

# Gulf Islands Driftwood

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## IT'S A GIRL! AND THE FIRST THIS YEAR, TOO

First Gulf Islands baby born in 1971 at Lady Minto Hospital received a layette and miscellaneous gifts from the Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

Daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Head of Galiano weighed in at 9 lbs. 2 oz. at 3:30 a.m. New Year's Day. She is the couple's second child and a bonnie baby.

The Hospital Auxiliary plans to make a similar presentation to the Hospital's first baby each New Year.

Like father, like daughter: Charlie Head was born in the same hospital 23 years ago. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Head, Galiano.

Mother is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Imrie, of Mayne and father is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Head, of Galiano.

Christine Gail is a direct descendant of pioneer Henry "Scotty" Georgeson, who gave his name to Georgeson Bay.

## GEORGE PEARSON OF C.A.R.E.



George Pearson, of Pender Island is the originator of the CARE Tree on the island. He makes an annual appeal for funds for CARE and puts up a light on his tree for every contribution. He is seen with his sheep in the picture by Margaret Patterson, of Vancouver. Donations to the fund this year came close to \$1,500.

## HOLIDAY MISHAPS

Holiday brought a few mishaps to a few motorists on Salt Spring land.

Extensive damage resulted when Edward James Rahn, of Victoria, lost control of his car on Lower Ganges Road, north of Canal Road, on Boxing Day, near midnight.

The car left the road on the curve and struck a power pole. After breaking off the pole, the vehicle rolled over.

The car was nearly wrecked and the driver sustained minor bruises.

Don Irwin, Ganges, left the road on Robinson Road at Ganges Boat Yard on Christmas Eve. The car dropped over the bank and came to rest on the beach. Although the car was extensively damaged, Irwin was unhurt. He swerved to avoid a cat, he told Police later.

On December 22, vehicles driven by Hector Gerow and Ian Merritt Nicholson were in collision in Ganges. Damage was

minor. The same day, Louise Alison Foulis explained that the

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Registration will be accepted February 1, for Adult Education classes planned for the Spring session.

A complete summary will appear in DRIFTWOOD during the last week in January.

Twenty-seven new classes are being offered and it is hoped that enough interest will be shown to carry on with most of these.

Among the interesting new additions will be Sewing Stretch Fabrics and Blueprint reading and Drafting, Fibreglassing for both adults and teenagers. A new look at group discussion will be undertaken by Dr. H. Boughey, Prof. of Sociology, U.B.C. 'Feedback' is the title of the

## Snow Over Nine Inches

Snow came suddenly. The week end gave no warning of what Monday was to bring. On Sunday night a blizzard was blowing in parts of the islands and by Monday morning driving was already hazardous in many parts.

On Tuesday cars were stranded on the road and off it. Total of nine inches and a half had fallen and more was in the offing.

Temperatures fell and the frost persisted throughout the day. By Tuesday night the highways crews were looking back on a desperate struggle to keep roads open and the future held a promise of more struggle.

Schools were closed on Tuesday and many meetings and gatherings had been cancelled.

Annual January winter was here.

## TWO DRY YEARS

Five inches of snow fell on Salt Spring Island during the month of December, reports Dominion weather observer H. J. Carlin. Total precipitation for the month of 6.88 inches included the snow.

High temperature for the month was 50 deg., reported on December 6 and 7. Low was 24 deg., on the 22nd. Maximum mean temperature was 42.1, with minimum mean of 33.9.

Mr. Carlin noted that the low mark in December, 1964, was six above zero.

Precipitation including rain and snow has been below average for the past two years. Following table is furnished by Mr. Carlin:

Year	Precipitation
1970	33.91
1969	33.36
1968	54.75
1967	41.43
1966	43.99
1965	38.86
1964	33.49

Following is an analysis of

month-by-month weather during 1970:

Month	Precipitation (Inches)	Max. Temp. (Degrees)
Jan.	5.97	55
Feb.	3.00	57
Mar.	2.97	60
Apr.	2.73	62
May	0.82	82
June	0.79	79
July	0.93	86
Aug.	0.18	81
Sept.	1.94	74
Oct.	1.99	73
Nov.	5.71	66
Dec.	6.88	50

December weather on Mayne is summarized by Weather Observer W. W. Hunt-Sowrey.

Total Precipitation 4.90 ins. Snowfall 4.02 ins (= 0.4 ins. of rain).

Measurable rain and snow fell on 20 days.

Considerable gale force winds were experienced. White frosts were frequent.

Rain was slightly above average and temperature near normal.

## As Islander Loses His Home

BY FRANK RICHARDS

Have you met Bill Arnold? He is an authority on planning. He knows more about planning than anyone else on the islands. And well he should...he's the only islander who has lost his home and his savings to planning.

Bill Arnold came to Salt Spring Island from Ottawa, where he had been teaching. On the island he found a mobile home for sale through a listing with an island realtor.

He bought it early last summer. The home was to be moved from that lot and onto his own.

Between the time of his buying the home and moving it, building regulations came into being.

As long as the dwelling unit remained on its original site it was acceptable. No existent use was to be changed. But

when Mr. Arnold made to move it to another location, he was told that it could not be done. The unit does not conform to the National Building Code and therefore is only satisfactory where it is.

Provincial government permit is required in order to move the unit from one location to another because of its size. Where will he move it?

Building inspectors cannot issue a permit because the structure is not within the limits imposed.

Planners will not permit it to be moved because if it does not conform to the building code it cannot be placed on a lot. There was no zoning when Mr. Arnold bought it. There were no building regulations in force at that time.

And there is no authority in the regional district who can make a ruling on the matter.

No law is being broken... only a promise.

He has asked for consideration from planners and from building inspectors. He has appealed to the Salt Spring Island Regional Director Marc Holmes. But he has found no escape. He must move his home to a mobile home park or get it off the island.

If you don't meet Bill Arnold, remember the name. He's the first victim of orderly living. It's cost him his life's savings.

And no one in the Capital Regional District gives a damn!

## GANGES DELEGATE COOKS FOR 1500

Dave Andrist, Ganges contractor, was the chef when eight meals were served at the recent assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses in Victoria.

His cafeteria was among the 18 departments set up to cater to the 1567 delegates in a Victoria school on Sunday.

Assembly heard an address on Christianity and world affairs by B. C. Director William Weenstra.

## NEW COURSES FOR NEW SEASON

course and its aim is to sharpen views by open discussion in reaction to tape recorded views of controversial modern thinkers.

"Media" will be a film making workshop with the purpose of developing an awareness of the impact of media and an understanding of some of the equipment available. 8mm movie

cameras will be used as well as a video tape recorder. Emphasis will be on participation.

Karate for both men and women is the art of unarmed self-defence, conditioning the mind and body to self discipline, confidence and respect for others.

Adult Education is offering "Kempo", a style of Karate or

## MEETINGS ARE HIT BY WINTER STORM

Owing to the snow the St. Mark's Guild Meeting has been postponed until Wednesday, January 20, at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. C. Springford, providing the driving conditions have improved.

Salt Spring Island Library annual meeting was not held on Monday evening in token of the weather.

Meeting will be held in the United Church upper hall on Monday afternoon.

iginating approximately 2,000 years ago in China. Duane Ripley is a first degree brown belt holder and has participated in championships in the U.S.A. where he studied the art.

-Pesticide use and abuse will be a free lecture given by Mr. J. James, Provincial Agriculturist, designed to update gardeners on the use of pesticides before the coming season. It will take place in April.

In addition to these classes some are commencing on the other islands but will not be included in the DRIFTWOOD advertisement. Mrs. Snell has the details on Galiano. Mrs. June Allen on Pender and Mrs. M. Bennett on Mayne.

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**PLAYS TO BE PRESENTED**

Plans are being made to produce two or more one-act plays under the sponsorship of the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council.

They would be presented about the end of March in Ganges and entered in the Vancouver Island Drama Festival to be held in Duncan during Easter week, April 10 to 17.

A meeting to consider possible plays will be held on Wednesday Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. in the Mahon Hall.

Anyone interested in any aspect of theatre is cordially invited to attend.

Directors so far available are Doris Andrews and Olive Clayton, both of whom have each had over 20 years' experience in the production of plays. Readers who cannot attend on January 20 but are interested, may phone Mrs. Clayton at 537-2359.

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**LAST RITES FOR MRS. CHALMERS AT MAINLAND CEMETERY**

Regular visitor to Salt Spring Island for many years, Mrs. Margaret Morrison Chalmers died in San Marino, California, on Christmas Eve. She was 85 years of age.

Mrs. Chalmers spent almost every summer with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Plato Ustinov at their home on Duck Bay for the past 25 years.

She was born in the Hebrides on the Island of Lewis. She was the widow of William MacDonald Chalmers.

Every fall, when the family returned to California, Mrs. Chalmers would express reluctance at leaving.

She came back to British Columbia to be buried alongside her husband in Forest Lawn Cemetery on December 28.

Her two daughters, Mrs. Ustinov and Mrs. F. Calvin Brooks, of New York came to Vancouver to take part in the services with her two sons, Don Chalmers, of Surrey and Bill, from Kelowna.



**ROAST SUCKING PIG FOR DINNER**

Ever cooked a sucking pig?

When Ganges Butcher Ed Chew cooked a young whole pig over the holiday season, he was so satisfied he took a picture of it. Here it is straight out of his oven at home.

Ed even offered the recipe for the stuffing as well as a couple of hints.

Recipe is as follows:

- 2 cans pineapple tidbits
- 2 cans whole mushrooms
- 2 lbs. butter melted

Braise lightly:

- 3 cups celery chopped
- 1 cup chopped onions
- 1/2 green pepper chopped
- Salt, pepper and poultry seasoning to taste.

Boil rice until 3/4 done, as it will cook more when the pig is cooking.

Cook the pig at 300 degrees with tin foil on top, for approximately four hours. Use maraschino cherries for eyes after it's cooked and an apple for its mouth.

Be sure to prop the mouth open with a piece of wood. And that's it!

**SATURNA**

BY PAPAJOHN

Another Christmas under our belt and the house looks so barren with all the Yuletide decorations down and packed away for another year, usually in such a way that we will again have to waste time sorting them out properly next Christmas.

We had a very good New Year's party in the Hall and no casualties, just a good times affair for which we thank our entertainment committee.

Our sad news this week is a long one. While I was in Lady Minto over New Year's there was Slim Vollbrecht, Don (Snowball) Barnett, Steve Sinclair, roseate Rosaleen Sumislawski and jiggling Jeannette Carpenter in there also. George Morgan is in St. Joseph's in Victoria; Frank Froeze was in for a check up and Gordie Campbell was in Vancouver with a badly infected toe.

Roseate Rosaleen Sumislawski has had an operation but is com-

ing along fine with no complications.

While I would sooner be home for my b-day and New Years, acclamable Annie Barnes and her splendiferous Staff sure make a body feel so much at home that you can actually forget about the pills they may dish out. They even made me a B-day cake with a candle and I had to make a wish and blow it out and I didn't even wish I was at home. The cake was so light that they had to keep a cover over it to keep it on the plate.

Had our Magistrate, Mr. Peiler in the bed next to me. Can now understand why he is held in such high regard by all who know him.

One elderly gentleman who had to have a sample tested every time he could was doing his own testing to help out the nurses and he would always look up and down the hall then scoot into a small room and say he was going to play with his chemistry set.

Les Mollet, one of our ferry captains was also in and was doing fine when I left. What hospital in the world would you find the Administrator, Harold Hoffman, willing to pick up cigs, etc. for the patients particularly on his day off??? I just want to add my small share of thanks to the friendly people who run Lady Minto. Thanks folks! and to Drs. Dixon, Thomson, McCaffrey and the others who are never averse to talking and saying hello, even when you are not their patients.

Our New Post Office is coming on fine and jaunty Jean Morgan should be in it by early spring.

We hear the tenders are out for our new end-loading wharf. It is still hard to believe after all these years, so a lot of us are still skeptical but let's hope they get the new one before the old one falls down.

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By Richards

Libraryman George Wells has a mystery on his hands. A mail tube arrived from England the other day, containing rubbings of a church memorial brass. There was no indication of the sender and no return address. The postmark was almost undecipherable, but might be Chesterfield. George has a dim recollection of being introduced to a visitor from Britain some time ago, when the subject of memorial brasses was mentioned. He's searched through both books on the subject in the library but he is still clueless. One of the books shows a brass at Billingshurst, Sussex, dated 1495 - is there a connection? He may never know, but if it rings a bell with any reader, better ring George Wells' bell!

If it isn't one thing, it's another!

There was a crowded lobby at the Huntington Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena on New Year's Day. Artist Plato Ustinov was there to meet Mrs. Ustinov on her return from Vancouver. In front of the hotel was a Canadian flag. The artist was curious in view of the fact that the flag was at half mast. He enquired of a hotel staffer. "One of the top brass of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is arriving," he was told. "But why at half mast?" he persisted. The enquiry started a chain reaction among hoteliers until the flag flew at the top of the mast. The attendant offered more information. It was not the Mounties, he told Ustinov, it was the Prime Minister of Canada. Almost at that moment, the Premier of British Columbia walked in.

The policy of the department of fisheries is to reduce the number of fish boats chasing the shrinking salmon. The minister apparently, objects to fish an' ships.

New Year's Eve was unchanged in the Quesnel menage this year. By New Year's Day the turkey had gone. For years the open house on New Year's Eve has seen the Quesnel turkey torn apart.

## FERNWOOD

BY JESSIE SAYER

Welcome to 1971 and hope it will be better in every way to everyone than the past year!

Friends of Mrs. E.R. Adams will be pleased to know she is progressing very well at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sleigh, Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Waterfall and their three children, of New Westminster, spent a few days over the New Year holiday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Waterfall, Fernwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sayer of Alderside, Port Moody, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lin Sayer.

Several properties in and near Fernwood have changed hands recently and new faces will be seen in the near future.

Bill deLong is a three-time winner. He came up in three draws in recent weeks.

Jamie Stevens didn't hit the jackpot exactly, but he did come up on the Irish Sweep. The hundred pounds sterling represented about \$250 which was very welcome.

Dora Sawford is a patient in Royal Jubilee Hospital. The hospital is in Victoria and the Sawford home is on Salt Spring. But communication was no problem. "I didn't realize I had so many friends on the island," said Dora at Christmas. They came to the island two years ago, Phil and Dora Sawford. She was grateful to everyone who had remembered her in hospital... "the Lions Club... everybody!"

Youth is very aware of events. Said one young lady after meeting Santa Claus at Christmas, "I never knew Santa drank!" He doesn't, asserted her brother. "He does so," insisted the youthful detective, "I could smell it when I sat on his knee!"

The oil trucks are facing the big challenge of the year when it snows. The housewife turns up the thermostat and the trucker turns up with the supply. The driver has no idea where the driveway starts and finishes, reports Norman Mouat. He urges that residents drive small stakes to show the edge of the driveway to their homes and to mark the location of the tank filler cap.

Mrs. Plato Ustinov was waiting for her flight to Los Angeles. Premier and Mrs. W.A.C. Bennett sailed into the Horizon Room at Vancouver Airport en route to California. They are near neighbors on Sunset Drive, but the Premier had come from Victoria and Mrs. Ustinov from Los Angeles.

## Christmas At Galiano

Children's Christmas Tree was sponsored by the various clubs on Galiano, and given free at the Galiano Hall.

Conveners for this party were Mrs. Hank Knudson and Mrs. G. H. Snell, assisted by many of the members of the organizations. Mrs. D.A. New, Mrs. Jimmie Jones, and Mrs. Tom Drew helped wrap the more than eighty gifts for the children. There were so many generous donations, that it is difficult to acknowledge them all... Galiano Ladies Service, Club, Galiano Rod and Gun Club, the Gal-

## Juvenile Soccer

**DIVISION 5**  
Salt Spring Legion 0  
Stenmarks 3

After an even first half which saw Stenmarks score one goal and force Steven Jarman to make several good saves, the local legion boys were forced to concede territorial advantage to the Duncan team in the second half. The territorial advantage paid off in the form of two second half goals for the Duncan team.

**DIVISION 8**  
Salt Spring Lions 0  
Chemainus 5

The local 8/9 year olds were faced with a four goal deficit at half time but played more strongly in the second half to limit the opposition to just one goal. In a losing cause none played better than Tom Shelby.

**DIVISION 7**  
Salt Spring Island 3  
Crofton 1

The local 10 year olds opened the New Year on the right note by defeating Crofton. After a defensive lapse which allowed Crofton to scramble the ball into the net, much against the run of the play, the Islanders refused to be shaken and continued to play skilfully and methodically. They were rewarded when the forwards passed back for David Woodley, the centre half, to hit a rising shot from 20 yards to find the mark. Prompted by Woodley, Kaye, Byron and particularly Martin Legg who was a stand out,

iano Club, Chamber of Commerce, Galiano General Supplies, Galiano Lodge. Owners of the Lodge gave all of the proceeds from the summer swimming classes to the Children's Party.

The new store owners at Spanish Hills store at North Galiano sent down a huge box of candies. Decorations for the tree and the Hall were all made by the first three grades.

Basil Benger, principal, introduced the program.

First was the primary room, with "Jeanette Isabella". Then a hilarious group of seven ideas, "Christmas Is...", mimed by the little ones, just plain acting with no costumes, backdrops, and no sounds. The senior room choir was under the direction of Mrs. F. Bond, who played the piano as well. Mr. Benger and primary room teacher Mrs. Bonnie Robson were congratulated for the excellent presentation.

Santa arrived, truly the tallest Santa, and looking suspiciously like Al Eliason. He did not forget the teachers either, or the bus drivers, Mrs. Jessie Bellhouse and Peter Denroche, or the man who keeps the school tidy all year long, Bernard Stallybrass. Refreshments were served by members of the hall club, Mrs. Dora Darling, Mrs. Betty Spencer, and Mrs. Ken Sater.

CENTENNIAL MEMO - In May 1889, Japan established her first consulate in British Columbia at Vancouver. First consul was Fukashi Sugimura.

the Islanders went further ahead on goals by Mike Rozzano and Albert Kaye. Jay Bourdin playing (Turn to Page Five)

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## NON-CONFORMING

When zoning and planning were investigated, the Capital Regional District made it very clear that the new pattern of planning and regulation would impose a hardship on nobody. It would not be retroactive, islanders were assured.

Nevertheless, when an islander acquired a mobile home on the island last summer, before the implementation of planning and regulation, he learned later that he was to be deprived of the use of his home because the new regime failed to approve it.

Truth of the matter appears to be that there is no authority in the Capital Regional District quite important enough to make a decision in this case.

Let's see a whole host of important people come out and sanction the use of the mobile home in question, exactly as the district promised in the first place.

## COMMONWEALTH PROBLEMS

Prime Minister Trudeau, speaking for Canada, has questioned Britain's avowed aim to sell arms to South Africa.

At this time, we cannot but support Mr. Trudeau in his stand that Britain's policy is insupportable. Furthermore, Britain should not expect other Commonwealth nations to come to order at her bidding, while requiring those countries to stand aloof from her own policies.

The Commonwealth has never been as sharply questioned as it is today. An autocratic British leader will do little to safeguard it.

## Letters to the Editor

### SCHOOL COST CUTS

Editor, Driftwood,

Your headlines concerning school cost cuts on page two of your December 24 edition typify the problem of education in Canada today.

Teachers and instructors have been campaigning to reach a reasonable level of professional involvement in such things as curriculum and administrative procedures, plus a standard of remuneration to go with it.

Now that they are reaching these hard fought for goals the rug is being pulled out from under their feet by the efforts of penny-pinching politicians. It is not ethical to pay the teachers' increase in salary for 1971 with money saved by cutting corners on classroom materials, school upkeep and sports activity money. It will also be as unethical for the teachers to accept this situation.

Our children need the best education possible, whether it be in the fields of the arts, academics or engineering. Now it looks as if they will get a two-buck education from teachers who are constantly frustrated by lack of funds and materials trying to carry out a programme in classrooms with yellowing paint peeling off the walls.

Yes, it would be nice to give trustees an honorarium and help pay part of the students trans-

portation costs but it is imperative that the actual educational experience for our children be one hundred per cent with the times we live in; the age of computers, television and men walking around on the moon. With all these highly sophisticated things going on we cannot expect to get away with such a crude performance in our schools.

W. J. Arnold,  
Ganges,  
December 30, 1970.

### THANK YOU

Editor, Driftwood,

May I have space to let all the kindly folks on Salt Spring Island know that for the eleventh time we have gone over the top in our effort for C.A.R.E. - our total being \$1,470. Call it bowls of soup, quarts of milk or sacks of flour, it all adds up to a little over 19 tons of practical help, and while our parish has grown to from Fort Nelson in the North to Southern California in the south, Victoria to London, Ontario, in the East, Salt Spring and the Islands have contributed their full share.

God willing, our C.A.R.E. tree will once again blossom out in 1971, sending its lights over Navy Channel to tell the world we do CARE.

I think everyone should know that the Ganges Volunteer Fire-



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Thank you all for your kind help. In doing this I think God has blessed all of us.

George & Edith Pearson,  
Pender Island,  
Jan. 7/71.

### SCHOOL COSTS

Editor, Driftwood,

May I apologize for being a nuisance but when your paper prints articles such as the school budget situation such grievous actions cannot go unchallenged.

In this day and age, as we observe the unprecedented development of science and technology and recognize the consequent demand for an increasingly higher level of intellectual development for our students to meet the needs of this world our school board, bar one, God bless her, has the audacity to cut back on our needed facilities and send us on the descent to the level of the South American peon.

If the only source of revenue for our further educational development need come from the taxpayers pocket or if B. C. were a barren wasteland with nothing of value on its surface and less beneath it I could perhaps agree with the actions of the people's representatives to the schoolboard. This, however is not the situation in British Columbia. We are one of the most gifted areas in natural resources anywhere in the world. Moreover, never in history has there been such a demand by foreign powers for those same resources. The export of our natural resources today is at an unprecedented rate. Yet in spite of the fantastic wealth which is leaving our province we do not ask of them even the pittance it would require to increase our facilities proportionally to the historical need.

Women's liberation exists. It rests in the hands of women who have the intestinal fortitude to defy their weak-kneed contemporaries and reject the whole concept of regression or depression in the face of unlimited potential social wealth.

Vic Duerden,  
Galiano,  
December 26, 1970.

### IT SAYS IT WELL

Editor, Driftwood,

I have been enjoying the Christmas issue of your paper

which was passed on to me by a friend.

I would particularly like to commend A.M. Spencer for the poem "Avert or Abort?" which says so well what many people think when they hear the vocal minority screaming for more lenient abortion laws. We too, wonder why anyone would conceive a child, that most wonderful masterpiece, only to murder it in cold blood.

Mrs. George A. McEwen,  
93 Bittern St.,  
Kitimat, B. C.  
January 5, 1971.

### HAPPY HOSPITAL!

Editor, Driftwood,

This time it is a pleasant truth. I spent Christmas and New Year's in the Lady Minto Hospital and, believe it or not, I won't mind spending other holidays here.

It is a friendly, comforting hospital where patients are people, - not numbers.

The two doctors who took care of me are patient listeners and, what is more important, conscientious.

Thanks to their interest and the kindly care of all the hospital staff I'm getting better.

I doubt that anyone could find a hospital so well run by so many really concerned and helpful staff members. I simply want to say thank you to them all and remind us all how very fortunate we are on the Islands to have our Lady Minto and its efficient nursing staff.

Lillian Horsdal,  
Fulford Harbour,  
January 2, 1971.

### THEY'VE GONE!

Editor, Driftwood,

Recently the Fulford Hall Committee purchased six dozen un-

breakable glasses for the benefit of the ladies who have to wash them and also to eliminate breakages.

However, this idea of ours also seems to suit other people. After a Christmas party, and the New Year's Eve dance, we are now minus 22 glasses, mostly from the last dance. Considering the price was very reasonable and there was lots of food to eat, you would think the public would be satisfied, but, no! Some of them had to take home a glass or two, maybe at the time it seemed like a small matter, but to the members of the Hall Committee, there is a lot of hard work to raise money to keep our hall operating, to those who came and enjoyed the dance, we wish you a Very Happy New Year - to the few with the sticky fingers, we also wish you a Happy New Year, but with a few other thoughts in mind.

(Mrs.) Art Moulton,  
Fulford Harbour,  
January 11, 1971.

### PLANNING SATURNA

Editor, Driftwood,

Saturna people are alarmed at the Capital Regional Board's increased administration costs.

Most Saturna taxpayers do not receive the home owner grant, and every tax raise is a hardship to those who plan to build their retirement home here. We have gotten on for 100 years without building inspectors, zones for this and zones for that, so why force us into Victoria-Saanich regulations, Mr. Campbell? If you have any doubts in your mind whether Saturna people want city regulations, then give them the vote they asked for months ago, and let that decide.

We cannot afford two building inspectors cruising the Island in the hope of catching someone driving a nail without a permit, or a high priced man hunting for an unlicensed privy.

The Premier knows you cannot pay taxes and wages on land freezes and permits.

How about taking this octopus off our backs, Mr. Campbell, and leave the Dept. of Highways codes as our guideline. We can spear the odd starfish if he gets too bold, and the starfish never sucks all the oysters lest he too perish. We do not want to become the Victoria Gulf of Georgia playground, let them buy a piece of Saturna as we did and develop along with us without Victoria interference, which can only end in tax sales. As a Centennial Gift Mr. Campbell how about leaving Saturna alone for 20 years to live our own lives. Most of us will be gathered to our fathers by then, but those that are left will be a much healthier happy people.

All the Regional Planning Board has to offer is pollution, higher taxes, unemployment, and stagnation. More raw sewerage has been dumped into the sea by Victoria planners, the South Arm of the Fraser is now an outlet for raw sewerage to be caught on Saturna beaches, and to cap it all they would run a sewer right up the center of the

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## CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 1971

ANGLICAN			
St. George	Ganges	Holy Communion	8:30 am
St. Mark	Central	Morning Prayer	11:00 am
St. Mary	Fulford	Evensong	2:30 pm
ROMAN CATHOLIC			
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	9:00 am
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	" "	11:00 am
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Rev. Fred Anderson	Ganges	Worship Service	11:00 am
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Rev. M. V. Gilpin	Ganges	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	10:30 am
		Evening Service	7:30 pm

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**more readers' letters**

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Islands if Ganges can afford it. Get these planners away from us or put them to work designing a water works for Saturna, and tell us now to pay for it. Forget the Permits and zones and put these people on useful work, and add some Islanders to the grave yard train.

We need another teacher not building inspectors and permit vendors.

J. E. Money,  
Saturna Island,  
January 9, 1971.

**UNFAIR TO ANDERSON**

Editor, Driftwood,

Mr. David Anderson's proposal for a national park in the Gulf Islands has been treated pretty severely in your paper. I think you have oversimplified his suggestion and been very unfair in questioning his motives.

There is another possibility that you should consider seriously. How do you like the idea of the Gulf Islands becoming a private park? Would you like to editorialize about this?

There have been many objectors to the type of subdivision that cuts up land into small city type lots. I was one of them. This type of development seemed to destroy the countryside in a ruthless way. It appeared to be motivated by land speculators who viewed the Gulf Islands merely as a good business proposition. And many of us were pleased when the ten acre restriction came into effect. But we have had some time to reflect and to realize that there are other types of development that could be worse in the end.

I mean by this that the time may soon come when you will have to be in the very high income brackets to be able to live on the Gulf Islands. I notice a phrase used by our planners, zoning committees, whatever they are called, "Maintenance of Land Values". This could well be translated into driving up land values. And is it not inevitable that taxation will tend to keep pace with increasing land values?

The unfortunate situation now is that old residents of the islands may find it hard to continue to live on the land they had

**NEW CALLER FOR SQUARE DANCERS**

Gary Dodds, of Victoria, is the new caller for the Salty Wheels Square Dance Club, which is dancing on the first and third Saturdays of each month, commencing in February.

Members are enthusiastic and invite all square dancers to come and dance to his calls at the next dance on January 23.

There was a good attendance at the first dance of the new year and plans were made to invite the Swinging Singles of Victoria to dance with the Salty Wheels in the near future.

**AT FULFORD HALL**

**CENTENNIAL '71 COMES IN**

BY BEA HAMILTON

Over 200 people were entertained at the brightly decorated Fulford Hall on New Year's Eve when the Hall Committee sponsored the Annual New Year Ball, with Rick Parson's five-piece orchestra from Vancouver doing the musical honors.

Representative of the Salt Spring Centennial '71 Committ-

ee, Bob Akerman took part in the ushering in of the Centennial year.

"It was a good start for our Centennial Year," said Mr. Akerman. He noted the absence of any generation-gap as the young and elderly joined hands to sing in the Year '71. The orchestra obliged all generations by playing selections of both old time and mod music for the dances and all went with a real swing.

With this auspicious start for '71 and a delicious smorgasbord spread served by the ladies after midnight, the festivities carr-

**JUVENILE SOCCER**

(From Page Three)

his first season proved a stubborn defender for the Islanders.

JANUARY 10  
Salt Spring Lions 1  
Butlers 5

Butlers proved to be too strong for the local 9 year olds in a home game on Sunday. Bright spot for the local team was the play of Tom Shelby and Cathy Anderson, the only lady in a man's world, who again scored the only goal for Salt Spring.

Salt Spring Islanders 0  
Butlers 1

The local 10 year olds excited the group of parents who turned out, by proving to be a match for the unbeaten league leaders.

Despite the conditions both teams played good soccer and a tie would have been a fair result. Playing with great spirit the Salt Spring team surprised Butlers with their tenacity and it was unfortunate when one of the Salt Spring defenders put the ball into his own net when trying to pass back to his goal keeper. The whole team is to be congratulated for such a fine display, showing why they currently hold down second place in the league.

Salt Spring Legion 0  
Tsouhalem 6

In a fairly even first half, Salt Spring played quite well but found themselves 2-0 down at half time. Playing into driving snow in the second half, the team gradually began to dominate the game. In a losing cause, Arthur Buitenwerf, Neil Anderson and Sandy Wright played well without much support.

party called has an unpaid bill or some reason why their number is not in service - This appears to be most unsatisfactory. Let's keep all of Salt Spring Island residents in contact.

A. G. Sheffield,  
Fulford Harbour,  
Jan. 9, 1971.

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ied on until 2 a.m., with a vote of thanks to the ladies, the orchestra and all who participated to make the evening such a success.

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**SHUTTERBUGS TO SEE AFRICAN SLIDES**

Mrs. Guy Cunningham, co-ordinator of the Gulf Islands' Camera Club, announces that the first meeting of the new year will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. Bird, Scott Road.

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thought belonged to them. I hear it being said already that agricultural and horticultural enterprises tend to lower land values. Perhaps the time has come when the ordinary kind of people who settled these islands for the past hundred years are no longer welcome here. A national park may ultimately be the only alternative to a private park for the very wealthy.

John Smith,  
R.R. 1, Port Washington,  
South Pender,  
January 4, 1971.

**TELEPHONES: GANGES TO FULFORD**

Editor, Driftwood,

Apparently the Telephone Company is fostering the inability of people in the Ganges area to talk to residents in Fulford and South Salt Spring Island.

Since the new satellite telephone exchange (653) was installed for the Fulford area, it is at times impossible to obtain a connection to a number in that area when calling from a "537" number.

Fulford business men and residents are becoming very annoyed at the repeated reports received from their callers that "I tried to call you several times, but could not get through, or was told 'The number you are calling is not in service'".

This is apparently due to an inadequate system and repeated calls to the Telephone Co. have only resulted in their offer to refund the monthly bill.

This does not fix the system, and it is understood that until better facilities are provided, any improvement is likely impossible.

In the meantime South Salt Spring subscribers on the new "653" exchange can talk to their friends in the Ganges area on "537" numbers, but the reverse is often impossible. Seems as if the present limited facilities only allow one or two calls at a time between these parts of the island. Any additional calls get hung up or intercepted with the advice that indicates that the

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AT BEDWELL HARBOUR

**OPEN HOUSE AND WEDDING BELLS**

BY CULTUS COULEE

Open House, Bedwell Harbour Lodge, South Pender: the Lettner's traditional Christmas Eve gathering, "To help decorate our tree" the invitations read. Many hands make light work. Already the halls were decked with flowing firboughs; and soon the 16 ft. tree, glowed and glittered, opposite the huge fire-

**THANKYOU**

The day is coming when, no doubt, We'll HAVE to send those letters out. Much easier we find the task When in our minds we need not ask How we can use the thing that's sent To be 'the gift that's different'.

If our letters were strictly true We'd write: "Dear Nan, I'm thanking you for the present most exquisite - But tell me please - just what is it?" Or "Thanks, my dear, I write in haste And ask where it goes - around my waist? On the dresser? Around my neck? I'll find SOME use for it, by heck!"

While such gifts are sold they'll be bought! Our thanks are for the loving thought. To be too frank just would not do - Nor is there need in thanking you.  
-Grace A. Wright

place. From a high-up ladder rung, a long arm placed the final bauble.

All went merry as a marriage bell. Et pourquoi pas? For just before the guests arrived, Jerry Shular, of Port Angeles, had slipped a ring on Katharine Lettner's finger.

Also, still flicking off confetti, were the Leslie Parrys, Victoria, married November 25. All were glad to see Customs Officer Parry back at his old "stamping" ground, and to meet Rowena, nee Lewis.

Como de costumbre, Stan Lettner read Luke, Chapter 2, verses 1 - 14. Inscribed in the enormous bible, inherited from Scottish ancestors, by Helen Brebber Lettner, is "This book belongs to William & Catharine Grant, 26 Dec. 1812."

Manager Cliff Lupton played carols and songs for a group around the piano. Cliff and Joy Lupton spent a year with B. C. Coastal Marine Resorts Ltd. at Secret Cove, on the Sechart Sunshine Coast, before coming to Bedwell two months ago. Their Lynn and her husband, Louie Baumer, were over from North Vancouver. Louie manages Riverside Marina, West Vancouver. Jerry and Kath take over at Bedwell on the 15th, their job meshing with the Luptons.

Kathie's unique, black and gold, antique ring, was admired. For honeymoon, Jerry and Kath plan on San Francisco; and in November, three weeks at Mazatlan. Buenas suertes, amigos!

Jerry Brian Shular is with the Washington State Highways. For eight years, he and Washington friends have visited Bedwell Harbour in his 24' Tollycraft PURSUIT. His boat need pursue no more.

Michael Driffield, Sydney, Australia, tended bar. John

Buckeridge, on a busman's holiday from the Company's resort at Secret Cove, Sechart Peninsula, lent a hand.

Lodge guests from Victoria, Mrs. Mickey Campbell, Mrs. Phyllis Roberts; Miss Hattie Staghall, Sidney; Helen Muralt, Langley, met the locals, nibbling and sipping, while they rapped. Pender's Mrs. Marge Keating, and the Ralph Sketches; South Pender's Gerry and Grace Ashthorpe, Mrs. Gertrude Bennett, Allan Brooks, Lou Budd, Bill and Rita Gill, Len

**ROAD MISHAPS**

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car she was driving on Fulford-Ganges Road ran into ice and slid. Car suffered damage, but occupants were uninjured.

Damage amounting to \$600 resulted from an accident on Beddis Road on December 29, when Murray Brown, of Wildwood Crescent, lost control of his car and ran off the road.

and Ann Henshaw, Donna Moore with Dennis, Debbie, Darryl and Randie; Vernon and Mary Roddick, John and Eve Smith, Jon and Marilyn Spalding with Kim; Bill and Sybil Willson, with Jim, Mrs. Connie Swartz. A happy 1971 to all!

**DEATH OF IDA CROFTON**

Mrs. Ida Crofton, died on Monday, Jan. 4, in St. Mary's Priory, Victoria, after a lengthy illness.

Born in England she came to Salt Spring Island 46 years ago accompanied by her young son Donald (Corky) Corbett where they stayed with the Crofton family at Harbour House till her marriage to Desmond Crofton.

Mrs. Crofton was a former regent of H.M.S. Ganges, IODE, and she was also president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Second Battalion of the Canadian Scottish Regiment (Princess Mary's) Victoria, during the Second World War.

She was an ardent gardener as well as being very fond of music and the ballet.

She is survived by her husband and sons, Donald Corbett and Lt. Col. John Crofton, both of Victoria and a daughter, Mrs. Arthur Gale (Sylvia), St. John's, Newfoundland; nine grandchildren, a sister in England and nephews and nieces.

A large crowd attended the funeral held Friday, Jan. 8 in St.



George's Church, Ganges. Archdeacon R.B. Horsefield officiated. Representatives from the H.M.S. Ganges IODE, Royal Canadian Legion (Branch 92), and the Salt Spring Island Lions Club also paid tribute at the funeral.

Pall bearers were Graham Shove, Fred Morris, Lt. Cmdr. Patrick Crofton, Cameron Crofton, Jim Morris, and Geoffrey Corbett.

Interment followed in St. Mark's cemetery, Goodman Funeral Home was in charge.

**DEATH OF BILL MONEY AT SATURNA**

BY PAPAJOHN

On Tuesday morning, Jan. 5th William Laws Money died suddenly at the Money home on Saturna Island.

Uncle Bill, as he was called by everyone, was born at Gillingham, Sussex, England, on May 1, 1902.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Nancy Grey of Kelowna and her family; two brothers, Arthur Money of Bradner and his family and James Money and sister-in-law, Louise, with niece Elizabeth and nephew John and their families.

Uncle Bill had made his home with Jim and Louise since they came to Saturna in the spring of 1945.

The Money Family had first come out to Canada in 1906 and had farmed in Saskatchewan until World War One broke out, when they returned to England. They came back to Canada in 1919 and settled in B.C.

Before buying the old Payne Properties on Saturna with his

brother Jim, Uncle Bill had been in the B.C. Forest Service.

The Funeral Services were conducted by Rev. J. Dangerfield in our St. Christopher's Church. He is buried in the family plot here on Saturna. The funeral arrangements were hand

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**NEW YEAR'S EVE AT GALIANO**

A record crowd went to Galiano Lodge to bring in the Centennial New Year.

The Lodge was decorated with the Centennial colors of blue and gold, with decorated trees and candles.

As the clock struck twelve, a tired 1970, Tom Carolan, began strolling through the room, when young and vivacious 1971, David Murphy, diapered and pinned, chased 1970 right out the door. Close on the heels of 1971, came the Centennial lady, Mary Backlund, to wish all happiness and prosperity for the coming year.

led by Goodman Funeral Home of Ganges.

Pallbearers were Walter Warlow, Ben Begon, Andy Ritchie, Barry Crooks, James Campbell and John McMahon.

Always willing to help anyone and with his quiet and sincere smile he will be missed by everyone who knew him. He was friendly with one and all and we feel that we can say without fear of contradiction that all who knew him were his friends. He had no enemies.



**DEATH CLAIMS MRS. ENA DAVIDSON AT PENDER**

Mrs. Ena Florence Davidson died on Thursday, Jan. 7 on Pender. She was 82 years of age.

She leaves two daughters, Mrs. G. (Helen) Rogers in North Vancouver and Miss Jean Davidson, at home; three granddaughters and two great-

Miss Shelly Ann Sharp, of Ross River, Yukon, visited her grandparents, Nora and Marshal Sharp, during the holiday season. She was travelling, Yukon style, with her parents, Bob and Clara Sharp. They are principal and teacher at the Ross River school.

granddaughters; three brothers, William, Charles and John Baynes and two sisters, Mrs. F. M. MacDonald and Mrs. I. Haywood, all of British Columbia.

Funeral service was held on Monday, Jan. 11 at St. Peter's Anglican Church, on Pender Island, with Rev. O. L. Foster officiating.

Arrangements were by Goodman Funeral Home.

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**Ganges**

Mrs. T. W. Mouat was hostess on Boxing Day at a four-generation party when she entertained her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Mouat of Vancouver, their daughter-in-law, Mrs. T. W. Mouat and young son Tommy; Tommy's maternal great grandmother, Mrs. J. J. Kenny; Mr. and Mrs. Gavin Mouat, Peter Mouat and Gerry Mouat of Surrey; Mr. and Mrs. Terry Clement from Prince Albert, Sask.; Mr. and Mrs. David Raven with hostess's two great granddaughters Barbara and Patricia Raven from Victoria; Robert Mouat, Michael Mouat, Elizabeth Mouat and Wendy Pow of Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Grant with Mrs. Mouat's youngest great grandchild, Keith Jr. of Coquitlam.

Laurence Mitchell, Scotland was a recent visitor for a few days of his aunt Mrs. James Mitchell, Beddis Road.

Former residents of Salt Spring

Island, Group Capt. and Mrs. Eric Dipple, of Victoria, were guests at Arbutus Court, Vesuvius Bay over Christmas, visiting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Dermott Crofton have returned home after staying with their daughter Mrs. Sharron Scott, Victoria over the Christmas and New Year's holiday.

Miss Ann Butterfield, Vancouver, was a visitor during the Christmas holidays of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Butterfield, Ganges Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Paddy Guinevan and young daughter Dolores, Richmond were visitors over the Christmas holidays of Mrs. Guinevan's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Gil Humphreys, Vesuvius Bay. Visiting the Humphreys last weekend were their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. David Kier, Gold River.

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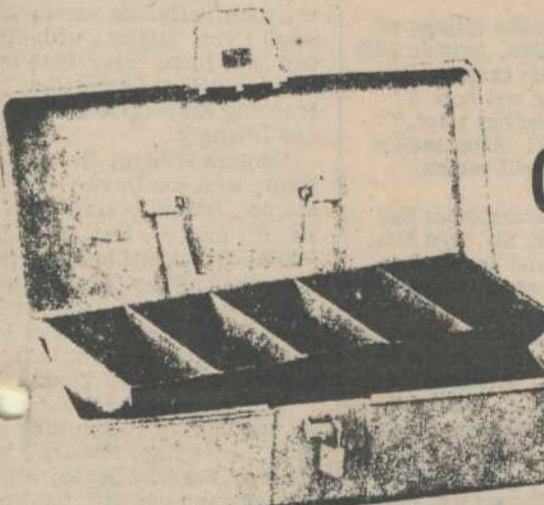
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the evening carol service, conducted by Rev. O. L. Foster.

Organist was Mrs. O.L. Foster and the service was several readings from the Bible, telling the Christmas story. Several of the senior children participated in the readings.

On Christmas Eve, several of the older children of this choir, went out carol singing with some of the parents. They ended up the carol singing at Galiano Lodge, where they were treated to cocoa and cakes, and they even had voices left to sing all the way home.

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## GALIANO

BY MARY BACKLUND

Seems that most everybody had a wonderful holiday season. Here I am again, down to the serious business of telling everyone about the goings-on in our heavenly corner of the world.

May I begin the whole Centennial New Year by wishing one and all a really blessed New Year.

I did not by any stretch of any imagination, get to know all of the people who came and went, but tried hard to get as many as I could.

Many of my friends spent this

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season in the hospital, and I firstly send them special greetings ... Maury Lupton, in the Royal Jubilee Hospital in Victoria, Mrs. W.F. Hibbs, very ill in Royal Jubilee; and for just overnight, and having a little minor surgery, Misses Lisa and Erin Sater... in Victoria.

Jimmie Hume was rushed to Veterans' Hospital, Victoria and I believe he is doing quite well now. Roy Harding is in Heather Pavilion, Vancouver General Hospital, and is very ill.

I was pleased to see Mrs. Roger Smith looking well after a bout in the hospital, also Mrs. Blackie Black, looking lovely, following a lengthy illness.

As always, to begin the Christmas season, the Bellingham Jaycees Christmas Ship came into Montague Harbour to bring not only our favorite Santa, but many pirates, and the gaily-decorated ship. All in the pouring rain, but this did not matter a bit to kids of all ages, and it was a joy to see all of the happy faces for a little while.

Now for a few of the comings and goings... Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robson had their families home... Mr. and Mrs. Don Robson from Vancouver, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Wilson and children from Kamloops. At the Peter Denroche's... Mr. and Mrs. Robin Denroche from Calgary, and Mr. and Mrs. Brehon Denroche from Fair Harbour. Mr. and Mrs. John Shaw had their two sons, John Shaw Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Gladman, both of Victoria. Mr. and Mrs. John Rees, with son Rod and daughter Arlene, regular commuters to the ranch in the Valley, along with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tingle, from Prince George. Bruce Good came from Courtenay, and Mr. and Mrs. J.G. Jones from Vancouver to visit relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Parminter. All of the beautiful Barner girls were home, Penny, Brigid, Rosemary, and Suzanne, also Dr. and Mrs.

### ISLAND VISITORS

BY CULTUS COULEE

On Plumper Sound - the Herbert Spaldings to Summerland and son David; Isabel and their five. For New Year, Jennifer and Jack Barlow, from Burnaby with Tanis and James; and Marjorie Bailey, from Vancouver.

Bill and Sybil Willson from Little Splash, to Syb's parents, the Claude Conerys, at Ganges for Boxing Day.

From the Valley - Herbert Teece to Sidney and his daughter Kay and son-in-law William Laird and their boys, Bill and Douglas.

On the south side, on Swanson Channel - the Alex MacKinnons to Chilliwack, to Bertha's son, Jack Toop, his wife Shirley, and a seething mass of arms and legs, belonging to Douglas, Kelly and Stephen.

E.F. Ledgerwood and children, from Vancouver, son Michael, with his wife and family from Vancouver and Miss Derry Barner from Campbell River. Mrs. I. A. Murphy went to spend holidays with her son and family in Richmond, and we saw that the Jimmie Jones' had sister Mrs. Dorothy Jackson, from Victoria for a few days. Mrs. Jackson is feeling better now, having been on the sick list. We hear that Mrs. Williston Haszard fell a while ago, and broke both wrists; she is with her sister in Burnaby at pre-

sent. Mr. and Mrs. George Stallybrass flew from Edmonton to spend some time with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Stallybrass. They stayed at Mrs. Sophia Rustad's home while they were here. This is the first Christmas for Bernard and his son to be together for many years, and they went to the Georgeson Bay home and cooked a scrumptious New Years dinner for the family, too.

Captain Cyril Andrews came one day last week to visit his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Page.

## PENDER PEOPLE

BY CULTUS COULEE

Mrs. Guy Moore, of Dorset, made the days be merry and bright, for Harry Johnson, when she flew from England to spend Christmas here. Sister and brother had not met for 18 years. Both were born in Kamloops. Their Scottish mother, was born in India. Their father, Alfred W. Johnson, of a Leicestershire family, was born in Madagascar. He surveyed in the Fraser Valley up the Canyon and far north of Kamloops.

In bygone days, Lucy had visited Harry briefly at Galiano, but this was her first exploration. She loved every minute and regretfully took to the skies, heading for home.

"Lucy lives in the village of Fifehead Magdalen, outside Gillingham. She was crazy about the islands. She was here 3 weeks, and I miss her a lot." Cheer up, Harry! After such a good time, she will return.

The Dave Auchterlonies had Connie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ezart, and her brother Terry, Vancouver, to help celebrate the holidays. The festival continued in Vancouver when the Auchterlonies, with Debbie, Jennifer and Barry, attended the wedding of Connie's cousin, Barry Barnes, to Marilyn Cranna. The ceremony was at St. Martin's Anglican Church, Oakridge, and cousin Ray Barnes was best man. The Pender family stayed with the Ezarts.

With help from Mollie and Mrs. Olive Auchterlonie dug in to her Santa stocking, chez daughter Jen, and son-in-law Bill McCartney, Victoria.

May Georgeson, encircled with family from Victoria; daughter Barbara and son-in-law Walter Sidwell and their Sylvia. Daughter Florence Bond, with Carol, and Florence's boy, Kenny and his wife Joan.

The Ken Bonds spent the night with the Donald Grimmers Ken, Margaret Grimmer's nephew, and Joan, married in Oct-

ober, live at Keating X Roads.

The Donald Grimmers were hosts to Margaret's mother, Mrs. May Georgeson, and all her guests, for Christmas dinner; plus Walter and Kathy Craven, and their Celene and Mindy.

At the Cliff Dwellers, Frank Symes, Jr. from Vancouver. Frank and Ora Symes to Ora's brother, Ray Currie and his wife Margaret, and Byrne, Paul and Hilary, Victoria.

The Roy Guilds holidayed with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Benson at the Malahat.

Sharing George and Edith Pearson's dindon, for Christmas dindins, were Alexander and Ellen Gray. Missing, were the Edison Fralics, due to Mrs. Fralic's illness.

With Ted and Edwina Brooker, their Sally and son-in-law Hugh Dyer, Sidney, with Elizabeth and John. Elizabeth in her first job, since September, teaching kindergarten at Chase, and loving it.

Norman Pollard, from Coquitlam, with son David, to The Maples, Browning Harbour to visit his mother, Mrs. E. Pollard Robin, Diana and her Roderick.

Jack and Mary Garrod, Browning Harbour, with daughter Jacqueline Christian, and her Leon; and Stephen, in Victoria for Christmas and New Year.

The Louis Nofields had a happy Boxing Day at Browning Harbour, when Kate Nofield's youngest son, Norman Doyle, his wife Kileen, and Pamela, arrived from Stamford, Connecticut.

The Bill Martins had the Ian Hunts, with Lorna and Bruce, from Gordon Head, to help decorate their tree and eat a pre-Christmas turkey. This is a tradition with the two families. Then, a return match, on the 28th, when the Hunts prepare the feast, and the Martins go to them at Gordon Head.

December brought Gifford and Barbara Hobday back from England to Port Wash, in time to reciprocate a Christmas reunion in Victoria, with Barbara's daughter Ruth and her husband Lorne Scott. Barbara's son, Frank Gibbons, teaching at

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Prince George, and his wife Lynsey; Barbara's sister Doreen, and her husband Val Lavender, Qualicum Beach, helped round out the family circle. The place was ankle-deep in Dachshunds. The Hobdays' two from Worcestershire, joined four others, and were inclined to get out of hand and under foot.

In spite of the bark-in, the Hobdays were able to tell of being three months in Kempsford, Gloucestershire; and all over Herefordshire, where hurricanes hardly happen; scouting antiques for The Jabberwocky. They are counting the months until arrival of the treasures.

Marjorie Teece Murray, at Sidney, with son Robert and Solveig, his Song of Norway; and their Kim and Hans. Solveig's father, Hans Bruheim, West Vancouver, named her after "Solveig's Song" by Grieg.

Miss Molly Hall, Vancouver, spent 10 days with her sister, Miss Meta Hall, Hooson Road.

The Victor Menzies had Jeffrey and Johnny Giesbrecht, for two nights. The little boys were happy to be back at Hope Bay and able to play with ex-school friends John and Carol Anne Bradley. Wally and Jean Bradley gave them a warm welcome. The Giesbrechts moved to Delta when Bert transferred from Otter Bay ferry dock to Tsawwassen.

Miss Norma Douglas to Vancouver, to her sister Grace and brother-in-law John Girvin, Kerisdale, at the Fontainebleau. Grace had a reception for old Fernie friends, now living in Vancouver, about 30 showing up for the reunion.

A meeting at the Norman Haslams, Otter Bay, Wednesday morning January 6. Marjorie Teece Murray, reelected president; Ted Brooker, sec-treas. Pender Island Art and Recreation Workshop to sponsor painting classes, Mondays, 1 to 3, at Port Washington Hall, starting Jan. 25, with Professor Geo Glyde. How can a bunch of students be so lucky! Chomping to get started, hostess Albertine Haslam, Mrs. Archie Grimes, Margaret Grimmer, Ann Pender Henshaw, Dot King, Dr. Edmund Morrison and Mary Morrison, Daphne Stevens and Ora Symes.

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And as this is our Centennial Year, if each person offered even one little thought, word or deed of love a day, we could all grow to be - Saints alive! What am I saying?

Perhaps it would be better if we tried not to aim too high but just a little better and higher than usual, THEN we might help build a year of which we can all be proud? That make sense? At the moment 1971 is a clean little Year, bravely marking the Hundredth Year when British Columbia entered Confederation; 1871-1971.

The next twelve months will be a test to our (and I mean the Citizens of B.C.) insight and good judgement in many fields. Just do the best you can in 1971!

\*\*\* Cancellation: The January meeting of the South Salt Spring Women's Institute has been cancelled, and the first meeting of the Institute will be held in February. \*\*\*

Mrs. Irene Stewart attended the Canadian Women's Press Club luncheon meeting held at the Century Inn, Victoria, on Monday, January 4. She was the guest of Miss Bea Hamilton, the CWPC historian for the local branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDonald and family spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Lacy and family before returning to Duncan. \*\*\*

Open House at the home of the A. J. Hepburns was an enjoyable event as many friends gathered to see the Old Year out and the New Year in. Music dancing and meeting old friends with a smorgasbord supper, or was it breakfast? after all present had brought the New Year in with song and felicitations all around. A star-spangled sky and colored lights everywhere seemed to promise a reasonably fair year ahead and good wishes swept across the land and sea...

The Alder catkins are lightly dancing in the cold winds, and the other cool cats of Nature, the pussy-willows are purring in their silvery velvet parkas as they cuddle on the willow trees.

Spring around the corner? Today with the temperature about 25 degrees, br-r-r! I hope the tree-cats go back to sleep on their branches before they get nipped by frost. Miss Cree Shaw found sprays of pussy-willow in full flower several weeks ago. Sunday, the sun shone warm but the wind blew cold. \*\*\*

Mrs. Hazel Truefitt surprised everyone by returning home from the Gorge Hospital, for a rest-up period at home. "It's like a miracle," she said, happy to be back, for she had expected to be laid up with her injured back for several weeks. She will be taking things easy for some time but to be home, is good medicine in any person's book!

CENTENNIAL MEMO - Col. Richard Clement Moody brought 165 Royal Engineers to the West Coast in 1858.

# WHAT IS IT ABOUT AN ISLAND?

The Christmas season interfered with a comment I wished to make about an article in the Vancouver Sun of December 19, written by Nan Vie.

Now that the rush is over, I must write and send my condolences to the Vie family. Her article of approximately two years ago interested and charmed many people, myself among them, but now I find she has given up a most delightful, restful, free way of life to go back to city living.

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His interest in the natural beauty of his surroundings, I feel, leaves a much deeper memory than that of any city - even that of Vancouver or Victoria. His walks along the shore -

## LORNA TWEEDALE SUMS IT UP

line of the Strait of Georgia, climbs along the rocks above Active Pass and the strolls through the woods cannot be surpassed by any.

It is possible to be alone or as Nan Vie wishes, to stop and talk to friends or strangers.

The Islands' culture is not to be overlooked.

There are lessons in Spanish, French, sewing, painting, pottery, with qualified teachers on the island and for a change of viewpoint the occasional imported teacher. The organization of all clubs, fire departments, art displays, is done by the residents, some of whom have had previous experience. Others who have not are enthusiastic about a new project or hobby. Thought the population and the financial background is definitely less than in a city, the result is every bit as good.

The Islands are very accessible to the cities of Vancouver and Victoria and in consequence trips to those cities for shopping, galleries and libraries; attending theatres, symphonies and such is no hardship whatever.

Personally I find one day at a time in town is sufficient and I long for the moment when it's over and I can look forward to many more weeks of the peace and quiet of the Island.

This does not mean a "nothing" way of life - just simply no rush, no noise, no smog. We read the latest books if we think they are worth while; keep up with the financial and social world through today's media. We play bridge, entertain at dinner, have guests for week-ends, take time off from

daily duties to listen to symphonies of our own choosing with no traffic to battle and with no parking problems.

I do agree with Nan Vie that Vancouver's soul is pure neon but cannot agree that the Island's soul is gray.

A neon soul is like the old-fashioned, now outlawed windmill sparkler which swirls around and through its simple delight draws persons into its centre only to find it all just "daz-

zle"; while the soul of the Islands has all the same myriad of colors but radiating upwards which makes life worth living rather than dead, as Nan Vie experiences it.

In summing up, it seems to me that the Vie family is possibly too young to appreciate their once-found but short-lived independence and once their windmill sparkler has died they will again long for what they have just left. They may find, as I do, that it is preferable to live on an island and holiday in a city than to try to live in a city and holiday on an island.

## ROBINS HEAD THE LIST

On December 22, a group of six naturalists took part in the Christmas Bird Count of the Pender Islands.

This count was one of some 850 such counts being conducted throughout Canada and the United States by groups of naturalists, between December 22 and January 3.

It represents a part of the 69th North American Christmas Bird Count which is sponsored by the National Audubon Society. Previous counts on these islands were organized by Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Stevens of North Pender. This year Mr. Stevens handed over the responsibility of conducting this event to Mr. and Mrs. Allan Brooks, of South Pender, who enlisted the assistance of the Stevens, and, from Victoria, Dr. Jeremy Tatum and Mrs. Ruth Stirling.

Islanders will recall that December 22 was a cloudy, chilly day. Undaunted by the winter cold the six naturalists, working in pairs, were patrolling by car and by foot, the roads, fields and coast lines of the Pender Islands from dawn to dusk. Between them they tallied up a total of about 7,100 individual birds, which represented 74 species.

The most numerous species was the robin with about 1,600 seen and counted.

A reason for the abundance of this bird was the heavy crop of Arbutus berries, a favored food supply of the robin at this season.

Second on the abundance list was the Glaucous-winged Gull (just over 1,000), while third was the European Starling (nearly 900) which has only been a resident on these islands during the past 15 years. Fourth most numerous was the Western Grebe (650) and fifth, the Oregon Junco (455).

Unusual for these Islands in winter, were Goldfinch, 25; Cedar Waxwing, 9, and Northern Shrike, 3.

Conspicuous absences which are unaccountable were Killdeer Plover, Wilson's Snipe, Brewers & Redwinged Blackbird, Evening Grosbeak and Stellar's Jay. Mrs. Brooks reports that small woodland birds were particularly numerous while sea

## VALENTINE TEA FOR ANGLICAN CHURCH LADIES

Anglican Church Women held their monthly meeting Friday, Jan. 8, in the Parish Hall at Ganges.

A hymn was sung by the members in memory of Mrs. Desmond Crofton whose funeral was held that day.

Arrangements were made for the Valentine Day Tea to be held Saturday, February 13 in the Parish Hall. Tea will be served at 2 p.m. Any donations from Islanders for the home cooking stall would be very welcome.

Sick members of the A.C.W. Mrs. H. Truefitt and Mrs. E. Adams who have been in hospital recently were remembered.



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# INSIDE FROM THE OUTSIDE



Funny girl Barbara Hamilton plays faded film star Wendy de Vries on the weekly comedy and satire series, Inside From The Outside, Sundays at 2:03 p.m. EST on the CBC radio network.

## MORE AND MORE

# YEAR FOR THE BIRDS!

BY BEA HAMILTON

Birds by the hundreds seem to be claiming the New 1971 as their year.

Reported from many points on the Island are flocks of robins, several species of thrushes (a robin is a thrush by rights), many Siskins, various sparrows, small birds, large birds, orange-colored birds with stripes along the sides (reported from Walker Hood area) and of course, the ever peering starlings, noisy bluejays, flickers, buntings and many others.

The Robin red-breast is taking the lead in numbers and the wood thrush with the Mayor's neck-chain, and the little song sparrows, leading in musical notes.

It is heartening to see the gardens and lawns so alive with birds grubbing up the insects, and speaks well for a more pest-free gardening year.

And immediately we hear growns - "What about the fruit?" and we visualize robins in the cherry trees. So what? the starlings rob the fruit trees anyway and the robins always get their share and half ours as well, every year without fail!

It's a regular little game between us to see who gets the first ripe cherry first - and you know who wins every time? Mr. Robin Red-breast! But we usually get the third cherry, so again, so what?

However, the question arises as to WHY we are favored by so many birds all of a sudden?

We have an un-polluted area so far and probably birds everywhere are looking for pesticide-free spaces all over the world. Food has diminished to next to nothing in so many places where poison sprays are dusted, sprayed and squirted so we can look for many more species of wild life coming to our islands.

For all bird watchers, this may be the most exciting year in their field of research.

There is just one thing: can we keep our land un-polluted? Will this land, this Island, and the other sister Gulf Islands remain in their present clean, fresh and unpolluted state? Can we persuade the powers-that-be to keep sprays off the road-sides?

## FULFORD TIDE TABLE

JANUARY, 1971

DAY	TIME	HT.
15	0020	2.9
	0835	11.8
	1810	8.6
16	0050	3.9
	0850	11.7
	1535	7.3
17	0120	5.0
	0905	11.6
	1610	6.4
18	0140	6.2
	0925	11.4
	1655	5.5
19	0200	7.4
	0930	11.2
	1725	4.7
20	0200	8.6
	0300	8.6
	0940	11.0
21	1000	11.0
	1850	3.1

## GANGES

(From Page Seven)

Lt.-Col. John Crofton, Victoria, spent last week with his father, Lt.-Col. Desmond Crofton.

Mr. and Mrs. George St. Denis spent Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Rixon, Port Angeles, then visiting their other son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Fehr, Coquitlam for New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. Webster Davidson were visitors over the Christmas holidays of Mr. and Mrs. Terry O'Connor, Victoria. The O'Connors were on the Island spend the New Years with the Websters at their home on Alders Avenue.

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