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Electrical gear

Montague Wharf Contract is let to Esquimalt firm

New electrical equipment is to be installed at Montague Harbour. A Victoria firm, E.H. Emery and Esquimalt Electric Ltd., has been awarded a contract to supply and install electrical equipment at the Montague Harbour Ferry Terminal on Galiano Island.

Slow down and stop or pay!

Islanders will have to slow down.

Radar will be utilized in such areas as Vesuvius Bay Road, Ganges Hill and various other 50-kilometer speed limit zones, Constable Donald Geistlinger told the press this week.

Other concern of the Ganges Detachment, RCMP, is failure to stop completely at stop signs.

Constable Geistlinger told Driftwood that few islanders stop when signs are there to tell them to.

Firemen answer five calls during week

It's been a comparatively busy week for the Salt Spring Island Volunteer Fire Department with firemen being called out a number of times.

There were two chimney fires on Thursday of last week at the homes of Mel Coates on Hereford Avenue and T.A. Fraser on Chuanne Drive. There was no damage reported from either fire.

Damage was extensive to Ross Stacey's Volkswagen when it caught fire on Fulford-Ganges Road on Friday. A spokesman for the fire department said Monday that a backfire through the carburetor was believed to be the cause of the fire.

A grass fire near Lee's Hill on Saturday was out by the time firemen arrived and no damage was reported from another grass fire on Sunday at the home of W. Moffat on Robinson Road.

He has lost Ateki

Stuart Stevenson of Cedar View Mobile Home Park on Fulford-Ganges Road, has lost a cat.

The cat is a male Siamese with conspicuous black and tan markings. Name of the cat is Ateki, an old Bengal Indian name used by Alaska seamen. Ateki has been missing for three days and is only one-year-old.

Islander finding Ateki may contact Mr. Stevenson.

The contractor, who submitted the lowest of seven tenders for the job at a bid price of \$12,483, will begin work on the project in mid-March, with completion set for a month later.

Total cost, including engineering and materials, will be \$18,000.

The project calls for supply and installation of electrical service equipment, including a transformer, conduits, panels, street lighting, ramp and apron motors at the ferry dock; traffic signals and junction boxes.

Reporter caught

Radar car was on Salt Spring Island last week.

A number of island drivers were slowed down suddenly when driving fast.

One of the first to be given a speeding ticket was Driftwood staffer, Valerie Richards. She was stopped near Harbour House Hotel on Thursday for low flying in her car.

Mayne Fire Department offers smoke detectors

Two-thirds of all reported fires in Canada occur in the home and most of them occur when the occupants are in bed and asleep.

The report comes from the Mayne Island Fire Department.

The department has taken action to combat the danger.

Sixty-one per cent of fire during 1977 occurred in residential properties. These accounted for 85% of fire deaths in Canada.

Mayne Island Fire Department has launched a drive against fires in the home. They have adopted a program of finding the fire before it finds a victim.

Any Mayne Island resident is invited to buy a smoke detector from the fire department. To press the significance home, the department has arranged a special discount sale. Islanders buying a detector from the department will pay a little more than half price for the unit.

In a circular letter to residents, the fire department explained last week that the type of detector is governed in some degree by the nature of the fire. And until it breaks out, nobody knows what kind of fire is going to strike.

SPOTS IT AT ONCE

The smoke detector sounds the alarm as soon as there is smoke in the room. It does not fight the fire, but it will normally give enough warning of fire to enable occupants to leave the building.

Unit is priced at \$29.90, which is about \$20 below the normal retail price.

Department goes one better. If any pensioner or other islander

Music in St. George's for concert



Jean Knight, left, and Angela Funk practice for Sunday's concert in St. George's Hall at Ganges.

BY JOAN STACEY

Many people's favourite concert of last season will be repeated this Sunday, March 12 at 2 pm in St. George's church.

The programme, of course, will be different from that of last year, but Jean Knight, violin and Angela Funk, piano, will again be performing together.

Jean will be playing several compositions by Fritz Kreisler which are always audience favourites and repeating, by special request, "Romance", second movement from the Violin Concerto by Wienianski.

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Too Soon?

Herring fishery closed

The herring fishery in the Gulf Islands (Area 18) closed on Monday afternoon after a total of 1,000 tons of herring were taken by about 100 gillnets.

Last year, about 700 tons of herring were taken in this area by gillnetters.

When the fishery opened a week and a half ago, there were almost 300 boats in the Ganges area waiting for the arrival of the spawning herring. Within a week, most of the boats were gone, some to Barkley Sound and many others up to the Nanaimo and French Creek areas.

Salt Spring Island Sea Products have shipped 120 tons to Bellingham where they will be stored until the season closes. They will then be shipped back to Ganges for extracting the roe.

John Christianson, operator of the Ganges fish plant, said Tuesday that he felt the Gulf Islands area had been closed prematurely. "There are more fish in the area than there have been for many years," he said.

He estimated that only a fraction of the fish that will spawn in this area have been taken.

Petition of 438 names opposes Fernwood school

Delegation from Salt Spring Island attended on Education Minister Pat McGeer and presented

him with a petition opposing the new Fernwood School.

Petition bore 438 names, reports Gail Robertson.

The presentation was made on February 27.

The presentation follows a strong opposition to construction of the school away from the Ganges complex.

Originally concerned with the size of the activity room in the plans for the school, a parents' group subsequently expressed opposition to the construction of the school in that location.

They were shooting

Ganges RCMP Detachment received a report in the early morning of February 28 of gun shot sounds in Ganges Harbour.

Island resident phoned in a complaint at 6.45 am Tuesday morning to report the sound of gun fire.

Fishermen were found shooting at the marine life and had fired ten to 12 shots at the inland water seals and birds.

Constable Donald Geistlinger told Driftwood that it appeared to be a common annual practice among the fishermen.

Mayne weather report of snow to snow in February

Mayne Island weather report comes from Dominion weather observer, Walter Hunt-Sowrey.

FEBRUARY	1978	1977	1976
Rainfall	2.22 ins.	2.24 ins.	4.31 ins.
Snowfall	8.6 ins.	NIL	1.4 ins.
Total Precip.	3.58 ins.	2.24 ins.	4.45 ins.
Total to date	6.82 ins.	5.01 ins.	10.43 ins.
Days with Precip.	14	16	17
Total to date	38	26	38
Max. Pressure	30.03 ins.	30.15 ins.	30.12 ins.
Min. Pressure	29.06 ins.	29.30 ins.	29.38 ins.
Max. Temp.	10 deg. C.	11 C	12 deg., C.
Min. Temp.	-3 deg., C.	0 C.	-3 deg., C.
Days with Frost	9	1	7
Max. Humidity	75%	72%	64%
Min. Humidity	68%	66%	56%

February began with snow, and ended with snow. In between, it was a normal month.

Temperatures were a little on the low side, but we had quite a lot of sunshine, particularly after the first week, when we were under snow for four days, with rain following, and low temperatures, too low for rapidly melting the snow.

The snowfall on the last day began with heavy rain, but rising temperatures rapidly moved the snow.

The number of days with frost, mostly at night, was average, certainly not enough to prevent the first spring bulbs from flowering.

There is enough moisture in the land to be almost sure that early seeding will take, provided we have average sunshine through March.

Parks are biggest factor in Recreation Commission costs

Parks and playgrounds were the biggest factor in the 1977 operating costs of Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission. The financial statement was presented to last week's annual meeting of the Commission by Treasurer Spencer Marr.

Total cost of the Commission in 1977 was \$29,477. Maintenance of the parks and playgrounds accounted for better than \$4,000. Wages and other costs brought the figure up to slightly more than \$18,000.

The last referendum presented on Salt Spring Island in connection with the Commission asked for a half-mill levy to meet the costs of parks and playground maintenance.

Income from the tax levy amounted to \$25,140. Administration grant of \$300 and swimming fees

amounted to \$4,290. Interest amounted to \$480.32 and donations, \$20.

Final contribution to the coffers was \$126, representing revenue from the sale of Harcus maps. The late T.E. Harcus was chairman of the Commission for a number of years. He presented the Commission with a number of his own maps of the islands and all revenues from their sale goes to the Commission. Total revenue was \$30,356.32.

SWIMMING

Swimming cost \$6,396. The meeting warmly agreed that swimming instruction was vital in an island community.

Grants during the year were made to the following:

Old Age Pensioners, \$750; Library, \$300; Trail and Nature Club, \$100; Riding Club \$200; Girl Guides, \$150; Beaver Point Community Hall, \$100.

The Commission also allocated funds for sports and travel to Junior Soccer, \$576; Baseball, \$450; Roller Hockey, \$300; Softball, \$150; Tennis, \$300; Equipment, \$53.45.

Legion Ball March 17

Legion Ball is all set for March 17 in the Gulf Islands Secondary School auditorium.

Annual function will feature a Dixieland band and buffet supper.

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World Day of Prayer



Mrs. John Rodine is speaker at Mayne

BY ELSIE BROWN

The Annual World Day of Prayer Service was observed at St. Mary Magdalene church with a good attendance, Friday, March 3 at 2 pm.

Jean Beaumont was in charge of arrangements assisted by members of the W.A. and friends. The theme, Community Spirit in Modern Living was prepared by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada.

Foye Miles read the introductory remarks from the program followed by the hymn, Praise The Lord.

Scripture readings were read by

Doris Covey, Dora Smith, Nancy Sutton and Doreen Tamboline.

Readers were Nancy Rainsford, Isabel Geehan, Margaret Sawyer, Annie DeRousie and Edith Griffiths.

Nancy Sutton, organist, supplied the music for the hymns and accompanied Marybelle Jarman who sang a solo, entitled "How Long Has It Been?"

THEME OF SERVICE

Guest speaker, Mrs. John Rodine gave a most inspiring talk following the theme of the service.

What is meant by Community Spirit was outlined using John 3:16 as a text: reaching out to those who suffer illness, the lonely, those in

need.

Accepting people as they are, overlooking imperfections and the giving of ourselves are ways of fostering a community spirit. In serving others we serve God.

Leading in prayer were Clara James and Mabel Johnston.

Taking the offering were Ivy Slinn and Betty Klatt. "Prayer Concerns" were written by each person and we were asked to take one for remembrance in our prayers during the coming week.

Following the service refreshments were served at the Rectory and an enjoyable social hour was spent. Babs Wilson was in charge of arrangements.

Concert

[From Page One]

Angela Funk, as well as accompanying Jean will be playing two solo piano pieces, one of which will be a favourite Chopin.

Jean Knight was born in Sussex, England and began her musical education at the age of six. She won a scholarship to the Brighton School of Music at the age of eight and began her professional career as a member of the Southern Philharmonic Orchestra at the age of 14.

Two years later, she won a scholarship to the Royal College of Music in London, where she completed her A.R.C.M.

During the war Jean, as a member of ENSA, toured England and Germany entertaining the troops, factory workers and hospital patients.

Following the war, Jean has played with the B.B.C. opera orchestra and Sadler Wells and, after moving to Canada, with the Vancouver Symphony.

She was also a member of the C.B.C. radio orchestra and was one of the founder members of the Barague Strings. At present, Jean is playing with the Victoria Symphony and is teaching violin.

Angela Funk, who grew up on Salt Spring Island, began her piano studies with Mrs. Doris Crofton at the age of six and continued for 12 years. Angela then studied at the Victoria Conservatory of Music having lessons with Winifred Scott Wood.

She received diplomas for the Associateship of the Conservatory of Toronto and the Associateship of Music from the Western Board Conservatory, University of Alberta in 1974. Angela is teaching piano pupils on Salt Spring Island.

Since her recital last year Angela and Don have a new little daughter.

The proceeds for this concert will again be sent to the Save The Children Fund. A collection will be taken at the door, preceding the concert.

Suess play to be discussed at group gathering Friday

Interested Salt Spring Island residents are invited to bring original writings or selected excerpts to share at the Hudson Kimball Memorial group Friday, March 10, at 2.30 in the Community Centre.

The group is especially interested in topics concerned with the problems and solutions to our contemporary miasma, according to Mrs. Madge Kimball.

Mark Suess, playwright, of Bonacres, will be sharing songs with an ecological theme from his musical play, The Lizard Man, who at the end of the 19th century can see straight through to doomsday

sometime in the 20th.

Originally performed in New York schools as a children's play, it has been expanded into a three-act play for adults. Suess is interested in contacting people with ideas for appropriate music for his songs.

Mike Lalonde shared some of How to Settle on Earth for the U.N. Conference on Human Settlements at the last meeting and has agreed to go further into this work.

Meetings will be on alternating Fridays, starting March 10, at 2.30 and on alternating Sundays, starting March 19, at two o'clock in the Community Centre.

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TO BE FRANK . . .

by richards

It was another survey. And by the BC Ferry Corporation, at that! They gave me the usual form: what age group do I fall into and how many in my party and walking or driving and so on. Part I liked is that I was invited to report from what part of the traffic area I came and to which was I headed. I found I came from Area 32, I think, and I was heading to Area 1. I hope they found it useful.

Malcolm Robertson was a very sad man last week when he sought to do a straight trade of the all-French income tax papers Ottawa had sent him for an all-English version from the Post Office. And he ain't a keen linguist. I put it all right. I recalled for his benefit the advertisement a British journal asking for old cars. The advertiser was in Holland, but he was prepared to travel to Britain for the car of choice. Travel anywhere in England, he announced, even Scotland! You can bet he drinks schnapps!

The things I don't agree with! I don't agree with the daily newspaper that asserted that while both child pornography and censorship are evil, better stay with pornography and avoid the greater evil of censorship. I don't agree with the weekly newspaper that happily announced that the editor was warmly in favour of a book although he had never read it. I don't agree with the radio man who identifies responsible government as the administration in which the minister is responsible for his department. I don't agree with the printed opinion that Ottawa and the RCMP are comparable with Washington and Watergate. In fact, I find I don't really agree with anyone!

What's with the ferry coffee? There is a movement by the BC Ferry Corporation towards automated coffee. Press the button and out

it comes! Which is fair enough. But the coffee that comes out ain't in the same class as the brew once brewed by the ferry maidens. All it needs is a shot of Irish whiskey to make it Irish coffee. Trouble is that the corporation and the Liquor Store come under different ministries.

DOWN THE GUTTER ...with Ken Collins

Instead of my usual bowling tip of the week, this week I'm going to give you some of the things you should do to improve your bowling game:

1. Use your natural speed.
 2. Get the ball out in front of you before you release it
 3. Concentrate on each delivery
 4. Finish correctly at the foul line
 5. Roll your ball (Don't bounce or drop it)
 6. Observe the rules of etiquette.
 7. Let your arm act like a pendulum
 8. Work on a normal back swing
 9. Relax and bowl easily
 10. Use the correct angle when shooting for spares
 11. Use the same delivery each time
 12. Always follow through
 13. Work on good timing
 14. Pick up and hold the ball correctly
 15. Bend correctly at the foul line
 16. Keep your shoulders parallel to your target.
 17. Keep your left foot pointed at your target.
 18. Acquire an easy, natural style.
- Now here are the don'ts.
1. Race to the foul line
 2. Try to break the pins
 3. Be offensive to others.
 4. Be afraid to ask questions about your game.
 5. Waste time between shots.
 6. Sidearm your delivery
 7. Lunge at the foul line
 8. Get too high a backswing
 9. Finish sideways at the foul line

There was the time when you could drive to work in the morning and not see another car on the road. Now you drive to work in the morning and the only way you can do it without seeing another car is to go to work about 5 am. Even then you may meet all the guys getting home from a late party.

You even meet new dogs, first thing in the morning. On Churchill Road, there are always two mini-dogs busy on the side of the road investigating scents that have shown up since last night. And you have to wait until they have finished. No way will they give up until the job is finished.

10. Take long steps
 11. Bowl without concentrating.
 12. Vary your natural speed
 13. Blame the pins or lanes, when you bowl badly
 14. Tighten up when bowling
 15. Play the wrong angles when shooting for spares
 16. Release the ball behind the foul line
 17. Don't overturn the ball.
- Now that you know all the do's and don'ts all you have to do is do all the do's and don't do any of the don'ts, and you've got it made.
- Fathom that out if you can, Leo! Last week saw the highest triple of the current season, as Sam Cochrane came up with 338-273-308, for a 919 triple.
- This, of course, made him the male bowler of the week.
- For the ladies it was Donna Dawe with an 862 who earned this

Annual meeting of Housing Society

BY MARY HARDING
The annual meeting of the Galiano Housing Society was held at the Galiano Hall on February 25.

Reports for the past year were heard, and election of officers for the coming year was held.

President is Tony Lloyd; secretary, Mrs. Peggy Chunn; treasurer, Mrs. Maria Turpin; vice-president, Charlie Dodwell. Directors are Frances Druce, Mrs. Jessie Bellhouse, Ollie Garner, Harry Stewart and Art McKenzie.

We understand that Mr. Lloyd has a background of working with C.M.H.C., and therefore will bring some good input to the committee.


A letter of gratitude and thanks was given to Jim Duncan for his past work at the Senior Citizens complex.

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honour.
Other scores worthy of mention came from, Dan Bedford (793) Julian Valcourt (828-798-767) Ken Collins (705) Leo Tourtant (706) Jim Glenn (711) Carol Kaye (721) Jean Stevens (723).
Then the 300-games bowled came from, Madeleine Hardie (312) Donna Dawe (306) Dan Bedford (300) Frank Cunningham (305) Julian Valcourt (326) and finally it was Gardy Webster with 302.

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The Great Spy Drama

We have seen the open chapters of the Great Spy Drama in Ottawa. We all have.

State secrets were hinted at. There was the rustle of documents and the back stage whisper of police and cloaked figures ready to leap across the stage.

It has been interesting. And entertaining.

But can any Canadian who has followed the near-revelations in Parliament during the past week convince himself that it has promoted the interests of the Conservative party?

It may well have embarrassed the Trudeau government, as was obviously intended. But the Great Spy Drama has not been fought out with tooth and claw. They used boomerangs!

Fire! Fire!

Since the earliest times fire has been a constant threat to mankind. Life and possessions have been lost only because fire struck at a time when there was none to take protective action.

Auto, attic fire protection is not new. Sprinkler systems have been installed in larger buildings for many decades. Heat melts the spray nozzle and permits a flow of water on the fire.

If the fire is big and resists the spray, then the building is doomed. But if the fire is small and has not gained a great hold when the heat activates the switch mechanism, then there is no fire.

Mayne Island Fire Department, like all departments, is well aware of the contribution offered by smoke detectors. There is no smoke without fire and there are few fires without smoke. If the occupants of the household can be roused by a warning bell, they have an excellent chance of saving their lives and perhaps of saving their possessions as well.

The Mayne Island fire department is to be commended for making a point of pressing residents to use detectors and particularly for making them easily available.

Not for us!

The great national dispute over the appointment of a senior British Columbia official has now been settled. The federal government has bowed to the provincial government and the necessary regulations have been curved to meet the occasion.

The pattern does indicate a need for future caution in British Columbia appointments.

When the provincial government is seeking to fill a post in very high places in future, it could be mentioned that the situation is beyond the reach of Canadians. There would be no disappointment occasioned later.

The Americans used to employ a warning which could well be paraphrased for exclusive use of the government and perhaps other institutions in the province: "No Oakies, Canuckies or Arkies need apply."

Then we'll know!

Letters to the Editor

IN EXCELLENT SHAPE

Sir,

In recent weeks public statements by members of the official opposition convinced me that there is an orchestrated attempt to throw doubt on the true condition of the finances of the province of British Columbia.

There has been reference to the numbers of warrants issued by the present government, and there have been repeated predictions of a deficit for the fiscal year which ends this March 31.

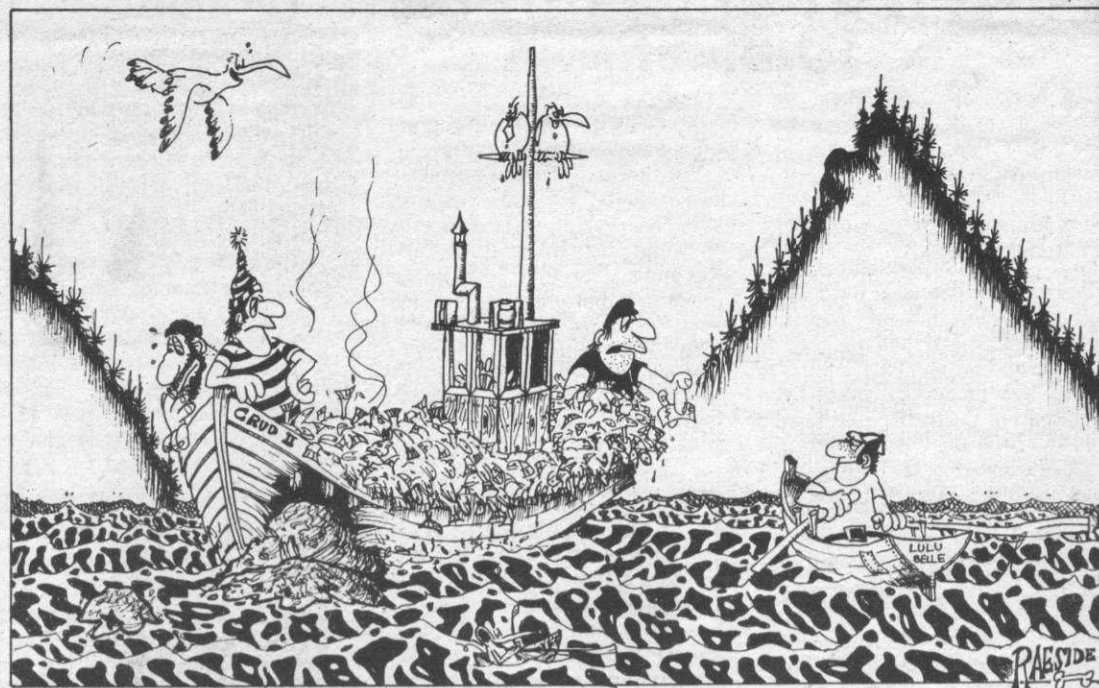
As Minister of Finance for the province, I have a duty to reassure all British Columbians that the finances of our province are in excellent shape and that the fiscal year that ends March 31 will show

a surplus.

Warrants are simply a Cabinet authorization to spend funds. Most governments use them. Warrants have only been issued by this government when there was cash available in the current year's budget. In the N.D.P. government, warrants were issued when cash was dwindling and right in the face of deficit. That's the difference; we're spending money we have while they were spending money they didn't have.

This year warrants have totalled \$167 million and the principal items are as follows:

- \$7.5 million for job training and employment opportunities programs
- \$63.0 million for additional high-



"HEY BOY, WANNA EARN A DOLLAR?"

ways programs

\$34.0 million for the new long-term health care program

\$6.0 million for agricultural rural redevelopment work under ARDA

\$800,000 for reservoir waterway improvement

\$7.8 million to cover the mess at Swan Valley Foods

\$8.5 million to transfer V.R.B. people to Human Resources

The bulk of the dollars involved in these warrants is going to provide additional services to people and for additional job creation programs. Our highways program alone spells 7,000 jobs.

The attacks launched by the opposition are mischievous and untruthful and serve to do nothing but undermine investor confidence in our government.

The opposition will be proven wrong when the accounts are tabled in the legislature. I repeat we will have surplus this year, as predicted in the third quarterly report which was made public last month.

Evan Wolfe,
 Minister of Finance,
 Victoria, B.C.
 February 24, 1978

SEWERS

Sir,

The sadness of these times, where in fact a supposedly democratic government, have at this point, in my opinion committed every offence possible against peoples democratic rights!

The irony of the whole thing is that all possible attempts to have these problems resolved within the proper official departments, right up to and including the Premier's office, but to no avail!

My friends we have been denied the rights to even appeal through the courts, by a mere decision from a few clowns from the regional board public works committee of the regional board.

Mr. J. Bryce initiated, through this committee, the order by the pollution control branch to put the sewer into phase one, simply by having a motion for the whole C.R.D. to pass a formal resolution to have the pollution control board issue the order.

Might I remind you that the petition was, in fact, for both phase one and phase 2, and did not gain approval in either phase, yet the petition in question was certified as sufficient by Mr. Dennis Young, executive director of the C.R.D. acting in this case as the clerk according to the municipal act., yet when the sufficiency of the petition was challenged, we were told by both Mr. J. Campbell and Mr. Young, at the regional board meeting of November 9, that only the courts could rescind this petition, once it had been certified! Action was taken through the courts to get an official copy of the petition and its summary.

The whole thing was checked

thoroughly, and found to be most interesting, they did not have the percentage required by law to certify it, according to their summary, and yet it had been certified.

The instruction then was given to our solicitor to file a statement of claim, but while our solicitor was discussing with the C.R.D. lawyers and some delay occurred, this is when the order was given by pollution control board.

Through the P.C.B. order, we were automatically denied the rights to appeal through the courts, as the petition was not longer an issue!

What happened to change all that? Is it perhaps that the C.R.D. upon this challenge, finally took a close look at the petition in question and developed cold feet about having to answer to the courts?

I sincerely hope that the local representatives have learned a lesson through this whole mess, and hopefully that a retraction of this order will be accomplished!

This is possibly the first time that such a challenge has been given the C.R.D. and it will not be the last, especially now that more and more people are aware of what did happen and what can happen!

It only took five and a half months for our M.L.A. Mr. Curtis to contact us, after many attempts on our part to help clear up the mess, yet when we did meet with our M.L.A. our minister of municipal affairs, it was a mere waste of time, just a formality!

Mr. Bryce at January 12 meeting with our committee, refused to see any documented evidence presented to him on the sewer issue. Why? Simply because he had already decided, after a meeting with a couple members of the hospital board, that the sewers

were going to be ramrodded down our throats, whether people wanted them or not, never mind whether they could afford them!

What a shame, I thought that our regional director was a representative of all the community, not just a very few!

Anyone wishing to see the documented evidence of any part of this letter, may feel free to do so, simply contact me at 537-5561, days, or 537-2394 eves.

This letter is my own personal letter, I am not speaking on behalf of the concerned citizens committee.

(Mrs.) Yvette Valcourt,
 Ganges,
 Feb. 26, 1978

THE END

Sir,

It has finally come to pass. A final royal decree has been handed down by the Harbour Manager, Dept. of Fisheries R.J. Stuart, effectively banning all live-aboard vessels on Salt Spring government docks. A notice in last week's Driftwood restricting the Fulford docks is the last part of a two-year plan to force people off their boats.

Except for a few hardy souls anchored in the fully exposed position behind the K & R with an empty government wharf 40 feet away, we are witness to the death of another traditional life-style.

Stephen Ball,
 Box 1001,
 Ganges, B.C.

SATURNA MEN

Sir,

If the enclosed letter re the Saturna Island Waterworks is of public interest please print it.

While I am at it there is another small matter that requires public

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Church Services

SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 1978

Church	Location	Service	Time
ANGLICAN	St. George's	Family Eucharist	9.30 am
	St. Mary's	Holy Eucharist	11.15 am
Preacher at both services Archdeacon Hilary Butler			
Daily: Mon.-Fri.	St. George's	Morning Prayer	7.15 am
	St. George's	Holy Communion	5.00 pm
Weekly: Wednesdays	St. George's	Holy Mass	9.00 am
	St. Paul's	Holy Mass	11.15 am
ROMAN CATHOLIC	Our Lady of Grace	Holy Mass	9.00 am
	St. Paul's	Holy Mass	11.15 am
UNITED	Dr. V. McEachern	Worship Service	10.30 am
	537-5817	Fellowship Hour	11.30 am
COMMUNITY GOSPEL	537-5812 (church)	An Hour of Sharing and Caring	6.30 pm
	Mr. L. Sheppard	Sun. Sch.-all ages	10.30 am
MAYNE ISLAND	537-2622 (church)	Evening Service	7.30 pm
	St. Mary Magdalene	Sundays	11.30 am
GALIANO ISLAND	Community Church	Pastor J. Rodine	539-5710
	Sunday, 3 pm in the school	Bible Study, Friday in the homes	7.30 pm
St. Margaret's	Galiano	Sundays	9.00 am

Letters to the Editor

[From Page Four]

study, besides the waterworks, ie there is a small hydro job to be done at Eastpoint, which the clearing, poles and holes could be done by local labour at one half the cost of bringing the high paid boys over from Ganges.

Far be it from me to deprive these men of a living, but Saturna men must eat also. They do their best on clams and cod but they need a little protein besides.

Just a word of warning to all those pampered people on the good life with their job security, high wages, free dentistry, short hours, and high pensions. We do not mind them riding the wagon, but when they get dictatorial and start to drag their feet, to make the pulling heavier, look out! The man with his belly close to his backbone will only stand just so much!

J.E. Money
Saturna Island
March 1, 1978

IT'S BALONEY

Sir,
After reading Tony's column last week I agree with its title, for if he writes all his articles with little or no research or attempt to verify his facts, he is indeed full of baloney.

His comments regarding the Nursery School are ungrounded and show a great ignorance of the program and the role of the parents. If Tony, himself, would take the time to be interested in his child's first group experience, and make the effort to understand the philosophies behind the program by involving himself, he would, I'm sure, have to admit his words showed complete unawareness of the facts.

A problem was present. A problem, which, because we are concerned parents, and also human, became emotional. Because we are human, we err; because we are human, communications break down.

There was a severe communication breakdown with ensuing unhappiness. Hopefully, this has been resolved and corrected.

The interested, involved and aware parents realize that we do have a valuable and worthwhile program. The basic philosophy of children growing and learning through play has not been threatened.

If parents do not want any involvement or any part in decision making with their children's education, then indeed, the Nursery School is not the place for them.

It is a co-operative, in the fullest sense, made up of parents and a paid supervisor. It is because we are concerned that we have a forum in which to air our views. The parents who do not take this opportunity, by their lack of attendance, therefore, should not have the audacity to criticize.

Without every parents' total involvement, this kind of program cannot have its ultimate fulfilment.

We learn through mistakes, and as adults, we make many of them. However, if we're conscious and willing to realize these mistakes and take positive criticism we can not help but grow and become better for them.

So Tony, come, take part in your child's program. We value you as a parent and hope that you, too, can learn, grow, and better understand by exposure and experience with your son.

I'm proud of our school. Because of this pride I want to see it continue growing in quality and effectiveness for each child. I want it to become an even better place to meet our children's individual needs, as our children are indeed, the most precious gifts which we receive.

An involved parent
M. Galbraith
Fulford Harbour
March 6, 1978

INDEXED PENSIONS?

Sir,
The following letter received from Ottawa must concern every retired Civil Servant and Pensioners - and should I add Members of Parliament.

The Honourable Jean Chretien has asked me to reply to your December 18 letter with enclosure concerning the government's pension plans.

Your comments have been noted, and I assume you are referring to the study that the government is currently conducting of the cost of public service pension indexing. Although I can understand your concern, I am sure you will appreciate that the government should conduct periodic reviews of the cost of all its programs. It is important to keep in mind that any change in the policy governing the pensions in question would have to take the form of a recommendation to Parliament, and I am sure that Parliament would consider any amendment to the present arrangements in cognizance of the government's seven years of experience with indexing.

I regret that I could not be more specific with regard to your views at this time, and appreciate your having taken the time and trouble to write.

*Yours sincerely,
Edward S. Goldenberg,
Executive Assistant.*

A letter to a favourite MP in Ottawa, expressing concern would be the most direct avenue of approach. If it concerns you; write today.

Otto Nordling
402-130 West Keith Road
North Vancouver, BC
March 6, 1978

The Mistress



The Mistress, Marilyn Taylor gazes out of the window as she thinks of her imprisoned lover. Scene is from Salt Spring Players' The Maids to be presented in Mahon Hall March 17 and 18.

Galiano

BY MARY ELLEN HARDING

There's a big smoke coming from the Galiano Rod and Gun Club these days due to clearing for a new parking lot. Hank Knudson, president, and his wife, have been working, helped by several volunteers, to get the trees cut down and burned and the land cleared for this project.

We have a new student at our school now. Nicholas Bengler will be taking the rest of the term lessons here now. He came with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bengler, all the way from Paris, France, last week, but not before having some troubles along the way. Changing planes so many times to get to Vancouver, their luggage, which usually comes through without a hitch, got lost in Toronto, and they arrived with no luggage.

As they plan to stay for a whole year it was quite a shock, but all ended well. Bob Bambrick picked it all up and delivered it to them safe and sound.

Forgive us for being so proud of our own. We just cannot help mentioning that the fifth generation of Georgesons are out herring fishing. Gordon Georgeson is among the many fishermen bringing in the silver harvest from Ganges Harbour. In the early 1900's, his forefathers were doing just that, fishing for herring.

Such a beautiful day on Sunday, and we noticed Judge J.J. Anderson out painting his mail box already, on Ellis Road.

Our sincere condolences to Prof. Lloyd Slind, on the sudden passing away of his brother.

We have to admit to our difference in the weather sometimes. We had a sudden snow-storm last week, but there was not a drop of the white stuff at north Galiano!!

Your scribe wishes to say a most sincere thank you to Mrs. Basil Bengler for her help in reporting the news which we were unable to cover.

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Rose Tea and Fashion Show is successful event

BY MRS. BASIL BENDER

On Tuesday, February 28, a Second Hand Fashion Show and Rose Tea was held in the Galiano Community Hall. The idea for this event was generated earlier in February, when three friends, Ursula, Johanna and Sandra began to plan a birthday party for Gay Taylor. Since Gay had once found a black velvet dress at the Galiano Garbage Dump, a Second-Hand Rose Fashion Show seemed an appropriate way to celebrate. From this casual beginning, the idea developed into a very successful public event.

The mood for an afternoon of enjoyment was evoked by Craig Elder singing Magical Moment to the music of his own guitar and the fiddle of Doug Medley. Further songs and music by the Brass Tacks Vocal Company, a Vancouver group, consisting of Suzanne Morgan, Holly Denny, Karen Parton, Tom Dowden and Craig Elder, showed high calibre. They demonstrated not only versatility in style and choice of material, but also skill in complex five-part harmony.

SPRING COLLECTION

A white carpet down the centre of the hall set the scene for the

showing of the Spring Collection of clothes for every occasion and age by 12 models. Zona Macdonald, in a witty take-off of haute-couture announcing, described not only the wide variety of fabrics ranging from silks, satins and velvets to rhinestone-decorated denims, but also the source of the clothes. They came from as far afield as the flea-markets of Paris and London, the Vancouver Oak Street Bridge at rush hour, to the at-hand locations of the Salt Spring Thrift Shop, the Galiano Rummage Sale or the Dump.

The entertainment closed with a tap-dance by the Tea Tarts, Gay Taylor and Sandra Slind who, dressed in black velvet, performed skilfully even though each wore only one tap shoe. Under the able direction of Georg Plange and Joan Carolan, three types of afternoon tea, English, Herbal and Japanese, were served in each appropriate style from tables decorated with crocuses, snowdrops and blossom branches.

The many Galiano people of different ages who gave their time and energy to this end-of-winter celebration were amply repaid by the enjoyment of all present.

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Kicks demonstrate their soccer skills in victory over Bruins

BY PETER MOONEN
Salt Spring Cablevision Kicks, 3;
Cordova Bay Bruins, 0

A small army of local supporters and parents witnessed last Saturday a highly entertaining and very competitive match, which featured last year's archrivals from division 6c. The Bruins, this years div. 5c champions, came to Salt Spring Island with a 16-game unbeaten streak at stake, which came to a sudden stop, after a 3-0 defeat against a regenerated Kicks team.

Right after the opening whistle, the Kicks came out flying and they penetrated the Bruins defence on several occasions to find the Bruin goalie not giving way. At first I thought it was an optical illusion, but after a little while I realized that it was really the reborn Cablevision Kicks team, who gave an incredibly fine demonstration in soccer skills and finally, desire.

It was a big delight to see the Kicks repeatedly outhustle and beat their opponents to the ball on the ground in the air. The Cablevision Kicks never slowed down their pace and they kept passing the ball like real pro's. Their persistence and hard work paid off in the second half when they scored three well-executed goals.

GOING THROUGH CENTRE

In the first half the Kicks made the mistake of going constantly through the centre, only because the wingers Kerrie Walker and Jimmy Buckley did not play their positions properly. After the Kicks were robbed again and again by the fine Bruin goaltender, Andrew Hoeller had a chance to give the Kicks the lead, but saw his penalty kick saved by the goalie.

After some strategic and sys-

tematic changes at half time, the Kicks were more fortunate with their chances in the second half. Still the Bruins had the first opportunity to open the score, especially on one occasion when a Bruin forward let fly a low hard drive, which appeared to be heading for the lower corner. But Kenny Marr was equal to his shot as he flew through the air and with his body fully extended, he tipped the ball just wide. It was a game saver and made possible the heroics of the Kicks' comeback.

That comeback did not take long, when a fine passing play between Kerrie Walker, Andrew Hoeller and Lyle Brown enabled Paul Cottrell to score easily.

PICTURE - PLAY

The second goal was another picture-play goal. A throw-in by Peter Coates landed at Timmy Buckley's feet, who instantly passed it to Andrew Hoeller. He saw his shot blocked by the goalie with help from the goalpost, but the rebound was tipped in by P...., yes, you guessed it right. Andrew's hard work finally paid off just before the end of the game when he finished off a nice set-up by Steven Marleau and Kerrie Walker.

This victory, which was never in doubt after the first goal was scored, was a nice reward for the players and all will agree the Kicks

one and all came up with a strong performance.

CAN FEEL PROUD

The boys can all feel proud of their fine effort and as long as they keep up their desire to play and with the District Cup in mind, I will also arrange more exhibition games and enter some tournaments this spring. All supporters watching the Kicks at last Saturday's performance and the performances they have displayed since Christmas must have noticed the big turn-around in the team's attitude and style.

The Kicks showed an incredible desire to win and they also exhibited their highly rated passing plays and skills, which gave them honours last year and hopefully again this year. The boys should understand that if there are 11 players, and not just five working hard the entire game and if we use the wings a little more often that the wins will come more frequently.

Team members are Kenny Marr, Roger Trory, Jimmy Buckley, Alex Neish, Peter Coates, Lyle Brown, Sean Logan, Steven Marleau, Kerrie Walker, Paul Cottrell and Andrew Hoeller. Where were the others?

A special thanks must go to the bowler, oh, pardon me, referee of the month, Ken Collins, for another fine job. Next game to be announced later this week.

Concerned citizens pose questions for Director

Concerned Citizens' Committee is still strongly opposed to the

sewer project in Ganges.

This week the committee has listed a series of questions addressed to the Capital Regional Board and to the Salt Spring Island Regional Director, Jim Bryce.

The committee urged that the Board and the Director reply through this medium in order to publicize their comments.

To the Board, the committee addresses these questions:

1. Why has the CRD refused to act on the total sewer system for 1 & 2 as requested by Petition?
2. What is the recent complete estimate for completion of sewer system for

- A. Phase one only
- B. Phase two only
- C. Total for combined system

3. Has the C.R.D. investigated alternate methods of sewer disposal for.

- A. School
- B. Hospital

If so, what is the cost of the best and least costly alternative.

4. What is the quality of effluent to be disposed of, from the CRD proposal and is it adequate to dispose of on land rather than the ocean!

And to the Regional Director:

1. Where did the Pollution Control Branch order originate, and who decided on our behalf, that this order was necessary?

2. Why was the order required if the petition was legal, with a 68.5% as repeatedly stated by Capital Regional Board?

3. What is the real area covered by this sewer plan? The overall cost? What system is suggested and who the hell will pay for it?

Tell Me

When people laugh and sing,
And daffodils appear;
When snow melts into green,
And trees stand up and cheer;
When rocky hillsides are clean,
And streams run sweet and clear;
Is this Spring?

John Healey

Some people would call it

Baloney . . . by Tony

Even Driftwood reporters, who are constantly hot on the tail of major news stories, are not beyond the laws of the land. One reporter was following up a lead last week when she fell a victim, as did a few others, to the elusive radar trap.

I say elusive because another reporter tried in vain to get a picture of the beige coloured ghost car as it lay in wait near Ganges, ready to pounce on unsuspecting islanders in a hurry. But I suspect he was going faster than any of his victims had been when he went chasing after one of them from the upper to the lower village at a speed that must have been in excess of 50 miles per hour.

It was not so very long ago that word sewer was one of the most commonly used words on Salt Spring Island, especially in the area around Ganges. But lately it has fallen into disuse; in many circles, its mention is being avoided. To some, it means misrepresentation, forgery and a denial of rights; to others, it only means a cleaner Ganges; and to many, it means nothing.

Having got this far, a large number of readers will probably throw up their arms in despair and cast their Driftwoods into the garbage. What? Two sewer stories in one issue?

But before you cancel your subscription in disgust, consider for one moment what could be done in Ganges. A whole new attitude toward sewage disposal could be brought about by the people of the island if we were to band together and get what we want from Victoria.

There was wide approval given two years ago to the Coulthard system of sewage treatment. The very fact that the discharge from such a plant could be utilized for agricultural purposes should be a good reason for a large number of islanders to support such a project. And as far as cost is concerned, our MLA was prepared to put up \$800,000 toward the installation of the Coulthard system.

What other reasons could we possibly want to give our support to such a plant? With a scaled-down sewer area, is it not a plan that

would satisfy most, if not all, of Salt Spring Island?

Divide and rule is not likely to be a strategy followed by the Capital Regional District, but let's not forget that divided as we are over the sewer issue, we will be ruled, and ruled in such a manner that could not possibly be to everyone's liking.

We are greater in numbers than that regulatory body that decides whether or not we can dump our sewage into the harbour. But the Pollution Control Board will retain its power over matters affecting us until we can get together, show some strength and demand what we want.

Let's give it a try. After all, are we not the government?

The provincial ministry of health announced last month that more than 20,000 people in B.C. had used the special V.D. telephone information service since it was initiated four months before.

I have concluded that at least half of that number must be descendants of Captain Cook's crew. Evidently, they have already begun celebrating the bi-centennial.

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Sewer order termed 'disgusting'

Public meeting to discuss sewer situation is suggested by Elder

A group of Salt Spring Islanders are considering holding a public meeting on the Ganges sewer system. The suggestion for such a meeting was made by Henry Elder last week when a number of people met to discuss the sewer situation.

The order made recently by the Pollution Control Board that the Capital Regional District proceed with the sewer project has aroused some indignation. The order was made on the request of the regional board, which board had previously decided to hold the matter of the sewer over until a challenge to the validity of the sewer petition had been dealt with. Preparations were being made by a group of Ganges property owners to file a statement of claim against the regional district on the matter of the sewer petition.

Arthur Lloyd called the regional district's move "absolutely disgusting".

"The Capital Regional District has, in effect, admitted that the

count (on the petition) was wrong," he charged.

CURTIS WAS INTERESTED

Henry Elder recalled, in brief, the efforts that have been made in recent years towards installing a sewer system in Ganges. He explained that islands MLA Hugh Curtis had been very interested in the Coulthard system, a treatment plant developed by Dr. Lionel Coulthard, of UBC. Liquids and solids are separated in the plant and fermentation of the solids takes place; the temperature becomes very high, resulting in the destruction of the undesirable elements. The finished product is innocuous and usable in the garden. It would have been an experimental system, as it has never been used in a municipal operation.

When the idea of this plant was suggested to Curtis, said Elder, he went as far as to set aside \$800,000 for its installation. Interest in the Coulthard system didn't stop there.

"There were four ministers (of the provincial government) excited about the alternate technologies possible in Ganges," he said.

But the idea was not greeted with enthusiasm by the Capital Regional District. The district's engineers disagreed with the figures arrived at by Ker, Priestman and Associates, who were consultants to the regional district at the time, and then the area to be served by the sewer system became enlarged, Elder said. This pushed the cost of the sewer system to a point well over the \$800,000 that was set aside.

Elder also said the Pollution Control Board was not favourably disposed toward the experimental system.

PERIOD OF DEADNESS

"We arrived at a period of deadness and it hinged upon the attitude of the Pollution Control Board. They made it quite clear they'd rather see the sewage go into the harbour."

Elder said there has been a

Arthur Lloyd gets little co-operation from Branch

Many islanders have commented in the past on the lack of co-operation shown by the Pollution Control Branch in its dealings with Salt Spring Island.

Arthur Lloyd, of Ganges, is in full agreement with that comment. In February he wrote to the director, W.N. Venables, about the order made by the Pollution Control Board that a sewage disposal

system be installed in Ganges.

He wrote: "Your order....included many properties that are in no way contributing to the pollution problem in the business core of Ganges. I do not understand how your board, in a period of six days, without consultation of owners, or as far as I know, examination of the areas, could properly use their authority to issue the order that you have issued."

problem of confusion between technology and politics.

Phil Valcourt told the meeting of the investigations he has done into the possibilities of installing a number of small treatment plants to serve Ganges. He claimed that tertiary treatment plants could be installed to serve the whole village at a cost of \$300,000. Similar plants are in use at various places in the province and discharges from such plants can be used for irrigation, he said.

The meeting decided to obtain some information from director Jim Bryce on what plans the regional district has with regard to the sewer system.

The period of six days that Lloyd mentions is the time it took for the Pollution Control Board to act upon the request of the regional district to make the order.

Mr. Lloyd concluded by asking why the order included such a large area of Ganges.

Mr. Venables' reply follows: "Your letter of February 14, 1978 is acknowledged.

"As my principal reason for issuing the order of January 17 was that I was requested by a duly authorized and responsible body to do so, it is respectfully suggested you direct your questions to the Capital Regional District upon whose request I acted."

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It's not a race say organizers

Car rally around Salt Spring Island on April 2 for Community Centre

Because the Car Rally organizers are being asked so many questions as to "what's it all about", here is a general idea of what you can expect on April 2 at the first Annual Salt Spring Car Rally, says Pamela Jay.

First and foremost, it will be a happy, fun-filled day.

Anyone can enter to drive around the island. By April 2 you will already have registered on the forms which will be printed in the Driftwood on March 15, and sent in with a \$2 entry fee for each vehicle entering. In return you will

receive your set of rules and other details. Meanwhile, here are the main points of the Rally.

It is not a race. The route is to be driven at, or a little below, the legal speed limit at all times.

There will be checkpoints along the route and you will find these by reading the map with its set of clues and instructions which will be handed out just before the Rally starts. You will follow the clues with the help of your navigator; each vehicle has to have a navigator.

At each checkpoint you clock in

and out with the official there and receive your pass out slip. At the end of the Rally all checkpoints, times of arrival and departure for each vehicle will be collected and computed.

There will be, at each checkpoint, penalties for early arrivals (you drove too fast) and late arrivals (you've driven too slowly) and non-arrivals (you got lost).

AVERAGE TIME

The organizers will have driven the secret route several times in different cars with different drivers in various weather conditions and will have set an average time of travel from one checkpoint to another.

Cars which come closest to this average all along the route, and have the least penalties, will be the winners, so hang on to your checkpoint pass out slips, too.

There will be surprise prizes for surprising categories. One hint for eager prize winners is: decorate your car, funnily or fancily.

Each driver must hold a current driver's license and the vehicle must have been licensed for the road.

No tractors are allowed. But anything else qualifies.

Be sure to have filled up with gas before the Rally starts - there will be gas stations open in Ganges, that morning.

Your navigator can be anyone. Some people chose a navigator for his/her compass reading abilities, map reading, or if you feel unlucky, settle for a good tire changer!

MUSIC IN THE PARK
While the winning times are being computed, we hope to have a picnic and music in the park. We start and end at Centennial Park. The first car will leave there at 10 am and the rest follow off at several minutes' intervals.

There will be free coffee and cold drinks at one of the checkpoints. But bring along your own picnic supplies. We shall provide the music if we can, and we'd like

Saturna Scene

BY KUKLOS

The Lions Club Casino Night was a success, with a good number trying out to try their luck at games of chance.

The Cultural Programme at the school is now completed, and the children are showing off their new skills, and a few, their new wheelbarrows, constructed with the help of Frank Neumann. Volunteer instructors and students, alike, report their enjoyment of the series of afternoons.

Cultural exchanges of another kind are continuing on Saturna. A Japanese freighter anchored nearby has been host on several occasions to islanders. With German officers and a crew from the Philippines, and friendliness extended on both sides, there has been much interest displayed by adults and children alike. Lloyd Smith has been very instrumental in getting everyone together.

There has been lots of coming and going lately on Saturna. Lou and Jim Money are back from a trip to Vancouver, and Bainbridge Is-

land where they spent time with long-time friends. Dick and Dorene Gaines are back from an extended holiday in Hawaii and California.

Polly and Graham Howarth also returned to island from Hawaii, bringing Mrs. Howarth home, with them. Graham was unfortunately taken ill, and rushed off to hospital. Lou Money took good care of Mrs. Howarth while Polly stayed in town with Graham.

Marjorie Ratzlaff is also in hospital in Victoria. Kathy Sheffield left hospital there, came home for a few days, and flew down to New Mexico for a stay with her parents.

Nancy Harrower, from the East Point contingent, is out of hospital after spending a long time out of commission. She hopes to spend Easter on the island.

All these friends are wished a complete recovery and a "welcome home" as soon as possible.

Terri, Andy and Kristin Siemans have had Terri's grandmother visiting from the Prairies for a while, and Marie McMahon has had her good friend, Jean Shepherd.

Evelyn and Jack Saunders were off to the Mainland for a few days to see daughter Kathy, son in law Rick Wise, and newest grandson Peter.

Monday, March 20, the regular quarterly-annual general meeting of the Community Club will be held, to elect new officers.

Saturday, March 25, the annual Saturna Women's Club bake sale, 3 pm.

Lots of home baking and handi-crafts....tea.

EASTER SERVICES
Easter, because of the ordained movement of heavenly bodies, is known as a "movable feast" whose calendar date changes from year to year. This year of 1978 welcomes the Easter-tide on Sunday, March 25.

The celebration of the Resurrection will be observed on Saturna at St. Christopher's church on that day at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Lorraine Campbell will travel by boat to Hope Bay on Pender Island to pick up Archdeacon Powell who will conduct the service.

We may see the Archdeacon once a month during the fair weather season and are looking forward to a season of regular services such as planned for this Easter.

We learn from Walter that Marjorie Ratzlaff will be confined to her bed at Royal Jubilee Hospital for a week or 10 days after recent surgery.

We also hear that the Mayne Queen hit a log and bent a propeller blade. I think I just now heard her whistle. Doesn't take her long to recover from minor cuts and bruises! Especially with rubber propeller blades!

Saturna acted as host to the B.C. Historical Association for their meeting on Sunday, Feb. 26. Full coverage of the address appears elsewhere in this issue.

Swimmers

The Salt Spring Island Community Society is offering to help organize transportation to the Panorama Leisure Centre in Saanich. Swimming, skating, a sauna and whirlpool are among the facilities offered. There is a schedule for swimming and skating on the bulletin board at the Community Centre.

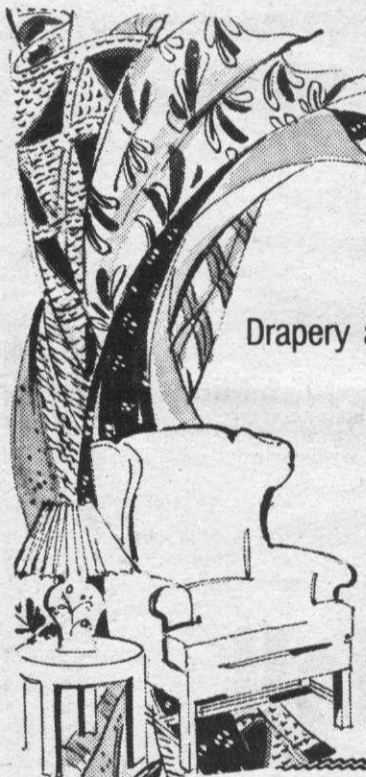
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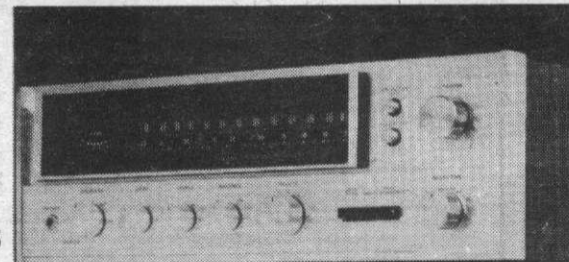


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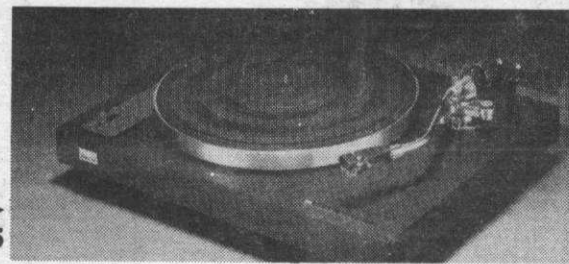


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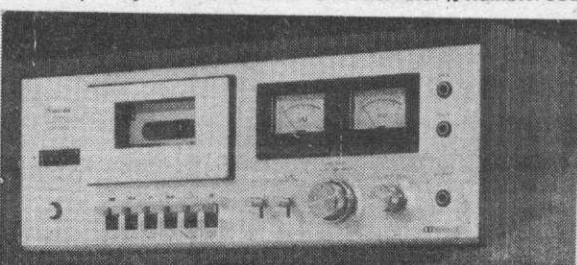
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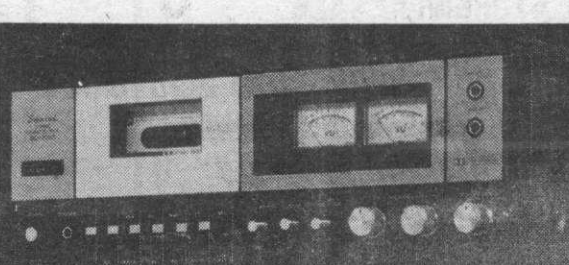
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Protection of Marine shores

COASTAL MANAGEMENT BY REGION

The Capital Regional District is almost a sea-girt community. The Gulf Islands are part of the region and matters relating to shores and beaches are of vital concern to islanders.

Many parts of the Vancouver Island section of the region are bordering on the sea and the Capital Region reports that it embraces 210 miles of sea shore.

This natural feature dominates the Capital Regional District landscape, states the newest publication from the region, Coastal Management.

A well-presented 12-page booklet outlines the different types of marine shore and the conditions and features of various materials.

"Such a setting," says the report, "provides an unsurpassed environment for living, with high aesthetic appeal and varied recreation opportunities."

The report opens with a summary of the character of the marine shores and asks "Why manage our Marine Shores?"

It goes on to outline the problems of living with the shoreline.

In the face of the Cowichan Estuary dispute, it is a timely examination of a natural region feature and may serve to avoid future conflict.

CONFLICT

"In recent years," reads the introduction, "problems have em-

erged from the conflict between the natural processes that continually shape the shore and the human activity of land development. Specific conflicts include:

the existing and proposed dredging of salt marsh habitat for marina development within Tsehum Harbour,

the building of homes on unstable bluffs at Cowichan Head, destined to slump into the sea;

the contamination of the sensitive marsh lands of Esquimalt Lagoon by septic tank effluent;

the disruption of natural material movement along the shore due to the construction of wharves and jetties, thereby causing the disappearance of scarce sandy beaches.

Potential oil spills, from the use of the Strait of Georgia and Juan de Fuca Strait by oil tankers pose yet another threat to the shore environment.

With a better understanding of

the natural processes acting on the shore and a greater appreciation for the more sensitive coastal resources, many such conflicts can be avoided."

CHANGING BEACHES

The booklet explains in some detail the manner in which beaches are constantly changing. It also emphasizes the reliance of the accretion beach, or growing shoreline on an erosion at some other point.

The natural development of the marine shore is explained at length, with copious illustrations. In conclusion, a number of recommendations are made."

That a classification be made of the various shore types in the Capital Region and their physical and biological characteristics.

That the land use demands for marine shorelines be identified.

That a regional coastal management policy be prepared, allocating shoreland uses in a manner that

will not conflict with the physical and biological characteristics of shore resources.

INCORPORATED

That local municipalities incorporate marine shore management policies in community plans.

That an administrative framework be established to facilitate the co-ordination of federal, provincial and local responsibilities over marine shorelands.

That a similar management program be developed for fresh water lakes, creeks and streams within the Capital Region.

Report is the work of the Planning Department of the Capital Regional District.

Information on Moose Peiler is sought

Legion Bulletin on Salt Spring Island this month includes reference to the late Maurice Flaner "Moose" Peiler.

Magistrate and active community figure, Peiler was a member of the Salt Spring Island branch.

Historian Stewart K. Taylor is asking for information on the next-of-kin of the veteran. Information will be gratefully accepted by George Dunaway, Legion secretary.

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The dawn of day in early Spring.
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Has hidden well its day-time blue,
But with the coming of the day
There spreads an opalescent hue.
The stars pale; the moon still lingers,

Devoid of light, remote and cold.
Soon the sun's exploring fingers
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Exercise out - of - doors

Trail and Nature Club reaches 150 members in five years reports prexy

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club was formed in 1973 and grew from some 60 members to the present 150 in the five years of its existence. Report was presented to Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission at its annual meeting last week by Jean Holmes, club president. Her report follows:

The objects of the Society are to stimulate interest in outdoor activities, natural history, and the study of flora and fauna in their natural habitats, subject to rules, regula-

tions and Code of Ethics. Thus the club is primarily recreational and educational in character.

We would like to pay tribute to the late Mr. Tom Marcus who over the years has never hesitated to help us in such things as map interpretation, trail assistance through an LIP grant and supporting us through contributions each year from the Recreation Commission.

ANNUAL DUES

One of our expenses is the yearly dues to the B.C. Federation

of Naturalists which is \$1 per person.

This Federation was formed years ago to unify all B.C. clubs. It sends us a quarterly magazine.

Briefs are sent to the Federation which deals with most current ecological problems. We have a closer relationship with the Regional Vancouver Island Naturalists who meet quarterly.

The October meeting took place on Salt Spring Island and our club was host to a luncheon at St. George's Hall. Our highest cost item is insurance of approximately 70c per person, which is so necessary in this type of club.

We expect this cost to increase in 1978. We are increasing club dues in 1978 as our bank balance is showing red.

The majority of our members are in the non-salaried, retired bracket and we would like very much to continue as now in providing recreation, exercise and an interest in the outdoors.

We hope the Recreational Commission will consider making a contribution to the Trail and Nature Club for 1978.

The executive would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your assistance in the past.

Summary of donors to Central Hall building fund

BY

MARGARET K. CUNNINGHAM

May I take this opportunity of expressing the grateful thanks of the Central Hall Committee in appreciation of the many cash donations both from off island and local residents, without which voluntary support we could not have gone ahead with our project. As most donations range from \$5.00 to \$25.00, the figures shown on the following list of donors are for amounts of \$50 and over and for monthly pledges, and cover the three-and-one-half months' period from Nov. 17, 1977 to Feb. 25, 1978, as follows:

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Total cash donations to February 24 amount to \$2005.

CASH DONATIONS TO MEMORIALS

Jan. 26 In Memory of Sidney Claibourne, Mr. and Mrs. Truefitt; Jan. 20 In Memory of Mrs. Olivia Sholes, Mr. and Mrs. Les Mollet; Feb. 10 In Memory of Dr. S. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Ejnar Petersen; Jan. 20 - Feb. 17 In Memory of Harry Nichols.

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Total donations to Harry Nichols' Memorial, January 20 to February 17, \$620.

It is hoped next week to be able to publish a complete list of those who contributed so many items for our various sales. At the time many donors wished to be anonymous, but perhaps now they might care to send me their names and a list of their donations, also any corrections to the former published list.

The committee is now going to take a breather, while islanders support the local Heart and Cancer appeals, but will you come back to our aid after this, as we are only half way through our objective of \$10,000?

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No question, the Captain was a Cook.

And who was the cook? That is what it's all about.

In 1728, James Cook came into the English world, the son of a farm labourer at Marton village in Yorkshire.

In 1779 he was dead on a Hawaiian beach, the victim of a skirmish with villagers.

It was right in between those events that British Columbia is celebrating. And in British Columbia we don't really need a reason to celebrate. After all, we've had more centennials in a hundred years than the average European community could achieve in 1,000.

What's with Capt. Cook anyway? He came to British Columbia and put his mark on Vancouver Island, not long before his death.

The Indians don't appreciate him and the provincial ministry of tourism has rushed to protect the sanctity of his name.

He was the friendly cove who named Friendly Cove. He never lived long enough to tell anyone his choice for Kealakekua Bay, where he died.

Capt. Cook, one of Britain's most famous, and beloved sons, was a bit of everything. He set out in life to sell haberdashery. In his day a haberdasher was a dealer in hats and caps or a maker of them. Later, the trade picked up thread and sewing and linens of some

kinds.

That was when he was 12. In the 18th century any man of 12 should know where he's going. Cook didn't. He switched.

Apprenticed to a shipping company, he sailed the North Sea for years, out of Newcastle. They were engaged in the Norwegian and Baltic trade.

MATE AT SEA

In 1755, at the age of 27, James Cook was sailing as mate.

He joined the Royal Navy at the time. It was the navy of Forster's Hornblower, a hard and demanding service in which the ships were manned by pressed men and prisoners.

After service in various ships, he was appointed master of the sloop, *Grampus*. It was the beginning of his naval career.

It was also the beginning of his link with Canada. He served at the

recapture of Newfoundland and was appointed surveyor. Between 1763 and 1767 he was engaged in surveying the coast of the colony.

Jimmy was a Cook, but he was no slouch. Here was a boy who left all formal education at the age of 12 engaged in a highly specialized science a score of years later. Not only was he a skilled surveyor and mathematician, but he was soon to publish his own observations on astronomy.

His next appointment brought him to the Pacific. Sailing as Lieutenant, he conducted the expedition to the South Seas to observe the transit of Venus. That was at Tahiti. Having taken the 370-ton ship as far as Tahiti, he went on to find the great southern continent. For six months he surveyed New Zealand, whose channel dividing north and south islands, is Cook Strait.

He then surveyed the east coast of Australia.

TO COMMANDER

As a result of the expedition, he was appointed Commander. With a 462-ton ship, back he went. Still searching for a southern continent, he covered 60,000 miles in some three years.

Cook was a Limey. In truth, he was the first Limey. That 1,000-day voyage was accomplished with the loss of two men to scurvy. He had investigated a common sailors' disease and he had cured it. Lack of an adequate diet was causing scurvy and he had it all figured. He fed his men lime juice as the answer. It became a standard part of the Royal Navy diet at sea.

His reward was to cost him life. Posted captain, which meant he was a full captain and would retain his rank for the rest of his life. He was sent off on a new voyage which was destined to ensure that his life was to be short.

He had accomplished much.

He had done some surveying in Newfoundland and he had written of astronomy and of his voyages: he had surveyed the coasts of Australia and New Zealand, proving, at the same time, that there was no mysterious southern continent and he had claimed Australia

for the British flag.

In 1776 Capt. Cook sailed away from England in command of the *Resolution* and *Discovery* and charged to seek the northwest passage.

NEW VOYAGE

His new voyage took him round the Cape of Good Hope and back to New Zealand. Then he worked north, towards British Columbia, even if he didn't know that. He found the North American coast and sailed up to the Bering Straits.

On his way north, he called in at Fr...ly C...e.

In that visit lies the story.

He stopped to be greeted and to set on his way.

Two hundred years later, the west coast is full of tales of Capt. Cook.

Yet, he cannot truly be considered a national hero, because little is known here of his voyages and work. He belonged, strictly, to the South Seas.

He is one of the few British explorers who was the very essence of the motto, "from Sea to Sea". From Newfoundland to British Columbia, he made the journey.

That he didn't get to the islands 200 years ago was his tough luck. He's likely to be around during the Bicentennial celebrations this year.

Commission learns tennis draws big following

Tennis is for keeps. At least that's the way it went on Salt Spring Island last year. Loes Holland presented the report on tennis to the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission last week.

She recalled the enthusiasm of players and learners and she reported that classes were held, generally, on the school courts in Ganges, with only one class going to the Portlock Park courts.

Mrs. Holland's report follows:

On Monday, May 2, 1977 registration was held for tennis classes in the library of the elementary school. A total of 45 pupils registered with Virginia Newman, and Loes Holland gave a brief outline of the ensuing classes.

Thirteen juniors (under 16) beginners started a 10 week course on Friday, June 10, 1977 (two previous Fridays being rained out).

Another 10 week course for beginners started on Monday,

June 6, 1977 (previous Monday rained out).

This class was made up mostly of seniors but some were mother-daughter teams.

This group was so enthusiastic, they carried on with practice games after the 10 weeks were over.

INTERMEDIATES

Classes for intermediates started on Wednesday, May 25, 1977 and during 10 weeks, 12 pupils showed up regularly, some of the members taking lessons for the third year.

Four pupils were seniors and 8 were under 16 years of age.

As we always try to keep classes to a maximum of 12, it was decided to start a 6-week mini-course for beginners on June 14, 1977, consisting of 4 seniors and 4 juniors.

All classes were held at 7 pm on the school court with the exception of the Friday juniors. Permission was granted by the Parks and Recreation Commission to use the courts on Central for this group.

Lots of work in Calgary

Mr. and Mrs. Dino Facca have left Salt Spring Island to live in Calgary.

They report that Calgary is a hive of activity and that it is the worst winter in years.

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Jack Smith looks back on 28 years

It's the younger students who wa

Probably the most familiar driver of island roads is school bus driver Jack Smith. He's been driving the island school bus since 1950 and has seen more corners than any school bus on the island.

Ex navy man, Jack Smith came to Salt Spring back in 1946, leaving J.M. Wood Motors in Victoria for some quieter living.

In 1947 he bought the island taxi business from Harry New and in 1959 began driving spare for the school, replacing Ernie Brenton for six months. He first drove a Ford bus with square-cut gears that didn't permit too much ease in changing gears.

He recalls the crew at the back of the bus scoffing as he ground the

gears into place. Later he drove an International that carried 57 children.

When he became full-time bus driver, taking over from Vic Bettis, he drove a Chevy that carried 52. The roads remained the same but as time went by the buses grew.

PERMANENTLY SOUTH

Although he is most familiar with the Fulford-Beaver Point route, he has driven the North End run as well. After 1960 Smith took on the south-end run permanently.

He remembers a lot of children and when he took over the run from Bettis he was given a number of warnings about several schoolbus law offenders.

When he noticed that on each

route Freddie Hall would run to the rear of the bus he became suspicious and decided to use some psychology. Invited to sit at the front, the young Fulford student did so reluctantly, until Smith told him that he had a new job; to watch out for trouble on the bus. Freddie Hall did just that and no longer did he race to the rear to make paper planes and tease the girls.

Smith had an assistant during several seasons back in the '60's. Having to take down mileage and account for student age groups and names along the route, Linda Slingsby accepted position as bus driver assistant saving Jack a lot of time and trouble stopping and taking up pen and paper.

FATHER AND SON

He has driven the Akermans to school and he now drives their children, he explained, and the roads have changed more than children have.

Jack Smith has never been responsible for an accident. He has been driving and has been hit by other traffic and has even sunk into a road construction area while driving an empty bus.

That incident proved minor and caused little damage, but Jack learned that the appearance of a road surface can be deceiving.

He had been driving along Beaver Point Road when he reached an area where the road had been widened and the telephone pole stood in the centre of the road. Deciding to take the right hand course when he met a car, he was on soft ground and the bus went down and down.

When he jumped out to case the situation he went up to his knees in winter mud.

When the road at Weston Lake disappeared Jack Smith found out just in time. Escaping disaster he managed to stop before the crevasse and by backing up into Emsley's driveway he used the

switchback route to get home.

SNOWFALL

A light snowfall poses many problems Jack explained.

Not only is Ganges Hill a dicey game with a bus loaded with 80 children, but even trying to get out of the bus compound, by the school can be a futile effort in a few inches of the wet slush.

in his time.

The most recent buses are automatic Fords with V8 motors and they carry 84 students. thirty-eight feet long, with a wheel base of 20 feet and an 11½ foot overhang beyond the rear wheels, the new Fords are surprisingly easy to manoeuvre, Smith said. And he remembers the uproar back



Jack Smith is dwarfed by his bus as he stands by in readiness for

The new buses, recently purchased, lost out on a run recently when their city tyres couldn't lift them out of the terminal.

Chains are helpful, the island bus driver remarked but the children would be in the bus for hours while the chains were repaired en route, where the roads held no snow at all.

The school buses have all their weight in front of the forward axle. With no weight in the rear, the bus already has heavy marks against it, and Jack Smith has met a few skids

in 1966 when he first began driving the 0492 Slant six GM with the Bluebird body.

The bus held 73 students and he heard a lot about taking a risk on Beaver Point in "such a massive" vehicle. But now, wheeling a 38-foot bus, he can only be thankful that the fear of hazards are unfounded. Even the students on the route were pleased about their new transport.

GRAVEL AND BUMPS

He remembers when North End road was all gravel and when

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Sunset Drive was full of pot holes and bumps. Beaver Point and Isabella Point were gravel roads right up until recently, so it couldn't have been the roads that attracted Jack Smith to the south end route.

When on warm-up time, Smith goes out to the compound at 6:30 in



the next swarm of students anxious to get home.

the morning and leaves about five minutes to seven, arriving at Beaver Point at seven-twenty. He unloads the first run at about eight o'clock every morning and then repeats the route. At two-twenty Jack watches more lively faces enter the bus and shortly after four he has finished another day.

Smith notes that the high school student run is so quiet only the engine can be heard. It's the little ones who wake up sooner and make bus driving a deliverance by 8 am each morning.

Compared to last year, slightly more Canadians believe the coming year will bring rising prices, according to a recent Gallup Poll. Significantly more people think unemployment will rise and that the year ahead will be one of economic difficulty. The following table compares attitudes towards 1976, 1977 and 1978. Each was obtained towards the end of the previous year.

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Need a water well?

Cartoonist to spread the word on art

Adrian Raeside who is responsible for the editorial page cartoons in Driftwood is offering a class in cartooning.

Raeside is the younger son of the creative team of Raeside and Raeside of Wildwood Crescent. He is offering the class through Continuing Education on Monday nights in Room 12 at the High School. Cartooning for Fun and Profit is the name of his game.

Adrian's cartoons have been appearing recently in the pages of Driftwood and other newspapers. He was also responsible for the illustrations in the series of children's books written, printed and published by James and Joan Raeside.

Anyone interested in joining this new class which is set up as a short mini-course of four weeks to explore the basics of figures, expressions and backgrounds, may call Virginia Newman, Co-ordinator.

Emphasis will be on developing and preserving the individuality of the cartoonist, according to the instructor. "Bring drawing material" says Adrian.

First session will be next Monday, March 13, at 7.30 pm.

Two new boats are launched at Pender Island Saturday

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

Saturday was a great day at Browning Harbour public beach when a very large crowd of friends from Pender Island and farther afield gathered for the launching of the Marie Rose and the Wanderleer. Both boats, 27 feet long, were built on Pender Island; the Marie Rose, named after Mrs. Pardee's mother is the culmination of 2½ years of work by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pardee and its twin, the Wanderleer, which means undecided wandering, took the same amount of work and time by Conrad Burns. The boats were built side by side at the Pardee's "home yard" at Magic Lake.

The crowd started gathering about 11 o'clock and spent an enjoyable hour or so sitting in the sun on the beach and visiting with friends and neighbours. Finally, the big moment arrived when the trailer truck hove into view with the Pardee's Marie Rose gleaming in the bright sunlight; a shining white with blue trim, her beautiful mahogany varnished trim decked with flags fluttering in the breeze.

As she slipped into the water, Mrs. Isobel Huntingford, of West Vancouver, long-time friend who

has sailed with the Pardees for many years, christened her the Marie Rose, while other friends in their boats on the water blew their whistles. It was an exciting moment for those on shore and ship.

Afterwards the crowd was invited to Browning Harbour Pub to enjoy wine and cheese, while the driver of the truck had to return and repeat the rather slow process

of bringing the Wanderleer to the beach for its launching into the water at about 4 pm. Wanderleer, christened by Mr. Burns' mother, Mrs. "Billie" Burns, is painted a bright turquoise colour with varnished trim. Both boats are the same length but quite different otherwise. The Marie Rose was designed by Stan Huntingford of West Vancouver and the Wanderleer by Conrad Burns himself.

Elementary Days

All contestants from Salt Spring Elementary School have completed their matches in the CFAX Annual Chess Championship, sponsored by Canada Safety and Sprite. Over 6,000 children from 170 elementary schools all over Vancouver Island have taken part this year.

Grade champions from Salt Spring Elementary School were as follows:

Grade 2, Chad Davis; Grade 3, Sean Albhouse; Grade 4, Jeff Moger; Grade 5, Amber Logan; Grade 6, Blair Calkins; Grade 7, Gordon Hitchcock.

Chad, Sean and Jeff went on to win quarter-final matches against

School District 66 (Lake Cowichan), before Sean and Jeff were eliminated in the semi-finals. Chad survived two semi-final matches against School District 65 (Cowichan), thereby earning a match against the Victoria and District champion to decide the champion of Southern Vancouver Island.

This match was played on March 1. Chad won his first game, but dropped the next two games thereby ending our team's effort for this year.

Congratulations to all our winners and all those who played in the tournament. The rest of the year will be devoted to 'friendly' games in the weekly chess club.

Cosmos take first step with solid victory over Hornets

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Cosmos, 2; Hornets, 0.

The Cosmos took the first step in their hopes of attaining the winners podium in the Coers Cup, with a solid victory in their quarter-final match against the Hornets.

The Hornets were really no match for the Cosmos as they had several key players missing, but, even so, they put up a good battle. In fact, it wasn't until the last 10 minutes of the game that the Cosmos were able to wear down the Hornets and score.

Tony Legg and Kurt Irwin worked tirelessly to hold the Cosmos off the scoresheet and received strong support from Anthony Archer and Justin Williams in defence. Andrew Archer was a stand-out in the Hornets nets as he made several sensational saves to keep the Hornets in the game.

Late in the game the Cosmos offensive thrusts were rewarded with a penalty shot but the kick sailed over the bar and the Hornets were still alive. Moments later Jeff Moger broke around the Hornets defence and drilled a left-footed shot home for the eventual game-winner. Shortly after, Erin Fewings slammed a shot off the crossbar

and on into the net to round out the scoring.

STRONG PLAY

The Cosmos received strong play from Robert Hitchcock, Alan Stacey and especially, the heart of the mid-field, Stuart Lyon.

These teams must now await the outcome of the Wildcats-Red Devils game. The two winners and losers will play each other to determine which clubs will enter the semi-finals of the Cup along with the Goblins, there by virtue of their first place finish in the league.

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Down Through The Years With Driftwood

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Lee Straight, fish expert for that fish-wrapper published in the Sun Building, took a pot-shot at the Province for re-printing an article from Driftwood, which he dismissed as a "backwoods newspaper". He belaboured the Province mightily for not checking facts and even suggested they committed plagiarism, when they printed the story of trout escaping from our lakes.

We suspect that Lee, being caught somewhere between the fishing seasons without a column, or a catch, might have thought this would be a good time to add a little to that funny little feud that the Sun and Province embark upon once in a while.

A farmers' market on Salt Spring will be tried out on an experimental basis this summer, it was decided at the Islands Farmers' Institute well-attended meeting on February 27. The old building on Institute property opposite Mahon Hall will be converted into a temporary market stand for the purpose.

The meeting returned the full slate of officers by acclamation: George Heinekey (chairman), Wm. Palmer, Tom Butt, Cyril Beech, E.H. Gear. Auditors are Wm. Palmer and Frank Spear; secretary is Mrs. J. McNulty.

A grant of \$325, to match a similar grant from the Department of Agriculture, was made to Roger Hughes for purchase of a special freezing cabinet for use in cattle artificial insemination.

With gay travel posters and abstract murals as decor for the Beatnik Bash Dance last Friday night the mood of informality was set. Sponsored by grade 10's and under the supervision of Miss Oulton, Mrs. Shopland and Mr. Byron. During the evening a limbo contest was held and was won by Gary Travelbea, a former student.

TEN YEARS AGO

A polluted sea would spell the end of the road for the sea-girt Gulf Islands, a public hearing was warned Monday afternoon at Port Washington.

Pender Island Chamber of

Commerce expressed objection to the discharge of raw sewage into the sea for fear of a gradual rise in contamination.

Mrs. H.G. Scott, president of the chamber, also told the hearing that the concern of most residents was the preservation of what the islands have.

Hearing was called by the director of pollution control to hear objections to a proposed sewage disposal system discharging at two points in Swanson Channel.

Familiar place behind the meat counter has disappeared from the Salt Spring Island scene. Alec Davidge, cheerful proprietor of Alec's Meat Market in Ganges, has sold his business. He is now looking to a life of retirement in the garden and on the water.

In Alec's place will be Mel Topping.

Several weeks ago Salt Spring Island farmer reported an albino robin flying around. He observed that the bird appeared to be treated as a black sheep by his fellows.

Last week David Roberts received a letter from Manitoba. The writer had seen the report in Driftwood of the white robin and was interested to find another. The Manitoba bird watcher had observed an albino robin for several years, although this year it has not been back.

The colourless bird was not only accepted among the robins, but had been raising a clutch of eggs each year. Chicks were all normally coloured, added the writer.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Better than a score of people sat in the Legion Hall on Wednesday last week to hear Marine Biologist Don Watmough express concern over the effect of treated sewage on Ganges Harbour.

Mr. Watmough is a staff member of the central office of the Society for Pollution and Environmental Control.

The biologist suggest that the plan to discharge effluent into the harbour would prejudice swimming and hazard fish life. He also told the meeting that the basis of funding the project was doubtful.

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World Relief Tea April 22 to carry on theme of simple living and simply living

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON,
Convener

The World Relief Tea will be held at Fulford Hall on Saturday, April 22, from 2pm - 4pm.

The theme this year will be "Live simply that others may simply live" and in keeping with

the theme, the whole presentation will be simplified.

The only items for sale will be plants and home baking, and here also there will be quite definite emphasis.

People donating plants will be asked to give them a realistic price,

a name tag with instructions as to growing or transplanting, and, if vegetables, some hints on how they should be prepared for eating.

Home baking is always a great attraction, and this year we are asking that our island bakers cut down on the amount of sugar they use, substituting honey wherever possible, and cut out altogether food additives, frostings and artificial creams.

We would like cost prices on the baked goods, and, if the bakers like to share their recipes with us, we will make a small extra charge for this service.

DIFFERENT KINDS

We will be making a special plea for different kinds of bread

and buns, and any cookies should be as plain and nutritious as possible. Island fruits will be especially welcome.

There will be displays of ethnic foods and crafts, and of course all the island churches will be taking part in all aspects of the Tea.

The Community Society will also have a role to play, and anyone who wishes to help will be welcomed. Please make a note of the following names and numbers:

Community worker, 537-9212; Dr. Guille Libresco, 537-2398; Pat Taylor (R.C.), 537-2128; Marion Woolley (United Church 537-5875; Dorothy Crofton (Anglican) 537-5720; Mabel Corder (Gospel Hall) 537-9579.

Parents in school and in need

BY JOHN HALL

The second meeting for community dialogue on education will be held at the Community Centre on Monday, March 13 at 7.30 pm. Anyone interested in education is invited to attend. These discussions are sponsored by the Community Society.

Many parents attended the last meeting along with some school board members and teachers. The Society hopes that more educators will attend this time to make it a more fruitful dialogue. Everyone who attended before is asked to bring a friend with them to the next meeting.

The topic will be "Parent Involvement in Education". Here are some opinions that you might want to think about for discussion:

1. Parent participation should be mandatory.
2. Parents should not trespass on the teacher's territory.
3. School and home should be separate and distinct.
4. Teachers need training in how to use volunteers in the classroom.
5. Parents should be trained before being allowed to help in the classroom.

If you are an educator, or a parent with children in school, or just interested in education, please attend the meeting next Monday night.

If you have something for this column: call Elsie Brown at 539-2480
Mainly Mayne
BY ELSIE BROWN

The annual Red Cross Campaign is under way on the island and canvassers will be making their calls on residents.

More volunteers are needed and will anyone interested please call 539-2480. No one needs to give beyond their means and small donations are just as acceptable as large ones. The money is well spent and many valuable services are supplied by the Red Cross.

Spring classes are being held at See Studio Monday evenings, 7.30-10 pm; Thursday afternoons, 1-3.30 pm. Landscapes outside, weather permitting. For further information contact Frances Faminow, phone 539-2835.

Ben and Ina Iwasaki have returned from a holiday in Hawaii. They are finding lots to do in the garden since their return.

The campaign by the Fire Department to interest residents in fire detection devices has been very successful. Units may be obtained by contacting Roy Betts, Harry Lane, Isabel Geehan, Bob Sauerberg, Dan Imrie, or Fire Chief Paddy Lambert.

My thanks to Neil Imrie, Alex Mussick and Eva Amburgey for delivering my news to Driftwood!

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