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## Scarrow wins at Galiano

New Local Trustee on Galiano Island for the Islands Trust is Dr. H. Scarrow. Election was held on Galiano last Saturday.

Dr. Scarrow, who has been associated with planning on the island for many years, won the election with 134 votes. His only opponent in the race, Roy Brinson, received 16 votes.

The new trustee will serve until January, 1979.

## Tourist Booth By July 1

Tourist booth at Centennial Park in Ganges will be completed and ready for use by July 1, it was announced at the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce meeting last week.

The booth has enjoyed the support of many Chamber members and an expression of appreciation was made to those who contributed labour and materials to the project.

Booth is the former taxi office in Ganges. It will be refurbished and plans call for a map on the outside to show visitors the island.

Volunteers are being recruited to man the booth.

## Trust rejects Plan change to permit apartment blocks without sewer system

—Fisher's motion as Longueuy opposed

The Islands Trust has decided not to approve the proposed change to the Salt Spring Island Community Plan, which comes

under by-law 367.

The by-law, which has received three readings by the Capital Regional District, was to

permit higher density development, or the construction of apartments, near the major centres of the island without

sewers being installed.

The major centres include Ganges, Fulford, Vesuvius and Fernwood.

The change was to allow such development to take place providing satisfactory arrangements for sewage disposal could be made, subject to approval of the Regional Health Officer.

The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee reached its decision at a meeting in Ganges last Saturday. About 100 people were in attendance.

The motion to reject by-law 367 was made by Trustee Dr. Jack Fisher, of Salt Spring. There were four votes in favour of the motion, while Trustee C.J. Longueuy voted against it.

The meeting opened to discuss the business in hand and was then adjourned in order to allow members of the public to express their views.

### NOT WITHOUT HEARING

Ruby Alton was the first to speak on the amendment to the plan. She told the meeting that she was one of those who had drawn up the plan and it was never intended that the plan should be amended without a public hearing.

Architect Jonathan Yardley also objected to the process by which the amendment was made.

"The implications are far-reaching," he said, "This could mean the beginning of extensive spot development."

Mr. Yardley cited the Galiano Community Plan, where changes to the plan are only permitted after extensive public discussion and only if the change receives broad support from the public.

We need similar protection, said the Salt Spring Island architect.

Chairman of the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association, Mike Clement charged that by-law 367 would set a precedent for areas other than Vesuvius.

Areas of concentrated population should be subject to planning studies before development takes place, he said.

### COMPLETE AGREEMENT

Hank Schubart stated that he was in complete agreement with what Jonathan Yardley had said.

He went on to explain that after a year and a half of meetings, the subdivision by-law was adopted, and Ganges was excluded until a more detailed plan could be made for the village. It had been agreed that changes in the nature of Fulford and Vesuvius would be undesirable until sewers were

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### Co-ordinator

Jerry Stennes will serve with the Salt Spring Island Fall Fair Committee as a co-ordinator for the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce.

Appointment was made at last week's Chamber meeting.

## Ballet students present concert at Ganges



When Robyn Onyschuk presented a ballet concert in the elementary school last week at Ganges, this is what the audience saw. This is

what they came to see as numerous ballet students went through their paces. See story on Page Thirteen.

## Foreshore lease is sought at Booth Bay to protect reserves

The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee has recommended withholding an application for a foreshore lease until more details could be made available.

The application was passed on by the Department of Lands for approval by the Islands Trust. Booth Bay Resort has applied for a lease of 800 lineal feet of Crown foreshore in Booth Bay near the mouth of Booth Canal. The purpose for which

the lease is required is for boat launching and moorage, and harvesting of clams and oysters.

The Trust Committee heard various objections to the lease at a meeting in Ganges last Saturday.

### FEAR CONTAMINATION

It was suggested that in most areas where boats are moored, contamination of the foreshore results.

There is certainly a need for boat launching facilities on Salt Spring Island, the meeting was told, but will the public be permitted to use the ramp proposed by the resort?

The meeting was also reminded that Indians from Kuper Island have also harvested clams from Booth Bay, and that such a lease might prohibit them from doing so in the future.

Subsequent to the Islands Trust meeting, owner of Booth Bay Resort, Terry Elford, told Driftwood on Monday that the lease had been applied for in order to legalize the present facilities.

A boat launching ramp and moorage facilities have been in use at the resort for several years, but without a foreshore lease these are illegal, said Mr.

Elford.

He wished to ensure, by having the lease, that the existing oyster beds "could not be raped". Mr. Elford said that he is concerned with preservation of what is there.

He added that neither expansion of existing facilities nor dredging of the area is planned.

## Car window is damaged

Ganges vehicle was damaged last week when a rock or some object hit a back window.

Len Bown of Ganges reported to the Ganges RCMP detachment that his right rear passenger door window has been broken.

The vehicle, a '76 white Maverick, was reported to have been damaged June 11.

## Three are still in hospital after road crash last week

Three victims of a Salt Spring Island road accident last week are still in hospital. A fourth injured person has been released. Injuries were sustained when a sports car and a pick-up were in collision on Lower Ganges Road on Sunday, June 5.

Report at the time of going to press this week was that all are responding well.

Out of hospital is Wendy Davidson, driver of the pick-up. She was detained in hospital for several days, recovering from extensive bruises and cuts. She had stitches above the eyes, reported her mother, Mrs. Cynthia Davidson.

Undergoing extensive facial

surgery is Tracy Lawson, former resident of Salt Spring Island and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lawson, of Nanaimo. She is still in serious condition.

David Reaville, of Richmond, riding as passenger in the Porter car, has been released from the intensive care unit and is now in a private ward in the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Hugh Porter, driver of the sports car, is still in critical condition in the same hospital where he remains in the intensive care unit.

Reaville is recovering from multiple injuries to the legs, while Porter sustained injuries to his chest as well.

## Hang pilot lands on airplane

It was a near miss at the Fulford airstrip on Sunday when a hang glider landed squarely on the wing of a plane parked at the strip. He didn't quite miss.

Plane belonging to Dave Palot, of Ganges sustained damage amounting to about \$1,000, according to initial estimates.

It appeared that the gliding pilot's foot went through the fabric of the wing.

# Report From Trustees

## Harmony is achieved by Islands Trust

—At meeting in Nanaimo on Friday

By Local Trustees  
C.J. LONGEUAY & J. FISHER

Further to your article in the June 8 issue of this paper entitled, "Rumours of Trust Dissension...", we are pleased to report that as a result of a meeting of the Islands Trust Council in Nanaimo on Friday, June 10, a considerable measure of harmony has been achieved.

First, may we clarify the phrase, "Islands Trust Council". This is a new name given to the body of all 26 local trustees and the three general trustees when they meet together as a committee-of-the-whole. Under existing or pending law this body has no legal power or government recognition: all the power of decision in the Trust Area resides with the "Trust Committees".

In matters pertaining to Salt SPRING THE "Trust Committee" is comprised of the three general trustees and the two local trustees. The Islands Trust Council should therefore be considered as an advisory body, that is advisory to all trust committees. Although the

"Council" is advisory only, we foresee that it will nevertheless have considerable influence on the decisions of the Trust Committees and we see it as a means of further democratizing the Islands Trust.

Much useful work can be done by this body and it will provide a further means of public input to the Trust. Its meetings will normally be open to the public.

### RESOLUTION

At the close of the June 10 meeting the following resolution was passed.

"The meeting expresses its thanks to the "Procedures Committee" of the Trust Council and also its general satisfaction on the outcome of the meeting and its belief that the procedures agreed thus far will improve the Trust's capability".

Please note that in the article in the June 8 issue in the fifth paragraph there was an error in the phrase "...see the Trust as a governing, decision-making body....". The word "Trust"

should have read "Trust Council".

We regret that our comments were reported as "not in agreement". Neither was aware of what the other had said, but perhaps one of us talked somewhat prematurely about the Trust Council.

May we at this time thank the many islanders who attended our Saturday open meeting. We also apologize for not advertising that the item "Application

to Lease Crown Foreshore - Booth Bay" would be on the agenda. We regret that Mr. Terry Elford, owner of Booth Bay Resort, was not at the meeting to explain his objectives, which, as he later outlined to us, differed from those which might be inferred from his formal application for lease. Had he been at the meeting to outline his objectives we think they would have received sympathetic considerations.

### TRAFFIC CORNER

## Ask a policeman!

The members of the Ganges RCMP Detachment are interested in answering questions concerning the law.

Due to problems pertaining to impaired drivers and accidents involving impaired drivers, both local RCMP and federal government departments are introducing programmes and policies which may educate and benefit the Canadian whether about driving or about the law itself. The Traffic Corner is to increase the awareness of the public about the law and policies of the law.

Traffic Corner is written for Gulf Islanders. Such questions as "What is the penalty for impaired drivers?", "What happens to my license? How long do I lose it for?" and "Can I go to jail for impaired driving?" can be asked by the public, addressed to the police and will be answered by one of the policemen at the Ganges detachment in time for the following pub-

lication of Driftwood.

### QUESTION

What is the law on carrying passengers in the back of a pick-up truck?

### ANSWER

There is nothing under the Motor Vehicle Act forbidding passengers from riding in the back of trucks. But in the event of an accident the driver of that truck will not be covered by insurance. Also, there is a legal way of riding in the back of pick-up trucks and an illegal way.

Readers should address their queries to: Traffic Control, c/o Ganges RCMP, Box 160, Ganges, B.C., V0S 1E0.

### more about Trust decision

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installed.

"I think it's cheating", said Mr. Schubart of the Capital Regional District.

"This is not a minor house-keeping matter; if the amendment is adopted, it discriminates against the people in Ganges. There is a more logical demand for apartments in Ganges than anywhere else."

Approval of the health authority was unreliable the meeting was told. A few years ago they approved the school's sewer system, which is no longer functioning properly.

### COULDN'T DO IT

A septic tank and drainage field cannot handle a 26-unit apartment building, and in five

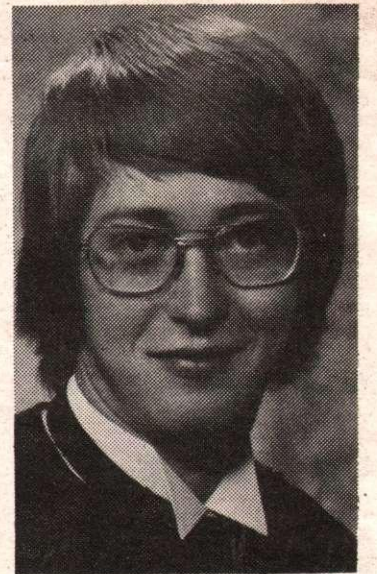
or six years there would be a shutdown in Vesuvius by the health authorities, it was charged.

The meeting was reconvened after the Trust Committee heard the views of those present, and Trustee Jack Fisher made his motion that the Islands Trust reject that proposed amendment.

Trustee Chuck Longeuay urged that the motion be tabled until more information could be obtained from the Regional District.

"We need the opportunity to think this over," he suggested.

However, the other four trustees were not in agreement and Dr. Fisher's motion was carried.



MILES STACEY

Miles Alexander Stacey, son of Joan and David Stacey of Rainbow Road, graduated on June 10 from the B.C. Institute of Technology.

He received the top award in his area of specialization, mechanical technology, production division, in a ceremony held prior to the afternoon convocation held in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre.

Miles has accepted a position with Imperial Oil and will oscillate between Edmonton and the Beaufort Sea as a drilling technician.

He was born in Malaya, attended schools in Campbell River, Queen's Royal College in Trinidad and graduated from High School in Ganges.

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# TO BE FRANK . . .

by richards

It never fails to grate! Sitting in a discussion with several Torontonians. They recalled "going east". I was thinking of Edmonton or Winnipeg. They were speaking of New Brunswick. There is nowhere more widely disparate in Canada than our recognition of geography.

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It's all in the open now. Sylvia Chew is 29. I happened to be in the Ship's Anchor the other day when they brought in the cake. All I know for sure is there were nine candles and she assured me they were in token of her 29th anniversary. But nine won't go into 29!

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Trust the Rotarians! I wanted water at the Rotary bar. So I picked up a yellow jug and poured. How did I know it was orange juice? It matched the jug too closely!

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It was like Fulford Grand Central on Sunday. I drove to the airstrip at Fulford to drop off a family flying to Nakusp. I bumped into a family who had flown in from Kamloops in an hour and a half, or so. And there were still six other machines dotted around the field and one more circling before coming in.

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They called it skinny dipping, but when I observed a number of middle-aged distinguished gentlemen cavorting in the sea one day last week, they looked anything but skinny to me.

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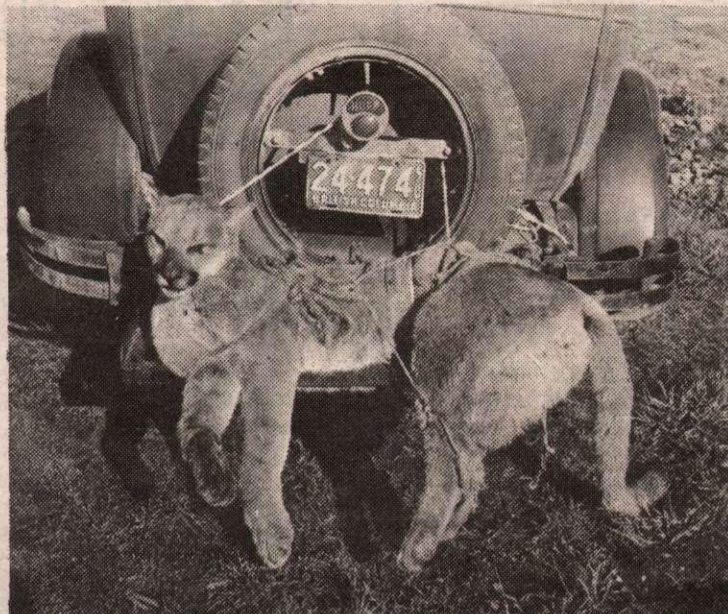
Notice anything about the tennis tournament? There was no one in the money between the ages of 20 and 60. They were

either younger or older! That's what tennis does for you!

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Dave Robertson, publisher from Whitehorse, in the Yukon, stood on the pavement at Harbour House Hotel and looked around. He should find some old friends who have a marina on the island, he said. I pointed to Harbours End Marina, across the street, where Yukoners Adam Morrison and Chuck Hankins are located. I didn't see him again for a couple of hours.

## Who were the hunters in past years?



## Bacchanal

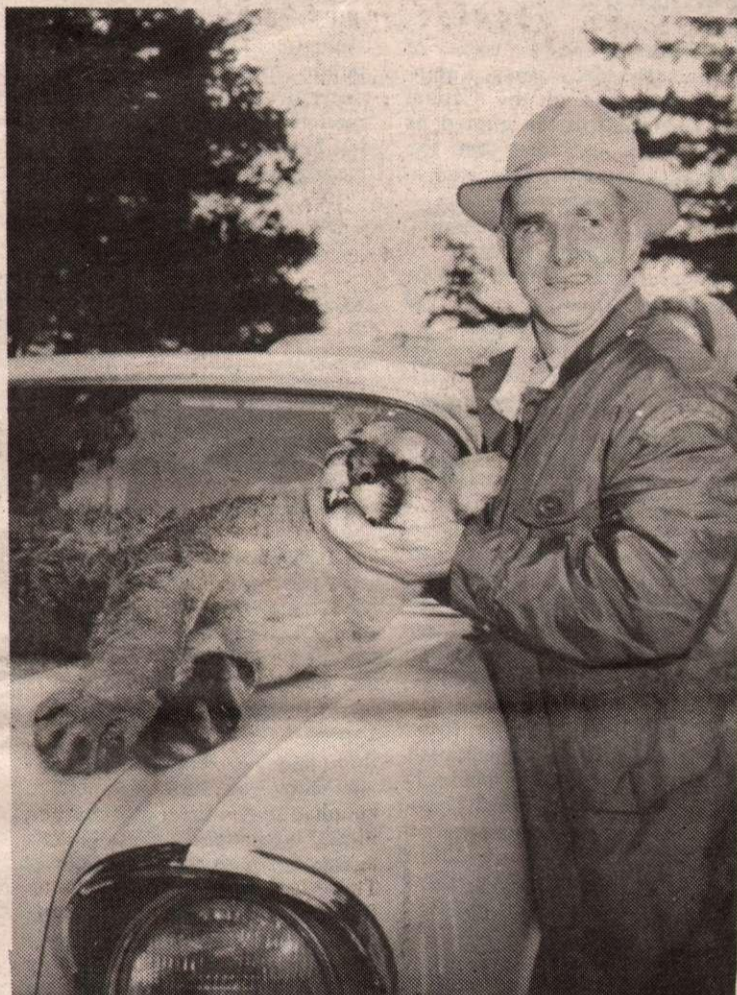
In summer slow and icy  
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Or dark and just mature:  
I love them-foaming,  
I love them clear,  
I love love love love beer.

- John Healey

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Your Dad thinks he's found Mademoiselle from Armentieres since he tried "Dial-a-code" and the operator answered in French!

**Band concert at Ganges raises \$500**

When over 300 islanders heard the Secondary School Band in concert last week, door prizes were donated by The Little Art Gallery, The Hair Shoppe, and Gerry's Fashions, as well as a salmon hooked by the Fish Plant. Gift certificates were given by Ganges Pharmacy, Garden Faire, Salt Spring Dry Cleaners. A kettle was donated by Mouat's, a ham from Ralph's Meats, and spices from the Happy Cooker.

Winner of the giant goodie bag of wines, cheeses, and a ham was Jill Cobanli, who donated and sold many pottery mugs and bowls to help raise money for the group.

The \$500 raised and the monies raised at previous concerts will go towards an off island band trip in 1978, instrument repairs, new music and arrangements and possibly some new instruments.

**Silver Jubilee**

The world looks on while Queen Elizabeth celebrates the 25th anniversary of her reign. The world joins in with the spectacular, fairy tale-like celebrations in London.

Canada is a little ahead of the world. As an integral part of the British Commonwealth of Nations, Canada takes part in the celebrations. Some of her activities are mild and only brushing against the lives of Canadians from coast to coast.

Others bring a considerable number of Canadian citizens into a recognition of the 25th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth's accession to the throne.

Many Canadians very fervently identify themselves with the celebrations. Many are in the midst of these festivities, within their own hearts.

Others view them with less warmth and enthusiasm.

Nevertheless, Canada, as a nation, is close to these activities and Canadians were represented in London last week by formal delegates to the Queen's court and by thousands of voluntary delegates to the Queen's triumphant parade.

Many Canadians were proud to be considered part of this Commonwealth which embraces nearly half the people on earth. Many were proud to acknowledge, happily and even boastfully, this still-young woman as the ultimate Head of State. Still more saw her triumph and pleasure as an attractive alternative to some other form of leadership, more political and less colourful.

By and large, a substantial number of Canadians watched televised pictures of the Queen's Silver Jubilee celebrations and felt a warm bond of sympathy with so traditional a figure as a monarch in so modern a world. It was a welcome reminder to many in the islands that we, in Canada, still enjoy a bond in equality with the people of the British Isles and so many other parts of the world in our loyal acceptance of the sovereignty on these shores of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

In Canada there are critics. There are those who would welcome a Canadian as head of state in this land and the opportunity of naming him themselves every so many years. But there are also critics in Britain.

There is one feature of these celebrations which has clashed in the eyes of some. In clubs, in gatherings of every kind, among friends, among acquaintances meeting for any purpose linked with the social affairs of men, the Queen has been the subject of a loyal toast. Men, and women, have invited their companions to drink to the health of Her Majesty the Queen.

Too often, they have called for that toast to "Queen Elizabeth of England". Such a reference is self-defeating. If the toast is not to the Queen of Canada why call it?

**Road blocks and perils**

Tighter controls on driving and increased checks of drivers have been announced by the Attorney-General. Increased penalties are facing those who are caught at the wheel when they have drunk too much. The path of the drinking driver is strewn with rocks.

There will be none to condemn the government for these measures. Never before in history has it been more clearly evident that the man who takes a drink must do so in a responsible manner. If there is a criticism it must be that the newest regulations employ a system of measurement which is neither comprehensible, nor calculable, without special equipment. There is no method whereby a drinker, or a driver, can ascertain his physical condition in relation to alcohol until he is checked by police patrols and proven suspect or released to the wheel.

The obvious answer to the criticism is that he knows he is clear if he hasn't had anything at all to drink.

Every car which runs off the road: every driver who is arraigned before the judge for a motoring offence is automatically assumed by the general public and by his neighbours to have been drinking prior to the incident.

Every holiday and every week end represents a threat to normal, law-abiding drivers who know that they take their lives in their hands every time they drive on a highway infested with others, driving in their cups and hopelessly incompetent.

There is no room on today's highways for the man in his cups. It may hurt many of us in this and other communities. We all know the answer. Leave the car at home or leave the liquor in the vendor's store. It's really very simple.

**Letters to the Editor**

**ANOTHER OVER**

Sir,

In the June 8 issue of Driftwood, Mr. James Campbell, Chairman of the Capital Regional District, is quoted as saying: "I am sure that the Premier would be interested in hearing the views of islanders on their attitude towards extending powers to appointed people". I suggest that we should also be concerned about the use of powers by elected people.

When the Capital Regional District passed By-law No. 367, on April 27, 1977, amending the Salt Spring Official Community Plan, they did so without notifying the electors of this island of their intentions or holding a public meeting. The amendment was also passed by three readings at one sitting.

It is interesting to note that the following Directors took part in the passage of the bylaw. On first reading Director Heinekey made the motion which was seconded by Director Tipton (Metchosin); on the second reading the motion was made by Director Noel (Saanich) and seconded by Director Severson (Saanich), and on the third reading it was moved by Director Tipton (Metchosin) and seconded by Director Perkins (Sooke).

I don't know how familiar Directors Tipton, Noel, Severson, and Perkins are with conditions on Salt Spring Island, or how often they have consulted with the people living here, probably very little, so it seems to me, that they would tend, in cases such as this, to rely on the advice of the resident Director.

It does, however, point out a weakness in the Capital Regional District set-up. The directors from jurisdictions, other than Salt Spring Island, do not have to face the electors of this island, therefore, they can afford to be careless and vote with little or no knowledge on matters affecting us.

While Director Campbell may have the knowledge, yet, he too, does not have to answer for his actions to the voters on Salt Spring Island.

I fail to see how this situation is any improvement over the appointment by the provincial government of three General Trustees on the Islands Trust.

At least, on the Trust, we have two elected representatives, who work with the three appointed trustees, and motions of an important nature require a two-thirds majority to pass.

On the other hand, we elect one director to the Capital Regional District who has to work within a body of 16 members.

When the Capital Regional District amended the Community Plan in Victoria, they did not give the residents of this island any notice of their intentions or take steps to advise us what had been done. The Island Trust, on the other hand, held a public

meeting, on the island, openly discussed the Community Plan amendment, asked and received public input, and reached a decision openly. I leave it to your readers to judge which governing body was the more responsive, open and democratic.

I.C. Shank  
 Ganges, B.C.  
 June 13, 1977

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Sir:

May I inquire through your columns whether there is a statutory period of notice required under Provincial law to be given in respect of public hearings.

Also, what medium is required?

A.M. Lloyd  
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 June 9, 1977

**HE SPEAKS FOR HIMSELF**

Sir,

I have just read your editorial in which you state that I have gone to the minister and charged "that the people of these islands want an end to the Islands Trust".

Of course, as you ought to know, that is now what I have done originally or in any of my recent statements which you have been good enough to print.

I have never claimed to know what Islanders want in this matter because there has never been a vote on it. I've opposed the "trust concept" in principle, not on personality, and on my understanding of the democratic basis of local government in B.C.

In the absence of a referendum or an election on the issue I think it is my duty to obey my conscience as an elected representative and deal with complex issues on their merits as I see them rather than try to guess with or without the help of the

local press what the public might want. When I make a mistake that offends the public the public will kick me out of office as is it's right and duty. When appointed people replace elected people it is not so easy. That is the principle I've been talking about.

I have been elected three times to carry certain well defined political responsibilities. The last election followed my clear and positive opposition to the concept of the "Islands Trust". I do not assume from this that even the majority agree with me but neither do I find myself rebuked for my attitude to the trust.

The new amendments, which I find much more offensive, transfers the duties I was elected to carry, with respect to planning, to an agency dominated by appointed people. There is nothing at all to tell me that my electorate wanted this to happen.

Your editorial seems to suggest that since in your view the people of the Gulf Islands want this to happen that I am somehow at fault for objecting.

Why don't you write an editorial defending the proposition that political appointees should replace elected officials in Gulf Island Planning matters if that is what you believe?

It has been said that editorial writers hide in the hills until the battle is over and then come out and shoot the wounded. I think you are hiding in the hills on this issue.

Jim Campbell  
 Saturna, B.C.  
 June 10, 1977

**Church Services**

SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 1977

<b>ANGLICAN</b>			
St. Mark's	Central	Morning Prayer	11.15 am
St. George's	Ganges	Family Eucharist	9.30 am
St. Mary's	Fulford	Evening Prayer	7.30 pm
<b>Daily: Mon.-Fri.</b>			
St. Georges	Ganges	Morning Prayer	7.15 am
<b>Weekly: Wednesdays</b>			
St. Georges	Ganges	Holy Communion	5.00 pm
<b>ROMAN CATHOLIC</b>			
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	9.00 am
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	11.15 am
<b>UNITED</b>			
Dr. V. McEachern	Ganges	Worship Service	10.30 am
537-5817	Box 330	Fellowship Hour	11.30 am
An Hour of Sharing and Caring			
6.30-7.30 pm			
<b>COMMUNITY</b>			
<b>GOSPEL</b>			
Pastor Moe	Ganges	Sun. Sch.-all ages	10.30am
537-2622(church)	Box 61	Evening Service	7.30pm
537-5395		Thurs. Bible Study	7.30 pm
<b>MAYNE ISLAND</b>			
St. Mary	629-6655	Rector J. Daniels	11.30 am
Magdalene	(Anglican)	Pastor John Rodine	Sun. 7 pm
Family Fellowship	Agric. Hall	539-5710	
Bible Study	Friday	in the homes	7.30 pm

## Down Through The Years With Driftwood

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Jack Scott walked away with all the honours in the qualifying round of the Spring Golf Tournament held last week end. Shooting a steady 41-42 for a total of 83, he was 7 strokes ahead of his nearest rival, Fred Morris, who shot a 90. Jack's handicap of 12 gave him a net of 71 to win the Handicap Trophy.

In the Ladies competition, Mrs. Ed. Richardson shot a 108 to win the low gross and won the ladies' handicap trophy with a low net of 84.

Eight S.S.I. athletes will be journeying to Duncan next Saturday, June 16 to participate in the Junior Olympics at the Cowichan High School. The meet will get underway at 12:30 p.m.

The contestants from Salt Spring are: (midgents) Sandra Smith, 50 and 100 yd. dash; Jane Harrison, broad jump; Mike Bonar, 100 and 220 yd. dash; Gerard Bonar, 440; Wayne Mouat, 880; and Gary Mouat, broad jump. Kathy Akerman will run the 50 and 75 yd. dashes as a "bantam" and Joan Stevens will be competing in the "juvenile" high jump.

### TEN YEARS AGO

Controversy over the incorporation of Ganges community as a village municipality will come to a head on Friday when property owners will go to the polls to settle the matter.

Referendum will invite rate-payers to state whether or not they are in favor of forming a village municipality.

This week is the end of the road for Salt Spring Island Lions Club.

The road leads to a quality of community service quite rare among the islands until the Lions made their appearance.

On Friday the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia will formally open the Pioneer Village at Ganges.

There is a stinking, squalid mess on the beaches and on the flats at Ganges and every resident and every landowner should be concerned.

C.H. Horel, chairman of the village incorporation committee at Ganges pulled no punches when he was asked for his reasons for supporting a sewer system here.

Two Ganges students are on their way up north.

They are Bruce Johnson and Sandy Hamer. Both young men have just returned from a five-week course in heavy equipment handling and maintenance.

The course proved quite an experience for the two. They made their way to Seattle and flew from there to Chicago. For five weeks they attended the Greer Institute of Technology and then returned home by air.

### FIVE YEARS AGO

Swallows on Salt Spring Island are suffering the same fate as last summer, says Mrs. Gordon Crosby, of Tripp Road.

Last year there were many hundreds of swallows found dead all over the islands. A number of carcasses were sent away for inspection and the report was that they were starving for lack of flies and other insects which constitute their food.

Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District will assume the cost of street lighting on the island at an annual cost not exceeding \$3,500.

On the island of Galiano there lives an old cowboy who has eaten the dust of many roundups and cattle drives, and sweated it out around branding fires from Mexico to the big Cariboo.

Tom Carolan has no wish to be the fastest gun in the West; he just wants to be the fastest coffee pot in the Gulf Islands.

"Six minutes and four seconds from the alarm ring in the morning, to coffee in the cup." "How's that for timing?" he asks.

Anyone quicker on the draw? Billy Eng has said "Hello" to the big cities. Last week he made his rounds through Ganges grinning for the last time at old friends and not-so-old friends before setting out for Vancouver. After half a lifetime on the island, he is in business for himself in Vancouver.

The Gulf Islands School Band visited Mayne Island on Saturday and treated us to a delightful concert.

School principal Donald Hartwig, accompanied the group of nearly 50 musicians and thanked sponsors Jim Ross and Keith Bennett who brought the children to the island and provided lunch.

We were treated to a high quality of music and a visit with a group of charming young people. Bandmaster John Dought was surprised with a gift from the band of a silver tray, accompanied by a card signed by every member of the band.

## It doesn't change a bit!

by TONY RICHARDS

After having been away for a few years, I find that little has changed as far as local government is concerned except, perhaps, that the voices protesting against the Capital Regional District have grown louder and more numerous.

In this year's annual Gulf Islands Political Games, there are two teams competing for the coveted trophy: the Regional District and the Islands Trust. The trophy, of course, is the power to rule over us, the islanders.

How fortunate we are that there are some who will take it upon themselves to take the reins and rule.

As to the teams in question, can we regard the Regional District as being capital, and can we trust the Islands Trust?

I have always felt, along with many others, that there could be little difference between the two, and that one is possibly as bad as the other. But in the last few months I have had ample opportunity to witness the dealings of both the Trust and the Regional District, and it seems the Islands Trust may be more deserving of our confidence than its counterpart.

The Regional District has every appearance of being the classic bureaucracy at work. They are up to their ears in miles of red tape extending from Sooke all the way to the northernmost tip of Galiano Island.

Decisions are made regularly in Victoria on affairs concerning the islands, yet we rarely hear of them. If we do receive some notification, it is in a language almost totally incomprehensible to the average islander.

From Salt Spring, there is one representative on the Regional Board. The Outer Islands also have one. On Salt Spring, there are two representatives on the Islands Trust. And each of the Outer Islands also has two trustees. It is apparent, then, that we have twice the representation with the Islands Trust.

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee met at Ganges

last week. Salt Spring Islanders had the opportunity to witness a sector of local government ruling on matters that will affect us all.

We certainly ought to be entitled to know what decisions are being made concerning our affairs, and it appears that we will be better informed as to what decisions are being made if planning and zoning matters are transferred to the Islands Trust.

The Trust deserves the opportunity to see if it cannot do any better than the Capital Regional District.

## Aluminum boat stolen at Pender

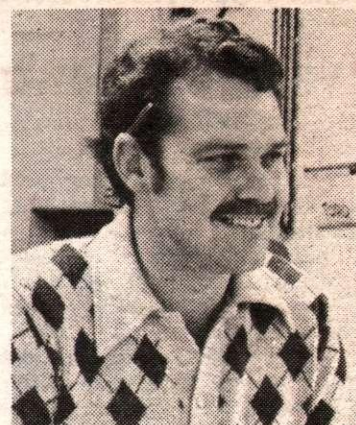
The theft of a boat was reported to the Ganges RCMP on Friday.

A 12' aluminum boat owned by Mrs. M. Fleming Stuart of Clam Bay, Pender Island disappeared from the bay and is presumed stolen.

The boat is a Sea Sprite and the design is similar to a sabot. The make of the missing boat is Spring Lak.

John Stuart reported the boat's disappearance. Boat's worth is estimated at \$650.

## Chamber vignettes



STEVE NELSON

President of Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce is Steve Nelson, proprietor of Nelson Marine Service. He's been in business here since 1971, after coming to Salt Spring Island in 1968.

Nelson came to the marine through his initial association with sport and sporting goods. On the mainland, he started out with Woodward's sporting goods. That was 13 years ago. In 1966 he moved into the Marine Division and later to Victoria. He was in the capital city for two years before moving to Salt Spring.

"The Chamber is trying to improve the business community through communication," said the president. With new committees concerned with tourism and recreation, the Chamber is becoming a very active group in the community, he reports.

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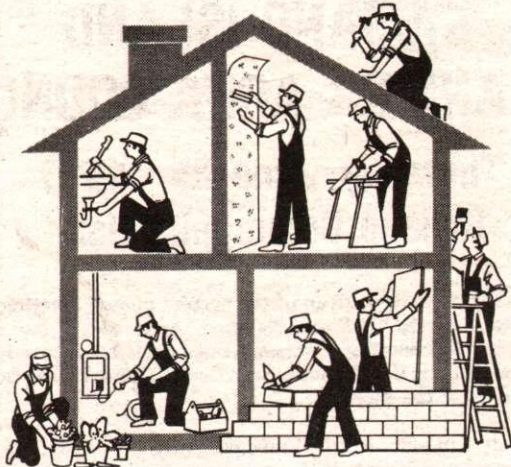
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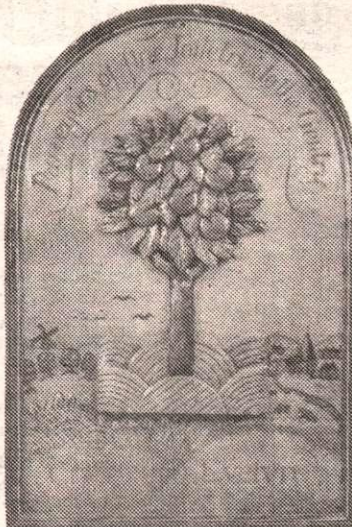
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## Silver Maynes set plans for various summer activities

**BY ELSIE BROWN**  
The annual garden party held at the home of Cece and Doris Gardner on Monday, June 6 under the auspices of Silver Maynes was well attended. More than 50 members were present. The regular meeting was held at 2 pm on the grounds, with President Vic Griffiths in the chair.

Minutes of the last meeting, held May 2, were read by secretary, Bill Morson and adopted. Correspondence was dealt with by corresponding Secretary John Mundie, which included a letter from Hugh Curtis in answer to one sent by the organization in April protesting the increased living costs and its effects on Senior Citizens. He

## Two are in hibernation for summer

Lions and Chamber of Commerce on Salt Spring Island have both gone into hibernation.

During the summer months there will be no meetings of the service club or the board of trade, until September.

On October 3, the Chamber will hold a general meeting in Ganges.

was sympathetic to the concern of the Silver Maynes to this situation.

Reports from all the various groups were made. The ladies have again agreed to handle the tea concession at the Annual Fall Fair and the men will man an ice cream and pop stand.

### NEW BOOTHS

The Lapidary and Ceramics groups will have a new booth

## POETRY IS MAIN FEATURE OF MAYNE SCHOOL PUBLICATION

A new publication has hit the news stands and it originates from Mayne Island.

The Mayne Island Print is the work of the grade 5, 6 and 7 class of the Mayne Island Elementary Junior Secondary School. The teacher of the class, Steve Fletcher, told Driftwood last week that 300 copies had been printed of the 14-page booklet.

Mayne Island Print deals with a variety of subjects including poetry, puzzles, recipes and a brief history of Mayne Island from 1945. It appears that a large majority of the Mayne students are poets, for selections of poetry form a large part of the publication. The booklet is also well illustrated throughout.

"Mayne Island Since 1945" is the result of an interview with Mr. and Mrs. William Wilks and was written by three of the students. The two recipes were

contributed by one student who appears to be rather fond of chocolate. Instructions for preparing a ten-minute fudge and a chocolate milkshake are outlined in detail.

The puzzle fan has not been neglected: there are three against which one can match wits.

Mayne Island Print makes enjoyable reading; we only hope that Driftwood may be able to compete should it become a regular publication.

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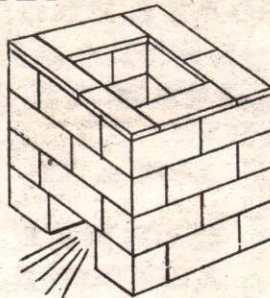
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where articles will be for sale. Other matters discussed were Senior Citizens Housing and a possible two-day trip to Ross Dam and Leavenworth.

The Camera Club will have a hike on June 27 and will start at Porter and Edith Point Road at 10 am. Bring your lunch and cameras.

Vic Griffiths delegate, gave the report of the annual convention of the Senior Citizens Association of B.C., held at Blue Boy Hotel in Vancouver, in May.

Resolutions covered pensions, sick benefits, increases in the cost of living and other matters pertaining to senior citizens.

The Free Days at the Pacific National Exhibition are August 24 and 31. Contact John Mundie for admission tags.

A delightful buffet supper followed the meeting.

The next meeting will be September 12 at the Agricultural Hall.

Due to transportation difficulties Jack and Dorothy James of Salt Spring who planned to attend the affair, were unable to be present. They will no doubt make a trip over in the not too distant future to inspect the gardens.

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## Notice of Election GALIANO ISLAND PLANNING AREA COUNCIL

Thursday, June 25, 1977  
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NOTICE is hereby given of the second annual meeting of electors of the Galiano Planning Area called for the purpose of choosing 5 persons, who shall be themselves electors, to be the Planning Area Council for one year from the date of the meeting.

This is a public meeting and candidates are invited to be present or are required to submit to the Chairman a consent to being nominated if they cannot be present.

All five offices are to be filled at this election and the successful candidates shall serve for one year. Any elector is qualified to be nominated and elected.

The Planning Council is a committee of the Capital Regional District and is responsible for advising the Capital Regional District in the administration of the Community Plan.

Dr. H. Scarrow  
Chairman  
Galiano Island Planning Area Council.

## Letters to the Editor

### DUNCAN PROTEST

Sir, While visiting friends in Duncan, last week, I went along to a meeting held by the Cowichan Bay Estuaries Society.

Now this may not sound like everyone's cup of tea, but tea drinking it was not.

What occurred in a hall Thursday night in Duncan may very well have future implications on a subject that is becoming increasingly sensitive and controversial: local citizen's groups and environmental action.

The last thing I thought I would see in Duncan was nearly 200 very concerned and vocal residents, almost all over 45 years, dignified and silver-haired protesting a recent Supreme Court decision in Nanaimo that upheld the rights of industry (a shake and shingle mill to be built on the estuaries of the Cowichan and Koksilah Rivers) over the natural need of salmon to congregate in those estuaries in Cowichan Bay and subsequently spawn up river.

The affair was not quite that simple but there are political lessons for the learning.

What had initially been a

victory for Cowichan residents in their protest against further development in the already polluted Bay after months of concerned civil action, was last week reversed by the successful Supreme Court appeal by Island Shake and Shingle Co. on the grounds that municipal rezoning was discriminatory.

Almost two years ago North Cowichan District Council had favourably zoned the river estuary area in favour of I.S. & S. and the owners had invested considerable sums in initial phases of developing a mill. As much as \$800,000 was mentioned at the meeting.

Recently a Domans expansion and the Shake and Shingle Mill came up for final approval by council.

Doman's, a major private enterprise and employer in the Cowichan Valley was given the go-ahead but Island Shake & Shingle was turned down on the basis of its environmental detriment to the important salmon runs up the Cowichan and Koksilah Rivers.

To encourage private enterprise is one thing but without taking in future ramifications such as environmental effects is irresponsible and then to disregard the efforts and expense of private enterprise in reversing one's decision is likewise irresponsible.

So the conscientious efforts of local Cowichan Bay residents is all for naught due to legalities. The shake & shingle mill will be built on the estuaries where logs can be transported. The effect on the salmon population in this area affects the fishermen on Salt Spring Island. These effects may well be very damaging according to biology staff at the University of Victoria present at the meeting.

The estuaries in Cowichan Bay are essential for local salmon. It is a major source of protein for the fish and it is where they gather before the up river run. It is where the young salmon return to gain strength before setting out to sea and so acts as a nursery. The shake and shingle mill with its cedar and bark deposits will poison and congest the area. The estuaries also serve as important grounds for many migrating ducks.

So I left the Duncan meeting with a sense of futility shared by the proud elders of Cowichan Bay who are fighting for fish and ducks and the rights of their

## Scottish dancers to host workshop

The Salt Spring Island Scottish Country Dance Society will be hosting Salt Spring Saturday, a workshop and dance on Saturday, June 18.

The workshop or lesson session is to be held at 2 pm in the high-school gymnasium, and will be taught by Margaret Zadworny, a leading Vancouver Scottish Dance instructor.

There will be a \$1 admission fee for the afternoon session, and all visitors and islanders are welcome to attend. The dance will be held at 8 pm in the elementary school activity centre and will end at midnight.

There is no admission fee for the dance, and there will be refreshments served.

Scottish dancers from the Vancouver, Vancouver Island, Duncan and Campbell River groups are attending the day's activities, and islanders are invited to participate as well.

grandchildren to enjoy the rivers of the Cowichan Valley. And in all probability their municipal representatives will be leery of future environmental causes in light of the Supreme Court decision. For us on Salt Spring, the salmon in our waters will continue to diminish.

As we gain new knowledge of environmental impact from population and industrial expansion, local citizens and their representatives must become informed.

Another significant trend is political action instigated by citizens groups that are directly affected in their localities.

It is an exciting and necessary expression of the democratic process that shows Big Government and Big Business where the local people stand.

The people in the Kitimat area were vocal enough to make a successful stand against oil tankers and a potential pipeline to take Alaska oil to existing lines in Alberta to subsequently be sent to the midwest states. The Americans now are considering the alternate route through the Juan de Fuca and Georgia Straits to Cherry Point, south of Vancouver, where existing pipelines will send it through to Alberta. Now the people of this region must become informed and inform their representatives in government where they stand before it is too late.

That is before there is legal approval, financial investment, etc. and before there is a potential oil spill in a busy passage to our beautiful waters.

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# There must be a way

BY FRANK RICHARDS

Sewage is good for cabbages. But who wants to grow cabbages in the middle of Ganges Harbour?

And that is how the Great Sewage Kerfuffle was born on Salt Spring Island.

Sewage problems in Ganges grew up almost parallel with the development of the pollution control administration in British Columbia.

As fast as the noxious liquids were discharging into the harbour the great government pundits were seated around their tables seeking a solution to the mass of paperwork attached to their jobs.

British Columbians are a lucky people.

Alone of all Canadians, they may bask in the warm influence of the Japanese Current which brings us Datsuns and Hondas over the Pacific Rim.

**FIRST APPEARANCE**

It was into this happy, prosperous, largely unthinking morass of coastal Canadian living that pollution first raised its oily head. One day nobody knew anything about it. The next day it was being controlled. Quick, like that.

Pollution is a catch-all. To many it means green sea. To others it is oil and water. Chemicals at large and aerial stench are pollution to those with keen awareness and strong noses. It was all new to British Columbia. After all, this province has been at it for a shorter length of time.

Ontario started on the lakes long before British Columbia was marked on Ontario maps. While British Columbians were mostly the native people, Ontario was already sucking up lake water and spewing out a mud-coloured froth. Of course, they still do.

The new provision in British Columbia to control pollution was a new idea in coastal minds. So was the pattern.

There was no suggestion of eliminating pollution. The aim was to license it.

In the past, anyone who had a few gallons of unpleasant liquid to get rid of, simply turned it into the sea or a lake or river. Now he had to have permission to do so.

**HEARING FIRST**

There had to be a public hearing before pollution was to be allowed. By this system, the government and everybody else knew that he was going to contaminate the sea or the air or the ground. And the public hearing was very effective. Every person in the area was invited to express his opinion as to whether he liked contaminated water or not.

If there were enough people who wanted pollution, then there was no argument and it could go ahead. If nobody wanted it, it went ahead anyway.

Only a government could have thought the idea out.

The new department was riding the crest of the wave. The department had to know everything but it had to tell nothing. It was the monkeys back in business with big eyes and big ears

and small, government mouth.

Because if the department decided that an applicant would not be allowed to pollute, there need be no reason offered. The application was turned down and that was that.

The department was required to take no action of any kind. It listened to the opinions of the informed and those opinions governed every subsequent action.

Like most government departments, it was negative. No opinions could be evolved within its own walls and no advice could be offered; perhaps on the grounds that it was not qualified to offer any.

**CHANGE AND CHANGE**

Governments changed and

cotton batting in order to ensure that never a sound escapes to vulgar ears.

Never ask, "Why?"

And, of course, never ask, "Why not?"

**START EAGER**

The people of Ganges, enshrouded in an atmosphere of about 90% pure fecal gases, were confounded. The permit to construct a system and discharge sewage into the harbour had been revoked, but nobody knew exactly why.

The original proposal was torn asunder and the people of Salt Spring Island looked at another and entirely new process of eliminating sewage.

The Coulthard system of permitting the solid matter to

## SAD TALE OF PLANS AND PROPOSALS FOR SEWAGE SYSTEM AT GANGES AND ITS HARBOUR

philosophies underwent great changes and the department was unchanged. Why, indeed, change it? It was the very parfit gentil knight of government, all-seeing, all-hearing and as tight-mouthed as an oyster in the red tide.

It was this perfect creation of government that came into the picture when the waters of Ganges Harbour changed colour and the air overhead started to hum.

There were too many people for the harbour. Something must be done about it.

The wise men of Ganges evolved a plan for the disposal of sewage. It was a slow birth and when the plan finally came forth it was a compromise between the ideal and the practical.

The department of pollution control looked at it closely and agreed that it should be effective.

Then a new organization in the realm of pollution control rose up and demanded a new look at Ganges and its plan for sewers. The Scientific Pollution and Environmental Control Society protested the government approval of the discharge of sewage into Ganges Harbour on the grounds that it was to be discharged too close to the shore line and that the liquid would be inadequately dealt with.

A hearing by the Pollution Control Board made a rapid about-face and the permit, once granted, was now revoked.

Among the objectors there was great rejoicing and among the supporters, there was great sadness. Among the government department there was nothing. No explanation; no suggestions; nothing.

The Perfect Government System was perfect. There is no provision under provincial law where the department can inform the applicant exactly why a permit is refused. Or, as in the case of Ganges, revoked.

The Pollution Control department makes its decisions behind closed doors of laminated

ferment and burn itself out was adopted by the community. To run parallel was a Rohrer system of treatment for the liquids.

A coal filter had been mooted, but it was abandoned by the local committee.

For hundreds of hours, the new committee sat in deliberation. They sat long enough to hatch a new plan which was so far removed from the old one that there was no possibility that a further hearing of the Pollution Control device could knock it.

This was the answer!

This was no answer!

Government circles were shattered at so sweeping a proposal.

It proved that there were three levels of government.

There were the elected members of government; the appointed members of government and the pollution control branch.

And they blew it.

The minister of municipal affairs and of housing, Hugh Curtis, had already expressed interest in the proposal. So had other ministers.

The solid civil servants had other views.

**IT DOES NOT DO THAT!**

Experiment was for other people in other places. British Columbia does not experiment!

And the reason for refusing to experiment was sound and logical. If an elected minister sponsors an experiment, he finally relinquishes office. But the bureaucrat never relinquishes office until he is hounded out by age.

Thus, the experiment is introduced by an elected official and the bureaucrat must explain it at some time in the future, particularly if it is less than 100% successful.

So, obviously, experiment is out.

The proposal to install the Coulthard system was completed in November last year. It has jumped from horrified bureaucratic desk to horrified bureaucratic desk ever since.

No final decision has been reached, but the majority of those concerned are not optimistic that the voice of bureaucracy will be silenced.

And that leaves us an interesting legacy from a proposal that was strangled by unbalanced government.

In the meantime, the Japanese have been experimenting with something of the same thing. And they are prepared to experiment and be damned to

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the bureaucrats! The Coulthard system has gained favour in Saskatchewan, where it is coming close to an experimental installation.

It all comes to one sad conclusion.

## THEY'RE OUT OF LUCK

Ganges is out of luck. British Columbia is out of luck and all the kudos goes to Japan. Which is very fair, if that land is the only one prepared to look further afield.

The future of Ganges Harbour is not only hazy, but now also the subject of evil rumours.

There are such rumours as the suggestion that the Pollution Control Board was not asking for any sweeping change and if the outfall in the original plan had been extended another 500 feet, the permit would have been re-issued.

There must be a moral to all this.

There must be some system which would work in British Columbia where a little less administrative muscle lay with the bureaucrats.

There must be some system which would work in British

Columbia where a government department established to license pollution would be required to offer advice and information.

The present system, where the pollution control branch simply vetoes a proposal, is comparable to a police force which suspends a driver's license without offering any reason.

There must be a system of sewage disposal which would eliminate the stench in Ganges on a hot day and a low tide.

Or heaven help all of us!

## Don't leave them

# How do you like them apples?

BY LILLIAN HORSDAL

Each autumn there are tons of apples wasted on this island. Some are left hanging forlornly on trees, while others lie unwanted and neglected on the ground. It is truly a shame. This is something we might all mull over in our minds during the lovely warm days of summer when so many of us enjoy the fragrant outdoors.

Years ago there was a jam factory on Salt Spring. It failed because it was found necessary to borrow money from the provincial government to meet expenses. The government called for its money which was, of course, a demand loan, and that was the end of the jam.

Why could we not have an island industry now? Apple juice, pure apple juice with none of the added muck that so many commercial products seem to delight in pouring into good food, would make an excellent, profitable and enjoyable drink.

## RESTRICTIONS

I understand we could not compete in the apple cider business since the government has not only its finger, but, I gather, its hand right up to the elbow in that pie. They would impose so many restrictions, rules and unnecessary rubbish that we would probably fold our apples like the former Arabs --

not the oil rich ones -- and quietly forget the whole business.

This, I think, is something islanders could do with islanders for islanders. Who knows, we might become as famous for our apple juice as Salt Spring butter and lamb once were. Royalty, visiting British Columbia, might expect to be served delicious, chilled apple juice from the trees of Salt Spring Island. That's the way it was earlier.

We have a press -- an apple press. We would need pickers, pressers, bottlers and, if the bottles were returned, individuals to wash and sterilize the bottles.

We could sell shares instead of begging for a government grant. There are too many grants allotted for too many projects that are rather ridiculous, don't you think? This is something we could accomplish without pleading for financial aid.

At any rate, I believe we could do it and make a success of it. There might not be any dividends the first few years but think how pleasant it would be to receive a cheque and know we had something to do with helping to make a dividend possible.

Don't you think it is worth a try? There are so many apple trees going to waste: in fact,

whole orchards! Why should we not use a natural resource for something more profitable and more beneficial than compost. I'm not sure that apples are a natural resource but they're certainly natural, plentiful and tasty.

Think about it. Talk about it. Come fall we may decide to do something about it.

## Meeting of Institute at Victoria

The Women's Institute of Pender Island held their June meeting at the home of Mrs. A.A. Grimes, a long-time member of the Pender Island Institute, now living in Victoria.

Three other members were in attendance who are also now residents of Victoria. They were Mrs. Bea Campbell, Mrs. Irene Phelps and Mrs. Audrey Jackson. Ten of the Pender Island members made the trip to Victoria and an enjoyable day was spent at Mrs. Grimes home.

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## NEW BOOKS IN SALT SPRING LIBRARY ARE LISTED BRIEFLY

The Salt Spring Island Library Association has obtained 18 new books for the Mary Hawkins Memorial Library at Ganges.

In the non-fiction category they are:

Majesty, by Robert Lacy;  
The Woodwards, by Douglas Harker;

Joyce Grenfell requests the pleasure, by Joyce Grenfell;  
The House of Tudor, by Alison Plowden;

Inventing Tomorrow, by Michael Allaby;  
Selling your Handicrafts, by W. Garrison;

Twentieth Century Journey, by William L. Shirer;

The Country Life book of the Royal Silver Jubilee;  
Sun on the Lintel, by Derek Tangye;

Sea life of the Pacific Northwest, by S. & K.G. Hewlett.

Fiction includes:

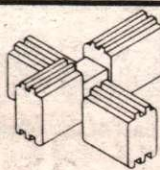
Kin-flicks, by Lisa Alther;  
The Orion Line, by Nicholas Luard;

To catch a Viper, by John Wyllie;  
Chilly scenes of winter, by Anne Beattie;

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## ZONING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons who deem themselves affected by the following proposed by-law will be afforded an opportunity to be heard on the matters contained therein at a Public Hearing to be held in the Royal Canadian Legion Hall, Hereford Avenue, Ganges, B.C., Tuesday, June 28, 1977 at 1.30 pm.

1. A by-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 66, 1970 (Salt Spring Island), being amendment By-law No. 24, 1977.

By-law No. 66 cited as "Zoning By-law Planning Area No. 3 (Salt Spring Island) 1970" is amended as follows:

"By deleting from Rural Zone and adding to the Commercial 1 Zone, Lot 5, Section 3, Range 3 East, Plan 11998, Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District."

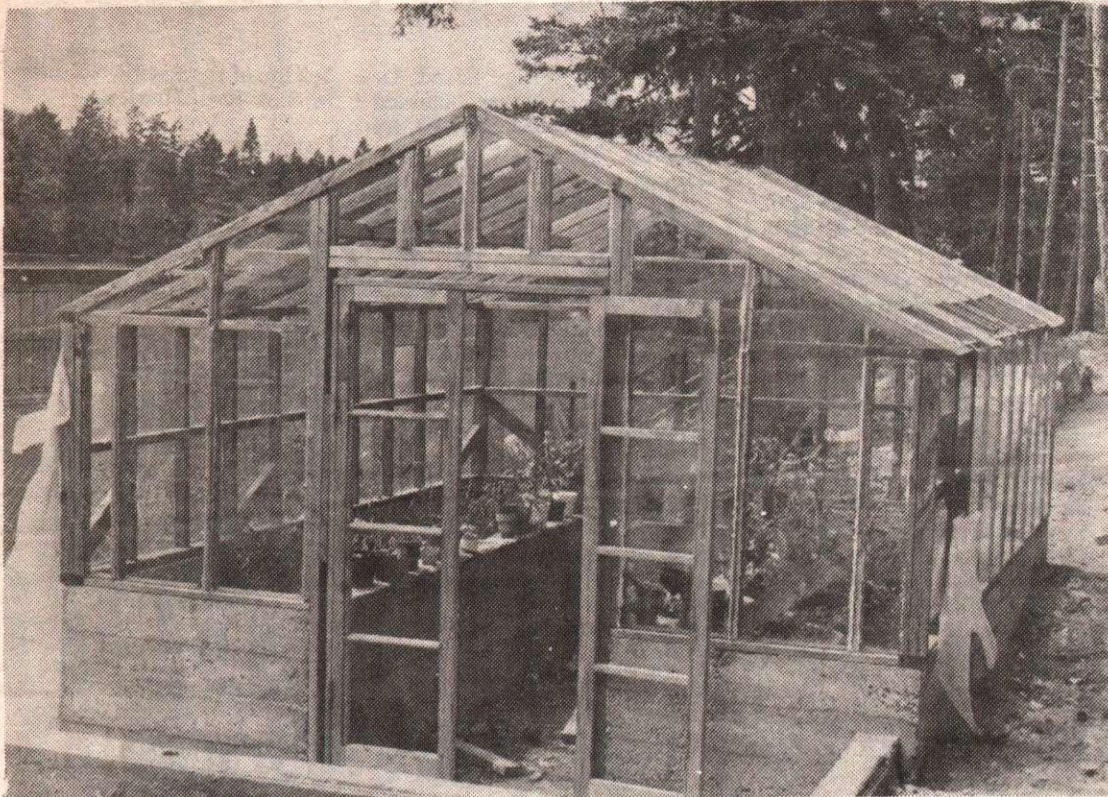
The purpose of this amendment is to convert an existing residence into a shoemaking and repairing shop.

The property is located on Lower Ganges Road near Crofton Road. Alex & Eve Mussick.

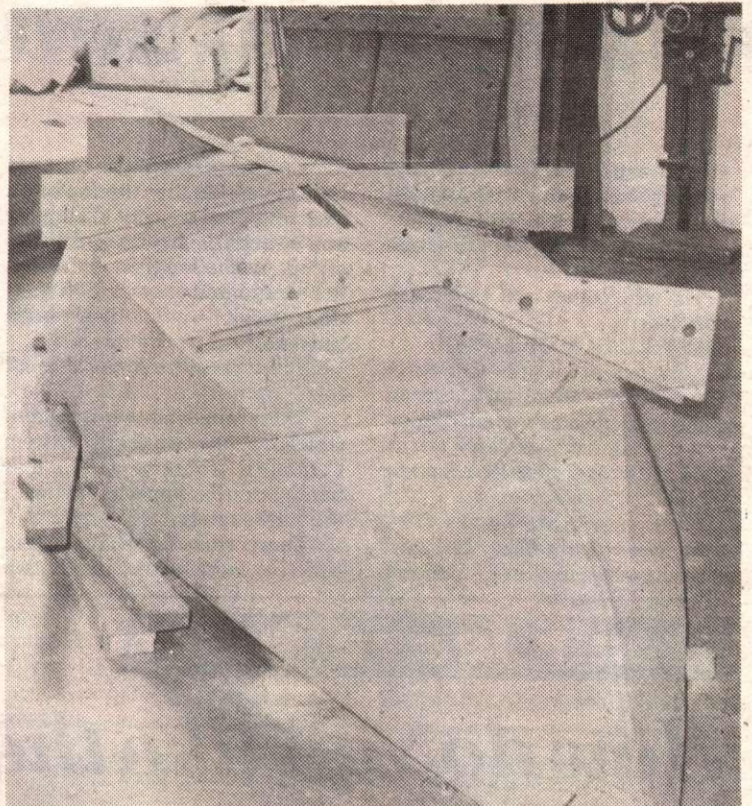
Copies of the proposed amending by-law may be reviewed at the offices of the Provincial Government Building, Building Inspection Department, Lower Ganges Road during normal working hours of 1.00 pm to 4.30 pm. The by-law may also be reviewed at the Capital Regional District Planning Department, 524 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C. during normal working hours of 8.30 am to 4.30 pm, Monday to Friday inclusive, (holidays excepted.).

D.A. Young,  
Secretary

# Some scenes from the Open House last Wednesday at Gulf Islands Secondary School



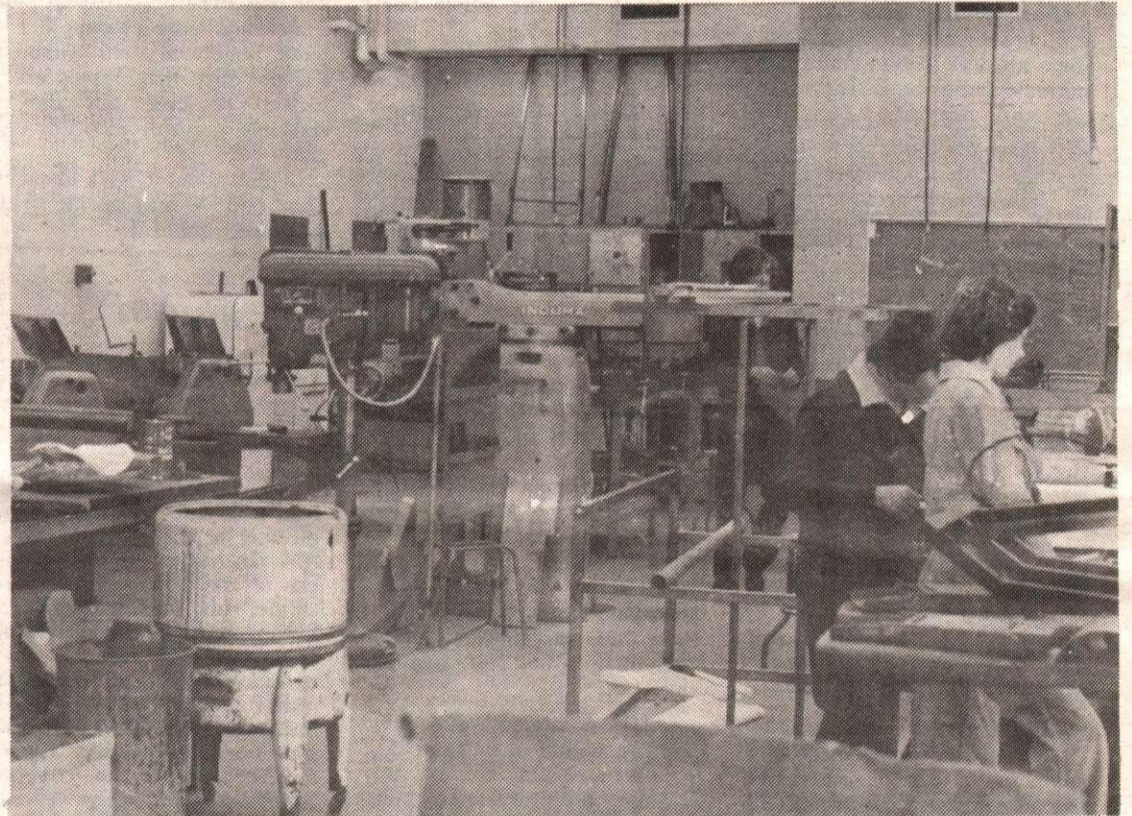
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# Harmony throughout entire performance as three bands present concert at Ganges

by BRYAN SMITH

Last Wednesday evening I wined and dined at the Activity Room. On the menu was the Gulf Islands Secondary School Concert. It was a three course affair with the Senior Concert Band, followed by the Cowichan Senior Secondary School Stage Band and for dessert we had the Gulf Island Secondary School Stage Band.

Over 300 people rose to sing O Canada and then Mr. R.D. McWhirter informed us that our local lads and lasses obtained excellent ratings at the recent Nanaimo Festival. He then bade farewell to six graduating members of the band. The applause died down and we were regaled with the opening number, "Early English Suite".

It was a good choice for the audience to appreciate and to be introduced to the individual sections within the band. The flutes and clarinets gave it that authentic touch of Olde England.

The "Theme from Mahogany" also featured the flute and clarinets and they received good backing from the other sections.

"Flute Royale" featured Michele Larson. Her artistry was exquisite. A very fine performer whose low notes were mellow and the high notes clean and clear to the ear. She is a master

(or is it mistress) of her instrument.

**VERVE AND VITALITY**

Sections from the "Wiz" was a complete change of pace and style. Played with verve and vitality it was obvious the band enjoyed this number. The beginning and ending was particularly efficient and I was most impressed with David Barnes on the drums.

I know the "1812 Overture" is a solemn piece but my vibrations told me that the band was not happy with this contrast of mood and seriousness. I also felt that "Toccata for Band" was competently played but uninspired.

However, the "Chorus Line" selection balanced the books and you could literally feel the relaxed and easy atmosphere emanating from the stage. The crisp phrasing, loads of verve from all sections and then Janice Hull emerged from her shell and gave us a fine solo spot. She has the hallmarks of becoming a great artiste.

So ended the first course.

Following the intermission we adjusted our napkins and tucked in to the delightful music of the Cowichan Stage Band, conducted by Larry Peterson, their musical director. These highly competent lads and lasses from Cowichan and Duncan opened up with a fine rendition of "Tater-Patch" and when their

attractive Kathy Binion stood up and regaled us with a great solo spot our own home band cheered her loud and long.

**WORTH THE PRICE**

Their third number, "Here's that Rainy Day", was worth the admission price alone. It was played slowly and quietly and sent shivers of pure enjoyment down my back. The blending and team work was superb. The muted trumpets and the occasional sweet tones of the electric piano all added up to a first class performance.

The came "Begin the Beguine" with Desiree Vanderwell on clarinet. Benny Goodman would have been proud of her. Backed with a fine solo spot by Steve Sjoberg and excellent band back-up, Desiree rode high and clear with the melody line.

"Free Spirit" and "The Hustle" were soft rock numbers and were a change of pace and style. Particularly outstanding were Lani Small on flute, Darrell Posehn on drums, and Doris Konn on tenor sax.

The third course featured the popular stage band of our local lads and lasses and their opening numbers were "Moonlight Serenade" and "In the Mood" a la Glen Miller. Unfortunately, the lead clarinet must have had a cracked reed and the inevitable squeak ensued but he carried on gamely and I expect his reed is

now in the garbage bin. "In the Mood" was as good as ever and I particularly liked the ensemble work of the trombones.

**FEELING AND WARMTH**

Amy Newman, of the talented Newman family, then treated us to two vocal numbers, "Feelings" and "You are the Sunshine of my Life". She gave feeling and warmth to "Feelings" and loads of sunshine and power to the second number. She has a fascinating timbre in her voice. Unlike the Christmas fiasco where she sang in the dark, she took full advantage of the spotlight with her bubbling personality. And full marks to Wilf Davis who saw to it that the orchestra did not over-ride her moments of singing.

Wilf had a few words about the lighting and I fully agreed. We all like to hear but dearly

## Island golfer to enter tournament

Jill Johnson, from the Salt Spring Island Golf Club, will be among the players teeing off at the Victoria Golf Club next week, for a five day tournament in the Victoria and Cities Tournament.

Jill, with an 11 handicap, is one of the youngest in the field of 180 ladies.

love to see as well, especially the Mums and Dads of the musicians.

It was a wonderful evening. Please charge two dollars next time and the crowd will still come. Do come again, C.S.S. S.S.B. next season. You were all terrific and I was impressed at the support and acclaim by both bands to each other. Not a discord to be heard. Just downright harmony for one and all throughout the entire musical feast.

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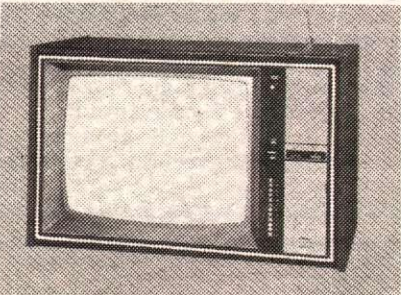
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There's nowt in verse: it does not pay  
[If you should plan to write today]  
So all I'll say is, "Tell us, please,  
Can we be sure in times like these  
That poets there can earn a mint?"

The poet's banker, that means you,  
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Again, perhaps, you'll take the hint?

- Frank G. Richards  
(He didn't take the hint)

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## What others think Wonder Boy from Alberta a tragic joke

(Vancouver Western News)

Last week's almost clean sweep by the Liberals in the Federal by-elections probably did not really surprise too many Canadians.

Most significant result of the elections generally was the message sent through loud and clear to the Progressive Conservatives -- "Get lost!"

While PC's will tell you now that they did not really expect to win any of the contests, and despite brave smiles and much pointing to the scoreboards showing that the Tories actually picked up a fair number of new votes, there has been wailing and gnashing of teeth in the Progressive Conservative back rooms during the past few days.

Whatever else, one has to give the Conservatives full marks for optimism, when they claim that they are going to take the present Government to the cleaners, come the next Federal election.

Yet optimism it is, unless it is the severest case of political wishful thinking encountered in at least half a century.

The fortunes of a political party can go up and down with all the caprice of March weather. Hopefully, for the sake of the long range health of Canada, the Progressive Conservatives will one day find that vital combination of the right issues, the right public mood and the right candidates to effect a comeback. It is not good to have a one-party government rule eternally.

Yet at the present juncture, the Tories' stock is just about at rock bottom, and few political realists would be willing to suggest that the situation is soon likely to change.

The reasons for the Progressive Conservative doldrums are several. People given to over-simplification will point to the leadership of Joe Clark. Well, the Wonder Boy from Alberta is just an incredibly tragic joke. Anyone who can lightly brush aside the alienation of men like Jack Horner and Claude Wagner are just too foolish to be taken seriously.

The real crux of the leadership fracas is that several of last year's contenders for top Tory spot were better qualified than Clark, knew it, and are still miffed with the Party for pulling what they consider was a colossal goof.

But Clark's leadership, while it is a symptom of the Tory condition, is only one of several problems, albeit one of the more readily definable ones for the Canadian public.

In many ways, the Tory Party is its own worst enemy, in that it somehow allowed itself some while back, to become dominated by pseudo-strategists, whose only discernible talent has been in the wielding of rusty knives -- almost exclusively against their own party members.

This, of course, is the main reason why the Party has failed, in at least a decade, to attract heavyweights and potential heavyweights to its ranks. Men and women of acknowledged stature simply refuse to expose themselves to the almost certain humiliation awaiting them the first time they disagree with the nitwit branch, whose members proliferated from coast to coast during the easy-going tenure of Bob Stanfield. For the Canadian Tories in the 1970's, it's "clique and pique" -- a very costly formula!

Probably the most formidable of all the hurdles barring the way of Progressive Conservatives to power at this time is a phenomenon not really much of their own making, if at all. It's the fact that the Liberal Party in Canada has, by a rather complex series of circumstances, some engineered and some accidental, wound up being at this time the instinctively recognized rallying force for the defence of something which can perhaps only be described rather vaguely as the "Canadian Mystique".

Many people across the country are disenchanted at this point with the present Federal Government's handling of the economy, the escalation of government payrolls and government spending, immigration policy, anti-inflation controls, unemployment, and others. Yet when the chips go down, disgruntled Liberals, and a good many Tories who will hate themselves but feel that they love their country more, will go to the polls and vote Liberal, to show, by the only means they think they can see available, -- a strong front.

There is, of course, a very special circumstance working to the benefit of the Liberals at this time. This is the very touchy state of affairs in Quebec, created by the ascent of Rene Levesque and his pro-separatist Parti Quebecois.

Partly, perhaps, because of his French background, plus his intimate knowledge of the personalities involved, plus, as well, his very obvious intellect which has just as obviously been galvanized into action, not many Canadians are going to believe that anyone else hanging around right now would be a better strategist than Pierre Elliott Trudeau in keeping Canada in one piece.

No doubt, any attempt to present an impartial analysis of the Canadian political scene is going to bestir some critics. One might go so far as to say that one would welcome this, if for no other reason than to be reassured that the greatest enemy of all in Canada, political apathy, is not all-prevailing.

Hopefully, a few blunt conclusions about the political reflexes of Canadian voters may arouse Progressive Conservatives initially to anger, yet followed not by the instinctive un-sheathing of rusty knives, for a change, but instead, by some honest soul-searching and realistic political planning.

The demise of the Progressive Conservative Party would be a sorry loss to Canada. Restoration of its good health is more important than the careers of the "rabbit tracks" makers who are keeping it sick!

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# ISLANDERS AT WORK

## They build log houses and barns

BY VALERIE RICHARDS

Salt Spring Island's log house builders are working hard lately. They are building the Wool Shed for Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnson of Fulford. Designer as well as builder, Garry Kaye, allows his plan to be as flexible as possible so the Johnson home is built to accommodate the Johnson family.

Garry Kaye was born on Salt Spring Island, went to school in Ganges, and left the island for ten years, only to return. While away he studied art and travelled. Six years ago, he began log house building as well as designing and two years later was joined by Michael Murray.

Michael Murray came to visit Salt Spring four years ago and decided to quit his Vancouver job with Crown Zellerbach and live on the island. Originally from Montreal, Murray came west spending seven years in the big city of B.C.

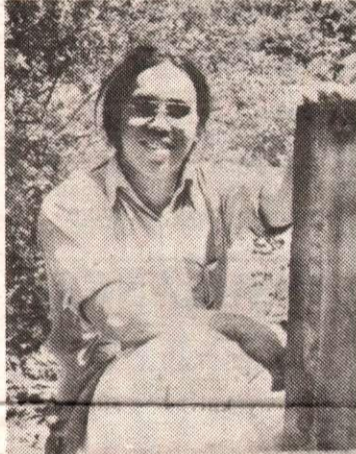
Hard workers, according to Michael Murray are crew John Pickering and Rick Nunez. Originally from Oshawa, Ontario,



Michael Murray, John Pickering and Gary Kaye take time out to pose for Driftwood photographer.

the island and began construction jobs from his experience in the east. Man of the world, Nunez enjoys island life well enough to remain an islander a little longer.

Not only do the log house builders build houses but they also build barns. Maybe a Kaye, Murray, Pickering, Nunez home stands forever.



Rick Nunez rests on the south side of the Johnson home.

John Pickering came west six years ago. He lived in Vancouver working with cablevision, but soon left to Duncan. Three years ago he came to the island and began construction work.

### HE KNOWS CANADA

Rick Nunez may not be bilingual but from Quebec to British Columbia he knows Canada. In Quebec Nunez did remodelling and his most recent job there was working right behind McGill University.

Three years ago he came to

### SALT SPRING ISLAND GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

## GOLFING

BY PAT DOHERTY

We had 17 ladies out to play in the Frattinger Cup on Tuesday, Jubilee Day. Everyone had a very happy day, especially seeing Gwen Ruckle win the Cup with her best ever score, net 62. Margaret Frattinger presented the Cup to Gwen at lunch time, congratulations Gwen!

On last Tuesday's ladies day play, Joy Tuckey and Marg Frattinger tied for first division low net, Mary Pike won the 2nd division low net. Congratulations to our 2nd team who played the return game against Cowichan here last week, and won the match with a total points score of 26½ to 21½. The Rose Bowl is now in the final round.

In the mixed two-ball on Wednesday, closest to the pin number 2 Gloria Lloyd and Bob Marshall. Low net Anne Monro and Henry Jefferies with 62½, second low net, Gwen Ruckle and Jack Noble. Fewest putts, Dolly Whorley and Alex McCauley with 15.

In inter-island play at Galiano on Saturday the final results were Salt Spring, 293, Galiano, 292½, and Pender, 278½. The final play off games in the Matson Cup seemed to have slowed down. In the final of the 1st Flight it was Bud Keech over Jack Fraser, and in the final of the second Flight Hugh Ross ambushed Henry Jefferies 7 and 6.

## An Evening of Dance

BY V.E.J.R.

Saturday evening was "An Evening of Dance" for many islanders as well as Sunday afternoon.

Robyn Onischuck's Classical Ballet School students presented a number of dances, joined by teacher Robyn. Robyn also gave a number of single performances, including a flamenco dance and a variation to the music of such contemporary artists as Barbara Streisand and Roberta Flack.

The third item on the program of An Evening of Dance, Danse de mes Petits was especially enjoyable due to the undying solemnity of two students, Megan Williamson and Sonya Hickman.

The dance, performed to the music of Chopin, filled the entire stage with blossoming ballerinas all in blue and all a little unsure. They were soon out of the limelight when the teacher and

two adult students, Karen Child and Tracy Sparling presented the first Pas de Trois.

The evening of dance included much dance but the younger crowd took little part in it but for minor pieces.

The spirit of dancer Karen Child was exuberant and the choreography of the Angelitos Negros performed by Robyn Onischuck was particularly fine.

## SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE IS HELD AT CHRISTIAN RETREAT

by BILL SAWYER

A successful conference was held on the last week end of May at the Canadian Sunday School Mission's summer camp on Pender Island with 80 in attendance. An inter-island committee chaired by Rev. John Rodine, of Mayne directed things.

Manville Bedford, of the Shantymen's, as featured speaker, enthused as he outlined the basics of the faith from an intimate knowledge of the scriptures, backed up by many years' experience as a missionary.

Joan Pauls, of Richmond, addressed an all-ladies' session, talking about the joys, satisfaction and security of a home where Christ is in the center. At the same time Manville outlined to the men some of their responsibilities as husbands and fathers.

Bill Sawyer, of Mayne, moderated a session of "sharing our faith", followed by a "practice" session and winding up with a

panel composed of Allistair McGregor of Pender, Frank Richmond of Coquitlam and Manville answering the hard questions.

A missionary film produced in Hong Kong was viewed Saturday evening and Sunday morning: the Hope Bay United Community Church was packed.

Sandy McLeod, of Salt Spring, shone as song leader. His wife Suzanne and Mary-Belle Jarman of Mayne directed the youths. Rev. Don Moë of Salt Spring thrilled with his singing.

Thanks in particular to these hard-working Penderites: Catering: Judy Neil, Thia Kwak, Bernice Hogarth, Lee - Ann Nieme, Helen Allison; registration and accommodation: Myrtle McGregor, John Kwak, Clair Hogarth and the David Davidsons at their seaside Roesland Resort Motel. Camp Director Ray Neil was the indispensable general factotum.

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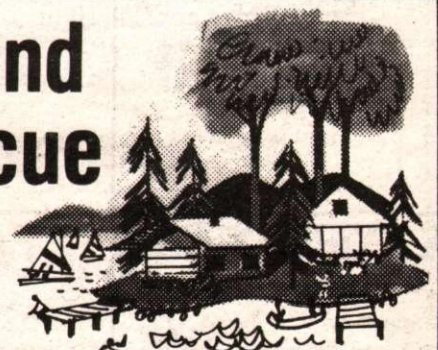
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Lucian La Flam, 20-year-old stepson of Coke LaFlam of Koksilah, is in hospital with two broken vertebrae following an accident which occurred on Sunday, May 29.

Accident occurred when the motorcycle Lucian LaFlam was driving was in collision with a pick-up truck driven by his step-mother. A passenger on the motorcycle was also hospitalized but has since been released.

On the day preceding the accident, Mrs. LaFlam's house at Koksilah was destroyed by fire.

Mrs. LaFlam is still in need

### Trail riders at North end

Salt Spring Island Riding Club members met on Sunday for a five hour trail ride.

The ride, hosted by the Pringle family was really enjoyed by all 18 riders. Well laid out trails led to a very scenic tour of the north part of the island.

The cool shade of the treed paths was a welcome break as we rode over the hills on a gorgeous sunny day, said a member of the group.

Thanks were expressed to the Pringle and Mouat families for their hospitality.

of various household items, including sheets, towels, and cooking utensils, says Mrs. Harry Williamson. Donations of these articles would be welcome she told Driftwood. They may be left at the office of Driftwood or at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williamson at Central.

### Loses buttons

Passenger in an island car lost some buttons last week when he was given a ride.

Nicholas Gait, of Fulford, left a bag of buttons in a vehicle. The buttons have a value of over \$100 as they are hand-made from animal horns.

Gait reported the loss June 11.



Old picture in the possession of Mrs. Jessie Toynbee shows Mouat's Point about 75 years ago.

The estimate of its age was not Mrs. Toynbee's. The sea appears to be as calm as a lake.

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The topic is "Tell the World about British Columbia" and the essays should be of a type that can be used in the magazine. Entrants are advised to read the publication in order to know what type of material is acceptable.

Additional prizes of up to 200 subscriptions to Beautiful British Columbia will be awarded to writers and the schools they attend.

In the grades 8, 9 and 10 class, essays are to be of 500 to 1,000 words; in the senior grades class, they are to be of 750 to 1,250 words.

Contest ends on June 30, 1977 and entries must be post-marked no later than that date. They should be sent to Essay Contest, Beautiful British Co-

lumbia Magazine, 1117 Wharf Street, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2Z2.

### Tennis tourney winners

Terry Horrocks of Fulford, Jill Johnson and Alan Best of Ganges each won 17 of their 24 games in the mixed doubles round robin tennis tournament at Portlock Park.

Thirty players participated in the Thursday evening to Sunday afternoon event.

Runners up, also in a three-way tie, were Ian Thomson, Hazel Thomson and Toby Seward - last year's singles champion.

Winners each won six new tennis balls and runners-up won three each.

### Funeral services for Mrs. Thelma Routenan at Ganges Church

Funeral services for Mrs. Thelma Maria Routenan, of Ganges, were observed at the church of Our Lady of Grace on Friday, June 10, at 1.30 pm.

Mrs. Routenan died in Lady Minto Hospital on June 5.

Rev. Fr. P.A. Bergin officiated. Interment was in the Ganges Cemetery.

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