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Race gets going

• Election coverage, Pages B4-B9

Greater access to Salt Spring election candidates is in the works with a new local election website and an additional all-candidates meeting organized by the Fulford Hall Committee.

The committee has set the meeting for Islands Trust and Capital Regional District (CRD) candidates only at Fulford Hall on Friday, November 8 at 7:30 p.m.

Last week the Driftwood and Chamber of Commerce announced co-sponsorship of two Ganges meetings, one for Trust and CRD candidates, and another for school trustee hopefuls.

David Wood, chair of the Salt Spring Island Local Government Restructure Study Committee, is moderating all three all-candidates meetings.

Location of the November 4 Ganges meeting of Trust and CRD candidates has also been changed. It will take place at ArtSpring, not the high school, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting for school board candidates, set for Thursday, November 7, will take place at the Gulf Islands Secondary multi-purpose room beginning at 7 p.m.

Islander Larry Cross has also set up an election website through www.salt-spring.org.

While Cross is involved with the Association for Short-term Accommodation Rentals, he stresses the website will contain no opinion and is simply a forum for candidates to provide profiles and answer questions posed by himself and the public.

"The hat I'm wearing is totally neutral," said the former broadcaster. "I will not pick any sides. I will not have any editorials on the website. I will have a question page, but my guidelines will be that questions must be directed to one or more of the appropriate candidates. Opinions will not be published."

ELECTIONS 3



SEASONAL SIGNS: Eldin Stead settles in for the show as Sam Rowlandson O'Hara begins a pumpkin carving creation. The youngsters were just two of many who travelled to Morningside Organic Bakery and Cafe's pumpkin art carving party. The event was held last Sunday, beginning at noon.
Photo by Derrick Lundy

Rare white bird lands on Salt Spring

Those who see a small, pure white bird flitting about on Salt Spring can be assured they are not going crazy or spying an escaped pet.

Birder John Sprague said Monday he has confirmed a bird seen at Village Terrace near Ganges by Annette Kerrigan off and on since October 4 is a white song sparrow.

The bird's all-white colour is "extremely rare," said Sprague — "probably one in 10,000 or fewer."

Sprague would like to know if any-

one else has spotted the unusual specimen, and he can be reached at 537-0760.

"If you saw the bird, it was probably behaving like an ordinary song sparrow, hopping around on the ground and in bushes, not very high off the ground," said Sprague. "It is quite healthy and spunky."

Sprague intends to write a technical note about the occurrence for a birding journal.

The song sparrow is a "leucistic"

bird rather than an albino, he explained. An albino would have pink eyes, but the Salt Spring visitor has dark eyes and a dusky bill and legs to match.

Leucistic birds usually have only symmetrical patches of white on their two sides, or a patch on each of the wings or the back.

Claudia French of upper Beddis Road is also sure she saw the mysterious bird on her property two weeks ago.

People with sightings to report can also call Kerrigan at 537-2408.

Island seeks status as seed sanctuary

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

Mulching garlic beds usually heralds the winding down of a hectic growing season for Dan Jason of Salt Spring Seeds.

But this fall Jason is leaping from the garden into the office to start work on establishing Salt Spring as a seed and plant sanctuary for the entire country.

He and others will start digging into the mammoth project as soon as possible, announced Jason at last

Thursday's public talk on genetically modified organisms (GMOs) given by Brewster Kneen at Meaden Hall.

As a means of preserving plant diversity, Salt Spring Island will become a learning centre, living gene bank, and plant and seed treasury for Canada, he said.

"It's been in the works for a long time for me and now I have a lot of people helping me," Jason told the Driftwood.

The move is an attempt to

halt the erosion of a plant cultivar roster that began with the widespread use of hybrid seeds. Diversity is even more threatened by the onset of genetically engineered seeds in Canada. The latter can contaminate open-pollinated varieties of plants, rendering the seed sterile. Without conscious cultivation of open-pollinated plants in safe areas, the cultivars could be lost forever.

Salt Spring's isolation as an island can protect it from

GMO contamination, said Jason, one of the reasons it's an ideal sanctuary spot.

Other advantages are its hospitable climate and growing conditions, and huge pool of passionate resident gardeners.

Saving seeds and preserving diversity also form a sturdy part of the island's present agricultural fabric.

Charlie Eagle's farm holds the Tsolum heritage fruit tree collection and

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More local Jubilee medals awarded

Three winners of the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal hold close connections to Salt Spring.

Along with island recipient Tom Toynbee (noted in an article last week), two other local men have been recognized for outstanding and exemplary service to the community.

Lawrie Neish has devoted the past 20-30 years toward building, maintaining and restoring local landmarks such as ArtSpring, Mahon Hall and the Ganges firehall clock tower, noted his wife Aileen.

His instrumental involvement with

ArtSpring spanned from fundraising, to physical construction of the building, to even guarding the unfinished structure during the years it remained uncompleted.

"He got the project going and stuck with it to the end."

As a part of his involvement with the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council, he also restored the windows and floors of Mahon Hall, she said.

Since Neish is currently travelling in Spain and the United Kingdom, Aileen will go to Sidney on November 7 to accept the award on his behalf.

Mike Lynch, son of islander Steven Lynch, received the award in Nanaimo on October 17.

As a 2002 graduate of Ladysmith Secondary School, he also received the R.H. MacMillan scholarship for academic excellence.

Lynch has done extensive volunteer work at the Ladysmith Community Centre and the Chemainus Health Care Centre.

He is currently studying chemistry at Malaspina University College.

Some 46,000 Canadians have received the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal, which is unique to Canada this year.

'Divers couldn't have saved victims'

Divers couldn't prevent the tragic deaths of five Gulf Islanders trapped aboard a capsized fishing boat, even if they had entered the vessel sooner, said an internal operations report by the coast guard's national defence rescue coordination centre.

The August 19 accident killed Galiano residents Kathy Maberley, her nine-year-old son Wyatt, her daughter Amanda, 11, and her cousin Rod Wilson, along with cousin Tony

Head of Salt Spring.

Gulf Islanders and members of the fishing community led a public outcry against coast guard policy that prevented divers from entering the overturned boat without a backup team.

But even though divers were at the scene within 20 minutes, it is unlikely there were any survivors at that time, the report indicated.

"Although it can never be said with absolute certainty,

it is unlikely that the tragic results of this accident would have been any different if the actions of those on the scene were changed, as none of those trapped inside the overturned hull were located in air pockets."

The coast guard dive policy is still under review with an aim toward providing optimal rescue response while still protecting divers, the internal report noted.

In the House of Commons on October 9,

NDP leader Alexa McDonough and MP Svend Robinson both called for the resignation of Fisheries Minister Robert Thibault and Coast Guard Commissioner John Adams.

The NDP called for a full inquiry into the incident with a fully independent probe.

Thibault told the House that three independent investigations are already underway, not counting a B.C. Coroner's public inquest initiated this month.

SEEDS: Three main seed-nurturing sites

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Seven Ravens Farm and Stowel Lake Farm, which started the Organic Farming and

Ecoforestry Apprenticeship Program with Jason this year, are already seasoned custodians of hundreds of plant cultivars, he said.

Many individual gardeners and farmers are also wise to the ways of saving seeds here.

Seven Ravens Farm and Stowel Lake Farm, as well as Salt Spring Centre, where Jason does his growing, will be the three main seed-nurturing sites.

Enthusiastic students of this year's apprenticeship session are staying on the island to help establish the seed bank, said Jason, but numerous islanders are also needed, especially for growing out plants and harvesting the seeds. Some plants require strict isolation from others so that cross-pollination does not occur.

Individuals could become the national custodian for certain varieties of plants, he noted.

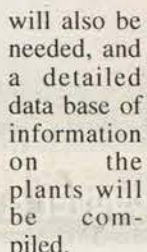
Back-up growing spots in other parts of the country

FOR THE RECORD

The dizzying number of Hewitts serving with the Salt Spring RCMP detachment earlier this year proved overwhelming for Driftwood staff. It was mistakenly reported last week that Const.

Darren Hewitt could not attend court to testify since he is now serving in the Northwest Territories. In fact, Const. Darren Hewitt is still serving on Salt Spring while Const.

Doug Hewitt (no relation) was transferred to the Arctic territory.



Jason

will also be needed, and a detailed data base of information on the plants will be compiled.

Critical to the plan is the liberal sharing of that information and seeds.

"Our whole thing is quite radical — to make information freely available to everyone," said Jason. "People would be able to acquire seeds from us to help them perpetuate [the plants]."

The federal government was once a complete agricultural information source for Canadians, he said, but that's no longer the case.

"It used to be that governments were responsible

for knowing what would grow in a country and how to go about it," said Jason. "But we've lost all that."

The federal government's agriculture department does still operate a plant gene bank.

As Kneen, a food system analyst and author, told islanders last Thursday, the federal government has generously supported the

biotech industry and GMO foods. More recently, Jason said, some grant money to promote organic agriculture has also been earmarked.

Anyone curious about the Salt Spring plant and seed bank project or wanting to get involved should call Jason at 537-5269.

He hopes to see several gene bank seeds sown as early as this spring.

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Stephens, Toynbee: 'movie stars'

Two local fans of Vancouver's Orpheum Theatre participated in a filmed tribute to the "Grande Dame of Granville Street."

Arleta Stephens and Yvonne Toynbee entered a CBC contest about memories of the Orpheum and were asked to attend the theatre to film their memories for the theatre's 75th anniversary celebrations next week.

"We're movie stars," laughed Stephens.

The theatre was a point of pride in Stephens' family since her father, uncle and grandfather all worked on the building's sculptural plasterwork.

In her letter to the CBC, Stephens recalled how her father had encouraged her family to lie on the floor of the Orpheum on their first visit in order to fully appreciate the artistry in the ceiling.

She returned to the theatre on dozens of occasions to be awed by the glamour of productions, the building and the usherettes.

Now working as the manager of Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art, she discovered that owner Yvonne Toynbee had once been an Orpheum usherette and a back-up performer in Yvonne DeCarlo's CBC New Year's Eve production at the theatre.

"Our memories of the grandest of all theatres creates a bond — a shared remembrance of youth."

Decades after their previous glamour days in the Orpheum, Stephens and Toynbee enjoyed participating in the theatre's 75th anniversary gala event.

"It was really fun," Stephens remarked.

The film will be shown as part of celebrations at the Orpheum on November 3 and 7. Short excerpts of the film will also be seen on CBC TV and heard on CBC Radio.

The Orpheum first opened on November 7, 1927.

Driver flees two-Ford accident

Salt Spring RCMP are looking for the driver of a red or maroon Ford 4X4 shortbox pick-up truck after he fled from an accident scene.

The 4X4 driver collided with a brown Ford pick-up at the corner of Blain Road and Kings Lane 11:30 a.m. Sunday. He spoke briefly with the other driver before he left the scene but did not provide insurance or licence information. The four-wheel-drive vehicle was damaged on the driver's side.

Anyone with information regarding the identity of the offending driver or truck is asked to contact Salt Spring RCMP (537-5555) or Crimestoppers.



Motorcade escorts Ng ashes

Friends and family of RCMP Const. Jimmy Ng gathered on Salt Spring for a memorial service Monday.

Const. Ng was killed September 15 when his police cruiser was struck by a speeding vehicle in Richmond.

His parents, Chris and Therese Ng, live on Salt Spring. They held a service at Central Community Cemetery where his ashes were interred.

A police motorcade of three red-serge-clad RCMP officers escorted the party

from the service to a Harbour House reception.

Dozens of RCMP co-workers from Richmond and Duncan attended the service along with friends from the Sahtlam Volunteer Fire Department and Duncan Search and Rescue, two organizations where Ng was an active volunteer.

The 31-year-old police officer had previously worked in Duncan with Salt Spring RCMP Sgt. Mike Giles between 1998 and 2001.

"We were good friends there. We worked together

until he was transferred to Richmond in June 2001 and contact continued with my coming to Salt Spring. He was always coming over to visit when seeing the family."

While Ng had received a full RCMP ceremonial funeral in Richmond the week after his death, his parents arranged the local memorial service to recognize Jimmy as an individual, Giles said.

"Yesterday was a good day. It was a personal way to say goodbye."

Police urge fireworks caution

In anticipation of the crackling boom and glittering spectacle of fireworks displays this Hallowe'en, Salt Spring RCMP wish to remind the public of the accompanying rules and regulations.

No one under the age of 18 may possess or purchase fireworks. They may only be

sold between October 24 and November 1.

Use of fireworks is limited to the private property of homeowners. Distress or signal devices are not permitted for fireworks displays.

Other prohibited items include firecrackers, bottle rockets, Cherry Bombs, M-

80s, Silver Salutes, Auto Foolers, Blasting Balls/Crackling Balls and any homemade device.

The Criminal Code of Canada indicates that injury or property damage caused by improper use of explosives can lead to charges resulting in imprisonment up to five years.

ELECTION: Candidates square off

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Candidates are obviously free to participate or not, he said.

"All I want to do is encourage a good turnout [on election day]," said Cross, "and I always think knowledge is power. People who are well informed will make the right decision on election day, and whatever that decision is, I accept that."

Another usual election issue — signs — has also popped up on cue.

With the aim of reducing litter, a no-signs policy has been an informal Salt Spring tradition since 1990.

As of Monday, most candidates had agreed to not produce or distribute election signs.

The Islands Trust team of

Dietrich Luth and Paul Marciano were the exception.

They told the Driftwood: "[We] plan to collaborate on election signage for public information purposes and only plan to spread them moderately around the island, proportionate with [our] desire to win the election."

SONG BIRDS: These Fernwood School students were among the many youths participating in a Festival of Song in Centennial Park on Thursday morning.



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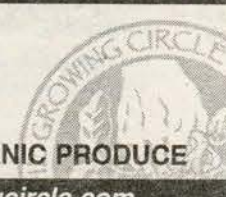
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Polygraph testing completely clears arson 'suspect'

By SUSAN LUNDY
Staff Writer

A Salt Spring man who underwent four hours of polygraph testing passed with "flying colours" and is not considered a suspect in an arson at the home of his ex-wife.

Although local police will not admit Ken Tara was ever a suspect in a deliberately-set house fire on Furness Road last summer, RCMP Sgt. Mike Giles said last week that several people close to the fire victim had been investigated and police "have developed no suspects."

Tara awoke at his Furness Road home early in the morning of July 25 to the sound of screaming fire engines and howling dogs.

He and his wife Shannon Tara were unable to determine exactly where the blaze had erupted, but they knew it was close.

Within hours of the fire, Tara met Giles just outside his home. The police sergeant told him the fire

had occurred at his ex-partner's house. There was moderate damage to the structure, but no injuries.

"They decided right away that the fire was intentionally set," noted Tara last week. "And I told (Giles) I'd help in any way possible."

Giles interviewed Tara at length a few days later, indicating he was being investigated as a possible suspect.

"I was shocked," Tara said. "I had a great life with a toddler at home and a baby on the way. I was happy. It was tough to imagine being involved in something like this."

Unfortunately for Tara, word got out on Salt Spring and he believes his reputation suffered from the grinding of the rumour mill. But now his name has been completely cleared.

Early on in discussions with Giles, Tara says, he "eagerly agreed" to undergo polygraph testing — a process he doubts many people on Salt Spring have experienced.

Because only four people

in B.C. are qualified to undertake the testing, it took several weeks to set up the procedure.

Finally, in mid-September, Tara headed over to RCMP headquarters in Victoria.

He was told to sit in a chair with an erect back and place his arms high on armrests. Sensors were attached to his index and ring fingers, and bands were strapped on his chest, above and below his heart.

A blood pressure band on his arm remained "cranked right up."

"The pressure on the arm is so great," says Tara, "your fingers start dancing uncontrollably."

"They start out by asking you a series of questions — often the same questions numerous times in different ways. And they make you lie so they can see how you respond when you're not telling the truth."

Tara says the questions were created from extensive interviews held previously on Salt Spring. He was given a series of tests three times

during the four hours he was hooked up to the polygraph computers.

After the testing was complete, Tara waited 20 minutes, at which time he learned he had "passed" the polygraph.

He was elated but also "worn right out," he recalls.

The entire experience did not resemble "what you see on TV," Tara adds, but he encourages anyone else who has the need and opportunity to take a polygraph to "go do it — it's an excellent tool... those guys are smart."

In the meantime, police say the Furness Road fire is still under investigation.

"Police have conducted neighbourhood inquiries and have interviewed other individuals close to the circumstances," notes an RCMP press release issued Monday.

"Despite strong cooperation from all of those involved, no suspects have been developed."

The release further states, "Individuals considered 'persons of interest' at the outset of the investigation

have satisfied the investigators of their innocence and have been ruled out as having, in any way, been involved."

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is urged to call the Salt Spring detachment or Crimestoppers.

Sayers leads off Aboriginal Speaker Series

First Nations self-government will be the topic of a discussion led by Judith Sayers as the first installment of an Aboriginal Speaker Series gets under way this Friday evening.

Set for 7 p.m. at Lions Hall, the talk is titled First Nations Self-Government: Something to be Feared or Promoted?

Sayers has been the elected chief of the Hupacasath First Nation for more than seven years.

Hupacasath are a part of Nuuchah-nulth, located in Port Alberni.

She will speak about self-government for First Nations communities, as well as the challenges they face from government policies and continued encroachment on resources and land in unresolved claim areas, notes Roland Gatin of the Salt Spring Islanders for Justice and Reconciliation (SSIJAR), which is facilitating the Aboriginal Speakers Series.

Sayers has degrees in business and law. She is well-versed in discussion on law as it relates to First Nations, as well as their administrative and political structures.

One of the most dynamic figures in the recent Active Boycott of the B.C. Treaty Referendum, Sayers received more than 12,000 ballots from around the province, including over 200 from Salt Spring.

"Chief Sayers' philoso-

phy is to build bridges between First Nations and non-aboriginal communities through communication, protocols, economic development and other effective means," said Gatin.

"Her talk on Friday will be a part of that endeavour."



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November 16

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Writing skills given attention in island schools

Gulf Islands teachers will be highlighting writing in their classes following disappointing provincial assessment results for students in Grades 7 and 10.

While Gulf Islands School District students performed well in the areas of numeracy and reading for the Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) tests, there was a decline from writing skills performance compared to the provincial average, said superintendent Wendy Herbert.

"It's an accountability area that we will be working on. We still want to do better than how we did."

However, Herbert indicated that since the Gulf Islands has such a small sample of students compared to other districts, peaks and dips in test scores relative to a provincial

average might not necessarily be an accurate indicator of student ability.

An initiative to help improve writing skills, district curriculum coordinators will help teachers to use the ministry's Performance Standards in Writing criteria as an assessment tool to show students what is expected for different points of development.

The district is also looking at School-Wide Write, a program that highlights writing in schools.



SUPPORT WANTED: Ian Butler-Cole of 676 Kitty Hawk canvasses support in Ganges for local air cadets.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

UNICEF coffee parties start this week

The first of UNICEF coffee parties for November start this week on Salt Spring.

Seven different sales of UNICEF cards and gifts have been scheduled, stretching from Vesuvius to Isabella Point neighbourhoods, as well as downtown Ganges.

All sales run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The coffee party schedule is as follows: On Friday, November 1 at 150 Chu-an Drive; November 7 at 350 Wilkie Way; November 8 at

215 Meadow Drive; and November 15 at 235 Canvasback Place.

Joint sales have also been organized with the local Ometepe and Pop Atziak groups benefitting Central American communities.

The November 7 Wilkie Way coffee party is one of those, along with a Saturday, November 2 sale at the United Church from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Central American crafts will be available at the two joint sales.

The last two sales are at

the Bank of Montreal on Friday, November 22, and one week later at the Bank

of Commerce. Both of those are on from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Remembrance Day observed at annual M&M event

Music and Munch for November has become, by tradition, more than just a recital, and this year is no exception.

Audience members will be invited into a reflective and thoughtful mood as poetry, music and song weave together to explore and express the experiences of war, in anticipation of Remembrance Day.

This year's event on Wednesday, November 6 offers the opportunity to join together in the singing of popular wartime songs and to hear words which convey the deep emotion people share in times of conflict and loss.

Readers have been drawn from the Anglican Parish as well as the island community and include two young guests from Gulf Islands Secondary School, who will be reading their own poetry.

Thoughtfully chosen music for the organ, interwoven through the three-part program, will enhance and support the themes of both world wars and today's conflicts. Led by favourite skilled musical contributors to Music and Munch, the day's events promise to continue the tradition of a very moving observance of Remembrance Day.

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Matthiessen natural history talk sprinkled with politics

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

A packed house filled ArtSpring Sunday to hear renowned writer Peter Matthiessen speak about his varied interests in cranes, wildlife conservation and travels around exotic locales.

While Matthiessen ostensibly came to give a reading from his new book *Birds of Heaven: Travels with Cranes*, the evening gathering had more the feeling of an informal after-dinner discussion with a gifted raconteur.

Weaving an elegant thread of intriguing digressions, he delved into the challenges of social, political and environmental activism; created rich vignettes of third world experiences; shared childhood memories of his first studies as an amateur naturalist; and infused listeners with a shadow of his passion for birds.

A self-described "craniac," Matthiessen remembered flights of whooping cranes over

Nebraska as one of the most astounding ornithological sights of his life.

At one point the wild flocks of the large white cranes had diminished to only 14 birds, but conservation efforts have ensured 450 now migrate across North America, he said.

Matthiessen described the imprinting work conducted by naturalists using ultralight aircraft. They continue to guide flocks of domestically-bred whooping cranes from Wisconsin to Florida in an effort to reintroduce the wild birds.

But along with a dose of naturalist history, he offered commentary on the current U.S. government, revealed his secret passion for travelling to wild places "at other people's expense" and shared observations about the impact of war and poverty on wild animals and their habitats.

"But I promise I won't get on a political rant. Cranes are a far more pleasant subject."

Tracing his affection for endangered cranes around the globe, Matthiessen also shared his

experiences with the Siberian species in Asia.

"While there are 2,500 Siberian cranes and only 450 'whoppers,' the Siberians are in much greater danger because the numbers of Siberian cranes are going down, down, down with no protection."

Reading selections from his new book, Matthiessen recounted the humour and sadness of a frustrating bird-watching odyssey amid the haphazard development of poverty, local ecological apathy and the appalling environmental conditions around the Poyang Lakes region of China.

After an epic journey with chain-smoking drivers, reluctant guides, a hike through a drought-stricken landscape and the disappointment of a crane film as bird-watching substitute, the birders finally spotted an extremely rare white-naped crane from the roof of a ping-pong parlour in a remarkable reversal of fortune.

As an equally strange example of human

oblivion toward these endangered birds, Matthiessen described "an accidental paradise for cranes" existing along the demilitarized zone running between the unhappy neighbours of North and South Korea.

"It's a no-man's land 149 miles long and it's the most fiercely protected wildlife preserve on earth."

Some species found in the area were thought to be extinct. But the pressures of economic development in the region could spell an end to the crane sanctuary as the two countries work toward reconciliation.

"It appears the cranes may fall silent again."

While Matthiessen might have ended his talk on a gloomy note, his ruminations also built a convincing appeal to protect wildlife and wild spaces around the globe.

And each member of the tightly packed audience became one more listener, attentive to the call of the cranes.

Hospital campaign kicks off with 'fabulous' donations

People involved in the health care field work miracles every day.

That's one reason the biggest capital fundraising campaign ever undertaken by the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation has "achievable" written all over it.

The foundation aims to raise \$650,000 of the \$1.8-million required to build a new operating room and palliative care suite at the hospital. It's a long-needed project approved before the provincial government announced reductions in its capital funding formula that bumped up the foundation's usual contribution.

"It's going fabulously," said Karen Davies of the campaign at Lady Minto Hospital last week.

The first good news came when more than \$7,000 in pledges were collected from hospital staff in 24 hours after the campaign first kicked off.

"We sent around little slips for payroll deductions for our staff," said Davies.

"We sent them out one day and by the next mid-morning after we had pledges of over \$7,000 . . . That was just fabulous."

A larger operating room is desperately needed, with the number of operations undertaken having risen by 300 per cent in 10 years.

As foundation material points out, "Imagine . . . eight operating room team members, a patient and several equipment carts jammed into a space a little larger than your bedroom."

A palliative care suite has also been earmarked as a

much-needed item.

The Lady Minto Hospital Foundation has raised almost \$2 million in its 10 years of existence, with funds purchasing equipment and aiding building improvements at the hospital.

In fiscal 2001/02, the foundation received more than half a million dollars in donations, with some \$300,000 of that total from estate bequests.

Minto Messenger, the hospital foundation's annual report, was distributed to all Gulf Islands mailboxes last week.

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GMO 'fantasy' can be grounded

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

The world of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) is a fantasy land that should be treated as an abandoned experiment, said a renowned opponent of genetically engineered foods on Salt Spring last week.

"I want to suggest we cut the string on this balloon and let it go," said Brewster Kneen, a farmer, author and food system analyst living in Sorrento, B.C.

"We don't want this rocket to the moon — this fantasy land."

About 125 people attended Kneen's October 24 talk, called Genetic Engineering for Food and Profit, at Meaden Hall.

Kneen touched on the biotech companies' motivation, government involvement and resistance to labelling foods which contain GMOs, the different attitude in Europe, and how people can fight against the man-made phenomenon.

Kneen told the audience that the Canadian biotech industry is strongly supported by the federal government, and the companies' endeavours would not be profitable ones on the open market.

"None of this would exist if it weren't for public money."

Tackling the industry's assertion that GMOs will solve the problem of world hunger, Kneen asked, "Why would Monsanto or any other corporation want to do this?"

"We're not feeding the hungry in Canada now, even

with 50 to 60 per cent of packaged foods containing GMOs."

Biotech companies aim to control the world's food supply and the profit that goes with control, he said, so that individuals and farmers are unable to grow the kinds of crops and food they want.

Genetically engineered seed crosses with normal plants, rendering them unable to naturally reproduce.

"We can expect the continued, deliberate contamination of the world's food supply," he said.

Kneen said the biotech industry claims that GMOs in food are not unsafe, but there's been no test to prove it.

No one really knows the effects, he said. "It might not show up for five generations."

One audience member added: "There is no financial interest in looking for harm in

GMO foods."

People not wanting to accept genetically engineered food have some options, said Kneen, along with his wife Cathleen Kneen, who later joined the discussion.

"We can start any time by changing what we eat and where we shop," said Brewster Kneen.

Eating as much locally grown foods is important, he said, and avoiding products that contain corn, soy or canola oil, unless they were certified to be organically grown. (In some cases, due to seed drift, non-contamination of organic crops by GMOS might not even be guaranteed, said Kneen.)

Writing to companies and grocery stores to advise on one's feelings about GMO foods also has impact, said the Kneens.

Saving your own open-pol-

inated seeds and growing food from those is important, added Cathleen Kneen, no matter what size of garden one possesses.

"You don't have to have a hundred acres to be an important part of this network," she said.

People cheered when Brewster Kneen suggested Salt Spring could be proclaimed a GMO-free territory.

Dan Jason of Salt Spring Seeds fed the crowd with more optimism when he announced that Salt Spring would become a national plant and seed sanctuary for Canada. (See separate Driftwood story.)

Thursday's event was sponsored by Saltspringers for Safe Food, the Salt Spring Garden Club, South Salt Spring Women's Institute and The Growing Circle Co-operative.



WITCH HUNT: Chloe Esposito gets a head start on Halloween dress code as she checks out some of the wares in the Saturday market at Centennial Park.

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Improving governance

Our rural system of governance needs to be improved, but it demands cooperation among our local reps. If elected, I will:

- Report regularly on CRD issues and improve access to the CRD Director
- Bring a cooperative and constructive approach to relationships between the CRD, Islands Trust and other government agencies
- Continue Trust-CRD joint planning meetings and support inclusion of other agencies (e.g. Highways, Water Districts) to improve coordination
- Support more "town hall" meetings involving the CRD, Islands Trust and other agencies
- Work to develop partnerships with community groups to address water, transportation, housing, economic development, and other issues
- Participate in the Islands Trust reform proposal, which includes integration of some CRD and other services under Trust jurisdiction

My Qualifications

I have been a consulting economist for 25 years, and actively involved in SSI governance issues since 1989, including:

- Chair of Islands Trust Advisory Planning Commission (6 yrs)
- Director, SSI Conservancy (6 yrs)
- Chair of the South and West SSI Conservation Partnership which brought together government agencies and community groups to purchase of 2600 acres of Texada lands

Submitted by Campaign Committee to elect Gary Holman. 653-4741

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- 20 years in Education, 7 years as Community School Co-ordinator working with community decision making
- Active contributor and supporter of numerous community projects since 1990, including Artspring Campaign and Gypsy Moth Task Force
- Member of SSI Conservancy
- Member of Community Tourism Action Plan Task Force to promote tourism in harmony with community values.
- 10 years on Tourism Vancouver Island Board of Directors

GOALS:

- Support Trust Governance Renewal that will give Salt Spring greater autonomy
- Improve communication between Local trust Council and our community
- Encourage respectful co-operative governance among elected and appointed community representatives
- Pursue planning to protect our economic viability, rural lifestyle and natural environment

ISSUES OF CONCERN

- Need to protect our fresh water
- Non-resident ownership

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Unsung heroes

In a community that brims with energy, it's not surprising that Queen's Golden Jubilee Medals found their way into the hands of two long-time Salt Spring Islanders and the son of another.

Lawrie Neish and Tom Toynbee were recently announced as award winners for their "outstanding and exemplary service to the community," as was young Ladysmith resident Mike Lynch, son of Salt Spring's Steve Lynch.

They are generally unsung heroes, doing what must be done for the betterment of the community, and not expecting recognition.

Both Neish and Toynbee have been mentioned in this space in the past as community activists deserving recognition and honour.

And there are many others on this island who spring easily to mind as stepping into the unsung, selfless volunteer limelight.

In mentioning the following people, we acknowledge the efforts of:

- Gordon English, for working doggedly to advance the health and lifestyles of seniors on Salt Spring;
- Irene Wright, who is ferociously active in community justice;
- Maggie Schubart, for many footsteps trod on the peace and social justice path;
- Kristina Kilbourn, for appearing at so many meetings, often as chair;
- Malcolm Legg, who is unsung but indefatigable on and off the soccer field;
- Richard Moses — see him working away at ArtSpring and the library; and
- Nora Layard, a crackerjack organizer for parks protection issues.

These people are only the tip of the iceberg when it comes to passionate volunteerism here. Everyone on Salt Spring could probably name another dozen or more individuals who contribute in the same way.

Backed by the strength of active volunteerism, amazing feats occur on this island. And with so many worthy people, miracles will continue to occur.

A NOTE ON LETTERS: Due to the large volume of letters to the editor received in recent weeks, the Driftwood has been unable to publish all submissions, including some pertaining to the Iraq-U.S. situation. With local elections now in full swing, priority will be given to election-related letters and those with a local focus.

Chamber critics misunderstand bylaw clause stand

By TOM NAVRATIL

There's been cheap shots at the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce and a couple of divisive letters to the editor in the last two issues of the Driftwood, alleging that chamber members did not want to comply with the local bylaws.

The authors of these letters obviously could not have attended the last chamber AGM where the code of ethics clause of abiding by the zoning bylaw was overwhelmingly voted down.

Because if the authors of the letters were there and understood the issue, they would see that actually the opposite was true of the members' position.

Land Use Bylaw 355 has departed so far away from real life over the past few years that

VIEW POINT

the chamber's membership was concerned whether it was possible to live up to such a clause and, if it were not, it should not be here.

This was the basis upon which this clause was voted out over and over again by the majority of the membership.

And although the vacation rental issue was raised as an example, it was not the only one. For instance, any property owner who has a legal 600-square-foot cottage rented out year-round (one form of affordable accommodation on the island, an issue that the

Islands Trust is often wielding as a weapon for its purposes) is totally out of compliance with the current bylaws.

How come? Because according to Bylaw 355, (Section 3.14.6) cottages "may only be used for temporary occupation by a person or persons having a permanent residence elsewhere and using the cottage for recreational or vacation purposes"

Temporary occupancy is defined as "not exceeding 45 days in any calendar year, not more than 30 of which may be consecutive" (beats me!).

Unless, of course, you make it look like a B&B, in which case the goalposts shift and you are in compliance if you have your cottage occupied year-round.

(This still escapes my logic — it takes the cottage out of the pool of affordable accommodation and allows it to be occupied year-round for transient accommodation — but never mind, I am happy with it.)

In a similar fashion, anyone providing affordable accommodation in their (illegal) basement suite is out of compliance with the bylaw.

Any hotplate or microwave in your in-law suite could come under scrutiny.

Assuming desires for a clear conscience, all of these people would have to tender their resignation to the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce had the clause of compliance stayed in.

I am personally glad that instead, we only lost the

Boltons from the membership list.

The Chamber of Commerce is doing an excellent job with dedication and hours of volunteer work, with the mandate of encouraging and supporting local businesses, new and established; a commodity and resource upon which this island is able to function and thrive.

We all love our island. Let us have a good look at the bylaws, let us all work on it together in a truly open fashion, thriving to agree to disagree when it comes to differences of opinion.

I promise I will try to do my best myself.

The writer is a realtor and member of the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce.

Hallowe'en. For me the word stirs up fear. Fear that a crime I committed years ago may still catch up with me.

When you're 15 years old, you don't understand that what you may think of as "having fun" is actually vandalism. No matter how minor.

So, for you young folks reading this column, trust me: Your actions will someday, somehow, come back to bite you. In my case, it didn't take long at all.

Three of us were cruising the dark rainy residential streets of the Upper Lonsdale area in North Vancouver. This wasn't our home territory. We lived in North Van alright, but our North Van was a couple of railroad tracks and thousands of dollars per annum away. But we felt cool in Mike's

teal-blue '57 Chevy as we tried to find the address of the girl

who was having a Hallowe'en party.

Word was that we could get into the party if we brought a carved pumpkin. Three young guys in a Chevy had no such vegetable — and only one way to get one. At the end of a dark cul-de-sac, on a dimly lit front step partially hidden behind a hedge, we spotted the perfect pumpkin; a fierce face glowed from the light within.

Ghosts of Hallowe'ens Past

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Mike turned out the headlights and he and Doug waited in the car as I skulked across the wet lawn. I glanced quickly around, then reached down and grabbed the pumpkin.

Somebody slammed me in the chest with a sledge hammer. I flew back across the yard in a shower of sparks. To this day I'm not sure whether the shock was from a faulty electric power cord, combined with the rain, the

wet grass, and the wet pumpkin; or maybe it was a simple but well-thought out trap. Either way, I peed my pants.

Thankfully, I got so wet from stumbling and crawling back through the bushes that, to this day, my friends don't know about my loss of muscle control.

After a quick stop at home to change clothes — "Hi Dad. I slipped and fell in a puddle. Bye" (I was so stupid, I thought he believed me) — we decided to check out the action on Lower Lonsdale.

We bought a dozen eggs from the corner grocery. The three of us each stuffed four eggs in our pockets and

headed down Lonsdale Avenue. I was now wearing my brand new, forest green, Eaton's Fall Sale Catalogue Special polyester jacket. (The kind that felt like it was made of thin foam. They were really popular until people discovered that the whole damn jacket melted in about six seconds when touched by a match or a cigarette. Different night, different story.)

There we were, swaggering ever so coolly down the sidewalk, past the hardware store, the theatre, the ladies wear; scoping out which windows were the best targets for our eggs.

Out of the shadows stepped two Mounties. Two

very large Mounties.

"Hi boys. What ya doin'?"
"Nothing, officer." (That's how we talked to cops in those days.)

"Where ya goin'?"

"No place, sir."

The bigger one steps right up to me, looks down into my eyes and says, "What's in your pockets, son?"

"Nothing, officer. Sir."

Without taking his eyes off mine, he reaches out with his 15-inch-long, heavy metal flashlight and raps hard on my left jacket pocket. Then the right one. He steps over to Mike and does the same thing. Then Doug.

As they walked away, he and his partner didn't even glance back at the three super cool dudes with the sticky yellow stuff oozing through their jackets and down their pants.

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What is a key issue for school board trustee candidates to consider in the upcoming election?



Casey Cook

Smaller classes and more teachers. All the teachers that got laid off takes away from the education of children.



Christina Siegers

Extra curricular activities, so children can have more choices. And enough teachers, so there isn't a big load in the classrooms.



Eve Hinds

I think on this island the quality of education is an issue. We tend to be a little inbred. Some teachers have been hired through friendship and relationships that are not necessarily the best people for the job.



Helen Keys

More adequate funding. Trustees need to pressure the provincial government into giving education a higher priority.



Waterfall

Making sure none of the kids falls through the cracks. It seems like they've cut so much money out of the budget for special needs kids.

Letters to the Editor

For the dogs

We are looking forward to the fireworks on Hallowe'en, but we are also dreading them.

After attending the fireworks this past Canada Day and last Hallowe'en, both times we encountered terrified dogs running in the middle of the road on our drive home. In both cases we followed the dogs, honking to notify passing cars that the dogs were there so they wouldn't hit them, which almost happened anyway once or twice.

The dogs were too afraid to come to us and eventually left the road. We can only hope they got home safely.

It is well known that there are more strays after fireworks than at any other time of the year. The noise frightens and disorients animals and in their fear they can get out of places they normally wouldn't. Please, if you care about your pets, make sure they are somewhere safe where they cannot hurt themselves or run away and get hit by a car on Hallowe'en night. We leave ours inside with the windows closed and the radio on to drown out the noise, which works very well.

Have a happy and safe Halloween,
**AMY and
CHARLES BUCHWALD,**
Salt Spring

Real rhetoric

Douglas Fraser, in an October 23 letter, states that "pathetic political rhetoric has no place on Salt Spring."

But we are entitled to ask if his own rhetoric stands up to scrutiny.

He is right about my "official interpretation of the term affordable housing." Affordable means, well — affordable. If you are earning \$100,000 per year, then a high rent is affordable. If you are at the poverty line, a much lower rent is affordable. I am unsure why this obvious fact should draw Mr. Fraser's ire. Perhaps he missed the rest of the discussion at the Chamber of Commerce, when the full picture was fleshed out by adding the term "low-cost housing" to describe, well, low-cost housing.

Digging a bit deeper, I suspect that Mr. Fraser is the same person who runs a vacation rental agency. Reading between the lines of his letter, it seems we are meant to believe that vacation rentals support family income.

This was of course true for many years. In my election campaign literature, I state that I remain sensitive to the needs of these local people struggling to live in their own homes and work on Salt Spring.

But Mr. Fraser and others have wrecked the practice for everyone. Were it not for the commercialization of vacation rentals, they would have remained a kind of "friendly amendment" to the bylaws, attracting neither complaints nor enforcement. But, agencies have sprung up to market houses, many of which have become commercial properties, with no relation to full-time residency in the community, and unwanted by the neighbours. Ownership of these businesses has now spread far beyond our own shores.

Where does Mr. Fraser's complaint, attributed to me, that "The poor should not be permitted to choose where they live" fit on the rhetoric scale?

While we must assume that his concern for working people is genuine, his argument has become this: that Salt Spring should be the only place in Canada to subsidize second (and third or fourth) homes or investment properties for some, while driving away full-time residents, at any income level.

DAVID BORROWMAN,
Local Trustee

Loyalty

Regarding the ongoing

commentary following the October 9 Viewpoint article by Monik Nordine:

Having been on Salt Spring Island for 10 years and being a professional musician for nearly 20, I have to thank Jill Thomas of the Tree House Cafe for offering me a place to play, make money and sell my CDs (more money) throughout the summers.

Jill's policy was and still is to pay musical acts \$40 cash, give half off food and beverages and, of course, proceeds from "the hat."

I wouldn't bother playing for \$40, but as I discovered on the first night I played there, the hat usually brings in \$200 a night. I don't recall being offered any money to play anywhere else on the island (with the exception of the Salt Spring Folk Club).

I've played the open stage at Moby's for a free beverage, which is fine, as most open stages don't offer money. If you travel off the island to big cities you'll find that live music venues have been disappearing due to the fact that many people prefer to dance to DJs, who, I might add, are making more than most bands now.

I recently played a popular live music venue on Granville

Island. The way they pay you is: you have to first pay their soundman \$150, do your own promotion and then you get whatever money you collect from the \$5 cover charge at the door. No guarantees. This is quite common.

The Tree House staff make a speech on behalf of the artist (asking patrons to support the live music on their stage) three times a night while passing the hat. I think it is a fabulous and respectful gesture that works. Not many restaurants would want to pester their patrons for more money, as their staff want tips too.

The last thing I want to do is support the using and abusing of musicians. As I have found out over the years, musicians generally are expected to do a lot of charity work, the musicians' union is a joke and making a living at it is rare.

I find it quite incredible that the Tree House would receive any kind of criticism for showcasing live local music 127 nights a year and providing many island musicians with a source of additional income.

I may sound loyal to the Tree House because I am.

TOM HOOPER,
Salt Spring

Dismayed

While perusing the flyers recently, I was dismayed when I saw the price of coffee.

Folgers (owned by Procter and Gamble) was advertised at \$4.97 for a kilo (approximately .5 cent per gram) and Maxwell House (owned by Phillip Morris) was advertised at 600 gms for \$4 (approximately .7 cents/gram).

It is generally considered that the cost of production of green coffee beans is about 90 cents per lb. (.2 cents/gram). And between the green beans at the finca gate and your cup there is transportation, storage, roasting (20 per cent shrinkage) and packaging. How then can these multinationals deliver this product at such a low price?

What can they be paying their producers? Is not this just another case of we in the north taking our pleasures on the backs of poorly paid workers and producers in the south?

We do have an alternative and that is to purchase and consume only fairly traded coffee. It is available on Salt Spring.

BRIAN FINNEMORE,
Salt Spring

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DFO needs to put fish, not fisheries, into its name

The flash and thrash of salmon in waters around the Gulf Islands has been impressive over the last few weeks.

In spots through Active Pass and up Satellite Channel, readily seen from ferries, what looks like white-capped current is actually salmon roiling, stirred up by seals feasting below the waves and seagulls dining noisily above.

The salmon are waiting for water levels in their various natal rivers to rise sufficiently for them to make it upstream to spawn. It's been a very dry summer. All rivers and streams are worrisomely dry. Until we get some substantial rains, the salmon simply must wait... and wait. It's stressful for them, saving their reserves for the rest of the journey and the next generation, while dodging eager predators.

Fishers of the human sort

noticed this abundance, of course, and pressed

for permission to get their "fair share," whatever that means. Over the last disastrous decades, the world over, it's meant as many as possible, then uh oh, we seem to have overdone it, how did this happen?

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans sanctioned a two-day mid-October opening for about a dozen gillnetters to catch the milling, predator-harassed chum salmon in Satellite Channel. Six southern Vancouver Island native groups protested it, because too many salmon could be taken to guarantee that enough will outlast the upstream drought to spawn

SPRING-BOARD

BY BRENDA GUALED



in sustainable numbers, which means preserving genetic diversity as well as body count.

Therein lies the problem. Fisheries and Oceans may know all about fisheries and oceans, but they know precious little about fishes. How many to take, how many to leave, when and where, has long been a problem for them, and they're not much smarter now than they ever were.

This ignorance about the basics came home to me at a meeting in August between the Kwikwetlem First Nation and DFO personnel. The Kwikwetlem council was reading them the riot act about the mess their namesake river, the Coquitlam, is in, because DFO has failed its

legal duty protecting the fishes. In particular, a rare spring-run race of sockeye called "Kwikwetlem" were deliberately wiped out long ago. They want them back.

As the Kwikwetlem leaders talked about the fish, the fish, the fish, the DFO team sat uncomfortably, almost tongue-tied. Silty gills, impassable barriers, messed channels, toxic spills — nothing got more than a non-committal nod from them.

The Kwikwetlem then mentioned their difficulty getting their boat in and out of the river, even at high tide. Ah, the DFO woke up and got into gear — literally, into gear. They understand boats, docks, nets, stuff like that. They could dredge the river, let's talk about it.

Ding! I got it. They're "fisheries," they do the hardware, the housekeeping, and the regulating of it. They don't do fishes,

because even when we're down to the last one dumped in the ocean from someone's aquarium, there'll still be a fishery, right? They can chase that fish, manage it and make rules, wring their hands over all it.

The Indians on Vancouver Island are, like their mainland cousins, worried about the fishes, and they think that DFO should know enough about them to tell how many, waiting in the ocean for rains to fill up their spawning grounds, are required to maintain the stock. It's still a crapshoot.

Until we have a Department of Fishes and Oceans, it will continue to be. Commercial, sport and native fishers alike might do better to stop fighting each other and work together on this new focus. The fishes will win then, and thus will we all.

b_guiled@yahoo.ca

Treat change

Salt Spring UNICEF reminds all children, their parents and other concerned adults that tomorrow, October 31, is National UNICEF Day.

Canadian children have been trick-or-treating for UNICEF since 1955. Even the youngest have the opportunity to act as responsible global citizens and change the world with their change. It is a simple but potent act of sharing — child to child,

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heart to heart,

Please encourage your children or students to carry the orange boxes proudly and present them at the door when they are trick or treating.

If you are giving out treats at your door, please remember to have some change ready too. It is also important that each box is returned promptly to the child's school after Hallowe'en.

If you have access to the Internet, please check out unicef.ca and giveitup4kids.org.

They are interesting and interactive websites for children and youth any time of the year.

Thank you for your continued and valued support of UNICEF and the world's children.

DOROTHY DRUBEK,
Salt Spring UNICEF

Process alive

Dignity and respect. These were words that Robert Morales, chief negotiator for the Hul'qumi'num Treaty group, focussed on in his opening speech at the Main Table in Duncan on October 10.

And it was in an atmosphere of unwavering dignity and respect that the four-hour proceedings were conducted that evening.

The parties at the tripartite negotiating table were the federal government, the provincial government and the Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group (HTG).

On this occasion, proceedings were open to members of the general public, who were invited to attend as observers.

I was one of seven members of the Salt Spring Islanders for Justice and Reconciliation group who joined with more than 100 aboriginal and non-aboriginal people for this event. We were immersed in the native language and unhurried opening ceremonies as two designated interpreters called upon more than 20 respected elders, in turn, to witness the proceedings and waited as elected chiefs acknowledged each of these elders.

The opening speeches of the three chief negotiators were translated by the elder interpreter whose sonorous voice needed no electronic amplification.

As the various working groups made their progress reports it became obvious that a tremendous amount of work had been done since the last Main Table more than a year ago. The HTG negotiations have entered Stage 5 of the six-stage treaty process. They had already "signed an agreement with Canada and B.C. that will help the nation to identify social, economic and cultural needs to support treaty settlement land selection" (Treaty Commission 2002 report) and this Main Table ended with the signing of a shellfish aquaculture economic measures agreement.

So the treaty process is alive and well with the B.C. negotiating team, led by a compelling and respectful Katherine Gordon (with experience in treaty negotiations with the Maoris of New Zealand) negotiating in good faith. Let us hope that Robert Nault's threat to walk away from the 30 negotiating tables is just empty political posturing.

JACQUELINE THOMAS,
Salt Spring

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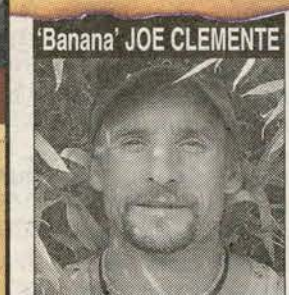


SURVIVOR

WHO WILL BE THE LAST ONE LEFT?
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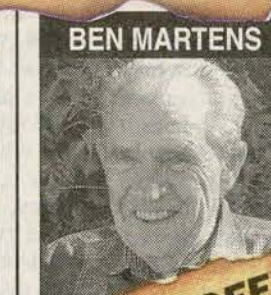
NORTH END TRIBE

'Banana' JOE CLEMENTE




Favourite hobby: Gardening with exotic plants.
Something that drives you crazy: People that aren't on time.
If you had to be stranded on an island, where would it be?: Anywhere in the South Pacific.
If you were on a deserted island for 1 mo. what specific part of your daily routine at home would you miss the most...least?: Most: Spending time with my wife & children. Least: doing dishes or watering the garden.
You've run out of food, & your fellow castaways are looking awfully tasty. They're counting on you to come up with a plan for finding grub. What would you do?: I'd cut some fronds from a coccoloba (with my trusty pruners) then strip all of the leaflets from the rachis & sharpen the end of the petiole, so I could spear fish.

BEN MARTENS



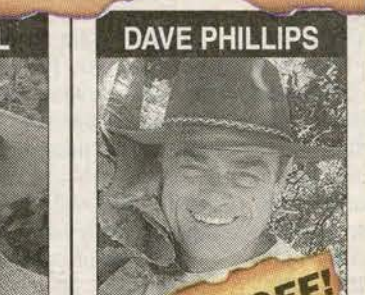
Favourite hobby: Creating computer pictures.
Something that drives you crazy: Sit Coms and canned laughter.
If you had to be stranded on an island, where would it be?: Salt Spring...actually I am stranded here!
If you were on a deserted island for 1 mo. what specific part of your daily routine at home would you miss the most...least?: Most: My king sized bed. Least: Phone solicitations.
You've run out of food, & your fellow castaways are looking awfully tasty. They're counting on you to come up with a plan for finding grub. What would you do?: Phone Sam at the "Golden Island", he'd figure it out.

MARY SMALL



Favourite hobby: Creating computer pictures.
Something that drives you crazy: Sit Coms and canned laughter.
If you had to be stranded on an island, where would it be?: Salt Spring...actually I am stranded here!
If you were on a deserted island for 1 mo. what specific part of your daily routine at home would you miss the most...least?: Most: My king sized bed. Least: Phone solicitations.
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DAVE PHILLIPS



Favourite hobby: Creating computer pictures.
Something that drives you crazy: Sit Coms and canned laughter.
If you had to be stranded on an island, where would it be?: Salt Spring...actually I am stranded here!
If you were on a deserted island for 1 mo. what specific part of your daily routine at home would you miss the most...least?: Most: My king sized bed. Least: Phone solicitations.
You've run out of food, & your fellow castaways are looking awfully tasty. They're counting on you to come up with a plan for finding grub. What would you do?: Phone Sam at the "Golden Island", he'd figure it out.

Our castaways are so beautiful Salt Spring!

ONLY ONE WILL SURVIVE

Driftwood readers will ballot to vote one castaway each week. The last castaway, THE LONE SURVIVOR, will win \$500 for their charity or community project.

BALLOTS ARE COUNTED MONDAY MORNING (AFTER 10 AM)

Each week our castaways will complete a number of tasks (answer questions, etc.) and the answers each week to see who the castaway is doing! Then cast your ballot for the castaway you think will win a weekend in Victoria!


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Nucleus

A couple of decades ago many Canadians were upset because the Mulroney government changed the way mail was delivered in suburban or semi-rural areas.

Each group of dwellings would be provided with a battery of locked boxes, so instead of going 50 yards to our mailbox, we each had to suffer the trauma of walking 100 yards and back or, if mobile, of parking in the space provided. Many of us, including the writer, were vehement in protest. The rural mail boxes were part of the fabric of our society. This, we thundered, was just part of the phasing out of our public services heritage!

After prayer and fasting, I'm forced to concede that although he was just trying to save a buck, Mulroney's multiple mail boxes have had at least one advantage in scattered communities like the Gulf Islands. Each has the capacity to be a neighbourhood nucleus, and neighbourliness is some-

thing that our ultra-reserved society desperately needs.

Our ancestors had the town pump. Today it is too easy to not know our neighbours, yet nothing contributes more to our quality of life and our security than a cordial relationship with them.

I admit that my wife and I have been part of the problem. We have really met only about six of our 30 or so V8K 2M5 postal code neighbours.

How to correct this? An occasional postal code party? With a jingle? i.e. "V8K 2M5/ We've got mail, we're still alive/ Howdy neighbour, all that jive/ Rah Rah Rah 2M5."

ANDREW GIBSON,
Rainbow Road

Real shame

Each week I visit the gardens at Grace Point.

I admire all of the sub-tropical flora that seems to flourish in the mild micro-climate.

However, I couldn't help but notice that one species of eucalyptus had been

inadvertently pruned.

If this had been a more commonly grown species of gum, it wouldn't bother me. Unfortunately, the euc that had been chopped was a globulus, a species of tree that is so marginal in this zone it's not even funny.

Several large limbs were removed at the wrong time of the year. This could be detrimental to the tree if an early or late freeze should strike. Eucalyptus globulus is not a cold-tolerant species in our zone. It is short-term at best, and I've been amazed that this particular specimen at Grace Point has survived for this length of time.

The tree that was pruned is possibly the largest and oldest of this species growing on our inner south coast, if not Canada!

I don't know of any other blue gums that have stood the test of time in our zone.

It was donated as a gift to Grace Point about five years ago. Before that, it grew in a large planter in Nanaimo. I was told the tree was planted pre-1990,



and had survived the early years in a pot. This is very rare indeed for such a tender species.

The blue gum is a tree that should be cherished way up here in the temperate zone and not pruned. So for the person or persons responsible for ruining such a beautiful specimen, the next time you

decide to put your pruning saw to work, you'd better do your homework!

Making a mess of such a rare species in this climate is a real shame. Let's just pray for a mild winter.

"BANANA"
JOE CLEMENTE,
Salt Spring

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PLANTED: Morgan Savin, of The Plant Farm, is spotted at a garden club plant sale on Saturday. Photo by Derrick Lundy



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CAROL SIMPSON



Favourite hobby: Quilting
Something that drives you crazy:
Selfish people.

If you had to be stranded on an island, where would it be?:
Somewhere where the temp. never goes above 85° F or below 60° F.

If you were on a deserted island for 1 mo. what specific part of your daily routine at home would you miss the most...least?: Most: Kissing my sweetie goodnight. Least: Any form of housework, especially dishes! **You've run out of food, & your fellow castaways are looking awfully tasty. They're counting on you to come up with a plan for finding grub. What would you do?** Whip out my handy-dandy reference book on edible plants, which I smuggled in & create a feast!

SID FILKOW



**THIRD
VOTED OFF!**

Hard to believe that with 3 castaways voted off the island, two are "The Geezers"! The latest to go is Sid Filkow, comments from the voting public included "Sid's lost his sense of humour and his chance to survive!", "Your answers aren't your usual wit. Sid, you're so off this island!", and "Eeny, Meeny, Miney, Mo."

So now the North moves ahead of the South 3 to 2! Vote soon by clipping the ballot on this page and leave in the ballot box at any of the participating Survivor businesses. Remember one ballot per week, per reader. Extra ballots in stores! The last castaway wins \$500 for their favorite charity! One lucky reader wins accommodations in Victoria!

MAGGIE MACWARBEY



**FIRST
VOTED OFF!**

Alas, Maggie MacWarbey that playful siren from the south end becomes the first to be cast off of beautiful Salt Spring Island. First-cousin to Arvid Chalmers (see the resemblance?) Maggie was in a virtual dead heat with Dave Philips & finished only 1 vote ahead. Tribal Council re-counted 3 times, to no avail.

Comments from the voters who voted Maggie off included: "Eliminate this beauty & make room for other babes on the beach.", "She can't be for real", "Bad Disguise", "Nice, but who likes ironing as a hobby?" Remember to clip out the ballot on this page & vote off the castaway of your choice at any of the participating Survivor businesses. Remember 1 ballot per week, per reader. Extra ballots in stores! The last castaway wins \$500 for their favorite charity!

VALDY
AKA Paul Valdemar Horsdal



Favourite hobby: Disc golf & pickin up litter in Ganges.

Something that drives you crazy: North Enders imitating locals at Fulford Daze.

If you had to be stranded on an island, where would it be?: Salt Spring Island, because it's a community of choice.

If you were on a deserted island for 1 mo. what specific part of your daily routine at home would you miss the most...least?: Most: Bantering & puttering with my wife. Least: The humming of the fridge.

You've run out of food, & your fellow castaways are looking awfully tasty. They're counting on you to come up with a plan for finding grub. What would you do? Fish without a license.

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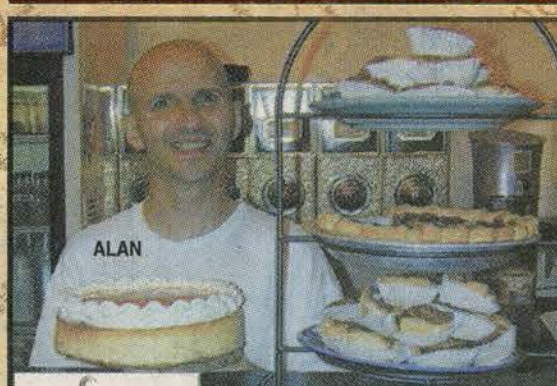
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Whale instinct

May I comment on the minke whale and the orca pod in Ganges Harbour on Tuesday, October 15?

We saw the minke peacefully grazing or slurping in kelp beds down south on Saturday afternoon. On Monday, enroute to West Vancouver by small boat, my husband John stopped in awe and respect to watch the killer pod and excited Ruckle campers cavort on sea and shore!

He watched as the pod entered Ganges Harbour. What ensued Tuesday morning was an unknown phenomenon.

May I respectfully suggest the minke had followed a long-ago imprinted instinct, or map, to navigate Ganges Harbour successfully at speeds which may have enabled escape through what once was a natural channel, but is now a blind, man-made block of dredgings, rock and concrete — all done to accommodate our insatiable need to dominate the landscape.

ANNE HUMPHRIES,
Bay Ridge Place

Café response

As a tempest brews in our lively community newspaper I feel compelled to clarify how music at the Tree House operates.

We host live music every night from the May long weekend until the fall fair. This year that added up to 127 nights of music — a Salt Spring record.

The café has adopted an evolved "busking" format because it makes sense in our venue. We are a small café, not a pub or nightclub, so people will not pay a cover. Our customers do not consume large amounts of alcohol and are not compelled to eat.

Much of the audience at the Tree House hangs out in the alley beside the café. These folks are not obliged to spend any money. We encourage this and often advertise BYOC (Bring Your Own Chair).

Musicians in turn are paid a \$40 honorarium, get half-price food and drink, and receive tips in "the hat."

Tree House staff are trained to do a "hat speech," which includes introducing the act, highlighting that there is no cover and asking the audience to support the musicians with tips and by buying their CDs.

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Musicians usually make between \$100-\$500 in the hat, plus their honorarium and proceeds from CD sales. Because the Tree House hosts so many nights of live music, most local musicians get some gigs and many musicians play 12 times during a season. The Tree House has thus become a significant source of income for many local musicians.

Musicians, of course, make a significant financial contribution to the Tree House as well. The café therefore supports them by marketing their gigs. We publish and distribute full-colour weekly posters, monthly calendars and take home bookmarks and pay for weekly ads in the Driftwood. We also publish a full-colour pamphlet for the entire season that we mail to our 500 Tree House Club members. In addition, we organize, promote and pay hosts for four full-day music festivals.

With honorariums, marketing and labour expenses, the Tree House music budget is approximately \$15,000. This is a huge bill for a small café with 35 seats. Therefore, to make 127 nights of music financially feasible we have successfully sought sponsorship from other local businesses.

At the Tree House, local musicians get more exposure,

better marketing and make more money than in any other island venue. We do this while providing free entertainment, nightlife in Ganges and a truly authentic Salt Spring experience for visitors.

The number of local musicians who contribute to the magic of the Tree House stage is too many to mention but I am grateful to all of them. I look forward to next year. If you are interested in playing on our stage please e-mail me in February at treehouse@salt-spring.com.

As for the rest of you, come down and enjoy the free entertainment, bring your own chair if you want, and please give generously to "the hat."

JILL THOMAS,
Tree House Café

Safe?

How can I be so naive?

I thought that ambassadors were trained in diplomacy and knew better than to interfere with or instruct their host country in matters of domestic policy.

But we live next to the "superpower" and seem to be losing the right to self-government. When Ambassador Paul Salucci informs us we must spend more on the military, no one even complains.

The U.S. spends 60 per cent of its budget on its military. Is

the U.S. safer than Canada? Quite apart from September 11, it is clear that there is more domestic terrorism in the U.S. than in Canada.

There are 35,000 homeless men, women and children on the streets of New York who I doubt feel safe at all. While our safety net is slipping, I think most Canadians would inform Ambassador Salucci that health care and housing provide more safety than bombs or bullets.

PAT O'NEILL,
Salt Spring

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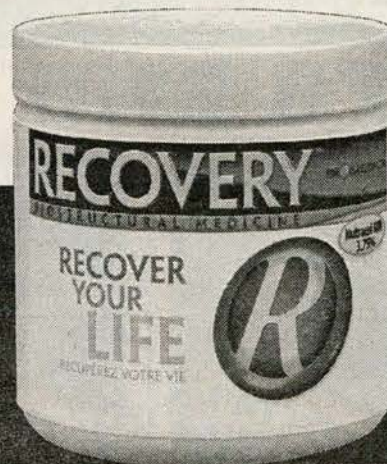
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Trust accounting

I am a firm supporter of the Islands Trust's "preserve and protect" mandate for the Gulf Islands. However, I have grave concerns as to how the Trust spends the money it collects each year from the taxpayers of Salt Spring Island. What exactly do we get for our money?

Salt Spring's total property assessments, amounting to over \$1 million per year, accounts for 35 per cent of the Trust's total budget. The breakdown of where that money goes is as follows: Trust Council and executive — \$148,387; Trust Fund Board administration — \$80,000; local Trust services — \$897,530.

"Local Trust services" are the equivalent of the land-planning department. In most B.C. communities our size, the cost for local planning ranges from \$200,00 to \$300,000 per year. So why do Salt Spring Islanders pay upwards of \$600,000 MORE for our planning than other communities?

Well, the Trust divides the approximate \$900,000 in taxes we pay for local planning as follows: (a) planning for Salt Spring Island, \$650,000; (b) subsidy for local planning on other Gulf Islands, \$250,000.

So, not only are we paying \$350,000 too much for our own land planning, but we are also actually subsidizing development on other Gulf Islands from tax money that should be spent on our own local land planning!

Can anyone please explain to me why we on Salt Spring should pay a penny to subsidize other Gulf Islands landowners and developers for planning the subdivision and development of their properties?

And, couldn't our tax dollars be better spent? What could our community do with the \$600,000 (over 1/2 of the taxes we pay to the Trust) extra we pay for local services to the Trust?

While the "status quo" is bad enough, much more alarming is the fact that the Trust, through its proposed "Trust renewal plan" wishes to expand its powers and area of influence. If that comes to pass, does anyone (current Brooklyn bridge owners excluded) actually believe our taxes won't go up?

Add on the provincial government's recently

announced downloading of policing and road costs (on an assessed value basis) and you have a formula that should not only concern all Salt Spring taxpayers, but, scare the socks off of anyone on a fixed income.

Voters have a clear choice to make on November 16. Elect those who wish to expand Trust powers or vote for someone who will work diligently to keep your socks on and your taxes down.

ERIC BOOTH,
CRD and Islands Trust election candidate

Paramount

On October 10, I was one of those who attended the public presentation of the Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group Main Table in Duncan.

I went with few clear expectations, but brought with me a vague frustration with the seeming intractability of the problem.

As the meeting got underway, the benediction, calls to witness and opening remarks (given in both English and Hul'qumi'num) began to move in me a feeling of connection with history I've not often felt.

As I sat listening to words spoken in a native tongue and realizing that mine is the foreign one, my mind wandered to imagined meetings in history, on beaches, in long-houses, around fires.

Did the witnesses of those meetings believe the words they heard around those fires? Were the speakers less sincere?

What merit can any noble words have if we need to repeat them with each new generation? Surely if we'd learned to treat our hosts with dignity and respect after the first promises were made, we'd have no need to make promises upholding those we've broken.

During the brief intermission I stood studying a map showing the Hul'qumi'num claim terri-

tory with all its rival interests (mainly controlled by forestry companies).

A woman asked why I was attending.

"Shame," I answered. "My family has been in this country some 300 years and I can't bear to think that this great injustice can go on much longer."

Before reclaiming our seats, this woman thanked me for my comment and explained that she'd recently joined the federal negotiating team. I was glad she'd heard me.

As the proceedings continued, both my mind and my heart began to work in many directions. On the one hand, I felt encouraged by the progress that was reported in many areas.

At the same time, I struggled against the urge to judge my forbears for their inability to resolve these issues.

Mainly I began to realize that each generation must remake the world and that my part is to attend the meetings and write the words. I do this to honour justice of today, to honour my ancestors of yesterday and my descendants of tomorrow.

I walked away from the meeting thinking I may never receive a greater privilege than this opportunity for understanding and reconciliation with these people whom "my" people have abused so long.

In receiving such warm hospitality I am reminded of the British Antarctic explorer Shackleton, who said that, "Optimism is true moral courage."

Shame must yield to hope, and hope must impel action.

With local elections coming up, I'm compelled to consider these issues as paramount. If we can't treat our neighbours, hosts and friends with respect, how can we hope to have a community that's worth living in?

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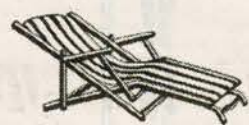
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Winning Vermeulen team scores 29

Adult and youth golfers paired up to play in support of junior golf for the second annual Richard Vermeulen Memorial Cup fundraiser Saturday.

A mix of 50 islanders and visitors competed in the Texas scramble event at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club.

While players could form their own teams, a junior player had to be the fifth member of each group, said organizer Shelley Vermeulen.

The winning team was comprised of Dennis Andrews, Richard Ingle, Don Nemeth, Gord Hollingsworth and Hollingsworth's 10-year-old son Matthew. They scored a 29 for nine holes.

"Matthew couldn't stop grinning, he was having so much fun," said Vermeulen.

Steven Marleau hit the longest drive among men and Stephanie Rhodes hit long ball against women competitors. Rob Huser won men's closest to the pin (KP) and Beth Drummond won women's KP.

Junior player Josh Benloulou won both the longest drive and KP categories against the younger competitors.

Another junior, Brook Speed, won the longest putt amongst a field of all ages and genders. Likewise, junior player Luke Giefing won the goofy shortest drive category for his prize-winning shot.



GOLF HELP: Jenny Newell and Joanne Millford help out at the Richard Vermeulen Memorial Cup fundraiser, held Saturday on the Ganges greens.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

An adult, Chad Williams, won the closest to the line drive prize.

"Over 50 prizes were generously donated from Salt Spring businesses," said Vermeulen.

A raffle generated \$800 toward the junior golf fund and the event raised at least \$2,500, she said.

"Community support was absolutely incredible."

Proceeds from the competition will go toward the club's junior golf program to provide a high school scholarship and two youth memberships for prospective junior golfers.

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BC FERRIES Schedule

Salt Spring Island

VESUVIUS BAY - CROFTON

CROSSING TIME: 20 MINUTES

Please note these changes to the regular schedule.

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LEAVE CROFTON

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Minister of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services has approved the **withdrawal of David Ralph NEW**, under section 80(2) of the *Local Government Act*, as a candidate for Local Trustee for **Galiano Island**. The Notice of Election By Voting is amended accordingly.

Dated this 24th day of October, 2002
Thomas F. Moore
Chief Election Officer



CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

SALT SPRING ISLAND LIQUID WASTE DISPOSAL LOCAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

-- NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING --

Please be advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Salt Spring Island Liquid Waste Disposal Local Service Committee will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2002 @ 10:30 a.m. at the Lions Hall, Salt Spring Island, BC.

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CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

GANGES SEWER LOCAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

-- NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING --

Please be advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Ganges Sewer Local Service Committee will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2002 @ 1:30 pm at the Lions Hall, Salt Spring Island, BC.

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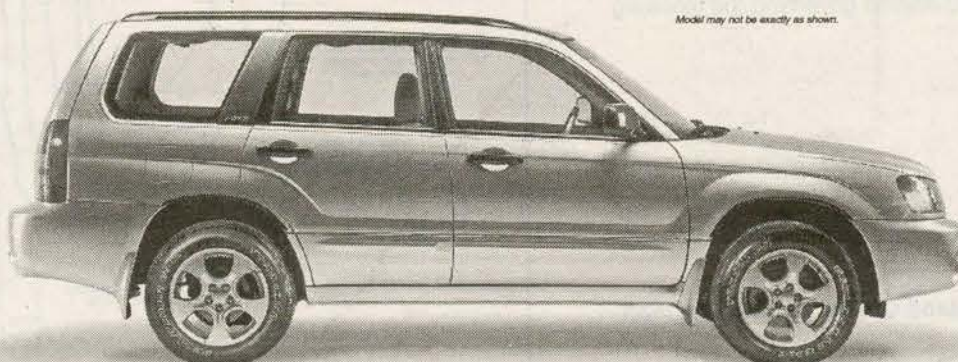


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Salt Spring's U11 girls took on a sleek Lakehill team in Victoria Saturday, losing 6-0 but drawing out the best plays coach Sue Spencer has seen the local squad make.

"They were thinking a lot, and I have to mention everyone because everyone worked so hard," Spencer said.

Emily Gix was "outstanding in net; she did extremely well in shot-stopping," she added, noting that Paige Hickman and Nicole Pal played really well on defence. The score could have been much higher without their defensive plays and numerous saves by Gix.

Girls face adversity, play with heart

Kirstie Girard and Sierra Lundy played well together on the forward line, "constantly attacking and making plays in a thinking-way," Spencer said. Also playing forward, Chloe Holmes, Arden Giefing and Alice Pavely put in consistent games and didn't "give up in the face of adversity."

In the mid-field, Logan McLeod took a couple of hits and stayed determined to get back into play, while Grace Morgan used the field to dis-

rupt the other team's momentum.

Kai Fishleigh made some key passes, Spencer added, and Kate Hosie played well all over the field.

"They didn't quit," Spencer said. "They played with heart and soul."

The U15 silver boys Titans enjoyed a 7-2 blow-out over the Cowichan Patriots at Portlock Park two Saturdays ago.

Chad Cottrell picked up three goals, while Remy Dakin,

Rusty Fedberg, Paris Haase and Ryan McLeod also scored.

Assists also went out to Haase, Peter Goodman and Yoni Marmorstein.

"Darren Van Ginkel almost scored off a beautiful shot from the half line," assistant coach Peter Haase said. "He's the smallest guy on the team so the guys razed him a bit for that one."

The coach appreciated good sportsmanship from the Cowichan team despite the

score and noted that the Titans have really solidified after four games together.

Salt Spring Slammers U12 girls walked all over a Juan de Fuca team and got a nod of approval from the referee and a linesman, when they played to a 3-0 game at the upper high school field last Saturday.

Coach Dave Morgan said his squad and their parents were noted for their good sportsmanship in the face of some aggressive words and play coming

from the other side of the field.

The Slammers dominated the game from the opening whistle, with Monique Comeau smashing in two goals, Ivy Staker nailing the third, and Danica Lundy blasting a heart-breaker to the top corner of the post.

Morgan commended Rosalie Baldwinson and Katie Villadsen, who switched positions, with Villadsen going back onto the defensive line and Baldwinson moving forward.

He also noted some great saves made by keepers Lundy and Emily Rothwell.



ISLANDS TRUST

SATURNA ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that Saturna Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing on the following proposed bylaws:

- Bylaw No. 78 – cited as "Saturna Island Land Use Bylaw No. 78, 2002"
- Proposed Bylaw No. 75 – cited as "Saturna Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 70, 2000, Amendment No. 2, 2002"
- Proposed Bylaw No. 76 – cited as "Saturna Island Land Use Bylaw No. 78, 2002, Amendment No. 2, 2002"

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Saturna Island Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws. The public hearing will be held at 1:00 pm, November 13, 2002 at Saturna Island Fire Hall, Saturna Island, BC.

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, a general description of which follows:

• Proposed Bylaw No. 78, 2002 – Land Use Bylaw

In general terms, the purpose of Bylaw No. 78 is to enact a new comprehensive Land Use Bylaw for the Saturna Island Local Trust Area. Proposed Bylaw No. 78 is similar with an earlier proposed bylaw, Land Use Bylaw No. 72, with some alterations. If adopted, Bylaw 78 will rescind and replace Zoning Bylaw No. 8, 1981 and Subdivision Bylaw No. 1, 1976 and amendments thereto, that currently regulate land use and subdivision.

Bylaw No. 78 is comprised of text and a map and will be applicable to all parcels of land, within the Saturna Island Local Trust Area including Saturna, Tumbo and Samuel Islands and an area of foreshore and land covered by water, and the surface of water, extending 300 metres from the natural high water marks of those islands and their associated islets. This bylaw includes changes related to use or density or both that will potentially affect all properties in the Saturna Island Local Trust Area.

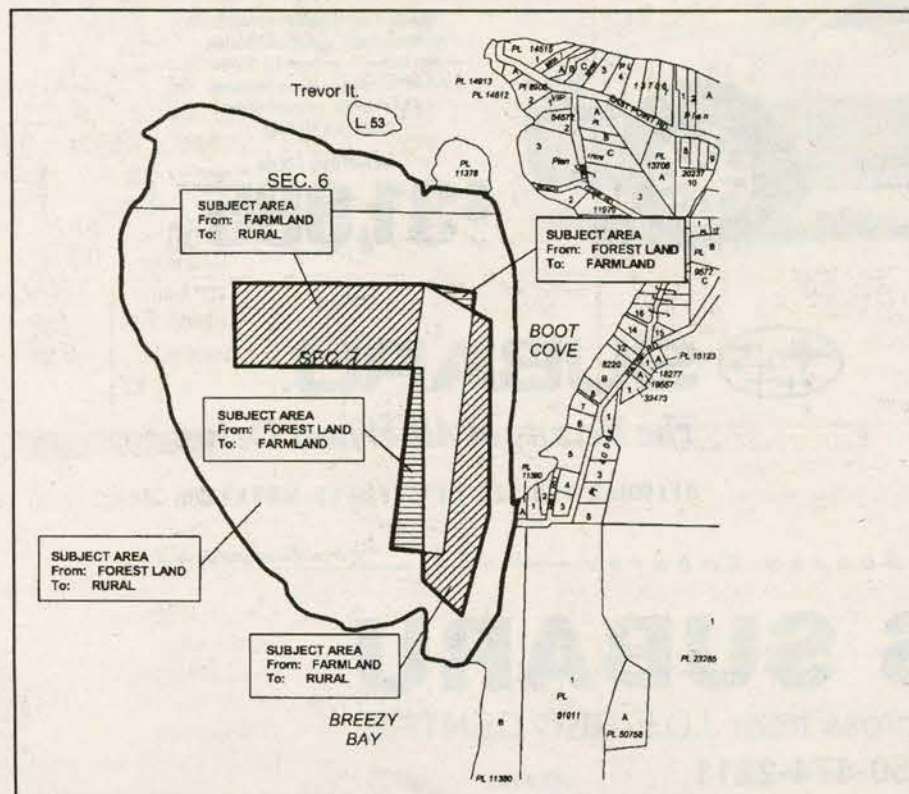
In general terms, the proposed bylaw contains regulations governing the following matters:

- Administration;
- General Regulations;
- Establishment of Zones
- Zoning Regulations;
- Subdivision Regulations;
- Sign Regulations;
- Off Street Parking Regulations; and
- Interpretation.

• Proposed Bylaw No. 75 - cited as "Saturna Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 70, 2000, Amendment No. 2, 2002"

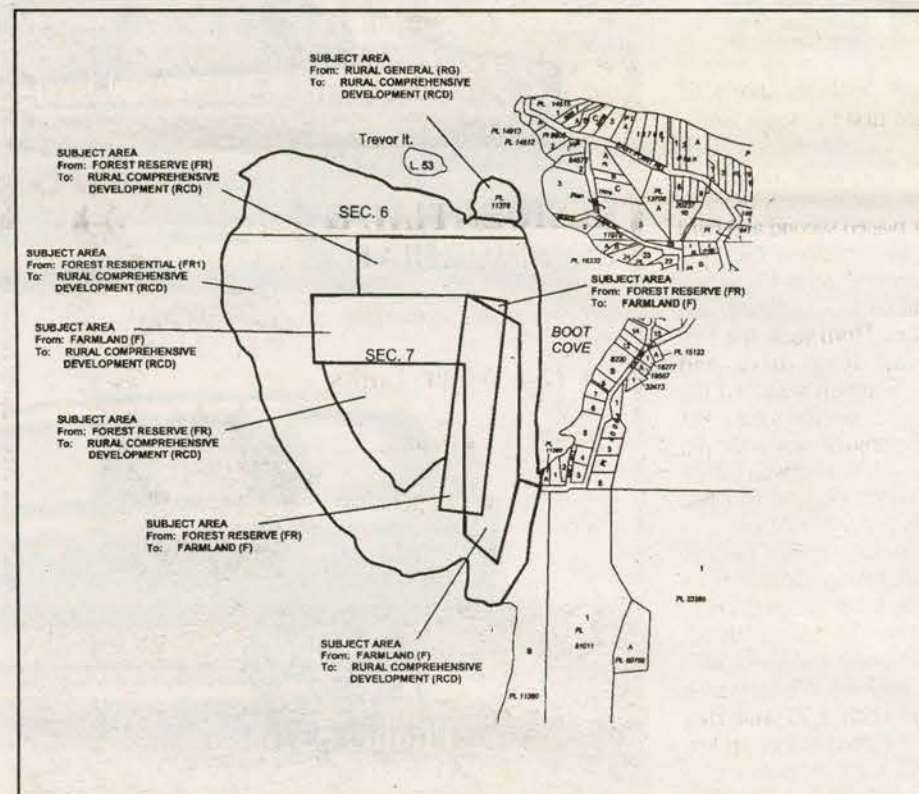
Proposed Bylaw No. 75 was the subject of a Public Hearing on October 20, 2002, however due to alterations to the Bylaw it is necessary to hold another Public Hearing. In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 75 is to amend Schedule B of the Official Community Plan by changing the designation of lands legally described as Sections 6 and 7,

Saturna Island, Cowichan District from Forest Land and Farmland to Rural and from Forest Land to Farmland, as shown on the plan below:



• Proposed Bylaw No. 76 - cited as "Saturna Island Land Use Bylaw No. 78, 2002, Amendment No. 2, 2002"

Proposed Bylaw No. 76 was the subject of a Public Hearing on October 20, 2002, however due to alterations to the Bylaw it is necessary to hold another Public Hearing. In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 76 is to amend the Rural Comprehensive Development Zone to permit a maximum of 28 residences on the parcel of land commonly known as "Old Point Farm" and legally described as Sections 6 and 7, Saturna Island, Cowichan District and Lot 1, Plan 11378, Section 18, Saturna Island, Cowichan District and to amend Schedule B of the Land Use Bylaw by changing the zoning on the property legally described as Sections 6 and 7, Saturna Island, Cowichan District from Forest Residential, Forest Reserve and Farmland Zones to Rural Comprehensive Development Zone and from Forest Reserve Zone to Farmland Zone; and, by changing the zoning of lands legally described as Lot 1, Plan 11378, Section 18, Saturna Island, Cowichan District from Rural Zone to Rural Comprehensive Development Zone, as shown on the plan below:



A copy of the proposed bylaws and any relevant 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, October 30, 2002.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2)(e) of the Local Government Act, the proposed bylaws may be inspected commencing Friday, November 1, 2002 at various Notice Boards on Saturna Island, B.C., and can also be viewed on the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca> and selecting Saturna Island / Bylaws / Proposed.

Written submissions may be delivered:

1. to the office of the Islands Trust by mail at #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, or by Fax (250) 405-5155, prior to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 12, 2002;
2. after 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 12, 2002 to the Trust Committee at the Public Hearing at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 13, 2002.

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 SATURNA ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Kathy Jones

Deputy Secretary



ULTIMATE FUN: The Salt Spring Ultimate Club (SUC) (seen above with fellow competitors Afro-Assault of Vancouver) might not have won a game at the 10th annual Pumpkin Pull Frisbee tournament in Victoria last weekend, but they were well-loved by all opponents and brought home the D pool spirit award. Dressed for the Sex Fools Cabaret, SUC played against teams from Vancouver, Cortes Island, Seattle, Portland and Whitehorse. A total of 32 teams attended the disc-friendly event.

Photo contributed

Old Boys fight top team for loss

The Salt Spring Old Boys made a great effort against the top-ranked Philbrooks FC team but fell to a 3-1 loss in Sidney Sunday.

"They're the best team in our league," said Antonio Alonso.

Since the Philbrooks squad has not lost or even tied a game this season, the Old Boys are feeling pretty good about their performance, Alonso said.

"We made a great effort and played a great game."

The lone Salt Spring goal was finished by Rainer Funk after a pass by Jonathon

Oldroyd.

"Everyone played well. It was a collective effort."

Despite the final outcome, the Old Boys controlled much of the game and put together some good chances, Alonso said.

He was particularly surprised to see such a strong performance when key players like David Norget, Don Brown, Alvaro Sanchez and Phil Ritson were absent from the field.

"We'll be looking forward to our next game with them in a few weeks when we have all our players."

GOLF TEES

Gerard Webster shot a 65 to place first in men's medal play at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club Thursday.

Tom Locke and Jeremy Winter placed second and third when each carded a 68. Skip MacKay and John Campbell both hit 69 to take fourth and fifth. Lee Hurd took the low handicap long drive and Dennis Sherwin whacked the high handicap long ball. Pat Dalton scored closest to the pin (KP) on #2, Winter won KP on #6, Mitchell pegged #11 and Mike Morgan won #15.

Among the ladies 18-hole division, Mona Coulter hit a low gross 97 to win medal play on October 22. Alice Richards took runner-up low gross with a 101. Maxine Whorley won low net with a 77 and Bev Menzies earned runner-up low net with a 78. Menzies also took the putt pot with 26 putts.

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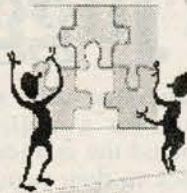
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FC quits juggling for a handy 4-0 Cowichan win

By KEN MARR

Driftwood Contributor

If it's working, why fix it. Salt Spring FC tried experimenting with a new formation of one striker and five midfielders against Cowichan in Duncan Sunday. But the islanders abandoned the challenging plan within 30 minutes and scored their biggest win of the season in a 4-0 blow-out.

Not to say the lads didn't have chances with the line-up change. Early FC pressure brought a great shot by Jesse Fisher "Fish" from six yards that was robbed by the Cowichan keeper on a reaction save.

But when Corbin Scott

came on as striker at 30 minutes for a midfielder, it forced the islanders to go back to their regular game (two strikers and four midfielders) and FC was successful within two minutes.

Salt Spring worked the ball deep up the left side with beautiful one-touch play by Scott, Harrison "Hairball" Jason, Dave McColl and Chris Langdon.

"Hairball" crossed it back to the top of the 18-yard line where Scott made no mistake and scored his first goal of the year with FC from a fantastic volley into the back of the net.

Cowichan came out with renewed vigour in the sec-

ond half. But solid defensive efforts by the entire defence kept Cowichan at bay.

In six games, FC has only three goals against, the best record in the upper Vancouver Island Soccer League (VISL). A lot of the credit goes to the centre-defence pairing of Chris "Dough" Jason and Jeremy Morrison.

At 60 minutes, "Hairball" crossed from the right and Tom McColl took a touch by a defender and finished from 20 yards to put FC up 2-0.

After a brief rest, "Hairball" went back in with 12 minutes to go and scored two goals. The first a chip

from his brother "Dough," and the second a cross from Jess McEachern.

McEachern played almost an hour in his second appearance for FC. He worked the ball well up the side and challenged aggressively in the air against a Cowichan mark with six inches and 60 pounds on him.

Sealing the net with another shutout, keeper Jono McDonald cut off attackers coming into the box and

continued to distribute the ball well to his wing backs.

One third of the way through the season, McDonald has already earned his third shut-out, which is a great accomplishment in the second division.

The win brings FC's record to five wins and a tie to seize first place in the division with a game in hand over the closest competition.

FC is now undefeated in 36 consecutive league games (29-0-7), a record stretching

back to January of 2001.

In fact, they only have one loss in regular time (with half the team) in 65 matches, including tournaments and Provincial Cup play.

Watch out Arsenal!

Salt Spring FC has the upcoming weekend off as the Women's Gold Cup matches are being held in Victoria. The islanders will next play Ladysmith at Frank Jamieson Centre at 2:15 p.m. November 10.

Wolves fall to Div. 6 squad

Even though the Native Wolves were sporting for a fight, Salt Spring's Division 6 men's soccer team kept focused on the ball and scored an 8-3 win in Saanich Sunday.

The Wolves picked up three yellow cards and a red for unsportsman-like conduct, said Div. 6 coach Mike Brown.

"They had their fists up ready to fight on more than one occasion. It was getting ugly but the referee kept it under control."

Instead of entering physical battles on the rutted field, the islanders "kicked butt in a

good way" with a series of goals off coordinated plays, Brown said.

"Basically, we dominated the field. We changed our game style to use our wings and quit charging up the middle."

Due to the sheer number of scoring chances, Brown had a hard time remembering details about the plays, or even who scored all the goals.

"Joe Akerman and Chad Little connected for a beauty, Tom Berry got two, Tyler Sayer got one, Joel Berry got one, Cameron

Sweet got one. . . Joe got two actually, we're missing one scorer. Maybe it was Jordan Haenen. He really wanted one."

But the individual names of goal scorers were hardly an issue since the whole team put up such a quality effort, Brown said.

In a special guest appearance, veteran player Chris Griffiths even minded the Salt Spring net versus the Wolves.

"I told him he only had to stay in for half but he did such a great job that he was stuck in there all game."

'Exciting' ride nets \$1,000


Nine riders raised almost \$1,000 in the recent Salt Spring Therapeutic Riding Association's fundraising ride-a-thon.

Liz Anderson of the riding association said the funds would enable the group to continue providing a riding venue for people with mental and physical challenges.

The ride-a-thon took place at the new Burgoyne Bay parklands on September 29.

Anderson said Ganges Village Market donated the post-ride lunch, and the Fulford Hall committee loaned the group its sandwich boards showing directions.

Margaret Byron led "the exciting ride through our new park," said Anderson.



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Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee

November 4, 2002

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Fulford Regional Office, Meeting Room

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The Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee is appointed by local governments to advise BC Ferries on local ferry issues. The committee also advises the Corporation periodically on broader policy and service issues.

Agenda items for this meeting include:

- Summer 2003/04 Schedule Review
- Terminal Upgrades

The following persons may be contacted as members of your ferry advisory committee:

Chairperson	Darlene Hewitt	250-537-1518
Committee Member	Lee Middleton	250-653-9883

For more information, contact one of the committee members (above) or Stephen Nussbaum, Regional Communications Coordinator at 250-655-6187 or by email at stephen.nussbaum@bcferries.com.



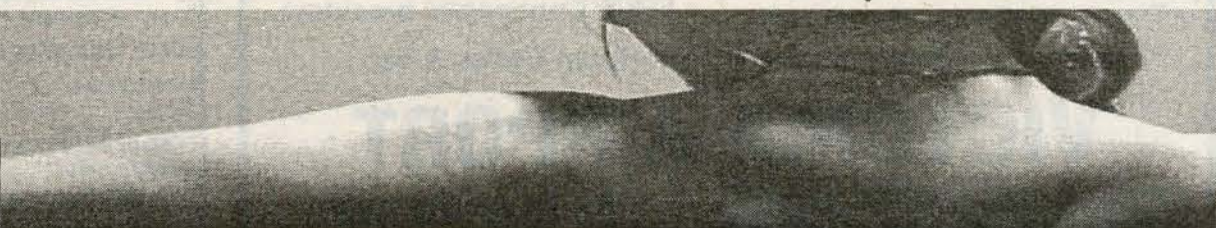
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BEACH SCORPIONS:

Girls and boys from both senior Gulf Islands Secondary School volleyball teams travelled to Hawaii for 10 days of tournaments and sightseeing. Highlights of the trip included playing at Waikiki beaches, climbing Diamond Head, snorkelling around the Hanuama Bay ecological reserve, a visit to the Pearl Harbor war memorial, a visit with the University of Hawaii women's volleyball team and a series of friendly matches against students at Mary Knowles and Punahou private schools. Photo contributed

Check out soccer stars of the future

By **MALCOLM LEGG**
Driftwood Contributor

With the weather staying so good for soccer it is a great opportunity to get out and watch our youth play on any of our soccer fields.

One group you should certainly take a look at is our Euro teams, which include Girls U11 and U12 and two Boys U11 teams, as I did last Saturday in watching the girls U12.

The Euro teams play seven-a-side on smaller fields and smaller goals, but the soccer being played by these teams is simply sensational. The games feature good skills and team play and the smaller fields create lots of action around the goals for the large crowd of spectators to enjoy.

These youths are the future

stars of our off-island program and their coaches — Dave Morgan (U12 girls), Sue Spencer (U11 girls), Doug Pearson (U11 boys) and Dave Henshall (U11 boys) — should be commended on the fine job they are doing.

Games are played Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon at the upper high school field (U11 girls play 10 a.m. at Portlock) and you can check our website for the actual schedule (www.salt-springsoccer.com).

So if you have a little time, go and watch and marvel at the future of Salt Spring soccer.

Referees

Congratulations to Ben McLean, who passed his Class 4 exam in Victoria, giving our association another

quality referee. We are still looking for more referees. If you are interested, call this writer at 537-4970.

The next referees' meeting will be on Thursday, November 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Portlock portable, when we will discuss fouls and misconducts using a 2002 World Cup film.

Women's Cup

Canada will be competing this weekend in Victoria against Jamaica, Haiti and Costa Rica for the chance to qualify for the Women's World Cup in China.

Games are played Wednesday, October 30, at 6 and 8 p.m.; Friday, November 1, 6 and 8 p.m.; and Sunday, November 3, at 12 and 2 p.m. Tickets are available at Soccer

World and Allsports in Victoria.

For the 2 p.m. Sunday game against Costa Rica, islander Sue King has a number of tickets available. Call her at 537-8989.

This is a great chance to see women's soccer at its best, as Canada is in the top eight in the world, and also to see Salt Spring's Clare Rustad in action.

Association

The next monthly meeting is on Monday, November 4 at the GISS library at 7 p.m. All are welcome to find out how our association works, what we are doing, or put your two cents in by joining our executive. It is a very big program that can always use more hands.

Wily Dragons net win against Lakehill

The Salt Spring Dragons women's soccer team used their wits to beat a speedy Lakehill team in a slippery 2-1 match at Braefoot Park Sunday.

Throwing confusion into Lakehill defence, the Dragons pulled a switch play to score the first goal 30 seconds into the game when Carol Adams put away a cross-field pass from Thea Wood.

Adams was thrilled that sustained practice in the switch play paid-off.

"We've been really practising switches at the front to confuse the defenders. We did the switch and everyone got confused . . . I like it when we practise something hard and it works."

Lakehill tied it up 15 min-

utes into play with an unexpected long ball from mid-field that caught Salt Spring with a tough bounce over keeper Tami Benoit.

But the Dragons scored a second goal near the end of the first half after Wood took an inside pass from Robyn Huntley-Smith.

"Robyn set up Thea with a nice pass up front and Thea put it in. But Robyn did most of the muscle work," said Sue King.

The second half didn't see any goals but both teams had a series of scoring chances as a young, speedy and aggressive Lakehill team applied pressure in an effort to tie the game.

"The other team was more youthful and we have more of a mix . . . When it comes

to speed, it can make a difference. But with age comes wisdom and experience; and perhaps that came in our favour," Adams said.

Keeping Lakehill at bay, midfielders Alanna Scott and Jeanie Gray withheld an onslaught of Lakehill attacks while defender Mardon Dary had an outstanding game, Adam said.

"Barely anybody got past Mardon, she's solid."

A high-pressure finish saw Lakehill create an attacking play that finally penetrated Salt Spring's defence. Two players got behind the defenders and Benoit came out of the net to challenge a striker with a stellar kick-save.

Lakehill kept up the attacking pressure with three

corner kicks in a row after the breakaway. But Salt Spring finally cleared the ball and wrapped up the game.

Feeling a little bruised and beat-up after the battle in the drizzle, the Dragons felt fortunate to see many injured players return to the roster in time for last week's game.

"We were taped to the hilt, but everyone is back from injuries except Jenny Kerr and Lorraine Kopetzki. They're both really good players so it's difficult to see them disappear."

The team also missed Joanne O'Connor, who has been coaching from the sidelines this season during her pregnancy. O'Connor gave birth to a daughter Friday morning.

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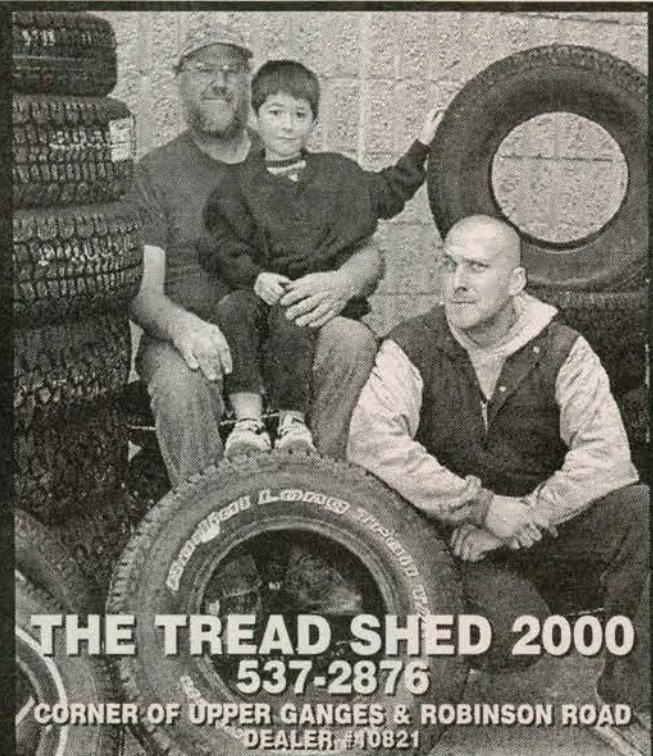
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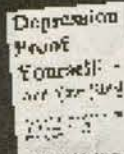
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VICTORY SMILE: Salt Spring Slammers give orange-stuffed smiles after winning 3-0 against Juan de Fuca last Saturday. The girls said they'd do anything for a photograph that could be sent to former player Paisley Mackie who now lives in Scotland. Photo by Derrick Lundy

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Peewees tackle Cowichan

Salt Spring Peewee football players showed some great team-wide defence as well as good sportsmanship when they fell 19-0 to the Cowichan Chiefs last weekend.

According to Peewee team organizers, Cowichan took charge early, marching the ball down the field to score with outside running and excellent blocking.

Salt Spring carried the ball back into Cowichan territory but was forced to punt.

Taking two back-to-back penalties, Cowichan looked in trouble but roared back to life with a 40-yard run that was eventually stopped with a tackle by Braeden Simmons.

With Cowichan poised to score, Salt Spring made an awesome defensive stand capped by a tackle by Mathew Hollingsworth on the six-yard line.

With the team's back to the wall, Salt Spring's Jasper Smith broke outside with a 12-yard run followed

by a 15-yard gain by Myles Raposo, 10 of which he made carrying three Cowichan players. Unable to maintain the momentum, Salt Spring punted, but then regained possession on a pass interception by Dillon Hunsberger. The first half ended 7-0 for Cowichan.

Cowichan opened strong again in the third quarter scoring on a series of inside and outside running plays, but had its convert blocked by Myles Raposo.

Cowichan threatened again in the third following two expertly executed reverse plays, but Salt Spring's defence hunkered down and stopped them at the three-yard line.

Stuck with a poor field position, Salt Spring struggled to its own 30-yard line.

This time Cowichan made no mistakes and drove in for the touchdown. However, the convert was blocked by Salt Spring's Dan Foley.

"The final score was 19-0 for Cowichan," noted team organizers, "but Salt Spring

showed some great team-wide defence, including strong performances from Connor Vine, Seb Banks and Anthony Grossman. The game also saw a high degree of sportsmanship from both sides."

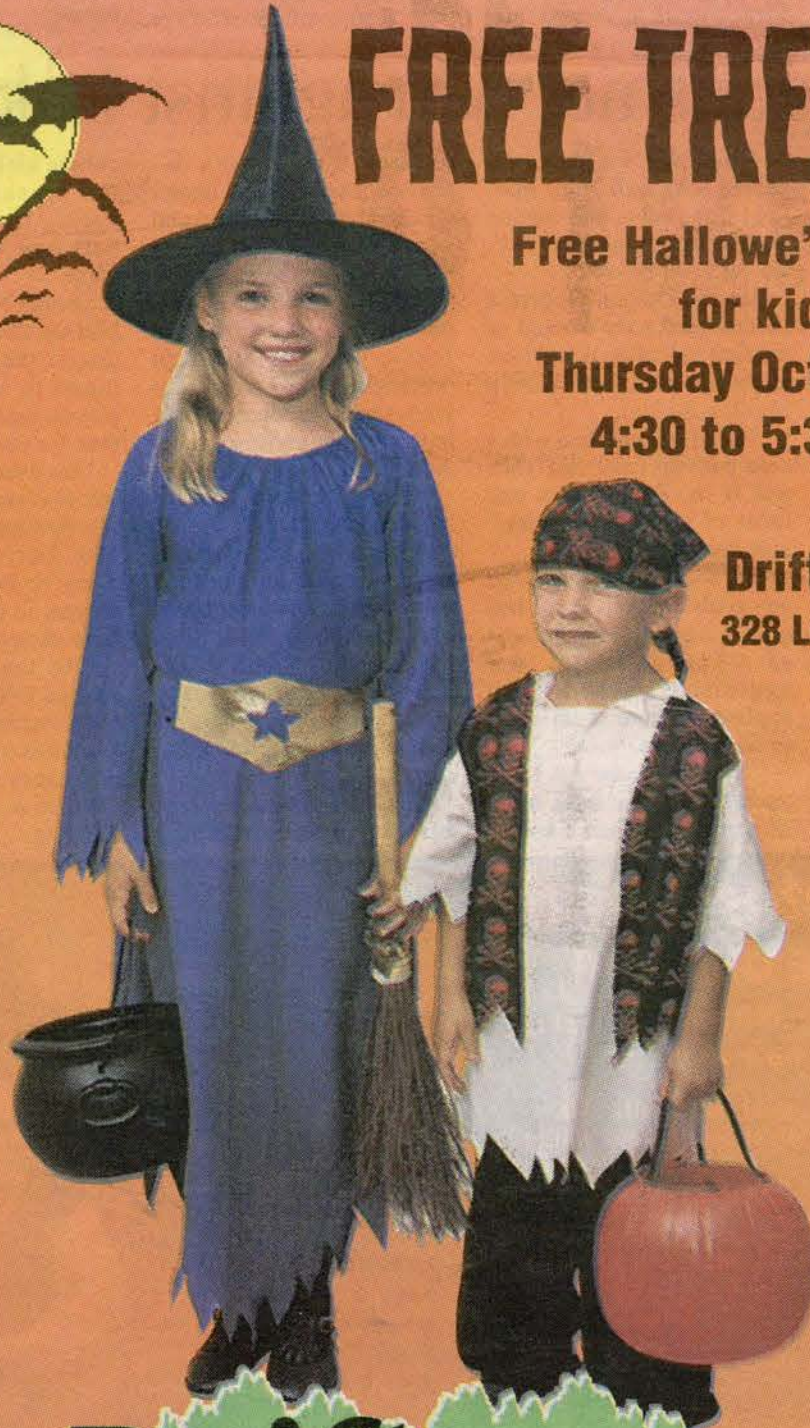
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