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Additional recreation vote proposed

Valcourt move threatens referendum

BY TONY RICHARDS

The Capital Regional Board is to decide Wednesday whether Salt Spring Island taxpayers should vote on an additional recreation question at election time next month.

And if the predictions of recreation commission members are correct, an additional vote could have a disastrous effect on the outcome of the recreation centre referendum.

Regional director Yvette Valcourt told the Parks and Recreation Commission Monday evening that she felt ratepayers should have the opportunity to vote on the expenditure of approximately \$30,000 annually for parks and recreation programs.

In a debate which became heated at times, Valcourt insisted that allocation of the money to the commission had been "a closely guarded secret" since it was introduced about three years ago.

It is up to the discretion of each individual regional director whether the money, equal to one mill, should be provided for the use of the commission.

Commission chairman Glen

Woodley expressed the fear that presenting the question at the same time as the recreation centre referendum would cloud the latter issue. The resulting confusion, he felt, would endanger the possibility of the referendum passing.

NO QUARREL WITH PROGRAMS

Valcourt said she had no quarrel with the programs being funded by the money but felt a director shouldn't have the authority to spend tax money without the consent of taxpayers.

She then claimed that she had been "pushed against the wall" by recreation commission members.



VALCOURT
... closely guarded secret

Woodley recalled that before the commission came under the umbrella of the Capital Regional District, they were permitted to spend up to one mill.

After the CRD was introduced, when George Heinekey was director, the commission had taken on many new responsibilities and needed additional funding. Directors of other electoral areas were able to grant the commissions in their areas an extra mill, and the same thing was done on Salt Spring, said Woodley.

He said that all the previous directors for the island had expressed concern over the money, but all had agreed subsequently that it was a necessary expenditure after they had seen the commission in operation and what the money was being used for.

CLOUD THE ISSUE

The chairman said he wouldn't object to the question being held at any other time, but to be held in conjunction with the recreation centre referendum would have the effect of clouding the issue.

"If both are defeated not only would the centre be lost, but it would result in the community losing recreation programs and field development."

Woodley asked the director to delay the question and either bring it up at the commission's annual

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Public servants' strike halts island mail service

Post Office at Ganges had two heavy loads of mail Monday and Tuesday after a work stoppage which prevented movement of mail to the island.

Postmistress Joyce Bradford told *Driftwood* Tuesday that they were "swamped" with mail Tuesday morning and they expected to be sorting until late in the afternoon.

Mail to the island was halted late last week when postal workers refused to cross a picket line set up as a result of the strike by the Public Service Alliance of Canada. The picket line was removed by Monday morning.

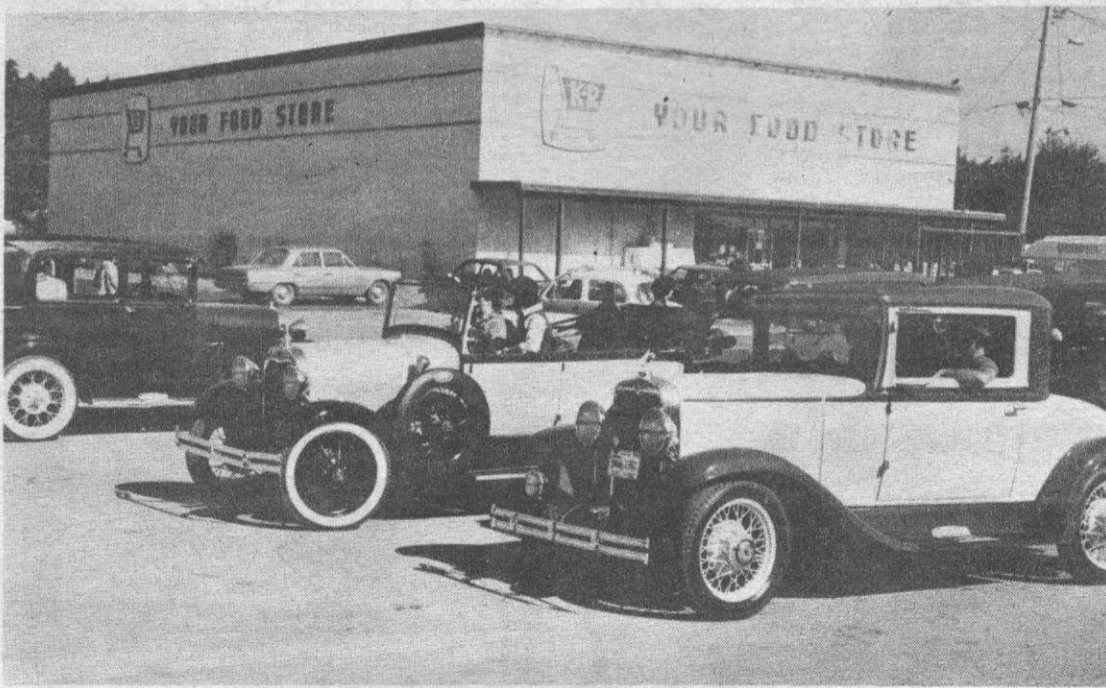
Mail left the island for the first time in three days on Monday and was expected to go out again Tuesday.

Bradford didn't believe there could be much of a backlog of Ganges-bound mail in Victoria. She said once it starts moving, it moves quickly.

The only member of the Public Service Alliance employed on Salt Spring is the secretarial clerk at the Ganges RCMP detachment, Eva Jorden.

She said this week she is one of those employees designated "essential" and is not permitted to leave her job.

Driftwood was not able to determine whether the strike had affected the Canada Customs office at Bedwell Harbour, Pender Island. Customs officials were not available for comment at press time Tuesday.



The veteran cars in Ganges on Sunday were mostly Fords. The display in Mouat's parking lot shows the care and attention that has gone into the reconstruction of these early buggies.

Bylaw to be changed and decision to rest with Trust

Error in the zoning bylaw on Salt Spring Island permits the B.C. Land Commission to rezone certain properties. The use of land in the agricultural zone specifies permitted uses. The bylaw then adds, "Any use approved by the B.C. Land Commission".

Neither the owner of the property nor the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee realized that when the Land Commission approved the use of reserve land at Ganges for hotel purposes re-

cently, it was granting permission to use the property for commercial purposes without a zoning change.

Last week the committee initiated plans for a bylaw amendment to ensure that this section of the bylaw is changed.

Gordon Wallace explained that the Land Commission is concerned only for the specific use of the land and not with local planning and zoning.

"It is up to the Trust to ensure that the land is properly zoned." It will be.

Levy causes hardship for club

A local organization is facing some hardship due to the transit levy imposed by the Capital Regional District.

The North Galiano Community Club will meet this week to decide whether the club should continue to operate.

According to *Driftwood's* Galiano correspondents, Basil and Kathlyn Benger, the major cost of keeping the club alive during the past few months has been the transit levy on the two Hydro meters at the North Galiano Community Hall.

Kreissl and Lott in race

Two Salt Spring Island local trustees have announced plans to seek a further term.

Bud Kreissl and David Lott will both be in the running on November 15. Both trustees are doctors. Kreissl is a retired pathologist and Lott is a retired veterinarian. Both have served a single term of two years.

Lott has also stated that he plans to campaign for election to the general trust. Trustees elect the chairman and two vice-chairmen from their own ranks after the November elections.

Sewer goes to court next month

A petition has been filed in the Supreme Court of B.C. to set aside the order of the Pollution Control Board requiring the construction of a proposed \$4 million sewer outfall in Ganges Harbour.

The petition, filed by the solicitors for the Sewer Alternatives Committee under provisions of the Judicial Review Procedures Act, cites Messrs. Ferguson and Venables, present and former chairmen of the PCB, the Capital Regional District and the Attorney General of B.C. for unauthorized acts in connection with the preparation of the present order.

The matter is expected to be heard by the court towards the middle of November.

Five percent allocation

Approving officer will, in future, require a five per cent allocation of park land in all Salt Spring Island subdivisions. The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee was warned last week of the new instructions from the ministry of highways.

This provision has been in the act for many years, commented Planner Dean Strongtharm, but it was not in the Salt Spring Island Subdivision Bylaw.

To Be Frank by richards



I have pulled two vacuum cleaners to pieces lately. Both are internationally famous makes. Both are very rough pieces of machinery. The first was acquired new, and expensively, about two years ago. It has been unsuccessfully back for repair, but has consistently switched itself off in the midst of a good clean. I took several days to figure out how to dismantle a machine that has no bolts, rivets or clips in sight. It proved to be made entirely of plastic, held together with plastic slides. When I eliminated the pressure switch which tells when the bag is full, it worked perfectly. I would expect it to disintegrate in about another two years, when the plastic deteriorates. The second, equally famous make, was weakening in the breathing. It doesn't suck like most suckers would expect it to. It is an interesting device, half of which is made of thin cardboard. I'm getting so I like a nice grey layer of dust. And it's the manufacturers who are teaching me to enjoy it.

How did they know a newsman was going to buy my car? Every seat belt is stamped "Press".

Of no interest to anybody: At 7:04 pm last Wednesday there were no telephone lines available between Ganges and Fulford.

I'm so old I can remember when you could cook bacon without an overpowering stink of burned candy.

I've settled a great problem which has puzzled the brainy for years. I know the egg came before the chicken. I had egg for breakfast and chicken for dinner.

Women's Lib is a bit nutty at times. Like she says about time I gave the dog a brush. So I give him a brush and he chews all the bristles off. And then I get hell for giving it to him!

Picked up a hitch-hiker last week. He explained he was a logger in the air. He works Sundays and makes a thousand or so a month. The air logger hooks up the chokers for the helicopter to lift them out. Chokerman makes about \$250 a Sunday on that job, he explained. And who could afford to buy that log unless he's a millionaire or a professional man?

If there had been no flak I probably wouldn't have bothered to watch the television movie *Playing for Time*. It is by no means a new theme. It depicts a group of Jewish women who survive a Nazi German concentration camp. And, like all these movies, leaves the viewer with a sense of horror. In the meantime a number of militant Jews were protesting the selection of Vanessa Redgrave for the role she played so effectively. It seems to me a reversal of roles. Not so long ago Hitler was protesting the public presentation of Jewish music. The people who cavil against Vanessa Redgrave's part are simply reducing the effectiveness of the message of the movie and they should, logically, be the strongest proponents. It is too fine a point to be significant to the outside world with its less narrow vision.

I know when Lorena Armour was born and I know where. Yet, if I went to the provincial statistics agency I would not be able to gain that information. And if Miss Armour wants her birth certificate, it's on my desk, right now!

According to Canadian Press, Jean Chretien, justice minister, spoke in the Commons this week with the intention of wooing western opinion and in order to embarrass Joe Clark. The report does not mention the interview at which this information was gained. It doesn't identify the writer. I am so old that I can clearly remember the days when a small-time reporter was invited to look up to Canadian Press as the authority on newswriting. I liked it better the old way.

This Week in Recreation

FREE FAMILY SWIM: Sundays 6-8 pm at the Sidney pool.

SOCCER:

Men's - Salt Spring Blues vs Vic West Sunday Oct. 12 in Victoria at 2:15 pm. Players meet at Fulford at 12 noon.

Div. 3B - S. S. Kicks vs Peninsula Sunday Oct. 12 in Victoria.

Div. 6C - Salt Spring Wranglers vs Bays United Saturday Oct. 11 in Victoria.

Women's Soccer - Every Sunday 3:30 pm at Portlock Park - open to all girls and women.

Intra-Island -

SENIOR:

Oct. 9 (Thurs.) Panthers vs Whitecaps, Ganges

Oct. 14 (Tues.) Panthers vs Fury, Ganges

Oct. 16 (Thurs.) Whitecaps vs Kanaka, Ganges

Oct. 21 (Tues.) Fury vs Whitecaps, Fernwood

JUNIOR:

Oct. 9 (Thurs.) Machine vs Eagles, Ganges

Oct. 14 (Tues.) Demons vs Eagles, Fernwood

Oct. 16 (Thurs.) Eagles vs Machine, Ganges

Oct. 21 (Tues.) Demons vs Machine, Fernwood

All games kick off at 3:30 pm.

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Over \$7 million

Building activities show increase

During the first eight months of the current year a total of 143 building permits was issued through the Gulf Islands, to a value of \$7,111,139.

This compares with the equivalent 1979 figure of 122 permits for structures of an estimated value of \$5,870,275.

As in past years, the volume of work on Salt Spring Island was roughly equal to that on all the Outer Islands combined. Permits for Salt Spring, Galiano, Mayne, Pender and Saturna Islands are issued by the building inspection department of the Capital Regional District. Figures have been furnished by the Capital Region.

Salt Spring Island permits were issued in respect of 69 single-family dwellings and six mobile homes and were valued at \$3,747,115.

Outer Islands breakdown shows Pender, 26 dwellings and one mobile home, valued at \$1,211,598; Galiano, 11 dwellings and one mobile home, \$558,564; Mayne, 29 dwellings, and one mobile home, \$1,148,457; Saturna, seven dwellings, and one mobile home.

Total value of permits issued for the Outer Islands stood at \$3,364,024, for 80 units.

INCREASE THIS YEAR

Increased building activity experienced this year is evident on both lists.

Salt Spring Island electoral area last year was the target of 54 units, in the same period of 1979, valued at \$2,620,825.

The Outer Islands Electoral area undertook 83 projects for \$3,249,450.

Values for commercial and industrial construction are not listed separately in dollar value, but the comparison is offered in numbers

of permits.

During the eight-month period this year there were five permits for commercial and industrial structures on Salt Spring Island, with nine on the Outer Islands; being three each on Galiano, Saturna and Pender.

Last year there were five such projects on the Outer Islands and eight on Salt Spring. The Outer Islands included four on Pender and one on Saturna.

AUGUST FIGURES

August was a busy month for

building starts in the islands, with a total of 19 permits for units valued at \$1,282,245. Nine on Salt Spring were valued at \$692,877; Pender, 7, \$208,769; Galiano, 2, \$51,350; Mayne, 8, \$291,345 and Saturna, 2 \$37,904. There was also one commercial project on Salt Spring Island.

Figures for August last year were five on Salt Spring Island for \$542,965 including one commercial and on the Outer Islands, 13 units and one commercial permit valued at \$467,945.

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Anniversary marked

The 50th anniversary of the commencement of ferry service to Salt Spring Island was marked last week at Fulford by a group of island residents.

When the ferry arrived, with flags flying and its whistle blowing, the group responded with a loud cheer.

Capt. E.O.J. Lacy greeted the islanders' reception committee and accepted a bouquet of flowers from his mother. Mrs. Lacy was present for the inaugural run of the ferries 50 years ago.

Capt. Lacy has more years of service with B.C. Ferries than any other employee, having started in 1945. Another long-time ferry worker present was retired Capt. L.J. Mollett.

On board the ferry for the anniversary run were A.G. Maude and his son, who were met at the dock by Miss A. Maude. Their father was the late Capt. G. Maude.

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A distinct smell of sewage

Although the matter of sewage was only brought up once at Monday's meeting of the Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission, there was a distinct reek of it during the entire meeting.

After all, what else could regional director Yvette Valcourt be so concerned about?

She wants to have Salt Spring Island taxpayers vote on the allocation of \$30,000 to the recreation commission, a sum used for the development of playing fields and parks and recreation programs. She doesn't need to go to the public with this matter. It is her privilege to allocate the funds, as her predecessors have done, and let the commission spend them.

But no, she feels that the public should have the right to say whether the money should be spent. Unfortunately, something else has blinded our director to other, similar cases where money is spent without the direct consent of the taxpayers.

The fire protection district is in the process of purchasing land for about \$30,000 (the same amount that Mrs. Valcourt is quarreling over) and the taxpayers will not be asked if they approve. Following the purchase, a fire hall will be built. Again, the taxpayers will not be consulted.

The school district will spend \$4 million next year but the taxpayers will have little say. And the regional director has a slush fund of \$4,000 to allocate as she wishes.

There will be no vote on any of those expenditures. Only the recreation commission has been singled out to test the opinions of the electorate.

Chairman Glen Woodley is quite right in forecasting that the new vote will cloud the recreation centre referendum and probably result in its failing to get the public's support.

And the only possible reason for this vote being introduced is that Mrs. Valcourt doesn't want to see a recreation centre built in the Ganges core.

Why? Because she probably feels it would be just one more reason why a sewer system should be built.

We agree that disposal of the recreation centre's effluent has to be a major consideration but why not come right out and say so?

We've been handed a red herring that smells like a septic tank.

Prattling of a lippy lord

They won't let go, he says. Perhaps the Brits will keep the act and to hell with Canadians! And it wasn't the irresponsible comment of a closed mind on an open line. It was a peer, no less. A peer of the British realm, resplendent in ermine, living the life of luxury that is the lot of the Lords, taking time out from the problems of civil war, social upheaval, political unrest, economic disaster and other minor problems facing the Brits, who is not yet sure whether a plea from Canada for the patriation of the British North America Act would be acceptable.

It would depend, he explained, on how many petitions they might receive.

A pox on his petitions! And a pox on any British politician who presumes to intrude into the affairs of another nation!

Let us hope that it is simply the foolish prattling of a political peer.

Because what would his warning entail?

That gentleman of the British Lords is telling us that the critics are right. He is telling us that Canadians are, indeed, the puppets of the British government. He is telling us that Canadians are represented by their elected representatives and the House of Lords, as well. He is telling us that the picture we have of a Canada within the Commonwealth, equal in all aspects to other members of the Commonwealth, is false.

This lippy lord is saying that until such time as we have the Canada Act safely locked up in Ottawa, we are a subordinate people, dependent on the whim of the British administration.

What does he want of us? A declaration of independence?

Dust off the calendar with your ermine, my lord, and come into the 20th century with the rest of us, before you scuttle your own ship of state!



Ruckle home historic site at Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island

Letters to the Editor

Taxpayers should think how their money is being spent

Sir,

As a taxpayer and parent I note with great surprise from your October 1 newspaper that the school board has voted in favour of doubling the trustees' salaries and providing funds for the swimming pool operation in the Salt Spring recreation centre.

What puzzles me is this: Mr. Zacharias was able to arouse some taxpayers of Pender Island into vehemently opposing an alternative class here on the grounds that their taxes might be raised, yet he feels justified in using the taxpayers' money to double his salary and help maintain a swimming pool on Salt Spring which will surely be of little use to Outer Island students. Having been conveniently tossed aside, the parents wishing the alternative class are now paying for their children's education out of their own pockets while at the same time continuing to pay school taxes. I wonder if Mr. Zacharias has a conscience, or perhaps he has forgotten??

As for hours put in, there are many people volunteering their time and expertise for school children throughout the district - don't they deserve something as well - especially when the children benefit directly? As Mr. Baltzer pointed out, being a school trustee was once strictly voluntary. Perhaps it should be again. This way the job might attract people who are genuinely interested in children and their needs, not people who are preoccupied with money. I hope the taxpayers of Pender Island do some serious thinking about how their money is being spent in this school district.

Yours truly broke,
BETTY J. BROOKS,
Pender Island.
October 4, 1980.

Co-operation with schools planned for future concerts

Sir,

Until last week, I haven't had much contact with the students on the island. But it was with great pleasure that I introduced them to the musical wizardry of Ken Bloom who was in town to open the Common Ground Coffee House series. If I'd had any doubts about the reception they would give him, they were completely dispelled by the end of the first song.

The high school students were so well behaved throughout the concert that I remarked on it to principal Bob McWhirter who proudly asked, "What did you expect?" Well, in all honesty, I didn't know. I knew that what Ken would be doing would be unfamiliar to the students and I wondered if they would appreciate it.

It was a very rewarding experience to see all those spellbound young faces as Ken demonstrated some unlikely adaptations of traditional and contemporary music to a wide variety of instruments, including the zither, Northumbrian small pipes and bandoura. His performance seemed to illustrate that virtually anything is possible if one possesses some imagination coupled with technical expertise.

His comment that "the only way to get good at anything is to practise EVERY day" and the obvious proof of what adherence to this rule can accomplish, was an inspiration to the young musicians present. (When Wilf Davies and myself left, one of his students, toting her instrument, said excitedly that she was heading home right then to follow Ken's advice!) When Mr. McWhirter asked if they would be interested in seeing more of this type of thing in the future, the gym resounded with cheers of approval.

Heading down to the elementary school, I found myself wondering how Ken would deal with such young children. His incredible versatility as a performer was again made evident when he managed to hold the attention of the entire elementary school body (Fernwood and Ganges combined).

I also found that they collectively had an unflinching sense of rhythm! Two bars into each song and they were all clapping in time!

I must say, the whole experience was quite an education for everyone involved, myself included. I-IPACS plans to co-operate with the schools in bringing similar programs to students throughout the coming winter and spring. If the community continues to support the Common Ground, we'll be able to expose our young people to a form of cultural education that they might otherwise be deprived of, living on an island as they do.

In closing, I'd just like to thank all the people who came out for the first coffee house, and my apologies to those of you who got there too late to get in, but there'll be other chances. To all of you who contributed to the Suggestion Box, rest assured that we'll follow through with as many of them as we possibly can.

Ken IS coming back in December (and we'll put him in a bigger hall!) In the meantime, we've got lots of exciting acts planned so be sure and check your paper.

I hope some of you will join us this Sunday to welcome Barbara Fraser to the island. I can be contacted at the address below if anyone has any requests or suggestions.

MARIANNE GRITANNI,
Box 993,
Ganges.
October 1, 1980.

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says the Salt Spring
Island Chamber
of Commerce.

New school at Galiano 'absolutely necessary'

This letter has been sent to Gulf Islands School Board.

As taxpayers and parents of Galiano Island, we are becoming increasingly concerned with conditions at the local school. We feel that some of the disgraceful aspects of the school should be brought to your attention.

The building is 22 years old, and is lacking any kind of insulation. Consequently, the children are cold in the winter, and too hot in warm weather. The kindergarten, grades 1 and 2 classroom is overcrowded. Twenty-three small children are cramped into a room that was originally built for storage. As a result, there is absolutely no extra space for storage, let alone for a staff room. In fact, there is not

even a place for a sick child to lie down in peace.

The French teacher does not have a desk, as there is no place to put one. There is no library or research centre, and we have reason to believe that the Salt Spring school librarians are reluctant to send their books for fear of depleting their own supply. There is no place for the children to play on cold, rainy days, so they inevitably spend their entire school day inside in cramped, stuffy quarters.

Two years ago the Galiano Parents Organization raised \$2,500 towards a covered play area which has not yet been built. Finally, the toilets in the school are a disgrace-antiquated and smelly. No child

should be subjected to such facilities, and no school principal should have as one of his increasing regular duties the unclogging of backed-up toilets.

There is a projected pre-school population on Galiano of at least 50 children. Under the circumstances, a new school is absolutely necessary for the well-being and educational needs of our children. In the interim, we strongly urge the school board to provide temporary classrooms and new bathrooms for our school, as we have urgent need for these facilities.

SUSAN FRIEND, Chairman,
Galiano Parents Organization,
Galiano Island
September 26, 1980

Make or break The ships that go down time for Islands Trust

Sir,

One or two people have asked me whether I will stand for re-election to the Islands Trust. Yes! because I have a feeling that the next two years may be a make

or break time for the Trust.

Most of the influential mandarins in Victoria do not subscribe to our legislated unique position. We are the odd-ball outfit that doesn't quite fit into the system. Just what the opinion of most B.C. Cabinet Ministers is, we have yet to discover. Would they abolish the Trust if they dared? or do they adhere to the principles enunciated in the Trust Act? Who knows?

If the Islands are to maintain any individuality at all, I believe they must continue to assert themselves as somehow slightly different from the mainland.

Long ago, someone said that all people who live on islands are "bloody minded" and the smaller the island the more "bloody minded" they are. All that means is that islanders don't like to be pushed around, without their consent.

My friend, Bud Kreissl, and I have tried to be scrupulously fair in all our dealings with the public, and respectfully enlist your support

Sir,

I am writing in the hope that some of your readers may be able to assist me with some research I am doing into three shipwrecks that occurred late in the last century in the waters of the Gulf Islands.

With a view to doing an underwater survey and search for these wrecks, I am attempting to gather as much material as possible on them, especially photographs, copies of prints or local stories concerning them.

The ships are the barque, *John Rosenfeld* grounded off Tumbo Island on a reef now named after the vessel, in February, 1886.

The steamer *Mary Hare*, which hit a rock and burnt, close to Reid Island in February, 1896.

The steamer, *Emily Harris*, whose boiler exploded and sank in August, 1871, supposedly between Walker Hook and Captain Channel, off Salt Spring Island.

for a further two years.

DAVID LOTT,
R.R.2, Ganges.
October, 1980.

P.S. On the principle that a larger pot will not burn you any worse than a small one, I intend, if elected, to campaign for election as a General Trustee.

Any information which your readers might have on any of these wrecks would be most appreciated in the research and search for these historic vessels.

DAVID W. GRIFFITHS,
8823 - 160th St.,
Surrey, B.C.
V3R 4N1
Sept. 26, 1980.

Need for buses

Sir,

It is a sign of the times that the question of buses has been thrashed out back and forth. From what I have seen in the ferry traffic there is a trend, especially in the younger folk, to come on foot or else by bicycle, and make the best of it. It is hard for older people to change the things to which they have become accustomed.

There will come a time when a bus service will be more acceptable and the need more obvious.

Already the ferry terminals cannot cope with the traffic on busy weekends, and it is not unusual to have to wait for two to five hours to get aboard. To me this doesn't make sense but apparently it must get worse before it gets better.

GEOFF HOWLAND,
Ganges.
October, 1980.

The Anarchist

One Citizenship or Ten

The uncivil war which now occupies the limited attention span of most provincial potentates is providing a wonderful opportunity to observe the practiced art of political pornography.

This is not a new art form. It has a history many thousands of years old, but Messrs. Bennett and company are proving once again that any lack of a sense of history is no handicap when it comes to a sense of indecency.

The basic premise in this game of PremierPorn is simply this: whenever you are faced with an idea which is in any way larger than your little mind do the following things as quickly and as often as possible:

- Cry "RAPE".
- Paint a "dirty picture" of it.
- Ask all and sundry among the spectators, "Would you want your daughter to marry a rapist?"
- Suggest that Grandmother, too, was the victim of a similar attack, but was saved from dishonour by marriage to a good man who adopted the deformed child.
- Propose a great new industrial

and economic program to build an impenetrable fence to keep out rapists.

f. Never, ever deal with the issue as it is stated.

A derivative version of the above is being played by Mr. Joe Clark of High River. Mr. Clark's variation on the above consists of seeing himself as cast in the role of Prosecuting Attorney at the trial of Grandmother's attacker; Mr. Clark takes this very seriously.

Meanwhile, there are the citizens of this silly scenario, and hopefully there is a decisive majority who are concerned that there shall be a definition of Rights as against Powers, and that we shall indeed be guaranteed for ourselves and our descendants citizenship in the whole of Canada, not one-tenth of nothing.

Some kind of circle

Mohammed Ali is generally credited with having found boxing in the gutter and returning it to respectability.

Last Thursday he wrapped it in a Gladbag and deposited it in a garbage can in Las Vegas.

Minister wished well on retirement

Sir,

On a recent Friday evening I was a privileged guest to pay my respects to the Rev. Vern McEachern, Minister of the United Church. It was a farewell party for his much deserved retirement.

Incidentally, the Mizpah of the United Church did a magnificent job in catering for this "do" which was attended by at least 200 Islanders. Speeches were kept to a minimum. I was not invited to speak but had I done so I would have "roasted" Vern (lovingly, of course).

"Ladies and gentlemen. Just who does he think he is, coming to Salt Spring six years ago and immediately endearing himself to his congregation. In a few short

weeks the late-comers to Sunday Service had the problem of finding a seat... disgraceful! Then he had the "audacity" to go, at least once a week, to Lady Minto Hospital offering kind words and blessings. Today I have sore feet and hands from joining with the entire gathering in a standing ovation."

The "roast" is over. What else can one say about a man who is blessed with kindness, humility and the practising of down-to-earth Christianity.

Have a good retirement, Vern, and that goes for your dear wife as well.

BRYAN SMITH
R.R.1 North End Road,
Ganges
October 6, 1980

Thanksgiving service at Mayne

Rev. John Dyer will conduct a Thanksgiving service at Mayne Island on Sunday.

The service will take place at St. Mary Magdalene Church at 11:30

am.

On Saturday members of the Chancel Guild will be at the church after 10 am to accept donations of flowers and produce.



Tony Richards

AT IT AGAIN is Science Minister Pat McGeer, no friend to Vancouver Island or the Gulf Islands. The latest word is that he's going to ask cabinet for the funds for a full feasibility study on the Georgia Strait fixed-link proposal.

If cabinet has any brains at all (a point which we have been wondering about for a while now) they will commission a feasibility study to determine whether McGeer should retain his portfolio.

Such a study would prove far less costly and its findings far more valuable.

IF YOU'RE LIKE ME and don't care much for musicals, forget your dislike and make a trip to Victoria or Vancouver for the return of the Broadway musical, *Ain't Misbehavin'*.

I saw it last year and plan to see it again.

It's devoted to the music of jazz pianist-songwriter Fats Waller, who's been described as the roly-poly, derby-sporting, cigar-chomping, bug-eyed wizard of the ivories.

Ain't Misbehavin' opened in New York in 1977

and is now one of the longest-running musicals on Broadway. It has won both the Tony Award and the New York Drama Critics' Circle Award for the best musical of the season.

The show will be staged Friday and Saturday at Victoria's Royal Theatre and from October 14 to 19 at Vancouver's Queen Elizabeth Theatre.

THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT'S new Sunday drinking regulations should be good for island hoteliers.

I predict that local hotels will be booked up on Sundays for months in advance as tipplers make their plans for otherwise dry Sundays.

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Galiano news

Bluff Park controversy flares

BY KATHLYN AND BASIL BENDER

The presence of a sawmill in the area and removal of butts from the more than 150 poles of Bluff Park lumber cut in error earlier this year have caused concern to a number of Galiano Club members who have petitioned for a general meeting to have the issue discussed.

At the public meeting held July 31 the logging contractors represented by Jack Caldwell admitted responsibility for the error and offered in compensation to sell the logs on behalf of the Bluff Trust, which would receive 100% of the proceeds. (*Driftwood*, August 6)

In the opinion of the petitioners the removal of the butts measuring up to 10 feet in length considerably decreased the value of the compensation paid to the Trust and contravened the agreement made between the Galiano Club and the logging contractors at the July 31 meeting.

SPORTS NEWS

On Wednesday, Oct. 1, the intermediate grade soccer teams from all four Outer Island schools competed in a tournament held on Mayne Island. Each school team was accompanied and encouraged by its school principal.

Galiano and Mayne shared the best record, each with two wins and a tie. Gordon Crocker scored for Galiano in each of the three games played by his team and Tony Head added goals against both Pender and Saturna.

COMMUNITY SOCCER

On a fine Saturday afternoon,

the first in October, a large and enthusiastic crowd of spectators gathered at Galiano School to witness a soccer match between a team of adults assembled by Dr. H. Maclure and a reinforced school 11. Principal Ken Gaylor acted as referee.

As predicted in *Driftwood*, the school team received a lesson in dribbling, passing and shooting which left them gasping at the wrong end of an 8-1 drubbing.

The score would have been even more one-sided but for the brilliant and daring play of Pip Finnis in goal for the school. He broke attack after attack and rule after rule, diving at the feet of opponents and blocking shots with all parts of his body.

If he ever graduates he should be a great asset to his high school soccer team. Nikki Godfrey and Gordon Crocker played well on defence for the school and Stuart Georgeson played a solid game, scoring the school's only goal with a well placed header.

Some of the old-timers belied their age, being as sprightly as the youngsters. Critchley and Benger on the wings and Maclure on defence totalled nearly 200 years between them but were able to contribute a couple of goals and several assists.

Most of the scoring was done by the Gaylor brothers, Jeff and Laurie, while Dr. Hales added a goal and several near-misses from his striker position. Ben Maberly was a steady performer in goal for the old-timers. At times the feroc-

ity of the exchanges confirmed the prudence of having two doctors, several nurses and an ambulance with a large crew on hand.

Fortunately, the only casualty was Finnis with some skin off his nose, a condition with which he is not unfamiliar.

Both players and spectators enjoyed the encounter and it is hoped that additional contests can be arranged in the future.

SNIPPETS

The Galiano Weavers' Guild has donated \$200 to the Terry Fox Cancer Fund. The St. Margaret's Church treasurer had declined to pay the transit levy on the B.C. Hydro accounts of the church. His contention that Hydro could not act as agent for Caesar has been justified by the events of the past week.

There will be an exhibition of paintings and drawings by Keith Holmes at the Community Hall on Saturday, Oct. 11, between 1 and 5 pm. The invitation to the exhibition shows a drawing of the old Mission Church at the head of Whaler Bay.

This old building, squeezed in the narrow strip between the shore and Sturdies Bay Road at its intersection with Burrill Road, was at one time a Mission Church supported by overseas mission funds of the Church of England.

On Sunday members of the Galiano Rod and Gun Club will take part in a turkey shoot at noon.

In depth sessions planned

The Native Indian and Inuit Heritage group for children will be meeting again this year at Salt Spring Island.

In depth sessions will focus on the Inuit, the Cree and Plains Indians and the B.C. Coastal Indians.

The first session will be held on October 8 and will focus on the Inuit people. Music, stories, games


and writing in Inuktitut will be followed by an Inuit dessert. There will also be a trip to see Enook Manomie, well known Inuit soap-stone carver.

Each session will be hosted in various homes and followed by a field trip.

The Heritage Group is for children and interested adults to learn about their culture and history. For information call 537-2125.

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Sun shines for Joyce Roper at home

Joyce Roper left Lady Minto Hospital in early September and ever since, the sun hasn't stopped shining. She assured her friends at the Ganges hospital that summer wouldn't start until she was permitted to return to her home and to her view of Trincomali Channel.

As an islander, coming here in 1963, Joyce loves island living and island people. She first worked at the old *Driftwood*, later moving to the Bank of Montreal and in 1968, she began a 10-year stint on the ferries working at Long Harbour.

"I loved the job there, I loved the people I worked with and I enjoyed being on the sea."

In 1978 she was forced to quit when she became a victim of multiple sclerosis.

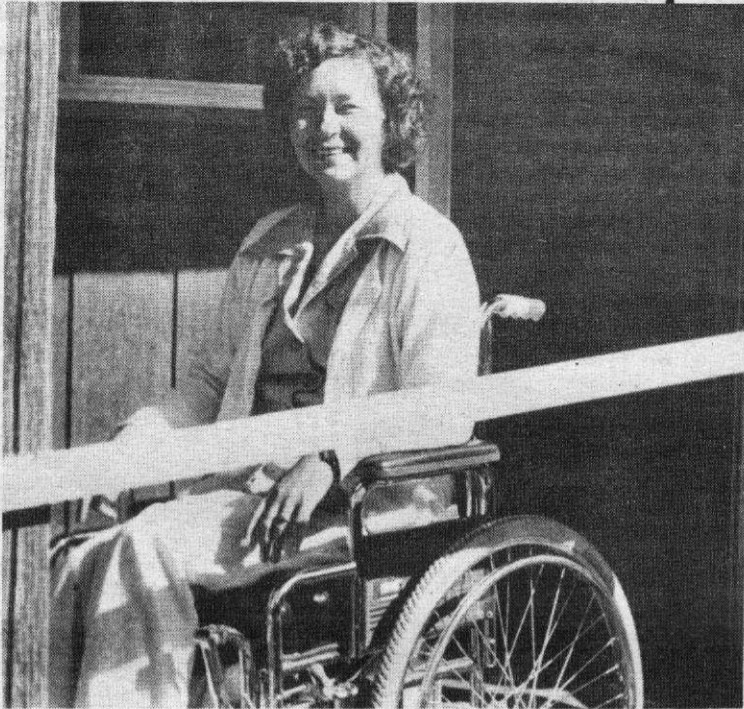
BACK HOME

Now, after six months in the Victoria General Hospital, the Gorge Hospital and eventually Lady Minto, Joyce is more than happy to be at home. She is working from her wheel chair, which came almost as a gift from a friend she met while at the Gorge.

Her first few days at home were difficult to adjust to. From her wheel chair, she cooks, writes, and cleans house.

Neighbour, Bill de Long, devised a table to attach to the wheel chair and the Salt Spring Island Lions Club purchased lumber for the construction of a ramp.

The ramp enables Joyce to leave through her back door and spend time outside. She has never tried Fernwood Hill and was even threatened by a concerned neighbour when she suggested going



down the road.

There are 32,000 victims of "MS" in Canada and Canada has the highest statistic in the world for multiple sclerosis victims.

UNKNOWN CAUSE

Cause of the degenerative disease is unknown and some doctors believe victims are born with the

disease and that it is catalyzed by some slight virus.

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MOUAT'S

Saturna

BY FLORA RATZLAFF

Last month Saturna lost Frank Copeland a well-liked and respected, long-time resident. Mr. Copeland died on Monday, Sept. 21, on the way to the hospital. Funeral services were held on Friday, Sept. 26, at St. Christopher's Anglican Church, followed by a gathering at the hall.

As you must all know by now, our Post Office has been temporarily relocated in the Saturna Point Store. This is due, of course, to the well-drilling rig that drove into the old location. The work has begun on rebuilding and the Post Office should be back in place in about

two weeks. In the meantime, barring strikes elsewhere, there is regular mail service.

There has been a lot of relocating on island this month. The O.A.P.O. apartments have been completed and the tenants have moved in. They are Len and Margaret Hobbs, John Silvester, Walter and Margorie Ratzlaff and Ernie Atkinson. Also moved are the Fiskers, who are now renting Pat Carney's house.

The baby shower for Lien Tron has been rescheduled for Monday, Oct. 20 3 - 5 p.m. so as not to conflict with the O.A.P.O. monthly dinner.

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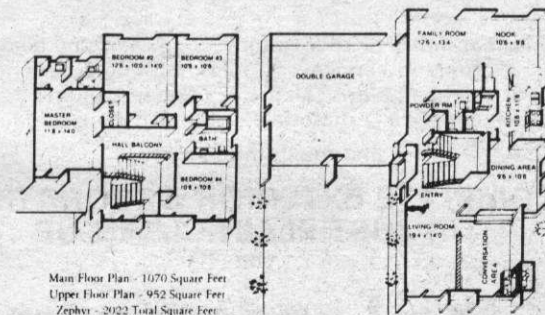
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Mayne secondary school teams

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Last week Mayne School's Secondary boys' soccer team and girls' grass hockey teams went to Salt Spring to play Fernwood Elementary.

Although there was an age difference between the teams, both games were well played and good sportsmanship was displayed by both schools with Mayne taking an edge on goals scored.

The Mayne teams were impressed by the warm hospitality they received from Fernwood School and look forward to welcoming Fernwood at Mayne. Inter-school sports meets play an important role in bringing island students together.

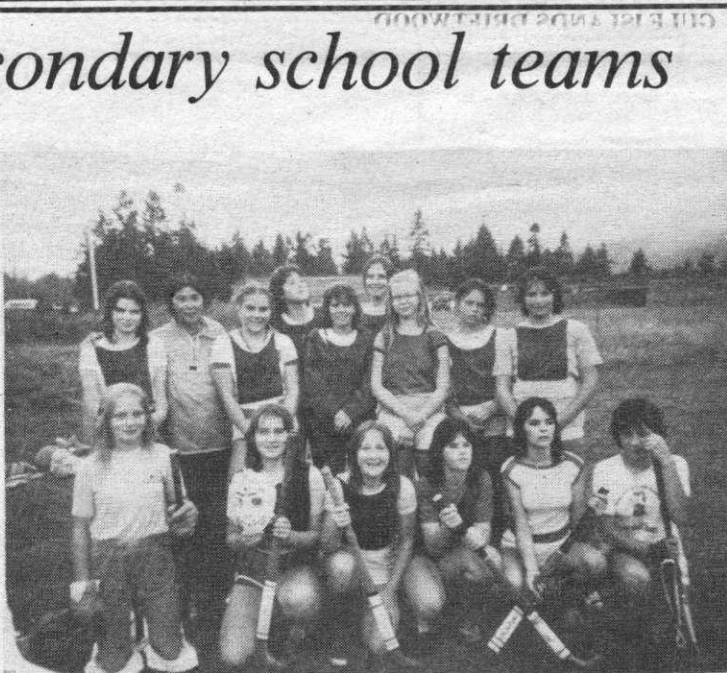
As a result of growth in enrolment at Mayne they are now able for the first time to field both a boys' soccer team and a girls' grass hockey team.

Because Mayne's Secondary teams are composed of students from Galiano, Saturna and Mayne, after-school practices require real effort from students.

Water taxi schedules have to be adjusted for Saturna, teachers organised to drive students to the dock, parents organised to meet the taxi at Saturna. Galiano students have to take the ferry and arrange to be met because the bus is long gone.

It's the enthusiasm of the children that makes it all possible and worthwhile.

Coaches Ian Cocker and Cathy Takagaki are pleased with the effort and attitude students have displayed in staying for practice and appreciate the help and encouragement of the parents.



Mayne Island Secondary School picture shows the boys' soccer teams are seen above. Top is girls' turn-out. grass hockey team and lower



Why's that big black spider in the bathtub?

BY ANNE LYON

As anyone who has ever had a five-year-old child knows, there are some questions that just do not have answers.

Among these are, "Why is the sky blue?" "Why is that bird singing?" and "What is electricity?"

Answers such as "light refracted from specks of dust", "to mark out its territory", or "charged particles moving through a conductor", although more or less correct as far as I know, are not enough. They may shut up your five-year-old for a minute, until his eye lights on something else, but they will not satisfy him.

They don't satisfy me.

You might as well answer "magic" or "because".

But there is one question that has worried me since childhood, to which not even an unsatisfactory answer has ever been offered me.

That is, "Why is that big black spider in the bathtub?"

See? You don't know. Don't tell me there are spiders all over the house: the big black one is always in the bathtub. Don't tell me he's thirsty; don't tell me he came up the pipes; don't tell me he's on his way outside down the drain: it's not so.

He's just THERE - in the

bathtub. He's not doing anything, he's not going anywhere - he's just there.

When I was young I didn't know what to do about spiders in the bathtub. I would run to my mummy and she would fix it. I didn't have to watch.

When I got older and braver I would do it myself. I would turn on the tap and wash them down the drain. Sometimes they'd try to get away but I always got them in the end.

In my teens I became sentimental and would pick them up gently in a kleenex and return them to what I naively imagined to be their native haunts - outside.

Later, when I became a hippie, I let them stay. After all, all God's creatures were just as entitled to the bathtub as I was! We had one spider that lived in the bathroom for four months - but that's another story.

But what prompts the writing of this tale is this. I've finally discovered what to do about the spider in the bathtub.

You put the cat in there too.

This has the advantages of all my earlier methods: (a) someone else does the dirty work; (b) you make a decisive move; (c) what's left of the spider does in fact eventually go back outside (unless you have a cat-box); (d) the cat (another of God's creatures) also has equal rights to the bathtub.

But although it solves the immediate problem of what to do about it, this discovery does not answer the original question.

"Mummy, why is that big black spider in the bathtub?"

There's lots more!!

GOOD NEWS

Honorary regent at Ganges

The announcement last week that Mrs. Dorothy James is honorary regent of the Salt Spring Island Chapter of the IODE was not made completely clear, members have reported.

The appointment was made by the HMS Ganges Chapter, on Salt Spring Island, in token of the long and active service contributed by Mrs. James.

Vandals sever communications

Communication lines with the Canadian Coast Guard and the harbour manager's offices at Ganges were severed Sunday evening when vandals tore out a telephone junction box.

An RCMP spokesman said the phones were out in both offices for almost 24 hours and warned that the consequences of such an incident could be "quite serious".

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Down the Gutter with Ken Collins

Last week I wrote that if you were the person with the most pins over your average in any particular week, you would be entitled to one week's free bowling.

Terry went into immediate shock when he read that. He informs me that what it should have read is that if you are the person with the most pins over average for any given week, you would be entitled to three free games. Sorry about that, Terry.

On Saturday last a fun night was held at the bowling lanes. Eleven couples turned out for what proved to be a very enjoyable evening. Terry intends to make it a regular thing, so if you are interested in a fun night of bowling (nothing serious) ask Terry when he intends to hold the next one.

Here are the top scores of the week: Carol Kaye, 794-735; Pat Jaquest, 723; this writer, 750-767; Peter Jaquest, 728; Julie Collins, 730; and Terry Jenkins, 742. We only had one 300 game, which came from Denis Corcoran with 307.

In the pins over average it was Peter Jaquest coming through with 180 over.

The First Bowl-a-thon will be held on Saturday, Oct. 25. Starting time will be 6 pm. A total of 10 games will be bowled, with prizes given for both scratch and handicap. Entry fee is \$15 including your lineage.

TIP OF THE WEEK

Relax! Don't tighten up on important shots. It's supposed to be fun... don't make hard work out of it.

Y.B.C. NEWS

We are now into our fourth week

of bowling and already improvement may be seen by many of our kids, both of themselves and of the others. The Bantams began bowling three full games this past week - enjoyable for some and pretty tiring for others, but most kids took up the challenge very well, as the following scores will show.

Bantams: high scorers for Saturday, Oct. 4: Shannon Taylor, 170; Jodie Harrison, 155; Lisa Jorgensen, 147; Kurt Sadler, 124; Bryan Farrell, 115; David Jaquest, 114.

Jets: Aaron Slingsby, 68; Rebecca Strathold, 57; Leah Brubaker, 53; Shane Eldstrom, 50; Simon Baines, 41.

Pee Wee's: Tammy Sloan, 105; Tanya Slingsby, 99; Annie Spencer, 85; Jeffrey Neilson, 115; Clinton Helfrich, 107; Adam Baines, 92.

Juniors: Denise Harrison, 261; Christine Rush, 222; Suzanne Cottrell, 175; Tim Duke, 198; David Cates, 156; Charles Rose, 153.

Our first 600 Club and 700 Club members were entered this week. They are Christine Rush, 600 Club, and Denise Harrison, 700 Club.

That's good bowling for kids between the ages of 11 and 14. Can we coaches claim the same good bowling? Besides Gloria West, that is!

Seniors: Wednesday, Oct. 1: Cindy Corcoran, 223; Janet Foerster, 202; Trisha Westcott, 185; Marvin Foerster, 245; Steve Marleau, 238; Steve Martens, 231.

The announcement of winners of the Special Events Tournament held this past week will be in our Y.B.C. News on October 15.

Recreation report

From the Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission

About 30 people attended the meeting at Fulford Thursday to hear the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission outline its proposal for a recreation centre.

After a presentation by commission chairman Glen Woodley, the crowd questioned the commission members on many aspects of the project. All in all, a good informative meeting.

The last public meeting will be held at Fernwood School this Thursday at 8 pm. Come out and ask your questions.

Questions we are asked: Is there a 2½ mill tax annually for the development of Portlock Park?

No, the 2½ mills for Portlock Park was for one year only. We are presently using money from a provincial grant to finish the development of Portlock Park. There is no mortgage on the land or on any of the developments. Everything is paid off yearly.

What does the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission do now for recreation on Salt Spring Island at present?

This is too large a question for one column. Let's begin with parks. The commission maintains Centennial, Portlock, Fulford, Drummond, Arnell Parks and the little league field.

This entails grass cutting, fertilizing, aerating, painting and gene-

ral cleanup of all the parks. At Portlock, Fulford and the Little League the commission lines the fields for soccer and softball.

To maintain the parks the commission employs Bruce McFadyen, who operates a truck, has aerating and grass cutting equipment and purchases grass seed, fertilizers, etc. To provide for the cost of maintaining the parks, the commission uses one mill of its tax allotment - about \$31,000.

Next week: How we use the other \$31,000 for recreation on Salt Spring Island.

Please write to the commission at Box 197 if you have any questions to raise.

CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT Notice of Election

LOCAL TRUSTEES - ISLANDS TRUST

Public notice is given to the Electors of:

- Galiano Island Group
- Mayne Island Group
- North Pender Island Group
- Salt Spring Island Group
- Saturna Island Group
- South Pender Island Group

that I require the presence of the Electors at the Capital Regional District offices (3rd floor), 524 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C., on Monday, the 27th day of October, 1980, at 10:00 am to elect Local Trustees on the Islands Trust for:

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| Galiano Island | | 2 to be elected |
| Mayne Island | | 2 to be elected |
| North Pender Island | | 2 to be elected |
| Salt Spring Island | | 2 to be elected |
| Saturna Island | | 2 to be elected |
| South Pender Island | | 2 to be elected |

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: Candidates shall be nominated in writing by 2 qualified electors of the said Island. The nomination paper shall be delivered to the returning officer at any time between the date of this notice and noon of the day of nomination. The nomination paper may be in the form prescribed in the Municipal Act, and shall state the name, residence and occupation of the person nominated in a manner sufficient to identify the candidate. The nomination paper shall be signed by the candidate.

In the event a poll is necessary, the poll will be opened on Saturday, the 15th day of November, 1980, between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm at the following locations:

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| Galiano Island | | Galiano Elementary School |
| Mayne Island | | Mayne Elem./Jr. Secondary School |
| Pender Island | | Pender Island School, Canal Road
Bedwell Harbour Resort, South Pender |
| Salt Spring Island | | School Board offices, Lower Ganges Road
Central Hall
Fulford Harbour Community Hall |
| Saturna Island | | Saturna Island Community Hall |

Advanced Poll will be held, Monday the 10th, Wednesday the 12th and Thursday the 13th days of November, 1980, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm at the following locations:

- School District No. 64 Board offices, Lower Ganges Road, Ganges
- Capital Regional District offices, 524 Yates Street, Victoria

of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this 8th day of October, 1980

Dennis A. Young,
Returning Officer.

For the information of Capital Regional District Islands Trust electors, the following constitutes the designated island groups for the purpose of electing local trustees to the Islands Trust:

GALIANO ISLAND GROUP - Galiano, Ballingall, Charles, Gossip, Julia, Lion Islets, Parker, Retreat, Sphinx, Wise, Lot 145 Whaler Bay.

MAYNE ISLAND GROUP - Mayne, Curlew, Georgeson.

NORTH PENDER GROUP - North Pender, Boat Islet, Fane, Roe Islet, Lot 31 A & B Colston Cove, Lot 50 Grimmer Bay, Lot 176 Otter Bay, Lot 32 Bedwell Harbour, Arbutus, Brethout, Chads, Coal, Comet, D'Arcy, Forrest, Gooch, Goudge, Hood, Imrie, James, Knapp, Portland, Pym, Rubly, Rum, Sidney, Tortoise Islets.

SALT SPRING ISLAND GROUP - Salt Spring, Acland, Bright, Buriel Islet, Channel, Deadman, Goat, Grace, Hall, Hawkins, Idol, Isabella, Jackscrew, Mowgli, Norway, Piers, Prevost, Red Islets, Russell, Secretary, Secret, Sisters - First, Second, Third, Wallace, Lot 73 Long Harbour, Lot 349 Ganges Harbour, Lot 222 Long Harbour, Lot 344 Stuart Channel.

SATURNA ISLAND GROUP - Saturna, Anniversary, Belle Chain Islets, Cabbage, Java Islets, King Islets, Lizard, Pine, Samuel, Trevor Islet, Tumbo, Lot 65 East of Samuel.

SOUTH PENDER ISLAND GROUP - South Pender, Blunden Islet, Skull Islet.

ISLANDS TRUST

Salt Spring 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-law will be afforded an opportunity to be heard on the matters contained therein at a Public Hearing to be held in the Board Room, Islands Trust Office, 848 Courtney St., Victoria, B.C., on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1980, commencing at 2:00 pm.

Proposed Salt Spring Island Trust Committee By-law No. 40, being Amendment By-law No. 4, 1980, is a By-law to amend Salt Spring Island Trust Committee By-law No. 14, 1978, cited as "Zoning By-law No. 2, Salt Spring Island, 1978".

Purpose of the By-law is to:

- (i) remove the following Islands from the jurisdiction of Capital Regional District By-law No. 103, cited as "Zoning By-law, Planning Area No. 4, 1972", and to place them in the Rural (R) Zone of Salt Spring Island Trust Committee Zoning By-law No. 14: Hall Island, Jackscrew Island, Mowgli Island, Norway Island, North Secretary Island, South Secretary Island, Wallace Island;
- (ii) Upon adoption of this By-law, B.C. Regulation 274/69 shall no longer apply to the above-named Islands;
- (iii) The words "Salt Spring Island Electoral Area" are removed wherever they appear in the By-law, and are replaced with the words "Salt Spring Island Planning Area". This term is defined by adding it to Section 2.1 "Definitions" of the By-law.

A copy of the proposed By-law may be viewed at the Islands Trust Office, 848 Courtney Street, Victoria, B.C., between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday inclusive.

M. LEE,
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

'Our Christian duty' is a phrase which often strikes chill note

I received a charming letter last week from a Buddhist who took issue with my claim for Jesus Christ changing the course of the world. He points out, quite rightly, that other religions also teach a better way to live.

On re-reading what I wrote, I agree my claims were excessive. I had intended to underline the value Christ placed on human dignity and worth and individualism, other religions being more concerned with the whole than the part, but that's not how it came out. I apologize to all true believers in any credo which strives for the betterment of all mankind.

Would that all Christians could be included in this number! The phrase "it is our Christian duty" often strikes a chill note. I was reminded of this during the movie *Brubaker*, a true story of a penitentiary in the southern States.

Some people can serve on prison (or other) boards as "their Christian duty" without doing anything to improve conditions. They don't understand where the resistance comes from and it defeats them. If that's the way things are, then that's the way they are!

THERE'S A REASON

Where bad conditions prevail, there is a reason: indifference, profiteering, sadism, whatever it may be; dig deep enough and you'll find someone who profits or gains by those very conditions. They don't happen by accident or bad luck. They are, to a great extent, deliberate.

Slavery could not exist without slaveowners who became rich on slave labour. Prostitution could not thrive without customers. The drug trade would not be profitable without addicts, but neither could it exist without sellers and pushers. Which came first? Well, we're back to the chicken and the egg.

Brubaker was the name of a prison reformer who was smuggled into Wakefield Penitentiary in the guise of a convict in order to see what conditions were truly like. When he emerged as the new warden, there were very few who believed in his ability to change things for the better, and many of them resisted change.

The "trusties" had abused their fellow convicts and feared reprisals: prison officials had been profiteering from prison food and produce; a member of the board had sold rotten insurance; another made political hay; another preached "Christian duty" and

More Food for Thought

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

oppressive discipline in the same breath.

HAD LOST HOPE

The convicts had been so badly treated they had lost hope, and could not believe anyone could help them. In some ways he didn't. Several people were killed who might have been allowed to live under the old, corrupt regime. But they were a threat and had to be silenced.

Finally, Brubaker's integrity and refusal to compromise lost him the little political clout he originally had and he was replaced. While the new warden addressed the convicts, telling them what a "tight ship" he proposed to run, the most intractable of the trusties saw Brubaker preparing to leave. He finally admitted that Brubaker had been right.

Flu vaccine is ready for winter

Flu vaccine is now available, reports A. S. Arneil, medical officer of health.

The vaccine is provided free to eligible persons through family physicians or at community health service offices. Eligible persons are anyone age 65 years or over, or suffering from heart or lung complaints and certain other ailments.

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Then he started a slow, compelling hand-clap which was gradually taken up by the rest of the prison population, and the new warden was left mouthing platitudes to the empty air. The convicts gathered around the fence line and kept up the slow hard applause as Brubaker's car made its way out of the grounds.

SHOWN ANOTHER WAY

We, the audience, knew somehow that the prison would never go back to the way it used to be. They'd been shown another way, and they would see to it that they were never brutalized and dehumanized again.

The concluding caption told us we were right. "Two years later, the prison authorities were taken to court by... (the name of the stubborn trusty). The court ruled that the prison was guilty of 'severe and unusual punishment' and ordered it to be reformed or closed down."

Hooray for our side! I've gone into these details because it's such a fine example of "cui bono" who benefits? (As all whodunit readers will know). It's the same everywhere. Look for the beneficiary of graft, corruption or oppression before you try to change the existing order.

And above all, never lose hope. You may not change the world. You may not even change your corner of the world. But you'll probably make a few people feel quite uncomfortable. And you'll sleep well.

Hearing precedes voting

Public hearing will be held this month into the rezoning of Mouat Park land for recreation purposes.

The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee will call the hearing but no announcement will be made until after the November 15 referendum.

Gordon Wallace, vice-president of the Islands Trust, expressed

surprise at the plans to hold the hearing before the referendum.

"I thought there was to be no second-guessing the referendum," he commented.

The hearing will be called to ascertain whether Mouat Park is considered a suitable place, explained David Lott.

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The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: Candidates shall be nominated in writing by two duly qualified electors of the School District. The nomination-paper shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and noon of the day of nomination. The nomination-paper may be in the form prescribed in the Municipal Act, and shall state the name, residence, and the occupation of the person nominated in such manner as to sufficiently identify such candidate. The nomination-paper shall be subscribed to by the candidate.

Nomination-papers may be obtained from the School Board Office. The Declaration made by the candidate must either be notarized or declared before the Returning Officer of School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands). In the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be held at the places and during the times set out below, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and to govern himself accordingly.

Polling Places:

Galiano Island	Galiano Elementary School
Pender Islands	Pender Island School, Canal Road
	Bedwell Harbour Resort, South Pender
Salt Spring Island	School Board offices, Lower Ganges Road
	Central Hall
	Fulford Harbour Community Hall

On Saturday, November 15th, 1980, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

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Cub pack is full but there is room for Scouts at Salt Spring

Contributed
BY ED DAVIS

Our Cubs and Sea Scouts have resumed activities after the traditional summer break. I've always thought the summer months would be an ideal time for Cubs and Scouts, but it seems that most of our boys wander with the winds and their parents during the summer.

So now that school is in session and vacations completed, it's time for members to return to their sections to participate in exciting and challenging programs.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped support the scouting movement through their donations for the various events of the past season. A special thanks to those who donated their time, facilities and themselves in keeping up with the many projects and fund-raising events.

A heart-felt thanks to *Driftwood* and its staff for their fine coverage and donation regarding both Cubs' and Scouts' activities. It's the support of all the island residents that helps to keep our scouting movement alive and prospering.

SELLING SUBSCRIPTIONS

While on the subject of donations, I'd like to remind all our island residents that each and every one can support our Cubs and Scouts by taking out subscriptions and renewals to *Beautiful B.C.* magazine through our scout organization. You may have noticed our recent ad in this paper.

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ROOM FOR NEW MEMBERS

We have room in our Sea Scout troop for new members. Those boys who would like to join can contact Matthew Coleman or Charles Bazzard. Unfortunately, reports from the Cub leader indicate that the pack is full this term. Should you wish to enroll a Cub, the best solution is to contact the Cub leader and ask to be put on the list for next year.

This year's Scouting activities will include a jamboree, and scouts desiring to participate should indicate so to their leader. Also, they should start saving for the event. More news on the jamboree in the next newsletter.

For the adults interested in Cubs and Scouts, as well as former Cubs

and Scouts who might like to help out within the movement, we are always looking for new members for our organization. We have requirements at all levels, Cubs, Sea Scouts and on the group committee. Scout leaders are of prime concern at the moment.

Should any of you parents or adults with experience within the movement be interested in joining up locally, please contact Bob McWhirter at 537-2194.

Until the next newsletter, Dyb, Dyb, Dyb.

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KICK-OFF

Four teams make up level

BY MALCOLM LEGG

This week I will discuss the senior intra-island teams and what to look for from them. The level is made up of a four-team loop, including the Panthers, Whitecaps, Kanaka Cosmos and the Fernwood Fury. They play their league schedule up to Christmas with play-offs after.

Last season's league and cup champions, Fernwood Fury, sport a new look both player-wise and with the coach. Ron Hatch has coupled with Marguerita Nordine to give the Fury a very sound coaching staff.

One thing that has not changed is the Fury's excellent style of play. Look for leadership from Mark Nordine and Chad Little and support from a cast of good youngsters. This team should be a good bet to repeat as league champs.

STRONG CONTENDER

The Panthers look to be another strong contender for league honours this season. Coach Phil Hume has the boys playing offensive soccer, led by Andrew Aust, Charlie Hume and Drayson Ackhurst.

Certainly their offence is awesome but behind that, their defence is a little suspect, and if opponents exploit this it could be their downfall. Even so, they are a team to watch because the name of the game is how many goals you score.

The Whitecaps are a team with problems. They have a fairly solid nucleus of players led by Kevin Smith, Izak Andre and Cougar Fawcett, certainly enough potential to be a strong contender.

LACK A COACH

Unfortunately, they lack a coach; someone to give them the leadership to be a winner, as well as to teach them more about the game of soccer. To date, Colin Bird, one of the Strikers' players, has coached the team and has done a commendable job, but adult assistance would help a lot. Given the chance, the Whitecaps could easily challenge top honours this year.

The last team at this level is the Kanaka Cosmos, our only girls' team this season.

Although they have started slowly, as coach, I have seen some bright spots already; notably that the team can score goals. The teams' strengths lie in the play of Laura Hynes, Joey Moger and Jennifer Anderson but the team appears fairly solid due to some strong newcomers. They will cause some upsets before this season is over.

Last week's score-line reads as follows:

Senior

1. Fury, 4 (M. Nordine, 2; C. Little; P. Address); Whitecaps, 1 (K. Smith).

2. Panthers, 5 (A. Aust, 2; C. Hume, 2; Drayson Akurst); Kanaka, 2 (J. Moger, L. Hynes).

Junior

1. Eagles, 1 (D. Robertson); Demons, 0.

2. Machine, 1 (C. Yolanski); Demons, 1 (A. Strathold).

MEN'S SOCCER

Salt Spring Blues, 2; Metro, 1

The Blues returned to their winning ways after dropping their first league game last week. Although the players were not overjoyed with the win, the score-line certainly flattered Metro.

It was obvious from the opening whistle that the Blues were the superior squad and they quickly forged into attack. Once again Salt Spring's offence spluttered and it appeared we were in for a repeat of last week's match.

But the big difference was that the defence did not let down at this stage and give up a goal. Rather, the threesome of Mark Hughes, Graham Tweedle and this writer held firm and allowed the team to regroup.

With the mid-field gaining confidence, the Blues' attacks became more dangerous and cracks appeared in the Metro defence. It was one of these cracks that the locals pounced on with some fine two-touch passing to take the lead.

Gary Hartwig moved the ball to Alan Webb who quickly threaded the needle to Arne Hengstler. Arne made no mistake; and the Blues held the lead at the break.

The second half was controlled by the Blues but bad finishing

around the goal kept the score at 1-0. Finally, late in the game Bruce Hume, in attempting to cross a ball, drifted a long shot goalwards that eluded the Metro goalie for a 2-0 lead.

Metro scored with five minutes remaining but the verdict was already decided and the Blues had won number 3.

Certainly, the Blues can play better as both their passing and shooting were weak at times. The main thing is the team won and did so trying to play a tactical passing game rather than a boot-and-run style.

Next week: two big tests. On Thursday we play the Salt Spring All-stars at 6 pm at Portlock Park and on Sunday we travel to Victoria to play Victoria West in a battle for third place. Two games well worth watching.

A lot of people are probably wondering what has happened to the soccer boot exchange. Well, fear not! Registrations, uniforms and new teams have delayed getting the exchange rolling. But I have the names of those who phoned and will start calling them this week.

If you need boots or have some to give the exchange, call me at 537-5870.

Next week: a look at the off-island teams.

GOLFING

With Pat Doherty

In the nine-hole ladies' section, 12 ladies played on September 30. Prizes went to Gwen Ruckle for longest drive on #7 and Mary K. Thomas picked up the prize for low gross on #4 hidden hole.

On the same day, in the ladies' 18-hole section, in medal round play Alice Fraser took low net with 67 and Marie Hopkins was runner-up with net 72. Kas Black won the fall eclectic and Lou Wolfe-Milner was runner-up.

In the men's division the final standings in the Crofton Cup, which is emblematic of the club championship, were: club champion, Kevin Noble; first flight, Richard Nemeth; consolation flight, Gordon Parsons; second flight, Hart Bradley.

Our golf season is now winding down and our more affluent members are packing up to move down south for the winter months, where they can keep their tans and their

golf swings in shape.

This is our last golf column of the year, and we would like to thank the editor and his staff for their kindness and generosity in allowing us to get our golf news printed and out to our members.

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Sometimes fatal, tampon-linked disease is found infuriating

I feel like I've been violated. The recent news that sanitary tampons expose women to the risk of "Toxic Shock Syndrome", a sometimes fatal disease, just infuriates me.

TSS, in case you don't know, is a rare disease (until now), only discovered five years ago and only linked to tampon use last June by the Centre for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia. Its symptoms include disorientation, high fever, loss of blood pressure and vomiting and is three times as likely to strike women under 30 than those over 30.

The theory according to scientists is that tampons cause a vaginal abrasion that allows bacteria, which lead to TSS, to enter the bloodstream. But it's not clear to me whether the carboxymethyl cellulose material that some brands contain for their extra absorbency is the reason for the abrasion. However, the use of super-absorbent tampons increases the risk since women tend to leave them in longer.

What's a woman to do? NATURAL ALTERNATIVE

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Think about it. The tampon has only been around for about a decade and the sea sponge has been here forever. Chances are, your grandma used them. It's just a matter of getting used to the idea.

Luna Sponges are not readily available. The one I have was bought in a health food store in Victoria. But here's a mailing address for the Luna Sponge Company (which is women-owned, by the way): P. O. Box 6356, Station C, Victoria, B.C. V8P 5M3.

Try it, you'll like it! One word of advice; buy two for the sake of convenience.

TO LIVE WITH IT

Built-in obsolescence is a term I haven't learned to live with, even though it seems to have come about in my generation. I get very annoyed when I make a purchase that falls apart before my very eyes in a short period of time.

Buying and selling is a North

One woman's viewpoint

BY ALICE RICHARDS

American pastime. You can see proof of this in the overwhelmingly popular shopping centres and malls popping up as near as Vancouver Island. We may soon see a less sophisticated form of it here on Salt Spring. One-stop shopping: sacrificing quality for convenience.

There are a few items that I have consumed recently that bear mentioning.

What five-year-old should be without a bike? A bright shiny new two-wheeler, guaranteed to provide hours of enjoyment and practical exercise too. But of the two models I bought last year, both of them have lost their pedals, which are, of course, irreplaceable.

Left now with a slippery, metal rod with which to pedal, the bikes have been discarded. When I took them to a repair shop, I was told the only answer would be to design some kind of home-made wooden pedals. Well, that's great! Sometime we'll get around to that. They weren't cheap, but when we come to trade them in for a larger bike, what will we get for them?

RARELY BUY TOYS NOW

Toys are a thorn in my side. I rarely buy them anymore. Apart from the metal trucks and cars that are infinitely popular with my boys, nothing stands up. Once in a while I will take the children down to spend their allowance, or lately, their tooth fairy money, and at those times I pretty well let them make their own decisions. It's their money after all and they should be allowed to make their own mistakes.

The things they come up with! When they were toddlers they could content themselves with measuring spoons, pots and pans, blankets to make tents out of, but now they want things that they see other kids playing with. The kind of things that they inevitably see on television or displayed irresistibly in a toy shop.

The shame is that a lot of toys are based on good ideas. But why can't they be made to last? Surely the people that design toys have some notion of children and their strength.

Last week, I took the children out to buy a birthday present for a friend. They took along their own money as well so they could buy something for themselves. For the friend, we picked out a Snoopy and

Charlie Brown toy with a birdhouse for a launching pad. Charlie and Snoopy had helicopters on their heads and took off from the top of the birdhouse when you pulled a string, much like the whirl tops that have been around for years, a little dressed up.

LESS THAN A DAY

It's a fun and exciting concept. But it lasted less than a day, much to my embarrassment. It cost \$7; a reasonable price if it had lasted as long as the child's interest.

For themselves, the boys picked a motorcycle stunt rider, in the character of Spider Man. They were so excited with it.

Before we even got it home, the handlebars on the plastic motorcycle had fallen off. When we got home, the arms on Spider Man fell off! The reaction of the boys was to throw it forcefully on the ground in anger, shattering the rest of the parts, so I was unable to take it back. But I got angry, I wrote a letter to the manufacturer.

These toys were not expensive: \$3 each. But the point is, they were worth less than nothing when you consider the negative influence they had by creating so much anger and frustration. So what can we do? We can stop buying these things. That's easy. But there must be some way we can impress the manufacturers with a sense of guilt about how poorly they are making toys.

A SIMPLE REQUEST

After all, toys should be around, they should be fun, they should last. This would seem a simple request. I would pay twice as much for an item if it was only built to last. The boys were thrilled with their purchases until they fell apart. I would venture to guess that of the hundreds of toys to choose from in the store, ranging in price from pennies to many dollars, only a small percentage would have given satisfaction to the buyer.

I see toys as a step towards children learning to take care of their own things when they grow up. Most toys are replicas of the real thing. Well, it's a sad fact that by the time they have grown up, they will expect everything to fall apart.

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Pender Island forum on Islands Trust

Preserve and protect

Need greater powers says chairman Rich

John Rich, of Bowen Island, has served as chairman of the Islands Trust for the past two years. His observations were mostly devoted to the problems of the islands and the major challenges facing the Trust.

I'm going to try and give you a picture of the past, present and future of the Islands Trust.

It came about when there were new subdivisions, some very large ones, in the islands. There was talk about bridges and ferries and the 10-acre freeze had been imposed previously in order to meet the problems.

Significant feature of the Islands Trust, at that time, was that the three general trustees were appointed, rather than elected.

Initially not all the Islands Trust Act was proclaimed.

The Trust was not permitted to acquire property or to hold it. The purpose of the Trust at that time was to advise the government regarding the designated islands and the small islands around them. Nor was the Trust authorized to build up funds for land purchase. It had no direct control over planning or zoning and it was not named the subdivision approval agency.

Although when a new government was elected in 1975, many were fearful that the incoming government might curtail the activities of the Trust, in 1977 the powers of the Trust were increased.

The Trust was placed in sole authority over land-use planning in the islands. And the three general trustees were no longer to be

appointed, but elected from the board of trustees.

By making the trustees part of the Trust and elected by their own colleagues, the government placed the general trust at arm's length from the ministry and rendered it a more independent body.

That has both negative and positive consequences.

It also indicated a confidence in the principle of the Trust because both government and the opposition have supported the Trust and these changes.

There are 13 designated islands in the Trust area. A designated island is, for example, North Pender. The smaller islands are grouped with the designated islands.

Each of the designated islands elects two local trustees. These trustees, in turn, elect a chairman and a vice-chairman. The chairman and the two vice-chairmen form the General Trust, which has jurisdiction over the general affairs of the island. All local matters such as local planning and the community plan are set up by the island trust committee, consisting of the three general trustees and two local trustees.

The Islands Trust council includes trustees from all islands in the area.

Community plans have been approved for all the designated islands except two and subdivision bylaws are in effect in most of the islands.

Indirect functions of the trust include making recommendations

on foreshore rights applications and study of major projects.

The Islands Trust is also concerned with matters affecting individual islands. Open pit mining on Gambier is one of the matters which has been under discussion.

Trust is at present engaged in the preparation of a regional plan for all the islands.

FUTURE OF THE TRUST

It could carry on for the next few years, more or less as it has up to now.

A second possibility is that it could be disbanded altogether. That is not very likely. There are interests, however, that would see the Trust eliminated; developers and developers in industry are exerting a pressure for the elimination of the Trust. It is just a nuisance, getting in their way.

On the other hand, there is a broad support for it from the general public.

The formation of an Islands regional district has certain advantages. It would bring the functions closer together and ensure that the agency engaged in planning was also closely concerned with engineering and other phases. Taxation would go up.

If it were to become a regional district the concerns of protection and preservation could be secondary to the demands of administration.

Fourth alternative would be to continue the Trust as it is, with more active government support. Set up a fund for government funds or accept donations to permit the establishment of a land bank and provision whereby the Islands Trust might hold land. It is very difficult for a man who wants to keep his property in its present state.

ADVANTAGES

Subdivision approval authority vested in the Islands Trust would also offer some advantages. At the present time this authority lies with the ministry of highways.

The Trust has been a complete success and the Islands Trust Act represents a complete direction to the trustees.

Difference between the Trust administration and regional administration is evidenced by the number of times a regional district has been discussing one of the islands only to have an alderman pipe up: What's so different about an island? Come on! Let's go!

You've got islanders dealing with the issues. They may not be from this island, but they are islanders and they know the issues.

The future depends on the provincial government. It should be actively in support of the Islands Trust, rather than passively accepting it.

Most islanders are very concerned over the islands and see them as something worth preserving and not just some more provincial real estate.

Even people who don't know the islands and don't come to the islands have accepted the concept of the Islands Trust and consider it well worth while.

These islands are beautiful, with a fragile environment. The community is extraordinarily healthy. Most of us who visit the islands have got something that is not to be found many places in the world. Those of us who are fighting for the future of these islands, insofar as we have any control, are facing a big responsibility.

We have something here to be kept. We need a trust and I am sure the Islands Trust can do that.

Pither favours Trust

Ron Pither resides on Mayne Island and has been an interested observer of island activities. He was mostly concerned with the present and the future and called for increased powers for the Trust.

Ron Pither was invited to attend, from his home island of Mayne to offer a free opinion, identified with neither the Trust nor the region.

He urged the provision of three additional functions for the Trust.

The Trust should be allowed to acquire and hold land, said the Mayne Island speaker. He admitted that there could remain a serious problem if people should lack confidence that the Trust was going to be around for any length of time.

He also urged that the province



establish some means whereby a property owner might sell his development rights in exchange for a reduction in taxes.

Pither also called for the supremacy of the Trust in its dealings with other provincial agencies in those areas affecting the islands, such as lands, parks and housing.

The Mayne Islander also endorsed many of the proposals already made by Chairman Rich.

He urged the protection of waterways and local control on the cutting of timber.

Analysis of theory

Board chairman offers criticism of concept

Jim Campbell has been a regional director for nearly a decade and has served the majority of his years as chairman. He has been an outspoken opponent of the Trust and his address looked at the principles of government as well as the specific problems of the Trust.

Campbell said he was enjoying the experience of coming to Pender Island as he had for the past 20

years . . . the past 30 years of coming here in some kind of representative function, to discuss the problems they face.

He discussed what governments are for and why there are different kinds and levels of government. He had evolved his own philosophy of responsibility.

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