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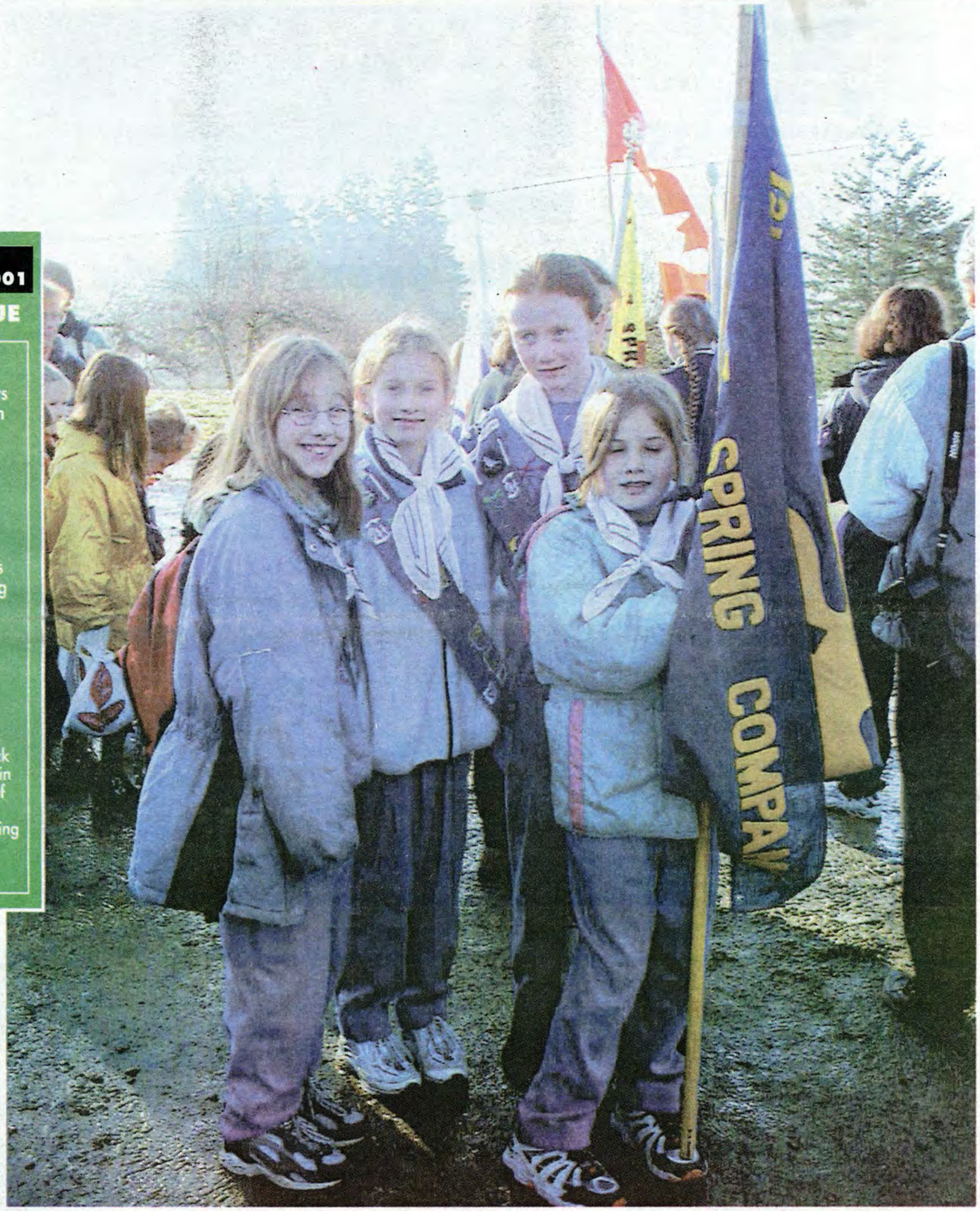


*Salt Spring's Guides and Scouts held a Hike for Hunger on Sunday to commence a week of focusing on the values taught by founders Lord and Lady Baden-Powell.*

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A parade hit the streets of downtown Victoria Monday to raise awareness and show support for protestors who appeared in court.

# Rally opens Victoria court date

**by Helani Davison**

Seventy-five supporters of environmental protestors, mostly Salt Spring Island residents, attended the first day of a possible two-week trial in Victoria on Monday. Charges against 11 protesters had been laid by Texada Land Corporation and Dorman Timber. Nine defendants, ranging in age from 17 to 88, appeared in court. Two protesters, Eric Plourde and Angela Hughes, did not attend; there is a warrant for their arrest.

Lawyers Robert Moore-Stewart, Catherine Tyhurst, Andrew Gage, and John Davies represented the defendants, most of whom are Salt Spring residents. Judge Lowry presided. RCMP officers Sergeant Darbyshire, Constable Hewitt, Sergeant Belanger, Corporal Seymour, and Constable Tretiak will testify, as will Tim Dorman of Dorman Timber. John Davies described the Salt Spring community's concern regarding logging activity to the court. He brought up the code of principles produced at town hall meetings and the impressive fundraising activity. The concerns regarding the breakdown of drinking water from the Mount Maxwell watershed and land purchases were detailed. Davies expressed his hope for a win-win situation. "We've lost the mountains, but maybe we can save the valleys," he said.

Texada resorted to litigation, Davies continued. Discussions arose regarding the matter of criminal versus civil action with individual defendants and clarification of other issues was established.

Brent Kapler, operations manager and officer for Texada, took the stand describing logging activity and interference to logging with blockades from early January, 2000. He claimed six to eight working days were lost and described the peace camp activity.

Kapler described publicity surrounding the situation in *the Barnacle*, the *Driftwood*, major newspapers, TV and radio. Videos of blockade activity were produced and viewed by the court.

# Bea's statement

*Bea Nevill plans to read the following statement in court.*

When the highest offices of the law publicly proclaim that foremost of the basic rights accorded to all citizens is the availability of pure unadulterated water, we are prone to believe them.

We trust them to keep their promise, for are they not honourable men? But then, how can we be assured when logging is allowed right in the middle of the watershed?

Upon investigation we find to our dismay and chagrin that the lumber companies' interests take precedent over all considerations. We, the people, have NO rights whatsoever. We can protest ad infinitum but to no avail. Deaf ears are encountered at every turn.

They have the unmitigated gall to tell us that there is no proof that this whole-sale indiscriminate logging pollutes the water. We must watch until the damage is done, and then PROVE it. Then the remedy is to sue the logging companies for damages done to our water source, and it's irreversible. We don't have far to look. There are two important water sources on our Island which are now in dire straits because of human activity in their watersheds. Maxwell Lake that supplies a large area on Salt Spring Island is the only pristine water source left. Safe, unless it is threatened with destruction. Which is imminent unless there is a suspension of operations.

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*Todd Biderman helps run the Sustainable Living Bus.*

# Eco-options displayed in bus

Middle school students had the opportunity to learn something about sustainable living on Monday when the Sustainable Living Bus rolled into town. As part of the Gaia Project, a joint venture between the Sierra Club of British Columbia and the El Salvadoran Centre for Appropriate Technology, the bus serves to educate B.C.'s population about the advantages of treading lightly on the environment.

The bus is a miniature Science World: hands-on stations fill the space from floor to ceiling. Through dynamic displays and visual aids, students learned about composting toilets, appropriate technology, water conservation, eco-shelters, green workplaces, and low-impact recreation. They also learned how to shop for food and other essentials with sustainability in mind and how to grow vegetables in the most ecologically healthy manner.

Stationed in Victoria, the bus will soon trek over to schools in Vancouver and the lower mainland; during the summer months it can be found at community events. The Sustainable Living Bus is just one part of the Gaia Project, though; along with educating the public through the bus and the teaching games that go along with it, the project includes works on development issues in El Salvador.

More information about this project and the Sustainable Living Bus can be obtained by visiting www.gaiaproject.bc.ca or by emailing susbus@purpleturtle.com.

# Bylaw up for first reading

**by Bev Byron and David Borrowman, Local Trustees**

If all goes according to plan, the Local Trust Committee will consider first reading of the new Land Use Bylaw at its public meeting on February 22. Given a request from the North Salt Spring Water Works District to remove home-based business uses from the St. Mary Lake watershed, it may be useful to consider some of the following information as the LUB takes its next step toward completion.

First of all, this community took a decision some years ago that we were not in favour of downzoning. Much of the history of the Islands Trust, since it came into being in 1974, has therefore been occupied with accommodating the zoning it inherited. This is where Mike Larmour's problems with overdevelopment in the watershed come from. Removing future uses such as B&B's (which is actually technically possible) would seem to run counter to our local ideas of fairness toward people who have already invested in their land under the existing rules. Buying resorts does not seem a likely solution, given the large number of tax dollars which would be required.

Still, the new LUB does increase the home-based business potential slightly, including more floor area for B&B's. The increased size, however, does not allow for more bedrooms, and therefore will not increase waste water production. In any case, we have begun to wonder if one class of users should be singled out as the culprit. B&Bs contribute their share of excess nutrients to St. Mary Lake, but farming and fertilizers are also major sources. Other home-based business, such as crafts and offices, do not seem to present water issues. Limited auto repair appears as a home based business in the new bylaw, but not in the watersheds.

So, what is being done ?

First, the Trust obtained provincial money for a study on water supply in the NSSWWD, which is now underway. Water supply is not the same issue as water quality, except in the important sense that whatever water NSSWWD delivers to its customers, a comparable amount reappears as waste water. The study will therefore devote some effort to defining the legal powers available to NSSWWD regarding controls on supply, and, therefore, its ability to have some affect on the volume of effluent from septic systems and gardens. In this context, it is known that some large B&Bs abuse supply. It is also fair to ask if Islanders want St. Mary Lake water used for lawns, especially if they are fertilized, or if they would want the water district to have controls on such water uses.

Second, the Trust requires 60 metre setbacks for new septic installations around lakes. The Capital Health Region requires 30 metres, and they so far refuse to recognize our rules. Our reason for the larger setback is precisely to deal with the nutrient issue, for which the CHR so far declines to regulate. We regard their attitude as extremely shortsighted. We have the Environment Ministry on our side, to say nothing of NSSWWD, and will be pushing hard to get the CHR to conform to our community's standards.

Third, the provincial government is promising drinking water legislation at the upcoming session of the legislature, which may help to protect our lakes. However, there seems room to doubt that legislation can be passed in the short time remaining before an election.

Finally, we feel that solutions for St. Mary Lake involve a range of management, education, and technical measures. One device, for example, would be to require additional sewage treatment to remove nutrients as well as pathogens from waste water generated in watersheds. The technology is available, but implementation would require time to activate new management tools (now available under the Local Government Act), and the co-operation of the Capital Health Region.

First reading of the LUB means that it must be referred to the various agencies of Regional and Provincial Government for comment. Major changes to the bylaw after public hearing would require that it be withdrawn and reintroduced, but changes to detail can still be made after public hearing.

It will be interesting to learn the views of islanders about water and other issues as the document works its way toward public hearing. That should happen in late spring.

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# Local property donated to Trinity Western University

by Peggy Abrahams

An anonymous donor recently leased 72.6 acres on Salt Spring for a minimal amount to Trinity Western University (TWU) for five years, with the long-term goal to gift the property to the Langley-based school. The property will provide science students with the opportunity for field experience, studying the local habitat and working with Island residents on conservation projects.

Courtesy photo

*Trinity Western University's Jack Van Dyke, PhD (left) and members of the Salt Spring Island Conservancy look over a map of the property recently granted to TWU.*

Last fall a group of TWU faculty visited Salt Spring to view the property. During the visit, the group met nearby neighbours and members of the Salt Spring Island Conservancy (SSIC). Ann Richards, SSIC board member, joined the group on a walk through the property. "It's a fabulous piece of land. It's got lots of trees and plants... It's just a very wonderful place," she said.

The visitors from TWU discussed their plans to use the site as a research station, said Richards. "We offered our services. We said we'd be glad to help if we could. I think it would be good for this community, especially if we can participate in their projects."

Doris Olafsen, Executive Director of Development at TWU, said the donor was intrigued by the university's activities and vision for the future, and wanted to do something for the school. She added, "We're excited to work with the people on Salt Spring Island to preserve the sanctity of their land."

Located close to Fulford, the property consists of coniferous forest, streams, slopes and open areas with diverse habitat. Along with a Douglas fir tree estimated to be more than 500 years old, the most significant feature of the property is a community of Garry oak trees, an endangered species.

Karen Steensma, Director of TWU's Environmental Studies Programme, said that one of these trees on a piece of property would be a significant find. "But there are hundreds of Garry oak on this property. Associated with this is a whole community of rare species of wild flowers, small plants, animals and butterflies."

Since the visit last fall, a student from TWU returned to Salt Spring to take an inventory of the Garry oak on the property. Also more recently, the SSIC has provided TWU with information about some of the Conservancy's species lists.

For the past 13 years, Steensma has been taking students to study marine and plant ecology on Seattle Pacific University's site on Blakely Island, one of the San Juan Islands. Offering the same climate and study conditions, Salt Spring Island will now replace the Blakely Island site.

The new location will alleviate scheduling strains put on Seattle Pacific University and provide students with easier access through ferry service. With a fresh water lake bordering the Salt Spring property and the ocean nearby, students will be able to carry out fresh water studies, salt water studies and forest botany, all at the same location.

Steensma said, "It's an absolutely astounding biological site. I'm still overwhelmed with what we've been given."

# Texada logs in area of interest

by Peggy Abrahams

Texada Land Corp. is proceeding to log in Lot 57, in the Fulford Valley down Lee's Hill, which the CRD had last spring earmarked as an area of interest for parkland. Texada principal Rob Macdonald said he does not know if the CRD is still interested in the property.

Macdonald said he met with Bill Turner, Executive Director of the Land Conservancy of B.C., last week on Salt Spring. "We've told Bill Turner, with whom we're dealing, that we'll stop logging there any time if someone wants to sit down and make a deal. It's really not up to Bill Turner...it's up to the CRD."

It was Macdonald's understanding that CRD representatives would be attending last week's meeting, he said, but the CRD did not attend. "So maybe they're not interested. So we've left it with Bill," Macdonald said.

Texada's Code of Principles states, "We will respect the forested view-scapes in visually sensitive areas of Burgoyne Bay and the Fulford Valley through measures such as selective harvesting and managing the size and shape of forest openings."

Macdonald did not comment on how the logging on Lot 57 would conform to the code except to say he hadn't decided yet what percentage of the trees would be logged. In the meantime, the logging will continue on Lot 57, Macdonald said.

## Money comes in for Nichola

Close to $4,000 has been raised for Nichola Howard in the past few weeks, according to Nichola Howard Fund Director Gord Hollingsworth. Ticket sales for the raffle have hit the $2,500 mark, while the Ganges Village Market save-a-tape programme has brought in $600, the bowl-a-thon at Kings Lane Recreation made $800, and other cheques that have come brought up the total.

Generally, money donated to Nichola for her medical costs goes into a bank account where all of it is then given to her family within a short time. The bowling alley gave the money directly to the Howards.

Tickets for the raffle prizes, which will be drawn on Saturday, March 17, are still available at *the Barnacle*, Ganges Village Market, Thrifty Foods, Windsor Plywood, and by calling Gord Hollingsworth at 537-9426. All proceeds from raffle ticket sales go directly towards Nichola Howard's medical expenses. Donations to the Nichola Howard fund may also be made at Island Savings Credit Union.

## Pot fire investigated

The Salt Spring RCMP say they are still investigating a marijuana growing operation that came to light last week when the Salt Spring Fire Department was called to put out a chimney fire at a house on Broadwell Road.

According to Fire Chief Dave Enfield, the fire began as a chimney fire, but worked itself up to the top floors after the occupant of the house opened the wall above and let in oxygen. "It looked like the fellow tried to put the fire out himself," said Enfield.

When the fire department arrived, Enfield was one of the first fire fighters to enter the building. The man insisted that he didn't want to leave the house, Enfield said. "He was adamant that one hose would do it, and that he could put the fire out himself."

Enfield said that the man persisted in making it difficult for the firefighters to do their job. "I had a hard time keeping him out of the building. I told him I'd call the RCMP and have him arrested for obstructing. He was getting in the way. He was running around the house with no shoes. He was being a hindrance."

Enfield said the marijuana grow operation was obvious. When the firefighters tried to locate the panel to shut off the electricity, that room was all locked up. "We recognized the marijuana grow operation and we contacted the RCMP and BC Hydro," he said.

## Core Inn seeks new volunteers

The Corinternet Café and the Core Inn are entering a new phase of operations, announced Timothy Cahill, Chair of the Corinternet Café Committee (CAP committee) in a press release. "We're shifting toward being a fully volunteer-run organization," he said. "This means tasks and roles will be delegated and distributed among a broad range of volunteers."

The Core Inn invites all members of the community to get involved: to join volunteer boards and committees and to help make things come alive. Anyone of any age with ideas to contribute, skills to offer, and energy to input is welcome. There are roles to be filled in the Core's kitchen, working with the computers, helping with the poetry/music nights, or contributing anything else to make the Island's youth centre buzz with activity.

Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the Core Inn at 537-9932.

## Island raises flag

Following in the footsteps of Galiano Island, the Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition (SSSIC) announced the formation of the Salt Spring Island Flag Committee, an independent group organized to run a contest to create an official flag for Salt Spring Island.

A wide cross-section of Island groups has been invited to participate on the committee, including the Chamber of Commerce, the Alliance of Salt Spring Artists, Salt Spring Seniors for Seniors Society, the Farmers Institute, the Fulford Business Association, the GISS Peer Counseling Group, the Accommodation Group, *the Barnacle*, the *Driftwood*, and the Salt Spring Island Historical Society.

Details and the rules and regulations of the flag contest will be announced by the committee over the next few weeks. Once launched, the contest is tentatively expected to run to the end of August.

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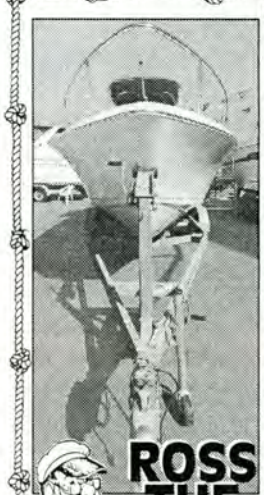


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*Editorial*

# Selfish destruction

It would be very easy to say simply: "Get off your butt and do some walking", but we recognize that it's not going to be quite that easy.

A recently released report, compiled by some 400 scientists, states that the world's climate is changing faster than expected and that drought, violent storms, and rising sea levels are going to become facts of life over the next century. The report points to the increase of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere as the leading cause of the climatic change.

Another report released a few weeks ago puts the blame for North American's obesity squarely on the doorstep of civic planners. The design of sprawling suburbs which discourage walking—many don't even have sidewalks—is, according to this report, why so many of us are fat. We don't walk; we drive everywhere; the most walking too many of us do is from the house to the car.

Yet another report shows how a combination of pesticides—not one particular chemical, which had undoubtedly been thoroughly tested, but a combination of two of them—can cause Parkinson's disease. One of these chemicals is regularly used on potatoes, the other on corn.

Most of us know the solution to these problems, recognizing their roots in the North American lifestyle, our much vaunted "high standard of living."

We consume at a prodigious rate—not just food, although the variety, quantity, and quality available to us is certainly vast, but also cosmetics, soaps and cleaners, clothes, furniture, travel, entertainment, electronics, boats, big houses, and, of course, many, many cars. And all these things we buy demand the consumption of vast amounts of energy and water in their production—production which results in the release of much waste material... including greenhouse gases.

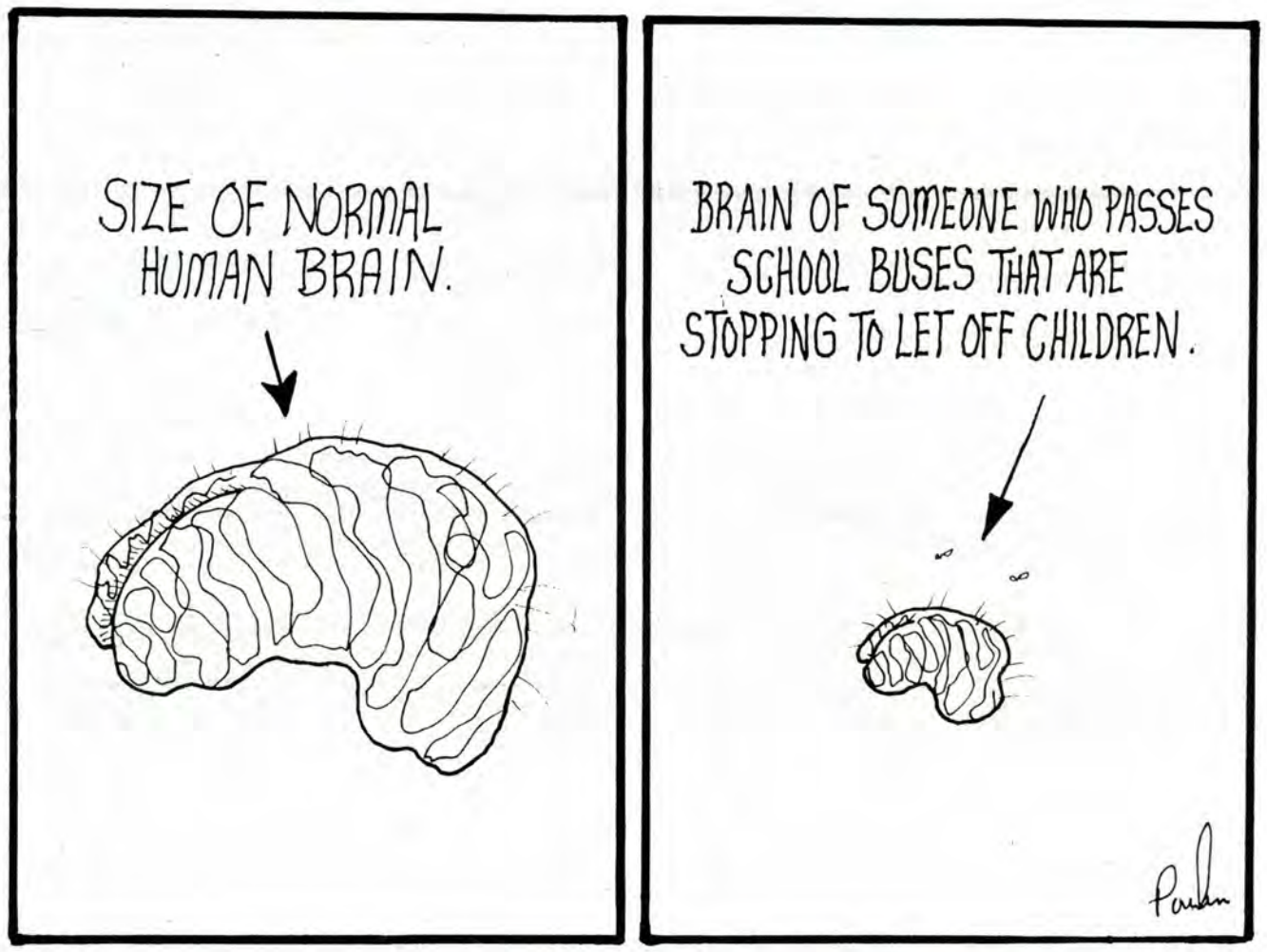
We are the consumer culture. We like it. We crave it. We go to military and economic war over it, rallying under the battle cry of protecting our standard of living.

Most of us recognize that it is destroying us personally and destroying the world. But we don't want to give it up. We *want* to go places, to not ever be hungry, to be clean and warm and beautiful and happy. And why shouldn't we—we are creatures and the achievement of these creature comforts is what we have striven for since we dropped out of the trees.

But if we dare to claim that we are more than just creatures, we must recognize that we need to rein ourselves in. We must accept a reduction in our standard of living, we must give up some of our creature comforts so that we and the rest of the creatures have a chance for survival.

Here on Salt Spring we are a little ahead of the pack in this recognition. But it's going to take a generation or two for the momentum of our society to change in any significant way. It starts, of course, with us, teaching and showing our children and grandchildren the way.

Make a few rules for yourself: Shop, if you must, locally. Complain about excessive packaging. Be sure you actually need what you're buying, and if you do buy it, consider walking it home instead of driving.




COMMENTARY

# Time to secure community lands

It has been a long, hard year for Salt Spring Islanders. Our efforts towards securing the 10 per cent of south Salt Spring that was bought by Texada Land Corporation is about to come to various conclusions—all by around the end of March. If we have the will, this land could form the beginnings of a sustainable Salt Spring.

It has been a challenge for all of us to participate and watch as our community has faced the consequences of industrial logging in an area which has really only seen selective logging from a generation or so ago. It is painful to witness the loss of some of our beautiful second growth Douglas fir forest, which is now so rare that it is considered an endangered ecosystem. Even more important to many local businesses, it is the background and playground in which millions of visitors travel each year as they bring us their holiday bustle and business, which, as recently reported in both papers, is the basis of over 37 per cent of our Island's economy.

But it's not just tourism dollars that this land offers, it is the basis of clean and abundant water to drink, the opportunity to have sustainable Community Forestry and Community Agriculture. And you may have heard about the federal/provincial biodiversity package. This $110 million fund is aimed at protecting significant and rare areas of Canada. Salt Spring's Garry oak woodlands, the largest in Canada, is one of them. All these community treasures are currently on the negotiating table and need your help to succeed.

What can you do? Well, you have about four or five different choices. First, you could contribute by loaning larger funds which would help secure more lands sooner and which could later be repaid. Or you can donate outright. You can also designate which area you wish to have your contribution earmarked for.

To secure the secondary watershed catchment areas up on Mt. Maxwell, contact the Water Preservation Society, 537-9281, or Salt Spring Conservancy, 538-0318, or Andrea Collins, 653-4940. To help secure Community Forest or Agricultural Lands, you can contact Elizabeth White, 537-2616, or send your donation to The Land Conservancy of British Columbia, 5793 Old West Saanich Road, Victoria, V8X 3X3. If you want to help protect Burgoyne Bay and the Garry oaks, you can also send your contribution to the Land Conservancy of B.C. Or alternatively, you can help to purchase possible covenants on the old growth along Burgoyne Bay Road by contacting Nina Raginsky, 537-4515. Donations to the Land Conservancy are tax deductible.

If you need to view maps or other information, or want to purchase calendars, bumper stickers, etc., visit the Land Trust Alliance of B.C. office, above the Golden Island Restaurant.

Another important way that you can help is to donate toward the legal costs of the 11 individuals who risked more than a year's work and freedom in order to bring the importance of unsustainable logging practices to our attention. Donations to the "Salt Spring Star" account at Island Savings will go directly toward helping defend these people in court.

This time we really can make a difference! An amazing number of individuals have been working behind the scenes, creating scenes, and contributing to scenes. Let's all do something now while we still can - to help Salt Spring become more sustainable for ourselves and the next generation.

*SHEILA HARRINGTON*

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## Saving Lot 57

Good things are happening regarding our hard work to save the Texada Lands this past year: We bought Lot 9, the primary watershed of Lake Maxwell. The Nature Trust of B.C. just bought Lot 3, 80 acres of Gary oak meadow on the North shore of Burgoyne Bay, and they are negotiating the rest of the North Shore. Texada has agreed to stop logging in Burgoyne Bay until March 30, giving us time to purchase it for the Biodiversity Package. This is fantastic!

However, Lot 57 will continue to be logged. This is our gorgeous view-scape in Fulford Valley, which you see as you drive down Lee's Hill. Currently, it looks like a moth-eaten bit of cloth with giant holes of clearcut. The cut branches are green now, but come July, they will turn brown. Texada plans to continue logging this steep slope, in spite of their promise to our community to respect our view-scapes. This was clearly stated in their Code of Principles, which they proudly gave to our community a year ago.

Salt Spring Island thrives on tourism. Who, honestly, will feel great coming to an Island ravaged by industrial logging?

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

1) Encourage the Capital Regional District (CRD) to come back to the table to purchase Lot 57 and to negotiate for the South Shore of Burgoyne Bay. Call or write Jeff Ward, CRD, 490 Atkins Ave., Victoria, B.C. V9B 2Z8 Phone: 1-250-478-3344

2) Call Kellie Booth, Regional Director of the CRD (653-4678) and tell her you support her efforts to purchase these properties on Salt Spring.

3) Call or write Rob Macdonald, the Texada Land Corporation, 938 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 1N9 1-604-331-6018

a) Thank him for stopping the logging in Burgoyne Bay until March 30.

b) Request that he stop logging in Lot 57 if the CRD comes back to the table.

c) Request that he honour his Code of Principles and his promise to respect the view-scapes of our island.

*TAMAR GRIGGS*

## Romance is not love

Romanticism has very little to do with love. More in common with crass commercialism. A sentimental, harmless ritual. It is fair to ask if you ever lost someone you loved and cared about who maybe, if you are lucky, cared about you. Or ever lost someone to Alzheimer's, a son in a war, a mother losing a child. Loving someone you've been with for 50 years, watched a child being born, played with the grandchildren, seen Mother Theresa at work, known someone who gave their life over to God, read any good poetry.

To live with love is to go with God and know the pain of the world. Love is not a dream—it's damn hard work: Try keeping a child on the straight and narrow. And, whereas romanticism might be our first encounter with love, it is never our last; death has that privilege. Try dying alone and unloved and you will stop saying so many foolish things. As we become jaded, love becomes faded—not the other way 'round. Pity the poor fool who went to school and learned nothing about love at all. If you want the art of living to become a science, be my guest—just don't count me in.

I want my doctor to care, the nurse to love her work, the priest to have compassion, every policeman to be concerned with safety, not just legal law, I want a fireman to save the dog and the cat, the teacher to enlighten your mind and so on and so on; none of which you can do without love.

Try it sometime. The world might just be a better place for it. In fact, I'm positive it will.

If all the wars fought over love were fought with love there'd be no war.

*RICHARD CRUICKSHANKS*

## Admiration for Briony

I'm writing this letter to throw my support behind Briony Penn (our local Lady Godiva). I am, in the words of my daughter, a small "c" conservative—I'm definitely not anti-logging. I live in a wooden house, I burn wood for heat, my husband is a part-time carpenter, and years ago we lived on the proceeds of log salvaging in the Fraser River.

I find suddenly that I'm having to take a stand for things I believe in: clean water, a beautiful place to grow old in—my Salt Spring—my home.

I very much applaud Briony and the other women who contributed to the Calendar for the firmness of their convictions. Briony has made national news, *This Hour has 22 Minutes*, and now is on the cover of *Common Ground*.

Bravo Briony: if everyone could stand by what they believe in as you have, there probably wouldn't be so many problems in this world. I admire you.

*KISHORI HUTCHINGS*

## History-making misbehaviour

To all the incredible women fighting to promote sustainable logging, to protect the environment and to make the world a better place: Keep up the great work! Remember: well-behaved women rarely make history.

*HARRY BURTON*

## Many ways to save the trees

Re: Alan Webb's *Second Thoughts* column titled "Bare breasts won't save Texada trees" in the January 30 issue of *the Barnacle*.

Alan, you may be right. You may also, however, be wrong. The point is that there is no formula for sparing the Texada lands. There is no blueprint for success. Basically, we're all just making it up as we go.

*see MAILBOX p8*

*A journal as literary as the Barnacle can be found in the most unusual places. Take, for example, Anaheim, California, home of Disneyland.*

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### HOROSCOPE FOR THE WEEK

Seeking to pet the golden fleece keeps you chained to it. It can also give you bugs and some weird ideas. This loss of your soul can come from anything though. Money, alcohol, cheesecake, the promise of this or that, love, hate, a night in Nanaimo. We suffer to the degree we are attached and all these things change and mutate to something else. When the unnecessary is discarded you will begin to realize that everything that is seen, every sound heard, every movement at the moment it appears is the real you. It is the manifestation of your "Lambo Consciousness." To be in tune means you know that you are already here, completely. To not know that means you are somewhere else ... perhaps Crofton. Remember, it is through attention that anything is fed. Where are you now?

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Passengers travelling between Tsawwassen and Salt Spring Island should plan to use the throughfare option via Swartz Bay and Fulford Harbour, or use a combination of the Tsawwassen-Duke Point and Crofton-Vesuvius routes.

Passengers travelling between the Outer Gulf Islands and Salt Spring Island should plan to sail via the Gulf Island-Swartz Bay and Swartz Bay-Fulford Harbour routes. The regular Inter-Island fare will cover both trips.

Long Harbour is expected to reopen March 16, 2001, in time for the Spring Break holiday.

Note that service between Tsawwassen, Galiano Island, Saturna Island, Mayne Island and the Pender Islands will continue on the regular winter schedule during the Long Harbour closure period.

**Also note that, for the duration of the project, the 6:20 a.m. sailing from Fulford Harbour will leave at 5:50 a.m.** to accommodate passengers who intend to connect with the 7:00 a.m. vessel from Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen.

BC Ferries appreciates your patience while this mandatory dock reconstruction project is under way.

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*MAILBOX cont'd from p7*

For some it means canvassing for donations. For some it means emailing up the yin-yang. For some it means chaining themselves to drive shafts and for others it means riding birthday suit bareback in downtown Vancouver.

Who's to say what will actually work? It's up to each individual to decide what he or she is going to do. If making people gawk draws attention, maybe that's what is needed. Your column is part of this process because it has made me want to write something in response.

Nobody's calling the shots here. The blind are leading the blind and yet eyes are being opened. Even cynical people like me are seeing that lining our pockets today with our children's future is insane. Sanity will win out in the end. It's only a matter of when.

*SHILO ZYLBERGOLD*

## Beware the ferries

BC Ferries has just cost me nearly $600.

Yes, I know, we all pay the usual exorbitant fares to ride the ferries, and no doubt they equal upwards of $600 in the course of a few months of regular car-and-driver riding, but the incident I'm referring to cost me all of it in one fell swoop.

On the afternoon of January 21, my friend and I were heading to his home in Sidney from Saturna Island. Of course, the trip had to run via Village Bay on Mayne Island. Upon reaching Mayne Island, the Mayne Queen docked at Berth 2, the smaller of Village Bay's two berths.

A large crane truck was waved off ahead of me. The up incline was steep, but the ferry workers (three of them) standing around nearby did not seem concerned, and in fact seemed impatient, so I allowed the car to roll ahead.

Suddenly, a large hand seemed to reach up from beneath and grab the underside of the car, yanking it to a very abrupt and unexpected halt. The crunching sound was atrocious! I thought the truck behind me had hit me. Again, though, the ferry workers seemed unconcerned: as I searched their faces for some sign of what the horrible sound had been, they only stared back at me, apparently wondering why I wasn't getting the heck of their boat. The car rolled ahead very slowly, and the grinding noise that followed me brought tears to my eyes. It was my catalytic converter, along with three-quarters of the rest of my exhaust system, dragging on the ground.

It seemed the ferry workers did not seem in the least alert, as I was driving off, to watch the inordinately high hinge point to make sure of my ground clearance. They found a large bolt and spring laying on the deck, apparently the lynchpin of my car's underside, which had been completely sheared clean off by the force. We limped the car to Sidney, where it now STILL sits, as of February 7. The damage repair bill has come to almost $600, and being a full-time student and only working two days a week, I simply can't afford to pay for it.

Can you see the end of this story yet? BC Ferries has not been forthcoming in any way, shape, or form with any assistance, not even an admittance of potential 50 per cent fault in this accident. ICBC was about as helpful. No one is working for me, and it's now about to cost me a lot of money I didn't have to spend.

This isn't just a complainer letter. I almost half expected this sort of treatment from our intrepid Crown Corporations. I guess it's really just a warning...to all my fellow Island residents, and anyone who has to unfortunately depend on the ferry to get to and from work or school.

Beware, ferry travelers. If you think that dock looks just a little too steep, get out of your car and check your ground clearance. Because believe me, those $30-per-hour ferry dockworkers, who seem to only be there to wave cars to lane 1 or 2, won't be watching out for *YOU*.

*JENNIFER LYONS*

> ***Dénouement***
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> *Many a thorny vine was settled on a bed of roses.*
>
> —Richard Cruickshanks

## Core possibilities

For the past five months I have been employed at the Core Inn Youth Project. First as a Youth Intern and currently as the Internet Cafe's Co-ordinator. This job has meant a lot to me, not only because I have been privileged to spend time with some of Salt Spring's most wonderful young people, but also because when I was 16, my friends and I went door-to-door, fundraised our butts off, and came up with half of the money to purchase the Core Inn building.

It is both amazing and exciting to see how much support the community has contributed on a number of different levels, and I would like to personally thank each and everyone of you again, because you have been a huge part of our success. Thank you!!

With all of our renovations completed, the opening of the Corinternet Cafe, and new sound equipment (purchased with funds from the Salt Spring Foundation), we are moving into a very exciting time at the Core Inn. All we need now is you!

There are plenty of ways to get involved as a volunteer. Do you cook? Have a great fundraising idea? Is there an event you would like to plan? Are you technically inclined? Are you artistic? Do you want to teach a class? The possibilities are endless. I would love to hear your ideas and dreams; please drop by the Core Inn or give me a call at 537-9932. Let's work together as a community and turn the Core Inn into "one happenin' place" that we can all enjoy for years to come!

*KIRSTY CHALMERS*

## Fine film-fest

My congratulations and thanks to the organizers of this year's Island Film Festival. With so many great-sounding films and workshops scheduled concurrently, I found it hard to choose which ones to attend. I am pleased to report that every film I did see was excellent, including the discussion afterwards.

The choice of theme—celebrating human creativity—was evident in each film selected. And certainly not to be overlooked was the delicious Afghan feast served by Al Irving and the students at GISS on Friday evening. It's events like this which make living on Salt Spring special.

*SHERYL TAYLOR-MUNRO*

## Thanks from the Scouts

To Mr. Alan Wyatt
President, Royal Canadian Legion Branch #92:

Dear Mr. Wyatt,

On behalf of the First Ganges Scout Troop, I would like to thank you and your members for your generosity in donating to us the sum of $1,000 to replace the Christmas trees stolen from us.

As you are aware, Christmas tree sales are our biggest fundraiser and your generosity will allow us to continue our youth programmes. As our sponsors, your organization already contributes a great deal to us financially, so this extra donation is even more appreciated.

Yours in Scouting,

*T. BUTLER COLE*
*Scout Leader*

## Call for volunteers

Can you spare three hours once a week to keep our Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary going well? We need volunteers to help at the Thrift Shop, both front and back. All you need is a smile and the rest comes easy.

We need help in extended care and at Greenwoods, and if you have a green thumb, you're our volunteer. You have choices where and when you wish to volunteer. Knitting for our gift shop (which is situated in the hospital) is another way to help.

We have many life members and many volunteers who are getting older and can no longer do the job required, but would be so happy to have someone take over their job and keep the flag flying for our Lady Minto Hospital.

I guarantee good health and happiness to you all.

Come on, sign up at the Thrift Shop and ask for Sonja Baker, our membership co-ordinator.

Thank you, see you there.

*LILLIAN KELLY*
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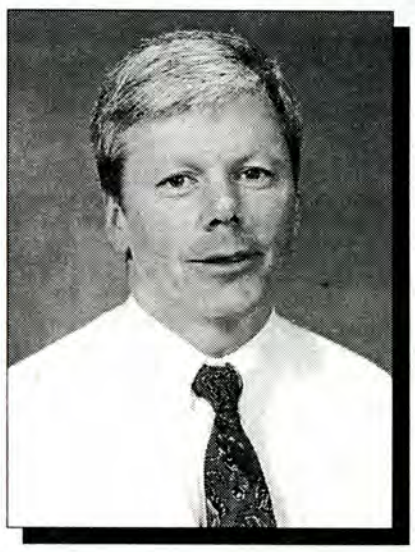

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# Things go weirder with Coke

*Wit & Whimsy ... with Arthur Black*

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Hundreds of thousands of human beings—from truck drivers to advertising executives—get their pay cheques from Coca-Cola. Countless millions drink the stuff. You can buy a Coke in Tienanmen Square and Timbuktu; on the Champs-Elysee and at the Esso station in Sheep Butt, Wyoming. Coca-Cola is the economic backbone of Atlanta, Georgia, but its financial clout doesn't end at the city limits. It is a multi-billion-dollar worldwide concern. A genuine global industrial juggernaut.

*And all it is is flavoured water.*

I never thought much about Coke until I bought a can of the stuff in Spain one time. Took one swig and spat it out. "Gah! What's wrong with this?" I croaked. An American nearby explained that in Spain, Coke was made with sugar cane, which was more to the taste of the locals. For me, it was false advertising—I bought the familiar red and white can expecting the familiar taste.

Same package. Different product.

But I've always been bewildered by the beverage. Take Coke's voodoo pricing structure. I can go to the corner store and buy one can for about a buck—or I can buy a six-pack for $2.99. Sure, it's marked "special," but it's been "special" at my corner store for at least two years.

And just when I'd convinced myself that Coke was the biggest con job perpetrated on the public since Fabio, the Office Wag hands me an email entitled The Multiple Uses of Coke.

1: The citric acid in Coke will remove stains from vitreous china.

2: To clean corrosion from car battery terminals, simply pour a can of Coca-Cola over the terminals and the corrosion will bubble away.

3: Stubborn grease stains in clothing? Empty a can of Coke into a load of greasy clothes, add detergent, and run through a regular wash cycle. The Coke will help loosen grease stains.

4: To remove rust spots from chrome car bumpers, rub the bumper with a crumpled piece of aluminum foil dipped in Coke.

5: Coke is also good for removing blood stains—which may explain why in many U.S. states, Highway Patrol cars carry two gallons of the stuff for swabbing down highways after an accident.

6: To bake a moist ham, pour one can of Coke into the baking pan; wrap ham in aluminum foil, and bake. Thirty minutes before the ham is done, remove the foil, allowing the drippings to mix with the Coke for a sumptuous brown gravy.

7: To clean a toilet bowl, pour a can of Coke into the toilet, let it sit for one hour, then flush.

Any truth to these claims? Or are they just as bogus as the notion that Things Go Better With You Know What?

Well, I'm not prepared to risk shorting my battery and I sure don't want to take a chance on ruining a fine ham, but I tried the toilet thing—dumped in a can of Coke Classic, waited an hour and flushed.

Whiter than Stockwell Day's teeth.

Let's see now...bottle of Sani Flush: $4:95. Can of Coke: 98 cents.

I can do that math.

But keep this under your hat. If the Coke tycoons find out their product is actually good for something, they're bound to jack up the price.

# Candidate acclaimed

In a well-attended meeting Saturday, enthusiastic New Democrats acclaimed Paul Sam of Brentwood Bay as the NDP candidate for Saanich North and the Islands in the up-coming provincial election. Sam, CEO for the NIL/TU, Child and Family Services Agency, is a member of the Tsartlip First Nation.

"My focus will be on giving voters a choice of futures," said Sam. "I've looked at other party policies on issues that are important to me, and it's the NDP that is heading in the same direction as this community."

Sam said he was looking forward to the election, expected to be called in the next few weeks. "It'll be a tough campaign, but I am ready to put all my energy into communicating with the voters...on the choices they will be making when they mark their ballots. We must ensure that the decisions we make now will provide opportunities and protect the land, water and air for our children and for the generations to come."

The nomination meeting, held in Sidney, concluded with a sold-out dinner and fund-raising auction.

# Autonomy forum Friday

Island economic displacement, revenue possibilites for Island nations, and the creation of micronations will be some of the topics discussed at an open forum sponsored by the Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition (SSSIC), Friday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m. at Lions Hall. The forum will provide the community with an opportunity to discuss the idea of Salt Spring Island forming an independent island-nation.

Some of the coalition members have been discussing this notion for a few years already. They decided to go public when the last federal election heightened so many people's dissatisfaction with the government.


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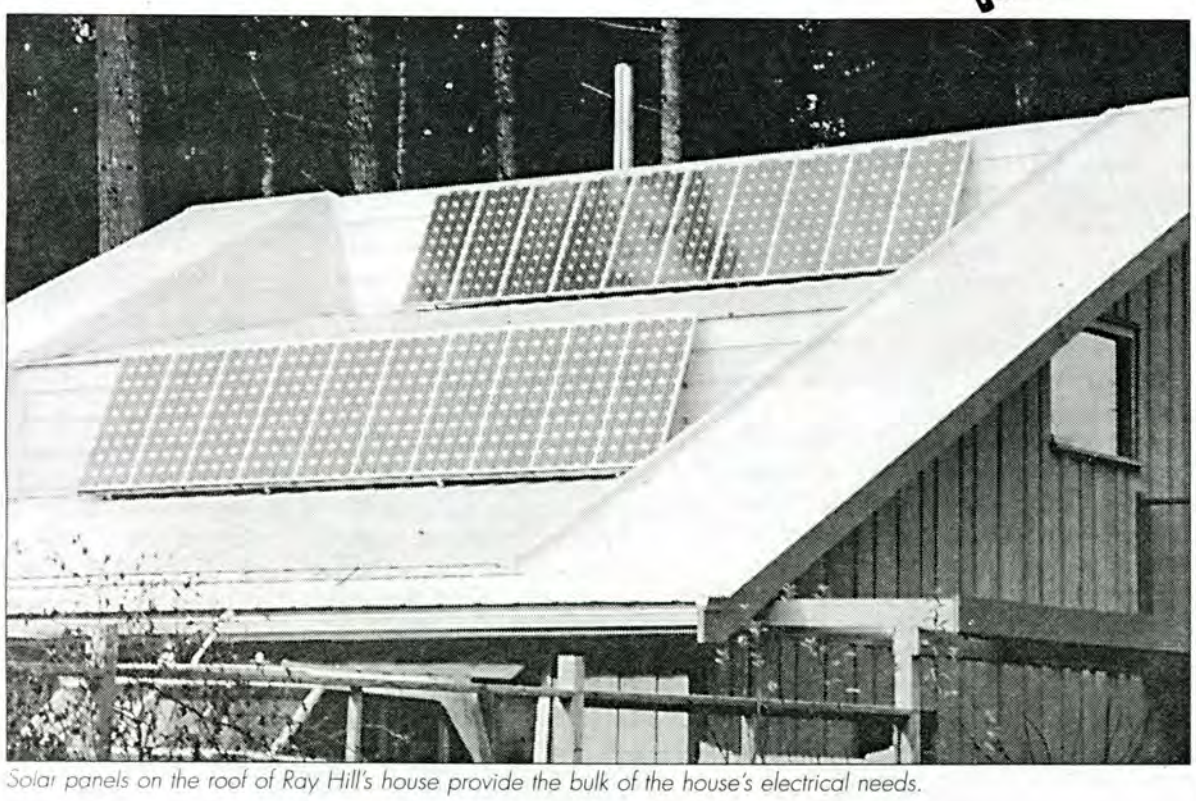


Solar panels on the roof of Ray Hill's house provide the bulk of the house's electrical needs.

## Part 1:

# Living off the grid at Ray's Place

### Stories and photos by Dayle Gaetz

The first thing you notice, near St. Mary Lake, is the sky blue sign with a bright yellow sun painted on it. "Ray's Place" it announces proudly, and with good reason.

When Ray Hill built his house in 1997, he opted to stay off the electrical grid. His aim was not to save money; at an estimated $30,000, Ray doesn't expect to recover the cost in his lifetime. Rather, his goal was to "see if I could live a comfortable life without BC Hydro." Even in building the house, he used electricity from solar panels to run his power tools. And still does.

Ray and partner, Donnie MacKenzie, now live in a clean, energy-efficient and most of all, comfortable home that takes little from the environment. Even a casual visitor could not miss the 20 solar panels stepped neatly into a white roof above the work shop.The light roof not only increases reflected light to the panels, but is the most energy efficient roof colour.

Once inside, it's easy to forget the house does not run on conventional electricity. Solar panels gather the sun's energy by day and charge a bank of batteries. Two inverters convert DC power from the batteries into AC power needed to run tools, lights, fridge, TV, stereo, washing machine and even a freezer. During winter, when the light is low, Ray needs to run his diesel generator more often, but year round, he figures, it averages only about 45 minutes a day.

However, learning to live "off grid" is more than a matter of switching from BC Hydro to solar panels. As Ronan White of Energy Options Ltd. in Ganges points out, it involves a change in lifestyle. You learn to do your laundry on a sunny day and you buy energy-efficient appliances.

Ray and Donnie have adapted amazingly well. Their refrigerator was a special purchase, built in California, and is super energy-efficient. They use only compact fluorescent lights, which are expensive but use very little power and seem to last forever. And the couple never leaves lights on if they aren't using them. The freezer is a sore point, something Donnie insisted on but which Ray complains "uses up half the power." It needs to be better insulated, a problem Ray will likely take care of soon.

Anything that produces heat is a big user of electricity, so Ray and Donnie have a large woodstove in the kitchen. It heats the house, doubles as a cookstove, and provides hot water by means of a water jacket. And a clothes dryer? A small woodstove in the basement and long racks for hanging laundry works perfectly. Donnie does miss having an iron and may buy a propane one, in the meantime she puts up with a few wrinkles.

Ray and Donnie's commitment to the environment does not stop there. Water conservation is also high on the list. Donnie proudly demonstrates her Maytag washing machine, a model she says is common in Europe but not promoted in North America. Donnie washes kitchen linens first, flushes out the water to a large bin, and then can reuse the soapy water for towels, and following that, items of clothing.

Another huge water saver is the composting toilet, which works on the principle of decomposition and evaporation. Odor free, it uses oxygen, moisture, heat, and organic matter to break down waste material into a safe compost. A large unit in the basement handles waste and evaporation in separate compartments. Oxygenation is achieved easily by rotating the drum and Ray cleans out the eventual byproduct two or three times a year.

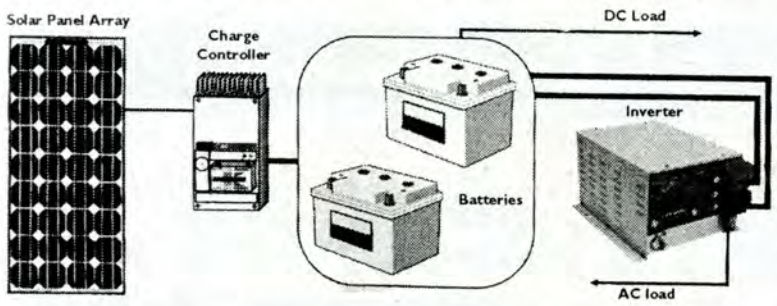
Ray and Donnie relish their independence. And yet, with all they have learned living in their "green" house, Ray still believes that if they hooked up to Hydro as a backup instead of using the diesel generator, they would soon start to slip. They would leave lights on in empty rooms, neglect to turn off a radio or television, and soon be wasting electricity again. It would be too easy.

By remaining "off grid" they are still dependent on the diesel generator but even there they are looking to greater independence. Ray is experimenting with using recycled deep fat fryer oil to make his own diesel fuel. He quickly discovered there is an adequate supply when he inquired at a local restaurant and they showed up at his door that very day with buckets of oil.This process, when perfected, leaves a soapy residue which Donnie thinks might be useful in making soap.

Ray Hill demonstrates the controls for the composting toilet, which breaks waste material down into a safe compost.

With people like Donnie and Ray proving it can be done, the future of power production in this province begins to look much brighter.

***Of course, solar panels alone are not the answer for everyone. Next time we'll look at systems that integrate solar, wind, and water power to supply a reliable source of energy.***




A typical solar electrical power setup starts with solar panels which convert light energy into electrical energy. The electricity is fed into a charge controller which ensures that the batteries do not overcharge. Devices which handle DC current can feed directly off the batteries, while standard household applicances, which require AC current, draw off the inverter which converts DC to AC.

# Alternative sources power Island homes

Rolling blackouts in California; soaring electricity prices following deregulation; greenhouse gases that contribute to global warming; there are many compelling reasons to look at alternative sources of energy.

Right now electrical power in British Columbia is relatively inexpensive. Most of the energy is provided through hydroelectric dams which, aside from environmental damage caused in creating them, are a clean and renewable source. However, as demand continues to increase at an estimated two per cent annually because of a growing population and increased use of power per household, B.C. Hydro is searching for new sources of energy to meet its needs beyond 2007.

Knowing that British Columbians are demanding alternative, greener sources of power generation in the future, BC Hydro has "committed to meeting up to 10 per cent of its load growth with green energy resources over the next several years."

To meet this goal, Hydro is working with several independent producers such as Miller Creek Power, a small run-of-river hydroelectric project near Pemberton. Another possibility is Lytton Power Inc. which uses woodwaste, or biomass products, to generate electricity. Other renewable sources that offer hope for the future include wind turbines, hydrogen fueling, solar panels, tidal power, and geothermal energy.

On a much smaller scale, most of these technologies are already being used right here on Salt Spring Island. Over the next several weeks, *the Barnacle* will take a closer look at alternative energy sources and how they can be applied in residential and commercial settings. A perfect spot to begin is at Ray's Place.

# Trio needs refinement

**by Sandi Johnson**

The stage—stark, decorated by a mere backdrop—was occupied by three musicians clad in swallow-tailed coats. The string trio Triskelion is composed of three of our nation's leading musicians—Martin Beaver, violin; David Harding, viola; and Brian Epperson, cello, and they performed last week as part of Art-Spring's Great Performers series.

The first half of the programme opened with a work by Hungarian Erno Dohnanyi, a romantic composer profoundly influenced by Johannes Brahms. In five parts, *Serenade in C major, Opus 10* is gentle and amicable, extroverted in spirit. The accomplished musicians interpreted the *Serenade* with humour, sensitivity and virtuosity.

Dohnanyi's *Serenade* was followed by a contemporary Canadian composition. Forty-six year old Gary Kulesha, a native Torontonian, is one of Canada's prominent musicians. Principally a composer (whose works are regularly performed in England and Europe), he is also an active pianist, conductor, and teacher. His *Celebration Overture* is one of the most performed orchestral pieces in Canada.

Introducing the four-part *Trio for violin, viola and violoncello*, Martin Beaver described the first and third movements as "ferocious." This textured work was reminiscent of the varied Canadian landscape and evocative of aspects of our national character.

Detached, introspective, Kulesha's work contrasted Dohanyi's eager, gregarious composition. The counterpoint, the setting of the *Serenade* against the *Trio* prepared a delighted audience for the Mozart divertimento which was to be the second half of the evening.

Though not mentioned in the evening's programme, Mozart appended to the title *Divertimento in E flat* the parenthetical definer (after Bach).

As counterpoint (the adding of one part to an existing one with which it is in counterpoint) developed out of the theory of discant, Western music moved through polyphony (many-sounding) leading toward the high point of contrapuntal writing in the music of J. S. Bach. Bach's music was often criticized by his contemporaries as too involved and lacking in immediate melodic appeal. Not so for Mozart. Mozart was a master of counterpoint, fugue, and other traditional compositional devices of his day. More than this, he was perhaps the greatest melody writer the world has ever known.

The *Divertimento in E flat* is known by string players who privately revel in its charming melodies and subtle counterpoint. Triskelion's enjoyment of the piece was evident. Each musician was up to his task musically and creatively. Yet somehow the effect was unsatisfying. There is still too much individuality.

The triskelion is an ancient symbolic figure composed of three curved branches radiating from a common centre. The trio are cognizant that the soul of their association will radiate from the melding of the three into one. The three, joining at the centre, will create a new entity from which the music will flow.

A rapport exists between these three but they need more time together. They are going to be recording the string trio works of Mozart for CBC's Musica Viva label. Let us hope that the time spent in rehearsal will bring forth the melding of three into one. If so, we will be enriched by a fine recording.

Judy Harper photo

## Our Island, Our World:

# Festival a weekend of living creatively

**by Maggie Schubart**

*Living Creatively*, the theme of this year's incarnation of *Our Island, Our World* film festival, was realized in a number of ways as the event proceeded. Participants in the workshops conducted by Gulf Islands Film and Television School (GIFTS) immediately linked up to form a film-makers' collective. They had an organizational meeting this past weekend to explore objectives. They are open to new members and anyone wishing to be a part of that scene can call Yvonne Adalian at 653-0033 or Denis Ranger at 537-3553.

The spectacular attendance at Saturday night's feature, *This Is What Democracy Looks Like*, has prompted discussion of possible repeat showings, as well as screenings of works by Island film-makers. The participation of GIFTS and of professionals Mort Ransen and Ken Keeley-Ray spurred the enthusiasm of many attendees, including teachers who saw the possible benefit to be derived from using particular videos in their classes.

Since sustainable living hovers in the background of both *Seedy Saturday* and *Our Island, Our World*, the idea of combining forces on the first Saturday of February next year is under serious consideration. This arrangement would move the volunteer fair to Sunday. This year's volunteer groups, for the most part, found the exposure beneficial, though two or three felt they were bypassed because most people were intent on seeing the videos. A different arrangement of the exhibits might eliminate that problem.

The Voice of Women (VOW), sponsors of the Friday night Afghan feast, as well as the festival organizers, expressed praise and gratitude for the co-operation of GISS chef Al Irving and his student crew for the delicious, nutritious and imaginative array of food available throughout the weekend. Those involved in the logistical part of the occasion had the efficient assistance of a crew of young men from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; similarly, a group of young people from the high school were on hand to help VOW transform the cafeteria into a more exotic venue for the feast.

Many people commented on the excellence of the music in the cafeteria on Sunday. Volunteer groups were heard wishing the music had been scheduled in their area, and, of course, everyone wanted the Raging Grannies to do their inimitable thing more often.

The Celebration Coalition considers the event a financial as well as an artistic and social success, since it was able to meet expenses. This was due in part to the generosity of Island Star Video, who lent valuable equipment and expertise, and to PARC which made a grant towards the rental of the spaces.

Musings about plans for next year are creeping into coalition confabs: a special section devoted to children's films? The afore-mentioned hook-up with *Seedy Saturday*? Emphasis on the work of local film-makers? The conclusion to this brief survey seems to be that it was truly a community event. Suggestions are welcome; phone Jane Squier at 537-5467.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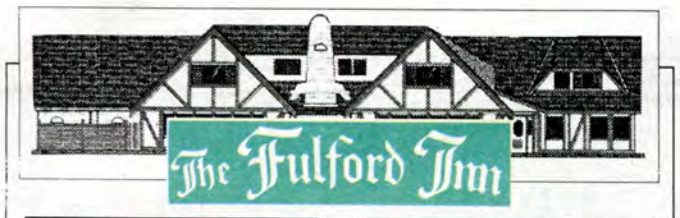


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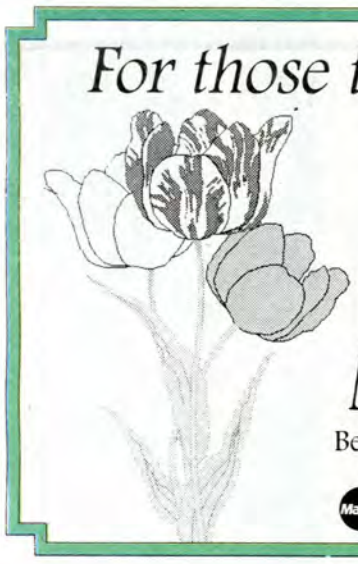

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### Desert Island Choices

Reading, music and a visitor—what would you pick if you were stranded on a desert island?

This week's castaway is **Tanya Lester**, a tea cup reader, Reiki Master, workshop facilitator and writer. This evening, Tanya will lead a discussion circle called Love Thyself: The Pleasures of Ourselves as part of the ongoing series The Pleasures of Being Single, held at the Bodyworks Collective. The discussion will be about how each one of us can find ways to take care of ourselves, whether single or coupled.

Tanya, who moved to Salt Spring with her son almost three years ago, has been reading tea cups for over five years. She takes after her grandmother and great-grandmother in using this talent. Her practice of Reiki goes back more than a decade.

**The Book:** "I'd take Friends I Never Knew, a book I authored. This would inspire me to write another novel. I'd have the time to write on a desert isle."

**The Disc:** "It would be too hard to settle on one CD, so I wouldn't. I'd take along instruments I could use (like drums and Tibetan bowls) and I'd explore the island to find things that make noise naturally."

**Fellow castaway:** "I'd want to take someone who would be a good lover to me—opening the heart as well as erotic. I'm still looking for that person...."

## TUESDAY FEBRUARY 20

**Storytime for 3-5s** Library. 10-10:30am
**Toy Library** Portlock Park & Beaver Pt. Hall. 9:30-10:30am
**Jill Louise Campbell** Memories from south of France. 11am-4pm
**Stephanie Denz** At Island Savings
**James Watt** At SS Roasting Co.
**Maureen Garbarino** At Luigi's Pizzeria
**Deboragh Gainer** At Moby's Pub
**June Boe** At Salt Spring Books
**Karen Reiss** At Island Savings
**The Decagogue (10 Commandments)** Video series. United Church lower hall. 3-5pm
**The Heart Sutra** North-end meditation. 7:30-8:30pm. Call 537-1497 for location.
**Farmers Institute AGM** Nico Human speaks. Exhibition Hall. 7:30pm
**T.O.P.S. weight loss group** Call 537-2358 for location. 7pm
**Flexible Strength** All Saints'. 9-10am
**Nia Fitness Dance** All Saints'. 5:15pm
**Yoga class** SS Centre. 6:30-8pm
**Drop In Floor Hockey** Fulford Hall 6:30-8:30pm
**Miss Congeniality** Cinema Central. 7pm
**Finding Forrester** Cinema Central. 9:15pm
**The Pleasures of Being Single** "Love Thyself: The Pleasures of Ourselves" with Tanya Lester. Bodyworks Collective. 7-9pm

## WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 21

**Storytime** Fables Cottage. 10:30
**Afternoon Crafts** Ages 6+. Fables Cottage. 3:30-4:30pm
**Kindergym** Ages 0-4. Comm. Gospel Chapel. 9-11am
**Wednesday Night Live** Open Stage hosted by Vaughn Fulford. Moby's Pub. 9pm
**Argentinian Tango practice** Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm
**Centering Prayer** Contemplative Centre. 8am
**Spell of the Sensuous** Book study. United Church lower hall. 10-11:30am
**Caregivers Support Group** Seniors' Centre. 11am
**RRSPs & RRIFs** Lunch and Learn. BMO Nesbitt Burns. 12-1pm. RSVP: 537-1654
**SSI Rod & Gun Club** AGM. 221 Long Harbour Rd. 8pm
**Yoga class** SS Centre. 10am-12pm
**Surfing for Seniors** Corinternet Café. 1-8pm

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- Recreation
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## MONDAY FEBRUARY 26

**Pre-school Card & Board Games** Ages 3-5. Fables C.. 1-2pm
**Classic Games** Ages 8+. Fables Cottage. 3-4pm.
**Caught in the Middle** Parent/children support group. Family Place. 6:30-8pm
**Midnight Café** Acoustic Jam. Rose's Cafe. 7pm
**Cats Pajamas Dance Class** Lang Road Studio. 7:30pm
**Argentinian Tango practice** Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm
**Vipassana Meditation** The Barn. 7:30pm
**How to Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk** 191 Lakefair Dr. 1:30-3:30pm
**Lady Minto Hosp. Aux. Soc.** Meeting. Lions. 2pm
**Yoga class** SS Centre. 9-10:30am
**Cats Pajamas Feldenkrais Class** Lang Rd. Studio. 6pm
**Life Model Drawing** United Church. 1-3pm
**Psychic Development group** Bodyworks Collective. 3:30-5pm
**Fun Darts** Legion. 6:30pm
**The Pledge** 7pm

## TUESDAY FEBRUARY 27

**Storytime for 3-5s** Library. 10-10:30am
**Pancake Lunch** All Saints'. 11:30am-1pm
**The Decagogue (10 Commandments)** Video series. United Church lower hall. 3-5pm
**The Heart Sutra** North-end meditation. 7:30-8:30pm. Call 537-1497 for location.
**SSI Paddler's Club** United Church Hall. 7:30pm
**T.O.P.S. weight loss group** Call 537-2358 for private location. 7pm
**Flexible Strength** All Saints'. 9-10am
**Nia Fitness Dance** All Saints'. 5:15pm
**Yoga class** SS Centre. 6:30-8pm
**Drop In Floor Hockey** Fulford Hall 6:30-8:30pm
**The Pleasures of Being Single** "Sharing & Caring: Being Single on Salt Spring" with Tom Mitchell. Bodyworks Collective. 7-9pm
**Save The Last Dance** 7pm
**The Pledge** 9:15pm

## WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 28

**Storytime** Fables Cottage. 10:30am
**Afternoon Crafts** Ages 6+. Fables Cottage. 3:30-4:30pm
**Kindergym** Ages 0-4. Comm. Gospel Chapel. 9-11am
**Argentinian Tango practice** Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm
**Spell of the Sensuous** Book study. United Church. 10-11:30am
**Centering Prayer** Contemplative Centre. 8am
**Caregivers Support Group** Seniors' Centre. 11am
**SSI Garden Club** Talk: Growing Vegetables for Beauty and Nutrition. Meaden Hall. 7pm
**Adhoc Committee for Safe Food & Water** Monthly mtg. 440 Old Scott Rd. 7:30pm
**Talk on hearing loss** Isabella Luke from Cdn Hard of Hearing Assn. Seniors' bldg. 2pm
**Yoga class** SS Centre. 10am-12pm
**Surfing for Seniors** Corinternet Café. 1-8pm


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## THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22

- **Family Walk** Mouat Park. 10am
- **Storytime** Fables Cottage. 10:30am
- **Science Fair 2001** "Flight". SS Centre School. 12:30-2:30pm
- **For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again** ArtSpring. 8pm
- **Sing Along Group** Seniors' Bldg. 2pm
- **Salty Wheels Square Dance** Central Hall. 7-9pm.
- **Community Meditation** United Church. 11:15am-12:30pm
- **Soup's On** Free soup and sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30am-1pm
- **Community Gathering** Light meal, discussion, activities. United Church. 5:30-7pm
- **SSI Weavers & Spinners Guild** ArtSpring. 10:30-noon
- **Islands Trust mtg.** Lions hall. 1:15pm
- **MS Society** Seniors' Bldg. 7pm
- **Flexible Strength** All Saints'. 9-10am
- **Yoga class** SS Centre. 4-5:30pm
- **Nia Fitness Dance** All Saints'. 5:15pm
- **Climbing** The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
- **Badminton Club** GISS gym. 8-10pm
- **Survivor: Down Under** Giant screen tv at Talons. 8pm

## FRIDAY FEBRUARY 23

- **Storytime** Fables Cottage. 10:30am
- **Myths & Fairytales for 7-10's** Library. 3-4
- **Music and Me** Parents w/tots 0-2 yrs. Family Place. 9:30-11am. Reg.: 537-4416
- **Rughugger's Potluck & Support** Family Place. 11:30-1pm
- **For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again** ArtSpring. 8pm
- **Open Stage** Rose's Café. Fulford. 7pm
- **Open Forum** SSI: Independent Nation. Lions. 7pm
- **Climbing** The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
- **Rollerblading to music** Fulford Hall. 7:30pm
- **Black light bowling** Kings Lanes. 9pm-12am
- **Save The Last Dance** 7pm
- **The Pledge** 9:15pm

## SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24

- **Calligraphy Series** Ages 8+. Fables Cottage. 12-1pm
- **Playback Theatre** United Church. 7pm
- **For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again** ArtSpring. 8pm
- **Barrington Perry** Soft Jazz. Alfresco. 6-9:30pm
- **The Other Brothers** Harbour House. 9pm-12am
- **Argentine Tango** Milonga. Lions. 9pm-12am
- **The Plunge** Youth Rally. Comm. Gospel Chapel. 6pm
- **Library Book Sale** 10am-1pm
- **University Women's Club** Speaker: R. Laing. Lions. 10am
- **Electric Vehicle Club** 270 Furness Rd. 2pm
- **Why Alkaline?** Lecture. 125 Horel Rd. 1-4pm
- **Nia Fitness Dance** All Saints'. 9:30am
- **Yoga class** SS Centre 9:30-11am. Free.
- **Orchard Bee Workshop** Fulford Hall. 9am-noon
- **Triathalon** Legion. 2pm
- **Save The Last Dance** 7pm
- **The Pledge** 9:15pm

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 25

- **The Other Brothers** Fulford Inn. 6-9pm
- **Satsang** SS Centre. 3:30pm
- **GLOSSI** Monthly mtg. Seniors' Bldg. 2pm
- **Climbing** The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
- **Badminton Club** GISS gym. 8-10pm
- **Poultry Workshop** Farmers Inst. Bldg. 9:30am
- **Innovative Book Structures** Pre-register w/PARC. PARC portable. 9:30am-3:30pm
- **Save The Last Dance** 7pm

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## THURSDAY MARCH 1

- **Family WalkMouat Park. 10am**
- **Storytime** Fables Cottage. 10:30am
- **Grease** GISS performance at ArtSpring. 7:30pm
- **Sing Along Group** Seniors' Bldg. 2pm
- **Salty Wheels Square Dance** Central Hall. 7-9pm.
- **Men's Breakfast** Meal and discussion. United Church. 8-9:30am
- **Community Meditation** United Church. 11:15am-12:30pm
- **Soup's On: free soup & sandwich** All Saints'. 11:30am-1pm
- **Community Gathering** United Church. 5:30-7pm
- **SSI Weavers & Spinners Guild** ArtSpring. 10:30-noon
- **SSI Breastfeeding Support Group** Family Place. 2pm
- **Flexible Strength** All Saints'. 9-10am
- **Yoga class** SS Centre. 4-5:30pm
- **Nia Fitness Dance** All Saints'. 5:15pm
- **Climbing** The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
- **Badminton Club** GISS gym. 8-10pm
- **Survivor: Down Under** Giant screen tv at Talons. 8pm
- **Bingo** Meaden Hall (Legion). 6:30pm

## FRIDAY MARCH 2

- **Storytime** Fables Cottage. 10:30am
- **Myths & Fairytales for 7-10's** Library. 3-4pm
- **Rughugger's Potluck & Support** Family Place. 11:30-1pm
- **Music and Me** Parents w/tots 0-2 yrs. Family Place. 9:30-11am. Registration: 537-4416
- **Grease** GISS performance at ArtSpring. 7:30pm
- **Open Stage** Rose's Cafe. Fulford Harbour. 7pm
- **Climbing** The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
- **Rollerblading to Music** Fulford Community Hall. 7:30pm
- **Black light bowling** Kings Lane. 9pm-12am

## SATURDAY MARCH 3

- **Grease** GISS performance at ArtSpring. 2pm & 7:30pm
- **The Debt Circus** Play about global economy. United Church. 7:30pm
- **Sue Newman & Ramesh Meyers** Harbour House Lounge. 9pm-midnight
- **Barrington Perry** Soft Jazz. Alfresco. 6-9:30pm
- **Dance of the One Heart** Mahon Hall. 8pm
- **Argentine Tango** Milonga. Lions. 9pm-12am
- **Library Book Sale** Library. 10am-1pm
- **T'ai Chi Chi.** 8-week class starts. Pre-register: 653-9882
- **Nia Fitness Dance** All Saints'. 9:30am
- **Yoga class** SS Centre. 9:30-11am

## SUNDAY MARCH 4

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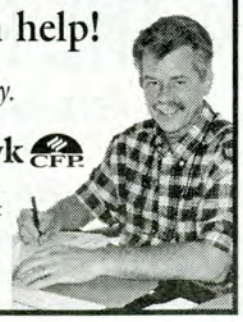

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# Gattaca striking

## Flick Pick ... with Jason Tudor

As the human genome project inches to completion, perhaps we should look at one of Hollywood's recent takes on the idea of genetic engineering. In the near future of *Gattaca*, babies are born with their DNA modified to eliminate defects and maximize their potential. Discrimination of those born the regular way is common and easy in that a simple blood test can determine whether you were born to be a scientist or a janitor.

Vincent (Ethan Hawke) was conceived in the back seat of the car, and has a heart defect that will probably kill him at an early age. Despite this handicap, and maybe because of his knowledge of it, he has an unstoppable desire to be a space pilot for the Gattaca corporation. As a flawed human being, Vincent cannot possibly be accepted to the programme and is forced to seek the aid of Jerome (Jude Law). Jerome has the DNA of a perfect specimen but was paralyzed through an accident; he lends Vincent his identity. It seems like a perfect plan until a murder raises suspicions. Despite the odds, Vincent presses on, hoping dearly to reach the stars and escape the prejudices of Earth.

*Gattaca's* striking, ethereal style makes up for a somewhat weak story line. Michael Nyman's haunting score fits in perfectly with the hopeful but melancholy tone. The future as shown to us is strangely familiar with its electric cars, endless solar panels, pin-striped suits, and cold marble halls, all indicative of a society where material needs have been met but social inequities still abound. As the film progresses, Vincent and Jerome go in opposite spiritual directions, leading to a climax with great emotional punch: Vincent's anticipation of escaping his physical limits contrasts Jerome's pain at learning that potential is always fragile. *Gattaca* may not be a great movie, but it will definitely move you.

Rating: PG Running time: 101 min.

Judy Harper photo

*Regular seasonal market vendor Tangachee Goebl displayed her wares last August.*

**Saturday Market:**

# Vendors gear up for coming season

**by Peggy Abrahams**

Barb Arnett has been a vendor at the Saturday market for 10 years. She describes her craft as funky wood carvings in the folk art tradition. Last Wednesday afternoon she was covered in sawdust while in the midst of making new stock for the coming season. "I'm getting stock together, that's what I'm doing right now," she said.

Although the market doesn't begin until April, seasonal vendors for Market in the Park have only one more week to renew their permits for the Summer of 2001, according to Jennifer Demery, co-ordinator for the Saturday market. As of last week, 38 vendors with seasonal permits had registered for the 65 available spots along the sidewalk at Centennial Park. Seasonal vendors have to reapply before a deadline of February 28.

Vendors with seasonal spots pay an application fee of $120 for a reserved spot at the Saturday Market, and must comply with certain rules, said Demery. Only two names can be on each seasonal application, and seasonal vendors must personally manage their booths all day, two Saturdays a month.

This rule is designed so that people who visit the market are guaranteed to meet the artists who made the crafts, Demery explained. "The market is growing to the point where the regulations are necessary to keep it in the spirit of the market," she said.

Last year, 268 vendors sold their crafts at the Saturday market, according to a survey conducted by Demery. Of the 268 vendors, there were 59 seasonal vendors, 57 farmers, 14 off-Islanders, seven food vendors, and 131 day vendors.

Day vendors don't apply in advance. They register the first day of the market, which this year, falls on Saturday April 7. Day vendors gain seniority every time they participate in the market. Seasonal vendors rarely give up their spots, but when a seasonal space opens up, the day vendor at the top of the list can apply for the spot.

Last year, only three seasonal spots opened up, said Demery. "We fill the spaces with the day vendors from our seniority list. We won't know until the end of February who is coming back and if there will be any spaces open," she said.

A market veteran, Arnett still works hard to incorporate new ideas into her work after 10 years. "I hope to have a new fresh stand or booth for next year. But just getting the stock together is enough. I've got lots of ideas, and little time," she said.

# Fassaert live and well

**by Gail Trafford**

A cozy crowd of enthusiastic music lovers vied for the best seats in the house to enjoy the strong, rich voice of Tammy Fassaert at All Saints' by-the-Sea Saturday night. Accompanied by John Reischman on the mandolin and Paul Bergman on the stand-up bass, the guitar-strumming Fassaert dished up a feast for the ears. No one was disappointed.

The band chose to give an acoustic performance and the intimate setting of the church proved to be the perfect venue. It didn't take long until the audience was singing along. It seemed that they just couldn't help it. At one point Lisa Erck and Mary Applegate joined Fassaert on the stage for a gospel sing-along.

Fassaert featured a number of songs from her newest CD, including the title song, *Corner of My Eye*. Her down-home hospitality, friendliness and a wide variety of music from folk and bluegrass to country styles made the performance welcoming for everyone.

Fassaert's amazing voice didn't falter through the whole evening as she filled the building with her deep, sweet melodies. The audience sighed collectively at the personal glimpses revealed in Fassaert's song to her dying aunt and to Sue Rodregas, *Set Me Free*, but by the end of the evening she had everyone chuckling to Mark Graham's *Life is Hard*. The time between was pure enjoyment.

John Reischman performed a new and just-released song called *Salt Spring*, inspired by a visit with concert organizers Charlie and Lisa Erck. He brought his first copies, received that day, of the CD *John Reischman and the Jaybirds*.

Fassaert left Salt Spring for the Alberni Music Festival Sunday. She has a busy schedule ahead of her, including a trip to Arizona, and a tour of Europe this May. Check out her web site at www.island.net/~tammyfas.

Gail Trafford photo

*Tammy Fassaert at All Saints' by-the-Sea last Saturday.*

# Tremblay's play truly a *Pleasure*

**by Sandi Johnson**

*For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again* is playwright Michel Tremblay's powerful tribute to his mother. The one-act drama is directed by Margaret Jardine with Debbi Toole as Nana and Patrick Cassidy as the narrator. Brilliantly written in ordinary language, it is a humorous and poignant drama.

Tremblay vividly presents his mother, the story-teller who learned to dramatize the ordinary details of her small life. She loved books. A woman with extravagant emotions, she learned to cope by using her imagination. Nana, the universal mother, is exasperating, manipulative, and loving.

Director Margaret Jardine took the liberty of setting the stage with two tables and chairs where the author specified a single chair. The table and chair, symbols of sustenance and conversation, embody the substance of the play. Tremblay is saying that what is learned at the kitchen table is as important as what we learn from literature.

Patrick Cassidy is remarkable as the narrator. From the moment he enters and sheds the jacket of the 50-year-old narrator, he becomes the child. The mother gives advice to her son who is 10, 13, 16, 18 and 20 years old. Cassidy's body language is authentic to each age. As the young Tremblay, he is convincingly nurtured by his mother. A gentle presence, his quiet moments are pregnant with listening. He simply clasps his hands.

Debbi Toole brings her comedic talents to the role of Nana. Portraying the defiant Nana, she forcefully occupies the stage. Dressed in a simple housedress and apron, her body language is as expressive as Tremblay's dialogue. She effuses with her hands, creating imaginary images in the negative spaces.

*For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again* engages the audience from the moment Cassidy steps forward on stage and delivers a brilliant monologue on the history of theatre. He then introduces the universal mother. "When she speaks in her own words, people who speak differently will understand her, in their own words." The play is ultimately about life and theatre. Tremblay's mother talked to him, she molded him. They both learned about truth.

I experienced a fine evening of theatre. The play took me into my own story. It moved me to laughter and tears.

*For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again* continues at Artspring February 22, 23, and 24 at 8 p.m. Tickets are $14 ($12 for seniors, students, and groups of 10 or more).

# Allegria Duo humorous, intriguing

**by Murray Shoolbraid**

It was a seasonably cold night (though dry), which may explain why All Saints' was not quite packed to the gunwales for the Allegria Duo performance on Sunday night, but the fair-sized audience gave the performers a resounding recognition of their artistry.

Two flutes is an unusual combination, which is why Jennifer Moss arranges a deal of it herself. The pair of flautists (with a piccolo for variety) are both accomplished musicians (presently with Vancouver Island Symphony, besides being teachers), and they displayed their talents as duettists and soloists to the excellent accompaniment of Stephen Shields.

As for the programme, it ranged from folk music (traditional South American and Celtic), through classics like Albinoni and Bach, to moderns like Gades' tango *Jalousie*, very nicely arranged by Christiansen and played by Moss with flair. A very recent piece was Mike Mower's *Opus de Jazz* (two selections), a Jennifer Cluff solo, which was right in the contemporary "serious" music vein, albeit written in that recognizably jazz idiom, with its melodic lines (and leaps), harmonies, and progressions.

I was intrigued by the *Celtic Dance* for two flutes, featuring four tunes, the last being a brisk Irish reel that remains anonymous, the third the haunting *Green Bushes* (or as I call it, from its faster English version, *The Hunting of the Wren*), while the first two, I was delighted to hear, were composed by Jennifer Moss herself.

The last piece of the programme was a humorous battle of the flutes, where each tried to outdo the other in rendering *The Carnival of Venice*, and it brought the house down.

The concert started with a magical performance of Debussy's *Clair de Lune* and ended with an encore in the same delicate and romantic style with the *Flower Duet* from Delibes' *Lakme*. Altogether a great evening; the two Jennifers will be welcome back.


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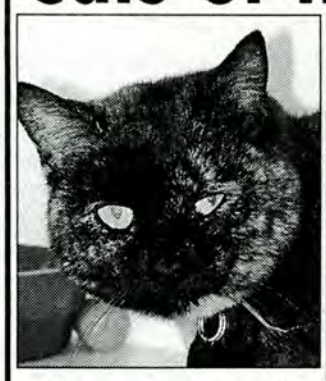
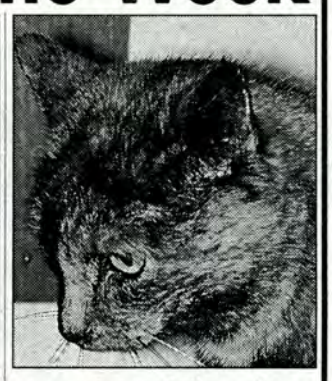


My name is Patches and I'm a two year old sweetheart. I have been spayed and would make a great family pet.



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Well, Nights Alive is slowly getting back on track. Our basketball three on three was cancelled until March. We are organizing a Mardi Gras Bash for the upcoming months and (if all that's not enough) we are working on a mentor-ship program to fill in the gap between the middle school and the high school. We are asking that if any students or parents that would like to help or have ideas to contact us.

Meanwhile, at GISS, the Valentine's dance was a blast! The leadership class put it on; they would like to thank all the volunteers who helped out, it was definitely appreciated.

For all of those that see our posters around but still don't know what we are, I'll explain. Nights Alive is a youth oriented project that is making non-drug/alcohol activities, happen. We want to promote safe and fun places for teens.

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# Couple's love evident in performance

**by Helani Davison**

The Jack and Lefty Trio house concert last Saturday night left the audience wanting more. The trio, consisting of vocalists Jack (Jeannine Munn), Lefty (Daniel Rudick), and Garry MacPherson, enchanted a full house with a medley of tunes about love, pain, and trains.

The original and compelling lyrics of their songs were written by all three of the musicians. Rudick and MacPherson played acoustic guitars and Munn did some deft picking on the mandolin. The audience was particularly moved in response to *Frank's Song*, in which Munn thrust a throaty and emotional appeal of "I don't have the heart to hurt any more." Another well-received song was *Sunshine Through Your Dress of Cotton*, which conjured pleasant visual images interspersed with catches of old-time goldies. MacPherson's full-bodied voice portrayed his signature song, *Waiting For The Doctor*, in which the metaphor depicts a soulful journey through life.

In the spacious and warm home of hosts Tracey and Ross Braiden, guests enjoyed sipping a choice of red or white wine and some playful interaction with the performers. The special intimacy that passed between Jack and Lefty as they serenaded each other spilled into the audience. Each song, done as a separate entity with a spirit and message of its own, created a good mix of mood and tempo. Jack's animation and sparkle kept the energy high and the audience present.

The trust that has built between Jack and Lefty from performing together for more than eight years came through in performance. "We are no longer separate entities," said Jack. "It's more than loving each other. It's knowing each other."

What made the concert work was the depiction of stories put to music about real emotional experiences: real loves, real pain and real people.

# Another version of the cat story

## Musical Musings ... with Murray Shoolbraid

This month I thought about a love song for Valentines day, but by the time this is in print that'll be a sweet memory. So we might as well just get ridiculous. There's a song about an indestructible cat which is fairly well known in folky circles (recorded by Marais and Miranda, among others) to a sly tune in a minor key. This one however, which is certainly a relative, I got in Vancouver many years ago from a friend, who sang it to a jaunty tune in a major key, and I much prefer this one:

### The Cat Came Back

Freddie Wilson had a cat that he didn't want to keep,
He offered it for sale, but no-one would buy it cheap.
He called upon the preacher to ask for his advice,
The preacher said just leave him here, for it would be so nice

*Chorus*
But the cat came back, he wouldn't stay away,
He was sitting on the porch on the very next day;
The cat came back, he didn't want to roam,
The very next day he was home sweet home.

Freddie put the cat on board a ship was headed for Ceylon,
The ship was overloaded, about forty thousand ton;
Not many miles from shore that gallant ship went down;
There wasn't any doubt about it, everybody drowned—

*Repeat chorus*

Freddie put the cat on board with a man in a balloon,
Who would give the cat away to the man up in the moon,
The balloon it didn't rise, it burst in bits instead,
Ten miles away they found the man stone dead—

*Repeat chorus*

Freddie Wilson took his gun and he hid behind a bush,
In the barrel of his gun lead and powder he did push.
He aimed it at the spot where the cat would appear;
The next day all they found was Freddie Wilson's ear—

*Repeat chorus*

Now the cat sat on the porch and he ate a piece of cheese,
An Irishman came by, he was feeling well at ease.
The cat he was a-smiling, for he was fully fed;
The Irishman sang "Britannia!" and the cat fell dead

*Last chorus*

But his ghost came back, he wouldn't stay away,
He was sitting on the porch on the very next day.
His ghost came back, he didn't want to roam,
He haunted Freddie's house and his home sweet home.

# Soloist competition

The second annual solo competition for the Salt Spring Concert Band is holding auditions on April 11. The winner will perform at the spring concert on May 25 and 26 at ArtSpring.

Dawn Hage, the band's conductor, initiated the idea for the competition to offer an opportunity for music students to perform a solo accompanied by a concert band.

The competition last year included only three musicians, but to date this year it has attracted a much wider variety of applicants, including two pianists, five trumpet players, one trombonist, two flautists, and one saxophonist. Their participation will make the competition much bigger and more exciting. It is hoped that music students will look forward to this event and the possibility of winning.

The deadline for applications is being extended to the end of February. It is open to residents of Salt Spring of all ages, as long as they are studying music or are a member of an amateur music ensemble. A piece must be chosen that has an available band accompaniment. Application forms and examples of music that is available can be found at Acoustic Planet.

The participants will receive an opportunity to perform and an honorarium. For more information, call Dawn Hage at 537-1388.

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# Bee workshop

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The workshop runs from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Fulford Hall. It costs $10 per person to attend. If they have one, each participant should bring a Blue Orchard bee nest (with eggs), which can be cleaned later. The eggs can be used in the spring.

# Poultry workshop

Next Sunday, February 24, the Islands Farmers Institute will host a workshop on poultry. Held at the Institute building, the workshop will provide information on raising, keeping, and showing poultry.

Participants wishing to may take along birds for discussion (cages will be provided). This workshop offers an opportunity to have questions answered by a professional.

For more information or to make arrangements to bring a bird, please contact Barbara Brindamour at 537-2282. Everyone is welcome, especially young poultry enthusiasts.

# Club grows again

Mary Ballon, President of West Coast Seeds Ltd., will be the featured speaker at the Garden Club's first meeting of the year next Wednesday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m. at Meaden Hall. Foxglove Nursery is joining the Club in sponsoring Ballon's slide presentation, called *Growing Vegetables for Beauty AND Nutrition*, which will show how vegetables can make a design statement in the garden just as well as flowers.

West Coast Seeds believes very strongly in the importance of producing locally-grown, organic food both at home and on market farms. Mary Ballon is no stranger to Salt Spring—she is one of the regulars at Seedy Saturday and the West Coast Seeds catalogue is on the "best seller" list for Island gardeners for its wealth of gardening information and wide variety of seeds.

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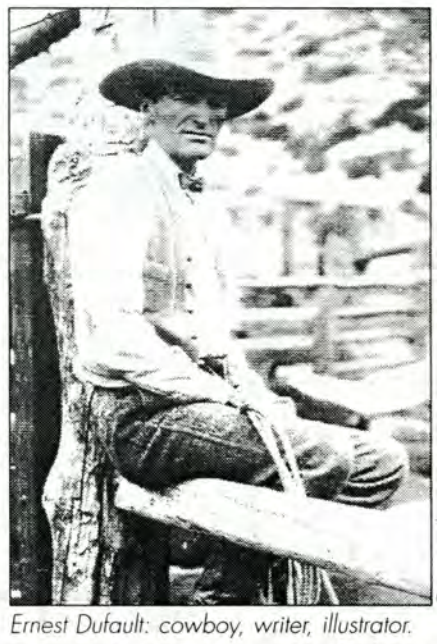
# Cowboy lived his dream

**by Claire Bouchard**

The article about Sascha ("Island Passions: A Cowboy in the Making", *the Barnacle*, January 2) made me think about my great-uncle Ernest Dufault, who became known as Will James. I wonder if Sascha has heard of him? And if he hasn't, I'm sure he would enjoy my great-uncle's books and illustrations.

This courageous and single-minded man was born in Quebec in 1892. At nine years old he saw Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show in Montreal, and like Sascha, dreamed of becoming a cowboy. Leaving Montreal in 1907 (at 15 years old) with a one-way ticket to Saskatchewan, a bag of cookies from his mom, and $10, he set out to find his dream.

The courage and persistence he had amazes me! Imagine: moving from an urban setting to a sparsely populated rural environment, and the jolt of transferring from French-speaking Quebec to English-speaking western Canada. And range life had a culture all its own as well. He learnt the ropes of the cowboy trade working at odd jobs throughout Alberta and Saskatchewan, eventually working as a skilled cowboy, wrangler, and top-notch horse-breaker for some of the largest outfits to be had at the time in both the Canadian and American West. He even worked as a cowboy and stunt man in the Hollywood film industry for a time.



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*Ernest Dufault: cowboy, writer, illustrator.*

His background and courageous transformation into a cowboy may have been unique, but the truly unique thing about this man is that he was one of the few true cowboys of his day to write down and illustrate his experiences on the range. During the 1920s and 30s, he wrote and illustrated more than 20 books about authentic cowboy life. These are not old, dry, boring books. He wrote these books in the actual language of the cowboys, complete with the slang and rough grammar and lingo of the Wild West.

He wrote of the life of the bunkhouse, details of work around the corrals, the skills needed for wrangling high-spirited horses, or night-herding skittish cattle, and the importance of a good horse. His books transcended the saloon brawls and six guns and shoot-out cliches of the Wild West. Instead, his stories are suffused with a respect and love for the human and animal spirit. They are full of dynamic drawings and paintings of everyday cowboy life. Some of his books are *The Drifting Cowboy* (1925), *Smoky* (1926), *Cow Country* (1927), and *Lone Cowboy* (1930), a semi-fictional autobiography. *Smoky* was so successful it went into 10 printings and was turned into a Hollywood movie in 1934, 1945, and 1966.

Anyone wishing further information should contact Allan Jensen, a member of the Will James Society and a researcher and writer concerning cowboy history. He can be reached at Medicine Hat Museum and Art Gallery, 1302 Bomford Crescent S.W., Medicine Hat, AB, T1A 5E6.


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# Online database service coming

## Biblio Files ... with Joanne Elizabeth

There are about two million words in the English language. All can be found, creatively arranged, at your library.

### New and noteworthy

The new high-speed internet access connection will facilitate access for volunteers and patrons using the library computers. A library web page, now in the planning stage, will soon allow patrons access to the library catalogue from home computers and provide other useful links, such as the library's new subscription to (EBSCO). This service provides access to thousands of magazines, journals, reports, and other information data bases. The library does provide free internet lessons—just sign up.

When members cannot find a selection in our collection, they can borrow books through the inter-library loan system. The library also loans books to other libraries through this system and receives payment for doing so. Last year we loaned 763 books to other libraries and borrowed approximately 2,700 items for our members.

### On the shelf

The library has over 41,000 items in the collection. Approximately half of the library budget is used to purchase new materials. On a typical day there are up to 4,900 items on loan to some of the 5,255 members. Some new book arrivals on the shelf include: *How Computers Work, Millenium Edition* (for the reference department), *The Beatles Anthology*, *Biography of Doris Lessing* by Carole Llein, *The Art of Chocolate*, *The History of the Kelly Gang* by Peter Carey, *To Cut a Long Story Short* by Jeffrey Archer, and *Perfect Recall* by Ann Beattie. Material on CD-ROM will soon be available for loan and in the reference section.

### Volunteers

The Library has 155 wonderful volunteers to carry out the many and diverse tasks required for efficient operation. New volunteer applicants are welcome. Particularly needed now are volunteers for book shelving and for help in the garden. Volunteers are asked to commit to regular three-hour shifts. All volunteers receive training. Applications and job lists are available at the library

### Bookmarks

- March 25 from 9:30 a.m. onward: cleaning bee at the library.
- March 29 at 3:00 p.m. at the United Church Hall: annual general meeting. Nominees to fill Board positions are needed.

### Footnotes

- Hours: Monday and Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Note the evening times Monday and Wednesday.)
- Library Book Sale: every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Free delivery of books and materials is available to those who are not sufficiently mobile to get to the library.
- Board meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at the library. Public attendance is welcome.

# Witch hazel adds colour in winter

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

At this time of the year, you may have noticed beautiful shrubs with yellow flowers blooming in some of our Island's gardens. These would have to be *Hamamelis mollis*, or Chinese witch hazel. These shrubs are so popular because they provide a winter garden with not only spectacular yellow colour, but fragrance as well.

There are several species of *Hamamelis*, but it's the Chinese witch hazel that seems to be a favourite amongst our local gardeners. *H. mollis* is a shrub, or even a small tree, native to areas in western China. Not only are they beautiful, but they are exotic as well! There are other named varieties as well, and some produce an almost orange-coloured bloom.

Witch hazels are a common garden plant, and can easily be found at local garden centres. They are a deciduous shrub and the flowers bloom long before the foliage appears. These plants also provide yellow fall foliage, which is very attractive. Witch hazels are completely cold-hardy for our zone, and like to grow in full sun or part shade. They prefer ample irrigation in the dry months. Throw in a bit of peat moss at planting time.

# Thai pork—wonderful flavours

## Let's Eat... with Linda Koroscil

If you like Thai Food, you'll love this pork recipe.

### Pork with coriander, garlic, and pepper

Mince coriander (cilantro) roots to measure 2 Tbsp.

Mix with 2 Tbsp. salt, 2 Tbsp. minced garlic, 2 Tbsp. crushed peppercorns, 2 tsp. sugar. Add 1/4 cup olive oil to make a paste.

Cut 2-1/2 lb. boneless pork loin crosswise into 1/4" slices. Pound quite thin. Rub garlic paste into medallions. Stand 1 hour. Sauté in a little oil quickly.

I use pork tenderloin as an alternative, but I think the boneless loin is the best buy and it's very versatile. I would serve this with stir-fried peppers (four colours) and steamed rice. Use cilantro leaves for garnish. Wonderful flavours.

# Take *The Plunge* on Saturday

A youth rally called *The Plunge* is being held on Saturday, February 24 at 6 p.m. at the Community Full Gospel Chapel. Youth Pastor Travis Guedes, aged 23, is organizing the event, which now includes three churches. Others are invited to come on board.

"*The Plunge* means plunging into the abundant life that God has for us," said Guedes. "We are aiming to fill a need for an environment of worship that youth can relate to." This is achieved by providing contemporary worship music that is more up-beat than the more subdued adult church music.

Young members of different congregations gather on the last Saturday of each month to worship in this youth-oriented service, which they plan and organize themselves. Adults are welcome to attend as guests.

Gail Trafford photo

*Cub Scouts assemble for the "Hike for Hunger" on Sunday.*

# Guides, Scouts honour movement founder

**by Gail Trafford**

Guides and Scouts across Canada and in 150 countries worldwide will take time this week to remember their founders, Lord and Lady Baden-Powell, who started the youth organizations in the early 1900s.

Sunday, on Salt Spring Island, Guides and Scouts started the week with a Hike for Hunger. The participants collected non-perishable items for the local food bank and met at the Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club. As a symbol of walking with the needy, they carried the food on a hike to the Pentecostal Church where the donations were collected in baskets.

The young people assembled and paraded into the church with flags. Pastor Rick Hill welcomed the youngsters and received the flags. After opening with *O Canada*, the youth and the congregation participated in a service together.

The Guide programme includes four pathways: community, world, home and outdoors. This year, in order to learn more about people in another part of the world, the Guides had a celebration with foods, costumes, games, and souvenirs from India, the home of one of the four World Guiding centres. On Monday the Sparks, Brownies, Guides, and Pathfinders—girls from five to 15—met at All Saints' by-the-Sea for an "Indian Interlude." The older girls, the Pathfinders, decorated the hall with a 16-foot banner they had made. The girls participated in games that originated from Brownies in India.

The Scouts have scheduled a Baden-Powell banquet for Thursday evening at the Legion, their sponsor. The Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts, including boys and girls who range from five to 16 years old, will be there to talk about Baden-Powell and to receive awards they have earned throughout the year.

Service projects are not unusual for either of these groups. The youngest members learn to lend a hand at home and those who can, participate in numerous activities. These include cleaning up for "Pitch In Canada," marching in the Remembrance Day Parade, helping with the Canada Day celebrations and the Santa Light-up, serving the elderly in many ways, and helping with parking at community events.

The Guide movement accepts only girls in order to create a place where women can be strong role models for young girls. Their activities are well-regulated and span a wide range. Although there is a yearly fluctuation in membership, at this time a shortage of leaders means that no new members can be accepted. All the groups are full.

Scouting accepts both boys and girls. It has a more outdoor-centred programme with fewer restrictions than the Guides. According to Lisa Rainsford, Service Scout leader, they celebrate the "out" in scouting. They go camping in all seasons and this weekend they experienced snow camping.

This year there are enough leaders for the children aged five to 16 to allow them to accept new members. However, the Venture programme for those from 14 to 18 has temporarily folded because it lacked leaders.

Scouting and Guiding both began with the motto "Be Prepared." Both are preparing children to take care of themselves and to have high ideals.

## Electric vehicles:

# Clean, green machines

**by Dayle Gaetz**

Tired of high gas prices? Want to do your part to promote cleaner air? Then you're in luck. An opportunity to learn more about electric vehicles is offered this Saturday at Gulf Islands Brewery.

According to brewery owner Bob Ellison, the organizer of Saturday's meeting, the main purpose is to find out if enough people on the Island are interested. If they are, then an Electric Vehicle Club will be formed and can soon settle down to learning what the technology is all about.

Ellison points out that Salt Spring is an ideal location for an electric vehicle because range should never be a problem; the average electric car can travel 100 kilometres or more per trip. In line with his policy of making the "least impact possible" on the environment, Ellison is hoping to build an electric delivery vehicle for his brewery.

At the meeting, he hopes to see people ranging in age from high school students to retired folk. Ellison sees a day when some parking spaces in Ganges will offer plug-ins for electric cars. According to Rob Zuk, who owns an electric vehicle himself, such parking spaces already exist in California, where clean air is a major concern and electric vehicle use is promoted by the government. These parking spaces are reserved for electric cars, much as handicapped spaces are reserved.

Islanders may remember Zuk's little box-like car. Although he's hoping to have it ready for the meeting, the electric car is currently off the road because it needs new batteries, at a cost approximately the same as regular maintenance on a gas vehicle over the years.

Some electric vehicles may be slightly underpowered on hills. Zuk needs to slow down to about 50 kilometres an hour on Lee's Hill and the hill out of Ganges. However, he says that it's a matter of voltage, and "some are built like hot rods." Such cars have a higher voltage and can consistently beat gas cars on the take-off; the trade-off is a shorter range of travel between charges.

If the Electric Car Club gets up and running, they will plan a trip to Errington (near Parksville) where electric vehicles are being built commercially at Canadian Electric Vehicles. Whether you choose to buy a new vehicle or convert an old one, electric vehicles are surprisingly affordable.

The meeting, on Saturday, February 24, is at 2 p.m. at 270 Furness Road. Please call Bob Ellison at 653-4513 if you need directions or further information.

# What's for lunch on Shrove Tuesday? Pancakes, of course

A Shrove Tuesday pancake lunch is being held at All Saints' by-the-Sea Anglican Church next Tuesday, February 27 in the upper hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The number of diners has reached 100 people with good appetites and lots of congenial conversation. The cost is $4.25 per plate, which includes the Canadian tradition of pancakes, sausages, syrup, and coffee or tea (or juice for children). It's a family affair. The whole community is encouraged to come out and have a chance to be in a friendly environment of people meeting people. A special invitation is extended to local business folk and coffee groups to take a break away from their regular routine.

The idea for the lunch comes from the English tradition of Shrove Tuesday. On the day before Lent a feast is held to use up perishables and enjoy a hearty feast before the fast begins for Lent. "It's a fun-raiser and a fund-raiser," said Strike. "Come out and watch your husband or boyfriend flip pancakes and juggle platters at a good old-fashioned get-together."


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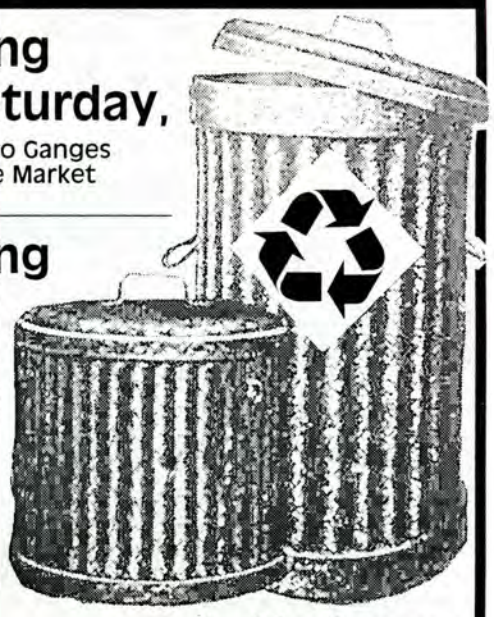

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### 110 • DEATHS

**CARTWRIGHT, WINNIFRED CATHERINE** "Freddie". On February 14th, 2001, predeceased by husband Peter in 1991. She is survived by her son Cam (Heather) and two granddaughters, Amber, in Penticton and Kelli, in Victoria. No service by Freddie's request. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a charity of your choice. 0801

**LERCHER, BRIAN ARNOLD** Born May 29, 1946. Died February 19, 2001. Father of Ashley and Shannon, husband of Susan. "His spirit never faltered." Memorial service to be held Saturday, March 3 from 1-4 p.m. at the Lion's Hall (103 Bonnet). In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Save Salt Spring Campaign or to the Rotary Club. 0801

### 120 • IN MEMORIAM

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### 140 • COMING EVENTS

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**DANCE OF** the One Heart - A World Beat experience with DJ 'Dancing Wolf'. Saturday, March 3rd, 8 pm, Mahon Hall. Tickets at et cetera or the door. $10. A Green Party Benefit. 0901

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

**DEBT CIRCUS:** A hilarious analogy of the global economy with life under the Big Top. Saturday, March 3 at the United Church, 7:30 pm, preceded by a Potluck Supper at 6 pm. 0901

### 140 • COMING EVENTS

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR** on line! For a complete calendar of coming events check out the Barnacle Community Calendar at Saltspringcalendar.com or visit our website at DailyBarnacle.com. tfn

**JAZZ CABARET** with Mother of Pearl - March 9 - A celebration of women and rhythm. Fulford Hall. Stay tuned. 0801

**ANNUAL PANCAKE** lunch. Shrove Tuesday, 27th Feb. All Saints Upper Hall 11:30-1:00 pm. $4.25 per serving. Pancakes, sausages, coffee, tea. 0801

**TEEN DRIVER?** Retired? 2nd vehicle? Electric cars could be the answer. Saltspring E.V. Club February 24th 2:00 pm. Gulf Islands Brewery, Bob 653-4513. 0801

**ARGENTINE TANGO** Milongas (parties) February 24-March 17 - 9 to 12 at Lions Hall. Phone Margie Korrison for info 537-2707. 0801

**SPCA ANNUAL** General Meeting is being held Saturday, March 10th, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the Lions Hall 103 Bonnet Avenue. Guest speaker is Craig Naherniak, BC SPCA Director of Education. All welcome. 1001

**ANOTHER INNOVATIVE** book structures! Our first class is full so we are adding another one on Sunday, February 25, 9:30-3:30 for $32.10 plus a $20 material fee. Designed for poets, doodlers, artists and travellers, this workshop will "walk you through" the making of several different book structures. For more info and registration call the PARC office at 537-4448. 0801

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**NOTICE OF BUSINESS MEETING**

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

**DATE:** Thursday February 22, 2001
**TIME:** 1:15 p.m.
**PLACE:** Hart Bradley Memorial Hall (Lions Club) 103 Bonnet Ave, Ganges

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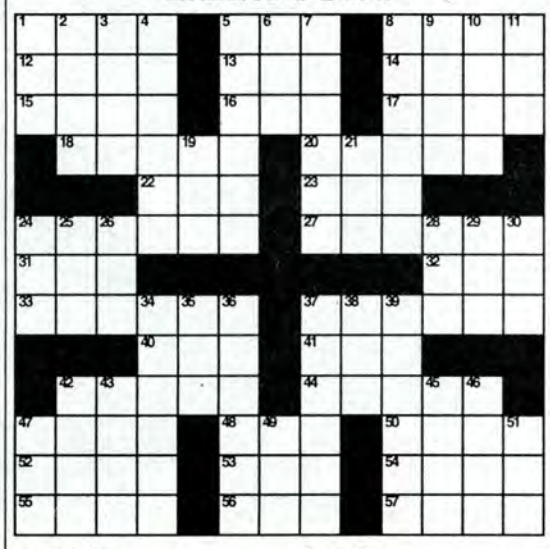
### Hunter's Stew



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*"To amend the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council Constitution and bylaws"*

1. Minutes April 2, 2000 AGM
2. President's Report
3. 2000 Financial Results
4. 2001 Budget
5. Committee Reports
6. Appoint Account Firm for 2001
7. Special Resolution
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9. Election of Directors
10. Other Business

*Refreshments following adjournment*

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## 145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

**ALANON E-Z-Y-DOES-IT** Tuesday meetings changed to Wednesday 1 pm. starting March 7th. 137 Drake Rd. 653-4288. 0901

## 145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

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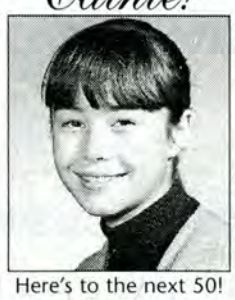

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## 190 • THANKS

**TO THE** staff of Greenwoods, Dr. Reznick and the "Ladies" of Lady Minto. Our thanks for the loving care given Freddie during her time with you. Your gentle kindness and professionalism is sincerely appreciated. The Cartwright family. 0801

## PERSONALS 200-299

## 220 • LOST & FOUND

**PRESCRIPTION EYEGLASSES** - ladies found on vehicle hood near Grace Point Square. Owner claim at the Barnacle. 0801

**WHOMEVER (MISTAKENLY?)** took old metal frame childs stroller from Fulford please return. Call 653-2078. Needed for transporting my child! Thanks. 0801

## 240 • PERSONALS

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# HOROSCOPES

*For the week, by Michael O'Connor Ph: 1-877-352-2936*

**Tip of the week:** This week's New Moon in Pisces is packed with spiked punch! If you think that Pisces is soft, cuddly and meek take another look. A long list of wild characters that have and continue to shake the world into new awareness is the real story. True, a dreamy manner cloaks a stormy inner mind. Yet, just like a sudden gale that turns calm waters into churning seas of massive waves, Neptune ruled Pisces is better a friend than foe. With close aspects between Sun, Moon, Jupiter, Mars and Neptune, we are all in for an exciting ride. Ambitions will be running high as imaginations reach for the sky. It might be better to lower the sails for this one and flow with the winds and currents. Then again, this could turn out to be an adventure fondly remembered by heroes and survivors.

**Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19)** A dive into the deeper layers of your mind finds you sleeping in as long as you can. Dreams can be the best form of entertainment. You yearn to move mountains, but there are too many and you don't know where to start. The compass needle is pointing north. The future beckons and you are open to experiment with the prospects. Though it might hurt you just have to be real with what you feel. Affirm: "I am shazam!"

**Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20)** Merging with friends and lovers in body and soul is on your mind. Nothing new! Yet, nothing is really quite the same. Something sleek is slithering and everyone can feel it. Skins are being shed and it's not all pretty. Raw and real has its place too. Behind the shadows of repression lies the truth and everyone is beginning to see. Things are no longer as they were. Like it or not, change is in the air. So, what are you going to do about it?

**Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)** Unexpected opportunities are coming your way. Others on your stage are pushing you to recognize why they see things as they do. Parts of you want to escape from it all in any possible way. Why stand up and face the music when you can dance? It is all a question of perspective and attitude. Life is complex and challenging sometimes. Breathe deeply, avoid reaction and focus on positive action that is within your power.

**Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22)** Communal gatherings, spiritual aspirations, cultural interests, even communications with the other side are all gaining your attention now. You want to be there for others. You feel pumped and passionate with plenty of drive. Old values are beginning to melt. You are prepared to acquire the new gear and skills. Something and/or someone has got to give and if that has to be you then so be it. It's time to break on through to the other side.

**Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22)** Recent shifts and changes in your life are drawing you in to the passion pit. Who are you now and what is next? Things are no longer what they seem. The simple has become complex. You are in the mood to play, to be provocative, to gain some fresh perspectives. You are ready for a return. Goodness knows you have earned it. When was the last time you played the game simply for the fun? Let your imagination guide.

**Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22)** Something new is being born in your relationships. Rather than being soft and cuddly it is more likely to be sharp and prickly. You are in the mood to make a few key moves. Something has got to go and it just may turn out to be you. You have been holding your tongue for long enough. You are much clearer about certain things than you have been. You are in the mood to be heard and you mean business. It is time to balance the sweet with sour.

**Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22)** Isn't it the time for a little getaway? Somewhere hot would be nice but simply somewhere else would suffice. Some playtime is at the top of the list. The ball game on the tube will probably prove anticlimactic. A hike, a swim, a ski or perhaps all three might do the trick. Allow the prospects of flirting with the possibilities to wet your palette. The only thing that will put out the fire is the full satisfaction of your desire.

**Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)** A playful, imaginative, psychological and ambitious mood will send you to the cinema seeking entertainment this week. What else but Hollywood can satisfy such a varied appetite. Then again, You have plenty of tricks up your sleeve. Or is it to the retro for a foreign flick? In any case, you are ready for something exciting and new to match the hot colours of your zany mind. Whatever you do and where ever you go, you are worth following if only for sheer entertainment!

**Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)** O.K. the gig is up. You can't hide that you are from another planet any longer. Something about the air down here works like laughing gas for your kind. Did you think you could hide? As you seek out others who share your DNA you find yourself lost amidst the masses of mere mortals who actually take this dream to be reality. You can hardly wait until they all wake-up and the party really begins.

**Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)** Beneath that conservative exterior is a wild imagination. You are tired of the same old thing and yearn for excitement. Something hot and spicy ought to do the trick. If psychaedelic is no longer in maybe someone should bring it back, someone like you. Be open to the possibilities. Take a risk and be bold. You could bring back the future. You have been travelling ahead in your imagination haven't you? Follow the spirit wherever it leads!

**Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)** A search through the tickle trunk to find a new role or two will keep you busy. While you are in there, look for a few new perspectives and hidden talents. Oh yes, and grab that sword too. You will need it as you cut through the web of limiting beliefs and self-concepts that are entangling you and those around you. As you get into your imagination keep in mind that whatever you declare limits you out there are simply reflections of your own figments.

**Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20)** A determined effort to catch-up with your imagination and get your mind back in focus should prove amusing, from the outside at least. Driven to learn new skills, others who deter your pace may find you impatient and reactive. Take the time to re-gain your centre before you start running in all directions. Waves of new ideas are coming in. Be ready to take notes or direct the inspiration in any way you can.

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## score board

# Burton wins series with an 87 score

Eighteen golfers participated in this months Winter Series # 4 Disc Golf Tournament (now held on the third Sunday of the month ) to play 36 holes of disc golf on our suspended tonal pole course. As these monthly-anticipated tournaments progress, the Top Local player often changes every month.

This month Seth Burton took back the lead with an astonishing 87 (or a –21—par is 108 ). This is the best local score recorded at a tournament to date. Way to go Seth!

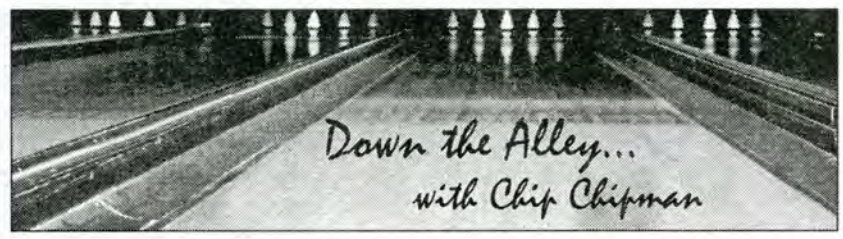
Thank-you Tanya VanGinkel for donating your earnings ($10) to the SSIDGA for the maintenance and upkeep of the existing course and possible proposal(s) to a new course at Peter Arnell Park. Thanks also go out to tournament director Dean Crouse.

Next month, come and play in the Winter Series # 5 Disc Golf Tournament (Sunday March 18).

| | SCORE | PRIZE |
|---|---|---|
| **Advanced** | | |
| Seth Burton | 87 | $18 |
| best local | | |
| Mark Nordine | 93 | $12 |
| Andrew Ross-Collins | 95 | $ 5 |
| Andrew McLean | 96 | |
| Dean Crouse | 103 | |
| Eric Donnelly | 107 | |
| Dennis Murray | 112 | |
| **Masters** | | |
| Paul McGowen | 102 | $18 |
| Derek Lundy | 102 | $12 |
| Michael Lees | 108 | $ 5 |
| Paul Linton | 109 | |
| Fritz Arnold | 111 | |
| Rick A | 113 | |
| Don Valencourt | 115 | |
| **Women** | | |
| Tanya VanGinkel | 119 | $10 |
| Bridgette V | 136 | |
| **Novice and Junior** | | |
| Troy K | 121 | |
| first time in a tournament | | |
| Zak A | 150 | |
| youngest player in the tournament | | |
| **Acepot winner** | | |
| Paul Linton | | $28 |

He got an Ace on Hole # 2 (he also won the Closest to the Pin (CTP) last month.

For more information on tournaments and disc golf, contact Dean Crouse at 537-1009 or email discgolfdean@hotmail.com.




**TUES. A.M. SENIORS:** Ken Robinson 213, Rita McLeod 200.

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS** *(Feb. 14)*: Sharon Way 147, Stuart Elliott 157, Dominic George 142, Danny Price 140.

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS** *(Feb. 12)*: Sharon Way 164, Stuart Elliott 174, Terry Swing 159, Gloria Dale 148, Jimmy Beck 146.

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON 50+:** Rita Dods 242, 214/630, Vanda Winstone 223, Clara Hicks 224.

**GOLF LADIES:** Maddy Cooper 220.

**CIRCUS LEAGUE:** Lance Leask 270, 207, 203/680, Brian Radford 226, Ben Cooper 267, 205/631.

**FRIDAY AM:** Marg Baker 201, 211, 248/660, Cliff Jory 225, Madalene Jory 268

## Sports Pool

*Includes games played Sat., Feb. 17, 2001*

**GOLF COURSE POOL**
Next meeting Fri., Mar. 9, 2001, 5:00 p.m. sharp.

| | | Total Pts. | This Mo. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Bandido | 575 | 77 |
| 2 | Toronto | 563 | 44 |
| 3 | Greenwoods | 537 | 55 |
| 4 | Rangers | 535 | 36 |
| 5 | Paint Plus | 529 | 63 |
| 6 | Islanders | 525 | 43 |
| 7 | Schure-Thing | 516 | 56 |
| 8 | Nads | 502 | 55 |
| 9 | Sleepers | 487 | 48 |
| 10 | Hosers | 469 | 45 |
| 11 | Dallas | 464 | 38 |
| 12 | Buffalo | 445 | 47 |
| 13 | Edmonton | 436 | 33 |

**DAGWOOD'S POOL**
Next meeting Wed., Mar. 7, 2001, 7:00 p.m. sharp at Dagwoods.

| | | Total Pts. | This Mo. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Philadelphia | 538 | 60 |
| 2 | San Jose | 532 | 43 |
| 3 | Dallas | 530 | 55 |
| 4 | Edmonton | 511 | 51 |
| 5 | Ottawa | 505 | 61 |
| 6 | Buffalo | 498 | 45 |
| 7 | Boston | 492 | 61 |
| 8 | Vancouver | 486 | 25 |
| 9 | Atlanta | 478 | 54 |
| 10 | Toronto | 478 | 50 |
| 11 | Anaheim | 473 | 48 |
| 12 | Phoenix | 460 | 30 |
| 13 | St. Louis | 438 | 37 |
| 14 | Islanders | 436 | 40 |
| 15 | Pittsburgh | 427 | 45 |

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# Islander pushes back

*Island Passions ...*
*with Helani Davison*

The Scotch broom is an extreme threat to our eco-system. And who cares? Stan Wharry cares a lot. Here is a sensitive and dedicated man who has a true passion for saving our forests and protecting humanity. With the focus of a Zen master, Wharry sets about, single-handedly, to eradicate the Scotch broom from Salt Spring Island. The invasive nature of this pioneering species, according to Wharry, is an eco-disaster as serious as clearcuts.

So serious, in fact, that Wharry is making an application for an employment grant to hire 20 people to pull broom plants around the Island and replace them with native trees and plants.

The story goes that Captain Grant of Sooke had only a few seeds, brought from Scotland, which germinated in 1850. Years later, the noxious weed has made a trash heap of our fields and forests, as Wharry puts it. Apparently the broom has no known predators and reproduces at an alarming rate. It's also an allergen that can cause severe respiratory problems.

This menacing plant is an extreme threat to the elegant Douglas fir and the Garry oak eco-systems, including the blue camas, a beautiful and edible perennial that is becoming rare. The worst threat is to the rare coastal alpine manzanita, a large attractive bush with delicate purple flowers, a satiny dark bark and a pleasing scent. Ancient groves of manzanita are becoming diseased and are dying because of the invasive broom.

"Every broom plant should be pulled and replaced with stinging nettle, milkweed thistle, peppermint, and yarrow, which are environmentally friendly," Wharry explains as he thrusts his broom eradicating tool into the roots of a giant broom plant. "One mature broom plant puts out 18,000 seeds. That's a lot of plants. They can do more damage than chainsaws."

Wharry goes on to explain that clearcuts provide a perfect habitat for broom since it thrives in open, sunny areas with no competition from indigenous plants.

Wharry spends 20 hours a week pulling broom. "I will eradicate broom for people with joy in my heart," he says, explaining his dream for an agrarian culture where a community is in harmony with earth and nature. "To me, passion means right direction. I get immediate rewards from sychronous events. It's the bell that rings at the moment of truth. When nature strokes me for doing the right thing, I'm super-charged."

The tool Wharry uses to pull broom is on loan from the Salt Spring Conservancy (538-0318) and is one of several they have to lend. The Conservancy also provides a brochure of instructions on how and when to most effectively attack the broom.

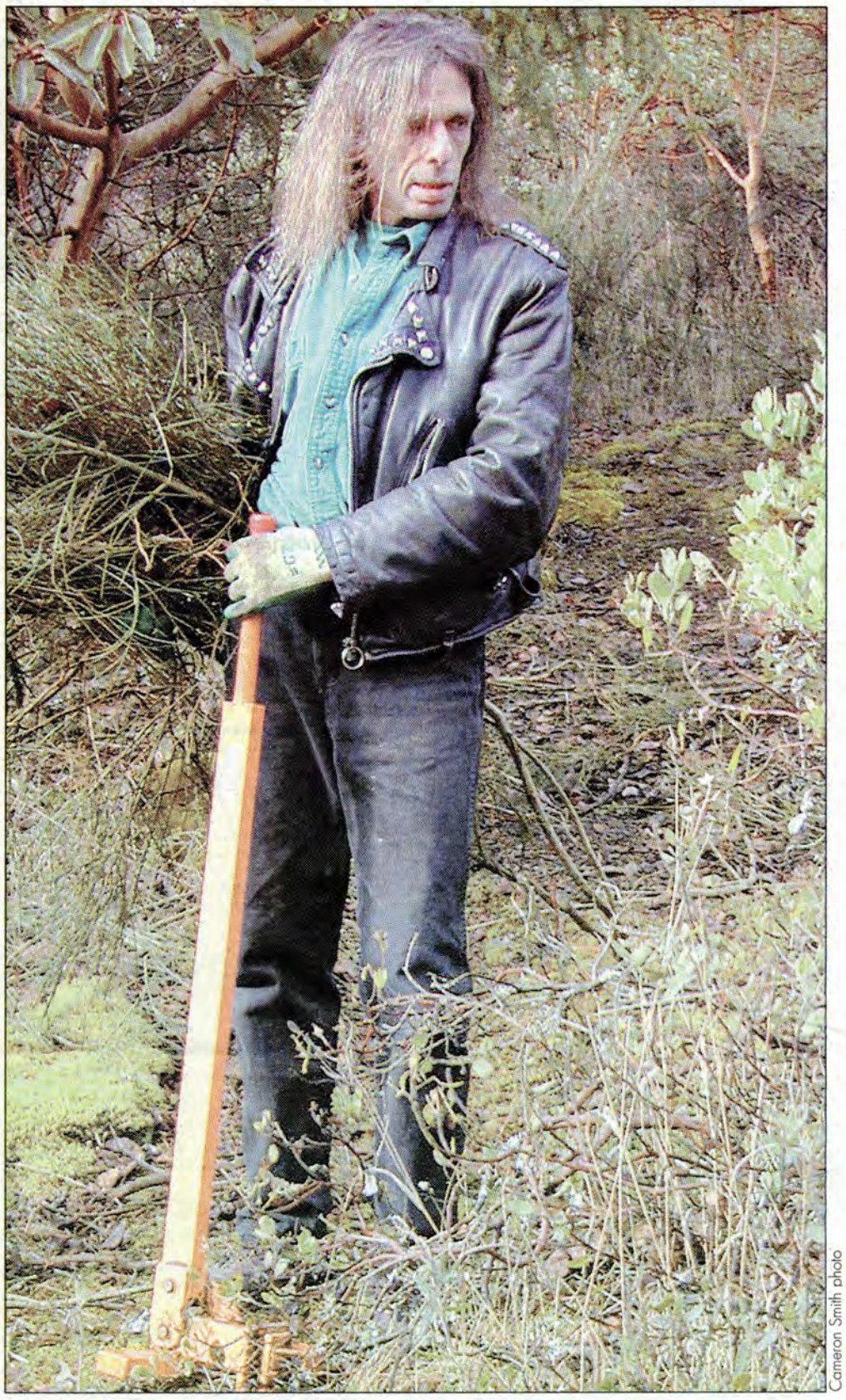
Coming from a family of nine children, Wharry was taught to be a gardener from an early age. He learned a deep respect for the land. "My six-year-old daughter is also a natural born gardener. She is raised on natural organic produce."

Undaunted, Wharry continues on his quest to remove the unacceptable blight of the broom "before it exterminates us.

"I believe that the broom should be banned and penalties imposed that are so severe that no one will clear-cut," he says, dogmatically. "That's my passion."

"I'm doing this for my daughter," he says as he yanks another broom plant from the soil.

"Die, you sucker!"



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*Stan Wharry: broom vigilante*

**St. Mark's Church:**

# Overwhelmed by Island's generosity

**by Michelle Grant**

Historic St. Mark's Anglican Church will soon be sporting a new roof and a warmer interior, thanks to the generous response from the community to a recent appeal for additional restoration funds. According to Ken Strike, the restoration committee's financial person, over $45,000 has now been received in donations which will allow for phase two of the restoration project to be completed, leaving only improvements to the driveway's access to be dealt with at a later date. Strike said,"The committee has been overwhelmed by the generosity of the parish and the wider community and this alone has been sufficient to make our task worthwhile and satisfying." The 108-year-old church reopened last November following major restoration work to the foundation.

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