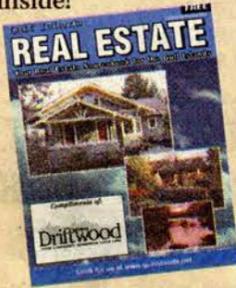


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Johnnie Wells' free piano stirred up lots of interest when she advertised it last week. But she's happy with the family that took it home.

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Development worker Howard Douglas Wilson is once again off to the far corners of the earth to do his bit for world peace.

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Phone outage: scary moments for family

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

A loss of island-wide phone service coinciding with a medical emergency Saturday night exposed the stark vulnerability of Salt Spring's communications system.

They may not have been aware of it, but most

islanders were unable to make contact with the outside world via regular telephones from about 6:30 p.m. until just after midnight.

"The problem was that a circuit board of sorts on Salt Spring Island had failed," explained Telus communications manager Doug Strachan. "It involved getting

the replacement part and getting it installed. Some people on the island would have been able to call locally, but not long distance."

For part of the Sunnyside Drive neighbourhood, the outage figured hugely in what resident Paul Sadler described as a "life-and-death" situation.

The Sadler household was entertaining guests when they answered a frantic knock on their door at about 6:45 p.m. It was a neighbour — whose last name is unknown — saying "she thought her husband was dying and their phone wasn't working," he said.

They had been to their

immediate neighbours' home where the phone was also inoperative, but the Sadlers' phone was out of order too.

Sadler went to the distressed neighbour's house and could see the man was having difficulty breathing and turning blue.

PHONES OUT A3

Nature Trust to acquire parcel

A combination of Salt Spring and B.C. Nature Trust funds should result in the first non-watershed purchase of Texada land.

Up for grabs is over 80 acres of waterfront property immediately below an ecological reserve on the south side of Mount Maxwell.

The property is commonly known as "Parcel 3" and was described by a boater at a community meeting last Friday as one of "the crown jewels of Salt Spring."

"It's a stunningly beautiful place," naturalist Briony Penn said Monday, adding that the property can only be accessed via boat or through private property and the ecological reserve.

Penn told the meeting that the B.C. Nature Trust and Texada Land Corporation were able to agree on a price for the Garry oak-laden parcel because it has no Douglas fir trees on it.

The Nature Trust asked the Salt Spring community to chip in one-quarter of the \$465,000 price tag — a move that was endorsed at Friday's public meeting.

"It's an important chunk," Penn said.

She hopes the purchase will act as a lever for other future acquisitions in the area.

"It might show the feds that there's movement and spur on either the national park (proposal) or the biodiversity package," she said. "It might start the ball rolling."

Although those at the meeting supported transferring about \$112,000 of community-raised funds to the Nature Trust, Elizabeth White of the Salt Spring Appeal said the money needs to be replaced immediately.

She said the Appeal needs all of its pledged and donated \$854,000 in its effort to secure financing for a larger parcel which incorporates the area around Parcel 3 and Burgoyne Bay.



GETTING IN THE GROOVE: Dancers at Gulf Islands Secondary School take time out from their rehearsal to show their stuff for the camera. The

dancers take the ArtSpring stage this Friday night. See Page A22 for the story.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Islanders helpless in face of Burgoyne cut

By ANASTACIA WILDE
Driftwood Staff

Texada Land Corporation is sharpening its chainsaws for more cutting in the Burgoyne Valley, as national park proponents are helpless to stop the government-san-

ctioned logging of sensitive older growth forests and endangered ecosystems.

Texada lots 23, 24 and 25 fall under the jurisdiction of the Forest Land Reserve (FLR) Act, which specifically states that local government may not

issue development permits or adopt bylaws that restrict forest harvesting.

"There is no ability to stop logging within the Forest Land Reserve," said Linda Adams, Islands Trust regional planning coordinator. "One of the

problems is that they are in FLR and it prevents the local government from acting."

Regan Trethewey confirmed Tuesday that Texada will push a road

LOGGING A2

Fares up elsewhere, but same on Salt Spring

Salt Spring residents were spared the pain in B.C. Ferry Corporation's first announced rate increase since 1997, while travellers between Vancouver Island and the other Gulf Islands will be coughing up another loonie and change after February 15.

Ferries announced its decision on fare changes Friday, following several months of public consultation on how to raise \$9 million and make the rate

structure more equitable at the same time.

Overall, ferry fares will rise 3.8 per cent across the system, but will remain unchanged for routes such as the three serving Salt Spring, with distance travelled now taken into consideration. Almost two-thirds of respondents to an on-line questionnaire favoured using distance as a fare factor.

Fares between Swartz Bay and the Outer Gulf Islands will rise \$1.25 per vehicle and 25 cents per passenger.

Doug Mitchell, president of the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce, said the move was "a very positive thing from the chamber's point of view."

He added, "It's good. I think the ferry people have done a very good job

FERRY FARES: A2

Biodiversity package: last chance

In a "last chance" effort to save a portion of Salt Spring, islanders are being urged to support a federal-provincial land acquisition deal currently under negotiation.

Although details of the proposed \$110-million biodiversity protection package have not been officially released by government, information was reported in the Vancouver Sun about six weeks ago.

"It's our last chance," naturalist Briony Penn told the town hall meeting Friday night, as she urged islanders to write, fax or phone their support to Prime Minister Jean Chretien and Premier Ujjal Dosanjh.

According to a hand-out distributed at the meeting, the two levels of government are currently negotiating the "largest land acquisition funding agreement for new protected areas in Canadian history."

The governments are looking at providing the money for protection of key biodiversity spots or areas considered "endangered species hot spots," says the hand-out.

Burgoyne Bay is on the list of privately owned lands that could be purchased for protection.

Other areas include the Sooke Hills near Victoria, parts of the Gulf Islands, Burns Bog in Delta, the Cowichan River properties on Vancouver Island, Fraser River wetlands habitat, and the South Okanagan pocket desert.

Those supporting the package are urged to write the prime minister at House of Commons, Ottawa, ON, K1A 0A6; phone him at (613) 992-4211; or fax him at (613) 957-5762.

Dosanjh's address is: Legislative Buildings, Victoria, B.C., V8V1X4. His office can be reached by phone at (250) 387-1715, or faxed at (250) 387-0087.

Calendar nets over \$100,000

Save Salt Spring Campaign Fund has pledged a further \$50,000 to the Salt Spring Appeal, boosting its total donation for land acquisition to a healthy \$100,000.

The lion's share of the campaign fund originates from the Women's Preserve and Protect Calendar, which netted more than \$100,000 in worldwide sales in a span of four months.

Some 13,000 calendars have been sold to date, mostly to off-island buyers.

"Some people say it should be more, but when you take into account shipping costs and other expenses, I think we're doing pretty good," said fund spokesman Harry Warner.

"The community spirit is still alive, although most of the calendars have been sold off island."

Launched four months ago, the tasteful nude calendars have been sent to the United States, Australia, Austria, Germany, Ireland, England and throughout Canada.

Warner said all funds donated by the campaign fund are earmarked for watershed purchase.

"I would like to see the appeal match our contribution and give the (Salt Spring) Water Preservation Society a real chance of saving that secondary water-

LOGGING: 'No special logging requirements'

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behind Peter Prince's rental home today, with felled logs to be transported directly to Texada's log sort near the mouth of Burgoyne Bay.

"Yes, we are going to be in there. All the trees are being marked for coming out. The old growth is being marked for retention. There are so many old growth trees that we won't really be able to leave buffers," he said.

Selective logging of the area means the trees will be hand-felled by loggers with chainsaws, said Trethewey, starting early next week. Texada spokesmen say they will not cut older growth but plan to extract the taller, second-growth trees in the vicinity.

"It's not a unique ecosystem. It's predominantly timber and bush. There are no special logging requirements in this area," Trethewey confirmed.

According to the B.C. Conservation Data Centre (which tracks rare and sensitive species through the province), there are provincially red-listed community types in the forests Trethewey is gearing up to log.

"His foresters ought to be

telling him that's not the way to protect older forest. They are leaving them open and vulnerable to all kinds of damage," said a science ecologist from the centre.

"A natural forest is a multi-aged stand and it doesn't preserve that ecosystem to remove one generation and leave another one behind."

Aerial and field surveys done seven years ago by the B.C. Conservation Data Centre indicate that many trees on Texada's Burgoyne Valley lands are more than 100 years old. That makes them rare and endangered, the ecologist pointed out, because within the entire Trust area only 3.5 per cent of its land mass is composed of forests beyond 100 years old.

It's not so much the age of the trees, but the age of the entire ecosystem surrounding these older trees that is of concern to the data centre, which is funded through Environment Canada in a joint provincial/federal program.

"All we have left is remnant patches of older growth. We have

no contiguous forest," the ecologist said. "When you take out the younger trees, more light is introduced, the temperature changes, windfall becomes a problem and it has a tremendous effect on the overall integrity of the system."

Ian Delisle, forestry inspector for the Private Forest Land Practices Regulations, which oversees logging on FLR land, said unless the company disturbs identifiable critical wildlife, Texada is completely within its legal right to log old-growth ecosystems.

Even if critical plants and animals had been identified, he said, only one per cent of the land base could be preserved and the bureaucracy required to accomplish that protection would be gruelling.

"Old-growth forest is not a sensitive ecosystem . . .

Government hasn't declared old growth critical wildlife. It's on private land and they can log old-growth forest," Delisle said.

Trethewey is aware of community concern around Texada's operations and said all tree markings will be double-checked and initial felling will be supervised.

"No falling will take place on the timber until I check all the markings. The falling won't commence until I've inspected it," he said.

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FERRY FARES

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of assessing what the costs are."

Ferries received 838 e-mail, phone and written responses to its request for input about three different tariff proposals it floated last October; met with 250 people at public meetings; and discussed the options with local ferry advisory committees and other interest groups.

A public outcry resulted in late 1997 when the corporation tried to raise fares for the second time within a year.

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LOGGING PROTEST?
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PHONES OUT: Importance of radios, cell phones

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David Eyles was one of the Sadlers' guests. He zoomed off to try the public payphone at the Fulford post office and when it failed decided to get his cell phone from his home near Stowell Lake.

Even though cell service is hit-and-miss in the south end, "I managed from my place to phone 911," said Eyles. "Then (the dispatcher) told me to go back (to Sunnyside) because they wanted more information (about the situation). Again we had to go up and down the road looking for a place where the cell phone would work."

Sadler confirmed his neighbourhood is a "bad area" for cell phone reception.

"It was a very scary situation for (his neighbour) and her daughter," he said.

But the long call for help was also going out by a second means at the same time. Another Sunnyside resident — Mike Beach — is a ham radio operator and member of the island's emergency program group. Beach said neighbour Carla Kamhoot came over that night asking for his assistance.

Beach, who has had an amateur ham radio licence for 50 years,

made the call to another ham operator in Sardis on the mainland. Beach said that man "did the rest of the work" of contacting 911.

Sadler said the fire department's first responders arrived quickly, followed by an ambulance crew.

Norm Slater, coordinator of the Salt Spring Island Emergency Program (SSIEP), said he and his volunteers were called out when the communications vacuum was discovered.

"With the phone system being out we lost 911. The second thing we lost was all of our business alarm systems. The fire guys lost everything except their pager system, and at that point they called us out."

SSIEP set up a portable radio at the hospital to ensure the island was covered for any more emergency situations.

Assistant fire chief Erling Jorgensen said several firefighters carried portable radios and manned at least two halls.

Slater praised the efforts of volunteers involved in the evening, noting it isn't always fun "standing around in the cold, stamping their feet and swilling old coffee," and all

SSIEP members willing to come to the rescue.

"The island was very isolated and we were very lucky that nothing disastrous happened," said Sadler, who also works at Lady Minto Hospital. "It was a real wake-up call and it exposed how vulnerable we are here and dependent on these forms of communication."

The incident also stirred up the question of cell phone reception on Salt Spring.

Eyles said "It really brought home to me how useful it is to have a cell phone in an emergency. I haven't kept up with the debate (about cell phone antennae), but it could be a potential problem if we are in an area on Salt Spring where we can't use a cell phone and the phone service is out."

Strachan said Saturday's type of outage is "rare," but that no system is perfect.

Sadler said it made him realize "how dependent we are on cell phones, and that with the dead areas we have around Salt Spring, in an emergency we need to have better coverage on this island. When it comes down to the crunch, it is vital."

Small sewer tax increase proposed

Three sewer systems on Salt Spring and Pender islands will be getting the royal treatment when it comes to "source control" if sewer area residents agree to pay a little more.

The Capital Regional District (CRD) board voted January 10 to send Bylaw 2834 through a counter-petition process. It will request that users of CRD-administered sewer systems pay about 59 per cent more than they now do for programs aimed specifically at improving the

quality of sewer discharge. Affect on a property owner's total sewer bill would be small.

Ganges sewer users currently contribute \$1,801 to the \$623,930 source control program's budget. If Bylaw 2834 is passed, that would rise to \$3,049. The Malaview system's share would increase to \$180 from \$106. Magic Lake Estates on North Pender would fork over \$1,808, up from \$1,068.

Tax funds requisitioned for

enhanced source control would be up to a maximum of \$.037 per \$1,000 of assessed property value in 2001. Trevor Smyth, supervisor of the CRD's source control program, said the extra funds will improve sewer inspection services, public education about the program and speed up development of better "codes of practice."

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Flying Club responds to fears

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

If the Salt Spring Flying Club had only two words to transmit to the community, they might be "fear not."

Registration of the Cudmore Aerodrome in the Canadian Flight Supplement (CFS), and purchase of the 100-acre property by Salt Spring Air Park Inc., is not going to lead to a fuel stop, paved runway, flying school or a marked increase in air traffic over Salt Spring, say the group's president, John Hansen, and its secretary Ron Ford.

Some of the feared developments won't happen because the grass airstrip's length — at 2,100-feet versus the 5,000-foot average — is too short. Others won't occur because ample services already exist in nearby Sidney and Nanaimo.

"When people hear the word 'airport,' they think about Vancouver International, and nothing could be further from the truth," said Hansen Sunday.

Publication in the CFS details airstrip information such as length and condition, and the best approach to take to avoid populated areas.

"It really basically sets out the rules of the road," said Ford.

The CFS listing, set to appear in the spring 2001 edition, will also state that pilots need permission from the club before landing there. Ford and Hansen say the published

information will make life safer for pilots and Fulford Valley residents.

Rod Nelson of Transport Canada's communications department confirmed last week that a CFS listing is "an informational safety tool;" that the landowner receives no formal registration document and "it doesn't provide the owner or operator with any special privileges. Anything he could do, he could still do. Anything he can't do he still can't do."

Gordon Cudmore's property is being purchased by an aviation enthusiast in England via the air park company, who has given the flying club day-to-day management of the aerodrome. The group, which has more than 50 members, was coincidentally formed a few months ago.

For people like Ford and Hansen, the arrangement couldn't be better: the club has access to and management of the strip Gordon Cudmore built in the early '70s, and can keep planes there, but members did not have to raise the funds to buy it.

They also believe the purchaser's philosophy and plans for the property would not alarm islanders. "He has no plans to do anything commercial with it at all," said Ford.

He does hope to hook up with local farmers so some of the Agricultural Land Reserve land can be cultivated, and wants to offer the SPCA five acres for its facilities.

A club phone number — 653-

4828 — has been set up to deal with all inquiries.

Hansen surmises much of the concern so far originates from a lack of information about the future of the airstrip property. But until Sunday, January 7, Ford said, "We weren't privy to (the information)."

They are now able to answer questions. "If there's something we can't answer directly, we'll get back to them," said Hansen.

Besides returning phone calls, club officials are willing to meet with neighbours on a one-to-one basis.

How active the strip would ever become is something they can't predict with precision, but Hansen points to the full-service commercial airport at Port Hardy for a comparison. It records 40 "movements" per day, with a movement including a take-off, a landing, or shift of an airplane from one side of the facility to another.

The Cudmore Aerodrome is also not suitable for a flying school, said Ford, but the club hopes its presence will pique young people's interest in aviation.

One thing that definitely can't be regulated is club members' enthusiasm for their hobby.

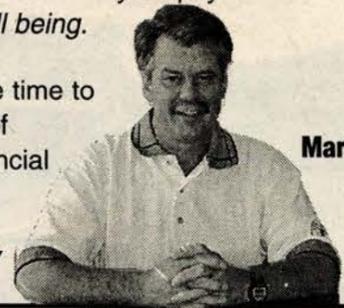
"We like flying," said Ford. "We want to fit in with the community and we'll do our level best."

A Transport Canada rep is set to meet with concerned residents and flying club members on Thursday.

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Corinternet charges questioned

In a bid to be self-sustaining, the Corinternet Café is now charging a nominal fee for internet access.

The cafe is charging \$1 per half-hour of computer time for youths and seniors; \$2 for others.

Corinternet was set up last fall with a \$40,000 federal Community Access Program (CAP) grant, and matching funds or services from the community. But after significant start-up costs, only \$20,000 remains to run it for two-and-a-half years.

Core Inn coordinator Trish Nobile said the govern-

ment stipulates the cafe must be sustainable, and all other CAP sites charge a fee.

Volunteers, sponsors and fundraising events are needed to help make the cafe work and offer free service.

The decision to charge for access caused some concern for Mary Hawkins library volunteers, who feared demand for the library's free-use computers would skyrocket when Corinternet patrons decided they would rather not pay for the service.

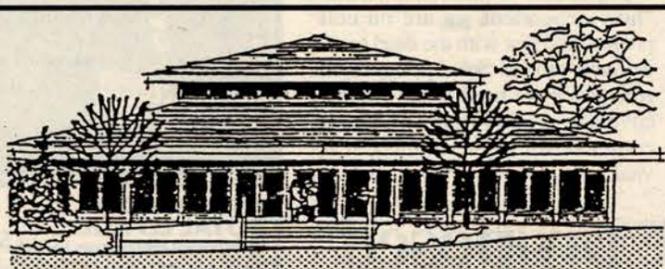
Quarry decision ongoing

The final decision about granting a temporary use permit to the Fraser quarry on Fulford-Ganges Road is still up for grabs.

A Sunday meeting with quarry operators Ray and Jason Fraser heard neighbours' concerns about blasting, noise, dust and water safety. The Frasers were joined by engineers working to meet mining permit requirements.

"From a Trust point of view, the permit is complicated by a history of difficulties," said trustee David Borrowman. "In regards to contamination of surface water and springs, there are very different claims as to what was caused by the quarry previously and what measures were taken or not taken to remedy them."

The Trust will decide whether to refuse the permit outright or draft a permit to meet neighbourhood concerns. There is no appeal process if the permit is refused.



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Photo by Derrick Lundy

Impaired charges rule court

Impaired driving convictions were the order of the day in Ganges Provincial Court on January 9, with Judge Ernie Quantz presiding.

- Richard Kitchen pleaded guilty to charges of impaired driving and was handed a \$600 fine and a 12-month driving prohibition. Crown prosecutor Nicholas Lang told court Kitchen was pulled over on October 5 and refused a breathalyzer test. Police reported the Salt Spring man had a strong odour of alcohol on his breath and admitted to having consumed three beers. Kitchen's lawyer noted he was "fully cooperative with the police," and provided court with a letter of recommendation from his employer of 30 years. She also indicated her client was not made aware of his right to Legal Aid once arrested and in RCMP custody.

- Thomas Brainerd pleaded

COURT DOCKET

guilty to impaired driving and was sentenced to a \$700 fine and 12-month driving prohibition.

His arrest came after he crashed his 1977 Dodge flatbed on October 3 on Fulford-Ganges Road near Mereside Road. Court heard Brainerd was travelling north on Fulford-Ganges when he crossed the solid yellow line, hit a utility pole and slid down an embankment on the highway's east side. A fire broke out and the accused extinguished the flames with his jacket. The 20-year-old firewood worker subsequently gave breathalyzer readings of .210 and .190. Brainerd was given 12 months to pay his fine.

- Crown accepted a plea change from Frank Alexander Rice, who

first pleaded guilty to impaired driving, then changed that to admission of guilt for refusing a breathalyzer test.

Court heard 54-year-old Rice had driven around a roadblock on December 16 without stopping. When he was caught by police, an empty beer can was found on the floor of his vehicle and police reported his face was flushed and a strong smell of liquor permeated his breath. Throughout the proceedings, Rice repeatedly interrupted both the Crown and Judge Quantz, who asked the man if he was hard of hearing and said he was "beginning to get irritated." The minimum penalty of \$600 was implemented, as was a 12-month driving prohibition.

- In other court news, an unendorsed bench warrant was issued to no-show Joshua Timothy Roodenburg on an assault charge.

Driftwood machine jams out

Ferries seldom need to use an anchor, but if the Howe Sound Queen should ever need one, the Driftwood might be able to supply it.

Readers have been complaining for several weeks now that the Driftwood vending machine on the Vesuvius ferry has been malfunctioning. It has a habit of accepting coins without giving up a newspaper in exchange.

The most recent problem was the result of jam (delivery man Tao Kimball surmised it was strawberry) being inserted in the coin slot where it created a sticky mess. On other occasions, nickels and dimes have been found jammed inside the mechanism. The machine takes only loonies and quarters.

Driftwood publisher Tony Richards said the machine is heavy enough to anchor a small boat, and might be more useful put to such a purpose.

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OPINION

Paying tribute to Lawrie Neish

A gathering of various community members at ArtSpring last Thursday was long overdue. It was an event that provided an opportunity for Salt Spring Islanders to express their appreciation to someone who has not always been appreciated.

It gave us a chance to say thank you to someone who has been frequently under attack during the past 10 years or more.

Indeed, Lawrie Neish, the "gang of one," as one speaker described him, has often found himself at the centre of controversy.

Those controversies have been agonizing times for many, especially those who believed it necessary to go public with their criticism, this newspaper among them.

How do you criticize a man whose vision, determination and willingness to work have led to significant and lasting benefits to the community?

How do you chastize someone for his leadership style when you must acknowledge that the community would be the worse for not having had the benefit of his leadership?

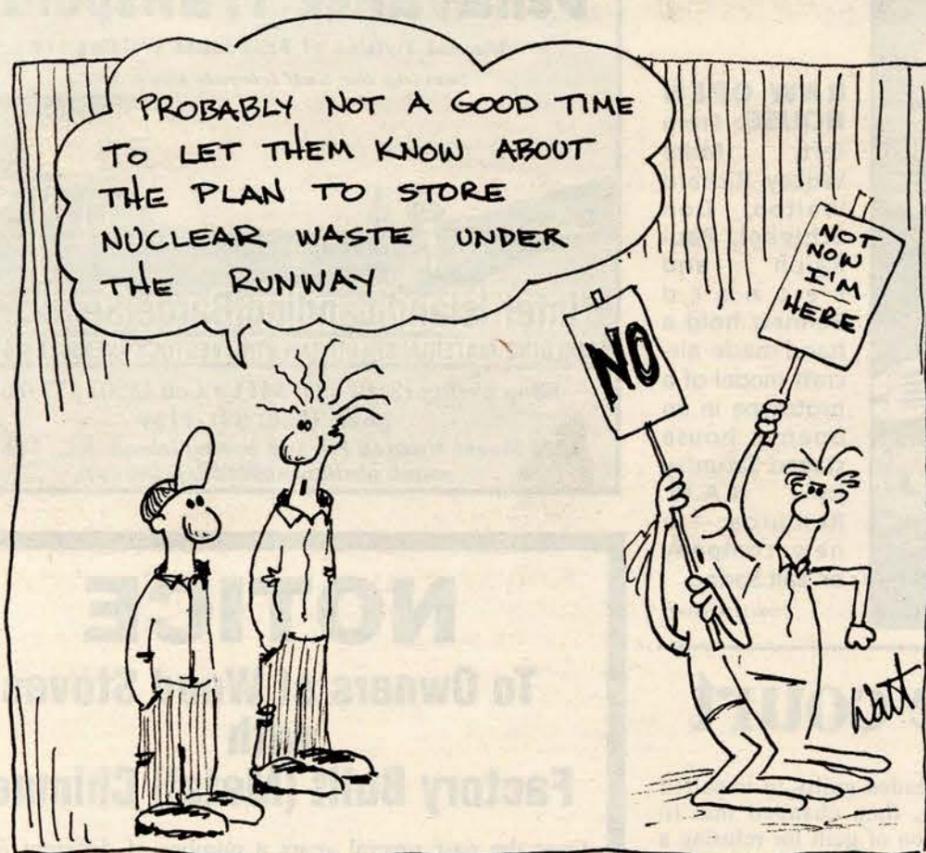
It was pointed out at last week's tribute to Neish that the arts centre in which it was held would not likely be standing today were it not for his vision.

The Island Arts Centre Society, the sailing club, the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission and the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council have all been touched by Neish and his tireless volunteer efforts. Some would claim that Neish's touch was not always a tender and sensitive one, and they would be right.

But it has left an indelible mark on the community, a mark that, in the case of ArtSpring at least, serves as a poignant reminder of our tremendous potential for great achievements.

ArtSpring stands as a testament to Neish's vision. As the focal point for the arts in a community where cultural endeavour has strong and deep roots, it is a testament of huge proportions.

ArtSpring is there thanks to Lawrie Neish, and the community owes him a huge debt of thanks for it.



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Letters to the Editor

Peace and safety

I think it's time to comment on the perception of some pilots and flight hobbyists about what might be an acceptable level of noise and activity for us citizens of the 21st century.

It appears that some of them feel that down in the Fulford Valley and valley area we have too much quiet for our own good. And that we are selfishly seeking a greater peace than we deserve.

I feel that we are more than doing our bit for the 21st century. We have the busiest ferry service to and from the island, and we have the main highway for cars, trucks and goods and services that goes right up the middle of our community, for the benefit of the rest of the island. And we are glad to be of service to the community in this regard, but I would be hard pressed to say that we live in some sort of preternatural state of silence. Have I mentioned that we also have plenty of chainsaws?

However, let's look at the activity

of a small airport, with not just relatively silent landings, but with alas, definitely thunderous takeoffs, and then there's the matter of approaches and circuits, and flight paths to avoid the Victoria airport flight corridor to the south. Then, too, we have the matter of repeated takeoffs and landings for lessons or practice. And have you ever heard the noise of an ultra light? Try two large bore chainsaws tied together and flying painfully slowly right over your head.

This is a beautiful valley, as all of us islanders know as we drive to and from Victoria. It was settled a century and a half ago, and with the village of Fulford, the second largest on the island, boasts a substantial number of inhabitants, both old-time and newly arrived. In this farming valley we have right near the airport three old churches, a playground, a tennis recreational park and a ball field. All of these service people and hobbyists of varying interests, who pursue

their activities with human-scale noise and enthusiasm.

So, what other hobbyists get to fly over their neighbours' heads with toys of considerable loudness, with a noise undeflected by trees or other ground-level, sound-absorptive elements?

Let's look at another hobby, say motocross racing, or how about go-cart enthusiasts? Perhaps those pilots who disdain local concerns over this airport expansion would like to have folks with this hobby put one in next to their residence?

Hopefully, those fliers who experience such a deep joy as they fly over the heads of us down here on earth realize that although the rest of us may seem small, we too have our own joys, appreciations and the right to relative peace and safety.

RON PUHKY,
Fulford-Ganges Road

Explain trapping

I am disgusted! Thoroughly. Another dangerous and cruel trap

has been found on the island. Different it seems than the leg-hold trap found in the woods behind my house by my son last year, with of course a poor cat in it.

Is this the work of the same person, I wonder?

What I am most disgusted about is the way this person's identity is being kept from the public. Why is this so? I don't care if he says he'd rather not be identified. He stated the trap was for raccoons, not cats. Why, I wonder, did he not free the cat? I think he just likes the idea of maiming defenceless animals.

How does a person become like that? We should know when such people are among us.

Yes, raccoons and sometimes even cats can be a nuisance, but no animal should be dealt with in such a manner.

I challenge you, mister, to call me at 537-1170 and explain yourself.
DEB HARTLEY,
Beddis Road

Who are you?

This Pioneer Village for seniors is too dark at night and too open to traffic.

Three times now I have found condoms, empty beer cans and cigarette butts. I have a high mesh fence in the front and twice now someone went over it, damaged it, took my precious flowers and rabbit and lamb ornaments. All were precious gifts from friends.

Who took them? I pray for you so you could be a better person so you can bring them all back to me.

ALICE (BIBEAU) TESTER,
Pioneer Village

Not connected

We would like it known that neither the Islands Trust nor the North Pender Island trustees are in any way connected with a new society called Pender Islands Trust Protection Society.

EM ROUND,
WAYNE WRIGHT,
North Pender trustees

We go this week to County Galway, Ireland, for some glowing comments about Salt Spring art by David Burke, editor and publisher of the Tuam Herald, who visited here last summer. Upon his return home he wrote a series of columns that introduced his readers to the many features of the islands. Here are excerpts from one.

Salt Spring Island is home to a motley collection of artists, aging hippies, the rich and retired, and ordinary people like you and me who run and work in newspapers, shops, restaurants and other businesses, and make up its 10,000 or so permanent residents.

The island is heavily dependent on tourism, but it hasn't been spoiled by it.

It's a little like Ireland used to be in that it attracts the discern-

Salt Spring from an Irish perspective

ing visitor who makes an effort to get there, rather than the mass market.

The up-market clientele is reflected in the proliferation of art galleries — there are at least 13 within easy walking distance of each other in the village of Ganges, the biggest centre of population on the island. Naturally the quality varies, but even the commonplace is of a high standard and some of the work is extraordinarily good.

I got to see all I could on a Tuesday morning walkabout, and if my pockets were as deep as those of the rich Americans who berth their yachts in the marina, I would have had a severe excess baggage

TONY RICHARDS



problem on the flight home.

Kathy Venter is a South African sculptor who has made her home here and works in terracotta, usually in life size figures.

Her technique is very advanced and she features in a private collection in Ireland, as well as in South Africa, Canada, the U.S., etc. She exhibits in the Vortex Gallery.

Just a couple of doors down the street is the Naikai Gallery where hangs the work of another immigrant, Carol Haigh from

Lincolnshire, England . . . a self-taught painter who has the finest hyper-realist technique I have ever seen.

She works in acrylic on illustration board, painting scenes of beach, boat and sea which look at first glance as if they are printed reproductions, so fine is the brushwork. Her work is not just technically excellent: it also has depth of soul.

The gallery owner, Don Monteith, says she could command three or four times her price of \$5,000 to \$7,000 per painting were she to exhibit in Seattle or Los Angeles, but she refuses, preferring to remain on her island with her family.

What is interesting about almost all the art I saw on the

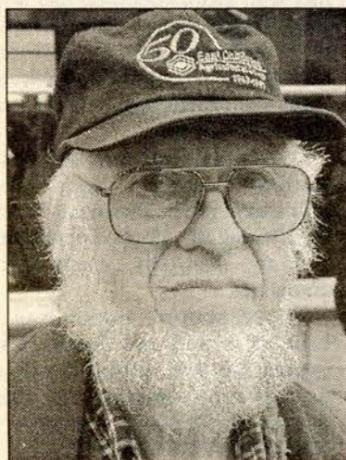
island was its rootedness in nature. There was little or no pure abstraction, and this was explained to me by one artist who said,

"This is how we pay homage to the beauty of nature around us — this is a sacred place and we revere it." Which tones in nicely with the slightly new-age atmosphere that pervades many of the galleries and craft outlets . . .

There is a general feeling of optimism and positive thinking about the place — a welcome change from the empty nihilism that often passes for sophistication in the art world on this side of the Atlantic.

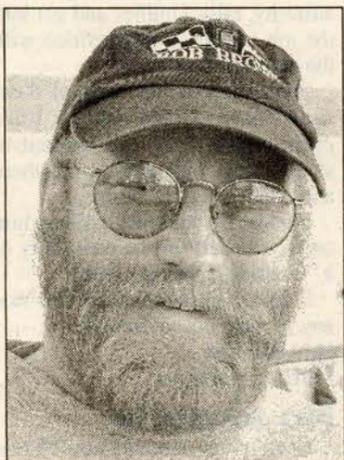
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We asked: What are your thoughts on the Fulford Valley aerodrome?



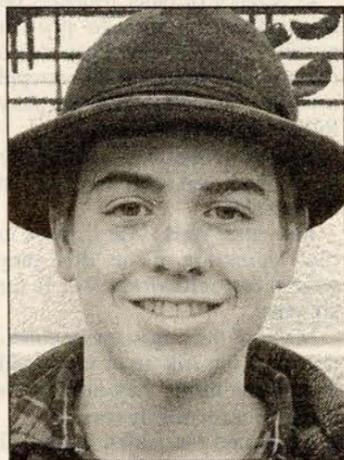
Stan Teitge

I think the aerodrome is unsafe because of the hill at the end of the runway.



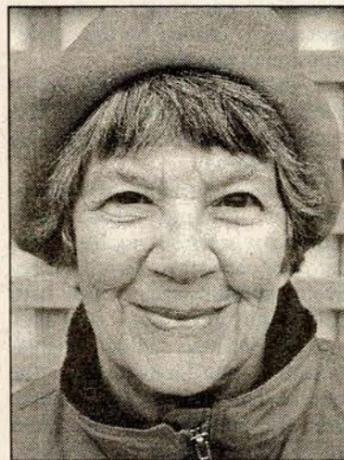
Jack Peebles

I'm not against it if it's infrequent use by private light aircraft. There's no room to land a 747 anyhow.



Oban Stone

I think it's great — I'm part of the flying club and it is going to go through.



Barbara Hicks

This will be a very negative thing . . . It's to be on agricultural land; complete lack of consultation with anyone; pollution; noise, etc.



Andrew Lewis

It's disturbing that yet again our community has not been properly consulted regarding land use, and that a federal bureaucracy overrides all ALR zoning.

Letters to the Editor

Flabbergasted

I retired to Salt Spring Island, which has the reputation of being "God's Waiting Room." But what a place for waiting!

I never regretted my move. There's always so much to do. Each season I await eagerly the arrival of the PARC recreation programs brochure to arrive in my letter box. It has something for everyone: those interested in performing arts can choose from music appreciation, dance or voice. There's cooking, gardening, crafts, first aid, yoga, fitness, gymnastics and other sport lessons. There's even a wills and estates seminar and dog obedience classes.

Then when I went to the PARC office to register for folk dance lessons I found out that winter/spring 2001 recreation programs will be the last ones offered. This

announcement was made in December 27, 2000 Driftwood which got thrown into the recycle wastepaper basket together with my Christmas wrapping paper.

I was flabbergasted! I wonder how many of PARC recreation program users are aware of this?

In the Driftwood article, PARC chairman Wayne Fraser said ". . . we felt although the registration of programs is important, it's further down the totem pole from some of our other areas."

PARC, as its name implies, stands for Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission.

As far as I am concerned, arts is certainly part of the component totem pole; and very much on top in its importance.

The projects the PARC feels more important right now are building the indoor recreation

facility site complex on the newly acquired property next to the high school on Rainbow Road, for which we taxpayers voted yes in the referendum regarding the property's purchase.

I voted yes with the view of enjoying the facilities later in life when it's finally built. Right now I want to keep fit and enjoy the excellent recreation programs PARC presently provides. With its decision to discontinue the programs, PARC is cutting off the hands that feed you and also cutting off my dancing feet as well!

To those unaware of the cancellation of PARC's role in future recreation programs, please ring 537-4448 or fax 537-4456. There's going to be a public meeting on January 29. Attend if you can.

LING WESTON,
North Beach Road

Appalled

The Legion was appalled to learn of the theft of approximately 40 Christmas trees from the Boy Scouts over the Christmas season.

This loss of revenue from one of their main fundraisers for the year has caused this group much anxiety.

We are drawing up a cheque for \$1,000 to present to the Scouts to make up their financial loss. Nothing can reimburse them for the aggravation and distress incurred by the despicable thefts from such a worthwhile group.

We only hope the culprits can hold their heads up in this community and that they enjoyed their stolen loot.

ALAN WYATT,
President, Legion Branch 92

No resemblance

I guess I'm just not as impressed

by Elizabeth Nickson's journalistic credentials as is Anastacia Wilde. ("Who gives a hoot what anyone thinks of us anyway?" January 10 Driftwood.)

I'm not much impressed by bad writing either — writing whose sole purpose is to call attention to its own cutesy cleverness.

Having found in Ms. Nickson's Harper's article barely a fleeting fun-house mirror resemblance to the island that's been my home for over 20 years, I have no difficulty at all in believing that yes, she may well have fabricated sources.

After all, didn't she make up everything else?

MURRAY REISS,
Fulford Harbour

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Aerodrome threatens more than Salt Spring serenity

By CARA JOY HUGHES

At the outset let me say I'm sure no one here harbours resentment or anger or bad feelings against pilots who live on Salt Spring and want to have their private planes based here. Let me assure you we understand your relationship with the insurers — with a registered aerodrome (Section 301) you can negotiate reasonable insurance rates to cover your aircraft when they are based here. And there is great convenience in having your aircraft here, your recreational hobby at hand. With this we sympathize.

That said, let me present to you some of the fears and anxieties of our community, especially residents of the southern part of the island, should Cudmore's airstrip be registered and published in the March gazette. I speak for myself but I believe I represent a majority view.

Firstly, you do not own the land and you, your newly formed club, cannot control future development on that land nor direct future changes of ownership. You cannot bind future owners, though you may influence future development (perhaps with self-interest). You would be tenants, likely paying fees for use of the strip and any future facilities it spawns.

Secondly, you are plane enthusiasts and enjoy taking off and wheeling around the skies in your small aircraft. For sure. Probably even the noise is exhilarating. But afterwards you go home from



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Fulford to a quieter place. Likely no one of you would be at the aerodrome each and every day. So your enthusiasm would remain unabated, unaffected by increasing air traffic, and air and noise pollution in and around the valley.

Thirdly, as time goes by, it is inevitable that you "think bigger," want enhanced facilities. It is human nature. Lights would mean safer landings at dusk and when those sudden ground fogs swirl. And, of course, hangars to garage the aircraft. Then the tinkers and tuners would want a maintenance area, a machine shop: vroom, vroom — just testing! And for your planes based there, or even for visiting aircraft, fuelling becomes almost a necessity: perhaps your airpark patron would share in purchase of one of those special aircraft fuelling trucks. It could do the dangerous cargo run from Vesuvius and tank up in Duncan as needed.

Of course the locked enclosure for it and the cement pads for a fuelling area would be in place. And since the valley floor can be soggy at this late winter season, it is sensible that a paved runway be built for safety. Transport Canada would doubtless agree. Nice little

aerodrome we've got going here.

Well, I hear you say, so what, lady? No big deal. It's our choice of recreation.

Ah, but you would have a registered aerodrome in the heart of the tourist-attractive Gulf Islands. Nothing — and certainly not your club — could discourage increasing traffic. This is a great place to hop for a visit. One of the visitors might even write us up for your COPA magazine. Some enterprising small charter company in, say, Seattle, just 45 minutes away, could see a golden opportunity for running passengers to and from Salt Spring, even hook up with some B&Bs at cheaper rates. (Not a "commercial thing," of "airport" status, certainly not!) And there are many potential "Seattles" nearby. The Ganges-based water charters could schedule land-based flights. For many, flying here from another airport might seem quicker and cheaper than a ferry hassle, right? Next, a Ganges-based car rental would have an agent on site for pre-arranged arrivals. "Unofficially" they might open a wee office, maybe base some cars at the aerodrome. And long-term parking for islanders? "The sky's the limit."

Perhaps another easement could be obtained, enabling a longer runway. By golly, we could accommodate mini turboprops!

Though perhaps not directly involved with our mysterious purchasers, the Texada folks must be licking their chops. Their vision of

a new Whistler Village atop Mount Tuam is certainly enhanced by the possibility of a little airfield operating in the Fulford Valley. Their real estate agents will love it. Big-bucks jet-setters they want to attract for beautiful "weekend condos" (if built) would definitely be private or charter-plane types, scoring ferry trips to Salt Spring. On the big-bucks note, there is an ever-increasing new class of young millionaires from the software and communications industries, and I understand one toy of preference for them is a small plane. A growing industry right now.

The Minister of Transport has designated the Gulf Islands to be a sound sensitive area. My good sense tells me that doesn't mean much even now but with a registered aerodrome it would mean nothing. My scenario, I suggest to you, is a natural flowering from the seed of a registered and published aerodrome. Big money and greed would drive expansion. Your group can't know the long-term goals of these purchaser(s) who will pay over a million dollars for Mr. Cudmore's land if the airstrip is registered.

Transport Canada officials say, with hand on non-existent heart, their only true interest is safety. Well, as those of us who live near the southern shorelines of Salt Spring Island know only too well, our prevailing winds are southeast and they can be perverse and sudden in strength. Most take-off flights would therefore head out

over Drummond Park. (It's the direct U.S. route too). Add the unpredictable ground fogs, the air turbulence in Fulford Valley, hang gliders, hilly surrounds . . . this is a site with a raft of hazards. You who live here may take them in your stride, and let's hope familiarity doesn't breed disastrous contempt, but whatever was published would be no real indication of potential troubles awaiting visiting pilots. With increasing air traffic it would be a matter of when, not if, we have accidents.

Lastly, most of us here chose to live on Salt Spring precisely because of its greenness (now in part threatened and out of our hands) and because of the particular and special serenity of the Gulf Islands.

Our official community plan, developed over many community meetings, specifically rejects this type of land-based aerodrome. We do not want a mini airport in our beautiful heritage valley; we do not want increasing small plane traffic coming and going through our hills and harbour. We do not want the anxiety of potentially serious accidents on our hillsides or in our park.

For the sake of a small club of fortunate aircraft owners who want to save insurance dollars and keep their small planes close to home, we residents do not want to sacrifice what is dearest and best of our Salt Spring way of life.

The writer lives in Fulford.

Graceful veil of illusion

I salute the consummate skill with which Jon Page of Qualicum defends the presence of an aerodrome in Fulford Valley. I stand amazed at the artistry with which he interprets inconvenient facts, and omits the adverse ones. He is able to cover everything with a graceful veil of illusion. Let us examine his principal arguments, sentence by sentence.

"This is a wonderful opportunity" . . . to desecrate the peace of an area of outstanding beauty, to bring the roar of machines to the tranquil fields in the name of . . . "recreation."

"The joy of flight is deep in many of us." It was deep in the heart of Daedalus 3,500 years ago. In the great myth, he conceived the means of flight, and paid a price, the life of his only son Icarus. Daedalus also constructed the infamous Labyrinth at Knossos where dwelt the monstrous Minotaur, who fed on the flesh of the young Athenian hostages.

Where was the joy of flight when U.S. airmen dropped two million tons of bombs on Vietnam? One-third of these bombs failed to explode then, and kill and mutilate to this day.

"You will see the dedication and good humour" (of those who have landed their planes). O happy band of pilgrims! O what fun to be privileged to enjoy such a lifestyle! Who cares for those peasants who live in the valley and are forced to endure the noise and pollution?

"Listen to the silence as a plane floats down and lands" (!) With what tender courtesy do these good fellows fly! They switch off their engines as they enter the valley, and glide down to the airstrip to stop exactly on the white line.

"One (sort of complainer) is the person who has no chance of owning a plane." Those whining poor, who are always with us! A more compassionate voice said "Blessed are the poor," and these words have echoed down the centuries.

"The second (sort) is the retired person . . . Life does not go to sleep just because you have." I do not wish to make too fine a point of it, but isn't there a hint of arrogance in that sentiment?

"Join in, and you just might find there's more enjoyment out there than you ever dreamed of. If you're

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lucky you may even be able to hitch a ride." The warmth and boundless generosity in the first sentence is chilled by the condescension in the second.

It isn't really fair to this "good bunch," but I am put in mind of a verse from *The Secret People* by G.K. Chesterton:

"We have fallen into the hands of the new, unhappy lords, Lords without wisdom or feeling, who dare not carry their swords; They live by shuffling papers, they have cold, hard, alien eyes, And they look on our love and our laughter as a tired man looks at flies. The load of their loveless pity is worse than the ancient wrongs; Their doors are closed in the evenings, and they have no songs."

Yes, dear reader, it is unfair. Their doors would be closed if they were roaring out Wings over the World at the Fulford Arms. They do not need swords when weak regulations and a word in the right ear does it all. The load of their pity is light indeed if it is pity for what the machine age is destroying.

Yes, dear reader, it is highly exaggerated. They do not shuffle papers — they have clerks to do that. Some of them are thoroughly good fellows at heart. Unfortunately, at heart there is too little sensitivity, too little concern for those who do not share their enthusiasm.

Let the last word come from Samantha Depledge, on page 7 of the January 10 Driftwood: "Don't take this beautiful place or the people here for granted."

DOUGLAS JAMES,
Roland Road

Massive support

The peer tutors of Gulf Islands Secondary would like to thank the Driftwood and the community greatly for their massive support during the Honduras T-shirt drive!

We had an overwhelming response and the final T-shirt count is over 300!

Thank you again for your support and I'm sure we speak truthfully when we say we have made a difference in the lives of the people in the village of Colaca.

ARLA HILLIS,
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No free ride

In defence of older residents on this island, I wish to protest remarks made by Jon Page in his recent letter defending the intrepid aviators who wish to show the older folks what life is all about.

The generation of which he speaks have had what may well be a unique life.

Born after World War I, raised in the Depression of the '30s, they were thrust into World War II for six years.

Many of them flew under conditions that Jon will never know, and had all the thrills they needed for one lifetime during this period.

Some had the added luxury of spending a year or two in German or Japanese POW camps.

They then had to finish their education during the years of post-war austerity, raise families and get into the job market in competition with the youth of the day.

After retirement, many of them came to this island, and by Jon's opinion, got lazy and wanted to sleep, rather than getting out there and doing things as he does.

Finally, I would like to thank him on their behalf for the possibility of a "free ride if they get lucky."

It may well be the first free ride any of them have ever had!

IAN WOOD,
Fulford Harbour

No airports

Contrary to your January 10 editorial, the outcome of the 20-year-old effort to stop Mr. Cudmore

from developing airport facilities on Salt Spring has been far more wide-ranging than determination of regulatory jurisdiction.

Mr. Cudmore's original proposal met with swift, concerted and successful opposition. It also helped to raise and sustain an awareness that Salt Spring is a sensitive environment that cannot host a land-based airport/aerodrome.

Over time, this view has been shared among neighbours, affirmed at public forums and codified within the official community plan and Transport Canada flight guidelines.

These actions summarize a broadly-based and democratic expression that further development of airport facilities is a negative outcome for our community.

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2	2	CBC	CBC4Kids	Simpsons	Jonovis.	News		On Road	CCanada	The Fifth Estate		Nature of Things		The National/Mag.		News	Movie
3		SUPER	Nico the Unicorn (1997)	Anne Archer.		Boiler Room (1999)	Giovanni Ribisi.			Star Hunter		Escape (1997)	Treat Williams.		Paranoia		
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO 4 News		News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy	..Be a Millionaire?		D.Carey	Spin City	Once and Again		News	Nightline
5	16	KING	Oprah Winfrey	KING News		News	News	Magazine	Squares	Ed		The West Wing		Law & Order		News	Jay Leno
6	7	CHEK	Inside Ed./Real TV	CHEK News		News		InsideEnt.	Squares	Ed		The West Wing		Third Watch		News	News
7	14	VTV	Ellen	3rd Rock	News	D.Carey	News	Frasier	Friends	..Be a Millionaire?		D.Carey	Spin City	Law & Order		News	Bullard
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey	News	Canada	News		Wheel	Jeopardy	Bette	Welcome	The West Wing		Nikita		News	News Spt
9	9	KCTS	Zoom	Clifford	Arthur	Business	News	Travel	Outdoors	Nat. Geographic		Jazz		Frame		Served?	News
10	23	SRC	Couacs	Débrouill.	..tawo	Dét.Mens	Longueur	Ce soir	Virginie	Caseme	Passeport musique	..le signe du lion		Téléjournal/Point		Ce soir	Sports
11	5	KNOW	Mechanic	MagicBus	Art Attack	Kratt's C.	Careers	Ent.Asia	C. Rider	Fishing	BC Now	The Vanishing Line		Death on Request		Dotto on Data Live	
13	13	CKVU	Days of Our Lives	Young & Restless		News		E.T.	Addams	70'sShow	70'sShow	Titus	B. Sound	Blue Murder		SprtPage	News
14		BRAVO	Videos	Variety	Spoken Art		Stuart Bliss	Michael Zelniker.	45 News	NYPD Blue		Homicide: Life on St		Beyond Silence (1996)	Sylvie Testud.		
15	35	CMT	CntryNow	One/One	CMT Hot 1's		Top 12 Choice		F.Music	Xtreme	P. Top 5	CntryNow		CMT Live		Top 12 Choice	CMT After Hours
16	38	TLC	Bad Drivers		TenTechDisasters		Junkyard Wars		Junkyard Wars		TenTechDisasters	Junkyard Wars		Junkyard Wars		Bad Drivers	
17	32	CNN	3:30Money	Crossfire	W. Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live		CNN Ton.	Spin'R'm	SportsT.	Moneylin.		Larry King Live		CNN Ton.	Spin'R'm
19		FAM	Doug	Pepp.Ann	Recess	Buzz	Little Lulu	Pumbaa	Gargoy.	ALF	Disney Presents	House Calls	Walter Matthau.	35 Condorman			
20	31	A&E	Law & Order		Biography		American Justice		Investigative Rep.		Law & Order		Biography	American Justice		Investigative Rep.	
21	15	TSN	..Hockey	WCW Nitro			Off the Record		Sportsdesk		Hockey		Tennis	Australian Open		Sportsdesk	
22	19	NET	S.Central	Hockey OHL vs QMJHL	CHL				S.Central	S.Central	Canucks	CoolShot	NHLPA	Sports Central		Canucks	LastWord
23	17	KSTW	Recess	Buzz	J.Judy	J.Judy	D.Carey	Frasier	Spin City	Seinfeld	Seven Days	Star Trek: Voyager	Homelmp	M.A.S.H.		Frasier	Spin City
24	12	KVOS	J.Judy	Tell Truth	FamFeud	Ch. Heart	St.Smarts	BlindDate	S. Susan	Spin City	Star Trek: Voyager	Earth: Final Conflict	Seinfeld	Paid		Cheers	M.A.S.H.
25	34	KCPQ	X-Men	Digmon	Simpsons	3rd Rock	Simpsons	3rd Rock	Friends	Friends	70'sShow	Grounded		Q-13Rep	Arrest	05 Star Trek: NG	
26	20	NEWS	Can. Now	Health	Counterspin		The National/Mag.		Antiques Roadshow		Counterspin	National	BusNews	Antiques Roadshow		Counterspin	
27	11	KIRO	Inside Ed.	Attorney	KIRO News		News	News	E.T.	Real TV	Bette	Welcome	Breakdown (1997)	Kurt Russell.		News	Letterm'n
28		VISION	L. Hobo	Fam.Ties	Wond.Yr	Cosby	Little House Prairie		Skylight	Villages	Bless Me	Age of e	Alonso's Dream	Skylight	In Story	100 Huntley Street	

THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

- WEDNESDAY, JAN 17
- 6:00 PM
- 3 Boiler Room (1999,Drama) A young hustler looking for a quick way to the top walks on the shady side of Wall Street. *Giovanni Ribisi, Vin Diesel* (2h)
- 14 Stuart Bliss (Drama) A man becomes caught in a downward spiral of paranoia and mistrust after his wife leaves. *Michael Zelniker, Dea Lawrence* (1h45)
- 9:00 PM
- 3 *** Escape (1997,Thriller) A man is trapped in Saudi Arabia after taking a building contract from a wealthy man. *Treat Williams, Hamis Arbid* (2h)
- 19 *** House Calls (1978,Comedy) A widowed doctor tries to woo a woman recuperating from a jaw operation. *Walter Matthau, Glenda Jackson* (1h35)
- 27 (11) *** Breakdown (1997,Suspense) A man's wife vanishes after their car breaks down in the middle of nowhere. *Kurt Russell, Kathleen Quinlan* (2h)
- 10:00 PM
- 14 Beyond Silence (1996,Drama) A girl must communicate with the outside world for her parents who are deaf and mute. *Sylvie Testud, Tatjana Trieb* (2h)
- 10:35 PM
- 19 ** Condorman (1981,Comedy) Comic book author enlisted by C.I.A. to defect spy. *Michael Crawford, Oliver Reed* (1h35)
- 11:00 PM
- 3 ** Paranoia (1997,Horror) A woman's attempt to forget the crimes that took her family away forever. *Larry Drake, Brigitte Bako* (1h30)
- 11:30 PM
- 2 (2) *** A Midwinter's Tale (1995,Comedy) Unemployed actor puts on free-form production of Hamlet using volunteers. *Michael Maloney, Richard Briers* (2h30)

- THURSDAY, JAN 18
- 6:00 PM
- 3 The Limey (1999,Suspense) An ex-con fresh out of prison flies to L.A. to avenge the death of his estranged daughter. *Terence Stamp, Luis Guzman* (1h30)
- 14 **** Young Frankenstein (1974,Comedy) A Transylvanian family descendant returns to the ancestral castle and creates a monster. *Gene Wilder, Peter Boyle* (2h)
- 8:00 PM
- 25 (34) ** Scream 2 (1997,Horror) A copycat killer is back to terrorize a college student and a tabloid reporter. *Neve Campbell, Courtney Cox* (2h)
- 8:30 PM
- 3 Fugitive Mind (1999,Suspense) An amnesiac uncovers a plot to program his mind to commit brutal and bizarre crimes. *Michael Dudikoff, Michele Greene* (2h)
- 9:00 PM
- 19 *** Gross Anatomy (1989,Comedy/Drama) A bright, easy-going student is ready to joke his way through medical school. *Matthew Modine, Christine Lahti* (1h50)
- 10:00 PM
- 14 *** Bang The Drum Slowly (1973,Drama) The pitcher on a baseball team discovers that the catcher has a fatal disease. *Michael Moriarty, Robert De Niro* (1h45)
- 10:30 PM
- 3 Dog Park (1998,Comedy) The love lives of pet owners entwined at a dog park. *Natasha Henstridge, Luke Wilson* (1h30)
- 10:50 PM
- 19 Gargoyles: The Movie (1994,Animated) Goliath and the few remaining gargoyles help defend the Scottish castle. *Edward Asner, Jeff Bennett* (1h20)
- 11:30 PM
- 2 (2) ** The Michelle Apartments (1995,Suspense) Tax-auditor arrives in deceptively quiet small town to audit Turnbull Chemicals. *Henry Czerny, Mary-Elizabeth Rubens* (2h)

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3		SUPER	Various Movies		Various Movies				Various Movies			Various Movies				Various Movies	
4	4	KOMO	7:00 Morning Am.	Regs & Kathie/Regis		The View		News	P.Charles	All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital		Northwest	
5	16	KING	7:00 Today Show	Today Show II		M. Stewart Living		Mars vs Venus		News		Days of Our Lives		Passions		Judge H.	Judge H.
6	7	CHEK	8:30 Canada AM	Various	D. Chalk	The Price is Right		CityLine		News		C. Court	C. Court	H. Home	B & B	Rosie O'Donnell	
7	14	VTV	6:00 VTV Breakfast	Live With Regis		The View		Vicki Gabereau		E.R.		Counsel'r	FamPass	General Hospital		Vicki Gabereau	
8	8	BCTV	Canada AM			Various	Various	Various	InsideEnt.	News		H. Home	B & B	Rosie O'Donnell		As the World Turns	
9	9	KCTS	Bet. Lions/Zoboo...	Caillou	Dragon T.	Barney	Sesame Street	Roger's	Tubbies	Rainbow	Caillou	Noddy	Zoboo...	Wishbone	Clifford	Dragon T.	
10	23	SRC	7:30 Matin express	3 mousquetaires		C'est simple comme bonjour		Dét.Mens	Le Midi	Liza		Lois et Clark		Variées	Variées	Variées	
11	5	KNOW	BlueClue	Zoboo...	DreamSt.	Various	Ell.Moose	Dudley D.	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	
13	13	CKVU	Mechanic	Carebear	100 Huntley Street		It's a New Day	W.Vision	Road	Travel	Hitchcock	Bynon		Passions		Student	Arrest
14		BRAVO	Various	Various		E.Sullivan	E.Sullivan	Various Movies				Various		Various	Various	Various	
15	35	CMT	Top 12 Choice	Heart and Home		F.Heart and Home		Heart and Home		W.Heart and Home		Heart and Home		Rock N' Country		Songbook/A. Jackson	
16	38	TLC	Wed.St. Wed.St.	Makeover	Makeover	DateStory	DateStory	Baby St.	Baby St.	Wed.St.	Wed.St.	Various	Various	Bob Vila	Bob Vila	Various	
17	32	CNN	8:00 Morn. News	Newsday	B.of Proof	CNN Today		Talkback Live		CNN Today		Inside Politics		Moneylin.			
19		FAM	Art Attack	Bill Nye	Various	55Madel.	20OutBox	45BillyCat	10GoofT.	35Aladdin	ALF	Franklin	Various	55Madel.	20OutBox	45BillyCat	10GoofT.
20	31	A&E	Magnum, P.I.	N. Court	NsRadio	Law & Order		Northern Exposure		Various	Various	Various		Strong Man		Off Recrd	Sportsd'k
21	15	TSN	Sportsdesk	Off Recrd	Workout	Tennis	Australian Open		Various	Various	Various						
22	19	NET	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	Various	LastWord	Various	BowFlex	Various	TH Skiing	Various
23	17	KSTW	Screen Gems			C. Court	C. Court	JudgeJoe	JudgeJoe	The People's Court		Divorce	Divorce	Moesha	Sabrina	Various	Various
24	12	KVOS	Buzz	MerrieMel	Paid	Paid	Judge Mathis	Jenny Jones	Jerry Springer	Maury Povich Show		Montel Williams		Sally Jessy Raphael			
25	34	KCPQ	8Mornings on Q/News	Moral Court		Judge Greg Mathis		J.Mills	Arrest	Judge Greg Mathis		Moral Court		Various	PRangers		
26	20	NEWS	BusNews	Health		NewsWorld Today		NewsWorld Today		M. NewsWorld Today		Politics		News	BusNews		
27	11	KIRO	The Early Show	Sally Jessy Raphael		The Price is Right		Young & Restless		News	B & B	As the World Turns		The Guiding Light		Montel Williams	
28		VISION	Mass	Various	Robison	Copeland	Skylight	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Currents	Robison	Q.Study	Various

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FRIDAY, JAN 19
6:00 PM
3 *** The Hurricane (1999, Drama) Based on the story of Rubin "Hurricane" Carter, a boxer wrongfully convicted of murder. Denzel Washington, John Hannah (2h30)
14 The Myth of Fingerprints (1997, Comedy) A young man returns home for Thanksgiving after a three year absence. Arija Bareikis, Blythe Danner (1h45)
8:00 PM
24 (12) *** Forced to Kill (1994, Action) Spectacular stunts and intense action as a man tries to deliver a repossessed Jaguar. Corey Michael Eubanks, Michael Ironside (2h)
8:30 PM
22 Taste of Cherry (1994, Drama) A man searches urban Iran to find someone who will help him end his life. Homayoun Ershadi, Abdourahman Bagheri (1h30)
3 Isn't She Great (1999, Biography) The life story of 1960's novelist Jacqueline Susan whose dreams of fame materialized. Bette Middler, Nathan Lane (2h)
9:00 PM
19 *** What About Bob? (1991, Comedy) A neurotic patient follows his psychiatrist and his family on a vacation. Bill Murray, Richard Dreyfuss (1h35)
9:45 PM
14 The Sex Thief (1973, Drama) An inspector and an insurance investigator both have a major stake in revealing a thief. David Warbeck, Diane Keen (1h45)
10:30 PM
3 My Teacher's Wife (1995, Comedy) A student falls hopelessly in love with the wife of his nemesis math teacher. Jason London, Tia Carrere (1h30)
10:35 PM
19 *** White Fang (1991, Adventure) A young gold miner befriends an old miner and a half-dog half-wolf in Alaska. Ethan Hawke, Klaus Maria Brandauer (1h55)
11:30 PM
2 (2) *** The Year of Living Dangerously (1983, Adventure) An Australian journalist becomes intimately involved with a British official in Indonesia. Mel Gibson, Sigourney Weaver (2h)
14 *** Heat (1972, Comedy/Drama) A young actor hopes to improve his career by being the boyfriend of an older actress. Joe Dallesandro, Silvia Miles (1h45)

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SATURDAY, JAN 20
6:00 PM
3 The Talented Mr. Ripley (1999, Thriller) A man ingratiate himself with a rich man and his girlfriend until the relationships sour. Matt Damon, Gwyneth Paltrow (2h30)
8:00 PM
23 (17) *** Consenting Adults (1992, Thriller) A neighbor proposes to switch wives with his neighbor. Kevin Kline, Kevin Spacey (2h)
24 (12) No Escape, No Return An all-out war begins between them and the drug lords, leaving bodies all over the place. Maxwell Caulfield, John Saxon (2h)
8:30 PM
5 (16) *** Demolition Man (1993, Sci-Fi) A cryogenically frozen cop is defrosted in order to bring down his former arch nemesis. Sylvester Stallone, Wesley Snipes (2h30)
3 Mansfield Park (1999, Drama) A spirited woman attempts to outsmart the dizzying maze of marriage and social status. Frances O'Connor, Embeth Davidtz (2h)
9:00 PM
19 *** Cool Runnings (1993, Comedy) A Jamaican bobsled team is formed to compete in the 1988 winter Olympics. John Candy, Leon Robinson (1h40)
20 (31) The Great Gatsby (2000, Drama) A man amasses great wealth in order to gain the love of a wealthy but disaffected woman. Mira Sorvino, Toby Stephens (2h)
9:15 PM
14 *** The Mission (1986, Drama) A Jesuit mission in jungle is threatened by greedy European merchants. Robert De Niro, Jeremy Irons (2h15)
10:30 PM
3 Scream 3 (1999, Horror) A murder spree erupts amongst the survivors of the original attack. Neve Campbell, David Arquette (2h)
10:40 PM
19 *** My Favorite Year (1982, Comedy) A young writer is in charge of keeping an alcoholic star sober. Peter O'Toole, Mark Linn-Baker (1h30)
11:00 PM
2 (2) *** A Touch of Evil (1958, Crime Story) Narcotics cop and corrupt cop tangle over murder investigation in Mexican town. Charlton Heston, Orson Welles (3h30)
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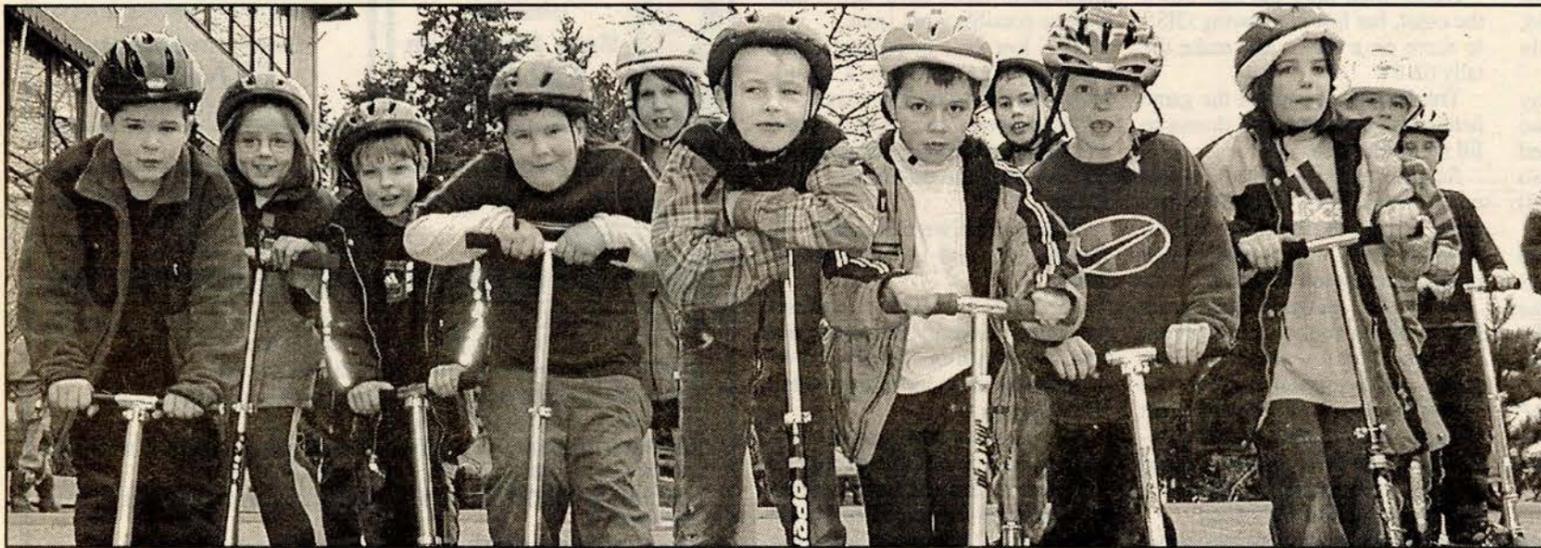
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14 *** Big (1988, Comedy) A boy awakens as a full-grown man, but he's not ready to confront the world. Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins (2h)
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THE SCOOTERS HAVE ARRIVED: Salt Spring Elementary School is a wonderland for scooters and their young drivers as seen at recess at the Ganges school.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Weekend provincial judo event springboards athlete to nationals

A happy group of young Salt Spring judo athletes travelled home Saturday night after a competition in Campbell River.

Eight entrants brought back nine medals and a provincial championship in juvenile women, plus a place at the nationals on the B.C. team.

Fourteen-year-old Megan Leitch earned a gold medal, the provincial championship title in juvenile women (57-kilo), which means she will represent B.C. at national competition, and a bronze medal in the even-higher junior women's division.

Coach Shaun Adams said Leitch captured the bronze despite suffering a shoulder injury in her first

junior women's match.

"This was after already fighting through the pack in the juvenile division. Exhausting work!"

Other contestants were Graham Wrigley, age eight, gold medal; Cole Wrigley, nine, silver; Kyle Vieser, nine, silver; Natalya Alonso, 10, gold; Geneva Lerner, 11, silver; Jerome Petit, 12, gold; and Jani Janzen, 14, bronze.

This was the fourth of five provincial tournaments which qualify athletes for the nationals. Two Salt Spring club members other than Leitch may yet make the team, said Adams, with Janzen and Kevin Ostapowich close to qualifying.

HIGH ROLLERS

High rollers in recent bowling league play at Kings Lane were:

Golf Ladies: Maxine Whorley, 203; Shirley Parsons, 202.

Circus League: Connie Hardy, 203/225; Lance Leask, 214, 211, 211/636; Ron Cunningham, 205, 223; Brian Radford, 215.

Tuesday a.m.: Harold Repen, 201; Edie Gear, 220; Pat Taylor 217.

Tuesday p.m.: Vanda Winstone, 208.

Special Olympics: Sharon Way, 162; Jimmy Beck, 168; Mahjor Bains, 149; Gloria Dale 159; Stuart Elliott, 159.

Friday seniors: Mary Campbell, 207; Marg Baker, 216, 207, 212/637; Jim Glenn, 207.

Strikers blast opposition in 4-0 victory Saturday

Determination and aggressiveness were the hallmark of a Salt Spring U-12 Strikers 4-0 win over Juan de Fuca Saturday.

Coaches credited the entire team with working hard for all 60 minutes to secure the win.

Liam Johnson opened scoring from a Cardin Davis pass in the 10th minute.

Soon after, Davis scored again, shooting to the low side of the net after receiving a superb pass from Alex Hannah.

Just before the half-time whistle, Davis added another goal for a comfortable 3-0 half-time lead.

The second half saw the local squad keep the ball in Juan de Fuca's end with pinpoint passing and possession. Johnson got the final goal with a one-touch blast past the goalie from another Davis set up.

Saturday's match was the first after a long Christmas break.

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Scorpions keep their cool, take 3rd

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Scorpions made their mark on the Vancouver Island boys basketball scene over the weekend, placing third in a tough tourney in Nanaimo.

And they also proved Saturday that other teams are fools to lose their cool against this disciplined squad, as AAA-rated Nanaimo District Secondary School (NDSS) found out.

In the battle for third place held at NDSS in the afternoon, GISS had an eight-point lead after the first half, despite facing a totally fresh NDSS with their own second-game legs.

"Then they went on a run on us," said coach Myles Wilson. "By the third quarter it was 52-45 for them."

GISS "clawed their way back" to within eight points in the fourth quarter. It was 60-52 for NDSS with three minutes left in the game.

"By the one-minute mark it was 62-57 for them," said Wilson, "and

they committed a foul. It was a double bonus, and we went to the line and both shots were successful."

NDSS then took the ball down the court, but lost it, allowing GISS to score on a lay-in and make the tally 62-61.

The last 30 seconds of the game held enough tension and drama to fill an entire game.

Scorpions surged with a full court press, with Tom McColm passing the ball over to Sam Hannah, who hit a three-pointer, putting the boys up by two.

With play getting chippy, an NDSS player took a disqualifying foul and was ejected from the game. GISS missed its two foul shots, but again put on full court pressure before some NDSS players really lost their cool and handed GISS six foul shots, resulting in a 68-62 score for the Scorpions.

"It was a good, character-building event," said Wilson. "All the guys did their job. Everybody did their job and that's how they ended up winning it."

High scorers in the volatile game were McColm with 11; Hannah, 18; Al Lemay, with 17; and captain Rhys Beasley, 14.

But all of the action wasn't moving up and down the court. An upset NDSS parent even caused "an incident" by coming over to the Scorpions' bench after the game to try "mixing it up with our players." Wilson's crew had to hustle into the change room to avoid the antagonism.

As a result, Wilson is sending a report to both the referees' associa-

tion and the schools.

Lead-up to the semi-final match with NDSS wasn't quite as exciting, but gave the team more chances to hone their skills and analyze possible weak spots.

GISS lost their first game of the tourney by 15 points to a strong Ladysmith squad on Thursday.

"We played three good quarters and they played four good quarters, and that was the difference," said Wilson.

High scorers were Hannah, 19; Beasley, 17; and Lemay with 16 points.

On Friday, GISS trounced Shawnigan Lake by 50 points, and beat Woodlands of Nanaimo 81-61 on Saturday morning before the big NDSS match.

After a slow start and a close score at half-time, GISS picked up the pace in the second to steam their way to victory. Lemay led scoring with 25 points; Beasley was right behind him at 23.

The 14-team tournament at NDSS and John Barsby schools also saw participation by teams from Australia and Vancouver.

GISS also beat Frances Kelsey 82-50 in an exhibition game Thursday. What the boys need to do in order to make the provincial championships for the second year running is already starting to unfold — and it isn't easy. They have to be able to beat Ladysmith, Lambrick Park and Kwakwaka'wakw squads.

Even before that, the Scorpions have another unenviable task: they'll be meeting cranky NDSS again Friday night at a tournament in Ladysmith.

Girls beat Chemainus in squeaker

Heart and determination were the key words to describe the senior girls basketball Scorpions play in a 63-61 win over Chemainus January 9.

Coaches Elly Parker and Phil Hind were thrilled with play by their Gulf Islands Secondary School team.

"Supported by Heidi Scott's great speed, and Kadek Okura's heads-up play, Cynthia Cameron came out blazing and scored 22 out of her 30 points" in the fourth quarter alone, they said.

Hard-working Laurel Temmel fouled out in the third quarter, but sister Jessica Temmel then "took care of business" under the boards.

With 44 seconds left on the clock and down by four points, Cameron struck a deadly three-pointer which Scott coolly followed up with two points from the free throw line.

The Scorpions are in an invitational tournament this weekend, with Clare "the Shark" Rustad returning to the line-up from a national soccer team training camp in Ottawa.

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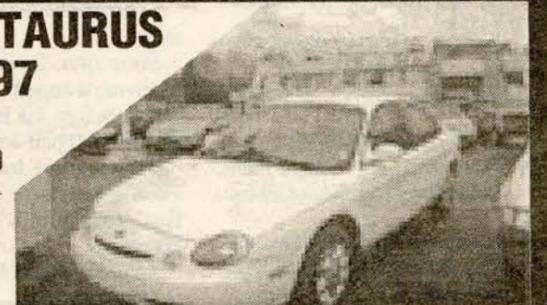
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'Out of chaos comes good:' peacekeeper off to Africa

By ANASTACIA WILDE
Driftwood Staff

His colleague's family is kidnapped and murdered. His maid is raped and robbed. His gardener's brother is castrated. He holds a skeleton of a child in his arms as it expends its last breath.

All of this and more are real occurrences in the realm of development worker Howard Douglas Wilson, a Salt Spring resident who spends most of his life in post-war clean-up overseas.

His domain is the aftermath of destruction; his job is to resurrect a semblance of order in countries wrought by war. Vestiges of death and hunger linger violently in such chaos, he says, as do live mines, bullet holes and wounded civilians.

When Wilson approaches an international post, there are children without arms, contaminated water, bitterness between political enemies and splintered families. Dreams of peace permeate his being and perplex his senses, but the stench of conflict rises to inhabit the nostril of every person seeking a better way to live.

Mozambique floods in the monsoon season, leaving scattered survivors to fend for daily necessities, not unlike her ravaging civil war, spurred on by a South African government opposed to any notion of socialism in its backyard.

The 54-year-old, on-again-off-again United Nations employee is a self-proclaimed "band-aid" man. He is paid well to wrestle the roots of timeless feuds, chisel at the stone heart that walls the peace, tug at the sensibility of a few good men amidst the countless others trained to the teeth in militarism and killing.

And for good reason. Armament replenishment and drug peddling are the international businesses of choice these days, Wilson stated emphatically, mono-

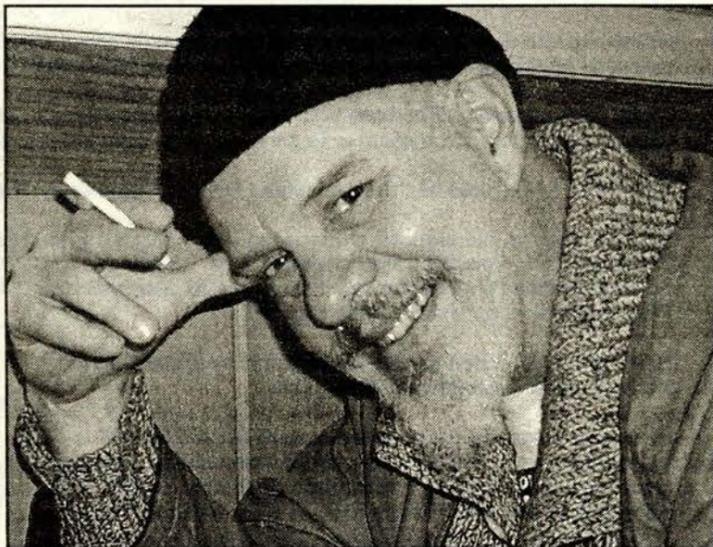
maniacal monsters with an insatiable hunger for virile young men, missiles, guns, prostitutes and ruthless dictators.

"Post-crisis recovery" is the catch-all term used to identify his line of work. Having served the UN, CIDA, UNICEF, US-AID, CUSO and a host of non-governmental agencies since 1969, job descriptions, countries and long-winded titles leap from his curriculum vitae like Mexican jumping beans: Liberia, senior demobilization and reintegration officer; Mozambique, representative of the Canadian government; Brazil, planner for the state government and city of Salvador; Jamaica, consultant for the Ministry of Finance and Planning.

His latest post transports him back to his favourite continent, beloved Africa. This very week, Wilson traded the comfort of his wife and a Salt Spring bed to bunk in a tent inside the confines of a UN-controlled military buffer zone.

Stationed between adversarial African states, his goal is to implement the month-old Eritrea-Ethiopian peace accord. The former is a relatively new offspring of the latter, a country that broke away in pieces, leaving its mother landlocked and frustrated.

Open savanna, chronic drought, hot days and cool nights character-



Howard Douglas Wilson Photo by Anastacia Wilde

ize the northeast countries, he said, part of the African Horn and source of the blue Nile. Ensnared in a 25-mile protected corridor between the warring countries, Wilson is civilian advisor to the Canadian military arm of the bilateral UN peacekeeping mission. Building bridges, installing water systems and distributing food are all priority tasks, he explains, as is kick-starting the post-war econo-

my and reintegrating massive numbers of mobilized men back into civilian life.

"This is the first time the whites have gone back to Africa in a long time," he said. "Armies are not designed for discussion. How do you integrate hundreds of thousands of men back into a society

who only know how to steal, f—k and fight?"

Fully conscious of age and generational differences, Wilson is hoping his father-figure demeanour will have some effect on the young African soldiers, who are about the age of his own son Zachariah, a Gulf Islands Secondary School student.

"In my opinion, the relationship of these young men who go to war is very similar energy to the young men in our society who do not see an option for their own future."

In the weeks Wilson spent with his family on Salt Spring between jobs, he observed other clues that confirm the stew of global friction can be found simmering closer to home.

The wars being fought against deforestation and greed-driven development, he said, are simply mirrors of the larger picture.

"It's a sensitive time. We have to learn how to come to terms with each other. Out of the chaos comes the good," he acknowledged.

"I have a sound professional understanding and an open heart. If I'm good from the inside, I can be good on the outside. And it doesn't matter if I'm baking a pie or working with warring factions."

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Rainfall down — weather not quite so 'blah'

By ROBERT ASTON
Driftwood Contributor

Looking back at 2000, weather-wise, it would certainly seem that the description I gave for last year could well apply again: "Blah!"

That being said, however, the year did have one positive happening going for it — our total precipitation was way down from the immediately preceding years at 31.80 inches/80.77 centimetres compared to approximately 50 ins/127 cms that we have averaged since 1995.

Since the major improvements occurred during the last three months of the year, this had the secondary benefit of more sunshine during that time and that, for most of us, was a distinct bonus.

Precipitation statistics for the year, measured at a Douglas Road waterfront location, are as follows:

- January: 6.17 ins (156.7 mm).
- Snow: 2.7 ins (68.6 mm).
- February: 2.60 ins (66.0 mm)
- Snow, nil.
- March: 2.74 ins (69.6 mm).
- April: 1.30 ins (33.0 mm).
- May: 2.07 ins (52.8 mm).
- June: 2.10 ins (53.3 mm).
- July: 1.31 ins (33.3 mm).
- August: 0.23 ins (5.8 mm).
- September: 0.78 ins (19.8 mm).
- October: 4.02 ins (102.1 mm).
- November: 3.11 ins (79.0 mm).
- Snow, nil.
- December 5.37 ins (136.4 mm).
- Snow, 7.8 ins (198.1 mm).
- Totals for the year: 31.8 ins (80.77 cm).
- Includes snow: 10.5 ins (26.7 cm).

There was measurable precipitation on 131 days (compared to last year's 176 days). The lowest recorded temperature for the year was 27.5 F. (-2.5 C.) which just happens to be precisely the same as last year.

The highest recorded temperature was 84.5 F. (29.2 C), not exactly a heat-wave when compared to the highest ever recorded of 101 F. (38.3 C.), which you may remember from my July report of last year.

• Days with a high temperature of 80 F. (26.7 C.) or higher — eight — which is about average for these last five or six years.

• Days with a daytime of 32 F. (0.0 C.) or less — none.

• The last frost of spring, at 32 F. (0.0 C.) occurred in April, though it has to be noted that the temperature dropped to a most undesirable 32.9 F (0.5 C.) overnight April 23/24.

• The first frost of winter came overnight November 9/10, somewhat later than average.

To properly close off the old millennium, I have calculated new 20-year averages for 1981 to 2000 inclusive, but not wishing to "overload" on an excess of numbers, I will give now only the new yearly totals and leave the monthly averages until a more appropriate time. These are: total precipitation, 39.72 ins (100.88 cm), which includes 16.8 ins (42.6 cm) of snow.

Though there is no requirement for superlatives to describe the year, it was nevertheless a much better year weather-wise than the previous one of 1999.



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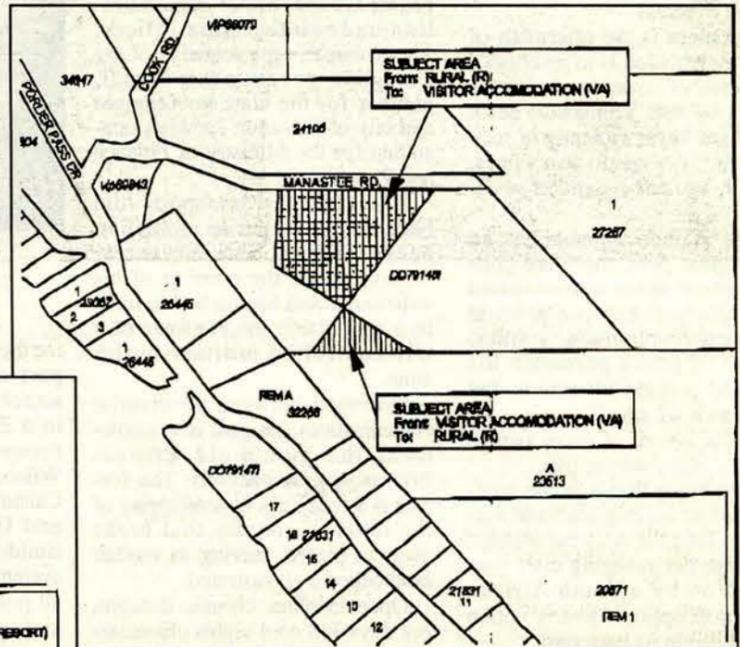
NOTICE is hereby given that Galiano Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing on the following proposed bylaws:
Bylaw No. 140 — cited as "Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 3, 2000";
Bylaw No. 136 — cited as "Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 6, 2000";
Bylaw No. 138 — cited as "Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 2, 2000";
Bylaw No. 139 — cited as "Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 7, 2000";

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 31, 2001 at the South Community Hall, 141 Sturdies Bay Road, Galiano Island.

At the public hearing all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws.

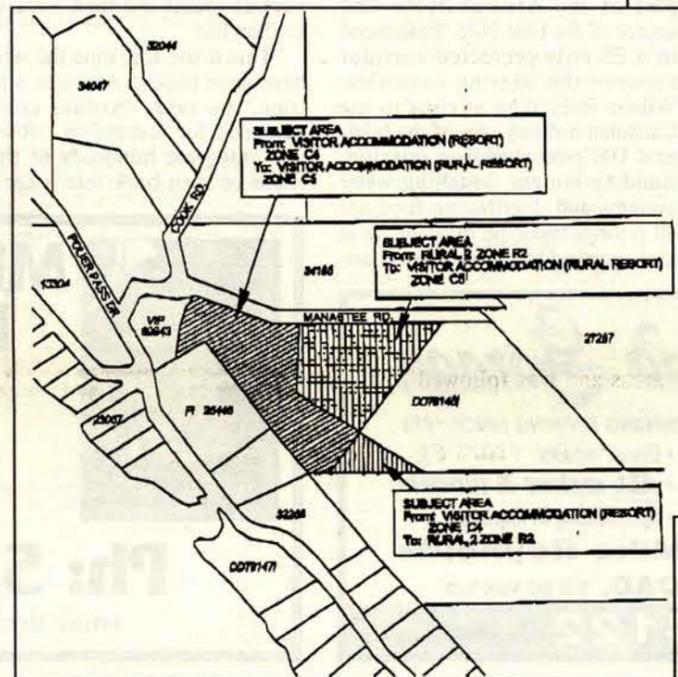
Bylaw No. 140 — cited as "Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 3, 2000"

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 140 is to change the designation of lands legally described as Parcel A, Portion Galiano Island, Cowichan District except Plan 13304, 24195, 27287 & VIP69843 & DD791481, as follows: a) Part from the Visitor Accommodation (VA) designation to the Rural (R) designation; and, b) Part from the Rural (R) designation to the Visitor Accommodation (VA) designation, as shown on the map below:



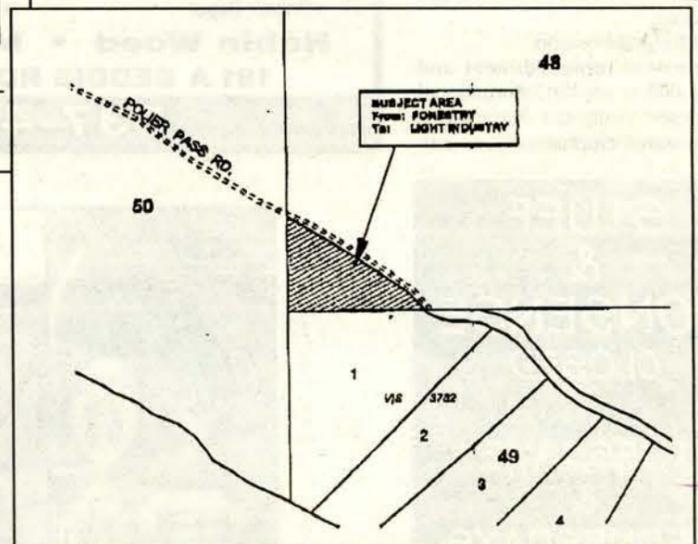
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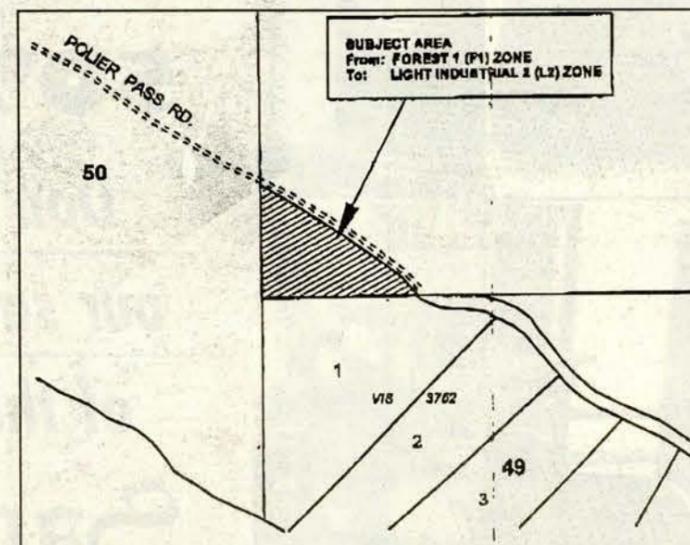
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In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 138 is to change the designation of lands legally described as that portion of District Lot 48 to the south-west of Porlier Pass Road, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, from the Forestry (F) designation to the Light Industry 2 (L2) designation, as shown on the map below:



Bylaw No. 139 — cited as "Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 7, 2000"

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A copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing Wednesday, January 17, 2001.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2)(e) of the *Local Government Act*, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at various Notice Boards on Galiano Island, B.C., commencing Wednesday, January 17, 2001.

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2. after 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 30, 2001 to the Trust Committee at the Public Hearing at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 31, 2001.

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Planner, at (250) 405-5158 or, for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

NO REPRESENTATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE GALIANO ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Kathy Jones
Deputy Secretary



'THANK YOU, LAWRIE:' A ceremony at ArtSpring last Thursday paid tribute to Lawrie Neish for spearheading the efforts that led to the arts centre's construction. Several speakers praised Neish for his contributions to the community over many years. Here, wife Aileen gives him a hug.

PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Successful burglars: unsuccessful

Forty years ago

• The Driftwood was unsuccessful in printing the word "unsuccessful" and this made thieves at the Harbour House hotel successful when they were actually "unsuccessful" at breaking into the safe.

• A group of citizens concerned about limited recreational facilities on Salt Spring Island was calling a public meeting to discuss the possibility of taking advantage of the Community Recreational Program of the B.C. government. Everyone was urged to attend and learn the far-reaching possibilities of the sports, fitness and hobby crafts provincial program.

Thirty-five years ago

• A Victoria delivery truck, sans chains and snow tires, slid into the bakery and dumped a load of flour into a snowbank. Harvey Reynolds' tractor soon had the off-island driver and his vehicle mobile again.

• Real estate company Salt Spring Lands listed a four-bedroom house with a full basement for \$12,750. The family home was close to Ganges and offered more than one acre of property.

• Irish Digest reported this joke through the Driftwood: Woman to husband reading the newspaper, "You needn't bother saying 'uh huh' any more — I stopped talking five minutes ago."

Thirty years ago

• An interim zoning bylaw was given its final adoption by the Capital Regional Board. Born of bitter dispute on Salt Spring Island, the bylaw was entirely revamped halfway through its course and then suffered a long delay at the hands of the provincial cabinet. The Chamber of Commerce sponsored a public meeting to invite island residents to establish what they wanted in the Salt Spring Island of the future and zoning bylaws is what they got.

Twenty-five years ago

• Police with tracking dogs, helicopter and police boat were searching the Beaver Point area for a naked man. The stalker was sighted in the snow and police were alerted and led to the belief that the runner had collapsed and died from exposure.

After an all-out search was launched, it was learned that a passing motorist had given the bare-nunned runner a lift in his car and left him aboard a Fulford boat with some clothes. The anonymous benefactor did not report the incident to police and was thus unaware a mas-

DOWN THE YEARS

sive search was under way.

Twenty years ago

• A new law required many Salt Spring residents to purchase a business licence for the first time. The government agent's office expected the law would require approximately 200 people to purchase the licence.

Fifteen years ago

• Salmon farmer Chris Hatfield of Hatfield Biotechnology Ltd. was applying to the provincial ministry of lands, parks and housing for a foreshore lease essential for farm operations.

The foreshore in question was located near Yeo Point at the extreme north-east corner of Ruckle Provincial Park. Hatfield's salmon farm would combine commercial production with research and devel-

opment projects.

• Coast Guard officials were trying to determine whether patches of oil spotted off Pender Island were from the previous month's Alaskan crude oil spill in Port Angeles harbour, Washington.

Ten years ago

• A three-day storm dropped just over 16 inches of snow on Salt Spring Island. The storm also knocked out hydro service in some areas and was followed by three inches of rainfall.

Five years ago

• Jonah Fisher had qualified for the Canadian national judo championships for the second year in a row. He was chosen for his consistently high standing at tournaments throughout the year.

The 16-year-old Salt Spring youth had finished fourth in his category at the finals the previous year. He was expecting to face even bigger competition in the junior men's division.

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Protection society takes controversial bylaw to court

By ANASTACIA WILDE
Pender Editions Staff

Newly formed Pender Island Trust Protection Society (PITPS) has filed a petition in B.C. Supreme Court asking the court to set aside a controversial bylaw it says would negatively impact North Pender Island residents and violates procedural fairness.

The petition comes on the heels of adoption of Bylaw 122 by the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) on December 8, 2000, preceded by a public hearing, and second and third readings on October 14.

The hotly debated bylaw bumps down the three-acre minimum subdivision size in Rural Residential zones to 1.5 acres.

"Bylaw 122 signifies a complete reversal of provisions in the pre-existing Bylaw 103, which regulates land use. Bylaw 122 also represents a marked contradiction of the intent of Bylaw 103 — the

official community plan for North Pender — that was approved by a majority of voters in a 1993 referendum," states the PITPS petition.

In drafting and adopting Bylaw 122, the petition states, the LTC erred by failing to consider highly relevant evidence relating to impacts on groundwater, sensitive environment and the rural character of North Pender Island.

"By increasing density you are putting potential pressure on water and sewage matters. We don't believe that those items have been properly reviewed," said society spokeswoman Jill Taylor.

"We are acting with caution in the interest of the long-time health of the island and the community. We've got to take decisions about our water seriously, not just on Pender but all of the Gulf Islands. This problem is not addressed or dealt with in Bylaw 122."

North Pender Island trustees Em Round and Wayne Wright argue

they are simply rescinding amendments that previous trustees made to the land use bylaw, which infringe on some landowners' property rights.

Those changes took place in February 1999 and set the minimum subdivision in Rural Residential lots at three acres.

"There is no new legislation before the people," trustee Round said during a lengthy community information meeting and public hearing in October. "All of this work is remedial, to put things back as they were before."

More than 58 islanders were present for the five-hour stalemate meeting, which included 30 fiery, opinionated and well-articulated speeches in opposition to — or in support of — the divisive bylaw.

With substantial opposition from numerous residents clearly present at that time, some residents felt Bylaw 122 was pushed through second and third readings

without enough deliberation. Other Driftwood sources said the trustees were just following through with campaign promises by adhering to their political platform, which led to their winning the November 1999 election.

A full-blown debate and lingering division within the island community has ensued since the implementation of both Bylaws 103 and its reversal Bylaw 122, with last week's petition to the B.C. Supreme Court indicating the fight is far from over.

Taylor said provisions of Bylaw 103 were developed and debated over a period of several years and drafted with the input of much of the community.

"This is not a personal attack on our trustees. We are not asking the courts to blame anyone. We just think that zoning should proceed with caution. Why would you suddenly downzone?" Taylor asked.

The society spokeswoman pointed out that the current Islands Trust Policy Statement binds LTCs to directive policies when it deliberates regulatory bylaws.

Specifically, she said, Section 5.2.3 of the policy statement reads, "local Trust committees shall, in their regulatory bylaws, address the rate of growth, if any, and strategies for the management of growth that is compatible with preservation and protection of the environment, natural amenities,

resources and community character."

"We think there is an important principle about the nature of the Trust and we are looking for the courts to clarify what effect the Trust has on the way local government deals with issues."

"We're not suing anyone," Taylor stressed. "We are only looking for a judicial review by the courts on this local government decision made by the Islands Trust."

The spokeswoman added the broader aspect of the society's current activities is to use a communications campaign, initially via e-mail, to boost awareness of development pressure on the Trust area.

PITPS was formed in December and is made up of both North and South Penderites. Its directors are Taylor, Bill Deverell, Peter Easthope, Kathy Curtis and Sara Steil.

"We found that we share a common love of these islands and want to work together for their benefit," Taylor said. "Above all, we support the existing philosophy and policy of giving protected status to the Trust area."

Round and Wright made it clear in a written statement that they and the Islands Trust are not connected to the society.

It is expected the court will make a decision on the society's petition sometime in spring.

Sing-a-long, Speakeasy, workshop all in the stars for upcoming events

By KAE CHARMAN

Penders Edition Contributor
The Pender Craft Society invites crafters and artisans to attend a workshop funded by the Ministry of Community Development Cooperatives and Volunteers.

Facilitated by Lyn Cayo of DEVCO, a cooperative organization of professional co-op developers, topics will include how to develop and manage a cooperative, how co-ops are governed, and how agreements and contracts are facilitated. This workshop is fully funded, there is no charge to attend.

Lunch and dinner are provided free of charge. Who says there's no free lunch?

Speaking for Pender Crafts, Margaret Ravenscroft said, "If we just got ourselves together and got going, we could do it."

Phone Judy Turner at 629-2037 to reserve a space, or Ravenscroft at 629-3892 for more information.

Dates are Saturday, January 20, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and tentatively on Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Campfire Singing
Do you remember how much fun it was to sit around a campfire?

Whether it was with Scouts, family, or friends, sitting around a campfire injected just a little bit of peace and camaraderie into your life. Watching the flames,

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In this way, folk music is passed on to the next generation. And singing does something to your very core; singing gives it a voice.

Carole Couchman will be hosting a campfire sing-a-long on the outdoor deck of That Little Coffee Place at 7 p.m. on Saturday, January 20, weather permitting. With a warm fire and a hot cup of coffee, our favourite emcee, Don Jacques, will lead us with his banjo and some surprise musicians.

It should prove to be a heart-warming evening.

Come on out, young and old, stretch your inner voice, and add to the spell that music makes in these dark, dreary days of January.

Proceeds benefit Pender School's Parents Advisory Council.

Speakeasy

The ninth Speakeasy will be held on Friday, January 19 at the library and promises to be fascinating.

Shirley Mander will continue the story of war-torn Europe from her last reading. Kathy Curtis breaks out of her role as piano accompanist and charges into clarinet accompanist, while Joyce Jones reads.

Greg Rowland, Peter Carter, Mae Moore and Sheila Jordan are on the slate.

And, always a treat, Barry Mathias will take us into his new short story.

There will be a limited amount of time available afterward for an open stage if there are more readers who wish to share with us. Come on out for some Friday night poetry.



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Of visitors, weddings and meeting the in-laws . . .

By PAMELA BROOKS

Penders Edition Contributor

Ann Hekkanen's daughter, Mykella, came to spend two days on Pender. Mykella has completed her studies and is employed in High River, Alberta, where she works in construction, driving huge trucks.

Cliff and Marguerite Hunt's two daughters, Melissa and Shannon, are both expecting babies in May this year.

Don and Lisa Harrison, of Port Washington Road, are expecting their first child this spring. They are working with a Salt Spring Island midwife and are very pleased their baby will be born in the Gulf Islands.

Boyd Kruger and Mary Wang will marry in March. First, Boyd must meet his in-laws in New York City.

There are two beautiful goats living in Lois and Peter Flannigan's old Hope Bay home. They belong to Sunflower Organic Gardens.

Albert Smith is doing very well after a heart valve replacement. He

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hadn't realized the extent to which his heart had slowed down his movements. He is full of beans and energy and walking the full Hope Bay, Port Washington loop with Gloria. Good going and good wishes.

Florence McColm was one of the 19 kayakers who paddled from Otter Bay and Thieves Bay to meet and greet each other on New Year's Day. Florence works with heavy canvas and has added shade awnings to her repertoire.

Vocal teacher Clare Mathias will suspend her teaching activities until the end of March. She is very busy arranging for Talisman Books and Gallery to begin business at the Driftwood Centre in early February. Gift certificates are already available.

Former Pender RCMP Cpl. Henry Proce led the roundup at

Whistler's New Year revelries.

Pender's performing comedian, Rob Storrie, has new material we look forward to laughing with.

Healthy prayers and loving wishes to Izzy English and Marta Vaesen after their recent surgeries.

The Pender Island Adventure Society camped on Valdez Island for their New Year celebration. Ten people travelled aboard the 38-foot fishboat Ebie to visit with Paul Hamson. Adventures to date include the maiden voyage from Port Hardy to Lasqueti Island; river rafting the Thompson; an oyster feast at Montague on Galiano; and a four-day Valdez Island trip at solstice. Vivian Mitchell, Tony Clark and Dan Biggam own the boat. The motto is "Where You Go — There You Are."

Brian and Deborah Crowe's son, Brian, was awarded the Best Basketball Player in British Columbia in his age group. I hear he's 6' 5" or 7" and we are all very proud of his work and recognition.

Kerry Watters is available for

part-time bookkeeping and administrative support work. Her father, Jim, had knee surgery and is recovering well.

Ghenia Frith is converting part of the Port Washington Store into her art studio. We look forward to her new creative productions.

Cancer is a sensitive subject, but can be approached with humour. Roger Stribley's recent encounter removed a chunk of malignant melanoma from his back. Good news — the surgery removed all cancer cells. Roger is already enjoying golf again.

Wondering the winter away? Slip into the timelessness of a women's sweat or sit by the fire at Sun Raven Lodge. Louise Gallant will be there.

A mixed sweat will be held the following Saturday, January 27 with Cree elder Phil L'Hirondelle (The Swallow). Twenty dollars is suggested to help with transportation and accommodation costs. No one is turned away for lack of funds. Limited space. Phone 6216

to register. Potluck supper and social gathering after 4 p.m.

Two Penderites passed the Marine Emergency Duties B1 course last week. Congratulations to Suzie Walters and Don Harrison.

On Sunday, January 21, there is an Ecumenical Open Door Potluck Supper at the Anglican Hall, 5:30 p.m.

We are so lucky. There are several Tai Chi classes on the island each week — after which we can enjoy a chai tea at That Little Coffee Place.

George and Ilona Ohlmann are happy and proud of their youngest family member — jolly, blue-eyed, Ethan enjoyed an extended visit with his grandparents and parents, Kellie and Ralph. Kellie will give birth to another baby Ohlmann in May.

The Driftwood printed a wonderful photograph of our Magic Lantern Festival workers two weeks ago. This classic historical picture is available from Kelly Irving if you would like a copy.

Audience 'jiggled in jazz, cuddled in Chopin and rapt in Reinhart'

By KAE CHARMAN

Penders Edition Contributor

Anyone looking for the mahogany in the Mahogany Room's presentation of the Marc Atkinson Trio last Saturday night at The Timbers didn't find any; the room was mostly cedar and glass.

Greg Rowland and Mae Moore have teamed up to bring entertainment to our island, calling themselves The Mahogany Room. It makes an excellent venue for intimate events such as this.

To a packed house of 100 or so, the trio graced us with an explosion of smooth sound, rhythm and tempo. No fusion, or confusion, just "cool" jazz.

Thick-necked and solid as his double bass, Joey Smith plucked the bass line with precision and an easy swing, crisp and clean enough to cut through the collective sound, and cool enough to stand on his own, receiving applause every time he soloed. They call him "Golden Ears" for his ability to pick a tune up off a record album and arrange it to suit the group.

Chris Frye, pumping rhythm guitar, smiled the entire time on stage, occasionally breaking into an all-out grin. What happens when a musician truly enjoys his craft is the audience becomes the recipient of music from the soul, music from

so deep inside that you have to smile to bring it out.

And in front is Atkinson, who looks far too young to be playing this well. He played smoothly, with chording sometimes too fast for the eye to catch as he travelled up and down the fret-board. In various styles between frenzy and laid-back, the audience was kept right up on their toes.

The lucky few in attendance will not soon forget this amazing group.

CDs sold fast, and it was no wonder; the audience was jiggled in jazz, cuddled in Chopin and rapt in Reinhart. Even usually staid people were bobbing their heads, tapping their toes, and at the end of one piece, there was a moment of silence in which a woman merely sighed. That exemplified the evening.

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Essig 'haunts' and 'amuses' at folk club show

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Driftwood Contributor

For the few islanders who haven't whisked themselves away to Mexico or Thailand for the winter, the Salt Spring Folk Club offered unseasonal warmth and unique cultural opportunities matching those to be found in other exotic locales on Monday night.

The stage was decorated with daffodils and tulips that challenged winter's grip. Opening act Simone Grasky also warmed the crowd with her fluid jazz singing and bluesy songwriting. By the end of her act I could definitely feel the thaws of early spring.

Mike Lamers supported her singing with mellow rhythm guitar, which he described as a "slowed down Santana style." The two co-wrote many of the pieces they played together.

In songs such as Can't Get Through Without You and So Easy, Simone's strong singing and Lamers' restrained rhythms pulled at the tension between a mature sense of hope and renewal in the face of daunting experience.

Mama Knows, which Simone wrote for her "somewhat reckless" 16-year-old daughter, and Another Day, a song about leaving conflict, both offered guidance of caution and care in the face of adversity.

For fans who would like to hear more of their sultry sound, Simone intimated that a CD is soon on the way.

With six guitars and a mandolin all propped on stands around the stage, I was surprised to see David Essig stroll out to play alone for the main act.

Essig sat down and commenced his performance with a meditative

and hypnotic guitar piece that gradually transformed into a frenetic rhythm and blues crusade with bold exhortations and hollerings of Don't Step on My Beloved Rebel Flag, an old Essig classic.

Halfway through the song, Essig hauled out his trusty 5/8" deepwell socket wrench, slipped it on his ring finger and ripped up the neck of his blues guitar with a withering combination of slide chords and finger picking.

Suddenly it began to sound as if a seven-piece Essig Brothers band had materialized on stage in support of the rollicking singer, but then he cut into storytelling mode and the song was transformed once again into an intimate tale of one old man's despair and redemption.

Essig took us down to the Delta to share the Mississippi John Hurt Medley, where old blues from the 1920s and '30s were interspersed with a rambling monologue that drew the audience into smoky honky tonk parlours to hear about a dapper legend in a three-piece suit who beat out tunes on a little guitar.

"I always wondered what would have happened if the Reverend Davis had added a little of his ragtime to Hurt's version of Candyman," Essig speculated aloud as he threw the two styles together into a duet of guitarists on one fret board.

Essig then sang two contrasting tunes about country fairs and carnivals.

Circus Song offered dark and gritty perspectives on the demystified life of carnival performers. Essig segued from this song which he described as "National Film Board style" into a "tightly

wrapped evening of sorrow" in Fair Days, which he described as being more "like an Alice Munro story."

Just before intermission, Essig played Quiet Money, a song inspired by an arms deal he'd witnessed at a hotel cafe in Zurich. Essig had been deeply disturbed by the incident and wanted people to realize that "any time a weapon is fired or a war starts in some distant country, somebody wrote a cheque."

In the song Tampa, Essig was inspired by a postcard his wife Milena had found to create a tune in the style of the old Delmore Brothers that explored sexual harassment in the 1900s. "A tall order for a lesser bridegroom," he joked, referring to the postcard being found and the challenge to write a song about it being issued on their honeymoon. Essig danced around the chords of this tune with elaborate finger picking and undulating rhythms on his 1927 National Duolium steelbody guitar.

Into the Lowering Sky, inspired by Chapter 4 of Malcolm Lowry's deep and dark novel Under the Volcano, explored a dystopic vision of faith, he said. Massive shifts in tempo and dynamics left me reeling as Essig bounced from furious frenetic picking to resonating open-tuned hypnotic dirges. Songs spilled out from within other songs like dark rantings on a psychologist's couch but, to borrow lyrics from Essig's songwriting, he "never wandered too far from the shore."

Near the end of the evening Essig promised us a collection of new material that offered a happier

perspective on life.

Your Mother's Shoes rang with the warm nostalgia of romance and long-time friendships.

Essig suggested that Declaration Day would be his intimation of "the way love walks" — in contrast to his well-known song called The Way Hate Walks. When the opening lyrics of this song told of a man who opened up his head with a 12-gauge shotgun, I began to wonder whether Mr. Essig has a deeply twisted sense of love and happiness or an excessive penchant for black humour. But, following an insanely complex storm of notes and discordant syncopated rhythms, the song began to smooth into a redemptive calm and "the shadow of salvation's door" began to fall upon us all.

After a thunderous round of applause, Essig sent us off into the dark of winter with a gentle lullaby for adults called End of a Long Sweet Ride.

All through the chilly drive home, I found myself haunted, amused and enlightened by the scope of Essig's rich and complex artistic vision.

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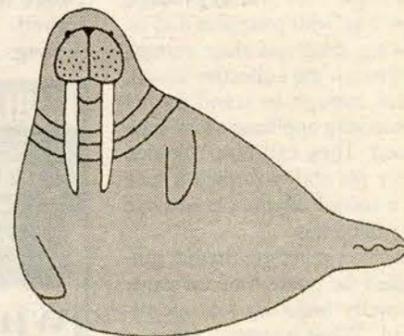
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2	2	CBC	7:30 CBC4Kids	Coronation Street				Miracles	Miracles	Movin'On	Man Alive	On Road	CCanada	Last Summer	Market	Venture			
3		SUPER	7:30 Stranger in Town	Star Trek: Insurrection				Patrick Stewart	Trekklies	Frank D'Amico	Stepmom	(1998) Julia Roberts						Reel Ent.	
4	4	KOMO	KOMO 4 News	This Week w/Sam				Paid	Paid	Garden	Basketball	NCAA						Paid	
5	16	KING	Weekend News	Basketball Indiana Pacers vs New York Knicks				NBA	Basketball	Phoenix Suns vs Utah Jazz	NBA	Basketball	Miami vs Los Angeles	NBA					
6	7	CHEK	Ernest Angley	KeyDavid	Van Impe	S. Punjab	Gold Trail	Is Written	Dr. Ho	Faces	Godie's	Worldvision Telethon						Adventures of Pl.	
7	14	VTV	Owl TV	Kingdom	Eagle C.	Cottage	Business	Worldvision	Basketball	Toronto vs Philadelphia	NBA							1st Story	
8	8	BCTV	BCTV Sunday Morning News	Hour of Power				Worldvision	News	D. Chalk	BTV	Travel	Foster...					1st Story	
9	9	KCTS	Clifford	Dragon T.	Arthur	Virtues	Deviants	In the Mix	Sewing	Quilt Day	Berkeley Square	The 1900 House	Nat. Geographic	Garden	Woodsh'p				
10	23	SRC	Kléo	Titi et ...	Pumbaa	Doug	Le Jour du Seigneur	Médias	Presse	Le Mido	La semaine verte	...regard	Artistes	Cult. choc	Le livre des morts				
11	5	KNOW	MagicBus	Kratt's C.	Shrinks	Fish	ElliottMse	Dudley D.	Router	Fishing	World on Data Live	Scatter...	Hist.Land	Classic Theatre					
12	13	CKVU	Money	Investm't	W.Vision	Mechanic	Worldvision Telethon											Sabrina	
13		BRAVO	7:45 Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse	The Band Wagon (1957)				Fred Astaire	45 News	E.Sullivan	Awf.Truth	IAS							Blood Ties
14	35	CMT	Heart and Home	Heart and Home						Chevy Top 20 Countdown									Top 100 of 2000
15	38	TLC	Bob Vila	Bob Vila	Trading Spaces	Caught in the Act	Med.Det	Med.Det	Case Reopened	W.Behind Bars	Paramedics	Forensic Science							
16	32	CNN	Evans	Sources	Late Edition With Wolf	Blitzer	dotCOM	World Report	Health	WorldB't	CNNSun.	Earth	CNNSun.	BothSide	Wrldview	Business			
17		FAM	Clarissa	Mentors	Jersey	J.Jackson	Z Games	Bug Juice	Your Big Break	Up, Up and Away	Beethoven	Charles Grodin.	Aladdin	Pumbaa					
18	31	A&E	House Beautiful	A&E Top 10				The Unexplained	The Cheyenne Social Club	The Great Gatsby (2000)	Mira Sorvino.	100 Centre Street							
19	15	TSN	Skiing Ford Series	X Games	Bowling Silicon Valley	PBA	Triathlon Ironman	Lmberjck	Billiards	Eight-Ball	Boxing	Mayweather vs Corrales							Sportsd'k
20	19	NET	Sports Central	Rugby England vs South Africa			Hockey Ottawa 67's vs Hull Olympiques	CHL	Skiing	Alpine World	S.Central	S.Central							
21	17	KSTW	PeppAnn	Sabrina	Recess	Buzz	3'sComp.	In House	Cosby	Clueless	Terror in the Shadows	Genie Francis.	The Killing Mind	Stephanie Zimbalist.					
22	12	KVOS	Discovery	Hour of Power	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	D. Chaik	Columbo: A Trace of Murder					
23	34	KCPQ	Paid	FOX News Sunday	Star Trek: DSN	Alice (1990)	Mia Farrow.	Aspen Extreme (1993)	Paul Gross.	Aspen Extreme (1993)	Paul Gross.	Aspen Extreme (1993)	Paul Gross.	Aspen Extreme (1993)	Paul Gross.				Videos
24	20	NEWS	Hot Type	One/One	NewsWorld Today	Health	Assignm't	Antiques Roadshow	Hot Type	Culture	Fashion	MoralD.	NewsWorld Today	News	Assignm't				
25	11	KIRO	7:30 Sunday Morning	Paid	Paid	Basketball OhioSt/Mich. St. NCAA	Golf Sony Open	PGA											DoraExpl.
26		VISION	Parsley	B. Hinn	Creflo	Time/Hpe	Copeland	Arm.God	Islam	The Hour of Power	J. Meyer	Peoples Church	Revival	Food Life	Pan Impe	700 Club			

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2	2	CBC	Nature of Things	Principal Takes a Holiday				Wind at My Back	Canada: A People's History	News	...Currents	Canada: History								
3		SUPER	Hanging Up (1999)	Meg Ryan.				Liberty Heights (1999)	Adrien Brody.	Any Given Sunday (1999)	Al Pacino.	Insider								
4	4	KOMO	Wheel	Jeopardy	KOMO 4 News	News	News	Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory	..Be a Millionaire?	The Practice	News	35 Ebert								
5	16	KING	2-Basketb	Bob Vila	KING News	News	News	Backroad Arrivals	The 58th Annual Golden Globe Awards	Skiing	Alpine World	S.Central	S.Central							
6	7	CHEK	3-Adventures of ..	CHEK News	News	News	News	Figure Skating	The 58th Annual Golden Globe Awards	News	Amazon									
7	14	VTV	Profiles	Counsel'r	P. Wallin's Talk TV	News	Mason L.	Seventh Heaven	Popular	..Be a Millionaire?	Cold Squad	Forever Knight								
8	8	BCTV	Figure Skating	Jeopardy	News	News	News	60 Minutes	The 58th Annual Golden Globe Awards	News	News Spt									
9	9	KCTS	Workshp	House	OldHouse	Hmetime	All Creatures G&S	Noah's Ark	Nature	Masterpiece T.	Great Performances	RdGreen	Wait God							
10	23	SRC	Jamais sans livre	MC	Journal	Découverte	Charlotte	Le violon rouge (1998)	Don McKellar.	Pacific	Journal	Idées								
11	5	KNOW	Babar	Zoboo...	Art Attack	Kratt's C.	Heartbeat	Darling Buds of May	Mr. Smith Goes to Washington	Jean Arthur.	..College	BC Now								
12	13	CKVU	Sabrina	Clueless	Simpsons	Simpsons	News	Futurama	King Hill	Simpsons	Malcolm	X-Files	The Practice	SprtPage	Hitchcock					
13		BRAVO	ArtsMinds	Star TV	The Photographer	Big (1988)	Tom Hanks.	The Wizard of Oz (1939)	Judy Garland.	On a Clear Day You Can See Forever										
14	35	CMT	3:00 Top 100 of 2000	CMT's Top 100 of 2000				CMT's Top 100 of 2000	CMT's Top 100 of 2000	CMT's Top 100 of 2000	CMT's Top 100 of 2000	Top 100 of 2000								
15	38	TLC	Code Blue	Exposing Secrets				High Stakes	Exposing Secrets	High Stakes	Caught in the Act									
16	32	CNN	Wrldview	SportsT.	Wrldview	Pinnacle	CNN & TIME	CNN Perspectives	Sports Tonight	CNN & TIME	CNN Perspectives	SportsT.	Movers							
17		FAM	Good Trp	Mousewsk	Otter	Win Pooh	Franklin	Little Lulu	N Sync in Concert	So Weird	Heartbeat	Camelot (1967)	Richard Harris.							
18	31	A&E	3:00 100 Centre St.	Law & Order				Law & Order	Law & Order	NsRadio	NsRadio	Law & Order	Law & Order							
19	15	TSN	That'sGif	Bodybuild	Can.Nat.	Poker Million	Tennis	Australian Open	Sportsd'k	Min. Drill	Motor '01	SnwTrax	Sportsdesk							
20	19	NET	WWF Heat	GottaSee	NHLPA	CoolShot	S.Central	Skiing	Alpine World	Golf	MasterCard Championship	PGA	Sports Central	WWF Heat						
21	17	KSTW	Persons Unknown	Joe Mantegna.	Those Bedroom Eyes	Mimi Rogers.	American Heart (1992)	Jeff Bridges.	M.A.S.H.	M.A.S.H.	Maximum Exposure									
22	12	KVOS	Fishing	GoldShow	BlindDate	S. Susan	Seinfeld	BlindDate	Serve & Protect	State Police	Cruising (1980)	Al Pacino.	Cheers	Homelmp						
23	34	KCPQ	All Madden Team	Simpsons	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Futurama	King Hill	Simpsons	Malcolm	X-Files	Q-13Rep	35 Q It Up	X-Files					
24	20	NEWS	Hot Type	Journal	Counterspin	Report	One/One	The Passionate Eye	Report	One/One	The Passionate Eye	Counterspin								
25	11	KIRO	Lit. Bear	Little Bill	News	News	News	60 Minutes	Touched By Angel	Absolute Power (1996)	Clint Eastwood.	News								
26		VISION	Youngren	Sea Sea	Gospel	S. Church	R.Martin	World	Discovery	D'pLife	Sing	Songs	John Hagee	C. Fire	D.Hope	Food Life	Power			

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Chocolate Factory (1971,Fantasy) A chocolate maker gives five golden passes for a trip through his factory. *Gene Wilder, Jack Albertson (2h)*

11 5 *** Mr. Smith Goes to Washington (1939,Political)** An idealist finds nothing but corruption in the U.S. Senate, and he takes a stand. *Jean Arthur, James Stewart (2h30)*

14 *** The Wizard of Oz (1939,Fantasy)** A tornado carries a young girl to a magical land where she encounters wonders. *Judy Garland, Frank Morgan (2h)*

23 17 * American Heart (1992,Drama)** An irresponsible ex-con is reunited with his fourteen year old son after leaving prison. *Jeff Bridges, Edward Furlong (2h)*

3 Any Given Sunday (1999,Sport) A pro-football coach fights to motivate his quarterbacks as he battles with the new owner. *Al Pacino, Jamie Foxx (3h)*

19 ** Camelot (1967,Musical) Based on the Lerner-Loewe musical about the legend of King Arthur and the Round Table. *Richard Harris, Vanessa Redgrave (3h)*

24 12 ** Cruising (1980,Crime Story) A young cop goes undercover in the gay community to catch a psychotic serial killer. *Al Pacino, Paul Sorvino (2h)*

27 11 * Absolute Power (1996,Suspense) An aging thief master witnesses an assault murder by the U.S. President. *Clint Eastwood, Gene Hackman (2h30)*

14 * On a Clear Day You Can See Forever (1970,Musical)** A woman placed in a hypnotic trance starts to reveal a variety of past lives. *Barbara Streisand, Yves Montand (2h30)*

3 The Insider (1999,Suspense) A former tobacco scientist decides to risk everything to reveal deadly industry secrets. *Al Pacino, Russell Crowe (3h)*

MONDAY, JAN 22

3 Fearless (1999,Action) A stuntman travels to New Zealand to join her sister and her extreme-sports friends. *Kavan Smith, Belinda Waymouth (2h)*

3 Virtual Sexuality (1999,Comedy) A London teen looks to lose her virginity, but first is accidentally turned into a man. *Laura Fraser, Rupert Penry-Jones (1h30)*

4 4 ** Hope Floats (1998,Romance) A woman, dumped by her husband, returns to her hometown and rekindles hope. *Sandra Bullock, Harry Connick, Jr. (2h)*

24 12 Seduced and Betrayed (1995,Suspense) A fatal attraction occurs between a wealthy woman and her hired contractor. *Susan Lucci, David Charvet (2h)*

6 7 Blackout (2000,Suspense) A woman tries to save her children from the hands of a psychotic killer during a blackout. *Jane Seymour, William Russ (2h)*

19 * The Year of Living Dangerously (1983,Adventure)** An Australian journalist becomes intimately involved with a British official in Indonesia. *Mel Gibson, Sigourney Weaver (2h)*

3 Late Last Night (1998,Drama) When a professional's wife kicks him out, he looks to a college friend for a wild night. *Emilio Estevez, Steven Weber (1h30)*

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2	2	CBC	CBC4Kids	Simpsons	St. Cents	News	News	Air Farce	It's Living	This Hour	InCanada	Comedy	DropBeat	The National/Mag.	News	Omerta III		
3		SUPER	Movie	The Stalking of Laurie Show				Fearless (1999)	Kavan Smith.	Virtual Sexuality	Late Last Night	Substitute III: W.						
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO 4 News	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy	Hope Floats (1998)	Sandra Bullock.	Gideon's Crossing	News	Nightline					
5	16	KING	Oprah Winfrey	KING News	News	News	Magazine	Squares	Mysterious Ways	Dateline NBC	Third Watch	News	Jay Leno					
6	7	CHEK	Inside Ed.	Real TV	CHEK News	News	News	InsideEnt.	Squares	K Queens	Yes, Dear	Blackout (2000)	Jane Seymour.	News	News			
7	14	VTV	Ellen	3rd Rock	News	Hockey	Vancouver Canucks vs Dallas Stars	NHL	Norm	Mysterious Ways	Gideon's Crossing	News	Bullard					
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey	News	Canada	News	Wheel	Jeopardy	Stargate: S-G1	Ally McBeal	Third Watch	News	News Spt					
9	9	KCTS	Zoom	Clifford	Arthur	Business	News	Trv Euro	OldHouse	Antiques Roadshow	Jazz	Served?	News					
10	23	SRC	Couacs	Mécanix	..tato	Dét.Mens	Pacific	Ce soir	Virginie	La vie	4 et demi	Meilleur ennemi	Téléjournal/Point	Ce soir	Sports			
11	5	KNOW	Mechanic	MagicBus	Art Attack	Kratt's C.	EarthGrd	Herbs	Parenting	Today	Howard Goodall	Imprint	WholeNot	Wild Strawberries	Victor Seastrom.			
12	13	CKVU	Days of Our Lives	Young & Restless	News	News	E.T.	Addams	Boston Public	Raymond	Becker	Family Law	SprtPage	News				
13		BRAVO	Videos	Rhythm of Angels	45 An American in Paris (1951)	Gene Kelly.	NYPD Blue	Homicide Life St	Bugsy Malone	Jodie Foster.	45 News							
14	35	CMT	ScreenR.	One/One	CMT Hot 1's	Top 12 Choice	F.Music	Xtreme	P. Top 5	ScreenR.	Top 12 Choice	CMT After Hours						
15	38	TLC	Forensic Science	Code Blue	Protect and Serve	10 Great Escapes	Code Blue	Protect and Serve	10 Great Escapes	Forensic Science								
16	32	CNN	3:30Money	Crossfire	W. Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live	CNN Ton.	SpinR'm	SportsT.	Moneylin.	Larry King Live	CNN Ton.	SpinR'm	Moneylin.			
17		FAM	Doug	PeppAnn	Recess	Buzz	Little Lulu	Pumbaa	Gargoy. ALF	I Shrunk Kids	The Year of Living Dangerously	98 Degrees & Hoku						
18	31	A&E	Law & Order	Biography	100 Centre Street	Investigative Rep.	Law & Order	Biography	100 Centre Street	Investigative Rep.								
19	15	TSN	..Hockey	Profile	StrongMn													

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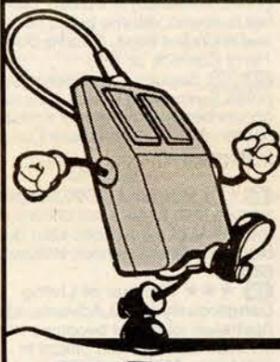
YOUR SALT SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>wed JAN. 17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4-H info night, Farmers Institute, 6:30 Bingo, Meaden Hall, 7 p.m. Community Meditation, United Church, 11:30-12:30 Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30 Seniors Sing-along, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m. 	<p>thurs JAN. 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bailar Con Fuego dance show, ArtSpring, 7:30 Earthmen, Moby's, 9:30 p.m. Roller-blading, Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30 	<p>fri JAN. 19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hugh Fraser and Swing Shift, ArtSpring, 8 p.m. Robbie Burns Night, Meaden Hall, 6:30 Earthmen, Moby's, 9:30 p.m. Ramesh Meyers, Harbour House, 7-10 p.m. Adrien Town water-colour workshop, 10-4 	<p>sat JAN. 20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ken Hamm concert, Core Inn, 2 p.m. Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m. Sue Newman, Moby's Dinner Jazz, 7 p.m. Meditation session with Lama Chimi Kinley, 10:30 a.m. Adrien Town workshop, 10-4 	<p>sun JAN. 21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vipassana Meditation group, the Barn, 7:30-9 p.m. Toy Library, Portlock Park/Beaver Point Hall, 9:30-10:30 Just for Women investment workshop, Harbour House, 6-8 Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m. 	<p>mon JAN. 22</p> <p>JAN. 23 tues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Toy Library, Portlock Park/Beaver Point Hall, 9:30-10:30 Just for Women investment workshop, Harbour House, 6-8 Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.
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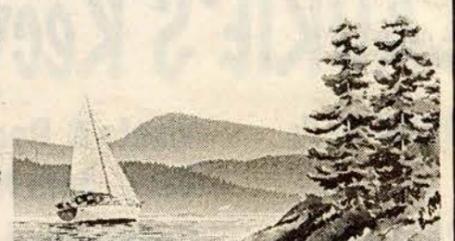
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<p>wed JAN. 24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Burns Tea, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m. Wednesday Night LIVE! Moby's, 9 p.m. 	<p>thurs JAN. 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salt Spring Local Trust Committee meets, Lions Hall, 1:15 p.m. OAPO Branch 32 meeting, Central Hall, 2 p.m. Trail & Nature Club potluck/AGM, Meaden Hall, 6 p.m. Community Meditation, United Church, 11:30-12:30 Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30 Seniors Sing-along, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m. 	<p>fri JAN. 26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roller-blading, Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30 Bingo for seniors, Fulford Hall, 2-4 p.m. 	<p>sat JAN. 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Runaways, all ages-dance, ArtSpring, 7 p.m. CFUW meeting, Lions Hall, 10 a.m. Estate Planning Seminar, Harbour House, 1:30 Harbour House entertainment in the lounge 	<p>sun JAN. 28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gays and Lesbians of SSI meeting & movie, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m. Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m. Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz, 7 p.m. 	<p>mon JAN. 29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PARC meeting, PARC portable, 7:30 Vipassana Meditation group, the Barn, 7:30-9 p.m. Acting Schmacking classes begin, ArtSpring <p>JAN. 30 tues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.
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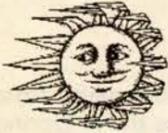
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- Robert Burns Night** — with music by Triskele and the Legion Pipe Band — at Meaden Hall on **Saturday, January 20, 6:30 p.m.** Tickets \$20 from et cetera, band members and the Legion, or 538-0052.
- Hugh Fraser with Swing Shift** — an evening of big band jazz and swing with two-time Juno award-winning trombonist Hugh Fraser and local big band Swing Shift. Original works by Hugh Fraser plus classic big band music. ArtSpring, **Saturday, January 20, 8 p.m.** \$15 adults, \$8 students through ArtSpring (537-2102).
- Ramesh Meyers** performs at the HMS Ganges Lounge at the Harbour House Hotel, **Saturday, January 20, 7-10 p.m.**
- Ken Hamm in concert** — see the Toronto Blues Society's year 2000 entertainer of the year at the Core Inn, **Sunday, January 21, 2 p.m.** \$10, with \$1 going to the Core Inn Youth Project.
- Sue Newman Band** takes the stage at Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz, **January 21, 7 p.m.**

EVERY WEEK:

- Argentinian Tango group** meets at Lions Hall on **Mondays and Wednesdays** from 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$3 per person. Info: 537-2707.
- Fridays — Rose's Cafe Open Stage** — begins at 8 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.

meetings

- Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary** monthly meeting — Lions Hall, **Monday, January 22, 2 p.m.**

activities

- Men's Breakfast** — a meal and discussion at the United Church, lower hall, **Thursday, January 18, 8-10 a.m.**
- Bingo at Meaden Hall, Thursday, January 18, 7 p.m.** (Early birds 6:30).
- Meditation session on the Heart**

Sutra, Prajnaparamita, with Lama Chimi Kinley on **Sunday, January 21, 10:30 a.m.** Info: 537-1497.

- Burns Tea** — Join your friends for a social afternoon at Salt Spring Senior Services Society, with pipes and haggis included! **Wednesday, January 24, 2 p.m.**

EVERY WEEK:

- Corinternet Café** runs **Tuesday through Sunday** — Hours are 1-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; and noon to 5 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Internet access charges are \$2 per half hour for adults, and \$1 per half hour for youth and seniors. Wednesday is Surfing for Seniors and free-lessons-for-all day Call 537-9932 to book lessons.
- Soup's On!** at All Saints, every **Thursday, 11:30-1 p.m.** Free warm meal.
- Community Meditation** runs at the United Church every **Thursday** from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Info: 537-5812.
- Community Gathering** — a light meal, discussion and activities for the whole family, is at the United Church every **Thursday** from 5:30-7 p.m. Suggested donation is \$5 for adults, \$3 children aged 7 and under.
- Salty Wheels Square Dance Club** dances at Central Hall on **Thursdays** from 7-9 p.m. For info, call Angela Thomas, 653-9346.

- Co-ops Work!** is a free introductory workshop held every **Thursday** from 10 a.m. to noon. Learn about types of co-ops, hear about local groups which have received funding for co-ops, and discuss your ideas to see if a co-op would work for you. Call Romana Frey at 653-9312 to register.
- Salt Spring SPCA** holds an open house every **Saturday** below the vet clinic from 2 to 4 p.m.
- Vipassana Meditation** group meets **Mondays** at the Barn on Reynolds Road, 7:30-9 p.m.
- Drop-in Floor Hockey** runs at Fulford Hall on **Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m.** \$3 per adult.

for health

- Pilates Mat Classes** with Anna Mouat are held on **Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.** and 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Cat's Pajamas studio on Lings Road, beginning **January 18** and running until March 22. For info: call, 537-5680.
- Level 1 beginner yoga course** — taught by Kishori Hutchings at Salt Spring Centre runs **Tuesdays** beginning **January 23** until February 27, from 6:30-8 p.m. Phone 537-9334.

EVERY WEEK:

- Yoga and Health** classes with Nadene McCoy run **Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m.** and 5-6:30 p.m. (mixed levels); **Wednesdays, 10-11:30 a.m.** (beginners); and **Thursdays, 10-11:30 a.m.** (mixed levels). Info: 537-0822. \$8 drop-in.
- Beginner Step fitness classes**

with Brenda Akerman run **Mondays and Wednesdays** at All Saints from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. \$5 drop-in or \$35 for a book of 10.

- Flexible Strength** classes run every **Tuesday and Thursday** at All Saints By-the-Sea, taught by Betty-Lou Lake, 9-10 a.m. 10 sessions for \$40 or \$5 drop-in. Info: 537-1638.
- Salt Spring Centre** regular yoga classes are **Thursdays**: Mixed Levels with Laura from 4-5:30 p.m. **Saturdays**: Free Intro to Yoga with centre staff, 9:30-11 a.m. **Mondays**: Mixed Levels with Celeste runs from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; Seniors Yoga with Celeste is from 11 a.m. to noon (register through Parks and Rec); and Level 1 with Kishori runs from 4:30-6 p.m. **Wednesdays**: Joy of Yoga with Christine is from 11 a.m. to noon. For info, call the centre at 537-2326.
- Dance and Feldenkrais** Classes with Anna Haltrecht are held **Mondays** at Cats Pajamas Studio. Feldenkrais: Awareness Through Movement, runs at 6 p.m. followed by dance at 7:30. The dance class combines a stretch and strength warmup with high energy dancing for fun and fitness. Info: 537-5681.
- North End Fitness Spin Cycle** Classes run **Mondays: 9:45-10:20 a.m.; Tuesdays, 12:30-1, 5:15-6:15 and 6:30-7 p.m.; Wednesdays, 9:45-10:20 a.m.; Thursdays, 12:30-1, 6:30-7 p.m.; Fridays, 9:45-10:20 a.m.; 5:15-6:15 p.m.; Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.**

workshops

- Adrien Town** watercolour workshop for beginners and advanced painters runs **Saturday-Sunday, January 20-21, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Call 537-5969 for information and registration.
- Just for Women** — a free investment workshop offered by Karen L. Wolfe-Milner and Kelly A. Oglov of Edward Jones. Harbour House Hotel, **Tuesday, January 23, 6-8 p.m.** Call 1-877-656-8797 to reserve a seat.

for families

- Afternoon Crafts** with Jessica and Laurel Temmel — a different craft each **Wednesday** afternoon, 3:30-4:30 p.m., for ages 6 and up. **Wednesday, January 17** is hemp bracelets; **January 24** is decorative boxes. Register at Fables, 537-0028.
- 4-H Pre-registration Night** — information night for youth aged 7-21 to learn about the 4-H program. Farmers Institute, upstairs, on **Thursday, January 18, 6:30 p.m.** For info call Lynell, 537-2484, or Noella, 537-5393.
- Weaving classes** for youth aged 8-16 begin at ArtSpring on **Thursday, January 18, 3 p.m.** Info/registration: Victoria, 537-1528.
- Sign-Language** — learn American sign language with teacher Denise

Bascom. **Thursdays** through February 22, 1-2 p.m. Ages three to teen. \$6 per class. Register through Fables, 537-0028.

- Oodles of Noodles** with chef Bob Twaites — make them from scratch at Fables Cottage on **Saturday, January 20, 2-3 p.m.** Ages 6 and up. \$11, including supplies. Register at Fables, 537-0028.
- Pre-school card and board games** — with teacher and games enthusiast Mitchell Sherrin. **Mondays, 1-2 p.m.** from **January 22** to February 26. Ages 3-5. \$6 per class. Register by calling 537-0028.
- Classic Games** — learn classic board and card games. **Monday** afternoons from **January 22** to February 26, 3-4 p.m. For ages 8 and up. \$6 per class. Register at 537-0028.
- The Toy Library** is open at the Portlock Park portable and at Beaver Point Hall on **Tuesday, January 23** (and every other Tuesday) from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Info: Susanne, 653-9783 (south-end branch) and Jo, 537-5453 (north-end branch).
- Salt Spring Island Breastfeeding Support Group** meets on **Wednesday, January 24** and the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at Family Place, 1:30 p.m. Info: Lisa Law, 537-2213.

EVERY WEEK:

- Storytime at the library** with Jean Voaden is on **Tuesdays** from 10 to 10:30.
- Kindergym**, a playtime for children aged 0-4, runs at Community Gospel Chapel, 147 Vesuvius Bay Road, every **Wednesday** morning between 9 and 10:30 a.m.
- Storytime at Fables Cottage** runs every **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- 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 Mout Park** takes place each **Thursday** at 10 a.m., rain or shine. Sponsored by Family Place.
- Rug Huggers**, a potluck and discussion group for parents and babies aged one and under is held at Family Place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Info: 537-9176.
- 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.
- Roller-blading to music** on **Fridays** at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30.

for youth

EVERY WEEK:

- Cosmic Bowling** at Kings Lane Recreation on **Friday** nights, 9 p.m. to midnight. Bring your own CDs. Food and drinks available. Book a lane by calling 537-2054.
- Roller-blading to music** every **Friday** at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

for seniors

Burns Tea at Salt Spring Seniors, **Wednesday, January 24** — see "activities," above.

EVERY WEEK:

- Surfing for Seniors** day is every **Wednesday** at the Corinternet Café. Call 537-9932 for information.
- 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 Fulford Hall, every **Friday** from 2 to 4 p.m.
- Seniors Sing-along** at Salt Spring Seniors takes place every **Thursday** at 2 p.m.

cinema

- Billy Elliot** — Held over for three more shows. Much to the horror of his working-class father, an 11-year-old boy takes ballet lessons. Julie Walters and young Jamie Bell star in this beautiful film set in Thatcher's England. Incredible performances packed with emotion.
- The Family Man** — A body-switch comedy starring Nicolas Cage as a single guy who wakes up one morning to find himself married (to Téa Leoni) and the father of two.

arts & crafts

- Paul Bryans**, represented by Thunderbird Gallery, is showing An Island Retrospective at Talons Restaurant through January and February.
- Maureen Garbarino** is showing a series of acrylics on paper at Luigi's Pizzeria.
- Charlene Stellard** has her paintings on display at Barb's Buns.
- Timothy Hume** is showing acrylic paintings at Moby's Pub through January.
- Salt Spring Painters Guild** members are exhibiting in the lobby areas of ArtSpring.
- Jack Avison** is showing a retrospective of watercolour paintings at Salt Spring Roasting Co. in Ganges until January 20.
- Dana Pennington** is hanging "Patterned," a selection of oil paintings and drawings, at Roasting Co. in Ganges after January 20.
- Salt Spring Island Painters' Guild** meets **Wednesdays** at the Lions Club from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The program on **January 24** features Randolph Parker doing demonstrations. Bring some work for help in identifying your style and Parker will critique it and give suggestions. \$5.
- Salt Spring Island Weavers and Spinners Guild** meets **Thursdays** at ArtSpring from 10:30 to noon, offering programs, workshops, study groups, equipment rentals, library and problem solving. Info: Pat Davidson, 653-4750.

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Don't Forget

High school dancers prepare to 'dance with fire'

By ANASTACIA WILDE
Driftwood Staff

If music is the language of the soul, then dance is the spirit that exists to manifest its movement.

And what better way to view that fluidity than with Salt Spring teenagers dancing a rainbow of pieces in their semester-end performance this weekend?

A total of 35 Gulf Island Secondary School (GISS) students will twist, bend, leap, flex and spin their way through 16 dance movements, ranging in style from ballet to contemporary, jazz to swing, hip-hop to modern. Many of the pieces are choreographed by the youths themselves, who have been preparing for months to present the climax of their year-long training.

"These kids are so creative. They are excited, they are keen and they just come up with these fantastic ideas," said Sonia Langer GISS dance teacher.

And what tools do the students require to accomplish their feats?

Langer said it's really quite rudimentary.

Give them the opportunity, space, time and encouragement to do it and they fly.

"They deserve the credit. They are the ones who are pulling it off and I'm just giving them the chance," she said.

Langer contests that dance is the most bare, the most vulnerable of all the performing arts.

Imagine the scene: The stage is empty. A lone dancer takes the floor. There is no script to clutch, no instrument to play, no words to veil the nervous body. It is the dancer and her physicality alone which transports the story.

"Dance really does work on self-confidence and that's so important for teenagers. There is nothing to hide behind," the dance coach observed.

Langer landed on Salt Spring two years ago and wasted no time hoisting the GISS dance department to new heights. Along with drama and music teachers, she is working to edify a performing arts department at GISS for years to come.

"The long-term vision is to build the program in numbers and in quality," she said. "The dance program is growing. There is a renewed interest in dance. People are in the studio at lunch, students training in the evenings."

This year, 90 teenagers from grades nine through 12 opted for dance class, choosing from an arts curriculum that encompasses music, drama, dance and visual art. Aside from the obvious physical benefits of fitness, flexibility and balance, Langer said dance instills many secondary skills which enhance youth in other areas.

"It takes a lot of team work," she said. "It takes a lot of communication in groups. For each member to learn the moves, it



ALL SET: Dancers at Gulf Islands Secondary School pause from practice to pose for the camera. The dancers take the ArtSpring stage this Friday night. Photo by Derrick Lundy

takes cooperation and listening. This is the stuff of life. These are life skills."

While this mode of physical expression has been primarily a female domain at GISS, Langer is hopeful more young men will catch the dance wave. The more boys who join the ranks, she said, the easier it becomes for the rest to follow suit. (Four of the 35 young dancers taking the stage Friday are boys, roughly 11 per cent.)

"Dance gives them a method of expression. The energy and the vibrancy of what dance means to the kids cannot be duplicated. It gives them a space to perform and move in ways that they want to." And Langer should know of what she speaks.

The dance instructor cannot recall a time when she didn't dance or revel in the world of movement. Since graduating from York University's dance program, she shot ahead like a race horse to teach the very subject that gives her own life vibrancy and meaning.

"The most basic form of communication happens with the body. It's exhilarating to communicate in that way. It's enlightening, invigorating and totally, completely uplifting," she enthused.

Most of the students who prance the mat in GISS' dance studio have no previous training whatsoever, said Langer, who seizes this chance to develop and encourage a lifelong interest in dance.

"I'm excited with this new energy for dance that I see in the

school and I'd like to take that and run with it. I hope that people come and see the performance. The kids have been working hard and this is a culmination of their efforts. The kids deserve a big audience."

Bailar Con Fuego (Dancing with Fire) is a one-night, knock-your-pants-off presentation slated for Friday, January 19 at 7:30 p.m. Prices are \$7 for students and seniors, \$10 for adults.

Aside from covering the rental costs at ArtSpring, monies raised at Bailar Con Fuego are earmarked for a new sound system for GISS students. "The more dance we have at the high school, the more we build the dance audience on the island. And that's good for everyone," Langer said.

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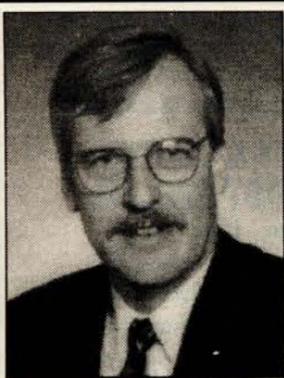
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5 BIRTHS

TOM AND Irene Wright are proud to announce the birth of their ninth grandchild, Trevor Nicholas Head, second son of Penny Wright and Kelly Head. Trevor was born on December 21 in Kimberly hospital and weighed in at 7lbs. 2 oz., a beautiful little brother for Thomas Malcolm.

6 DEATHS

BETTY IRENE HOLSHOE, resident of Brinkworthy passed away Wednesday, January 10, 2001. Surviving her are her grieving husband Wilfred Holshoe, her daughter Karen and her husband Brad of Vancouver; her son Brian and his wife Beth of Salt Spring. There will not be a Salt Spring Island service, but in lieu of flowers, a donation to the Cancer Society on her behalf would be appreciated. A special thanks to the residents of Brinkworthy.

SHAW: WILLIAM John died peacefully at Greenwoods on Friday, January 12, 2001 following a short illness. Willie was born in Nagasaki, Japan, January 6, 1903, of Scottish parents and came to Canada as a young boy with his parents and three sisters, settling on a farm in the Fulford Valley where he lived and worked until retiring to Ganges in 1971. Willie was predeceased by his sisters, Betty Drummond and Gladys Shaw, and is survived by his sister, Cree Shaw who is a resident of Greenwoods. At his request there will be no service.

7 IN MEMORIAM

George Brown
Nov. 26, 1924 -
Jan. 15, 2000

George was taken from us with little time for goodbyes. Our lives changed so much. We will always miss him. More than words can say.

He was a great brother, uncle and brother-in-law. Uncle George was more than just an uncle to his nieces, he was also "our friend". We miss him terribly.

George loved life, through his hunting, fishing and paintings. He loved the outdoors. He will always be a part of our lives.

-Ken, Bea, Bonnie & Diane Brown

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A year's gone by and it's oh so hard To believe you've gone to rest.

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You remain so special in our hearts Each day throughout the year. When we think of you, it's very hard Not to shed a tear.

Your accomplishments were many And you never once complained. You guided us and showed you cared Each and every day.

Your winning smiles & gentle ways The wisdom that you gave Will help us cope to fill the void But it never will go away.

Always loving you.
The Fraser family.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

WE WISH to thank our Family and Friends for making our "50th" so special! The Pot Luck was great and we appreciate the gifts and money given to us. Thank you, Pastor Rick Hill and Laurel, Pastor Jim Caruso, our "M.C." and Elaine. Love, Otto and Irene.

MY DEEPEST gratitude for the capable and compassionate caring of my husband Arie Hazenboom during the past 2 1/2 years goes to the nurses and staff at Lady Minto, Dr David Woodley, the nurses and staff at Greenwoods and the home support workers. My sincere thanks to all the family and friends who provided emotional support during this difficult time. Connie.

HEARTFELT THANKS to our guardian angel(s) from the Johnsons.

The Polar Bear swim was once again a great success and the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the following:

Acoustic Planet Music, Lorna Cammaert, Carol Dodd, the Driftwood, the Farmers Institute, Ganges Garment Co., Ganges Village Market, Harlan's Chocolates, Island Star Video, Maple Ridge Cottages, Mouat's Naikai Gallery, Pegasus Gallery, Pharmasave, Radio Shack, Patsy Siemens, Studio 103, Mr. & Mrs. Taylor, Volume II, West of the Moon, Windsor Plywood, Work World and Shilo Zylbergold

for helping to make this a fun-filled day. See you next year!

20 COMING EVENTS

ESTATE PLANNING Seminar. Sat. Jan. 27 at 1:30 pm, Harbour House Hotel. Call Randall Dashwood or Greg Caruso for more information 1 (800) 577-5877.

FOR A complete calendar of coming events check the Driftwood Community Calendar, in our office in the Upper Ganges Centre, 328 Lower Ganges Road, or on our website at <http://www.gulfislands.net>. Use the calendar for event planning, to make sure your date doesn't conflict with someone else's.

REVITALIZE YOUR body. Try something new at The Bodyworks Collective. 1/2 price treatments on January 13, 14, 20, 21, 11-4 pm. Reiki, Bodywork, Reflexology, Ear-coring, Tea-Leaf Reading. 538-1988.

SHADOW PUPPETS Workshop. Friday, Jan. 26 (Pro-D day), 9-12. Ages 6-12. Create shadow puppet drama. \$18/child. Reserve a space. 653-9253.

KEN HAMM house concert moved from our house to the Core Inn (great acoustics!). Sun., January 21, 2pm. Tickets \$10 at Acoustic Planet & Core Inn. Info John & Michele Law 537-4874.

YESHE KHORLO Buddhist Society invites meditators to a session on The Heart Sutra - Prajnaparamita - with Lama Chhimi Kinley, Sunday, January 21st, 10:30 a.m. 537-1497.

DOG OBEDIENCE classes. Teaching you to train your dog. Start January 30 with Ann McPhee. 537-9505.

VIPASSANA MEDITATION. 1-Day Retreat. Sunday, February 4, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Barn, Reynolds Road. Information: Heather Martin. 653-9729.

20 COMING EVENTS

DANCE AT ArtSpring in the wing with the Runaways. Saturday, Jan. 27, 7 pm - midnight. Tickets \$10 ea. 12 & under \$5. Available at ArtSpring.

BC BUILDING Code! Everything you wanted to know but were afraid to ask. 10 Wednesdays, January 24 - April 4 from 7-8pm. Call the PARC office for more info and registration at 537-4448. Course cost is \$32.10.

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SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF BUSINESS MEETING

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will be meeting to consider various matters of general business, such as applications received, bylaw reviews and meeting notes.

DATE: Thursday, January 25, 2001

TIME: 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Hart Bradley Memorial Hall (Lions Club) 103 Bonnet Avenue, Ganges

Starting at 1:15 p.m., up to 45 minutes will be available for the public to discuss local land use matters with the Local Trust Committee. Those who wish to present a more formal petition, or make a delegation to the Committee as an Agenda item, must advise Islands Trust staff at least one week in advance of the meeting so that they can be added to the beginning of the Agenda. For information about the Agenda, please call the Islands Trust at 537-9144.

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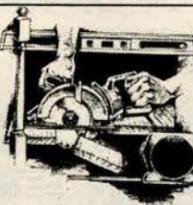
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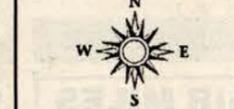
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KEN HAMM house concert moved from our house to the Core Inn (great acoustics!). Sun., Jan. 21, 2pm. Tickets \$10 at Acoustic Planet & Core Inn. Info John & Michele Law 537-4874.

ARE YOU looking for ways to stretch your food budget? Meet twice a month for planning and preparing nutritious meals with groups for new or single parents, vegetarians, seniors, etc. If you have an idea for a Community Kitchen in your area or would like information on existing groups call 538-0044.

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WANTED: 2 DRAWER legal filing cabinet in good condition. For sale: Men's size 41 (9-10) Viberg winter cork boots, \$50, good condition. 653-2311.

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TREAD MILL, rowing machine, fitness equipment wanted. Call 537-5148.

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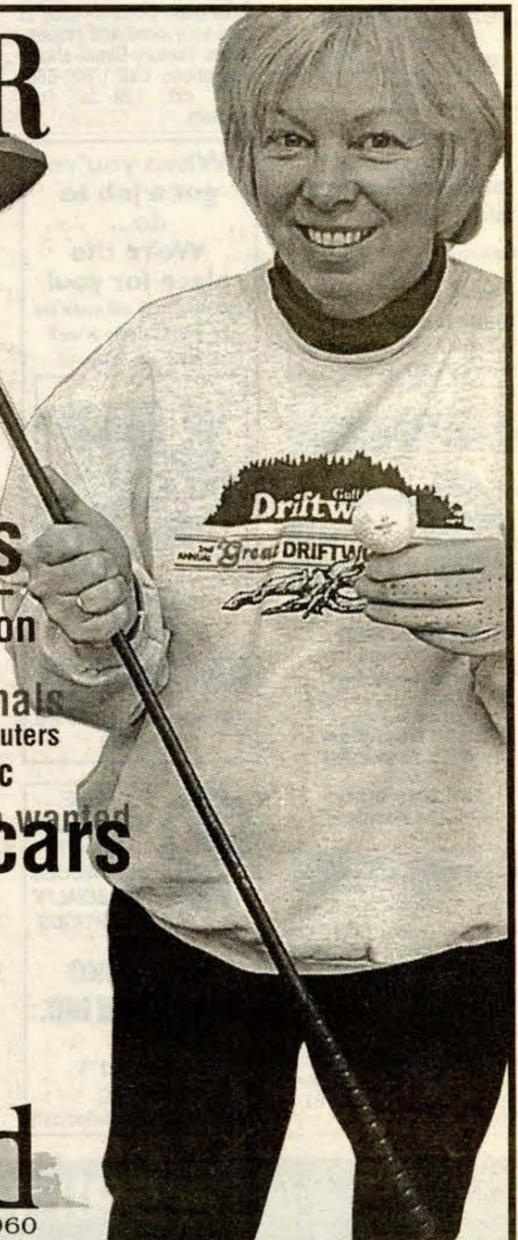
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Popular guitar-plucking singer back for Core Inn benefit bash

One of Canada's foremost interpreters of traditional roots and blues music will perform at the Core Inn on Sunday afternoon.

Ken Hamm, who has won both a wide following and a spate of awards for his acoustic and steel body National guitar playing, will perform songs from his new CD called *Across the River* beginning at 2 p.m.

Hamm began touring solo in 1978 and has since become well known for his original songs that reflect rural west coast life.

Along the way he was awarded a Juno for best roots and traditional CD (*Saturday Night Blues* compilation CD) and was nominated three years running as best acoustic blues guitarist by *North America's Guitar Player* magazine.

This year he was nominated as the Best Acoustic Act of the Year by the Toronto Blues Society and was a featured performer at the Montreal Jazz Festival.

According to his website, "the most impressive thing about Hamm's music is how he is able to make the music he plays his own."

When you see Hamm in concert, it is obvious that he has absorbed, arranged and restated traditional blues and roots music, and made it current and original.

His ability to accompany himself with driving and intricate slide and acoustic guitar completes the mix.

The music fits him like the old work clothes that

have been shaped by his labour in the woods of B.C., his time living on the Gulf Islands and his honest and direct character.

Hamm was raised in Thunder Bay, Ontario and began his musical pursuits as a teenager by listening to old country and blues recordings at the local folk record store.

The proprietor, recognizing his interest and intent, encouraged him and let him hang around listening to Leadbelly, Robert Johnson, Son House, Skip James, Willie Dixon, Big Bill Broonzy and other blues greats for days on end.

After playing in local bands and performing in coffee houses around Thunder Bay, Hamm began traveling the folk circuit performing in venues ranging from house concerts to concert halls to major festivals.

Hamm is constantly on tour in Canada and the United States, playing festivals and concerts as a solo act or with other musical friends. For Sunday's concert, Hamm will be joined by Donna Konsorodo, who wrote the title track on his latest CD.

Tickets for the January 21 show are \$10, with \$1 from the sale of each ticket being donated to the Core Inn Youth Project.

Tickets are available at Acoustic Planet and the Core Inn or by calling John and Michele Law at 537-4874.

The Laws note the Core Inn space offers both great acoustics and a sound system.

There'll be dancing in the wing

Dancing at ArtSpring?

You bet. Islanders of all ages are invited to try it out on Saturday, January 27 in "the wing" with the Runaways and their friends from 7 p.m. to midnight.

Vaughn Fulford, Leah Hansel, Bob Delion, Gary Lundy and Laurent Boucher are the Runaways, a cool new band that's ready to take the wing for a test run.

"The new soundproofing makes it possible," says Fulford. "I know ArtSpring wants to see more stuff in there, and this is my way of saying 'something can be done in there now, so let's try it out'."

Tickets are \$10, and \$5 for kids aged 12 and under, and on sale at ArtSpring.

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- Diva Maria
- Aims
- Used a top
- Crank or book
- Tante or tia
- Arabian sultanate
- Placed
- "... where is fancy ..." (Shakespeare)
- Shark film
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- Intl. conflict
- Feat of Clay

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- Emulates the Merry Men
- Gumbo vegetable
- She loved an outlaw
- View
- Tome
- Horus' mother
- Will locale, perhaps
- "I Like ..."
- Price label
- Scratchy
- Regarding
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THE HAND THAT FEEDS: Salt Spring's Growing Circle Food Co-op is now officially open — following a celebration at its Gasoline Alley location Saturday. Here hard-working Co-op members, from left, Donna Kuprowski, Jana Thomas, Shari Macdonald, Ramona Scott, and Linda Dares take a bite of their own party fare.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

New piano gets grand new home

Johnnie Wells' free piano has found a perfect home with the Chipman family.

Wells sharpened her pen to create a catchy Too Late to Classify ad in the Driftwood last week, and was overwhelmed by both the response and the family who ended up with it.

"I couldn't be happier," said Wells Monday. "They're such lovely people."

"People are still phoning, saying 'who got the piano?' And everybody is overjoyed that somebody like them got it," she said.

Chip and Val Chipman and their kids currently run Kings Lane Recreation.

Wells explained that the piano had become a huge obstacle in her small house, and hadn't been played for years.

"(My husband) Barry was the pianist. He had a stroke and there

wasn't any more piano playing, except from his memory, and he used to play with Madge (Kimball). He learned all the Schubert song cycles by heart."

So the piano became merely something to bump into, until it was picked up by the Chipman clan Monday.

Chip said the piano is "absolutely beautiful," and he and his family were thrilled to be able to receive it.

"I took lessons when I was 11 and 12, then my instructor died and I never went back to it," said Chip. "Now I'm going to pick a night for lessons and learn to play again."

Two of his daughters have also played the piano in the past.

Wells acknowledged her free piano ad was pretty creative, and that the humorous approach has worked for her in the past. "It's all

in how you put it. Every penny I spent on that ad was worth it just for the people who came to talk to me."

Chip said "it was such a neat ad," and it made him think "somebody really cares about this piano."

"We live in such an incredible place and people are so generous," he added. "I felt so lucky to be the one to get this."

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