. No painting experience necessary. At ArtSpring, Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1. Info and registration, (415) 455-4682.  
 Salt Spring Island Breastfeeding Support Group meets on Wednesdays, September 27 and the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at Family Place 1:30 p.m. Info: Lisa Law, 537-2213.  
 Kinder Crafts, for 3-5-year-olds, runs at Fables on Wednesdays, September 27 and October 4. Will include cooking, sewing, story-telling from 10-11 a.m.

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 Zimbabwian dance class with Julia Chigamba of Zimbabwe. At Lions Hall on Saturday, September 30, 6-8 p.m. Followed by a performance at 8 p.m. Cost is \$30 for workshop and performance, or \$5 for performance only. Info: Bhavani, 653-2025.  
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 Watercolour artist Jonathan Yardley shows his work at Moby's beginning October 1.  
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**cinema**  
 Bless the Child — Kim Basinger stars as the aunt of a supernatural gift in this thriller that pits good against evil.  
 The Original Kings of Comedy — Spike Lee documents the most successful comedy tour in U.S. history, starring D.L. Hughley, Cedric the Entertainer, Bernie Mac and Steve Harvey.

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 Salt Spring Seniors Society is holding a new members tea on Wednesday, September 27 at 2 p.m. Everyone welcome.  
**EVERY WEEK:**  
 Thursday lunches run every week at Salt Spring Seniors. Served at noon, cost is \$3.50. Reserve in advance by noon on Wednesday by calling Salt Spring Seniors Services Society at 537-4604.  
 Bingo for seniors in the OAP end of Fullerton Hall, every Friday from 2 to 4 p.m.  
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**for youth**  
 Storytime at the library with Jean Voaden is at the library on Tuesdays from 10 to 10:30.  
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 Storytime at Fables Cottage runs every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. There will be a special guest reader every Friday.  
 Family Place drop-in hours are Monday through Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Info: Family Place, 537-9176. Counselling by appointment.  
 Walk in Mount Park takes place each Thursday at 10 a.m., rain or shine. Sponsored by Family Place.  
 All-ages community gathering is at the United Church every Thursday from 5:30-7 p.m. Includes a simple meal, followed by activities. Call the church at 537-5812 for info.  
 Fairytales and Myths with Shauna Grylls runs on Fridays from 3 to 4 p.m. at the library. Appropriate for children aged six through nine.  
**EVERY WEEK:**  
 Cosmic Bowling at Kings Lane Recreation on Friday nights, 9 p.m. to midnight. It's the latest craze from the city! Bring your own CDs. Food and drinks available. Book a lane by calling 537-2054.

**galleries**  
 Vortex Gallery offers a new and unique installation of paintings by Ian Thomas combined with recordings of poetic island voices and musicians of all ages — through October 5.  
 Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art has new work by Vancouver island artist Will Julising, whose images of oil and gold on paper and canvas evoke an old-world art form and a feel of the Masters.  
 Salt Spring Gallery of Fine Arts — Family Affairs and Other Trends, a show of new work by Stefani Denz, is featured at the Salt Spring Gallery of Fine Arts.  
 Ewart Gallery of Fine Arts' annual summer show, featuring works by Kiff Holland, Brian Johnston, Rick McDermid, Janice Robertson, Alan Wylie, Mike Svob and Gus Galbraith ends this Saturday, September 30.

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## SPORTS & RECREATION



**IN CONTROL:** Amy Little, of Salt Spring's U18 girls' soccer team, is challenged by Prospect Lake players in a Sunday match at Portlock Park. The local girls, who smashed the visiting team with a 9-2 score, will be back in action Sunday at either 12:30 (Portlock) or 2:15 (high school).

Photo by Derrick Lundy

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## Grey takes triathlon cup

All-round athletic enthusiast Bruce Grey won the Sooke Challenge Triathlon Sunday, beating out his opponents in the 10-kilometre run, the six-nautical-mile ocean paddle and the 30-kilometre mountain bike race.

Competitors at the Sooke Challenge had the option of enter-

ing all three races in the triathlon or competing separately in the individual races.

Salt Spring Islander Doug Fraser took second place in the kayak paddle and local coast guard member John Nielsen came home a third-place winner in the mountain bike portion.

Grey, an avid kayaker who owns and operates Salt Spring Kayaking, holds a B.A. in Human Performance from UVic and has been a rugby player for many years. His next challenge will be in October, when he will play for Canada in the Over-35 Rugby Classic to be held in Bermuda.

## Legg runs soccer clinics

With soccer for all ages in full swing again, the red carpet is being rolled out for invaluable coaches, linesmen and referees with a series of clinics and meetings offered.

Linesmen are first up with a clinic run by Malcolm Legg on Thursday, September 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Gulf Islands Secondary School library.

Legg says the session is open to coaches, managers, parents, referees or players who want to run the line for their team or other squads, or anyone wanting to know more about soccer rules.

The first referees' meeting, also run by Legg, is on Thursday,

October 5 at 7 p.m. in the high school library.

Subjects will include game reports, match preparation and control, and a film will be shown.

The meeting is for current or potential referees or anyone interested in the game.

People who want to referee this season are urged to call Legg in the evenings at 537-4970 as soon as possible so that a Class 5 clinic can be organized.

A coaching clinic for the youth soccer mini-program is also in the works, although the date and time has not yet been established. Again, call Legg to register interest.

## Vintage Car Club plans to motor around island

Salt Springers in the right place at the right time will have a chance to peek at history as about 55 vintage cars tour the island this weekend.

Vehicles from the Vancouver-based Vintage Car Club will be motoring around Salt Spring, exhibiting a mixture of old-time cars from the late 1920s to 1960s.

One organizer of the event is former islander Len Sholes, who will be driving a 1929 Ford Model A Tudor.

The group will leave Ganges at noon Saturday and head to Cedar

Beach Resort for lunch. From there, the cars can be seen as they drive out to Vesuvius, then along Sunset Drive, North End Road, North Beach Road, Walker Hook and Robinson roads.

The cars will be on display at the Harbour House Friday and Saturday evenings.

Sunday will see the group motoring down to Fulford Harbour, then out towards Beaver Point, and returning back via Cusheon Lake and Beddis roads to eventually catch the late afternoon Long Harbour ferry.

## HIGH ROLLERS

High scores in opening season league play at Kings Lane Recreation in the past two weeks were:

Circus League: Tony Farr, 248. Special Olympics League: Mahjor Bains, 157; Jimmy Beck 173, 175; Terry Swing, 188; Jesse Maron, 151; Stuart Elliott, 180.

50+ Seniors: Madeline Jory, 212, 210; Harold Repen, 218; Jerry Latvala, 203; Don Goodman, 258; Mark Baker, 310; Pat Taylor, 210; Helmut Losch, 206; Cliff Jory, 204.

Tuesday: Rita Dods, 214; Reg Winstone, 217; Dorothy Sloan, 227; and June Webb, 208.

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# Drag racer takes top spot at motorcycle event

BY ANASTACIA WILDE

Driftwood Staff

A Salt Spring motorcycle lover just nabbed a couple more drag racing trophies to adorn his beloved workshop mantle.

Jeff Lacy came home from the Cowichan Valley Motorcycle Association 2000 Dairy Queen Dirt Drag Series a double winner this year — first as the overall series winner in the five-event competition, and second as the undisputed winner in the vertical twin engine class.

This is Lacy's eighth racing season and nine years since the life-long mechanic got hooked on whipping his homemade bikes down the 100-metre track. Last year, Lacy walked away with a trophy from his class series championship win.

"In eight years, I've gone through barely qualifying to progressively starting to win races. It feels great," he said. Lacy adapts his racing machines from basic street bikes and adds light-weight chassis and minimalist dirt-bike parts.

"It's ironic that 30 years ago I was cutting up bikes and matching them together. Here I am doing the same thing today and using the stuff I've learned along the way."

The 45-year-old motorcycle enthusiast attributes his winning streak to first-class machinery and the steady improvement of his racing skills. His bike, The Green Hornet, does speeds of 55 mph (88kph), and Lacy said the 300-foot track blows dust from the open-class racers who hit speeds in the 70 mph (112kph) range.

"Speeds are so high, it would be dangerous to race on dirt any faster." Citing a no-fear attitude, the



**OUT ON TOP:** Jeff Lacy and 'The Green Hornet' — his hand-adapted motorcycle — are zooming to top spots in motorcycle drag racing. Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Fly-in set for Cudmore Strip

Flyers take flight. The Fulford Fly-In, set for October 7, will bring together lovers of the sky for an informal gathering at the Cudmore Strip. The event will coincide with a Fulford Hall Committee luncheon, taking place at the nearby hall. "It's a chance to get together for people with an interest in aviation," says local pilot Ron Ford. Organizers hope that a Salt Spring flying club will evolve from the Saturday gathering.

## Dock Repairs

**Crofton-Vesuvius**

For much of October 2000, work will be done to replace the decking at our Crofton terminal.

As part of the project, schedule interruptions will occur on the following dates:

October 10-14, 16-20, 23-26


On the above dates only, all sailings from 9:00 am to 2:15 pm (inclusive) will be cancelled. Service will resume with the 3:00 pm departure from Vesuvius and the 3:30 pm departure from Crofton. One extra early morning sailing from each port will be added on all reduced service days:

Leaving Vesuvius at 6:00 am  
Leaving Crofton at 6:30 am

Note that Dangerous Cargo sailings will occur as usual on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, but will leave Crofton at 6:30 am and leave Vesuvius at 3:00 pm.

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The 2000 Dairy Queen Dirt Drag Series started in May and ran through September at the old Paldi airfield outside Duncan, with Lacy's final race taking place September 10. The high-speed rider also competes in non-point races in Nanaimo and Port Alberni.

drag racer explained there's an indescribable thrill at the onset of a race. "There's an anticipation on the starting line and then you just have to do it," Lacy beamed. "Doing it" consists of five to six seconds of keeping the speeding motorcycle on the track. The rear wheel and engine are geared so that at the start of the race, the back tire is already spinning at top speed. "You rev it up, drop the clutch and the bike has a tendency to slide so you have to get it under control. Then you have to fly up the track." While some bikes are designed so the racers have no need to change gears, Lacy's Yamaha 650 requires a quick slip from first to second gear at mid track. The Salt Springer described motorcycle drag racing as "safe," multi-generational and family oriented. Lacy appreciates the time and effort that goes into the competition. "You get to build a product and then you get to go out and see what it will do," he explained.

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Salt Spring FC faced a disappointing loss in its soccer season opener this weekend at Portlock Park.

The local squad lost by one marker in a 1-0 home game against Cordova Bay United.

"We controlled the game," said FC newcomer Calkin Brosseau. "It was disappointing . . . We

## FC soccer squad downed by one

should have won."

Cordova Bay slid the ball past the FC keeper in the middle of the second half and FC couldn't make the equalizer by the final whistle.

But the team has a chance for a come-back this weekend, also at Portlock, when it takes on Bays United. The match starts at 2:15 p.m. This year's FC roster includes

a few additions such as Brosseau and Pat Hayes, but is missing a common FC name. The 2000 team marks the first-time several years that a Walde isn't picking up the

end on the alphabetical team list. Neither Colin nor Andrew Walde are playing for FC this year.

But the team does have a coach — Darryl Lister is back at the helm — and a sponsor for the season with Windsor Plywood taking on that role.

## MEETING VANCOUVER ISLAND'S ELECTRICITY NEEDS.

### VANCOUVER ISLAND'S ELECTRICITY DEMAND.

Vancouver Island needs new sources of electricity. The reason is twofold: electricity demand and the eventual end of service of the aging submarine transmission cables. While Power Smart has gone a long way to address Vancouver Island's growing energy needs, the increased use of energy intensive technology by an expanding population is putting an unprecedented demand on the Island's electricity supply. To meet the challenge of providing customers with reliable, low-cost electricity well into the future, BC Hydro examined a number of solutions.

### AGING CABLE TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS.

Refurbishing existing underwater transmission cable systems was considered, but a close look at the cables and terminal equipment revealed that key elements of some had deteriorated to a point that made necessary repairs impossible. Even if repairs could be carried out, they would be costly and not supply the volume of electricity required.

### NATURAL GAS, A NEW SOURCE OF GENERATION.

After careful consideration of this and other alternative methods of supply, BC Hydro has selected natural gas as a source of energy for the production of electrical power on the Island. BC Hydro sees natural gas as a way to make the Island less reliant on the mainland when it comes to future electricity needs. While it is a good solution, natural gas is a bridge to be used until emerging technology makes greener solutions more practical and cost effective.

### THE PLAN.

Through a joint venture involving BC Hydro and Williams, it is proposed that a gas pipeline be built between Washington State and Vancouver Island. The pipeline will cross the Strait of Georgia and connect to an existing pipeline on the Island, to supply the proposed generating plants. The cost of the pipeline is estimated at \$180 million and construction is expected to be completed in 2002.

### BULLETIN #1

#### The effects of aging electricity supply lines and a growing population.

Vancouver Island's John Hart Dam facility, even when combined with other smaller, local generating installations, produces only 20% of the electricity consumed on the Island. Because Vancouver Island is remote from large-scale generating facilities, the remaining 80% is supplied from the mainland, via three underwater high voltage transmission cable systems, installed between 1956 and the 1980's.

The first of these three cable systems is in various stages of deterioration. Seawater has corroded the oldest of the systems to the point where high lifting tensions resulting from deep-water repairs would cause further damage, making the cables irreparable. The on-land converter equipment has also deteriorated and repairs cannot be made. The existing hardware is becoming unreliable and replacement parts are unavailable.

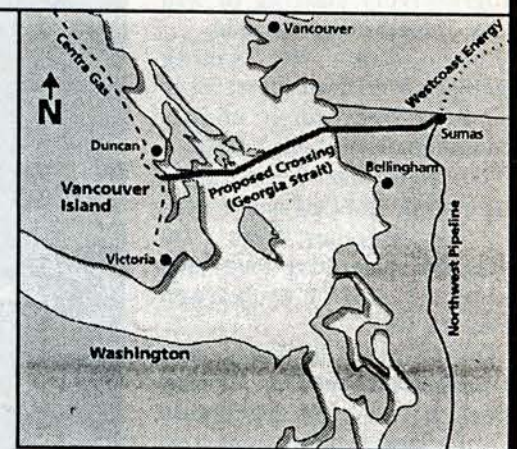
Replacement of the cables and terminal hardware is more expensive than other options. It's also an impractical route, because new generation installations would still need to be built on the mainland to supply more power to Vancouver Island. Furthermore, any solution that relies on mainland resources

for increased power will only put more demand on our traditional generating facilities. And greater demand means greater impact on those areas of the province that already produce 80% of Vancouver Island's electricity. Census reports also show why consumption of electricity is up.

Vancouver Island's population increased by 21% between 1989 and 1997. This growth, combined with the rising use of energy intensive technology, will lead to a 1.8% per year increase in electricity use over the next five years. Given the state of the submarine cables, the increase in population and projected future power demands, BC Hydro is recommending the introduction of a new electricity source, natural gas.

#### Natural gas. A bridge to the future.

The selection of natural gas as the fuel of choice came after an extensive review of alternative energy sources. Natural gas is the cleanest of the viable alternatives and will serve as a bridge to the future when advances in greener technology will lead to a better, long term option. Already BC Hydro's development teams are working on examining the potential of using wind, small hydro and wood waste to power future electricity needs. The choice



of gas and the building of a pipeline will create numerous jobs and in doing so, help support the local economy.

The information contained in this bulletin and the 4 that follow is intended to answer residents' questions, to fully describe how BC Hydro plans to meet the challenge of increased demand and make the Island less reliant on the mainland when it comes to future electricity needs.

If you have any questions, or would like more information on how BC Hydro is meeting Vancouver Island's electricity needs, please contact us at:  
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