

Marauding dogs kill teenager's 4-H sheep

by Pirjo Raits

When the phone rang at 5 a.m. on Thursday morning, Sarah Davies knew something was wrong. The phone call was one she never thought she would receive.

She was being told that something was after her sheep. Davies is a 4-H Club member and her sheep project was one that gave her a lot of satisfaction and pleasure.

She had raised Dakota, a Dorset Fresian, and now the two-year-old ewe was lying dead in a field. Dakota was her champion showing sheep. Another member of her flock, Kendra, an eight-month-old Black Welsh Mountain sheep was fighting for its life. Another sheep was suffering from bite marks to its legs, and the fourth member of the flock was panic stricken.

When Sarah, her father, and sister arrived at the rented field where they kept the flock they were shocked to see the rampant devastation of the herd. Dakota had drowned in a shallow pond and Kendra was beyond saving, even though they tried. The other two sheep had survived only because of some sort of dumb luck.

The owners of the field had called the Davies

household when they heard growling and barking. The culprits were a pair of Malamute/Husky dogs who happened to live a considerable distance away. Scared off, the dogs disappeared.

Sarah had spent the rest of the day grieving over her sheep. They weren't just a flock of sheep; they were more like her pets. She nurtured and cared for the sheep and took great pride in the care of the animals.

"I'm not mad, I'm sad," said Sarah. "They were my pets pretty much. If you allow your dogs to run loose you're taking chances and that's the result."

The dogs in question are known to Wolfgang Brunnwieser, the Island's Animal Control Officer. One of the dogs, he says, had a previous record of killing chickens. The owner has been contacted and knows of the devastation her dogs have wreaked on the sheep, and she has agreed to have the dogs put down, once they are caught or come home.

Brunnwieser says there are over 1,200 dogs registered on the Island and another estimated 400 not registered.

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HAPPY HALLOWE'EN—Carolyn Gibson shows her spooky side as she, and her Jack-O-Lantern, get into the Hallowe'en spirit. You can get into the Hallowe'en spirit by attending numerous events on Wednesday; including fireworks in both Ganges and Fullford.
Sundance Topham photo

Fisheries cutbacks effect Island

by Sundance Topham

"Six at-risk youth, four fisherman, one disabled person, one elderly lady and one student."

According to Kathy Reimer, biologist and project manager for Island Stream and Salmonid Watershed Association, these are the people who will be impacted the most by the October 18 provincial government decision to "wind up" Fisheries Renewal BC.

"We were receiving about a quarter of our funding

from Fisheries Renewal BC," said Reimer. "And with matching funding the total got a lot higher. The majority of that money was spent directly on wages for the fishers and at-risk youth. We also hired individuals who have a hard time finding jobs. Not only did we hire people, but we tried to keep them working year round; these are the individuals who will suffer."

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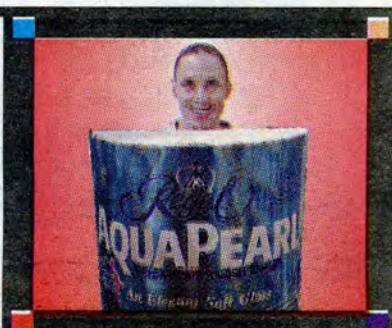


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Sheep *cont'd from front page*

"All dogs will kill, and if we deem them dangerous, they will be put down," he said.

Brunnwieser said that this is the second call this year he has had over an incident involving domestic dogs. A couple of years ago over 40 sheep were killed by roaming dogs.

"A herd can be wiped out in one hour, and that's a herd of 30-40 sheep," he said.

"Once dogs taste blood they live for the hunt. Sheep are dumb they will run off a cliff, drown in ponds, break their necks on fences—they just run. They have a high heart rate and they panic."

There are bylaws in place on Salt Spring Island to prevent just this sort of killing spree.

Dogs are not allowed to run free; they must be under control at all times, says Brunnwieser.

"The bylaw is clear, every dog must be under control all of the time. If they are at large they will be impounded. If dogs

are declared dangerous the owners can be held liable under the Criminal Code. If people have a dog that is deemed dangerous that they knowingly let out and they bite or hurt or injure they can be pursued through the Criminal Code. This can involve jail time."

In this case we know who the owner is and they will surrender the dogs and re-imburse Sarah, said Brunnwieser.

"Today it was livestock, tomorrow it could be a person."

Sarah's nights have been sleepless; she's worried and scared that it may happen again. She says she will be getting over the trauma and she does plan on raising more sheep in the future.

"Right now, it's just really hard," she said while choking back her tears.



Sarah Davies stands by her two dead sheep, Dakota and Kendra, killed late last week by roaming dogs. Pirjo Raitis photo

Cougar spotted on Island

by Sundance Topham

Salt Spring Island residents who live near Mouat's Park should be a little more cautious if they venture into the woods near the end of Drake road.

This after local resident Mona Fertig, and her dogs, came into contact with a young cougar in the area.

"I was out for a walk on a trail in the woods behind my house," said Fertig. "My dogs were running ahead, and they startled a cougar that was down by the pond. It was about 80 feet away when I saw it, and it took off into the woods."

Luckily for Fertig her dogs never gave chase.

"The cougar noticed the dogs before the dogs noticed the cougar," said Fertig. "Which is good, because I have a lab and a retriever, and they would have chased after it. Once I realized it was a big cat it was gone."

Gary Horncastle, a B.C. conservation officer based in Duncan, says that although not common, cougars have been spotted on

the Island.

"From time to time we get complaints of a cougar," said Horncastle. "It seems like they get onto Salt Spring by swimming across Samson Narrows. Usually they will go over to the Island if they are looking for food; there are a lot of deer on the Island."

Horncastle said that the only time the conservation officers become involved is if there is livestock being killed.

"Cougar attacks are very rare," said Horncastle. "If there is livestock being killed, or there is a threat to the public, then we become involved. But I think it's been at least a couple of years since we've had a complaint."

The most important thing to do if you run into a cougar is to stay calm. "Don't run away," said Horncastle. "Slowly leave the area, while keeping an eye on the cougar."

According to Horncastle, if you come into contact with a cougar on Salt Spring you should either contact the RCMP, and let them know, or call a conservation officer in Duncan at 1-250-746-1236.

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Fisheries *cont'd from front page*

The Island Stream and Salmonid Watershed Association employs Salt Spring Island residents to work on a number of watershed rehabilitation and salmon enhancement projects.

"We work on around 20 creeks on the Island," said Reimer. "We do planting, rock work, fencing, and trail work. The biggest project that we've worked on in the last while was at Fulford Creek where we constructed new streambed and planted streambank."

Reimer says that the work that they provide helps to replace the jobs that were lost with the collapse of the fishing industry on the West Coast.

"Dozens of jobs were lost from fisheries on the Island," said Reimer. "I'd say Salt Spring has lost over 20 boats in the past five years. At one time I had 10 fishermen working for the association."

With the funding now gone Reimer isn't optimistic that it will be replaced.

"I don't think that there is going to be any money replacing it," said Reimer. "There's supposedly money coming from the Pacific Salmon Treaty, but very little of that will be spent at the community level on wages. I think that most of it will go to consultants. I see a big increase in the amount of consultants, and less money spent on the people who really need it."

One of the disturbing things about the closure of Fisheries Renewal BC, according to Reimer, was the way in which it was done.

"The government let us know that they were thinking of closing down the programme," said Reimer. "So we were getting information together to show the type of good community work we've been doing, and the next thing you know it's gone. No input from us at

all. I think that they could have given us time to phase it out; that would have been a better way to do it."

Despite the loss of the Fisheries Renewal BC money, Reimer is not worried about the immediate future of the Island Stream and Salmonid Watershed Association.

"The association is going to be fine," said Reimer. "We are going to be able to carry on because we have such a strong volunteer base. The people I feel sorry for are the ex-fishermen, because they are the ones who are going to suffer."

Paul Simpson, one of the owners of the Island Sea Farms shellfish farm, says that the end of Fisheries Renewal BC is going to hurt businesses like his, small companies doing novel things.

"The Fisheries Renewal BC program was excellent," says Simpson. "They funded groups of companies to work together on new technology, including ours. They helped out projects that banks wouldn't touch, and did a very good job. With that money gone I don't see it being replaced."

As with other Fisheries Renewal BC funding on Salt Spring, the money that Island Sea Farms received stayed in the community.

"We are in the process of starting up a new industry," said Simpson. "The funding we received from them helped us hire new employees."

Simpson says that future fisheries entrepreneurs are going to suffer because of the loss of that funding.

"Fisheries Renewal BC was excellent," said Simpson.

"And for any other guys who are starting up under-exploited fisheries it's will be tough. It's going to be hard on the coastal community."



STUDENT POLITICIANS—Seven Gulf Islands Senior Secondary School students will be traveling to Montreal in November for a mock UN symposium. Pressing their political viewpoints will be: Adrian Lietch, Rory Allan, Byron Fetherston, John Michael McCall, Stuart Webb, and Tristan Sharp. Missing from the photo is Adam Davies. *Pirjo Raitis photo*

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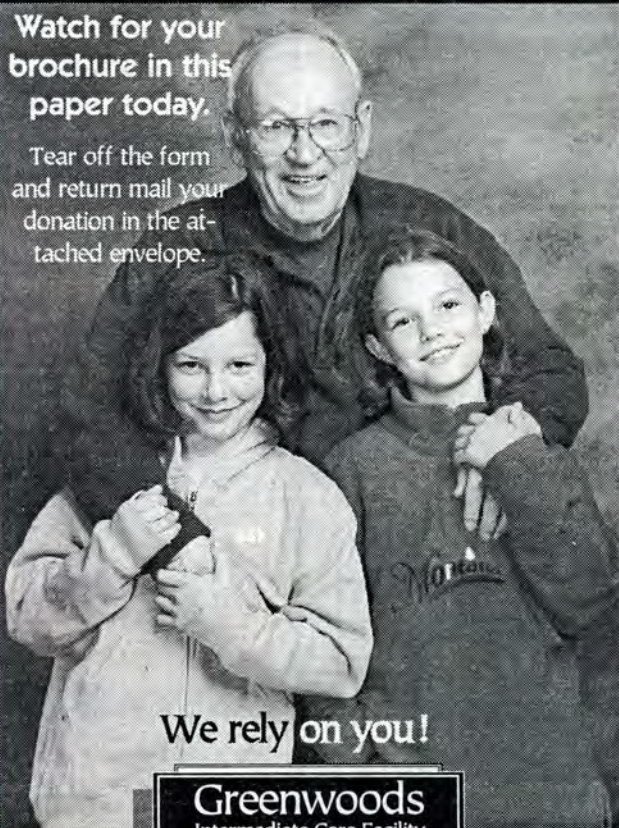


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Public has a say on pipeline project

by Pat Burkette

The Georgia Strait Crossing (GSX) Pipeline Project application, proposing an international gas pipeline from Sumas, Washington to Cobble Hill on Vancouver Island, goes to public hearing before a Joint Review Panel (JRP) on May 13, 2002.

The JRP, formed from National Energy Board (NEB) and federal Ministry of the Environment (MOE) appointees, will assess the project for environmental and social impacts and technical and economic feasibility.

But British Columbians, who convinced the MOE that environmental concerns needed to be addressed, now face a multi-layered public participation process leading up to the oral public hearing.

About 30 Salt Spring residents attended a meeting held last Tuesday night at Harbour House hotel to listen to staff from the NEB and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA), MOE's assessment arm, outline that public participation process.

JRP General Counsel Judith Hanebury, discussed the two main arenas for public input; public consultation sessions and oral hearing.

Following the presentation describing the JRP public participation process, the floor was thrown open to questions. Islanders were quick to try to get to the heart of the GSX matter.

Kim Hoban said, "Let's get on with it. Intervenor forms should be available here and now."

Ron Stacey asked "Can you

visualize that any intervenor can actually stop this project?"

NEB Project Manager Albert Fung answered "The panel will look at the evidence before it and make a decision. The panel has the ability to deny the proposal."

Stacey said that he had been a prisoner of war and had listened to a lot of propaganda in his time, adding, "I don't think

"Let's get on with it. Intervenor forms should be available here and now."

we're being told the reason for this. I think it's based on finding all the gas in Hecate Strait. If that's the reason why it's being built, we should be told that."

Fung recommended Stacey make his comments to the panel when they are here for the public consultation sessions in January.

Wayne Taylor and Jim Prendergast wanted to know how many power plants were actually being built on Vancouver Island. Prendergast pointed out that a power plant in the Duncan-Cobble Hill area was not on the map displayed at the meeting, but plants were shown at Campbell River and Port Alberni.

Fung said that no power plant in the Duncan-Cobble Hill area was included in the application by GSX, adding "The only knowledge we have of it is from media reports."

Fung said he would be surprised if the panel doesn't ask if there will be a third plant. He noted, "The panel has to know what use will be made of the gas."

But Islands Trust Manager of Trust Area Programs Linda Adams pointed out that the lack of specific information about plant location made it difficult for people to comment on the proposal.

Adams also asked where the public consultation sessions and oral hearing would be held. Hanebury said a determination had not yet been

FERC is set to issue determination of non-environmental aspects of the application by January 31, 2002 and a final order by May 31, 2002.

Commenting on whether she felt the pipeline application might be denied by U.S. review, Hoag said "I sure wouldn't count on that. It might be wise to get all your ducks lined up in a row."

Asked if that was what Whatcom County had done, Hoag replied "Yes."

The public can appear at public consultation sessions, scheduled to begin January 14, 2002. Letters of comment will be on the record and provided to the panel. Letters can be mailed to NEB, Michelle Mantha, 444-7 Ave. S.W., Calgary, AB T2P 0X8, and are accepted prior to the oral hearing.

Members of the public can apply to be intervenors, which allows them to question the panel at the oral hearing, be questioned themselves, have access to all documents presented at the hearing, and provide argument at the end of the hearing.

Intervenor must appear at the oral hearing. Interested parties must also file a request to intervene by November 29, 2001. To qualify, a person must complete a detailed questionnaire. Intervenor forms are available by calling the NEB at 1-800-899-1265.

Expenses for expert advice, travel expenses, and information collection and dissemination costs may be covered.

To receive funding, an applicant must demonstrate an interest in the project's potential environmental effects.

Application forms are available from Scott at (604) 666-6989 or through the CEAA web site www.ceaa.gc.ca.

made. Adams confirmed that the Islands Trust will apply for intervenor status.

Prendergast asked "This pipeline goes to the U.S. as well as Canada. If you say no and they say yes, what happens?" Fung replied "In that situation the pipeline can't be built."

According to the October 24 *Bellingham Herald*, Whatcom County (location of Sumas) has extended by 180 days a moratorium, originally enacted in May, 2000, on accepting applications for new fuel transmission pipelines.

The County is currently formulating rules for evaluating pipeline applications and refused to accept Williams Gas Pipeline Company's application for shoreline permits in July 2001.

Interviewed by phone, County Council member Connie Hoag said the County decided to review rules because it was being inundated with proposals for gas and power lines.

Hoag said Whatcom County is an intervenor in the U.S.'s Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) review of the GSX pipeline project.

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No doubt they'll spend some time shaking their heads over the kind of fire season they've just been through. It wasn't the worst on record, but it did throw up a brand new enemy, particularly for the pilots of water-bombers.

Boaters. And I'm not talking about a couple of old duffers out flycasting from a dory in the middle of a lake. I'm talking about the newest water sport: boaters who drag race with the water-bombers.

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"Once we make a commitment and start scooping, we can't avoid anything," says Neil Ayers, a pilot with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. "It's like driving a Mack truck down a highway. That airplane is going in one direction, and that's straight ahead."

Don't even think about what happens when several hundred tons of water-laden bomber T-bones a fibre-glass CrisCraft at 120 kph.

You'd think anyone with the mental capacity to pull a starter cord could figure out that drag racing water-bombers is about as smart as juggling live grenades. But you'd be wrong. Several pilots this year have reported "coming within a few metres" of smashing into the fools.

If it were just a case of obliterating the idiot boater, I'd write it off as a

demonstration of Darwinism in action, but there's every chance the pilot might get killed as well.

Events like this remind us that not everyone who takes their recreation in the wilderness does so with the consciousness of Grey Owl or Ernest Thompson Seton.

But there is such a thing as Divine Revenge. I'm reminded of the story I heard about a confrontation between a northern Ontario park official and a couple of hunters from Toronto. The official came across these two in the bush, sitting around a blazing campfire. At the height of the forest fire season. He explained that all fires were banned. The hunters shrugged, threw a pail of water on the fire, and waited for him to leave.

The next day the MNR guy came back, attracted by a plume of smoke. He asked them once more to douse the fire. Three times he had to visit the campsite; each time there was a fire burning.

Exasperated, he called up his supervisor. "Leave it with me" said the boss. "I'll make sure the fire's out" And not too much later, the hunters looked up from their campfire to see a fully-laden water bomber just over the treetops.

And coming right at them.

More housing for seniors on the agenda

by Pirjo Raits

Forty-three housing units for seniors on Salt Spring Island is in the works, if all goes according to plan.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee on October 25, trustees passed motions which will allow building of these units to proceed. Five units are proposed for Heritage Place on Lower Ganges Road, and a further 38 units are planned for Atkins Road.

The Gulf Island Seniors Residence Association, (GISRA) a non-profit group, obtained a Development Permit for developing 38 residential units for seniors on 1.03 hectares (2.55 acres) fronting on Atkins Road. The project will also include a manager's dwelling, office space, and a parking area for the facility. The development abuts Atkins Common, where a proposed 51-unit residential development is in the works.

The trust committee stipulated that the developers (GISRA) would be responsible for putting 5 foot wide sidewalks into place across the entire frontage on Atkins Road, but they can have up to three years after substantial completion of phase one of the project to complete the task. As well, the developers are required to have a continuous landscape strip along the Atkins Road frontage. This strip will have to be 10 metres wide and three metres high.

On the other much smaller project, the trust committee gave fourth reading to Bylaw 371, which will see five supportive housing units for seniors at Heritage Place.

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Hallowe'en has ancient roots



From the Editor ...
Pirjo Raitis

Hallowe'en has its roots in ancient Celtic traditions. Most of the activities date back to Samhain (sow-en), the Celtic New Year. This translates to the "end of summer," usually the end of October. Samhain was an observance of all the things that were happening during the change of seasons.

Celtic tradition held that turning points, times when things change from one state to another, had magical properties. Samhain was the biggest turning point of the year. It marked a change in the weather as well as a change in everybody's lives.

Hallowe'en, while it is fun, is also a time when we can pretend, dress up, and howl at the moon.

There is some controversy related to Hallowe'en. Some Christian groups want nothing to do with this day because of the pagan elements. Prominent Hallowe'en figures, such as witches and ghouls, carry an uncomfortable satanic aspect to some people. I don't know, I think that to each their own, and a little fun is harmless and probably necessary at this time of the year. It's the last blowout before the Christmas holiday season. For those who do not celebrate Hallowe'en there is a family event taking place at Fernwood Elementary school.

At the Fulford Inn last Saturday night people were howling and dancing up a storm to Escape-goats. This band is good. They had the patrons up all through the night. The costumes were—in a word—inventive.

Everything from Trekkies to ghouls, hippies to witches, and everything in between. One costume caught my fancy, and that was a young woman dressed as a hippy. For some time I was unable to figure out if she was in costume or not. She looked as though she had trekked across the Himalayas with a bong strapped to her back. I'm looking forward to Moby's Hallowe'en Howl and I'm positive the costumes will be astounding.

The shift in seasons is different this year.

We all know that something has shifted in the universe lately and our lives have taken on another aspect we didn't count on; that nothing is the same as it once was.

Gone is the security of living in North America, and gone is the innocence and belief that people have evolved to a point where hatred and war is a thing of the past. Unfortunately they haven't. But the big thing is that we can continue to live our lives as people who care about the rest of the planet, and the people on it. The only thing that you have control over is the way in which you live your own life. Take pleasure in the small things and pleasure in the big things will follow.

Happy Hallowe'en and watch out for the little goblins and ghouls who may be too excited to watch where they are going.

If you don't have trick-or-treaters beating down your door, donate some candy to those residents on Maliview who do have more door-knocking than they can handle.



Media needs to focus on atrocities

John Pottinger's diatribe (*Barnacle*, October 16) against Sunera Thobani reflects, like many other media reactions to her speech, a dangerous need to deflect focus away from the atrocities we are now perpetrating on Afghanistan. If we, Canada, the United States, and Britain, do not change the course of our actions very shortly, we may have genocide on our hands.

By coercing Pakistan into closing their border with Afghanistan before the bombing started, the vast majority of the Afghan people are now effectively caged inside their own country. By November 7, the beginning of winter, aid agencies will be unable to feed these millions; they have been saying this for weeks; they have been clear that the US's air-dropped food will barely touch the problem of starvation in Afghanistan. Who will be responsible for the hundreds of thousands, or millions, of

deaths? We will.

Now that the U.S. is dropping cluster bombs in Afghanistan, there is evidently no significant concern to avoid civilian deaths. Writers like Pottinger claim such statements as I am making are anti-American. The sentiments of people who are opposed to this "war" are not anti-American; they are against killing and escalating violence.

The U.S. has taken "justice" into its already bloodied hands too many times. Consider Vietnam. Consider Nicaragua, a country that took the U.S. to the World Court, which condemned the U.S. for international terrorism, a judgment the U.S. ignored. (If readers want more on this information, they can check out <<http://www.zmag.org/weluser.htm>>).

The U.S. is summarily executing, through bombing, hundreds, if not already thousands, of human beings

for possibly harbouring the man who might be responsible for the attacks on America, but that has not been proven.

Would we condone the killing of residents of Ganges, because Ganges was thought to harbour a terrorist? Why do people want to deny the insanity of the arguments being used to justify this "war," which admits no clear goals, no proven enemy, and no boundaries?

The U.S. has eschewed the advice of thinking people around the world to take the attacks on the American people to the UN and the World Court. In 1987 the U.S. (and Israel) even voted against a strongly worded UN resolution against terrorism. Is this a country that really wants to fight terrorism? If not, what are they really fighting for? Think about it.

ROWAN J. PERCY

COMMENTARY: This space is reserved for you, our readers. It is a spot for informed opinion, an outlet for the voices of the community. Everyone is invited to submit opinion articles with a maximum of 600 words.

For the record: clearing up some of the confusion

A letter written in the last issue of *The Barnacle*, entitled Announcement is misleading. It was attributed to Tom Woods when it was actually written by Marney Beauvais.

A letter written by Stuart Soloff was clipped and should have included the following:

"As the war on dissent intensifies, it is important that thoughtful people, such as

Mr. Pottinger, remind themselves that intellectual integrity demands, at the very least, the willingness to confront one's prejudices, the commitment to rational investigation based on the con-

cepts of justice, peace, and universality, and the courage, as Edward Said says, 'To speak the truth to power.'

"Unfortunately, Mr. Pottinger's column exhibits none of these qualities."

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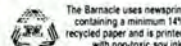
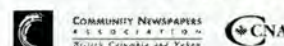
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A journal as literary as the Barnacle can be found in the most unusual places. Take, for example, Carrickfergus Castle in Northern Island, built in the late 1180s.

American policy the enemy, not Dr. Thobani

I'd be willing to bet that if John Pottinger had been born with brown skin and a vagina in some impoverished third world country instead of a white, middle class, Canadian male, he would be less enthusiastic about putting the verbal boots to Dr. Somera Thobani.

He knows nothing about her life experiences that have shaped her thinking nor is he interested in finding out.

The fact that he could lump a serious scholar like Thobani in with an ambitious, headline grabber like Hedi Fry is merely an indication of his own shallowness for thinking all those uppity women of colour are the same.

From one side of his mouth he spouts all the familiar pious platitudes about freedom of speech. But from the other he condemns

Thobani in the harshest terms because as a third world immigrant who has been enormously successful and profited greatly from her western citizenship (and is currently living at taxpayers expense don't forget), she has the unmitigated gall to inflict teeth marks on the very hands proffering her sustenance instead of obsequiously intoning a litany of "thank you massa." Is this not in itself a glaring example of exactly the kind of patriarchal racism that Ms. Thobani decries and Mr. Pottinger denies?

On the subject of terrorism—the only difference between Bin Laden style and American style is that the former was perpetrated on prime time television for all to see whereas the latter is a dirty little secret performed in the dark back streets of third world slums where the mutilated bodies of the tortured are not seen, where the heart rending cries of the widows are not heard, and

where the pains of starving diseased children are not felt.

The thousands of deaths in the United States, though a despicable and tragic crime, actually pale in comparison to the hundreds of thousands of innocent civilians murdered in Hiroshima—the first (and one can only hope the last) crash test dummies of the nuclear age. But then what the hell, they were not even white like our boy Johnny P.

Give this some serious thought John. You have treated Ms. Tobani shabbily and owe her an apology. Save your venom for the real enemy—the unprincipled, unparalleled brutality of American foreign policy.

D. MOONEY

A special thanks to Salt Spring

Even in the middle of the Atlantic, we were reading the *Barnacle*.

At the end of August we were back after a three-year round the Atlantic trip with our sailing boat. We went from France to Guatemala-Belize and then back to the Mediterranean.

In June 2000, we flew from Guatemala to Quebec for the Jazz Montreal Festival and then bought a van to discover Canada, and drove during August to British Columbia.

We stayed from September to February 2001 in Salt Spring (Vesuvius). Our four children from nine to 15-years-old loved it. The two last ones were very proud of their photo in the *Barnacle* for a September fishing party, and another had his name mentioned through the judo activities.

We were sad to leave in February to drive south to Guatemala, sell the car, and sail back the 6,000 miles, to settle back in France.

Now we have an adieu! The kids are back to school! And we will soon be back to work. For a new "sedentary" challenge after three years of nomadism.

But the five months in Salt Spring remain a very good memory of our trip. We have so many Salt Spring people to thank for their openness, warmth, and friendship, which allowed the six of us to feel part of the Salt Spring community during these five months.

Even sometimes with the barrier of language, especially our four kids, but thanks to you they have improved much in English. Even for me who didn't improve enough to rightfully express our gratefulness to all of you in Salt Spring.

But I would have given a try...and feel sorry for my clumsy English.

Kisses to all our friends.

Thanks to Randy for his English teaching, see you again! And hello to the soccer team—Theodore; Hello Salt Spring!—Benjamin; Thanks for all and specially to the Salt Spring Judo Club—Jerome; Hello to Rosalie, the school, the danse (Jill), and the wolf (Bob)—Mathilde.

THE PETIT FAMILY

Bus shelter accolades

The families using the Walter Bay Rest Stop (bus shelter) would like to express their heart felt appreciation to all those who helped build our little shelter. Special thanks to Key Pawn Trucking (John Van Schetsen) and Delux Saw Mill (Keith O'Donnell).

The overwhelming support of neighbours and friends in light of the controversy sur-

Denouement
People get further apart and hope technology will bring them closer together. —Richard Cruickshanks

rounding bus shelters is very encouraging.

The mean spirited attack by one of our neighbours on the legality of bus shelters and fruit and vegetable stands has taken us by surprise.

We can only hope she finds peace some day and looks inward rather than outward.

THE KYLE FAMILY
& FRIENDS

No time for B.C. smoking laws

Last weekend Canadians set their clocks back by one hour.

Unfortunately here in B.C., our clocks have already been set back by the government's recent decision to delay the implementation of the WCB smoke-free regulations for a further eight months.

While the rest of Canada is moving forward to create safe, smoke-free environments for workers and the general public, B.C. may be moving backwards towards a "general ventilation solution" that has been discredited by scientific and health authorities worldwide.

Scientists agree that due to the limitations of ventilation systems, toxins and carcinogens in cigarette smoke cannot be removed from the air before reaching the breathing zone of workers and customers; it would take a tornado-like air flow to protect workers from the hazardous effects of second-hand smoke.

At a time when citizens are looking for leadership, it is disheartening to think this government may reject the

overwhelming scientific and economic evidence around smoke-free legislation and allow B.C. workers to continued to be poisoned by second-hand smoke.

Ventilation is not a solution.

BOBBE WOOD
Chief Executive Officer
Heart and Stroke Foundation
of B.C. & Yukon

Pottinger helps to provoke our thought process

The letters in last week's *Barnacle* mail box, which take John Pottinger to task for his column's treatment of the Sumara Thobani controversy, drove me to the *Barnacle* office to pick up a copy of the notorious October 16 issue. Had I somehow missed something on my first reading of the column?

Sure, Pottinger uses strong language ("spewing," "excrement") in his attack on Thobani's position. I must admit I disagree with many of his implications that Thobani's arguments are founless. These arguments, agree or disagree, are almost totally ignored (at best) and buried (at worst) by the mainstream press.

Yes, Thobani overstates her case and therefore weakens it (as does Pottinger his case). But the point of the column is, (this is the important part), and Pottinger states it very clearly, "No matter how strongly we disagree with someone else's position, we can't fight back by saying, 'they shouldn't have the right to say that'."

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Furthermore, John Pottinger is a columnist (and a damn good one, at that). His job is to write words to provoke our thought processes. The last thing he wants is for everyone to agree with him. Even if we come away thinking, "what an idiot," he has achieved his objective if he has made us reassess our positions.

Finally, Pottinger is no more guilty of "hate crimes" than is Thobani. In Pottinger's own words, "Her right to say those sorts of things is quite possibly the most precious right we have in Canada."

FOOTNOTE: Pottinger states that he is particularly annoyed with Thobani "for her angry, ranting, deceitful, taxpayer-funded propaganda." Hey John, if everyone on the public purse were to stop spewing lies and deceit, think of all the job openings there would be for goofers like me.

SHILO ZYLBERGOLD

Dear Mr. Pottinger

During late September, my husband and I had the privilege to visit Ganges on Salt Spring Island during our sailing cruise through the Gulf Islands.

During that time, we read the column written by you for the September 25 issue of *The Barnacle*, and were touched by your words.

Indeed, as Americans, we had been so grateful for the support and concern of all the Canadian people we met during the day of the September 11 attacks, and every day until we left in mid-October to return in our home in Logan, Utah in the States.

Today I write to request your permission to submit your column in a letter to the editor from me to our local newspaper, *The Herald Journal*.

We live in a semi-rural, fairly conservative, sometimes rather insular community that often struggles with issues related to diversity, but one in

which the majority of the population believes in the tenants of the Mormon church.

I think your words would be appreciated by both that population and the increasing numbers of immigrants of our community.

By the way, my husband and I loved Ganges! It clearly is a place where we would feel very comfortable living. While that may not happen, we look forward to future visits!

I look forward to hearing from you.

MAR@CACHE.NET

Afraid to walk in the woods

I moved to this Island four years ago. I love it here- the Island is beautiful and pristine- but I can't believe that the barbaric ritual of hunting is permitted here.

Last week as I drove home up Musgrave road, I spotted a pile of deer legs on the side of the road!

On October 26, I arose, drove into Ganges to do some shopping, and then returned to Musgrave Landing. On my way home, I saw a man taking a pot shot out of his truck window.

On returning home, I decided to take a walk in the woods. No sooner had I started into the forest, than I heard a gunshot (too close for comfort). I decided that it was no longer safe to walk in the woods with this going on, and went home to call the Wildlife office. They told me that they found this practice barbaric too, but there wasn't much I could do about it, except perhaps write a letter. They did tell me that shooting deer from your truck window while on the roadway was not allowed, but no one seems to enforce the regulations.

Last fall, I witnessed two huge men with bullet belts strapped around their waists, and shotguns in hand, walking along Musgrave Road, looking for deer to shoot right from the road. A third party was driving a Safari truck in front of them. I was shocked, but at the time didn't think to take action by speaking out about it.

This seems to me to be not only barbaric, but also terribly dangerous to the rest of us innocent, nature loving bystanders who may be innocently hiking in the woods. Are we going to wait until someone is shot and killed before something is done?

It's like a woman being stalked, but nothing being done until she is raped, beaten, or worse. I actually worry now about driving home through the gunfire, fearing that a stray bullet may come through the windshield.

LOUISE COUTU



Community Living Day volunteer Heather Martin-McNab hands out delicious chocolate cake to the public.

Sundance Topham photo

Community Living Day a great success

by Ross Harvey

The Community Living Day held at Rotary Park on Saturday, October 27 was a success, especially considering it is the first time Salt Spring has hosted such an event. We estimate that we had around 150 people turn out for the event.

The purpose of the event was to help promote greater inclusion of persons with developmental disabilities in our community. We hoped to celebrate their talents and contributions to the community through having an event where they can meet fellow community members to say thanks.

Many people who came down had some involvement in the many groups present, but we did see a good number of other interested people.

One guest that was visiting Salt Spring from Winnipeg told me about his niece back in Manitoba. She plays on the men's soccer team, and was a member of the gold medal winning team for Canada at the World Special Olympic Games.

I could see the pride and love that he had for his niece in the man's face. He appeared to know the value of why it is important to promote programmes like Special Olympics, programmes that provide an opportunity for youth and adults with developmental disabilities to participate in community life.

Our goal truly was to help foster greater understanding of why all these different programmes are so important, and to say thanks to Salt Spring for being such a supportive community.

Gary Lunn, our Member of Parliament, visited us yesterday. He wandered around the displays, chatting and visiting. He observed and commented on how he sees Salt Springers always trying hard at including all groups in the process.

He is not alone in that observation. I am pleased that Salt Spring does get involved, and truly values these people.

I would like to give a warm thank you to all who helped out and came down for their energy and support.

Lots of Hallowe'en happenings

by Pirjo Raits

There was a time when trick or treating meant hauling a pillowcase around from house to house. The bag would bulge with candy apples, popcorn balls, suckers, and those molasses candies that almost pulled out your fillings.

Times have changed, and while kids still trundle from house to house, the spaces in between are further apart and for cars the driveways, not easy to maneuver in.

So, on Salt Spring Island, kids head off to the Maliview area where the roads are straight and the houses are close together. How else can you fill the sack? But, unfortunately, the residents in that area are ill-prepared for the close to 200 kids who show up looking for treats.

What the residents have done is to ensure that there is enough candy to go around, they have set up candy collection sites in Ganges where parents (and other residents) can donate candy. The sites are the Ganges Post Office, Ganges Village Market, and Fernwood Elementary School.

Though the well-loved Spook House is taking a breather this year, the ambi-

tious students from the leadership programme at Gulf Island Senior Secondary are picking up the ball and holding a smaller version of the popular event.

The Haunted House will be located in the high school drama room and admittance is \$1 plus an item for the Food Bank. The creepy-crawly event takes place the night before Hallowe'en, Tuesday, October 30 from 7 to 9 p.m.

On Hallowe'en night youngsters between the ages of three to seven can come to the public library for an evening of cool stories geared for their age.

They can sit by the Jack-O-Lantern and listen and participate in some old favourites and some new stories.

The stories will run continuously from 5 to 7 p.m., and there just might be a goodie or two for each child.

For families that may not totally agree with Hallowe'en but still want their children to have fun, three churches have organized a carnival at Fernwood Elementary School, from 5 to 7 p.m. on Hallowe'en night.

The Community Gospel Chapel, the Salt Spring Island Baptist Church, and

the Salt Spring Island Pentecostal Assembly are hosting the free carnival which will have fun events like a cake walk, face painting, skill-testing games, and of course, candy. Costumes are not required or necessary to enjoy the safe, fun, alternative to the traditional Hallowe'en.

Bonfires, fireworks, and hot chocolate are in the works for Hallowe'en night. The Salt Spring Firefighters will be setting off fireworks in Ganges and at Fulford Harbour. They will have a roaring bonfire to take the chill off, and hot dogs and hot chocolate for the spectators.

The fireworks are blasting off at the Rotary Park in Ganges, and in Drummond Park in Fulford Harbour. They are set for take-off at 7:30 p.m.

Adults love to dress up as much as kids, sometimes more so. So, those Hallowe'en revelers can howl at Moby's.

On Hallowe'en night Moby's is bringing in Auntie Kate to rock the socks off the costumed patrons.

If it is a dark and stormy night, Hallowe'en revelers, both young and old, are reminded to remain visible while on the highways and byways.

Green Party to hold convention on Island

Members of the Green Party of British Columbia, Saanich North and the Islands Constituency Association will be conducting their first post-election convention on Salt Spring on Saturday November 3, 4 to 7 p.m., at the Lions Hall.

On hand will be Adriane Carr,

Leader of the Green Party. She will be available to answer questions, and introduce the Proportional Representation Initiative that will be conducted by the Green Party next Spring, using B.C.'s Recall and Initiative Act.

Keynote speaker will be Guy Dauncey, well known author and futurist from Vic-

toria. The theme for the discussion is 'Sustainability... What does it mean?'

The meeting is open with everyone welcome to attend, although only current members will be eligible to vote.

For more information, call Andrew Lewis, 653-4770, or email alewis@Island.net

New at the library

Check out what's new at the library
Did you know?

- Our library is open until 7 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday.
- Your supermarket purchases can benefit the library. Put your checkout slip in the library's box at GVM or tell the checkout clerk at Thrifty's to put your purchases on #36.
- The library is compiling a collection of CD-ROMs for home use. Stay tuned.

New in the Library

The library has subscribed to the following new online material for the reference computer:

- ALLDATA. This site will appeal to car-repair buffs as it contains everything you want to know about repairing vehicles from 1981 to the present.
- Britannica. This is the complete version of the encyclopedia.
- CD-ROMs that are attached to print books in the reference section can now be checked out for in-library use at the reference computer.

Environmentalists will be interested in The Ecologist, an environmental magazine that is new to the periodical section.

A wonderful collection of children's classics is now part of our permanent collection, thanks to a purchase made possible by a bequest by Betty Carroll, a long-time volunteer, who died last year.

Also in the children's section are newly donated easy readers in French.

Library Comparisons

Here are some interesting statistics from last year that provide some idea of our library's performance relative to other libraries:

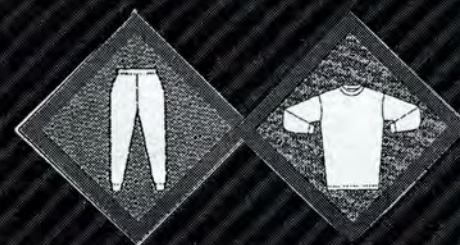
- Our collection of books is about four times as large per capita as the provincial average.
- Salt Spring borrowers requested over three times as many books through interlibrary loan as the provincial average.

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BOAT OF THE WEEK—The Sea Mouse, a 37-foot ferrocement ketch built in 1974 in Delta has a hull speed of seven knots. She sleeps six, but "you have to be pretty good friends," says skipper Kevin Patterson. The Sea Mouse is powered by a Yanmar diesel, and has sailed to Hawaii, Tahiti, and up the West Coast.

Pirjo Raits photo

October was a busy month



Getting down to business ...

with Romana Frey

• October is turning out to be a very busy month for the business community on Salt Spring. Rose's Café in Fulford and Flowers and Wine on Fulford-Ganges Road have been put on the market. Both the Tides Inn and the Seaside Restaurant in Vesuvius have been sold. Jim Fogarty Accounting and Tax Services have completed renovations to their office in Fulford. Barb's Buns is expanding; the owners have taken over a portion of the former Mobile Market location and are adding a restaurant and juice bar. ACE Courier has opened a storefront at 133 McPhillips Avenue, in the former La Lingerie location. The former Salt Spring Island Insurance location in Grace Point Square will soon house Ganges Garment Company, while financial planner Martin Hoogerdyk will take over GGC's space in December.

• Salt Spring Vineyards owner Jan Harkley hosted last week's Women in Business gathering. While enjoying the view of Fulford Valley, we had a lively discussion concerning the training, educational, and support requirements of women business owners on the Island. Some women expressed interest in a supportive learning environment for soft-skills, such as self-care, problem solving, and communication, while others would like access to workshops that would assist with marketing, government reporting, and strategic planning. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 27. Watch this column for time, location and contact information.

• During Co-op Week, October 15 - 19, events were held throughout B.C. to ac-

knowledge the importance of the co-operative sector to the provincial economy. There are over 600 active co-ops in B.C., employing more than 13,000 people. Established local co-ops include The Growing Circle Food Co-operative, Salt Spring Island Apple Co-operative, Gulf Islands Spinning Mill Co-operative, The Bodyworks Collective, and Salt Spring Seed Co-operative. Earthworks Co-operative, Touch the Earth Co-operative and Fjordland Co-operative are in the early stages of operation. Interested in starting a co-op? Call The Co-operative Enterprise Centre at 250-595-6451.

• October 31 and November 1 are the dates for the Conference for People with Disabilities: Accessing Self-Employment at the Victoria Holiday Inn. Presented by the Victoria Disabilities Resource Centre and sponsored by Western Economic Diversification, the conference features keynotes, workshops, and a trade show, and is geared to those interested in starting or enhancing their own businesses. For more information, contact Eric Verschuer at 250-595-0044 or drc@Islandnet.com. The Conference web site is www.Islandnet.com/percent7Edrc/conference.html.

• Interested in selling to the BC Government? The Ministry of Management Services, BC Purchasing Commission, offers an online listing of all BC Bid documents. To view or download documents, visit www.bcbid.ca, where you may select either "Goods Opportunities" or "Services Opportunities". You can even download a guide prepared especially to help submit your RFP!

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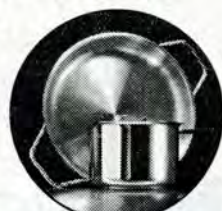
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Water Wise ...
by Murray Reiss

"Human population is growing at a rapid rate. Previous rural, undeveloped land is now being used for housing, commercial activities, and industry. Will there be enough water for all these people? How will development affect water and environmental quality? What steps can we take to protect our water sources?"

Sound familiar? The questions and concerns I've just quoted could easily come from Salt Spring, but in fact they're taken from a document called "Water for Tomorrow: A Guide to Watershed Stewardship in the Howe Sound Basin."

It goes on to say that, "Our knowledge about water hasn't kept pace with population growth. Problems such as poor water quality, damage to sensitive habitat, reduction of fish stocks, ground water contamination, and lack of accessible, inexpensive water supplies are increasing."

All over B.C. communities find themselves facing similar threats to their sources of water. Many of these communities have responded to these threats by embarking on a process of community-based Watershed Management.

Residents of the Prospect Lake/Tod Creek watershed in Saanich felt impelled to act a few years ago because land clearing, logging, and the removal of natural cover had made Prospect Lake undrinkable and often unswimmable, increasingly weed-choked and oxygen-starved, with many native aquatic species all but ex-

tinct. Rick Todd described the changes to Prospect Lake since his boyhood. "With habitat vanishing, so too is the diversity of wildlife and the ability of the foreshore to filter the ever increasing nutrient flow. The once renewing winter rains now mostly serve to wash more toxins into the water. Slime balls, algae blooms, and white foam are clear proof." Sound familiar? So what are Watershed Management Plans and why are so many communities turning to them?

According to one definition, "The goal of watershed management is to plan and work toward an environmentally and economically healthy watershed that benefits all who have a stake in it."

It's also been called a holistic approach which recognizes that all ecosystem components and functions are interconnected and that identifies and protects processes that maintain and support these interconnections.

This approach is community based because it depends on effective partnerships that include everyone with a stake in the watershed's health.

Ideally, the views of all those stakeholders are considered and consensus is reached on what the group envisions as the watershed's future health.

As examples of the kind of objectives a Watershed Management Plan can set for itself, here are four taken from the Prospect Lake Plan:

1. Maintain and restore ri-

parian areas.

2. Support community stewardship education.

3. Keep nutrients and pollutants out of surface and groundwater.

4. Minimize run-off into watercourses.

Actions taken under a Watershed Management Plan can include everything from homeowners maintaining their septic systems and conserving water to the creative use of development permit areas and roadside erosion control to regularly monitoring a number of water quality indicators.

Protecting water quality for drinking or recreation; protecting property from flooding and erosion; and preserving aesthetic values that also enhance property values are among the many benefits that can flow from good watershed management practices.

Watershed Management Plans aren't just happening somewhere else. Groups have formed on Salt Spring to develop plans for both

Cusheon and St. Mary Lakes.

Lest this all sound too highly theoretical, the Salt Spring Island Conservancy is sponsoring a forum on the watershed and lake management process for Saturday, November 24 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the high school.

It will be an opportunity to hear from people who've been involved in watershed stewardship in communities around Saanich and Victoria, as well as right here on Salt Spring.

If you're concerned about safeguarding the sources of our drinking water, this will be a great opportunity to meet other Islanders who share your concerns and find out what you can do to help ensure the future health of our watersheds and lakes.

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It is **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT** for property owners to attend one of the following meetings:
Wednesday, 7th November, 2001 at 6:30 p.m.
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Tuesday, 13th November, 2001 at 6:30 p.m.
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Apple Festival diverse

by Harry Burton

On Sunday, September 30, the sun shone her approval on Salt Spring as over 400 people, a good percentage from off-Island, explored the Island to celebrate the apple.

Most were amazed at the diversity, as they viewed the collection of over 160 labelled apple varieties at Fulford Hall.

Most never realized that so many varieties existed, having been forced the five or six pretty varieties that marketers incorrectly assumed would keep us satisfied.

Apple varieties such as Pitmaston's Pineapple, Blenheim Orange, Apricot Apple, Chenango Strawberry and Cherry Cox were vivid examples of the diversity we enjoy here.

Salt Spring is the perfect place to

explore apples since we have over 360 varieties growing here, most raised organically.

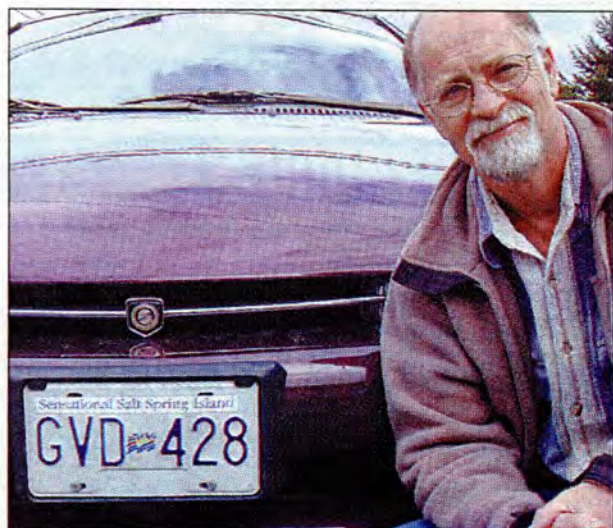
This festival allowed people to taste over 50 different apple varieties. We do live in Apple Heaven. Eating a piece of pie from the Women's Institute Pie Ladies only proved you were in heaven.

The perfect complement to the apple displays were the large

colourful fabric wall hangings of B Nevill, our own Emily Carr.

The vivid colours and rich designs of the large Chagall-inspired hangings were magical. Even the many sound baffles, hanging from the ceiling and hand painted by school children added a beautiful colourful finesse.

Fulford Hall never looked so good.



Bob McGinn shows off the new Salt Spring licence plate decal, "Sensational Salt Spring Island", on sale at Naikai Gallery. *Pirjo Raits photo*

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TUESDAY OCTOBER 30

Children

Drop-in for parents and preschoolers
Fulford Hall. Tuesdays. 10-Noon

Ballet - Jazz
SS Centre. 3:30-4:30pm. Tue's

Galleries

Adrien Towne
Luigi's Pizzeria. 'til Nov. 26

Meetings & Lectures

Developments in Local Treaty Negotiations
And response to proposed referendum. United Church. 7pm

Health

Gentle Yoga
225 Cedar Lane. Tuesdays & Thursdays. 10:30am-Noon

Planned Parenthood clinic
Core Inn. 4-6pm.

T.O.P.S. weight loss group
7pm

Chakra Yoga Classes
The Barn. 9:15-11am

Sports & Fitness

Ladies Fall Luncheon & Golf
SSI Golf & Country Club. 10am shotgun start

Drop in Floor Hockey
Fulford Hall. Tuesdays 6:30-9pm

Cinema & TV

Afterlife
Cinema Central. 7pm

Moulin Rouge
Cinema Central. 9:15pm

Recreation

SS Chess Club
SS Seniors. Tuesdays ongoing. 7-10pm



WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 31

Special Event

8th Annual Family Funfest
Fernwood Elem. gym. 5-7pm

Hallowe'en Fireworks
Rotary Marine Park, Ganges & Drummond Park, Fulford. 7:30pm

Hallowe'en Party
Family Place. 10:30am-Noon

Children

Storytime
Fables Cottage. Wed., Thu., Fri. ongoing. 10:30-11:30am

Kindergym
147 Vesuvius Bay Rd. 9-11am Wed's & Fri's

Music

Wednesday Night Live
Open Stage. Moby's Pub. 9pm

Dance

Argentinian Tango practice
Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm

Interfaith

Peace Vigil
United Church sanctuary. 4:30-5pm Ongoing

Bible Study
United Church. 11-12:30pm. Ongoing

Book Study Group
"Religion in Exile" United Church upper hall. To Nov. 7. 9-11am

Centering Prayer
Leigh Spencer Room, St. Marks Church. 8am

Meetings & Lectures

Caregivers Support Group
Seniors' Centre. 11am

The Faces of Cancer
Talk by Dr. Crossland. SS Seniors. 2pm

Classes & Workshops

Free Internet lessons
Corinternet Café. 1-8pm

Sports & Fitness

Circuit Challenge
Fulford Elementary. Mon. & Wed. ongoing. 7-8pm

Zong He Taijiquan Academy Open Classes
United Church. 5:30-7pm

Move Into Fitness
Easy start. Meaden Hall. 9-10am

Drop-in Step/Stretch
All Saints. M-W-F 9-10am

Recreation

Cribbage
Legion. Wednesdays. 8pm

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 1

Children

Family Walk
Mouat Park. 10am

Storytime
Fables Cottage. Wed., Thu., Fri. ongoing. 10:30-11:30am

Kindercraft, 3-5 year olds
Fables Cottage. Thursdays 11am - 12pm

Performing Arts

Theatre Games Improv
for Kids. Core Inn. Thursdays.

Hedda Gabler
ArtSpring. Nov. 1-3,7-10. 8pm

Music

Sing Along Group
Seniors' Bldg. 2pm

Dance

Salty Wheels Square Dance Club
Central Hall. Thursdays 7-9pm

Movements of Dance
Fulford Hall. Thurs. ongoing. 10-11:15am

Interfaith

Community Meditation
United Church upper hall. Thursdays. 11:15am-1pm

Soup's On
Free soup and sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30am-1pm

Men's Breakfast
United Church lower hall. 8-9:30am. Thur's to Nov. 1

Meetings & Lectures

SSI Weavers & Spinners Guild
Weekly Mtg. ArtSpring. Thursdays. 10:30-Noon

Health

Gentle Yoga
225 Cedar lane. Tuesdays & Thursdays. 10:30am-Noon

Sports & Fitness

Climbing Wall
Cmty Ctr. 6:30-9:30pm

Recreation

Bingo
Meaden Hall. 6:30pm



FRIDAY NOVEMBER 2

Children

Storytime
Fables Cottage. Wed., Thu., Fri. ongoing. 10:30-11:30am

Kindergym
147 Vesuvius Bay Rd. 9-11am Wed's & Fri's

Performing Arts

Hedda Gabler
ArtSpring. Nov. 1-3,7-10. 8pm

Music

Open Stage
Rose's Cafe. Fulford Harbour. 7pm

Dance

Capoeira-Brazilian Martial Arts & Dance
Lions Hall. 6:30-8:30pm Ongoing

Health

Chakra Yoga Classes
The Barn. 11am-12:30pm

Feldenkrais Awareness
through Movement. Cats Pajamas. 10am

Nia Fitness Classes
The Barn. 9:30am

Sports & Fitness

Climbing
The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm

Move Into Fitness
Easy start. Meaden Hall. 9-10am

Drop-in Step/Stretch
All Saints. M-W-F 9-10am

Cinema & TV

Himalaya
Cinema Central. 7pm

Riding in Cars with Boys
Cinema Central. 9pm

SSI Reflections, Fall Fair 2001, Volunteer's Night, The Burgoyne Valley
SS TV Channel 12. 3pm Fri. thru 3pm Sat.

Recreation

Rollerblading to Music
Fulford Hall. Fridays 7:30-9pm

Black light bowling
Kings Lane Rec. Ctr. 9pm-midnight

Starcraft Games Night
Core Inn. Every Fri. 5:30-9pm

Pioneer Circle new at Apple Festival

by Harry Burton

A new and exciting addition to the Apple Festival was the Pioneer Circle at Fulford Hall, where eight pioneers with fruit-growing roots were available at various times during the day to talk with people.

At one point, Naidine Sims was surrounded by a crowd as she talked about her ancestors, the Starks, who were one of the first black families

on Salt Spring.

Fruit identification expert, Dick Eldridge, from Victoria, arrived at the Hall at 9:30 a.m. and already had a line-up waiting for him. He never did get a moment's rest all day to view the large apple collection. He worked the hardest of anyone, but loves coming to Salt Spring because of our large number of heritage apples, which are his specialty.

The apples from Salt Spring's small farms, each unique, appeal to apple connoisseurs. Various Island farms specialize in disease resistant varieties, cider varieties, newly planted heritage varieties, original heritage varieties, the best tasting varieties, espaliered trees, and apple decoration varieties.

Salt Spring Island was also one of the first apple-producing locations in B.C.

and Wave Hill Farm boasts of being the location of the first apple trees planted on Salt Spring about 1860.

Profits from the last two festivals have allowed the Organic Apple Network of Salt Spring Island to purchase a large stainless steel hydraulic apple press. This is only the first step in the creation of a value-added fruit processing network for Salt Spring Island.

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Music

Christmas Bazaar Oder of the Eastern Star
Masonic Hall. 10am-2pm

Library Book Sale
Library. 10am-2pm

Fabulous Flea Market Fundraiser
Fulford Hall. 11am-3pm

SS SPCA Open House
below GI Vet Clinic.
Saturdays 2-4pm

Performing Arts

Hedda Gabler
ArtSpring. Nov. 1-3, 7-10. 8pm

Music

Barrington Perry
Soft Jazz. Alfresco. 6-9:30pm

Antu
Beaver Point Hall. 8pm

Dance

Capoeira-Brazilian Martial Arts & Dance
Lions Hall. 2-4pm Ongoing

Health

How to Grow Yer Own Wheatgrass
125 Horel Rd. W. 10am-Noon

Interfaith

Missionfest
SSI Baptist Church. Sat. 8am,
Sun. 10:30am

Meetings & Lectures

CRD SSI Liquid Waste Disposal Local Service Cmte
AGM. Lions Hall. 10am

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AGM. Lions Hall. 1pm

Cinema & TV

Himalaya
Cinema Central. 7pm

Riding in Cars with Boys
Cinema Central. 9pm

SSI Reflections, Fall Fair 2001, Volunteer's Night, The Burgoyne Valley
SS TV Channel 12. 3pm Fri. thru 3pm Sat.

Recreation

Psychic Development group
Bodyworks Collective. 4pm



SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4

Special Event

Vocal Improvization & Compassionate Burnout
181 Beaver Pt. Rd. 1-5pm

Arts & Craft Sale
100 Arbutus Pl. 11am-4pm

Music

Concert of Sacred Music
All Saints by-the-Sea. 2:30pm

The Other Brothers
Fulford Inn. 6-9pm

Interfaith

Story, Song & Soup
United Church Hall. 12-1:30pm.
Ongoing

Classes & Workshops

Craft Sundays (workshops)
Core Inn. Every Sunday. 1pm

Cinema & TV

Riding in Cars with Boys
Cinema Central. 7pm

Sports & Fitness

Climbing Wall
Cmty Ctr. 6:30-9:30pm

MONDAY NOVEMBER 5

Children

Parent Support Circle
For parents w/chil. 0-12 yrs.
9:30-11am

Music

SS Concert Band Rehearsals
GISS Band Room. Mondays 'til further notice. 7:30pm

SS Folk Club. Richard Wood
Fulford Hall. 7:30pm

Dance

Cats Pajamas Dance Class
Lang Road Studio. 7:30pm

Argentinian Tango practice
Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm

Interfaith

Toning with Breath and Sound
United Church downstairs.
6-8pm

Vipassana Meditation
The Barn. 7:30pm

Health

Tai Chi Chuan for Beginners
Cedar Lane Studio. Mondays thru Dec. 10. 6:30-8pm

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7pm

Flu Clinic

Health Clinic. Nov. 5, 7, 20, 22

Tai Chi Chuan classes
The Barn Reynolds Rd. Mondays ongoing. 1:30-3:30pm

Sports & Fitness

Body Ball
All Saints by-the-Sea.
11am-Noon

Circuit Challenge
Fulford Elementary. Mon. & Wed. ongoing. 7-8pm

Zong He Taijiquan Academy Open Classes
United Church. 5:30-7pm

Cats Pajamas Feldenkrais Class
Lang Rd. Studio. 6pm

Move Into Fitness
Easy start. Meaden Hall. 9-10am

Drop-in Step/Stretch
All Saints. M-W-F 9-10am

Cinema & TV

Himalaya
Cinema Central. 7pm

Recreation

Fun Darts
Legion. 6:30pm

Readers Theatre
Croftonbrook. Mondays.
10am-Noon

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6

Children

Drop-in for parents and preschoolers
Fulford Hall. Tuesdays. 10-Noon

Ballet - Jazz
SS Centre. 3:30-4:30pm. Tue's

Toy Library
Beaver Pt. Hall. 9:30-10:30am

Meetings & Lectures

Book Discussion Group.
Sabine's Bookshop. 7-8:30pm

Health

Gentle Yoga
225 Cedar lane. Tuesdays & Thursdays. 10:30am-Noon

Planned Parenthood clinic
Core Inn. 4-6pm.

T.O.P.S. weight loss group
7pm

Chakra Yoga Classes
The Barn. 9:15-11am

Sports & Fitness

Drop in Floor Hockey
Fulford Hall. Tuesdays 6:30-9pm

Cinema & TV

Riding in Cars with Boys
Cinema Central. 7pm

Himalaya
Cinema Central. 9:15pm

Recreation

SS Chess Club
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Paradoxes abound Runaway takes off with *Hedda Gabler*



Flick Pick ...
with Jason Tudor

Ginger Snaps is the kind of movie David Cronenberg (*The Fly*, *Dead Ringers*) might have made when he was young; a low budget werewolf flick that has something to say about adolescence.

Ginger and Brigitte are two sisters in their mid-teens, heavily depressed with what future suburbia has for them. One night, they are attacked by some wolf-like creature, and Ginger is wounded. Strange things start happening: she gets hair in new places, she grows a tail, she routinely thinks about carnage. It's up to Brigitte to save her sister, that is, if her sister wants to be saved.

This might seem like something you've seen before, i.e., *An American Werewolf in London*. However, *Ginger Snaps* brings up themes that traditional films won't touch.

Legends of lycanthropy—especially in its notions of “monthly cycles” and transformation under the full moon—are historically linked to menstruation. The film's tagline: “They don't call it the curse for nothing,” clearly shows that Ginger is not just turning into a werewolf. She's becoming a woman.

This metaphor works incredibly well in the film. At first, Ginger is horrified by all the changes. Soon, however, she realizes that there is a new world out there, a world of carnal pleasures and sexual power struggles.

In one scene, she drops the “goth” look and throws on some tight fitting stuff. Strutting down the school hallway, she is initially nervous, but starts to smile proudly when the boys gasp their approval. Of course, there is a downside to all this: she suddenly has the desire to kill. Bummer. But, that's the tradeoff of growing up.

Ginger Snaps is full of paradoxes, and that's what makes it a great little film. After all, while you're hiding your eyes from the blood and guts on the screen, couldn't you also be examining the status of women in society?

Rating: 18a

Running Time: 1 hour, 48 minutes

by Sandi Johnson

Runaway Stage endeavours to present entertaining works that stimulate and challenge the audience.

Its upcoming production of *Hedda Gabler*, by famed Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen, opens November 1 at ArtSpring.

Directed by Vaughn Fulford, Runaway Stage is pleased to present this classic with its intricate style, strong psychological element, and potent social themes.

The cast includes Leah Hansel as the defiant Hedda Gabler, Erin Butler as her scholarly but pedantic husband Jörgen Tesman, Sara Fee as their servant Berte, Ann Stewart as Jörgen's Aunt Juliane, Mahaka Shira as the cynical Judge Brack, Jeff Pearson as Ejlert Lövborg, the brilliant but dissipated writer who once loved Hedda, and Jennifer Winter as the fragile Mrs. Elvsted.



Runaway Theatre set personnel take a look at the mock-up of the set for their latest production of *Hedda Gabler*. Thousands of hours were required to get the set ready for the Thursday opening. Pictured are: Director Vaughn Fulford, Rick Abramyk, Cliff Knox, and Paul Godin. The play runs November 1-3, and November 7-10, 8 p.m., at ArtSpring.

Pirjo Raits photo

Hedda Gabler poster designed locally

by Sandi Johnson

Salt Spring artist Diana Dean has painted an original portrait of Leah Hansel as *Hedda Gabler* for the Runaway Stage production of Henrik Ibsen's classic.

When Artistic Director Vaughn Fulford approached her to do the poster image she was pleased by the challenge of portraying this fascinating and tragic character.

Dean found Ibsen's profound psychological drama disturbing.

“Ibsen was portraying women who had no career,” she said.

The idea was to marry someone for social position. The painting, which took three weeks to complete,



portrays Leah as the straight-backed, tight-lipped Hedda.

Working in Dean's studio, Hansel posed three times for the painting.

“She's a very good sitter—she sat perfectly still.”

Hansel has actually done some modeling, so she knew what to expect. She bought period clothes for the sittings.

“She didn't have the right shoes,” said Dean. “Vaughn thought she needed shoes more of the time period so I redesigned the shoes and clothes.”

Seeing her taciturn, sitting ramrod straight, we sense Hedda's confinement. She's restrained but she also looks very proper. Appearances mattered; it was essential to look like a lady. We see the intelligence and the slight insecurity in her eyes. Her diamond ring sparkles. Dean has also captured her hardness. Aggressive and cruel, Hedda was also secretive.

The three-by-four foot painting isn't an actual scene. It just gives a sense of the play. The artist has included the piano, the gun and the manuscript in the painting.

“I finally decided on a sitting pose. The main part was to get her in the foreground of the painting. I wanted to get the other room in the painting.”

Two other characters, Judge Brack and the maid, are in the painting. Hedda has her hand on the manuscript.

Regarding the composition, Dean wanted a line to

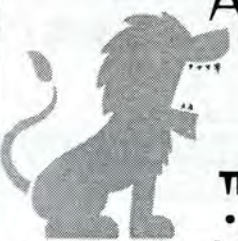
lead from her hand with the manuscript on the table, up her arm up to her shoulders and head—then the eyes that lead you into the other room. There's a strong central line which is where the rooms are divided with the tied-back curtain. This line leads down her left arm which comes down onto her knees and down to her black shoes. On both corners there's a diagonal which emphasizes her ringed hand which is positioned on her knee.

The work is painted primarily in earth tones with crimson and turquoise.

After her dark period, Dean is entering a new phase with colour. She's using colour to design the space and light, as well as variations of gray. “It opens up a huge new area.”

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Theatre school a hit with students

by Sundance Topham

Now entering its third year in existence, the Stagecoach Theatre School continues to grow in popularity.

The Stagecoach Theatre, a school for performing arts for 11 to 14 year olds, is the brainchild of Simon Henson, Margaret Jardine, and Lynda Jensen.

As active participants in the Salt Spring Island theatre community over the years they became aware of the need for a theatre programme aimed at a younger demographic.

"We had all worked a lot in theatre over the years," said Jardine. "And what we had been hearing was that a lot of teenagers wished that there was a program outside of school."

The three friends decided to start a theatre school, and they got together to brainstorm what the best approach should be.

"The actual process took a little bit of time," said Jardine. "Over a year-and-a-half we got together and talked about the school. Eventually we brought in a group of students and did a little workshop to come up with some ideas."

Working amongst themselves, and with the students, Henson, Jardine, and Jensen came up with a plan for the school.

"We didn't want to duplicate the high school drama programme," said Henson. "After the workshop we wrote up our 'reason for being' and we decided to lower the ages for the school to between 11 and 15 (since changed to 14). We also decided that we wanted to teach the backstage element of theatre as well as the acting."

"We believe that you get better actors if they know the work it takes to get them on the stage. So we teach them lighting, set design, costumes, and stage-managing. All the things that go into putting on a production."

Once they had established the guidelines of what they wanted to teach it became time to start up the school. From the very beginning all three parties involved had a few basic guidelines.

"We wanted first of all to really make sure that both the students and their parents were committed to the programme," said Henson. "So we put them through an interview process, and



Thea Stone (standing) practices her lines, while her classmates, Heather Meek (back left), Alex Corley, Daniel Millerd, Natalia Day, and Jakua Jordan follow along. The Stagecoach Theatre School rehearses on the third floor of the Core Inn. Sundance Topham photo

told them exactly what was involved in terms of commitment. Another important thing was the fact that money shouldn't be a hindrance at all. We've had bursaries since the very beginning that pay for half the cost for eligible applicants. Everybody who really wants to take the course should be able to without worrying about finances."

With the direction of the school firmly entrenched, and a group of committed students in place, the Stagecoach Theatre School started rolling.

"We like to say that it's a journey for youth in performing arts," said Henson.

And a journey it has been.

In the two plus years that the school has been running the Stagecoach Theatre has put on two successful and acclaimed productions; their first year production of *Alice*, and last year's play *The Selfish Magician*.

Jardine says the whole process has been very rewarding.

"The enthusiasm that the children have is incredible," said Jardine. "We are giving the students what they want and we are giving the parents what they want. They really seem to enjoy it."

Between the first and second year the school wasn't able to take on any new applicants, but this year, thanks in part to a new teacher, and a new location, the theatre once again took new students.

"We are really lucky to have Rachel Jacobson helping us out with the teaching this year," said Jardine. "She's a long standing

member of the Salt Spring theatre community and a great teacher. ArtSpring has also been extremely supportive of us. They are helping us out on renting some space."

The popularity of the Stagecoach Theatre School was reinforced during the application process this year.

"We put out one small advertisement," said Henson. "We had 20 applicants all together, and we took 12 students. We took the 12 that were closest together in age; it was either that or put names in a hat. It was hard because they were all deserving."

This year, for the first time since its inception, the school will be opening up its first term exercises to the public.

"The school year is broken up into two terms," said

Henson. "The first term runs from September to December and the second runs from January to April. At the end of the first term we always have exercises and small plays that the students perform in front of their parents. This year we are opening it up to the public."

The performances are going to be taking place at Mahon Hall on December 7 and 8 at 7 p.m.

Tickets for the performances are being sold at Acoustic Planet, and by the parents of the students.

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So why did I do it a second time? I figured that I

had experienced the trail at its worst. Dozens of people had told me stories of what the trail was like when the weather was good: hiking in shorts and T-shirts, splashing through streams and under waterfalls, sunset barbecues. I wanted to replace my cold wet memories with warm dry ones.

Tim, one of the guys I hike with, always shows up with a new, interesting, and

usually expensive, piece of equipment. To prepare for this trip, he'd gone to Mountain

Equipment Co-op to "get some stuff" (Guys don't use the word "shopping," even if it's a hardware store. They simply go and "get stuff.")

As we settled around the fire for our first night on the trail, Tim pulled something out of a holster on his hip and quickly zipped the cork out of a wine bottle. (The first night of these treks is always a cause for celebration. Mostly because the sooner you use up the heavy items, like full bottles of wine and assorted liquors, the lighter your load will be.)

"What ya got there, Tim?" I asked.

"This? It's nothing really, just a combination knife, scissors, hatchet, flashlight, and seventeen other useful tools, made in Germany out of stainless steel. It's

called a "multi-tool". It costs a hundred and twenty bucks but it's guaranteed for life."

Much later that night, Tim headed off to find the outhouse. When he hadn't returned after half an hour or so, we called his name (along with nasty comments about what he was doing that was taking so long). These were guys, so there was no talk of finding out whether he might be in some difficulty. After an hour or so he trudged back into camp, looking a little sick. The closest a guy comes to helping another guy is to ask, "Are you feeling alright?" which really means, "I sure hope you haven't caught something contagious."

Tim said he was fine, but he cautioned us not to use the outhouse, because, he said, "it's really dangerous." We all looked at him, then at each other, but no one dared asked the question.

The next morning I woke up early and set about re-

lighting the campfire and starting the coffee. Soon it was time to heed the daily call of nature. My choices were either find my trowel in my pack and then find a suitable place to dig a hole, or simply pay a quick visit to Tim's "dangerous" outhouse. After a short walk along a dark, wet trail, I found it. I stepped inside and, although the light was dim, the seat seemed solid enough. What else mattered? There was even a roll of toilet paper, which was only slightly damp.

I wandered back into camp just as Tim crawled out of his tent. He stared at me with a look of horror as he asked, "Did you just use the outhouse?"

"Ya, I did. And what the heck were you babbling about last night? There's nothing at all dangerous about it."

Tim let out a long sigh of dismay, then plunked himself down onto a log with his head in his hands. "Last night, when I went to the

outhouse, the most terrible thing happened. As I pulled my pants back up, my multi-tool – still in its leather holster – slipped off my belt and fell in the hole.

I found some long branches in the bush and spent almost an hour trying to retrieve it. A couple of times I was able to lift it, but it fell off. I figured I'd have a better chance this morning, by the light of day, so I told you guys the outhouse was dangerous so you wouldn't, you know, cover up my multi-tool. I didn't want to tell you last night because you'd all been drinking, and I figured, rather than help me try to get it back, you'd all just collapse in a heap of uncontrollable laughter."

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Fireworks should be used with care when celebrating Halloween.

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- Federal regulations prohibit the use of firecrackers and bottle rockets in Canada.
- Many municipalities ban or strictly regulate the sale and use of fireworks.
- Where permitted, the public can buy low-hazard recreational fireworks from October 25 to 31.
- Make sure only adults discharge fireworks. It is illegal for anyone under 18 to possess fireworks.
- Choose a safe area for discharging fireworks. This should include a bare area of ground away from buildings, overhead obstructions, trees, vehicles, dry grass and other flammable objects.
- Watch from a safe distance—at least 20 metres—upwind from the discharge area.
- Never point or throw fireworks at people, pets, cars or buildings, or hold them in your hand when lighting them.
- Use a bucket, large box or wheelbarrow filled with earth or sand as a firing base to secure fireworks before lighting. Keep a

large bucket of water, sand or garden hose ready at the firing site.

- Use a lighting stick rather than a match or lighter to light fireworks.
- Do not relight fireworks that do not go off, and do not approach or move them for 30 minutes.
- Place used fireworks in a container of water before discarding them.
- Kids need to see and be seen. Statistics show that about 10 per cent of all pedestrian injuries involve six to 15 year old children and occur between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- Halloween eye safety tips:
- Use iron-on reflective fabric or tape or a Get Visible sticker on costumes.
- Wear hypo-allergenic make-up instead of a mask for better vision.
- If your child's costume requires a mask, ensure it does not restrict his or her vision.
- Carry a flashlight.
- Keep young children away from firecrackers and sparklers.
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Get your garden ready for winter



*Life in the garden ...
with Joe Clemente*

a planter, unless you wrap the pot in bubble plastic or burlap for an insulator.

October is the month where many low-lying areas of our Island will see some ground frost. As of October 5 a few locations have already had to scrape frost from their car windshields.

Usually heavy freezes in October are rare, but they have occurred in the past.

Many gardeners got caught off guard in late October 1991 when old man winter decided to visit us early. Not only did we receive a little snow, but the minimum temperatures dipped below the freezing mark for a few days. Thank goodness it was short-lived, and the rest of the season was very mild.

Some species of marginal plants that need protection are cannas, some callas, and dahlias.

Sometimes these particular species will get by with a heavy ground mulch of leaves, bark mulch or straw, but most gardeners prefer to lift and store them indoors.

Some species of callas are considered quite hardy here, but a few of the

species are a little more tender.

Any of your houseplants that have been sitting outside for the warmer months should come in before it gets too cold for them. I consider any established Windmill palms perfectly hardy here, but newly planted smaller ones may need some help getting through a severe freeze. Wrapping some burlap around them or even mulching them with leaves or straw will work just fine.

Bananas that are grown outdoors here are completely root hardy, but a mulch of rotted manure, and leaves of straw should be added for protection. Even if these plants freeze to the ground they will bounce right back in the warmer weather.

By wrapping the canes in bubble plastic you can expect them to remain standing even in our worst freezes.

It is also very good to keep a close eye on the local weather forecasts, just in case.

Personally I am banking on another mild winter to make it three in a row. Please check out our web site at www.gulfislands.com/foxglove.

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October is a good month to think about protecting any tender plants that may need help through a cold winter.

Generally our winters on Salt Spring are very mild, but once every so often we get hit with a hard freeze. These deep freezes can cause considerable damage or even death to certain species of marginal plants that are left unprotected.

One thing to remember is that most plants are much less hardy if grown in a container. Container grown or potted plants will freeze solid in the worst winters.

When I refer to our worst winters, it is the coldest minimum temps, and the duration of the freeze to be concerned about, and not great quantities of snow. If anything snow is a good insulator.

A camellia in the ground is perfectly cold tolerant in our zone, but the same plant grown in a container is much more vulnerable in a prolonged freeze. Its survival rate is much less in

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Confused about the different types of dietary fats? Monounsaturated, saturated, polyunsaturated, trans fatty acids, and omega 3 fats— what does this all mean? Well, to start, it means a quick review of introductory biochemistry.

The fat molecule consists of glycerol combined with three fatty acids. Fatty acids are long chains of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen atoms. Fatty acids vary in length and in the number and location of double bonds. Saturated fatty acids contain no double bonds and are solid at room temperature. Sources include meat and poultry, high fat dairy products (butter, whole milk, cheese, ice cream), palm oil, coconut oil, palm kernel oil, and cocoa butter. For those concerned about heart disease, saturated fat tends to raise blood cholesterol, and therefore needs to be limited to no more than 8-10 per cent of total calories.

Monounsaturated fatty acids (MUFA) contain just one double bond. Sources include olive and canola oils, and avocados. Monounsaturates help to lower blood cholesterol. Current recommendations suggest that up to 15 per cent of total calories be in the form of monounsaturated fat.

Polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFA) contain many double bonds and are divided into 2 groups (omega 6 and omega 3) depending on the location of the first double bond in the structure. Polyunsaturates also help to lower blood cholesterol levels and should comprise up to 10 per

Good sources of omega 3 fatty acids include flax seeds, flax oil, and fish. Additionally, omega 3 fatty acids reduce blood clotting and make platelets less likely to stick together. This, in turn, may help to lessen the risk of heart disease and stroke.

So what about trans fatty acids? Well, most of the trans fatty acids we consume are created via hydrogenation. Hydrogenation is a process whereby hydrogen is added to liquid vegetable oil changing it into a solid. Like saturated fat, trans fatty acids tend to raise blood cholesterol levels. To find them, read the ingredient list on labels and look for the term "hydrogenated," "partially hydrogenated," or "vegetable oil shortening."

Lastly, dietary fats contain a mixture of the different fatty acids, and are labeled according to the type of fatty acid present in the largest amount.

For example, canola oil is classified as a monounsaturated fat because 58 per cent of its fatty acids are monounsaturated, while 36 per cent are polyunsaturated and six per cent are saturated.

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Olof sits on his front stoop watching the rain. He is serene with his large puffy comforter.

Olof, a big orange tabby, is one of 17 cats belonging to Natascha Wille, cat lover and founder of Feline Future.

Wille's story is one of creativity, entrepreneurial success, and boundless love. While some people receive inspiration from their dreams and others through voices or the influence of a role model, Wille's story begins when a kitten followed her home one afternoon.

"I kept trying to make the kitten go away but it would not leave, so I finally gave in and took it home." That kitten changed the direction of her life. "It was a calling," said Wille, as she gently stroked a fluffy striped cat.

At 19 Wille had completed her studies in graphic design, but she was a recent immigrant from Germany and was prohibited from working. When the kitten came into her life she spent her time caring for the kitten and doing volunteer work at the SPCA.

"I was not particularly a cat lover at that time, but that changed."

Wille described her dismay when she discovered the irresponsible care that some people gave to their cats and was motivated to make improvements. What she has done is made a commercial version of mice.

In the beginning, our young cat lover established a website regarding the care of cats, but the focus eventually shifted to nutritional needs.

Since the available cat foods did not meet Wille's standards, she set about



Natascha Wille uses her 17 feline friends as research material in making homemade cat food.

Helani Davison photo

making her own. Cats, she explained, are natural carnivores and so they require lots of meat in their diet for optimum health. Sparked by the responses to her website, Wille was encouraged to pursue her research and to perfect her product.

Since it was never her idea to become a big industry, Wille, now 28, never advertised her product. Many cat owners were intrigued by the idea of home-made cat food, which is meant to be added to fresh meat.

Wille's 17 feline house companions are testimonials for her product. All of the cats have a name. They are of every colour and description, languishing in a state of contentment.

"This is my family," Wille grins. "I use them for ongoing development of new healthy food combinations, using great care that no harm is done."

Wille explained it is important to have cats breed well. Healthy food produces healthy kittens. If the environment is not favourable it is reflected in weak offspring or none at all. This is a natural law.

The homemade cat food is a new idea.

"I am going against what is typical—feeding cats crunchies or kibbel, in a diet of dry food only, is wrong."

Wille believes that commercial pet foods, often made from scraps of poor quality, result in disease. Cats, like humans, can develop a great liking for certain processed foods, which are very difficult to resist.

Wille challenged the opinions of veterinarians, producing a product that came from seven years of intensive re-

search and studies. Every morning and evening Wille is buried in books about biology, nutrition, and sciences.

At first, veterinarians opposed Wille's approach saying that she did not have a PhD or proper qualifications to be doing what she was doing.

"But I knew what I was doing was right," stated Wille. "I got very upset but I persisted. We can't let people silence us."

Perseverance and faith kept our feisty lady in the ring. Now she is recognized for her work and is invited to veterinary conferences. Many vets now see this product as a viable alternative. Although she has received recognition from around the world, Wille distributes only throughout North America, because of the cost of shipping.

"This is what happens when you have something incredible and you share it with the world," Wille smiled assuredly. "You don't have to go to university to become something," she said assuredly. "You become something when you put your heart and soul into it."

Her recipes are available to anyone on the website, www.felinefuture.com.

Pets get frightened on Hallowe'en night

While Hallowe'en is fun for trick or treaters, it can be a scary and dangerous time for pets and farm animals.

"Loud noises from fireworks and other Hallowe'en activities can cause animals to panic, putting both pets and children in danger," says Lorie Chortyk, Director of Community Relations for the British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (BC SPCA). "When dogs and cats are frightened they are more likely to dart into traffic or to escape from their homes and yards. Dogs can also act out of character at the sight of strangers in costumes coming to your door."

In rural areas, she says, frightened farm animals can run into barbed-wire fences or other obstructions when startled

by fireworks and loud noises.

The BC SPCA recommends keeping domestic animals inside on Hallowe'en, preferably in a quiet room where they will not become agitated by the constant ringing of the doorbell.

"People should also make sure that their dog or cat has the proper identification, a tag or tattoo or microchip, in case they become lost," says Chortyk.

Finally, it is important to keep candy, especially chocolate, away from pets. Chocolate is especially dangerous because it contains theobromine, an ingredient which is toxic to cats and dogs."

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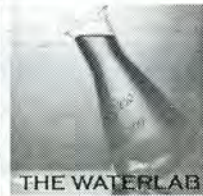
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• 110 • DEATHS

THOMAS CLARK (Tom) Age 63- Survived by partner and soul mate Sue Wyatt, mom Irene, sister Sandy, brother Joe and relatives in Ontario. Celebration wake Sat Nov 3, Meadon Hall at 2 pm. In lieu of flowers please bring a funny story, a happy memory or a favourite joke he told. Donations to our Hospital or library. 4401

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• 140 • COMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY CALENDAR on line! For a complete calendar of coming events check out the Barnacle Community Calendar in this issue or visit our website at DailyBarnacle.com. ttn

CALL FOR ENTRIES for ASA Juried show Nov 22-Dec 2 at ArtSpring Gallery. Deadline Nov 15. Entry forms in ASA box at SaltSpring Books. Phone 653-2018 for more information.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR listings are free. Display your meeting or upcoming event on the Barnacle Community Calendar. Drop by our office and fill out a calendar form. Deadline for the calendar is Thursdays at 4:00 pm. ttn

YOU'RE WELCOME to display your event posters and meeting notices for up to 2 weeks on the Barnacle's Community Bulletin Board located in our office. Drop off during office hours. ttn

GOLDEN HANDS Activities. Tea - Bake sale - Crafts - etc. Sat Nov 3rd 11:30-2:30. Lower Central Hall, 770 Upper Ganges Road. 4401

• 140 • COMING EVENTS

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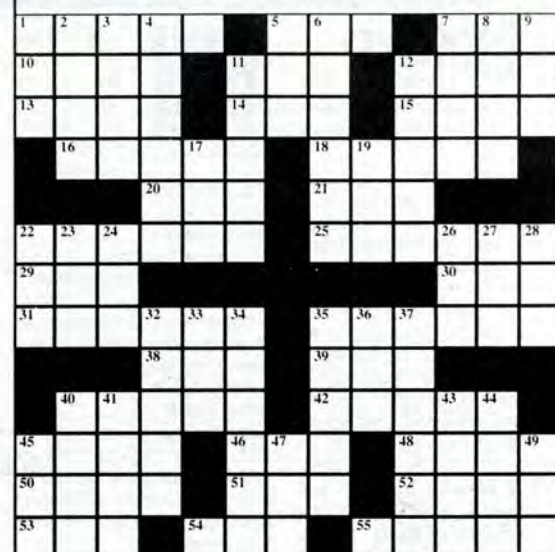
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ACROSS

- 1 Hallowe'en Bozo
- 5 Hallowe'en primate
- 7 Bon _____
- 10 History
- 11 Cuckoo
- 12 Youngblood Hawke author
- 13 _____ cola
- 14 Gib., for one
- 15 Immersed in
- 16 African tribe
- 18 Certain saxophones
- 20 Historical period
- 21 Word with Tic and Toe
- 22 Evil spirit
- 25 Reverberated
- 29 _____ de Cologne
- 30 Classic car
- 31 Not the real thing
- 35 Wager
- 38 Toilet, on the Thames
- 39 Have, in The Hebrides
- 40 A manner of speaking
- 42 Ovens
- 45 Hallowe'en monster
- 46 Arts degs.
- 48 Aura
- 50 Israel's Abba _____
- 51 Harp or human follower
- 52 Lindross, for one
- 53 Roll, in a way
- 54 Vim
- 55 Skillful

DOWN

- 1 Labor org.
- 2 Weaving machine
- 3 Whale
- 4 Stoat
- 5 Picnic pest
- 6 Hallowe'en buccaneer
- 7 Word denoting one
- 8 Ins opposite
- 9 Boxing acronym
- 11 Korean or Mongolian
- 12 Hallowe'en enchantress
- 17 Aristotle, familiarly
- 19 _____ Lejeune
- 22 Command right
- 23 Rower's requirement
- 24 Public conveyance
- 26 Globe
- 27 Lamprey or conger
- 28 Ms Deer
- 32 Hallowe'en extraterrestrial
- 33 As well
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- 36 Flashy credit rating
- 37 Came together
- 40 Nigerian people
- 41 Dull
- 43 A kind of weight
- 44 Booboo
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For the week, by Michael O'Connor Ph: 1-250-352-2936

Tip of the week:

The 'nothing' or 'no thing' referred to last week has classically been referred to as 'ether'. The Chinese refer to ether as 'chi'. Chi is that force, that breath of life, that animates the Tao. The Tao, according to the Chinese cannot be named or experienced or explained; it simply is. Others call it the mind of God, while others yet refer to this mysterious 'no thing' as 'the force'. Beyond this mere mysterious inference, spiritual and esoteric authorities have mapped out layers of this unseen dimension of 'no things' in impressive ways. All would agree that these maps are models at best designed to describe what cannot be sensed with the five empirical senses. However, every spiritual master that has achieved any level of enlightenment has claimed that the sixth sense opens 'the door to the beyond'. This sense engages the imagination and yet is so much more. One of the first levels of the sixth sense is the clairvoyant ability to see the subtle bodies that accompany and animate the physical body. "Medical Intuitives" are modern living proof of these subtle bodies and their accompanying energy centers known by the Sanskrit term 'Chakras' or 'wheels of light'. Thus, the no thing that science is exploring is simply a new way of understanding what has long been known. Believe it or not, the proof can be experienced if one is willing to develop the skill to see beyond 'things' that is available to all. This is an example of the deeper mind of Scorpio.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
The revolution continues to deepen. As you fight for high ideals of freedom and individuality, another side of you recognizes the need to melt differences and bridge gaps. This is a delicate maneuver requiring a strict adherence to principles and rules, yet paradoxically, some of the old codes must be changed. Your desire and challenge is to experience new levels of liberty and justice. Re-assess your position before turning your right into might. Exercise strategic diplomacy.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)
Deepening the quality of your relationships is a central theme now. This includes your love life, career and personal life. You feel inspired by high ideals and aspirations. You recognize the need for, empathy, compassion and patience at this time. You would like to share some of the feelings that you are honestly having, yet feel insecure about



how you will be received. You quite simply want to experience a deeper, which to you means higher, quality of experience.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)

The quest to achieve a more refined quality of power continues. You know that it is time to eliminate whatever seems to be blocking your way. Look to your own habitual perceptions, beliefs, values and attitudes before taking external action. This is the tougher yet wiser path that a true spiritual warrior takes. As you clear the blocks coming from within, whatever is blocking you without will soon fade away as well.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)

The inspiration of the muse continues to stir your creative passions. As you allow yourself to soar on the wings of imagination you awaken to higher levels of insight. As traditional beliefs and attitudes melt away you are afforded the opportunity to write a new script. While your roots are to be found in the past, recognize that the point of power is in the moment. Prepare to give birth to a new and freer you. Trust!

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22)

You are discovering the importance of the Lion's den. Whether you are happily at home or away and wishing you were, you feel the need for security. To this end you are focused and determined. Yet, all the while you have visions and fantasies of escaping from it all! Hmmm, how to bridge dreams and reality, that is the eternal desire. Vision, discipline and faith, that is the timeless formula. Seek guidance to realize the dream.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22)

Exploring for insights, facts and realizations finds you in a reflective mood these days. You are looking for a clearer sense of direction. You know that something big is dawning. A new angle and/or approach to your public and professional life is emerging. Your task now is to summon the courage to break free from limiting self-concepts. Some detective and/or inner work to expand your sense of potential and personal worth is key.

Libra (Sep 22 - Oct 22)

You are discovering that your greatest wealth is linked to the skills and resources of others. Like a maestro or a delegate, your destiny is to learn to orchestrate people into greater expressions of power than any individual could possibly do alone. Alternatively, your lesson may simply be to learn that there truly is power in numbers. Of course, the unpredictable behavior of others does prompt

the need to take risks. Engage yet maintain your own center.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 22)

A bold determination to defy what others call reality in order to realize the dream continues. To this end, you feel determined to shake things up as a means of improving your position. Focus on 'renovating' inherited customs, norms and self-concepts. As you awaken to the fact that much of our expression is habitual and unconscious, you will be able to make more personally empowering choices. Guidance!

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

A plunge into the depths of your mind is now underway. As the hours of daylight grow shorter you retreat more inward. This is our collectively earned right and a virtual spiritual necessity. This is one of those traditions that you would vote to keep. Yet, you do not want to be alone. Even the company of an author through a book might suffice. In any case, take time to reflect upon what is truly important at this leg of the journey.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

You are moved to request favours from friends who have the means and power to deliver. You are determined to break through all obstacles on your path. Unfortunately, other significant players are not as optimistic as you are about the odds. You do admit that in order to succeed, a clearer approach is required. More understanding, communication and education is needed to increase productivity. Just do it!

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

A burst of power, authority and confidence is welling up from within you. Like a crusader who has suddenly found a cape you suddenly feel larger than life. Yet, you feel compelled to be of service in meaningful ways, as is the case with super heroes. Is this a fantasy taking over or are you really going through a metamorphosis? Whatever the case, you are on the threshold of a bigger and better you. Trust the process.

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

A process of deepening and expansion of your heart and mind continues. You are awakening to healing powers that have been stored in your higher mind and waiting to be accessed. You feel more courageous to plunge into the dream and claim the treasures that lie hidden there. As you take time to listen to the whispers of your soul the messages coming through are becoming loud and clear. Let your intuition guide and take notes.

Contact Michael O'Connor for an Astrological Consultation at (250) 352-2936. Tape Recorded! "By Phone or in Person" "Gift Certificates".

• 170 • NOTICES - BUSINESS

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• 190 • THANKS

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• 220 • LOST AND FOUND

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Please submit application to: Meredith Knox Director of Youth Services Salt Spring Island Community Services Society 268 Fulford-Ganges Road Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2K6 by November 5, 2001

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Please call Marta at 1-888-993-2299

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GARAGE SALE DIRECTORY

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PARC operates within the Capital Regional District. Its principal function is to manage its infrastructure of parks, trails and playing fields and to partner with community groups who provide program delivery. PARC has a small outdoor swimming pool used seasonally and no indoor facilities.

The Manager must provide strong, effective management of PARC's assets following policy established by the Commission, be accustomed to multitasking and have a variety of skills. The primary requirements are:

- education and experience in financial management
- technological proficiency
- experience in managing human resources, preferably in a union environment
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- experience working with Boards of Directors and volunteers

Qualified applicants are invited to submit detailed resumes, including references, quoting competition #01/144 by November 13th to Human Resources Department, Capital Regional District, P.O. Box 1000, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2S6 (546 Yates Street), Fax to (250) 360-3076.

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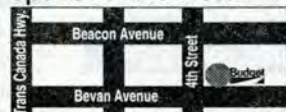
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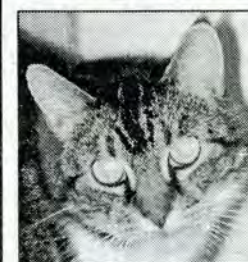


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G.I.S.S. Scorpions advance to Provincials

by Sundance Topham

Showing the true meaning of the word teamwork the Gulf Island Secondary School Senior Boy's Cross-Country team qualified for the Provincial Championships last Wednesday at Beaver Park in Victoria.

The Scorpions were competing at the Vancouver Island Championships, and needed to finish in third spot or better to make the Provincials.

Despite outstanding runs from Tyler Cocker, Jim Goldie, Tyler Sayer, and Asher Squire, the Scorpions were in danger of missing out of the top three; Two of the team's stalwarts, Mark Brown (the team's third strongest runner) and Jim Goldie, were both hurting.

Brown began to cramp up, and Goldie was limping badly with a pulled groin muscle.

Coach Doug Pearson was worried.

"We were in danger of not making the Provincials," said Pearson. "Someone had to really step it up."

The race consisted of three laps around a 2.13 kilometre course, and with one lap left to go things

weren't looking good.

"I looked out on the course and saw our runners struggling," said Pearson. "And then I saw Evan Hartman. He had a look of determination in his eyes, and he gave us everything he had."

Hartman pulled past 12 runners on the last section of the course, finishing in 44 position overall. The 44 position didn't gain him any sort of medal, but it was huge for the team, pushing the Scorpions four points ahead of Carihi from Cambell River, and into third place overall.

"I knew that we had a really good chance of making the Provincials if we had all of our guys together," said Pearson. "With Cocker and Goldie we have two excellent runners to build the team around, and we were ranked as high as eighth in the province a couple of weeks ago, but we only had all the guys together once all season so you never know."

In terms of individual finishes at the Island Championships Cocker was the top Scorpion runner.

Cocker battled Mick Elson from Carihi for the



The Gulf Island Secondary School Senior Boy's Cross Country Running team prepares for the start of a race earlier this season. The Scorpions finished third at the Island Championships last weekend, and race at the Provincials on Saturday.

Photo courtesy of G.I.S.S.

lead throughout the entire race, and they were neck-and-neck until the final downhill section of the course, when Elson pulled ahead for a 10-second victory.

"My legs were numb," said Cocker. "I was going as fast as I could down the hill, but he just got away

from me."

Along with the second place finish in the championships Cocker enjoyed a very successful season, winning three out of five races in the Island series, and taking home a \$500 bursary from Front Runners.

Coach Pearson is confi-

dent that the team will do well at the Provincials, held this Saturday in Abbotsford.

"The only thing I have to go on in regards to the Provincials is the last time we were there, in 1991," said Pearson. "That year we were first on the Island heading into the Provin-

cials, and finished second, so hopefully we'll follow the same pattern this time. We're definitely looking to finish in the top eight."

Also going to the Provincials from Gulf Island Secondary School will be Thea Wood, who passed two girls at the finish to qualify as a top 20 individual.

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6. Edmonton	89	16	15. Colorado	68	15
7. St. Louis	87	21	16. Philadelphia	65	13
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9. Boston	86	23			

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2. Greenwoods	108	25	8. Nads	92	17
3. Ice Dogs	107	22	9. Rangers	88	16
4. Senorita's	103	30	10. Los Angeles	85	17
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6. Islanders	95	18			

Special Olympics needs volunteers

by Pat Burkette

British Columbia Special Olympics' Salt Spring Island Local needs help from the community to fulfill its stated goal, "to inspire greatness."

The Salt Spring Local put out a call for that help and reviewed achievements and aspirations at their annual meeting, held at the Harbour House ho-

tel's Blue Room on October 24. Dan Howe, Executive Director of BC Special Olympics, was on hand to offer advice and listen to Island concerns.

BC Special Olympics provides sport training programmes and competitive experiences for individuals who have a mental disability. On Salt Spring currently, the Special

Olympics programme is focused on bowling and swimming. About 30 bowlers in all age groups take to the lanes every Wednesday at 10 a.m.

According to Joan Villadsen, Local Special Olympics Coordinator, "The community is welcome to come in and check it out." Bowlers have also attended tourna-

ments off-Island, in Nanaimo and Port Alberni, to try to improve skill levels in a competitive environment and socialize with other athletes

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Olympics *cont'd from p 23*

But that kind of participation is limited by volunteer availability.

Terry Swing, who is one of Salt Spring's Olympic bowlers, spoke about what types of volunteers are needed. "Drivers," said Swing. "We need more drivers. Coaches for helping the athletes would be really good too."

Swing has tried to help some of the other bowlers himself. "I started out as a ten pin bowler. When I started bowling at the lanes here, I taught the others how to curve the ball." Swing is aiming for more competition off-Island, and also enjoys golfing. Howe noted that golf is not a Special Olympics sport right now, but could be in the future.

Elaborating on volunteer needs, Villadsen said "We're looking for sports-minded people." Terry Swing's father, Walter Swing, who is also the local's treasurer, added "The volunteer has to be comfortable with a mental handicap."

BC Special Olympics sponsors training for volunteer coaches through the National Coaching Certification Program, and summer and winter sports camps. Special Olympics volunteer information sheets, available from Villadsen, note "We appreciate what you will be giving, but it is also important that you are getting something out of Special Olympics as well."

Volunteer coaching offers an opportunity to learn new skills, gain leadership experience and discover a new talent, as well as meeting a need in the community. Coach training programmes are available by correspondence and internet.

Howe said it was important to note that Special Olympics programs aren't just geared to an annual event. "The reality is, for our athletes, the Olympics are every day." Howe noted that research has found that for Special Olympics athletes, self-esteem is increased when there are more opportunities to compete.

Howe urged the Salt Spring local to take advantage of regional tournaments as much as they can, including an upcoming invitational tournament in Port Alberni on November 17.

Lois Deschamps, member at large, noted that ferry schedules sometimes made trips off-Island difficult, adding "Difficulties for small communities are real. Salt Spring is a small community, but a great one."

When discussion turned to the lack of Island recreational facilities, including a summer-use only swimming pool, Howe suggested field hockey, gymnastics, and power lifting as possible Special Olympic sports suitable here. Howe said it's important to develop new types of events suited to the Island lifestyle. Villadsen explained that soccer and softball had also been suggested, but in order to get those sports going, more volunteers are required.

People who would be interested in helping Special Olympics athletes, and maybe even "inspire greatness," can call Joan Villadsen at 537-9909 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday to Friday. Villadsen stressed that all costs of volunteering, including drivers' expenses and special liability insurance, are provided by BC Special Olympics.

FROM DOWN THE ALLEY

TUESDAY AM SENIORS: Jim Glenn 204; Ken Robinson 305.

TUESDAY AM 50+: Dorothy Sloan 212; Reg Winstone 228.

CIRCUS LEAGUE: Connie Hardy 241, 202, 642.

GOLF LADIES: Margaret Baker 250, 202, 606; June Webb 202.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS (Oct. 122): Mahjor Baines 164, 244; Terry Swing 147, 148; Sharon Way 160.

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