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NATIONAL COMPETITION

Driftwood ranks third in newspaper contest

Driftwood ran third. In the Better Newspaper Contest staged by the Canadian Community Newspapers Association, Gulf Islands Driftwood was adjudged third in its class, in a nationwide competition. In Winnipeg last week Publisher Frank Richards received a

certificate from the association to mark the award. The national newspaper competitions are staged from coast to coast and each competing newspaper is judged in its own class. Driftwood is in the tabloid class whose circulation is between 2,500 and 3,999.

Third place was a tie. There were three newspapers with the same award. Placing with Driftwood were the Three Hills Capital, from Three Hills, Alberta and the Transcript and Free Press, of Glencoe, Ontario. It is the second award won by Driftwood in recent years. The

islands paper placed third in the same competition five years ago in respect of the Christmas issue. The assessment of the competing newspapers was based on the issue of June 23, selected by the association and an issue of April, 1976, chosen by the staff here.

Learning how to swim



Lois Phillips is explaining some of rudiments of swimming to one of her classes. The lessons which are being given at the pool belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Steve LaFortune, are being sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Commission on Salt Spring.

Hike in mill rate is suggested

Adjustments are made to correct errors in sewer cost summary

Regional Director George Heinekey told Driftwood last week that discrepancies in the user

charges for the proposed sewer system for Ganges had been corrected.

Mr. Heinekey said he was extremely disappointed in a letter to the editor from Phil and Yvette Valcourt that appeared in last week's Driftwood.

"Adjustments have been made in order to be fair to everybody," said the Salt Spring Island director, "and all the problems have been rectified."

Mr. Heinekey said the need for sewers was "absolutely critical" and the longer the sewer system was put off, the more it would cost.

"If any kind of sickness resulted from the situation in Ganges," he added, "it wouldn't matter where on the island you lived. It could affect everybody."

Mr. Heinekey said they were looking to the future needs of the community with the sewer plans. It is estimated that 72,000 gallons a day will be discharged over the next 10 or 15 years.

We are anticipating the maximum as far as costs are concerned, he said.

RAISE MILL RATE

He also suggested the possibility of raising the mill rate on the island so that the cost might be spread out a little more. A referendum would then be held if the sewer system gains the approval of Ganges property owners.

Heinekey went on to say that he

had had a "very positive meeting" with the assistant deputy minister of municipal affairs.

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Ganges assessments eased after appeal

Changes in the assessments of some Ganges properties have been approved by the Board of Appeal. This Board is a recourse to which property owners may turn if they are dissatisfied with their assessments.

Assessments on all but one Ganges property have gone down,

said Gary Garras of the British Columbia Assessment Authority on Tuesday.

Garras said there had been quite an inequity in the assessments.

Only the core area of Ganges is affected, he said, and the changes will affect this year's taxes as well.

Holiday delays paper

B.C. Day will be marked on Monday. The province will close down as stores and businesses will join in the provincial holiday.

Driftwood will take part in the summer break and next week's issue will appear one day late.

Tennis

Bill Smith and Peggy Stacey were the tennis champions on Salt Spring Island last week when the mixed doubles adult and junior tournaments were run off.

There were 28 players in the tournament.

Finals on Sunday saw the two winners matched against Ian Thomson and Terry Horrocks.

The winners took two sets out of three.

Forest fire at Galiano threatens wide area

— Monday operation

A forest fire on Galiano Island on Monday burned off about 1.5 hectares, or between three and four acres, on the bluff above Collinson Point, near Georgeson Bay.

Flying tankers dropped 10 loads or about 8,000 gallons, of retardant on the fire. By 3 pm Monday, the fire was brought under control.

Fire was reported at 4.30 am Monday by a boat passing through Active Pass.

British Columbia Forest Service ranger Ken Epp told Driftwood on Tuesday that the fire was believed to have been started by a cigarette.

He said there was a road along the top edge of the fire and that either a motorcycle or four-wheel-drive vehicle had been there on Sunday evening.

It is believed that whoever was there was responsible for discarding a cigarette and starting the fire.

The volunteer fire department at Galiano assisted the Forest Service in combatting the blaze. Between 25 and 30 volunteers were present.

The ground was very steep, said Mr. Epp, and it was quite a difficult fire to fight.

"It had quite a potential to

become a major fire, due to the dryness of the ground," said the ranger.

By Tuesday morning, mopping up procedures were being carried out.

Tankers fly to Pender

Flying tankers were called in on Thursday last week when a forest fire broke out on Pender Island, near Prior Park provincial campsite.

Volunteer firemen on Pender and many local residents joined in the firefighting and the blaze was extinguished without serious incident.

Alarm was sounded at 2.15 pm on Thursday and an acre and a half was burned before the blaze was under control.

The fire ran up the power lines right-of-way and cleaned out the slash.

Contract is awarded to Victoria firm

A Victoria firm, Island Asphalt Producers Ltd., has been awarded a contract to supply and deliver 73,000 tons of crushed gravel and 14,300 tons of asphalt and cold mix. It will be for use in the maintenance of roads on 11 of the Gulf Islands and Port Hardy at a bid price of \$650,980.

Work on the crushing and mixing phase of the project has started this week but delivery is expected to take the rest of the summer, the materials having to be shipped by barge to recipient islands.

Of the total tonnage, Port Hardy will receive 15,000 tons of gravel and 3,000 tons of cold mix asphalt, the remaining materials being divided in varying quantities to Salt Spring, Pender, Galiano, Mayne, Saturna, Denman, Hornby, Cortes, Quadra, Gambier and Savory Islands.

Permits up in June

The number of building permits issued during June of this year was up by three over the same month last year.

There were nine permits issued on Salt Spring Island last month, compared to eight in June, 1976. Four permits were issued on Pender; two on Galiano; six on Mayne and none on Saturna.

Last year, five permits went out to Pender, one to Galiano, four to Mayne, and again, none on Saturna.

For the calendar year to the end of June, 1977, 52 building permits have been issued on Salt Spring, 29 on Pender, 10 on Galiano, 20 on Mayne, three on Saturna and one on Piers Island.

For the calendar year up to the end of June, 1976, a total of 82 permits went out on Salt Spring, 32 on Pender, 12 on Galiano, 20 on Mayne and one on Saturna.

Figures were released by the Capital Regional District.

At Community Centre

Boys and girls clubs to be considered for Salt Spring

Some of the activities of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Victoria were outlined last Wednesday to a gathering of interested islanders at the Salt Spring Island Community Centre.

Eric Donnelly, chairman of the Community Society, Community Worker Marg Simons, Glenn Woodley, Virginia Newman and Sue Valcourt met with senior staff of the Victoria organization.

Executive director Bob Beetter, associate director John Norman and worker Shane Kennedy explained to the island group that

the clubs' programs go beyond sports and recreation, with vocational and academic training also available.

RAISING FUNDS

The Victoria association is able to raise operating funds from public and commercial grants as well as private donation, the three men explained. Young people from seven to 17 are served.

It was decided that a general discussion and meeting should be held to consider setting up an island program.

Island churches and service clubs will be represented and anyone else in the community interested in youth work is welcome to attend.

Warning

To acrobats and swingers
To athletes and bell ringers
An excess of agility
Can lead to sterility.

-John Healey

August 11 will be the date of the meeting. Discussion begins at 8 pm in the Elementary School Library.

Bus service to Valcourt's is new venture



Minibus is seen picking up passengers at the Tourist Information Centre.

Bus service at Ganges began last Saturday when Bill's Taxi commenced regular runs between Centennial Park and the Valcourt Business Centre.

The service, which is being sponsored by the Valcourt Business Centre, will be making three trips daily, except Sundays, at 11 am, 1 pm and 3 pm.

The minibus will leave the Tourist Information booth at each of those times, carrying passengers to the Valcourt Centre. A regular stop will be made at the Harbour House Hotel. The bus will return to Centennial Park after a 15-minute stopover at the Valcourt Centre.

Phil Valcourt said last week that the service will be given a six-week

trial period. If it proves successful, he said, the Chamber of Commerce will be asked to take over sponsorship of the shuttle service.

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On the Penders

Four of the Pender Island Pony Club girls, Tracy Milton, Carol Bradley, Jennifer Auchterlonie and Debbie Auchterlonie were invited to attend Victoria Saanich Pony Camp held at Saanichton Fairgrounds from July 4 to July 10. Lisa Mander was also invited and helped to instruct both Senior and Junior Camp.

Each girl was on a different team and instructed in stable management, dressage, cross-country and jumping. Unfortunately, Debbie had to return home after two days because of a case of chicken-pox.

The mothers went over to help in the kitchen which kept the camp on its feet. The people gatherings included swimming, a film and a barbecue. On the final day a special performance for the parents was given and awards given out. Jennifer received a book for merit and effort while Lisa was rewarded for her duties as an Outrider.

Mrs. H. John (Joan) Noble of South Pender Island accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. F.E.M. Bildstein of Kaslo, recently returned from a two month trip to Europe, spent touring Spain, Italy and England.

The July meeting of the Pender Post Society was held on Monday evening, July 18, at the home of the president, Mr. Ron McLardy, in Magic Lake Estates.

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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 North Pender Community Hall, North Pender Island, on Monday, August 8, 1977 at 1.30 pm.

1. A by-law to amend By-law No. 103, 1972 (Outer Gulf Islands) Zoning By-law.

By-law No. 103, cited as "Zoning By-law, Planning Area No. 4", is amended as follows:

"By deleting from the Rural 2 Zone and adding to the Rural 3 Zone, Parcel C (DD67638-1), of S.W. ¼, Section 19, North Pender Island."

The property is located at the corner of Bedwell Harbour Road and Hooson Road, North Pender Island. Canadian Sunday School Mission.

Copies of the complete by-law may be viewed at the North Pender Community Hall and also at the offices of the Capital Regional District, 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 30-2



TO BE FRANK . . .

by richards

I sat with a newspaper publisher from North Dakota one day last week. The toast was called to the Queen and I was interested in his response. He turned to me, raising his glass and said, "To your Queen!"

Bryan Smith never knew! When a cruiser was brought into the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club the other day, Manager Bryan Smith went to the wharf and explained that it was private property and not open to the use of the general boating public. The visiting yachtsman was not put out. He explained that he did not habitually sail stern-first, but that a marine failure had left him with no alternative. He had been escorted to the yacht club moorings by the RCMP launch. The obliging Londoner offered to find assistance for him. Bryan called the Harbours End Marina and Chuck Hankins was very happy to help. But, he was unable to come out and help right away. Bryan suggested to the stranger from the sea that he might continue his voyage of looking where he was coming from and sail around the point and down Ganges Harbour. The visitor still didn't fight over sovereignty and he sailed out, under his own power, backing steadily down Long Harbour. In due course the backwards boat arrived at the head of Ganges Harbour. The vessel was attended to at the marina and the skipper and his companions found sustenance at Harbour House. The manager of the yacht club moorings had a broad English accent, explained the yachtsman, and probably recognized a cricket bat more readily than a hockey stick, as he signed autographs. It is possible that Bryan Smith might have recognized him had the harbour been frozen over, but Bobby Orr went on his way and Bryan Smith enjoyed a razzing when he showed up at Harbour House Hotel.

Fire McGeer, he howled. It's high time he was left with the education portfolio and nothing else! What you got against teachers, enquired his companion.

Most times, when you see a pile of oddments reduced to clear, one quick glance tells you why.

There's worse things than finding your way around Toronto airport. Try getting a plane in a hurry when it proves that there ain't no such flight! It's like trying for the 10.15 ferry back to Fulford some night.

And the stewardess who warns you! Stow your bag properly, she urged, you're in the emergency exit.

One thing we got on Ottawa. We know Ottawa's the east; whereas Ottawa doesn't know how far west of west west really is.

Fish was nudibranch

READER IDENTIFIES ODD CREATURE

A Vancouver reader of Driftwood has volunteered some information concerning the unusual fish pictured in a recent issue of the paper.

P. MacAllister suggests that it may be a nudibranch, which is not a fish but a snail without a shell. Apparently they belong to the family of molluscs which includes clams, oysters, mussels, snails, squid and octopus.

"The name nudibranch is Latin for bare or exposed gills," writes Mrs. MacAllister. "There are several species of nudibranch, some quite plain looking and others very exotic with elaborate flaps and frills."

The writer says they live in deeper water beyond the low tide level, which is why they are seldom seen.

Heed weather warnings before going out in your small craft. Being weather-wise protects you and prevents others from risking their lives to rescue you. This is a Red Cross summer safety tip.

Activity Centre entrance

A brand new entrance leading directly into the Activity Centre Theatre at Ganges was completed this week.

There are no steps, or hallways, but a straight drive and walk way from the Mahon Hall parking lot leading to double doors behind the elementary school.

This very fine theatre, curtained off from the rest of the gym, has an unusually well-equipped stage, with superior theatrical lighting, and a full set of curtains. There are dressing rooms, even a sink for actors and stage crew to use.

The Activity Centre Theatre will be used extensively this summer with "Madness Strikes Back" opening on Wednesday, July 27 through Friday, August 12.

Active community worker mourned by 81 descendants

One of the active members of the Old Age Pensioners Organization on Salt Spring Island, Mrs. Edith Gladys Barber died in Lady Minto Hospital at Ganges on Wednesday, July 20.

Mrs. Barber was a representative of the pensioner's group on the Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission.

She was also active in the Trincomali Chapter, 93, Order of the Eastern Star and the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 92.

She leaves 81 descendants: three sons, Wallace, at Mill Bay; Albert B., at Ganges and Bernard A. in Terrace; two daughters, Mrs. J.N. (Florence) Morris, Tara, Ont.

and Mrs. J.B. (Joyce) Kennedy, Barrie, Ont.; 19 grandchildren and 57 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Monday morning, July 25, in St. George's Anglican Church, with Col. N. Bracher officiating. Cremation followed.

Flowers were declined in favour of donations to the Eastern Star Cancer Fund, Ganges.

Arrangements were by Goodman Funeral Home.

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Unity and the Loyal Toast

"The Queen!"

The loyal toast is familiar to every Canadian who has attended a formal dinner at any time. The rule is still quite general that smoking is only permissible after the toast to Her Majesty. Many diners evade the problem by calling the toast as soon as dinner starts.

Last week a gathering of newsmen in eastern Canada heard a proposal that the toast be changed. Whenever Canadians sit down to a formal dinner, it was urged, the toast should be "The Queen.....and a United Canada!"

Fall Fair is looming

It is Fall Fair time! Scarcely have the frigid winds of winter subsided than the fall is upon us.

Not every islander is aware of the approach of that season. Those islanders engaged in the preparations for the fall fairs at Mayne, Pender, Galliano and Salt Spring Islands are very well aware of the rapidly approaching season.

They are eager to warn island residents of the season. They are eager and anxious to see the products of island gardens and kitchens and hobbies.

Now is the time to prepare to take part. Every islander who can do anything should be planning to prove it....by displaying the results in the fall fair.

Give it a thought: and then act!

The need is obvious

No man with a nose on his face could challenge the need for a sanitary sewer system in the Ganges community. The stench from the harbour at low tide on a hot summer day is enough to bring out the poetry in any man.

At the present time property owners of Ganges are being invited to support a petition calling for the installation of a system to serve Ganges, from the Lady Minto Hospital to the top of Ganges Hill.

If the petition gains the support of the community, the next many months will see the necessary construction work to install such a system. If, however, the community fails to support the petition, then the future of the island is in jeopardy.

The story is a long one and the tale of the Ganges sewer project has a continuing thread running through it. The thread is that of an increasing problem with the passage of every day.

The school establishment at Ganges is large. It discharges about 5000 gallons every day to empty into the harbour after inadequate treatment and to contribute in some part to the stench in the harbour.

The Lady Minto hospital is surviving with the installation already long in use. Without an effective sewer system, the future of the hospital could be illegible in the crystal ball, hidden behind a haze of fumes.

These are the installations which affect everyone around the islands and not simply the Ganges people. Property owners are facing a serious and long-lasting decision. They are urged to give it their support, for fear of the consequences in the event of failure, if for no other reason.

Letters to the Editor

CANADA WORKS PROGRAM

Sir:
I would like to take this opportunity to let Driftwood readers know about the federal government's Canada Works Program.

"Canada Works is the largest single element of the federal government's employment strategy," said Bud Cullen, Minister of Manpower and Immigration.

It is administered by the Job Creation Branch of the Department of Manpower and Immigration and is a year-round program designed to counter regional, cyclical, and seasonal unemployment.

Applications for the Canada Works Program will be accepted twice a year, in February and in August. The spring phase in 1977 created over 3,000 jobs in British

Columbia with an allocation of 14.3 million dollars.

Any established organization is eligible as a sponsor: - this includes community associations, service clubs, businesses, and so on. Canada Works projects must be non-profit in nature and cannot enhance the value of private property. They must create at least three full-time jobs.

The jobs created should be designed to match the qualifications of local people who are unemployed and actively seeking work, and should provide the employees with relevant training or work experience. The projects should be of community benefit, but should not create a community dependency that will cease to be responded to when funding termi-



No I am not modelling this outfit & you get that mouse out of here!

nates.

The federal government contributes \$180 per week for the manager of each project, and \$138 per week for each other project employee. In addition, there is a contribution of \$30 per work week for other costs.

The next deadline for applications for the Canada Works Program is August 26, 1977.

If any group or individual is interested in hearing more about the program, I will be at the Salt Spring Island Community Centre at 10.15 am on August 4. Alternatively, I may be contacted in Victoria at 388-3174. I would very much like to discuss any ideas for prospective Canada Works projects.

Susan J. Lyons
Project Officer
Job Creation Branch
#201 - 45 Bastion Square
Victoria, B.C. V8W 1J1
July 20, 1977

NONSENSE, HE SAYS

Sir:
I read your editorial on the proposed rezoning of Bill Windsor's garage.

It must be understood that Mr. Marc Holmes was Regional Director at the time and fully aware and in charge of all details of that By-law, and also responsible for making recommendations on the matter to the board. He also took part in the original public hearing and was deeply involved in the preparation of the community plan.

You state that this board....."is prepared to disown all statements and commitments made by former directors in order to avoid the embarrassment of apologizing."

What nonsense! You also suggest that if the Islands Trust had the power it might reverse the board on the matter.

In answer to that may I assure you that if Mr. Holmes is prepared to say that he made a mistake on the Windsor property I would recommend the board reconsider the matter and furthermore if the Salt Spring Trust Committee is prepared to express its endorsement of such a rezoning I would most strongly recommend to the board that a Public Hearing be held.

Your ridiculous statement that "the board decided to ignore the 188 name petition" is well below your usual journalistic standard. In fact the petition was carefully studied as to the names and addresses of the petitioners and the argument in the petition was reviewed. It was concluded that there were not sufficient reasons advanced for the board to change its mind on the matter.

Yours truly
J.M. Campbell
Chairman
Capital Regional Board
July 22, 1977

BORDERS ON SLANDEROUS

Sir,
In your 'Letters to the Editor' section I find so much misinformation that I am alarmed. So much so, that it could form a new art "Shoot thy neighbor".

It borders on the slanderous. Then I can go farther afield to the

Victoria Daily Colonist and hear how dreadful we islanders seem to some people.

I ignore the big paper but cannot our own Driftwood. The tenor of both subjects is "nobody loves us" and "we are being discriminated against".

Well, at least it took me out of the area of non-involvement and ready to do battle.

There is NO discrimination between persons and properties in the sewer tax vote. The statements that some properties pay no taxes, and others pay less than some, is utter nonsense.

The sewer system is absolutely necessary for the health of every one on this island. Any thinking person should want Ganges village area to have sewers. Our school has 850 students and it is in use every day and night for 10 months of the year. Our hospital needs it; how can we build the Intermediate Care without sewers. All construction in this proposed Ganges sewer plan area must be halted if the edict of the Health Board is to be honored.

Sewers should have gone in long ago if we had all put our energies to it. This has to be our last chance at it so we should all assist the vote, not impede it.

The opposition to this vote is a selfish one and letters of wrongful information is downright malicious. Let's not see any more of the dirty linen type again.

You dissenters take another look at yourselves and realize what a wonderful place and people we have here and do something constructive instead of continually and consistently opposing everything from the day your arrive.

Thank God, most of the residents know the civic character of the established businesses and respect their honourable silence.

For my part I had expected to do business with each and all, but no more. Slanderous attacks can not be condoned by even trading with the attacker. What a sorry day it was when our island was visited

by such persecution.

In this day of anti-pollutant theory; perhaps one should go a step further and rid ourselves of hate and greed pollutants?

It is time to stand up and stop this insidious undermining of all of our human rights. Let's get this show on the road.

Juanita V. Brown
R.R. 3 Wildwood Crescent
Ganges, BC
July 24, 1977

DESPERATE SITUATION

Sir,
We the undersigned would like to protest the content and tone of the letter of Phil and Yvette Valcourt written in the last Driftwood dated July 20 re: the sewer petition now being circulated.

It is sad that Mr. and Mrs. Valcourt cannot accept the fact that alleged discrepancies have been rectified or modified at a meeting at which they were present. We are all local citizens trying to solve a desperate situation.

We sincerely need people's help, not criticism, at this particular time as it affects all residents of Salt Spring.

H.L. Timbers
Chuck Longueay
R.P. Grant
Isabel Goodman
L.G. Ramsey
S. Nelson.
July 25, 1977

MISAPPREHENSION

Sir,
Well our bunglers are at it again.

Someone totally unqualified is now in the process of reassessing for the sewers, what written guarantee does anyone have that this is what will come out in the future? Does anyone have it in writing? Even at that, the Capital Regional District has proven that when a member is no longer on the board, they do not have to correct any errors made previously.

Complain to your MLA, our minister of municipal affairs? That is also useless, he has proven in the past and the present, that he will do nothing but note and file any complaints, even when they are given with documented proofs.

Mr. Curtis, what happened to the 14 applications submitted to the Capital Regional District when you were chairman of the board? You personally wrote a letter on August 24, 1970, that these briefs had reached the planning department in time for by-law #66, however no one can find them, on this account Mr. Jim Campbell, due to more bungling in your Capital Regional District, that is the reason why Windsor did not receive his zoning at the time of by-law #66.

Out of the 188 names on the petition stating that Windsor was entitled to his zoning, most of them Heineky states that they were under the impression that he could not continue to operate his busi-
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Church Services

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 1977

ANGLICAN			
St. Mark's	Central	Holy Eucharist	11.15 am
St. George's	Ganges	Family Eucharist	9.30 am
Daily: Mon.-Fri.			
St. George's	Ganges	Morning Prayer	9.00 am
Weekly: Wednesdays			
St. George's	Ganges	Holy Communion	9.00 am
ROMAN CATHOLIC			
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	9.00 am
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	11.15 am
Saturdays	Ganges	Holy Mass	5.00 pm
Sundays	Ganges	Sunday School	10.00 am
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Community Church	539-5710	Pastor J. Rodine	7.00 pm in the school
Bible Study	Friday in the homes		7.30 pm

Down Through The Years With Driftwood

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Fabulous fishing from Tent Island to East Point, from Portlier Pass to Moresby Island, from Ganges Harbour to Sansum Narrows, the Cohoe and Spring salmon are being caught by most everyone who has tried. Limit catches are reported from all areas and a 40 pounder was caught off Lone Tree Island at Galiano. Many of the Cohoes are weighing eight pounds or more. The favourite lures are herring, Tom Macks and Hootchie-kootchies.

Terrence Layard Wolfe-Milner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Wolfe-Milner of Scott Road, received his commission as Acting Sub-Lieutenant and was awarded the Officers' Sword at the Graduation Ceremonies which took place at H.M.C.S. Venture on July 20.

Terrence, entering Fleet Air Arm of the Royal Canadian Navy, in the process for which he has spent the past two years at H.M.C.S. Venture, the Naval Training College at Esquimalt, was Chief Cadet Captain during his final year.

About 125 people enjoyed the breakfast at the Legion Hall on Sunday last, between the hours of 8.30 am and 1.30 pm. Woody Fisher, who believes in eating on time, arrived before John Sturdy had his eggs completely scrambled or Bill Jackson had flipped his first flapjack. From then on, members of the Legion and the auxiliary had a busy time keeping the supply ahead of the demand. On the whole it was a very successful affair.

During the morning five prizes were given away to holders of tickets which had been sold in advance of the breakfast. The winners were Mrs. W.S. Anderson, Mrs. Lenna Harris, A.R. Layard, C. Beech and Steve McColm.

TEN YEARS AGO

All is set for the visit of a score of Saturna Island school children to Expo 67.

Last week the Saturna Island

Community Club voted \$500 to the Centennial Committee in order to meet the cost of tickets.

In addition to the 20 children there will be six adults travelling east but they will be responsible for their own fares.

The children will live on the train for 10 days...the next best thing to having a special train.

The coach will be set on a siding at the eastern city and the Saturna travellers will sleep aboard for the three-day stay.

Trustees of the Gulf Islands School District have approved a third presentation of the thrice defeated building programs. At the same meeting the board also approved the lease-purchase of a portable classroom and industrial arts room in an effort to combat the desperate need for accommodation in the fall.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Four candidates have been named to contest the Saanich-Islands seat in the August 30 provincial general election. Each of the major parties in the province is represented.

Conservative banner is carried by Hugh Curtis, Mayor of Saanich and chairman of the Capital Regional Board.

Liberals have named Malcolm Anderson, brother of the provincial party leader and a Saanich stockbroker.

New Democrats will stand behind Eric Sherwood, air force veteran and electronics technician.

Social Credit candidate is T. Foster Isherwood, Victoria lawyer, who edged out the incumbent John Tisdalle at the nomination convention.

The Nelson Marine bathtub was the local entry in the Nanaimo Bathtub Race on Sunday, and the driver was Johnny Marcotte. The tub was sponsored by Stonecutter's Point and G.A. Middleburg's cruiser accompanied the tub during the dash across the Strait. Nelson Marine came in 81st among a field of 223 entries.

Regular meeting of the Galiano Club was held in the board room, with vice-president Jim Ripley in the chair.

September 1 is the day set for the dedication of the Enke memorial plaque on the Bluffs, and it is hoped that Dr. Stephen Enke will come from Washington, D.C. for the dedication.

Ganges Pharmacy was broken into on Thursday last week during the early hours of the morning.

It was the second time in two weeks.

Pattern was almost identical. Entry was gained by forcing a window after the door had resisted efforts of cutting through with a brace and bit.

The thieves took drugs, watches and cigarettes to the value of about \$400.

Carpenter ants suffer major defeat

Destruction of island home is averted as army of ants falls under spray attack

BY LEN CHATWIN

I was outside hoeing my vegetable garden last week when suddenly my wife yelled to me that a lady had just phoned in great distress.

Now it's not very often these days that one can spring to the aid of a lady, so off I went. She had just arrived at her cottage after some absence, only to discover a four-inch pile of sawdust on the living room floor and sawdust piled on the chesterfield.

"Carpenter ants," she screamed. She was in a real panic!

"Yes," I said, "at this rate by Christmas the house will be flat on the ground."

"Listen," she said. "Gosh, there's a whole army up there!"

The chewing noise was enough to arouse my own sense of an emergency. What to do? The ceiling of cedar tongue and groove formed the roof with no attic above.

Carpenter ants. Ah, I'll call my expert carpenter, I decided. He'll know what to do. After all, he's been building houses all his life.

FIND HOLE AND SPRAY

"Well," he said, "if there is sawdust look for a tiny hole and spray. It's a difficult problem, but maybe some spray will get through to the army."

I rushed back to the scene and got up on a chair. Sure enough, up against a beam a big black ant would come out every two or three seconds and dump a load of sawdust. And on the chesterfield side of the beam every two seconds or so two ants would come out with their loads and gracefully dump, followed quickly by two more.

With a can of Raid I sprayed with the nozzle right up to the tiny holes and then along the groove of one plank where sound of rhythmic feasting was coming from. By this time we had opened the windows and doors and escaped outside from the fumes.

Three or four minutes later we reappeared. To our surprise the living room floor was seething with a mass of 50 to 75 of the black things, writhing in agony.

Success! And the lady was shocked by my vicious approach to any who tried to escape! She later told me she had given them an appropriate burial.

The whole episode fascinated

me. Could the biologists or entomologists of the Gulf Islands or wherever please write with information on the sex life, in fact, the life cycle and habits of the carpenter ant? Perhaps the librarians could advise of some reading material on the subject.

(Ed. Note: Mr. Chatwin lives at Mayne Island)

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A Night at the Theatre - 1913



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We are grateful to Mrs. Bradley for the above photo and to Mrs. Daisy Cartwright for identification of those pictured.

This week our photo is again a fascinating one. It was taken on April 23, 1913 at Mahon Hall in Ganges. The occasion was a two day performance by the Salt Spring Island Dramatic Club. This club was in existence for about 15 years and its membership varied from 12 to 15 in number plus chorus members.

Hundreds of hours went into rehearsals for their grand events. Costumes were made by the club members and wigs were rented from Victoria. The scene painter was a retired gentleman from Maple Bay and was a professional scene painter from Drury Lane, London, England.

The stage manager was Mrs. A.J. Smith who was also the mainstay of the club for many years.

The picture was taken by Mr. John Charles Lang who had a great reputation as an amateur photographer. Mr. Lang founded the Salt Spring water works.

On various occasions the club would perform in such communities as Duncan and Sidney.

The Dramatic Club boasted a five piece orchestra consisting of two violins, one piano, one cello and one guitar.

On stage, pictured from the left, are: Mr. Pompey Garnett, Miss Leir, Mrs. Violet Case-Morris, Mr. Vernon Case-Morris, Mr. Gilbert Wilkes, Mrs. Maggie Smith, Mrs. H.A. Robinson.

In the orchestra were Mr. Longdon, Miss Gertrude Lang, Mrs. Cam Layard and Mrs. John Halley.

Many of you will recognize faces in this photo and certainly some old Gulf Islands names.

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More history of islands police

Subsequent to a story that appeared in last week's Driftwood on the police detachment at Ganges, the Driftwood office has had

many calls from islanders offering additional information on the history of islands law enforcement. Cecilia Sampson told Driftwood

last week that one of her forebears, Henry Sampson, was the first constable on Salt Spring Island.

The appointment was made by the Executive Council of British Columbia in 1872, according to the late Eric Roberts, in his book, "Salt Spring Saga", the appointment was "12 years and several lives late".



Eva Jordan at her desk in the RCMP station at Ganges.

Pender. A 72-foot American fish packer went aground and one crew member was lost.

The PML 6, which was 45 feet in length, is now a private launch named the Dally Anne and is tied up at Ladner.

AWAY AT TIME

There is one constable who is currently at the Ganges detachment who was omitted from last week's story because he was away getting married.

Constable Ted Pomeroy is from Winnipeg and has been with the RCMP for two years. He came to Salt Spring last February; prior to that he was stationed at Courtenay.

Last May he married Carla, who works at the Gulf Island Trading Company.

Constable Pomeroy enjoys living on the island. He finds working here to be different from what he has known before, because the police are working more closely with the public.

There were a few pictures missing from last week's story and they are published here.



SEAN LYNCH

Barn dance attracts large crowd

Barn dance staged at Beaver Point Hall last Saturday drew a large crowd of hungry islanders.

Selection of food was varied and included venison, moose and rabbit. The meat was roasted over an open fire.

After the feasting and a tug of war, a dance was held featuring the local group, Bogwater.

Stump fire

Volunteer fire department at Ganges was called out to a stump fire on Cranberry Road Monday.

Fire was on property owned by Bill Hitchcock. Fire Chief Kelly Hanke said on Tuesday that it took 1,500 gallons of water to extinguish the fire.

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Don Gestlinger has just moved to the island.

Mr. Sampson came to the island in 1859 and pre-empted 200 acres of land at Fernwood.

Bert Bishop was another police officer who worked on the islands. He came long after Henry Sampson and is reported to have been here sometime before Dan Tweedhope. Bishop was associated with the police launch, Colby.

Earl Lockwood came after Dan Tweedhope and was skipper of the PML 6. The initials stood for Provincial Motor Launch.

Darryl Georgeson recalled a few instances when he assisted Lockwood on the PML 6. He was with Lockwood when they went to the scene of an accident at South



Ted Pomeroy just got married.

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Letters to the Editor

[From Page Four]

ness. Well I tell you Mr. Heinekey, that if a business cannot be expanded, then sooner or later he will be forced to close! It doesn't take much of a businessman to know that!

It is a sad state of affairs on the island, when the little businesses can no longer progress, but are being choked up by bungling bureaucrats and little one-man committees, that do not answer to anyone.

I have just come to the conclusion that our local sewer committee is a shadow, because try as I may no one owns up to the fact that they are part of the sewer committee. Or is it perhaps that after all their major errors, in such a rush to ramrod this petition through, they are now ashamed to own up?

Let's have some straight answers! After all, it is all of us who will foot the bill, or is it too much to ask?

Yvette Valcourt
Ganges
July 25, 1977

NO MORE DREAMING

Sir,
In 1976, I wrote a poem called Dream of an Island. Now, in 1977, there is no more dreaming since I bought land 'uptown.'

In between 1976 and '77, 'Home Industry' in separate building. Same time, I am told to move out; Bill Windsor is told he can stay by Mr. Heinekey.

Public Hearing, Bill Windsor:

Mr. Heinekey uses his personal feelings the same as with me.

Overriding "by power invested in him" 188 signatures, but 30 for Bill Windsor with his statement as Colonist, July 15, 1977.

Public Hearing, M. Nehl-Spriggs: completely biased. So much I could write about happening to me in one year.

Like writing and talking and phoning to the C.R.B.

Like my file of the hearing at the C.R.B. to be different from what happened in reality.

Like the tape of it not to be in existence any more.

Like the sewerage department telling me I cannot connect on to the system. In spite of Mr. Heinekey's statement "that people on the other side can connect".

Like making one neat square around me and Valcourts' lot with the sewer plan.

Like writing to Mr. Curtis since January 18, 1977, and receiving answers like this: to review the situation with my lawyer or Director Heinekey, because the C.R.D. advised him of such and such.

Or the July 21 answer, quote: "Please be assured that your comments have been noted".

No more dreaming since I bought land 'uptown'.

Margarete Nehl-Spriggs,
Island Handcraft House
Ganges, B.C.
July 25, 1977

NO COMPLAINTS

Sir:
We were surprised and disturbed to read last week's report of critical comments directed by Galiano parents to the standards of Mayne Island Junior Secondary School.

We moved to Mayne Island from Vancouver late last fall and have two daughters attending the school.

Our older daughter entered Grade 8, having completed elementary school in Kerrisdale and started Grade 8 in Point Grey High

Coffee drinkers switching

Tea prices are going up, and industry officials blame supply shortages caused largely by soaring consumption in the Arab countries and Asia.

A package of 60 orange pekoe tea bags that used to cost \$1.53 has been marked up to \$1.89.

Since February, when 60 bags sold for \$1.23, the retail price has gone up 54 per cent. And the tea leaves seem to promise more price increases to come.

School. The curriculum offered at Mayne appeared entirely similar to that of her city school, and the quality of education she received last year was as high.

The low student-teacher ratio more than compensates for any inadequacy of equipment.

We have found no cause to question the competence of the staff or the academic standards. With regard to the French course, our daughter -- and apparently other students -- completed the correspondence assignments and her report card was marked "Pass" for this subject.

The need to commute from another island is a problem, perhaps adversely affecting the students' attitude to the school, and we sympathize with the concern of parents in this connection.

We would like our daughters to be able to complete high school on their own island and would support any efforts made to enable students to do this.

As for our experience to date, we are pleased with the year of schooling our children have received on Mayne.

Douglas and Diana MacArthur
Box 37
Mayne Island, BC
July 24, 1977

MAYNE ISLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sir,
I feel compelled to write to you after reading an article in Driftwood regarding the quality of education at the Mayne Middle School.

It is a matter of record, and there is no reason at the moment why I should revise it, that this writer was opposed to the establishment of such a school on Mayne not, I may assure you, on the concept but on the inescapable shortcomings which sooner or later would become apparent to parents really concerned with giving their children the very best education.

However, there is a point that I feel must be made and that is I will in no way be a party to cultivating a philosophy that physical shortcomings brought about by questionable political decisions be laid at the doorstep of the teaching staff.

Limited facilities are what it is all about and no amount of dedication can take the place of laboratories, library and other facilities.

It is my considered opinion that all members of this school's teaching staff are of the highest academic calibre with an unusual amount of concern for their students.

In short, Mr. Editor, let us not make these fine teachers the whipping boys for something dictated by enrolment and logical funding.

Dennis A. Wood
Mayne Island, BC
July 26, 1977

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RHYTHM OF THE ISLANDS



Bogwater doesn't mean t

By Tony Richards

The name of a local band of musicians may imply that they are somewhat unwholesome or lacking in activity or interest.

But ask anyone on Salt Spring Island who has heard Bogwater

play and chances are they wouldn't agree.

The full name of the band is Og MaGog and the Bogwater Back-up Band. The word bog is Russian for God, Bruce Eason told me, and

therefore the name Bogwater is meant to imply ambrosia, or water of the gods.

Bogwater came into being last February when four Salt Spring Islanders began playing music together. Original members of the group were Dave Roland, Tom Bowler, Bruce Eason and Arno Bangert. Wendy Sinclair sang with them for a time, but she is now with another band and Sue Newman has taken her place.

Bogwater's music can best be described as a form of jazz, flavoured with rock and roll. **CLASSICAL JAZZ**

"A classical approach to country jazz," suggested Bruce Eason when asked to describe the group's style. "Or perhaps a country approach to classical jazz?" he added.

Whatever it is, it's good music to listen to and they're improving all the time.

Bruce Eason plays electric piano and writes a good deal of what the band plays. He estimated that about 50 per cent of their music is their own.

Bruce is from a musical family. His mother is Virginia Newman, another well-known island musician, who, among other things, plays the piano with the Loyal central Salt Spring Temperance and Dixieland Jazz Ensemble.

Bruce was born near Pasadena, in Southern California, and came to Salt Spring six years ago. Music has been a part of his life for a long time: he can't remember when he wasn't playing the piano.

His experience has not been confined to the piano either. He

Music of



The Bogwater Back-up

the 30 blacks and 50 whites "beat the hell out of each other".

"They were a morose bunch of guys," remembered Bruce.

ORGANS AND FLUES

Bruce has a Wurlitzer electric piano and has played the modern version of the piano for the past three or four years; before that he played electronic organ and piano.

Apart from his musical endeavours, Bruce Eason builds chimneys with Collective Industries.

Arno Bangert has been playing the drums since he was eight years old, two years after he moved to Salt Spring with his family from North Vancouver.

The first time he played with Bruce Eason was in 1972 and they've played together off and on ever since.

Arno, who also plays some



Arno Bangert has played the drums for

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Bruce Eason at the keyboard.

has also played clarinet, saxophone and French horn.

VERY FEW LESSONS

Bruce has taken very few lessons, having learned music mainly from his family. He began playing the piano, his first instrument about 20 years ago. He has also been writing music for some time and a lot of Bogwater's material was written by Bruce a few years ago.

He is pleased with some of what he has written, because he has been able to rearrange it to suit Bogwater's style.

Bruce Eason has entertained many in California, where, at the age of 15, he began playing with rock and roll bands. He can recall playing at a lot of armed forces bases during the Viet Nam War, where bands were hired to play in an attempt to boost the morale of the soldiers.

He and his band once played at Camp Pendleton, a Marines base in southern California. They played to about 80 Marines and there wasn't a woman in the place, said Bruce.

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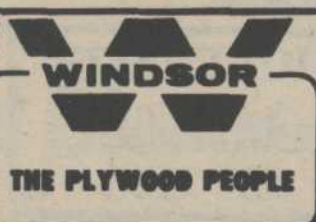
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What explains band player



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guitar, says he can appreciate all kinds of music, including classical, which is one of his favourites.

He's been involved in many musical ventures on the island and has played with a lot of local bands and musicians. But Bogwater, he feels, is the first group he's been with that's had any sort of coherence.

Arno's drums are a mongrel set, he told me, put together with a number of different makes.

Some of Arno's musical experience includes performances at the GangesCrest Restaurant a couple of years ago and some at the Harbour House Hotel for a short time.

His interests don't lie solely with music. Having graduated from Gulf Islands Secondary School this year, he hopes to attend the University of Victoria this fall, where he wants to specialize in languages. Film making has also attracted Arno Bangert's attention; he was involved in that, while at the high school in Ganges.

Tom Bowler was born and raised in Manitoba and came to Salt Spring 13 months ago.

NINE YEARS OF IT

Tom plays the guitar for Bogwater and has nine years of guitar-picking behind him. There are many styles of guitar-playing and many ways to play one, and Tom says he has tried most of them.

He has never played much in the way of jazz before, having played mostly rock and roll during the last nine years. Strings are Tom's long suit: he has also played banjo and mandolin, as well as bass guitar.

Tom has played with other bands before and at one time was with a polka band.

He feels that living on the island has widened his scope as far as music is concerned. And he feels also that his influence on Bogwater has resulted in their music becoming a little more "rocky" and that it has moved away somewhat from the jazz style they began with.

Tom also writes some of Bogwater's material.

He is currently using a guitar made by Salt Spring Islander John Akehurst.

STRICTLY VOCAL

Sue Newman, who plays some guitar and piano, is strictly a vocalist with the band.

She has been on Salt Spring for seven years, on and off, and is from Anaheim, California.

As far as music goes, Sue's background has not been limited.

Her parents are island musicians, Ray and Virginia Newman.

Sue has spent some time in Vancouver doing dancing and show work which have included musical comedy. She has also taught classical ballet and modern dance in Vancouver and has been involved with several musical groups there.

Singing with Bogwater is Sue's first experience with a band.

Bass guitarist for the group is Dave Roland, who, in his spare time, works for Gulf Islands Window Cleaners.

He's been playing the bass for three years and has been playing

seriously for two of those years.

He also plays the bull fiddle, or stand-up bass, and some slide, or Hawaiian guitar. The latter is to be expected, Dave's ancestry being Hawaiian. He was born on Salt Spring and has lived here ever since, except for one year spent in Vancouver at art school.

Dave, who has learned to play by ear, likes and plays any kind of music, although jazz is his favourite.

WHAT HE CAN AFFORD

His guitar is a Fender Precision and is amplified by whatever he can afford.

The Bogwater Back-up Band is becoming well-known on the islands and their fame is reported to be spreading.

They're a very united group according to Tom Bowler, rehearsing regularly and learning new material all the time.

The band hopes to do a tour of British Columbia this fall.

They are currently engaged in a local production called "Madness Strikes Back".



Tom Bowler, above, plays a guitar that was made on Salt Spring Island. Bass guitarist Dave Roland, pictured below, smiles confidently as he picks out a bass riff.



Sue Newman is vocalist. Must have been a dischord that made her look startled when this shot was taken.

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The ceremony was performed

by Rev. V. McEachern.

The bride was attended by Miss Coral McFadden of North Vancouver and Terry Spencer of Oyster River was best man.

A reception followed the ceremony, and toast to the bride was proposed by Capt. E. Lacy.

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New electronics repair shop offers hearing aid repair

BY TONY RICHARDS

The repair of anything connected with electronics is what Haltone Electronics Workshop has to offer

on Salt Spring Island. The new shop on McPhillips Avenue also specializes in the repair of hearing aids.



Terry Holland lays bare the workings of a hearing aid for the Driftwood photographer. It is, however, somewhat small to be seen clearly.

The new Haltone Electronics at Ganges does warranty work for all major dealers in hearing aids.

"We have an almost complete stock of hearing aid parts," said Terry last week.

"If we don't have it, we'll make it," added Udo Burger.

Part-time employee is Preston Ford, who helps Terry Holland with his side of the operation.

Terry has been repairing hearing aids on the island since he came here. And when he hasn't been doing that, he's been helping his wife run Everybody's Store.

Terry and Pat have two children: six-year-old Renee and three-year-old Ryan.

FROM WINNIPEG

Udo Burger came to the island with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gunter Burger, who operate Arbutus Court Motel at Vesuvius. They came here in 1971 from Winnipeg.

Udo has been working part-time at the Shell garage in Ganges and he is also an auxiliary RCMP officer.

He has been into electronics since he was 10 years old, he said, and studied it for two years in school. Udo has the sales and service franchise on the island for Sylvania and Fleetwood.

He can also install and service burglar alarms.

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Udo and his wife Donna, have one child, Mickey.

Vandals drain well

J.W. McAndrew, Port Washington, has reported an instance of wilful damage that left him without water.

The hose to his outside tap was cut, the nozzle was stolen and the tap was left running.

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Local and visiting musicians at Ganges church this summer

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On July 10, Mrs. Leonard Pratt of Niagara Falls, Ontario, sang "O Sacred Head, sore wounded" accompanied by Mrs. Mae George on the organ. Mrs. Pratt and her husband were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Horsdal of Reynolds Road, while visiting for a fortnight on Salt Spring Island.

On July 17 four of the Stacey family, Mike, Sheila, Joan and Tim, with their recorders, provided accompaniment for the hymns and a musical backdrop for the Outdoor Service and Picnic held at Ted Parsons' place on Scott Road.

On July 24 Mrs. Russell Vickers sang "O Rest in the Lord" accompanied by Mrs. Angela Funk on the organ. Mrs. Vickers' husband was the minister of St. Pauls Trinity United Church in Nelson for the past six years, and on August 1 takes up his duties as the new

minister of Gordon Head United Church in Victoria. For July they have been holidaying at Cedar Beach Resort which is operated by Mrs. Vickers' uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kenton.

Next Sunday, July 31, Mrs. Marlene Slingsby of Elizabeth Drive, Salt Spring, will sing two solos at the morning service accompanied by her own guitar.

Mrs. Yvonne Toynbee, well known local singer and actress, will be the featured artist on Sunday, August 7.

On August 14 Mrs. Jean Knight and her violin will make a second appearance in Ganges United Church for two solos. At her initial appearance on June 26 Mrs. Knight played several numbers on her violin, accompanied by Angela Funk.

All Sunday services in Ganges United begin at 10.30 am and are followed by a fellowship hour when the congregation may meet and thank the performing singers and musicians.

SATURNA SCENE

BY KUKLOS

First of all, best wishes to Dory Ratzlaff, second daughter of Marjorie and Walter Ratzlaff (and sister to Flo and Jeannie, of this island) on her recent marriage to Francisco Almanzar-Garcia, from the Dominican Republic. They were married at the family home in the Dominican Republic, and are now living in Toronto where Dory is studying art.

Don Cunningham flew home from Abu Dhabi, and was only here for a day when he was off to hospital in Victoria. Thanks to Dr. Chase, a long time Saturna summer resident, and Polly Howarth, Don's illness was diagnosed quickly as malaria and he was able to get the appropriate treatment in short order. He's back now, and recovering. Good health is wished too for Margaret Hobbs, who has also been in hospital in Victoria.

Fergie and Marjorie Blane are back in residence at their Lyall Harbour home. Greeted at the ferry by George and Edie Whiting, they were full of stories about their stay in Scotland, and also had Scottish news for the Alec Mitchells, who took such good care of the Blane garden.

NEW WHARF LOOMS

The Department of Public Works vessel, Essington was moored at the wharf for a few days last week. According to the engineer supervising the operation, they were test drilling in preparation for the building of a new wharf at Saturna.

It was suggested that now might be a good time to write to our M.P. and to the Ministry of Transport to ask that the floating wharf be expanded to relieve the severe congestion there.

At a meeting of the Saturna Volunteer Fire Department a motion was passed recommending that a Canada Works grant application be made for the creation of a medical room, training and recreation area above the existing fire hall.

Ronnie Golightly has arrived for the summer at her East Point place. Debbie Graham took advantage of her sister's visit to go off to town for a few days rest and recreation. The Charles Hase family with Kim has also been over.

FULL OF CHILDREN

The Valley is more full of children than ever. George and Heather Ditto with children are now at their home. Heather is a daughter of Polly and Graham

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ON AND OFF THE ISLAND

Miss Sonja Barbour of Perth, West Australia, has been visiting the L. Mollets.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Soderquist have returned to Duncan after spending the weekend with Mrs. E. Fraser.

Howarth, and niece of Jean Howarth who owned the house for many years. Marie McMahon also had her sister Ella McIntosh, and family friend, Charley Geach, as houseguests prior to the arrival of more of the family, Dave and Sandy Obade, from California. They are now resident with Darren, Drew, Davey and Deena, in the home formerly occupied by Lori and Neville Bouch.

Myrtle and Steve Maskow held a garage sale on Saturday in preparation for their departure at the end of the month for the new home in Sidney. The event made everyone realize how soon the Maskows will be leaving, and how much they will be missed.

Jack and Evelyn Saunders had daughter Kathy with them, and were sharing the excitement of the new grandchild-to-be.

Stella Coutts has Randy, Craig and granddaughter Jennifer for company.

Laura and Em Coombs have Laura's mother, Mrs. Ingham, and granddaughter Cindy with them.

In Boot Cove, Marg Fry has son Michael with Debbie and the kids, Susan and Kathy.

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Lions Exchange Program brings two from Japan

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The Lions International Exchange Program has brought two young Japanese ladies to Salt Spring Island.

Noriko Taniguchi arrived on the island almost two weeks ago and has been staying with Jim and Theresa Rooke. She will stay with

the Rooke family for three weeks before going on to Seattle where she will spend another three weeks prior to returning to Japan.

Noriko, who is 21 years old, is from Kyoto, an old city on the island of Honshu. Kyoto was the capital city of Japan 1,000 years

ago.

Noriko has been studying English literature for two years. It's a four year course that she is taking and she says it's a fairly common one in her country. Japanese students begin studying English at the age of 13. The works of Shakespeare, Milton and Dickens are dealt with in the course.

She is also taking a teaching course and says she would like to teach but that it is an occupation sought after by many.

For ten years, Noriko has been taking piano lessons, and according to Jim Rooke, she's a very accomplished pianist. Her other hobbies include flower arrangement, tennis and tea ceremony.

The latter is a centuries-old tradition of formal entertainment of guests.

This is Noriko's first visit to Canada and her stay in the United States next month will be her second. She visited some of the western states last year. She hopes to see Europe some time in the future.

Hisako Ishikawa is also spending three weeks on Salt Spring. She is staying at the home of Norman and Caroline Mouat.

She is from the city of Mizusawa but is living in Tokyo while she attends university. She has spent the last three years studying pharmacy; it's a four-year course she is taking.

Medicine is in Hisako's family. Her mother and father are both doctors, and her sister is studying to be a doctor.

Hisako's pastimes are sports, reading and Japanese dance, which is a tradition in Japan such as the tea ceremony. It is similar to ballet and the dancers wear kimonos and hold a fan.

This is Hisako's first journey away from her own country. She likes Salt Spring Island for its spaciousness and its sparse population.

From Salt Spring, she will go to Portland, Oregon, where she will spend another three weeks before returning to Japan.



HISAKO ISHIKAWA

The race

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-R.V.M.



NORIKO TANIGUCHI

Coaching theory and winter credit courses are offered

BY VIRGINIA NEWMAN

Several times a year the Gulf Islands Continuing Education department receives news about coaching and sports skills development programs in British Columbia.

Whenever any classes are offered in or around Victoria, we will notify our readers through an article in Driftwood.

Two coaching theory courses will be offered in Victoria, one at U Vic August 8 - 14 by Dr. B. Howe (477-6911) and another at Camosun, September 20 - November 8, by Mr. E. Fougner (592-1281).

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We have just received the pamphlet from UBC detailing credit courses offered around British Columbia at various off-campus locations.

Burnaby will offer such subjects as linguistics, technical problems involved in working with wood, metals, electronics, design, etc. Campbell River will offer a course in communications media, New Westminster in Sociology and Education and teacher as a guidance person.

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After heart surgery

Death of photographer and author Rolly Ford at Salt Spring home

Rolly Ford died on Friday at his Salt Spring Island home.

Photographer, writer and lecturer, Rowland Ernest Ford started an irregular column in Driftwood, dealing with photography. His light manner of writing and his wit won him many letters of gratitude which he treasured.

Earlier in the year he started to write for a national photography journal and had been commissioned to write more at the time of his death.

Rolly Ford was known on Salt Spring Island, as well as the Outer Islands, for his instruction in photography. It was nothing new to Rolly. He had been a professional photographer all his life and for many years he lectured in photography at Capilano College in

Vancouver.

After coming to Salt Spring Island with his wife, Hazel, he instituted similar lectures under the auspices of the Adult Education program.

Mrs. Ford died in 1976 after a long and lingering illness and Rolly had considered leaving the island.

HEART SURGERY

A few weeks ago he entered a mainland hospital for heart surgery. Last week he was back on the island to regale all his friends with reports on how fit and well he felt

after his operation.

Still convalescing at home, he died suddenly. He was 67 years of age.

He is mourned by his son, Terry, Vancouver; two daughters, Mrs. G. (Jean) Jackson, in Vancouver and Mrs. R.F. (Penny) Koopman, Port Moody; four grandchildren and two brothers, Allen, Maple Ridge and Raymond, in Seattle.

There was no funeral service and cremation was arranged by Goodman Funeral Home.

Poetry of Rolly Ford



Special presentation at week end

BY PAT DESBOTTES

This Saturday at Artcraft in Mahon Hall, at Ganges, we are featuring the poetry of the late Rolly Ford, better known to the island for his photography.

Rolly used to be a professional photographer before coming to Salt Spring and has since inspired and helped many local people interested in the art. He wrote articles in photography advice as well as a course offered under the adult education program.

The poems were written for a group of photographs which he took of Vancouver Aquarium and certainly illustrate beautifully the characters you meet there. This Saturday we do not have the pictures but we do have Elma Rubright, a resident artist who will do charcoal drawings while reading the poems.

Elma came to the island three years ago, she studied art at College in the United States, but only started painting seriously since coming to Salt Spring. The island has been inspiration for many of her paintings, some of which you will see at Artcraft.

Elma is a valued member of the Salt Spring Players and has put her artistic talent to good uses, painting scenery, posters and designing the programmes for their productions.

This is a new venture for Elma, but she told me she liked Rolly's poems so much that she really



ELMA RUBRIGHT

enjoys doing the illustrations.

It is a great experience, Rolly Ford's poems and Elma Rubright's drawings so do come to the Mahon Hall on Saturday at 2 pm and again at 3 pm.

Two trips are planned by Trail and Nature Club

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club is planning a trip to Mayne Island on August 30, leaving on the early ferry from Long Harbour and returning on the last ferry. Members should call Bob Kertland at 537-5125 before August 15 if they wish to go.

Plans are also being made for members and others interested to take part in a pelagic birding trip organized by the B.C. Provincial Museum for Saturday September 10. The group will leave Bamfield Marine Station on the west coast of Vancouver Island for an eight hour open water voyage to La Perouse or Swiftsure Banks.

Further information can be obtained from Jean Holmes at 653-4285. Reservations are necessary and must be made not later than July 29. The museum is scheduling other trips on September 17 and October 1.

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New executive for Magic Lake property owners

The annual meeting of the Magic Lake Property Owners Society was held on Saturday afternoon in the Port Washington Hall, July 16. A large crowd attended.

Mr. Eric Chisholm, president, conducted the meeting and Mr. Tom Matty, secretary, read the minutes of the last annual meeting. Mrs. Bertha Matthews, treasurer, gave her report. Matters relating to the operation of the society and of Magic Lakes Estates were then discussed.

Mr. Larry Scruton will be in charge of garbage collection, the Marina supervision, cutting grass and general maintenance. Mr. Willis Moore has been looking after the Marina since its inception; it has been a mammoth job well done. The Marina grows each year and could be expanded.

The new executive was elected: president is Doug Kenyon; vice-president; Emil LeBlanc; treasurer; Bertha Matthews; secretary; Tom Matty. Directors are Joe Bilyield, Jim Sanders and Gwen Stephens.

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UNITY NEEDS EQUALITY

Coast to coast...or to the Rockies?

Canada is one. The land stretches from sea to sea. The roads, airlines, rails stretch from the east coast to the west.

Only feature of the Canadian scene which does not maintain an unbroken line from coast to coast is the populace.

The Atlantic provinces are united in their stand against the encroachments of Ottawa, even if they are constantly in dispute between themselves.

Quebec is the maverick among the eastern provinces. Committed to French, and flirting with its own brand of nationalism, rather than patriotism, Quebec calls the shots in the national identity sweepstakes. The diehards of Francopia look but briefly at neighbouring provinces, whatever language they may speak.

Ontario is to Anglophonia what Quebec is to the champion of free French speech. Ontario is Canada, says the son of Canada's largest and most prosperous province. But Canada is Quebec, retorts the daughter of the lily.

Moving away towards the west, the prairie provinces share the same concerns, live by the same economy and fear the same bogeys. If Saskatchewan enjoys an excess of wheat, Alberta will likely belch quietly. Manitoba is one with both, living by wheat and experiencing the same extremes of climate.

THEY HAVE FOUND IT

The three prairie provinces are three brothers. They, alone of the Canadian provinces, have found a meaning to the word "unity". In many negotiations, they are one, despite the wide discrepancy in representation. And, of course,

they are one in most aspects of their being: climate, produce and rural identity.

Looking down on Canada from 35,000 feet these things are very evident. The native Indians knew Canada, perhaps better than we ever will, but they were denied the objectivity of a journey miles above the highest altitude ever reached by their ancient smoke signals.

When Ontario people join their neighbours, they form a solid, firm society; well-peopled and strong in their numbers. The society they form may find itself very closely linked with a similar group in an adjacent province. Close to their neighbours and provided with easy travelling, they can bring the mass of the Canadian populace under one roof: as long as that populace doesn't stray out of earshot.

THEY GET USED TO IT

Even the Atlantic easterner or the francophone Quebecer gets used to the pattern of prairie travel, moving steadily westwards.

By the time the eastern Canadian has reached the Rockies he knows just what Canada is: a flat land of great open plains, slashed in irregular curves by great rivers, meandering, mostly, towards a distant, invisible sea.

Then they encounter the Rockies. Many are daunted and promptly turn back. The more venturesome climb the mountains, enjoy the new scenic experience and slowly descend into the unknown Pacific province of British Columbia.

British Columbia is as foreign to most Canadians as most of Canada is to British Columbians.

And when they get here, the picture is so very different. No more the rolling plains: no more the fields of wheat! No more...

Majority of Canadians have no idea of what British Columbia and British Columbians stand for. Majority of Canadians have no awareness of mile-after-mile of mountain, evergreen, water and rock for hundreds of miles. They have no knowledge of a Pacific Canada looking out over the ocean to other continents.

WHERE ARE THEY?

It is true that too many in this province have little idea of where Ottawa is to be found. But it is equally true that Ottawa is only now discovering where British Columbia lies.

As long as the Ontario Man can express indignation that British Columbia ignores him: as long as the Man of the Coast can view the east with contempt, Canada can never be one.

Unity cannot live without equality and many, many Canadians still begrudge an equal share in the national heritage to those who live in another part of this vast land, whatever language they speak.

-F.G.R.

Ditched in rhyme

Her figure trimly killed
Her pretty nose uptilted
I was the one she jilted
And like a week I wilted.

A little home we rented
My dough she quickly spented
She left me sad and bented
When like a dream she wented.

-John Healey

more about

Sewers

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"I feel fairly positive that we will get more provincial grants to help pay for the sewers, possibly from the department of education and the Regional Hospital District," said Mr. Heinekey.

It is anticipated that a grant would be made by the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Amount of the grant is estimated to be \$157,000. An annual grant may also be available under the Sewerage Facilities Assistance Act; it would amount to \$173,000 based on 1977 assessed values.

Total cost of the sewer project is estimated to be \$2,326,000.

The frontage charge has been estimated at 49 cents per front foot.

This figure will be calculated from the legal frontage of the property. The figure of 49 cents is not a final one. The final figure will be determined by the final cost of the sewer project. Once the frontage charge is set, it will remain constant for 25 years.

The user charges will be reassessed every year.

These charges will be added to the property owner's tax notice.

There will be no charge for connecting to the system but each property owner will be required to install his own line to join with the trunk line. After the system is installed, a period of one year will be allowed before hook-up has to be made.



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