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Hugh Curtis dedicates rock



Bob Dodds looks on while Provincial Secretary Hugh Curtis dedicates the ancient rock at Drummond Park. Mr. Dodds expressed the appreciation of the community for the efforts of the Islands MLA to have a permanent site established for the petroglyph.

Ganges Plan

Bylaws are approved

Planning has come within reach of Ganges.

On Tuesday Municipal Affairs Minister Bill Vander Zalm signed the final Salt Spring Island bylaws.

The amended Salt Spring zoning bylaw, the Ganges Plan amendment to the island Community Plan and the amended Salt Spring subdivision bylaw have all been signed by the minister.

They will be given fourth reading and adopted at the earliest possible opportunity, said Salt Spring Local Trustee David Lott on Tuesday.

The plan for Ganges has been in the making for several years. Originally devised by a special committee of the Capital Regional District, it was subsequently studied by the Islands Trust and changed extensively before going to the minister.

All Salt Spring Island residents

have seen a copy of the bylaws. They were distributed to all residents last fall prior to the public hearing to consider them.

Information centre here

The Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce has approved the establishment of a small business information centre in Ganges.

At its regular business meeting Thursday the Chamber was told by Sandy Gordon that he had investigated the centre running in Chemainus and felt it was performing a useful service.

Gordon said he had investigated the possibility of setting up a similar centre here, and reported that accountant Spencer Marr had offered to use part of his office for it.

Hospital board presents new options to deal with effluent

The board of trustees of Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital plans this week to submit two proposals to the Pollution Control Branch that may help to cope with the hospital's sewage problems.

Hospital administrator Malcolm Pinteau says the combined cost of the two options would be less than the alternatives the board had previously considered to deal with the hospital's saturated septic fields.

Pinteau stresses that the two new options under consideration, adding fill and pipe to the existing fields and/or diverting the laundry effluent for separate treatment and disposal in the hospital's old field, could be considered little more than temporary solutions.

"They're just two options that have been considered with an eye to extending the life of the existing fields," Pinteau says. "They're both subject to approval by the Pollution Control Branch."

DAILY PUMPING

In the meantime, says Pinteau, the septic tanks currently in use will be pumped on a daily basis for a full month in an effort to alleviate the saturation problem. To this point the hospital has been pumping out the tanks on an "as required" basis, which averages out to about once a week. During the coming month, however, the tanks will be completely pumped out, necessitating hauling four or five loads daily.

"We're hoping that daily pumping will give the fields an opportunity to rest and thereby become more functional," Pinteau says.

Prior to the two most recent options for dealing with the problem the hospital board had been considering undertaking daily pumping of the tanks on a year-round basis or closing down the hospital's laundry in an effort to

cut back on the amount of effluent produced by the hospital. The cost of either one of those programs was expected to run in the neighbourhood of \$55,000 annually.

REPLY RECEIVED

Pinteau says the board hopes to have a decision from the Pollution Control Branch before the month of daily pumping of the tanks is over.

"The PCB has told us that in view of the situation facing the hospital," Pinteau says, "they'll

deal with the application on an emergency basis."

The board last week received a letter from Municipal Affairs Minister Bill Vander Zalm in reply to the brief sent to him regarding the situation.

Vander Zalm informed the board that he intends to visit Salt Spring and get a first-hand look at the situation as well as to talk to a number of people on the island

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Take rock for a walk!

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New theme for Walkathon

Rocks will be the keynote of the Lions' Walkathon on Salt Spring Island April 15.

Participants will be invited to carry a rock from Ganges to Fulford and the winners will be awarded decorated rocks, in addition to other prizes. Lions Club is already getting down to the business of decorating rocks on a wholesale basis.

Slogan will be "Take a rock for a walk".

Major change this year is an early start. It is planned to have walkers leave Ganges at 10 am in order to keep Ganges clear and permit many entrants to take part in the Rotary Club's sale in Mahon Hall the same afternoon. From 9 am to 10 am the southern half of the car park at Centennial Park will be closed to traffic.

Route will be the same as last year, from Centennial Park in Ganges to Drummond Park in Fulford.

Earlier plans to include a cycle race have not yet been completed. The club is anxious to include the event if there is sufficient interest. Keen cyclists of any age should

contact Ganges Pharmacy or Driftwood if they want to enter such a race. It will be on much the same terms as the walking race.

In charge of plans is Les Ramsey.

It was woman in rock

The Cudmore Rock at Drummond Park is part of the whole range of Indian legends.

Bob Akerman explained during the dedication ceremonies in Fulford last week that the Indian people believed that a woman had been changed into the rock in order to safeguard the recreation grounds of the Tsaout Band.

She looked after the people who came to Fulford Harbour every year.

Five-year recreation plan for Salt Spring Island

Master plan projects total \$773,800

After nine months of investigation and study, Professional Environmental Recreation Consultants have come up with a master plan for recreation facilities on Salt Spring Island.

Major recommendations of the 80-page report include two additional tennis courts for the island, one at Portlock Park and another at Fulford; a curling rink; more permanently guaranteed use of the Fulford ball park and upgrading of the field surface; development of facilities at one or two lakes; a long-term development plan for Portlock Park; construction of a

boat launching ramp on the west side of the island; construction of a recreation centre on the school grounds in Ganges; assistance to the Farmers' Institute in development of an agricultural fairground; negotiation by the Parks and Recreation Commission with the school board for maintenance of all the school playing fields; and that the commission formulate a policy for support of local clubs and organizations connected with recreation.

The five-year plan was drawn up following interviews with island residents and circulation of a

questionnaire last year. Interviews were conducted with representatives from 45 recreation-related groups and agencies and the questionnaire surveyed a random sample of 1,400 residents.

EXISTING FACILITIES

PERC also assessed existing recreation facilities and then related them to the demand shown by the interviews and questionnaires. Final step was to examine the feasibility of each project that was suggested.

Total cost for implementation of the recommendations in the plan is \$773,800. Broken down, the tennis

courts would cost \$30,000; completion of facilities at Portlock Park, \$47,000; boat launching ramp, \$5,000; resurfacing of Fulford ball park, \$40,000; assistance to the Farmers' Institute in development of an agricultural site, \$60,000; recreation centre, \$273,000; development of lake facilities, \$5,000; and a curling rink, \$300,000. Those figures show the capital costs.

Operating costs included in the total cover the recreation centre, at \$5,000; increased support to local groups, \$3,500; and improved playing fields, \$5,000.

The most expensive item on the

list, the curling rink, would be financed largely by the curlers themselves, says the report. Provincial government grants would provide \$100,000 and local fundraising, \$200,000.

The rink's construction was justified by the fact that the island curling club has 180 members and that demand shown for such a facility was high on the questionnaire. No local tax dollars will be required either for capital or operating costs, the report says.

Recreation plan for Island

(From Page One)

The master plan recommends a number of alternatives for ensuring more permanence in the use of the Fulford ball park. First recommendation is purchase of the land by the Capital Regional District. Otherwise, rewriting of the lease with an option to purchase is recommended.

Upgrading of the site, says the report, would make it the best quality ball field on the island. Upgrading would include improving the drainage and addition of good topsoil to the field surface.

NOT ENTIRELY SUITABLE

None of the island's nine lakes is entirely suitable for recreational swimming, says the report. Four of them, however, would be suitable provided "public support areas" were developed.

The report recommends that two of the four, Stowell, Cusheon, Blackburn and Weston Lakes, be chosen for provision of such facilities as parking areas, access roads, changing rooms, washrooms and beach areas.

Demand for recreational swimming facilities is high, the report explains, and development of the lakes for this purpose would be the most feasible route to take.

A plan for Portlock Park would

include a number of projects. The report suggests an additional tennis court and practice area, a large parking area, a stairway from the park to the highway, a small playground, a picnic area with a small ornamental garden, planting of grass, a park maintenance shed and a concession booth for special events.

RAMP NOT A PRIORITY

Construction of a boat launching ramp is not a high priority, according to PERC's report, because demand expressed in the public survey was not high enough. Development of the park on Collins Road, however, is recommended because it would be a good swimming area and is the best public location available for a launching ramp on the west side of the island. Shallow water and the steep access road, though, would render it unsuitable for large boats.

A recreation centre "should be considered to be a high priority" because of the demand shown for such a facility.

With a floor area of not more than 7,000 square feet, the centre would be constructed on the east end of the elementary school playing field, behind the school board office. It would include a

large theatre space, of about 2,500 square feet, and would accommodate 200 spectators. It would also contain space for a workshop/prop room for making and storing props, public washrooms and a kitchen.

In addition, it would contain a number of other rooms for arts and community-related uses.

FIRST PHASE

The report suggests that that would only represent the first phase "of a much more extensive complex".

Additional phases could include a community library and other activity spaces and meeting areas suitable for use by the Community Society.

In justifying the centre, the report says that demand for a facility for the performing arts, creative arts and crafts and other social and recreational activities was very high.

The report also observes that the island has "an artistic character which is unique in B.C."

A high interest in agricultural activities is the reason given by PERC for supporting the Farmers' Institute in acquiring and developing an agricultural site. Suggested uses for the land are a location for the Fall Fair and Farmers' Market, Riding Club activities, a museum and an educational centre for high school agriculture classes.

FIELD MAINTENANCE

Maintenance of school playing fields by the Recreation Commission would mean an amalgamation of the school board and the commission with regard to that maintenance. Otherwise, the report says, there would be two authorities responsible for it, which would result in duplication of staff hiring, equipment purchasing, etc.

In order that local clubs can do a good job of providing recreational activities, PERC urges that the commission adopt a specific policy for supporting recreation-related clubs.

"A significant number of the clubs and groups interviewed," says the report, "did not know that the commission existed. Most did not know what the commission did

or the types of support they may get from the commission....."

Types of support that should be considered include organizational and administrative assistance, referrals (directing clubs and groups to available resources and interested residents to clubs or groups), leadership training, equipment and co-ordination of advertising.

Implementation of recommendations in the plan will not require major tax increases, the report says, but it is assumed that different groups will raise funds for the various projects.

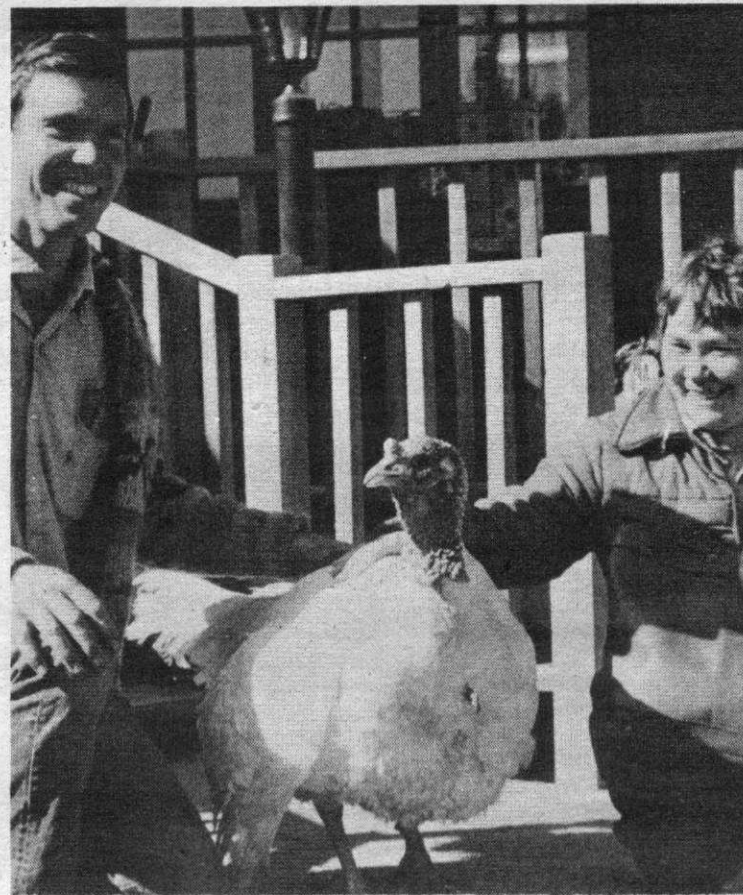
The Recreation Commission's role will be to provide planning, leadership and encouragement in each of the projects.

Mayne man fined \$750 on over .08 charge

Bruce Alexander Beveridge of Mayne Island has been fined \$750 in provincial court after pleading guilty to a charge of driving with a blood-alcohol content over 0.08.

Beveridge was charged April 10, 1978 after his vehicle collided with a telephone pole in the Canal Road area on Salt Spring Island. He recorded breathalyzer readings of 0.25 and 0.26 respectively.

Turkey winner



Betty Fennell of Ganges found herself the proud (!) owner of a 43 lb., 13 oz. tom turkey after she guessed its weight at 43 lbs., 12 oz. Philip King of Port Washington was the winner of a 23 lb., 12 1/2 oz. hen turkey after he guessed its

proper weight. Both turkeys were raffled off during the grand opening sale at Foxglove Farm and Garden Supply last week. Foxglove owner Tom Gossett is pictured with Mrs. Fennell and her voiciferous grand prize.

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Drinking in Mouat Park cost two Salt Spring Island youths a total of \$150 in Ganges provincial court last week.

Pleading guilty were Ian Lacy and Henry Pickering. Lacy was fined \$50 and Pickering \$100. The heavier penalty was imposed because it was Pickering's second appearance on the same charge in a year.

Lacy also paid a fine of \$75 for possession of marijuana.

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by richards



What did you do in the war, Daddy?
 I always dreaded the question. Only I knew the answer.
 I borrowed a car and I had to leave the country. That's what I did during the war. It was the car and the blonde that were my undoing.
 That's how I ended up in British Columbia. If I hadn't met the blonde I might have served out the war as a technical instructor in a service school.
 It was a party. A wowzer of a party, that night. Mind you, it's a long time ago and I can't remember all the details, but I do remember the blow-out. The front tire went and I stopped. I left the car and my companions got into other cars.
 This was all very fine until the time arrived to return to the air force station where we belonged. It was too far to walk and the other servicemen had all gone.
 Our hostess of the evening was a blonde. I can't remember much else about her. I do know that none of us was complaining, so I guess she passed. I remember her home, because it had a gallery looking down on to the main room. And that passed muster as well.
 But she was a generous blonde, because she offered the use of her car. And her boy friend supported the proposal. So we borrowed the car.
 Half-way to the station, I stopped to let off a civilian passenger and as I came back to the road the only other traffic in sight was one cyclist.
 It was about 5 am and I think he was still asleep. He took one look at us, freaked out and flew over the handlebars to do a belly flop on the highway. Always eager to help, we retrieved him and carried him to the pub nearby, cap and bicycle and all. And off we went.
 Next day the car had been picked up and the event was fading into memory when a police officer came into the classroom to speak to me.
 He had a complaint that I had hit a cyclist and left the scene of the accident. I wasn't merely annoyed. I was hopping mad. I had taken time out to look after the fool and he had the temerity to blame me for his stupidity. I told the constable exactly what I thought.
 He examined my driver's license. What was the car? A Hillman, he wrote in his book. License number? I didn't know. Insurance certificate? I didn't know. Owner's name? I didn't know. Owner's address? I didn't know.
 That fellow started half-way sympathetic. By now his eyebrows and his upper lip had taken on that shape that comes with a polite incredulity.
 And he nodded wisely every time I answered.
 He supposed she wouldn't know my name, either, even though she lent me her car? I guessed he was about right at that.
 Off he went. And off I went to the orderly room.
 The commanding officer was a decent enough, long-service man. I was a nuisance. And it wasn't as though this was the only problem facing me. I was always in trouble. I was facing about seven different civilian charges and one service charge arising from a dispute with my boss.
 He suggested that I might still be in jail when the war was over and forgotten. I couldn't argue.
 On the other hand, if I were to ask for an overseas posting...
 And that's how I got started. My overseas posting saw me in Halifax about three weeks later. And I came back.
 If that blonde hadn't lent me her car, I might never have seen the west coast of Canada.
 I wonder who she was?

Talk of the collapse of provincial health schemes in the east is reminiscent of the pattern in Britain, where a medical insurance scheme has been in force for the past 70 years. The poor belong to the health scheme and the wealthy belong to private plans which provide special rooms, immediate treatment and all the trimmings. It pays to have medical insurance, but it sure pays to have money as well!

I don't go jogging. I had a friend in the Fraser Valley who dropped dead after jogging and no way do I want to drop dead. So, no jog. It's like natural foods. I keep thinking of the fervent nature boy who ran his own store. One day he is called on for a nature bar and because the store is more up than sideways he reaches for the high shelf and slips. As he falls he slams his head and that's the end. If he'd been content to stay with the masses he would probably have lived out to a full three score and ten. Or you go into hospital for a serious operation that is going to pave the way to a ripe old age. You come out of hospital and walk into the waiting car. It's just tough you don't see the bus in time! And it's cremation and curtains! No! Not me! I don't jog!

First requirement for retirement is to ensure that you are old enough to quit while you are young enough to enjoy quitting.

PENDER

Summer ferry schedule

Ferry patrons travelling between the Gulf Islands and the lower mainland this summer won't be faced with the lengthy hold-ups that plagued the system during the tourist season of 1978.

Ken Arnott, chairman of Salt Spring Island's Transportation Committee, says he has been assured by B.C. Ferries management that the Gulf Islands-Tsawwassen summer schedule will revert to the one used in 1977, when an extra ferry helped lessen the load and the delays.

According to Arnott, the Queen of Tsawwassen will once again provide supplementary service to Pender Island during the summer months, thereby cutting back on the number of stops required by the Queen of Sidney, which runs between Salt Spring, the Outer Islands and the mainland terminal.

THREE HOURS LATE
 When the supplementary service was cut out in 1978, ferries were running as much as three hours late by the end of a regular working day.

Arnott said Monday that he received assurance regarding the situation from B.C. Ferries general manager Bill Gallagher and operations manager George Baldwin during a recent meeting on Salt Spring.

In addition, says Arnott, the summer schedule will go into effect on June 15 this year. In 1978 the ferries didn't start their more frequent summer runs until June 29, and it resulted in several long delays for travellers.

While Gallagher and Baldwin were on the island, members of the Transportation Committee took them to the Vesuvius ferry terminal to survey the traffic problems there.

THREE ALTERNATIVES
 Arnott says that three alternatives for helping the situation were discussed, among them the possibility of widening Vesuvius Bay Road in order to provide a parking lane, use of the parking lot area at the end of the road for ferry traffic parking, and widening the existing wharf in order to provide added parking there.

"We made our position regarding a preference clear," says Arnott, "and told them that the widening of the road, if it could be done, would probably be the quickest method of dealing with it."

Arnott says he was pleased with the meeting with the ferries management people, adding that he felt the gathering laid a good base for future co-operation on ferry matters affecting Salt Spring.

"I feel that we have developed an excellent rapport with them, and that in the long run it will do everyone good," he says.

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Go and jump in a lake

One of the most sensible recommendations of the master plan for the recreation on Salt Spring Island is that any plans for construction of a swimming pool be discarded. Living as we do on an island containing nine lakes within its saltwater boundaries, the idea of a pool is ridiculous.

And in addition to the fact that we have many areas available for swimming, the cost factor can by no means be ignored.

The surveys conducted by Professional Environmental Recreation Consultants (PERC) found that there was "a high degree of demand" for an indoor pool. For that reason, three alternatives were examined by PERC.

The first, an indoor, 25-metre competitive swimming pool, would cost nearly \$1 million to build, with operating costs of about \$110,000 to \$120,000. Anticipated revenues would amount to \$50,000, leaving us with a deficit of \$60,000 to \$70,000.

Scratch alternative number one.

The second was a leisure pool which, the report explains, "has broader appeal and therefore broader use than a traditional pool which caters primarily to avid swimmers."

Leisure pools offer alternatives to swimming, with facilities such as a whirlpool, sauna, games and fitness areas to name a few. Because such a pool facility would cater to a larger number of people, operating costs would be less than those of alternative number one.

However, the capital cost would be higher: \$1.3 to \$1.4 million. Operating costs could be expected to reach \$130,000 with revenues of \$80,000: an operating deficit of \$50,000.

So let's scratch number two as well.

The final alternative is an outdoor pool, and as the report says, such a pool would only meet the summer demand for swimming, at which time there are beach areas where the water is warm enough for swimming. The outdoor pool is the least expensive to build and operate, but using the island's lakes would be far cheaper.

The report suggests that construction of a swimming pool would represent an increase in taxes that would be too much for islanders to bear.

When you think about it, Salt Spring Island needs a swimming pool about as much as Frobisher Bay needs a skating rink.

If you want a pool, then the best thing you can do is go and jump in a lake.

Letters to the Editor

A WORTHWHILE PROJECT

Sir,
On behalf of the residents of Demitri Way, I would like to thank the following individuals for their co-operation during recent discussions regarding site selection for the Phoenix Orchards Association juicing plant:

David Lott and Chris Foord, Islands Trust, for their willingness to give the matter a fair hearing and for their prompt and firm enforcement of the appropriate zoning bylaws.

Mrs. Lillian Horsdal, Mrs. Elsa Fraser and members of the Phoenix Orchards Association board of directors who expressed both a concern for our neighbourhood and a willingness to explore alternative sites.

Charlie Harris, building inspector, who gave his assurance to enforce the Trust's recommendation on behalf of the Capital Regional District.

Members of the bylaw committee who worked so diligently to prepare a bylaw and zoning ap-

proach which would provide a more sensible guide to future Salt Spring Commercial-industrial development.

John Boc, for his enthusiasm and dedication to the Phoenix project and his desire to continue the operation without federal funding.

Friends and neighbours who gave their moral support, and encouraged us to maintain the quiet, residential nature of our neighbourhood.

And the unknown Driftwood reporter who prepared an unbiased, accurate article summarizing what had been a difficult meeting on a sensitive topic.

We are happy that we have acted together to preserve the beauty and quiet of our neighbourhood. For this, above all, was our reason for choosing to live here. Preserving it gives new enthusiasm to remain.

We would be saddened, however, if our good neighbour, John Boc, or Phoenix Orchards could not continue their project in 1979. We



'Why, I think the RCMP are doing a great....er, fantastic job, right Ethel?'

offer our encouragement and support for this worthwhile activity. We would actively assist in the search for a more suitable site for a plant of this size and description. If an appropriate site is found, many of us would gladly donate labour or materials.

If anyone on Salt Spring could suggest a suitable location for a 900 square foot mechanized juicing plant, preferably a site that could be rented, leased or donated, please offer your suggestions to the Phoenix Orchards Association.

We have won our battle to preserve our neighbourhood. Now we would like to help John and Phoenix win their struggle to expand a worthwhile project.

TOM HOOVER

Demitri Way
Beaver Point
March 15, 1979

ADVANTAGES ARE MANY WITH REGIONAL LIBRARY

Sir,
Recently, you received a letter from the Vancouver Island Regional Library. Don't toss it into the nearest waste basket. Think about the marvellous advantages it offers and, if you agree, sign it and send it off to Nanaimo.

So many Salt Spring residents need the added varieties of services offered by the Vancouver Island Regional Library such as cassettes, audio visual books, large print books, more and varied children's books and reference books for students, writers and other interested individuals.

The limited hours now offered by our library would be increased and any book, magazine, pamphlet or whatnot that any resident might require would be available through the V.I.R.L. services. The bookmobile would be a remarkable help to all of us for a wide variety of reasons.

Why should we not have all the advantages that would be possible through the Vancouver Island Regional Library? It would open so many doors to opportunities for all of us, young and old alike.

LILLIAN HORSDAL

Fulford Harbour
March 15, 1979.

CARTOON AN AFFRONT

Sir,
I looked sadly at your cartoon of February 14 depicting a woman trainee in the armed services: telling two senior officers that a

tank is nice but does it come in pink. Thinking generally has emerged from the recent dark ages when women were regarded as frivolous and intellectually weak. Gradually the world is beginning to acknowledge women as people who can problem-solve and accept responsibility along with men.

If your cartoonist had been in Britain in war-time he would have seen women in the services in radar, women driving heavy trucks, women ferrying aircraft from factory to airfield. He would not have heard them ask innately if the equipment came in pink.

There are many intelligent women in the islands who will have felt affronted by the message behind your cartoon. I showed it to a weekend visitor to our home on Galiano. She is a certified mechanical technologist, and she wondered about the age of your cartoonist in a modern world. Perhaps it is not woman as he depicts her who is left behind, and the joke?

Please tell him "personel" is spelt with one "l".

MARGARET GRIFFITHS

Galiano Island,
March 12, 1979.

(Ed. note: Personnel is spelt with two n's).

IN APPRECIATION

Sir,
This is a letter of appreciation of our ferry people. My young and sociable fox terrier "Digby" broke detention and made his way (in the company, I think, of some day-trippers) to the 5.40 Sunday sailing of the Queen of Sidney. Unnoticed at the time in the weekend rush he boarded the vessel.

Meanwhile, frantic search going on at home and in the village. Much gas, whistle, several gins, and a poor supper later I went out to look again, and decided to inquire of the ferry staff. It was now 8.10 and Sidney would have left Tsawwassen.

Yes, Dennis had seen a small white dog with black spots, but had not seen him after ferry had left. Oh Lord!! Do I comb the pounds in Tsawwassen....he will be run over...he will be hungry....he may be stolen. I go home feeling miserable.

Just sit down and phone rings; it's Fred Worman. "Your little doggie is here, he has been to Tsawwassen and back."

Husband dispatched to ferry, his fault in first place and relations somewhat strained!! Dear Don Layard accused of dog napping,

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Church Services

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 1979

ANGLICAN			
St. George's	Ganges	Family Eucharist	9.30 am
St. Mary's	Fulford	Morning Prayer	11.15 am
Daily: Mon.-Fri.			
St. George's	Ganges	Morning Prayer	7.15 am
Weekly: Wednesdays			
St. George's	Ganges	Holy Communion	5.00 pm
ROMAN CATHOLIC			
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	9.00 am
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Rev. S. Hildebrandt	Sunday Sch.	all ages	10.30 am
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Bible Study & Prayer	537-5757	Thursday	7.00 pm
MAYNE ISLAND			
St. Mary Magdalene	Sundays	Rev. John Dyer	11.30 am
Community Church		Pastor J. Rodine	539-5710
Sunday at 3 pm	in school		
Bible Study Friday	in homes		
GALIANO ISLAND			
St. Margaret's	Galiano	Sundays	9.00 am

More letters

(From Page Four)

and some rejoinder about island freeloaders, and his nibs sitting in state in Dennis's car. A happy ending and thanks to the kindness of B.C. Ferry staff and crew.

NANCY E. RAINSFORD
Mayne Island
March 14, 1979

REUNION PLANNED

Sir,
Huntsville High School will be 75 this year.

In celebration, a gala reunion of students and teachers is planned for Victoria Day week-end, May 19 and 20, 1979.

We are attempting to locate those who attended the school and are part of its history. Anyone wishing to receive details of the events planned for this homecoming weekend, write to Huntsville High School Reunion, Huntsville, Ontario POA 1K0.

JOAN P. HAYDEN
Huntsville
Ontario
March 15, 1979

The following letters were submitted to *Driftwood* for publication.

EXPECTING APOLOGY

Mr. David Barrett, M.L.A.,
Victoria, B.C.

With reference to one of your M.L.A.'s who was on Channel 6 evening news on March 6, several remarks were made that were of a negative nature, not only to me, but to my family business. She also inferred I was getting some political favours from the Socreds.

Let me put the record straight as I will expect not only an apology, but for her to obtain equal air time for the other side to be told.

1. I am not a member of any political party in B.C., or in Canada.

2. I have spent almost four years trying to do the right thing through the N.D.P., the Socreds and the Liberals.

3. This project has passed all federal and provincial requirements.

4. One of the leaders of the opposition, has had two cabins closed by the health department. The reason was that the septic tank from the cabins were polluting the well that the tenants were using for drinking water.

Why I am being put on public trial for trying to supply a public service for all of B.C. to enjoy, I just don't know. Perhaps the seemingly selfish motives of the people who are objecting should be looked into?

The N.D.P. member seems to have acted more on suspected emotion and pressure, than fact. I expect that equal time will be spent on this letter for the other side to be told. I object strongly to being the "whipping boy" of some political maneuvering.

WELDON PINCHIN
Mayne Inn, Mayne Island, BC
March 7, 1979
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URGENT REQUEST

Premier Bill Bennett,
Parliament Buildings,
Victoria, B.C.

This letter is an urgent request for your intervention on a matter involving an arrogant and dictatorial decision by one of your ministers:

1. Pinchin Holdings Ltd., after public hearing, was denied rezoning for a commercial docking facility by the Mayne Island Trust Committee.

2. On learning that the Land Management department had granted Pinchin Holdings Ltd. a letter of allowance for a water lease, the Bennett Bay Preservation Committee asked Mr. Chabot to recognize the procedure required by our zoning bylaws which requires a hearing for rezoning.

3. Mr. Chabot ignored the Trust's decision, our letters, petition, and the committee's solicitor's appeal, and went on to grant a lease for a docking facility in conjunction with the adjoining commercial enterprise.

Mr. Chabot has usurped the zoning powers of the Islands Trust. How can funding for the Trust be justified if it has no jurisdiction over zoning?

Citizens' rights of due process have been seriously impaired and we enlist your urgent intervention.

MARJORIE HAGGART,
Secretary
Bennett Bay
Preservation Committee,
Mayne Island,
March 17, 1979

Pub-crawling, disco-dancing in Kamloops Thursday night

BY TONY RICHARDS

"How are you doin', Kamloopson a Friday morning?"

Well, how was Kamloops doing anyway? Seems to me it was doing all right, though I couldn't exactly say the same for myself.

The fellow who was asking was spinning discs at Hennessey's Disco, and spinning them pretty fast too, I presume he was the same guy who was flicking the light switches on and off as well, and he kept up a pretty good pace doing that.

And what was I doing disco-dancing? Just trying to get the feel of the town, that's all, finding out what makes it tick. But I wasn't successful in finding the answer, though I did find that there is no similarity whatsoever between Kamloops and Ganges. Especially on a Thursday night.

We weren't just disco-dancing.. we were actually pub-crawling. I found I had preference for the latter after trying disco for the first time.

Our first stop was at a cabaret that featured a country and western band, a goodly number of inebriated patrons, and a goodly number of ladies of the night. The band might have kept time if they had known what timing was, the patrons were in a much more advanced state of inebriation than I was and therefore beyond reach, and the ladies? Well, I didn't make any advances in their direction either.

SAT 325 PEOPLE

At our next stop, we came close to discovering what Kamloops was up to that Thursday night: they were dancing to a rock and roll band in a cabaret that sat 325 people.

There was standing room only, and not very much of that.

I didn't investigate, but I'm sure there was an ear doctor next door who kept his office open all night. If we'd stayed any longer than we did, about 15 minutes, we would have been in desperate need of his services.

As it was, however, we quickly passed on to the next night spot, Hennessey's Disco, where we joined the other patrons, twisting and gyrating over and under a barrage of brilliant, flashing lights.

It wasn't long before I discovered that disco music was not to my

liking. In fact, it only took about five minutes to make that discovery.

We crawled back to our hotel, with ears ringing and eyes flashing, thankful that there is not the slightest similarity between Kamloops and Ganges.

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DON'T TOSS OUT



Tony Richards

There are some new additions to the English language, and they originate on Salt Spring Island.

The word *scob* showed up in a sports report in the Gulf Islands Secondary School newspaper, the *Bull Sheet*. It was used as a substitute for *beat*, or *defeat*.

The second new word I heard was used by a local teacher: *endorstation*.

The first could prove useful, especially in reports on sports events, where the few words now in use are somewhat over-used.

But as far as the second goes, there's nothing wrong with *endorsement*.

Local plumbers will be relieved to hear that we were successful in alleviating what could have been a serious problem with plugged drains last week.

It wasn't the sort of drain problem that most plumbers would be familiar with. In fact, it wasn't a problem that anybody could expect to encounter.

It was the bathroom sink that was plugged, with a dessicated slug. Fortunately for me, my wife was able to rectify the pluggage without my

assistance. And if you're wondering what we were doing dessicating slugs, it wasn't us.

We will have to rewrite the old nursery rhyme about little boys: *Slugs and snails and puppy dogs' tails...*

Someone at United Press International must have an aversion to beards. In a report about a trial taking place in an American city, one of the witnesses is referred to as "a bearded researcher and physician".

Needless to say, the trial had nothing to do with beards.

I was up to my ears in swallow reports last week. Due to thoughtfulness on the part of *Driftwood* staffers alike, my desk was covered in little bits of paper, each one detailing swallow sightings on Salt Spring during the last week or so.

A point made by most of the callers was that the swallows are pretty early this year.

So to Grace Wright, Jack Ready, Mrs. C. Brabant, Mrs. R. H. Lee, the Scott Point resident and the 100 Hills resident, thank you for calling.

ISLANDS TRUST GALIANO ISLAND TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons who deem their interest in property affected by the following proposed By-laws will be afforded an opportunity to be heard on the matters contained therein at a Public Hearing to be held at the Community Hall, Sturdies Bay Road, Galiano Island, on TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 1979, commencing at 1:30 p.m.

- (a) Proposed Galiano Island Trust Committee By-law No. 10 (being Zoning By-law, Amendment By-law No. 1, 1979), is a by-law to amend Galiano Island Trust Committee By-law No. 5, 1978.

Galiano Island Trust Committee By-law No. 5, cited as "Zoning By-law, Galiano Island and Area, 1978" is amended as follows: By changing the Zoning Classification of that part of Lot 10, Plan 21831, Lot 83, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, as shown on Plan No. 1 attached hereto and forming part of this by-law, from the Rural Residential Zone to the Commercial 2 Zone.

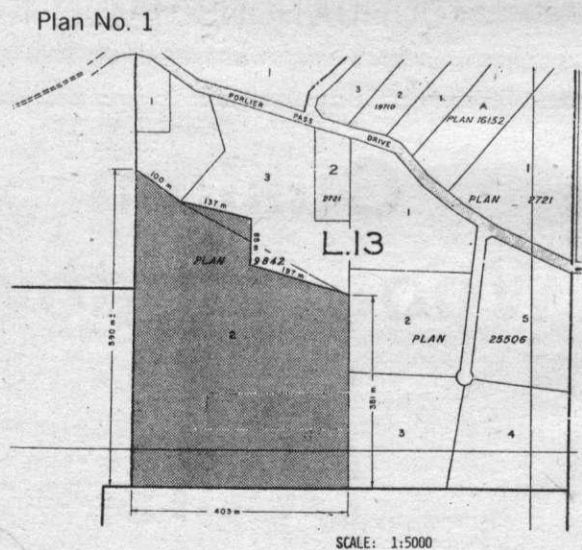
Applicant: Gillian and Kenneth Allen
Location: Porlier Pass Road, Galiano Island, B.C.



- (b) Proposed Galiano Island Trust Committee By-law No. 11 (being Zoning By-law, Amendment By-law No. 2, 1979), is a By-law to amend Galiano Island Trust Committee By-law No. 5, 1978.

Galiano Island Trust Committee By-law No. 5, cited as "Zoning By-law, Galiano Island and Area, 1978" is amended as follows: By changing the Zoning classification of those parts of Lots 2 and 3, plan 9842, Lot 13, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, as shown on Plan No. 1 attached hereto and forming part of this By-law, from the Rural 2 Zone to the Rural 3 Zone.

Applicant: Stephen L. Pattison
Location: Near the intersection of Porlier Pass Road and Galiano Way, Galiano Island, B.C.



Copies of the proposed By-laws may be reviewed at the Post Office, Galiano Island during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m., and 12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., and 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Monday to Saturday inclusive.

The proposed By-laws may also be reviewed at the Islands Trust office, 848 Courtney Street, Victoria, B.C. during normal working hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive.

M. Lee
Administrative Officer

Mayne Island will have one of first digital installations

The 440 B.C. Telephone Company subscribers on Galiano Island will have their telephone service assured in the near future. As soon as the ordered equipment is delivered, two digital radio installations will be constructed, one on Galiano and one on Mayne, to take the bulk of the work load from the existing submarine cable.

The reason for the change is to guarantee total reliability, according to B.C. Tel Customer Services spokesman, George Holmes. "This is an expensive alternative to cable," Holmes said, "but customer service is our priority."

Two submarine cables, stretched across Active Pass, used to carry phone signals from Mayne to Galiano. The second cable served both as a backup link and to allow route diversification during busy periods.

But there has always been trouble with the cables across the pass. Harry Lane, resident B.C. Tel employee on Mayne, listed currents, marine traffic and electrolysis caused by the B.C. Hydro cable as some of the reasons for phone cable failure.

"We replaced one cable which had been damaged by a fishboat and 34 days later a ferry put it out of commission," he said.

ONLY ONE CABLE

For the past few months there has been only one cable to Galiano, the other having been damaged in an accident. If something happened to the remaining cable, Galiano residents would have to wait for emergency equipment to be installed.

According to George Holmes, the average life of a cable, that is before replacement or major repair, has been one year. "And we have to take it right out to mend it; we can't do repairs in the middle of the busy channel. If repair is impossible, it could take nine months for a new cable to arrive from the factory."

"Digital radio transmission provides better route diversification and in the future digital line concentrators can be put in to increase capacity. This type of installation has been used successfully in other parts of Canada and Mayne will have one of the first in this area. The present cable will be left in place as well, to enhance the radio system and in case of emergency or overload."

When the proposal first became known to Miners Bay residents last fall, they feared that a microwave tower would be placed on or near the existing B.C. Tel building. The structure they felt, would not only be unsightly, but it would also mar a view of the pass for some residents. Letters, including a petition signed by some 13 or 14 households, were sent to B.C. Tel and MLA Hugh Curtis.

ALTERNATIVE SITE

Action was prompt. B.C. Tel sent men to investigate and to find an acceptable alternative site. An easement was eventually negotiat-

ed with residents Doug and Diane MacArthur for a treed, elevated piece of land where the tower would be well-camouflaged and could be considerably shorter than originally conceived.

At least one signee of the petition is pleased with the outcome. Ted Burden, whose house faces the B.C. Tel building some 50 yards away, said he was impressed with the response received from the telephone company and the solution is completely satisfactory.

Harry Lane has an answer for anyone concerned about microwave "fallout" from the installation. He compared the 30 to 50 kilowatts of power emitted by the 75-mile radius radar station on Mount Parke to the approximate .25 watt which will be given off by the telephone tower.

"It would be much simpler and cheaper," said George Holmes, "just to replace the missing cable. But we took a long, hard look at the price and we are convinced that this is the right way to go."

Only a firecracker says youth of ball

It was only a firecracker, explained counsel for a Thetis Island student pleading guilty to possession of a flammable ping pong ball.

Appearing in Ganges provincial court on Wednesday last week, Randal J. Bolster told the court that the ball, loaded with match heads and sealed with foil, was a firecracker.

There was no sinister intent, defence counsel assured the court.

Bolster pleaded guilty to the possession of the firebomb as well as to possession of beer and a small quantity of marijuana.

The articles were found in his possession during a routine check on February 9 in Ganges, it was stated.

Student in Chemainus, Bolster is an American living on Thetis Island, explained counsel. He expects to return to the United States this year to take up residence after 12 years in Canada, he explained.

He asked for a conditional

discharge on the narcotics offence in order to avoid prejudicing the youth's return to the United States.

OPPOSED

Crown counsel Alistair McDonald opposed the suggestion of a conditional discharge in face of the proliferation of drugs among young people.

Judge D.K. McAdam agreed. "He is of sufficient age and intelligence to know what it is all about," he said, "The public interest would not be served by a conditional discharge."

Bolster was fined \$50 on the drug charge, \$50 for the possession of a fire bomb and \$25 for possession of alcohol.

Of the firecracker plea, Judge McAdam asked, "If it is only to be used as a firecracker, why not use a firecracker?"

Court had been told that the device could be thrown and it would explode into flames.

One alcoholic in each grade - police

BY MIKE HOECHSMANN

The Gulf Islands Secondary Advisory Council meeting held Monday evening at the school dealt mainly with a presentation on drug and alcohol abuse by teenagers. RCMP Constable Glen Hanna was present to provide a slide presentation entitled *That Particular Day*, and a drug presentation illustrated by samples of many drugs common to teenage abuse.

On the subject of alcohol, Constable Hanna presented the parents with the startling fact that alcoholism can start at a very young age. He claimed that there is at least one alcoholic in each grade at the high school. Further discussion showed that approximately one-half of all the drunken driving charges on Salt Spring involve teenagers.

Const. Hanna directed the conversation into the topic of drugs. It was an open discussion as Hanna

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**NOTICE OF MEETING
 Galiano Island**

There will be a meeting of the Galiano Island Trust Committee to consider various items of business concerning Galiano Island at the conclusion of the Public Hearing on April 3, 1979, in the Community Hall, Galiano Island.

M. Lee
 Administrative Officer

Cudmore Rock

Hugh Curtis dedicates petroglyph

The Cudmore Rock has a new resting place.

On Tuesday afternoon last week Provincial Secretary Hugh Curtis dedicated the Indian petroglyph at Drummond Park in Fulford.

It is among the best-travelled petroglyphs in coastal Canada.

Years ago it started on the edge of the harbour at Fulford. Already aged, it was discovered by Gordon Cudmore some years ago when he was logging.

He recognized it as an Indian relic and moved it from the water on to the beach.

When he established an airstrip at Fulford, the discoverer of petroglyphs had a brainwave. He would move the rock to the airstrip. And he did.

But the law had been tightened up while the rock lay quietly on the shore. Nobody could move around artifacts without prior approval from the government ministry concerned.

After numerous exchanges, the rock was moved by the Ministry of Highways to the highways yard at Central. For a few weeks it remained there.

TEMPORARY

The new move was temporary. It would be put in a new and acceptable location, said a government spokesman. Last week the new location was revealed for the dedication.

A number of early residents of the island took part. The CBC took part. The authors of the rock carving, the Tsaout Indians, were

not represented. Mr. Cudmore was also not at the ceremony.

And that was the end of a road. Hugh Curtis spoke as MLA for the islands as well as Provincial Secretary.

He expressed the thanks of the government for the concern expressed by people of Salt Spring Island in the safeguarding of the rock.

"I have reviewed the correspondence that has come in to my predecessors," he said, "and I must compliment the people of Salt Spring Island for their sense of history and the determination to have this petroglyph placed where the public can see and appreciate it."

GUARDIANS OF ROCK

The people of Fulford Harbour are the guardians of the rock, he added. He was confident that, through Mr. Lee and the Community Hall Association, they will look after it.

The minister recalled some of the history of petroglyphs.

There are only 500 rock paintings and petroglyphs in the province and they are protected under statute.

"We don't know how old they are and we don't know precisely what their significance was to the carvers and painters, but we value them highly."

Fulford Harbour was used for many hundreds of years by the Saanich people. It was their fishing ground, said Curtis. For the Tsaout

Band this petroglyph is particularly significant.

The harbour was visited each year by families whose permanent homes were in Saanich.

"I am told that within the memory of some of the elders there were buildings here, buildings that belonged to the Tsaout Band."

He also thanked the Saanich people for their expressions of concern over the location of the petroglyph.

"Through their Chief, Les Claxton and their Band Manager, Gus Underwood, they have advised us where to locate the petroglyph and on the wording for the plaque."

The Indian band has asked that the rock be monitored carefully for vandalism, recalled the speaker.

"Fulford Harbour Petroglyph"

"This Indian rock carving of a seal was found at Fulford Harbour on the shoreline opposite the ferry wharf."

Not that long!

When Jean M.R.J. Valcourt, of Ganges, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana in Ganges provincial court last week, prosecutor Alistair McDonald opposed a plea for three months to pay.

Unemployed and without income, Valcourt was given until May 31 to pay his \$75 fine.

SALT SPRING

OPTICAL

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Thieves' haul

Jim Davies of Village Bay Road on Pender Island is minus one outboard motor and gas tank, an electronic calculator, two boxes of fishing tackle, two target rifles and one 10-speed bicycle.

Davies reported to RCMP that all of the items had been stolen when thieves broke into his home some time during the past week.

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School theatre production



Theatre plays a major part in island life. The picture shows two drama students at Gulf Islands Secondary School rehearsing for

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MOUAT'S

Foreign companies control destiny

BY T.C. DOUGLAS, M.P.

Recent events have demonstrated, if any demonstration was needed, who it is that calls the tune with respect to the distribution of petroleum products in Canada and the United States. The social upheaval in Iran has resulted in Canada being denied over 100,000 barrels of oil per day which we normally import from that country. While the government was wrestling with this problem, Imperial Oil informed Energy Minister Gillespie that its parent company Exxon of New York had reduced by 25,000 barrels a day the amount of oil Canada would receive from Venezuela. This arbitrary decision, added to the loss of Iranian oil, confronted this country with a serious situation in the midst of the coldest winter we have had for many years.

The only excuse that Exxon could give for cutting oil imports to Canada was that under the International Energy Treaty the signatories had agreed to a rationing procedure. But such rationing does not become effective until there has been a seven per cent drop in oil supplies, and that has not yet occurred. More important is the fact that the 19 countries who make up the International Energy Agen-

cy are the ones who are authorized to do the rationing and not the multi-national oil companies.

ARROGANCE

It is typical of the arrogance displayed by the major oil giants that Exxon should presume to act as though it were a sovereign state with power to decide which countries would get oil and which would be refused. These multi-nationals have become a law unto themselves, assuming the power of economic life or death over nations dependent on imported oil.

Ironically enough, Exxon doesn't even own the Venezuelan oil it presumes to ration. All oil in Venezuela is publicly owned and sold by a government oil company which for years has indicated its willingness to sell oil on a government-to-government basis. The NDP has repeatedly urged the Canadian government to avail itself of this offer, but without success. Even Exxon's Canadian subsidiary, Imperial Oil, has not been allowed to purchase oil directly from Venezuela; that is done by Exxon which allocated 100,000 barrels a day to Imperial Oil and then, when supplies were getting scarce, cut Imperial's quota by 25,000 barrels.

It is now crystal clear that it is

neither the Canadian oil companies nor the Canadian government who decide how much oil we will be allowed to import; it is Exxon, an arm of the great Rockefeller financial empire whose tentacles reach into every corner of the world. We ought to remember this the next time we sing, "O Canada, The true north, strong and free".

DEAL DIRECT

As was to be expected, Energy Minister Alastair Gillespie was understandably annoyed; after all wasn't he at one time an active member of the Committee for an Independent Canada? Gillespie protested Exxon's arbitrary exercise of power and insisted that Imperial Oil should bypass Exxon and deal directly with the Venezuelan government-owned oil company.

This constitutes an amazing contradiction. The federal government won't allow the parent company to control our oil supply but we will permit its major subsidiary to do so. There doesn't seem to be much advantage in getting papa bear out of the house if we are going to let baby bear have the run of the place.

Canada has a publicly-owned oil company, Petro-Canada, which was set up ostensibly to give the people of this country some control of our oil supplies. That is the company which should be importing oil from Venezuela, Mexico and several of the other oil-producing countries which have expressed a preference for government-to-government trading arrangements.

TORIES ATTACK PETRO-CAN

This probably explains why the

Conservatives attack Petro-Canada almost daily in the House of Commons and threaten to abolish it, if and when they attain power. They have become almost pathological in their hatred of Petro-Canada. What they fail to realize is that over the last 30 years the oil situation has changed radically. The great multi-nationals no longer own vast oil reserves, except in Canada and the United States. Oil has been brought under public ownership in nearly all the oil-producing countries such as Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq, Nigeria and Mexico.

The multi-national oil companies have become mere middlemen; they are mainly the brokers and shippers of the oil which they purchase from publicly-owned oil companies. These latter would prefer to deal directly with publicly-owned oil companies set up by the importing countries and have repeatedly said so. Almost every industrialized nation in the world has established a state-owned oil company in order to ensure for themselves control of oil distribution within their borders. Canada also has such a company; but the Liberals are too timid to use it effectively, and the Conservatives want to strangle it before it becomes a threat to the American oil giants.

Canadians must decide very soon whether we want to leave our economic destiny to the tender mercies of foreign oil companies or to ensure that our vital energy needs will be met by agencies which are controlled by Canadians and for Canadians.

Vesuvius Inn is scene of private party

Recently manufactured antique, the new Vesuvius Inn was the scene of a private party on Saturday night. Don and Mary Small entertained neighbours and friends as well as people who had worked on the construction project.

The new neighbourhood pub stands on the site of the original Vesuvius Hotel. It resembles the old hotel and is built in the style of 100 years ago.

Guests were treated to a preview of the Inn, with its library and darts room. Mike Hobbs, who is also associated with the project, was the volunteer waiter.

More than 100 guests attended during the evening.

The proprietors hope to open for business in the near future.

Formation of Relief Society is planned

Formation of a Relief Society, an organization associated with the Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints, is being planned on Salt Spring Island.

Initiated in 1842, the Relief Society has nearly one million members throughout the world, *Driftwood* was told last week by a spokesman for the society.

Its purpose is to "help women fulfill their responsibilities and leadership role, to develop their abilities and talents to the fullest, and to exercise their opportunities and realize their potential", the spokesman said.

The first meeting of the group will be held Friday at the home of Sonja Baker.

Upcoming projects of the society will include lessons in home-making and mother education; courses will also be given in skills varying from budgeting money to quilting.

Anyone interested in the Relief Society is invited to contact Sonja Baker at 653-4430. A nursery will be set up at Friday's meeting for the benefit of mothers with young children.

Former Pender man dies at Victoria

Former Pender Island resident Captain Ron Jackson passed away March 8 after a short illness in Victoria Jubilee Hospital. He was 78.

Captain Jackson and his wife Audrey retired to Pender Island about seven years ago.

In 1974, during his time as president of the Pender Island Legion, the new Legion Hall was built and opened officially on November 11.

He leaves his wife Audrey; sons, Norman of Nova Scotia and George of Victoria; a daughter, Diana of Vancouver; and eight grandchildren.

Captain Jackson had a long career at sea, serving in the Royal Navy and the Royal Canadian Navy in both wars. He was a founding member of the Naval Officers' Association of B.C. and of the Victoria branch. He was the first commanding officer of HMCS Malahat, Victoria's Naval Reserve Unit. At one time he was Queen's Harbour Master at Esquimalt and Superintendent of Auxilliary Vessels, HMC Dock Yard.

He was an active Legionnaire, serving as president of Pender

Duplicate bridge

Here are the Canadian Legion Duplicate Bridge Club winners for March 13:

North-South: first, Helen Shandro, Audrey Allan; second, Anne McConnell, Gordon Hutton; third, Mary K. Thomas, Mayme Iverson.

East-West: First, Lois Popkin-Clurman, Hilda Orchard; second, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop; third, Phyllis Henderson, Terry Ferguson.

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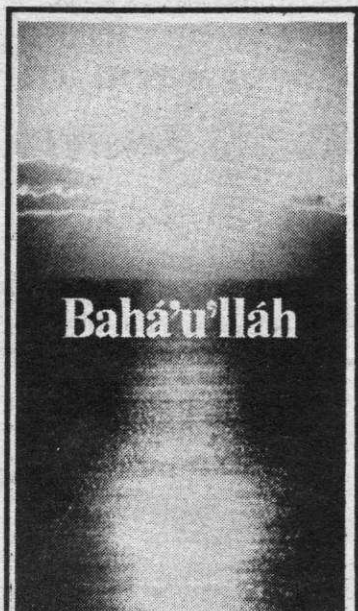
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Fund benefits from island donations

The Save the Children's Fund is \$175.23 richer from donations collected on Salt Spring Island during the past year. Island representative for the fund Jean Knight, said this week that the total collected the year before was only \$53.

She expressed gratitude to all those who contributed to the fund by using the collection boxes at various stores and restaurants on Salt Spring.

Largest collection was at Rita's Inn, where over \$60 was taken. Mrs. Knight also donated her part of proceeds from her recent concert.



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Galiano Island

BY MARY ELLEN HARDING

Molly Boback of Fredericton, New Brunswick came over to the island to visit friends on March 10, and to meet with members of the Galiano Painters' Guild. She was a guest of Mrs. Ragna Frederickson.

We are all pleased to see Mr. and Mrs. Con Farrell back home again after some time; Mrs. Farrell is recovering from her illness.

Also pleased to report that Mrs. Hugh Lloyd-Walters of Campbell River is now home following a serious operation in Vancouver. Her many friends will be glad to hear she is recovering at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Goodrich and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bambrick are back home on the island after holidaying in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Cam Prior and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Knowles are also back from holidays in California.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens, Branch 94, held their regular monthly meeting at Page Drive Lounge on March 5.

The meeting was told that the big new stove purchased by the branch, was now in Vancouver, and should be on the island soon.

Secretary Mrs. Corrine Snell said that a qualified projectionist for the picture show equipment did not come to the island, but through the kindness of Bob Bambrick and Basil Bengier, several interested people had come out to learn how to operate the projector.

Joe Fleming asked about outdoor bowling, and the member of the Senior Citizens who is on the board of directors of the Galiano Club will look further into this matter.

A tour on the Royal Hudson train at Squamish was discussed, in addition to visiting other Senior Citizens branches some time in the summer.

D.A. New told of a friend of islanders, Rev. Benjamin Fream, coming from Nova Scotia to stay at one of the Senior Citizens' houses on Page Drive soon. The upcoming agricultural show was discussed, and it was left for the next meeting, on April 2, to name a convener.

LIONS MEETING

Galiano Lions met at Galiano Hall on March 15. The main topic of discussion was the ever popular Seafood Dinner to be held at Galiano Hall on April 7. This is always one of the highlights of the year and the band, "The Newmans" of Salt Spring, will play for the dance following the dinner.

Tickets will be sold in advance, as there is only limited seating room.

Two of the Lions and their wives may attend the 58th Annual Lions International Convention at Penticton in May.

Next meeting of Lions will be held on April 5.

LADIES' SERVICE CLUB

The Galiano Ladies' Service Club held its monthly meeting at the community hall on March 12.

Mrs. Bengier told the meeting that she had visited Mrs. Nancy Hume in Victoria and a birthday card for her was signed by all present. Miss Isobel McKeirhen will assist Mrs. Ross Parminter in visiting sick friends on the island.

Wording of the plaques to be placed on doors of three rooms in Greenwoods was discussed; this will be done by Mrs. Bengier.

A lovely letter was passed around to the members from Jonna Mattiesing, to thank the club for inviting her to come to Galiano to receive the third cheque of \$1000 for Greenwoods.

Next topic was to find helpers for the upcoming Rummage Sale on Easter Saturday, April 14, and this was certainly no problem. It was decided that no tea will be served, and sale will be open from 1 pm to 3 pm.

Ladies who will pick up goods are Mrs. C. Snell, Mrs. Bengier, Mrs. Carolan and Mrs. Miley.

There will be sales of plants, jewellery, home baking, good clothing, books, shoes and much more.

It is hoped to make this day a big success as it is one of the biggest fund-raising activities of this club.

Next meeting will be held on April 9.

UPCOMING EVENTS

At Galiano Hall March 4, a dance, with "Railroad"; on March 31 at 2 pm, some films; on Easter Sunday, an Easter bonnet parade, and an egg hunt; on Saturday, April 21 there will be a book and bake sale at the firehall, sponsored by the Women's Auxilliary to the firemen.

Garden club celebrates anniversary

BY PETE MOSS

This year Salt Spring Island Garden Club will celebrate its twenty fifth anniversary. The opening of the garden season will coincide with the beginning of a series of events to mark this Silver Jubilee year.

Of special interest are garden visits, to start in April and continue well into the autumn months.

Also planned are two special flower shows - a mini-show of spring flowers to be held in April in connection with the club's annual spring plant sale, and a gladiolus and dahlia show to be held in August.

There are other celebrations hovering over the planning board waiting for a chance to settle. We'll be hearing about them in due time and will pass on the news to Driftwood readers.

Watch for dates, times and places to be published in our next Silver Jubilee report. Gardeners will be gardening and celebrating this year!

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FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Three new members were welcomed at the March 19th meeting of Old Age Pensioners Organization, held in St. George's Parish Hall with Mr. Fred Goddard in the chair. OAPO now has 90 members on the roll.

Main feature of the meeting was the bake sale, Mrs. H. Earnshaw, in charge, assisted by Mrs. E.J. Monk. Delectable cakes and pies were set out among a lovely array of daffodils donated by Mrs. W. Watmough.

Mr. Isaac Daniels, violinist and Mr. Frank Bostock, pianist, entertained with Irish music during the afternoon. Mrs. B. Krebs received a warm welcome following a long absence due to illness.

A poetry hour will follow the next meeting, April 16. Original verse and favourite poems will be submitted by members and read by Mrs. W.M. Mouat and Archdeacon G.H. Holmes.

Mrs. Edna McLeod took the chair for the well-attended March 20 meeting of the Camera Club, which featured exhibition slides on loan from the Photographic Society of America. These were projected by Victor Bishop with commentary read by Mrs. Mildred Seymour.

The fifty prize-winning slides covered a number of interesting subjects and photographic methods.

Friends of Dr. W.T. Lockhart will be sorry to hear that he suffered an elbow injury when he slipped in the shower on the last day of his holiday in Hawaii. He is making good progress in Lady Minto Hospital.

Changes in the commercial centre of Ganges were confirmed this week by Richard Toynbee, president of the new Mouat company.

Mr. Toynbee confirmed that negotiations for the purchase of Salt Spring Island Trading Co. are nearing completion. He also stated that Ganges Crest has been acquired by his company.

An architect has now been retained to come up with an overall development theme for the area encompassed by the new company.

The mud flats between Mouat's and former White Elephant will be filled in to accommodate cars.

When it comes to fishing a commercial fisherman's wife should know all the answers. At least one wife is an expert.

Mrs. Alan Hedger, of Salt Spring Island, caught a 200 pound halibut on a hand line; lost it; fished again and caught it.

It took four men to haul the halibut on to the dock.

Amalgamation of the islands school district with a Vancouver Island district would be a disaster for the area. This view was expressed by Trustee J.M. Campbell last week when trustees of Gulf Islands School District were discussing amalgamation.

Discussion followed recent statements by the education minister of the province, Donald Brothers, that

districts should be brought into larger administrative areas.

Work ceased on Friday morning on the big B.C. Hydro transmission line being built from Arnott Substation on the mainland, to Duncan, on Vancouver Island, due to information pickets coming over by small launch, to Galiano Lodge, which members of the Victoria Local 230 refused to cross.

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers out of Vancouver have been on strike for the past two weeks, and this closure is the hardest blow yet, it means thousands of dollars a day lost and carefully-laid plans all upset.

Most important loss is the planned outage of power for all of Vancouver Island during the Easter week-end, when this phase of work could easily have been finished by the expert crews from Hume and Rumble-Peterson Electric, joint venture to pull the three new cables across the existing power lines now serving the island.

Island veterinarian is preparing for a new term of service in Africa.

Dr. David Lott will leave Ganges in April for Ghana. He will set up rural veterinary clinics in northern Ghana and teach para-veterinary students to operate them.

Dr. Lott is making his third trip to Africa. He has worked among the African people to help them to control disease in their herds. His new term in Africa will bring him close to the rural communities and he expects to live among the people.

Mrs. Lott will not join him until the end of the school term.

Fourteen new homes were approved in the islands during the month of February. Permits issued by the Capital Regional District numbered nine on Salt Spring and five in the Outer Islands. All five were on Pender.

All 14 new homes are single family dwellings. There were 17 permits for plumbing and other purposes on Salt Spring and eight in the Outer Islands.

Total value of new houses started on Salt Spring for February, not including plumbing permits, was \$224,437.

Only one line of defence stands between the Gulf Islands and the projected international Point Roberts - Gulf Islands Park. Last defence is the federal government.

On Sunday, T.C. Douglas, MP, came to Salt Spring Island to express his strong opposition to the park proposal.

The Nanaimo-Islands member of parliament also explained that adoption of the International Joint Commission recommendation meant two vastly different things in the two countries concerned.

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SPORTS**TEAMS CAME FROM ALL OVER****Super Soccer Weekend success****BY MALCOLM LEGG**

At 4 pm on Sunday afternoon the S.S.I.Y.S.A.'s "super soccer weekend" came to an official close. A total of six games, eight hours of soccer action, teams from Victoria, Burnaby, Port Alberni, Duncan and Salt Spring, several hundred spectators and a lot of soccer excitement had been displayed at Portlock Park.

Although the results, score-wise, were not too satisfying, the repercussions of the weekend's soccer were beneficial to Salt Spring's soccer picture. All the games provided spectators with an excellent calibre of soccer as well as some very exciting results.

The games went as follows.

S.S. Super-Stars 0 - Wesburn 2

Experience proved out the winner as a well-oiled Wesburn squad defeated the newly-formed Super-stars.

Wesburn was coached by Peter Moonen, an ex-islander who coach-

ed the Kicks for two seasons before leaving for Burnaby. His boys executed positionally far better than Salt Spring and utilized this to gain victory.

The Super-stars came on strong in the second half led by the offensive thrusts of Dave McWhirter and Troy Logan, while their defence anchored by Bradley Davies and Mike Kruger held their opposition in check.

S.S. Sockeyes 1 Peninsula 3

Spectators were treated to a fast-paced, exciting game. Anyone who thought girls could not play soccer had their theories on that subject quickly squashed by watching two excellent teams pound away at each other.

The 3-1 result in favour of Peninsula was a fair result and gave Peninsula first place over the Sockeyes.

S.S. Super-stars 0 Wesburn 3

Sunday's opening game was another solid win for Wesburn, but

the improved play of the Stars, especially defensively, put the team in good order for their return games in Burnaby on April 7 and 8.

The experience gained by the Salt Spring boys will be invaluable in their future encounters. Exchanges such as these serve to not only promote our soccer youth on Salt Spring, but also benefit the island as we spread our soccer wings into distant districts.

S.S. Sockeyes 5 Port Alberni 1

The Sockeyes showed that teamwork is the key factor in playing soccer as they defeated

Port Alberni's league leaders rather convincingly.

Salt Spring Men 2 Duncan Royals 0

The men picked up their first win behind a pair of opportunists goals by Julian Valcourt and Chris Lake and some solid defensive work.

The very cleanly played game saw Salt Spring start to gel as a team. With the defence starting to settle down the offence is starting to move, certainly the makings of another good Salt Spring team.

All in all the weekend of soccer

proved very successful as many people were able to witness some excellent soccer matches but also saw the very fine style of play exhibited by Salt Spring's teams at all age levels.

COERS CUP

Cup play wrapped up last week and the Cosmos, with two more wins, easily walked away with the trophy as they were unbeaten. The Hornets, Goblins and Canadians finished in a tie for second. The Wildcats finished fifth and the Red Devils brought up the rear.

Youth, experience combine to give island men their win

Salt Spring 2-Duncan Village Green 0

Salt Spring emerged worthy winners in this fast entertaining game played at Portlock Park on Sunday. Both teams settled down from the opening whistle and the game was a good advertisement for recreational soccer as both teams exhibited enthusiasm and competitiveness tempered by friendliness and good sportsmanship. Salt Spring is developing the right blend of youth and experience on the team and look better with each game.

The teams seemed evenly matched in the first half although Salt Spring had most chances at goal. The local defense played very steadily, pushing the ball through

for their forwards who had many near misses. Pressure paid off, however, and Alan Marsh made a nice run through the middle before setting up Julian Valcourt for the first goal.

The second half was characterized by some fine play by the Village Green and only strong play by Bob Anderson and Mike Testor on the defense saved the day. Matt Small was tested many times during this period but always came up with the good save and generally looked

impressive in Salt Spring's net. The local team put the game out of reach late in the game as Chris Lake held off two defencesmen to crack the ball sharply past the Duncan keeper.

A good team effort by the locals who seemed very strong at the end of the game. Special mention to Bob Anderson & Mike Testor on the defense, to Alan Marsh & Chris Lake who combine very effectively up front and to Gordy Speed who always plays with skill and determination.

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In the 10-game bowl-a-thon of Saturday last, the winner of the scratch event was Danny Bedford, followed by Carol Kaye and Terry Jenkins. Mike Kelly was the big winner in the handicap event, closely followed by Art Dawe and Connie Kelly. Danny Bedford also came through with a high single of 371. The hidden score prize went to Leo Toutant.

Our junior boys did not fair too well in the provincial Y.B.C. roll-offs. But they have to be congratulated for reaching this far in the competition. Many thanks to their two coaches, Joyce Taylor and Anne Harrison, who gave them many hours of their time.

Here are the better scores of the week: Rick Bergsen, 743; Ken Collins, 770; Julie Collins, 733; Bev Valcourt, 773; Joan Badesso, 735; Lloyd Martin, 721; Leo Toutant, 734; Carol Kaye, 777; Dave Calver, 706; Pat Byron, 703; Mike Kelly, 834; and Cy Beech, 709.

The 300 games came from Ken Collins, 321; Bev Valcourt, 309; and Mike Kelly, 313.

The bowlers of the week were, for the ladies, Carol Kaye, and for the men it was Mike Kelly.

In the ladies' team event of the B.P.A. competition held in Chemainus recently our number three team came through winners.

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Sockeyes come up with weekend split

BY MALCOLM LEGG

The Sockeyes' two-game, weekend stint proved that when Salt Spring's girls decide to turn it on they are unbeatable. After a tough loss to Peninsula on Saturday the Sockeyes turned it on and tore into a surprised Port Alberni squad.

S.S.I. Sockeyes 1-Peninsula 3

The game was one of the toughest the Sockeyes played all season. It was a fast-paced game with a lot of rough tackles and hard knocks as both teams played superb soccer, with first place on the line.

Due to the closeness of the play one knew that the game would be decided by which team got the breaks. Peninsula capitalized on their opportunities to build up a 1-0 half-time lead and 3-0 by mid-way through the second.

Shauneen Spence brought a little spark back into the Sockeyes but a very solid Peninsula defence refused to allow the Sockeyes any more privileges.

S.S.I. Sockeyes 5-Port Alberni 1

The Sockeyes soccer charms came to the forefront with one of their finest games of the season. Teamwork has always been the team's motto and this Sunday the girls really showed some, to the dismay of Port Alberni.

Shauneen Spence led the offence as she showed her true genius as a soccer player. Her two goals and two assists overshadowed her brilliant work in masterminding the Sockeyes attack.

Theresa Byron anchored the defence, replacing the injured Cathy Anderson. Theresa kept her defensive fivesome in proper position to almost completely dismember the Port Alberni attack.

Janice Hull had a super game "between the sticks", especially in the opening half when she came up with several sparkling saves and kept the Sockeyes in the game.

Certainly every player could be mentioned but due to the lack of space only some of the brighter spots will be noted.

The Sockeyes two "youngsters", Gerry Hagan and Lynn Spittle, both scored their first goals as

Sockeyes-not bad for two 12-year olds playing in an under 18-year-old division.

Donna Moulton had one of her strongest games and also notched an excellent goal to cap the Sockeyes scoring.

But to me, as a coach, the true "hero" of the game was a girl who never scores and rarely ever sees the limelight in these columns. Sunday Byron at right half played her usual steady game but in so doing created the opportunity for the other girls to get the limelight. Sunday is one of the examples of why the Sockeyes are a great soccer team-it is called heart.

ANYONE FOR TENNIS

BY JOAN TIERNAN

Saturday, March 24 is the day to pick your partner, opponents and playing time for the big pre-season tennis scramble tournament. Court time is 8.30 am, register when you arrive; everyone's welcome.

Kicks bow out of cup finals

BY MEL COATES

Salt Spring Kicks 2 - Belmont 4

The Kicks were eliminated from the District Cup play-offs on Saturday in the semi-final game at Portlock Park.

The game was one of the features of a soccer weekend at the park and as a result, the team played before the season's biggest crowd.

Unfortunately the players were not at their best and the strong team play which has been such a prominent feature of their games all season was not in evidence.

What the boys did provide was a display of courage and determination.

By the middle of the second half Belmont had established a commanding lead. The Kicks refused to give up, however, and outthrust Belmont repeatedly, managing to get the ball into the net on two occasions.

When the final whistle blew, they were still fighting hard, and they looked anything but a defeated team.

The big news on Saturna this week was the grand opening March 17 of Saturna Point Lighthouse, our neighbourhood pub. Gordy and Betty Wick, proprietors, were pleased to note that nearly everyone on Saturna attended, as well as a few visitors. Mike and Maggie Hayes visited with Bill and Kathy Sheffield, just so they could make the pub opening an evening out. The Lighthouse serves food and drink to please all and will be much appreciated by residents and visitors as a place for fellowship and refreshment.

Saturna friends of Gordy Campbell will be sorry to hear that he died at his home in Victoria. He

passed away in his sleep on the night of March 12.

I'm back on Saturna after three weeks of grandmothering in Vancouver, at the home of daughter Dori and grandson Joseph. Glad to report that all baby tending is easily remembered, like swimming. Joseph is progressing well and doing everything right on cue.

Flora Ratzlaff, our youngest daughter, wrote the February 28 column in my absence. Next time you hear that young people these days are not taught to write the Queen's English, just remember that well-written column.

Being unable to contact Taimi regarding school news, it will have

to wait till next column. However, remember the White Elephant and Bake Sale sponsored by the Saturna School Parents group in the Community Hall Saturday afternoon, March 23. Please leave your White Elephants at the post office.

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Info-Health



BY DR. BOB YOUNG

Although our kidneys are well protected by their position and the strong back muscles that cover them, they can be injured.

While traffic accidents are the major cause of kidney damage, falls or direct blows (kicks and 'kidney punches') account for about 20 per cent of cases. Sport injuries cause five per cent, only one-half as many as are caused by knife and gunshot wounds. (These are American figures.)

The kidney is composed of soft tissue enclosed in a tough capsule. It is attached by a pedicle or stalk which contains a large artery and vein, and the upper portion of the ureter through which the urine is excreted.

The most common injury to the kidney is a contusion - a bruise or small tear of the kidney tissue without damage to the capsule.

A laceration is more serious as a rule, and implies that the capsule, and perhaps the urine collecting system, has been torn or damaged.

Fortunately the most serious injuries, rupture (or fragmentation) of the kidney and tearing of the pedicle are less often encountered, but they do constitute between eight and ten per cent of kidney trauma.

Physicians and surgeons must be aware of the possibility of kidney involvement following any accident. Clues include blood in the urine (sometimes seen only with the microscope), tenderness or a mass in the flank, and the presence of fractures in nearby vertebrae. Special x-rays of the kidneys are easily done and are usually diagnostic.

Treatment varies considerably with the degree of injury. Many contusions are treated conservatively with bed rest and increased fluid intake, while the patient is carefully watched for complications.

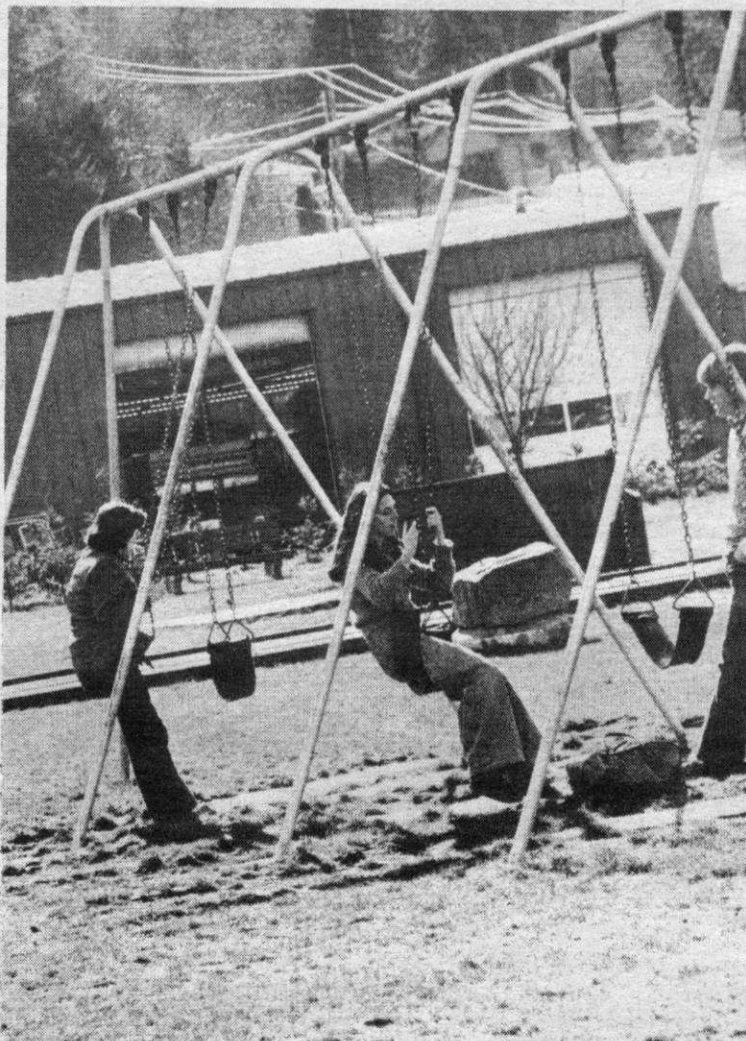
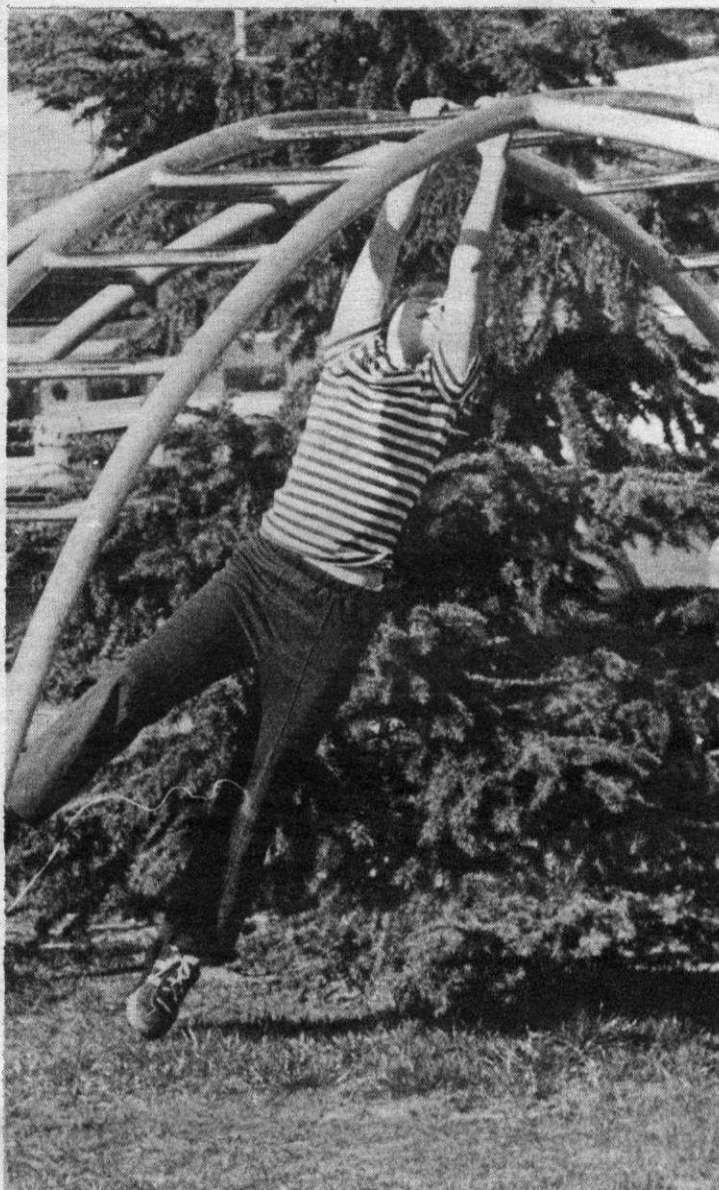
More severe injuries can sometimes be treated without operation, but surgery is usually required. It consists of repair of lacerations, connecting or bypassing severed blood vessels, and removing tissue that is too severely damaged to survive.

The latter may demand partial or complete removal of the kidney. The remaining one, if healthy, is able to do the work of two.

Nature walk plans changed

Salt Spring Island Trail and Nature Club's proposed Nature Walk at Michael Lake on March 27 has been cancelled.

Ruby Alton will lead a nature walk on her farm property instead. Meeting place is at Drummond Park, Fulford, at 10.30 am.



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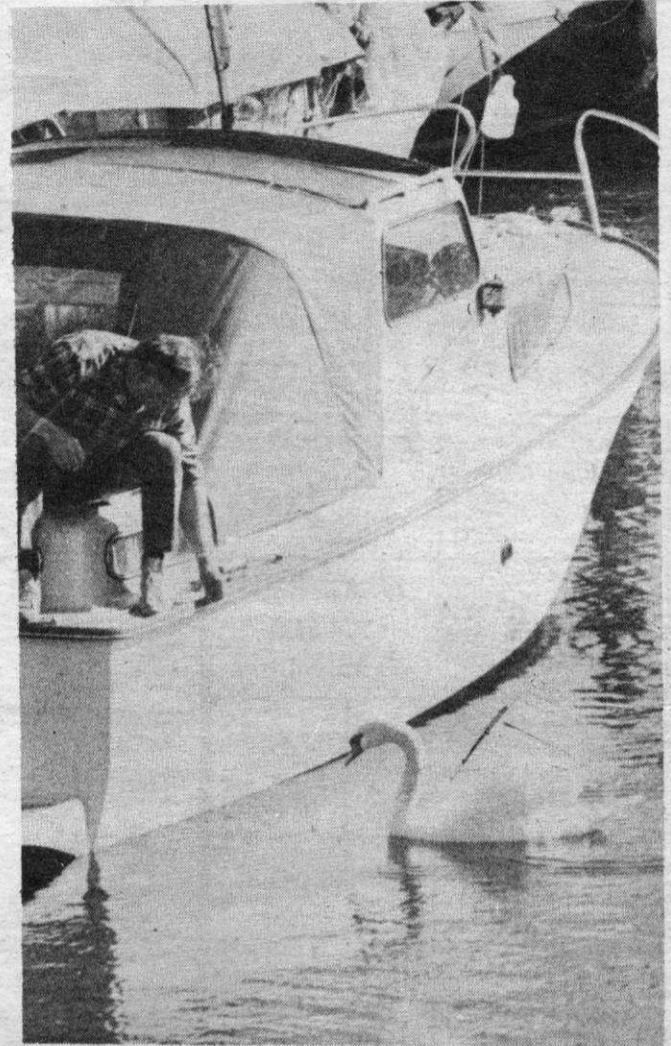
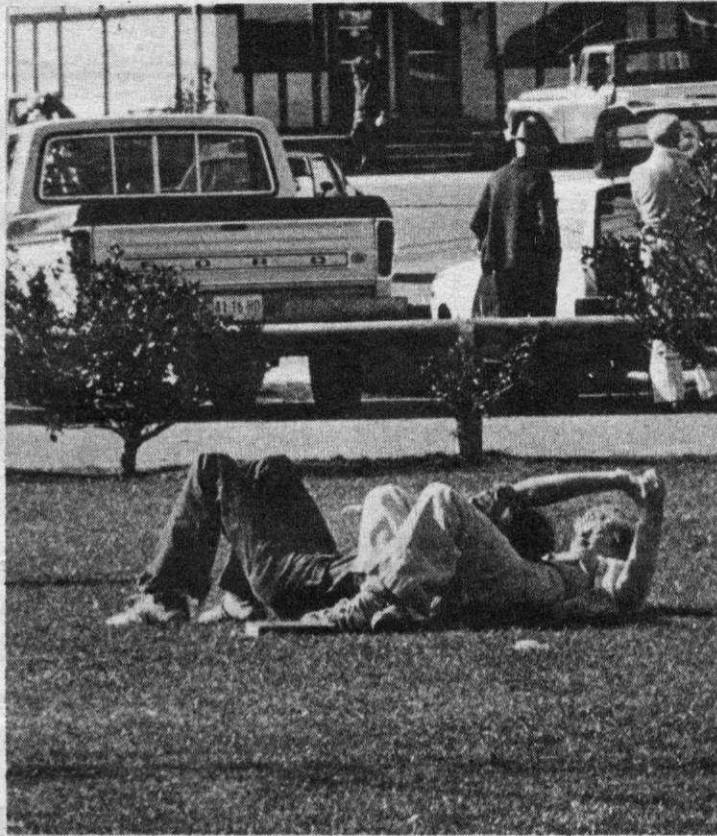
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Photostory
by
Shirley Culpin

Herring have important place

BY PEARL MACALLISTER

Herring are much in the news now, because of the fishing season. They are one of the most numerous fish in the ocean, and belong to the same family of fishes as the sardine and the anchovies. These rather ordinary looking fish live in huge schools, most of the fish in the school being approximately the same size, the larger or smaller fish breaking off and forming schools of their own.

Herring are a pelagic or ocean fish, living mostly along the continental shelf except in the early spring when they migrate to the shallower coastal waters to spawn. Most of them return year after year to spawn at the same place. That is the time when the big seiners go out to fish and catch the herring in the big purse nets. The most valuable part of the herring is the roe, with the rest usually going to make fish meal and fish oil.

The herring usually spawn in the shallow water about 10 to 15 meters deep, with each female laying about 20,000 eggs. The eggs sink to the bottom and stick to rocks, pilings, eel grass and anything else they come in contact with. They hatch in 11 to 40 days depending on the temperature of the water, and the young herring have a yolk sac attached to their stomach which sustains them until they are big enough to find their own food.

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