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Sunday shopping: Salt Spring, no; Outer Islands, yes

All nine incumbents returned

Only three new candidates were elected to serve on the Islands Trust and Gulf Islands School Board Saturday, as all nine incumbents were re-elected.

Bud Kreissl topped the polls in the Trust vote at Salt Spring, with 200 votes more than David Lott, who was also returned.

At Mayne Island, newcomer Ed Williams led the way while incumbent Joan Sprague wasn't far behind. Incumbent Ron Thompson retained his seat at

Galiano with Jim Robertson in second place.

Both the incumbents at South Pender, Joan Noble and William Norton, were re-elected.

Charles Baltzer will serve a second term on school board, as he topped the polls at Salt Spring. Newcomer Bert Beitel was also elected.

Both Jim Ripley of Galiano and John Zacharias of Pender retained their seats, beating out their opponents by wide margins.

Salt Spring Island voters said no to Sunday and holiday shopping but on the Outer Islands the vote went the other way.

On Salt Spring the count was 1,280 opposed and 930 in favour of Sunday opening.

The Outer Islands voted 610 to 574 in favour.

The sewer and water votes in the Magic Lake Estates at Pender Island met with virtually no opposition.

Election results

Bold face type indicates candidates elected; asterisk denotes incumbent.

Islands Trust Salt Spring

*Bud Kreissl	1,344
*David Lott	1,142
Robert Aston	678
Charles Sutcliffe	669

Mayne

Ed Williams	223
*Joan Sprague	181
Ron Pither	164

Galiano

*Ron Thompson	230
Jim Robertson	176
Robert Riley	127

South Pender

*William Norton	59
*Joan Noble	54
Allan Brooks	32

School Board Salt Spring

*Charles Baltzer	1,352
Bert Beitel	1,015
Matthew Coleman	938
Pat James	660

Pender

*John Zacharias	319
Cecily Overall	138

Galiano

*Jim Ripley	191
Basil Bengier	98
Susan Friend	31

Magic Lake Estates

Sewer

Yes	222
No	29

Water

Yes	357
No	18

Pilot dead after crash

A 22-year-old Nanaimo man was killed last week in a plane crash at Galiano Island.

Richard Danielson, flying a single-engine Piper Cherokee, struck Mt. Galiano on the south end of the island at about 6 am last Wednesday. The mountain was reported to have been concealed in fog when the accident occurred.

The plane, owned by Flight Centre Victoria, exploded upon impact.

Ganges RCMP told *Driftwood* that a Vancouver coroner is looking into the case and an enquiry is expected to be held.

Danielson was the sole occupant of the plane.



Library formally opened in Ganges

Kay Kertland and Sheila Curtis cut the ribbon at Saturday's opening of the extended Mary Hawkins Memorial Library in Ganges.

High cost of going home

Islanders shudder as ferry fares bumped Saturday

There was a shudder through the islands at the week end when the new ferry fares came into effect. A car and driver now costs \$7.25 to come to the islands; and go back. A week ago the cost was \$6.

The resident's pass enables the same vehicle and driver to pass through the compound for \$6.25, against last week's \$5.50.

Increase has been attributed by the B.C. Ferry Corporation to the increase in the cost of oil.

The ferry corporation has announced that its current cost of oil is \$12 million a year. It is raising fares to meet an expected increase in oil costs of 45%.

This increase is in spite of the fact that costs have been pared to the point where it now costs two-thirds of the original fuel cost per car transported by ferry.

Had this not been accomplished, the driver is left to assume that the present fare hike would have been half as much again.

Indignation at the fare hike in the islands has not been in protest at rising costs, but in view of the fact that the majority of islanders see the ferries as their highways to the outside.

needed only a 50% majority, instead of the two-thirds called for under present legislation.

"Fluoridation can be as exciting as a really important issue," commented Chairman Jim Campbell.

He supports the proposal, said Campbell, but his only concern was the target of such a vote.

"Who would be asked? Water supply is almost entirely a regional concern."

Region wants short cut

Community Health Services Committee of the Capital Regional District wants an amendment to the municipal act as a short cut to fluoridation of water supplies.

The Capital Regional Board approved the resolution last week, callong on the province to require that such a referendum require only a simple majority.

Communities had steadfastly refused fluoridation, the board was told. The committee feels that a referendum might go through if it

Recreation complex defeated

The recreation complex referendum on Salt Spring Island was soundly defeated by almost 500 votes Saturday as 2,251 electors turned out to vote on the \$2.1 million project.

"No" votes totalled 1,373 while 878 favoured the 19,000-sq. ft. swimming pool-theatre complex.

The referendum to continue supporting existing recreational programs was passed, however, with 1,655 voters registering their approval of the two half-mills used to fund those programs and field development. There were 579 votes against the referendum.

Expansion proposed by K & R

Largest shopping centre in the history of Salt Spring Island is planned by K & R at the former Valcourt property north of the Valcourt Business Centre.

On Tuesday afternoon Don Burrows, of the Vancouver Island merchandising company, presented amended plans for the new structure to the Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission.

The plan provides for a structure almost twice as big as the present unit. It will include a warehouse area 25 feet high and part of the higher structure will form a main shopping floor and a mezzanine floor.

Landscaping, parking and the general appearance of the block represented the main concern of the planning commission, said chairman Nick Gilbert.

The appearance will be drastically changed, said Burrows. Existing aluminum siding will be ripped off and replaced with natural wood. The large stucco area of the higher level will be relieved with expansion strips of about an inch wide.

Windows will be wood-frame and emphasis will be placed on planting and landscaping.

Recommendation of the planning commission will be considered by the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee in two weeks' time and a development permit will be prepared.

Board looks to future

Trustees spend \$4 million on new schools, facilities

Trustees of Gulf Islands School District spent an estimated \$4 million in little over an hour last week, when discussion focussed on future needs of the district.

All told, three new schools were built and a number of existing ones were expanded when buildings and grounds committee chairman John Zacharias went over a list of proposals prepared by his committee.

A middle school, or junior secondary, for Salt Spring Island was the first topic to be discussed, with most trustees indicating that they approved of the concept.

Mary Williamson favoured the idea, saying that students were faced with a difficult adjustment when they moved from the elementary to the secondary level.

"We should be trying to make it as easy as we can, not as difficult," she observed.

Supervisor of instruction Larry Holbrook wanted to know which grades she felt would be included in such a school.

Grades 7 to 9, replied Williamson.

"They stop being children at Grade 7 and start being monsters." **TWO MORE SCHOOLS**

Chairman Ivan Mouat said he had often believed Salt Spring would have to have two more schools before 1990. The Ganges complex would become primary and secondary, he said, with a middle school and another primary school elsewhere.

Referring to a brief presented earlier in the meeting by the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association, Mouat said it was interesting to note that the association had seen Fernwood as becoming the district's French school.

John Zacharias summed up the discussion on Salt Spring with the observation that immediate plans would call for a new school at south Salt Spring and long-range plans for a Grades 7-8-9 school.

Moving on to Galiano, Zacharias wondered if the board should be considering a junior secondary program there, too.

AT MAYNE

Both Strick Aust and Jim Ripley felt that Mayne Island should con-

tinue to provide junior secondary and most trustees also felt that the Mayne school should not go beyond that level.

Pender Island's Grade 9 program will likely be discontinued, due to lack of facilities and students. Zacharias said it looked as if seven of the present Grade 8 students would be going to Parklands School in Saanich next year. A suggestion by Strick Aust that perhaps Grade 8 should be phased out met with disagreement from the Pender trustee.

He said the facilities were very adequate for the Grade 8 program and the school has the pupils for it.

The board then went on to look at priorities.

The order of priorities at Galiano had been a new classroom, an activity room, library, administration area, health office, staff washrooms and special education facility.

PLAY AREA

However, the Galiano Parents Organization has since requested that a covered play area be included.

After Vivien Pinteau suggested that it may jeopardize ministry approval for an activity room, superintendent Bob Huestis said if it were built with the intent of later converting it to a classroom, there should be no problem with approval.

Wilf Peck pointed out that the roof structure would cover about 1,000 square feet, slightly more than what a classroom would cover.

Trustees agreed to make it priority no. 2. It was also agreed that additional classrooms should be on the list, as the last priority.

The number of classrooms to be added at Fernwood will depend on a population growth projection from the ministry of education. That forecast is expected soon.

BOARD OFFICE

School board office space was not overlooked in the discussion.

"Do we go for the whole bundle or some portion thereof?" asked Zacharias.

Strick Aust felt that classroom space had priority and pointed out that the board had spent \$4 million during its deliberations.

Wilf Peck explained that the trustees were only giving guidance for next year's capital budget and for future plans. He said priorities would be assigned at a later stage. He reminded the trustees that the ministry would also look at the proposals and assign its own priorities.

Other matters examined by the board included problems with heating and ventilation at Salt Spring Elementary and facilities for the Gulf Islands Secondary agriculture program.

CONSULTANT

Trustees supported a motion by Zacharias that a consultant be engaged to investigate the elementary school's problems.

One trustee recalled that the district had hired a consultant some time ago for the same purpose.

That was correct, replied the secretary-treasurer, but the main reason for his being hired was to

see if the district should sue the consultant before him.

Finally, looking at the needs of the agriculture program, Wilf Peck said it was possible the district could get approval to purchase land for it. If the district were to lease land, the cost of erecting a building would not be shareable with the ministry unless the structure was portable, he noted.

Board should be aware of actions

When the Capital Regional Board learned last week that the provincial cabinet had approved the supplementary letters patent to cover the increased cost of the projected Ganges sewer system, a brief debate ensued as to the manner in which a writ of summons had been handled by the regional staff.

The matter is sub judice, submitted Director Yvette Valcourt, of Salt Spring Island. She had received a press release from the Salt Spring Island Sewer Alternatives Committee to the effect that a writ had been served on the board, she told her colleagues.

She had received no intimation yet from the board or the staff that such a writ had been served.

AMAZED AND DISTURBED

"I am amazed and disturbed by not being advised, she told Chairman J.M. Campbell.

The chairman expressed uncertainty as to whether the matter was sub judice. The board had asked for the amendment about nine months ago and the government had just approved it.

The board was simply receiving the notice from the province and taking no action, added Bob Wright.

"Why has this board not been advised of a summons served on it?" asked Valcourt. Two people in the Ganges region commenced an action, explained Executive Director Dennis Young.

"As far as I know, nothing else

was done. The solicitor is advised of the notice of summons and then we await further action from the appellants."

It puts the board on notice, agreed Wright.

"The ball's still in their court!"

Why was the board not notified, pressed Valcourt.

Notices of that kind are at the administrative level and don't come before the board, observed the chairman.

"No action can be taken."

As a courtesy, the executive director should be notified that if any such action occurs again, directors should be informed, suggested Mel Couvelier.

Director Valcourt knew of the notice of summons before he did, observed Young.

The Alternate committee gave her a press release, she replied.

The executive director explained that the summons writ was served on the engineering department and handed over to the board solicitor. He heard nothing of it until last week.

Writ was served in September, it appeared.

Instruct Mr. Young to distribute whatever it was, urged Wright.

The discussion arose from the action brought by Dr. Norman Merkeley and Herman Kirchmeier challenging the authority of the Director of Pollution Control to require the installation of a sanitary sewer.

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I look at advertisements on television. Like that in which an ineffectual couple of parents are vacillating over which toothpaste is likely to produce the finest American children. A passer-by intrudes with the observation, "Pardon me, my family uses . . ." And so she goes on into the selling spiel. I couldn't tolerate the use of that toothpaste in my house, cavities or no. Its use obviously encourages an impertinent disregard for elementary good manners as well as an extremely offensive form of egotism. I'll stay with my own \$500 set of teeth and be damned to my next dental check!

A report in the London Sunday Telegraph recently explained that economies by local education authorities were already being reflected in the standard of education of English children. They are a fortunate people, the Brits. They can vary their educational standards by the amount of money they spend. Obviously, if a shortage of money is immediately reflected in scholastic quality evident in the schools, the reverse must apply. They pour in a few more millions and they get a flow of average students. Add another billion to the educational bills and they suddenly have a nation of brilliant brains! How grand to be in England now that Labour's there!

Thinking of education: I had a letter. It came from the administrative heart of British Columbia, the legislature. I'm just glad it wasn't from the minister of education. The letter twice uses a capital letter where any more humble writer would stay with a small letter and it uses an apostrophe to make a plural. And now we know. If the province of British Columbia had spent a couple more billions on education in the past few years everyone would be able to spell and add. Not that it would make much odds. Most stenographers can add the alphabet and a few can spell in decimals. And isn't that an accomplishment in mediocrity?

I'm designing the successor to the flick-knife. It's a four-tined flick fork: four times as offensive with no more effort required. In an age of violence it might lead me to a fortune. And quite useful if you happen to have a passion for peas!

It wasn't me what noticed! I have to admit cribbing the tale, because I failed to see it for myself. Donna James of the Sooke Mirror noticed last week that the Capital Regional Hospital Board received a letter from the Capital Regional Hospital and Health Planning Commission. The letter was written from the Commission's office at 521 Yates St. and delivered to the Hospital Board's office at 521 Yates St. It was dated October 20, 1980. And it was stamped as having been received on October 30, 1980! How's that for a delivery service? Ten days to go to an office in the same building. This is surely going to get the post office jealous! They couldn't do worse than that!

Nellie Schwagly likes visiting her native Holland whenever she can. But she likes getting home to Salt Spring Island. Last week she came home and was met by a puff of blue smoke as they opened the front door. The smoke was nothing. But it left her with a mess that is costing thousands of dollars to clean up. The oil furnace had back-fired in some manner and the soot which the social eye never normally sees was distributed through the house. Nothing was untouched, floors, ceilings, walls, furniture. Open a drawer and it was thoroughly sooted over. She moved into the Harbour House while the mess is cleaned up. Henry Schwagly told me that it is not uncommon to have a gull sit over the chimney of an idling furnace, just turned up to keep an even temperature. The gull will be asphyxiated by the fumes and fall down the chimney. In quite a short time the furnace has to get rid of a sudden build-up of soot and it is liable to come out anywhere: and often does.

Free Latin lesson: from a man of little Latin and no Greek! And I address it to the Capital Region. Media is the plural of medium. Referenda is the plural of referendum. Ha is not the plural of hum. These first two words have been inherited from the Latin and have come down to us intact after more than a thousand years. They are likely to meet their end in the present age. There may be a moral somewhere. While all the world was uninformed and only the few were learned, these words survived intact. Once the world and its children are so well-educated there is neither need nor room for niceties and the traditions of the language are trampled. Let's, by all means, have referendums and mediums. But, please, let us chop the lobes off the ultra-purist who wants medias and referendas! I just wish they'd never learned me Latin in a day when men would take pride in learning and before we reached this delightful era when a man must hang his head in shame that he even speaks French!

Strong adherent of the parks and recreation commission on Salt Spring Island offered his services to transport voters on Saturday. He is one of the authors of the plans for a recreation complex. As a group of elderly citizens climbed into his car, he remarked that there had been a heavy turn-out. "We all vote when they're after our money!" he was assured.



Chretien speaks to Victoria gathering

Jean Chretien, minister of justice in the Trudeau government and one of the most articulate members of the cabinet took his fellow Liberals, in Victoria, through a quick, witty summary of Canadian affairs on Saturday.

It was the first gathering of the new Laurier Club in the Crystal Gardens and he spoke of current national affairs as well as his own impressions of historic incidents.

The constitution is a continuation of past legislation, he explained. John Diefenbaker had introduced his Bill of Rights and Diefenbaker could not enshrine it in a constitution.

"Now we want to finish the work," he told his audience. "And we will finish the work!"

Canada is fantastic. There will always be problems. And there will always be solutions. In a two-chamber form of government the interests of the people are always safeguarded and the problems that

get lost in a maze in other lands are resolved under the Canadian form of government, said Chretien.

He explained, in French, that he was glad to be in Victoria because it is his land, just as much as the St. Lawrence River valley is part of his listeners' country. He then said it again, in English.

"Let's fight for our land!"

When Justice Minister Jean Chretien spoke to the Laurier Club in Victoria on Saturday evening he spoke to Salt Spring Island supporters in the audience. The good-humoured federal minister is seen with, left to right, Mrs. Audrey Allan, Frank Richards, Jean Chretien, Margaret McDonald and Pat Meagher.

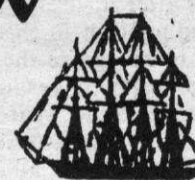
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JIM ROBERTSON

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Need could become urgent

Elections arouse the emotions. At no other point in local affairs do stolid, respectable citizens become more excited, indignant and, often, irrational.

They affect us all for the influence they are likely to bring to bear on our everyday lives.

Last weekend the people of Salt Spring Island went to the polls and defeated the referendum which sought to construct a recreation centre in Ganges. There were those who wanted the facility but the results of the voting indicated that there were vastly more who did not.

On the credit side of the proposal was the provision of a swimming pool with its very obvious connotations of safety-training for the young island children. On the debit was the simple reality that not all island voters could accept the need for the facility or the cost they visualized.

Both views were perfectly proper. The emotion is over.

If the matter of a swimming pool is to be presented again, at any time in the future, its significance to people of various ages and its value to the island will have to be demonstrated more clearly than has been the case.

In a sea-girt community there can be little challenge to the importance of a swimming program. With the surrounding areas gradually closing their facilities to outside communities, the need could well loom more urgently at some time in the future.

It will be then the responsibility of the proponents to prove that need.

Time to recognize realities

The increase this week in ferry fares is not likely to surprise the island people. They were already aware of the increasing costs of fuel. They were already aware of the increasing labour costs of operating ferries. Galloping inflation inevitably brings the ferries galloping after it.

The indignation in the islands is based on the refusal of the province to recognize the function of island transportation. The halls of government resound with the clump of hob-nailed boots worn to enable the wearers to reach those halls on foot if they must. Perhaps island residents visiting the legislative buildings should wear flippers and other garb indicating their need for crossing water.

Because the ferries are the island people's highways. And Victoria refuses to recognize that function.

The residents of Sidney have not been presented with a major increase in the cost of their journeys to Victoria. They are not residents of small islands. They have their own highways.

We are all aware of the problems of financing the province which must face all governments. But island residents still feel that a government in Victoria should be able to take its nose out of the money bags long enough to recognize the realities of living in this province. One of those realities, we submit, is the need for highways to all provincial communities; and not just the elite.

A question for Sacred ladies

The strangest aspect of provincial administration this year has been the unexpected proposal of the ladies of the Sacred Credit party that prostitution be legalized.

There are ramifications to the proposal that defy polite speculation. Nevertheless, there is one aspect which cannot be overlooked. Do the proponents feel that its approval would bring the profession into the orbit of the vocation training institutions of the province?

And if a special school were to be established, after whom might it be named?



Letters to the Editor

Five people on trial over transmission line

Sir,

On Monday, Nov. 17 five people will go on trial in an action brought before the courts by B.C. Hydro.

These people, frustrated from repeated attempts to get straight answers from Hydro, stood in front of bulldozers on Texada Island. These bulldozers are building the highly controversial Cheekye-

Dunsmuir twin 500 KV transmission line to Vancouver Island.

Briefly, Hydro has refused to answer questions surrounding the need for this project or the economic and environmental effects to Vancouver Island. Neither has Hydro undertaken serious research to determine the backlash on small businesses, jobs or health.

The five on Texada Island, supported by many people throughout the province, found that there was no other means to make Hydro accountable to the public other than putting their freedom on the line.

According to Energy Minister Bob McClelland, co-generation of electricity, by burning waste in the pulp mills, is not economically feasible at this time because of the low cost of electricity for industry. Industry receives subsidized rates much lower than the general public.

The public will then be paying for an as yet unjustified \$1.3 billion transmission system, an incredible \$1 billion over the original price estimates. The provincial government has refused to listen, nor will the Ombudsman who maintains the situation is outside his mandate.

The Carpenters' Union recently voted unanimously against this line because of the cost and the fact that jobs will not be created locally. Many other organizations have publicly voiced their disapproval.

It is now time that we all speak up. Make your government responsible. Ask questions and demand answers. This project has been railroaded through.

If you wish to see your taxes rise dramatically with unemployment close behind, please don't say a word. Otherwise ask. The five on trial are defending your rights.

For more information contact me, or your local MLA.

LAURIE GOURLAY,
R.R. 3 Ladysmith,
November 3, 1980.

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Tempted to demand money back

Sir,

On Sunday night in common with many Islanders, I milked the goats, shut in the hens, fed the pigs, changed the baby, fetched the baby-sitter, collected a visiting nephew who we were taking out for a treat and drove to the other end of the Island. There we sat on uncomfortable plastic chairs in a cold auditorium to listen to Sukay play at \$5 a head.

Show time 8 pm. said the ad. "The show will be starting promptly at 8 p.m." said the article.

Now this is Salt Spring Island where things never start on time, part of the country charm, Right? A rare evening out, it being quite an effort, is also a social occasion and it's nice to have time to chat to friends so who cares if things are a little late? Right. However, the first third of the concert had an unadvertised performer whom I would have had no objection to if it had been what I had paid to come and hear. Sukay actually started at 9:10 and took their first break at 9:45. We had to leave at 10 p.m. just before their second session, in order to run the sitter home. She had to get the school bus at 7 a.m. and we promised faithfully to be back at about 10:30.

Sitters are hard to come by, so are evenings out. For our not inconsiderable outlay we had a half-hour concert, an excellent concert, but hardly worth the time, effort and frustration. I have never done the heavy consumer thing and demanded my money back but in this case I feel tempted and justified. Maybe next time we could

have less hype and more accurate information?

SUE YARDLEY,
R.R. 1, Fullford Harbour,
November 17, 1980.

Commission urged to press on

Sir,

I would like to commend every member of the Recreation Commission for the excellent campaign they ran on behalf of the Recreation Centre. They gave us every possible opportunity to question, to learn and to evaluate the need for that Centre. They must not lose heart over their defeat!

As last week's *Driftwood* made clear, there are huge segments of our population who need that Centre. Just think of the children, the young people, the actors, the audiences, the craft people, the physically active adults, the old people, the handicapped, and the enrichment of their lives that a Centre could supply.

I urge the Recreation Commissioners to press on - and as soon as possible to mount another referendum for the same package: stage, courts, multi-purpose area, swimming pool, the lot! It's the only one that makes financial sense.

Meantime I suppose I shall go on swimming, and spending my money, off-island. But I hope I won't have to do it for too long.

NONIE GUTHRIE,
Ganges, B.C.
November 16, 1980.

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This Week,
says the Salt Spring
Island Chamber
of Commerce.

Borrowing power increased for benefit of developers

Sir,
The big sewer is still *not* a reality despite what *Driftwood* and Mr. Young of the C.R.D. would lead you to believe.

The government has approved the borrowing of 4.1 million dollars to support the big sewer proposal, without regard to:

1. the huge costs to a large group of pensioners.
2. the large demand on the water resources of this island.
3. the pollution of the harbour and the conversion of it to a sewer lagoon.
4. the threat to the island way of life.

It is incredible that this government would condone such a waste of public funds in its approval of the C.R.D. borrowing 4.1 million dollars, when the Ganges Sewer Problem can be solved by alternatives at a fraction of the cost. This can be accomplished by the school proceeding with its recent proposal to install its own field instead of dumping raw, untreated effluent into the harbour, as it has been doing for over 12 years; and by the hospital complex installing proper and adequate disposal fields and a tertiary treatment plant as they are proposing; and by the business sector of downtown Ganges installing their own tertiary treatment plant or plants with land disposal, and doing this at their own expense as everyone else has to do.

The present *Big Sewer* proposal must be the *most expensive* per capita sewer proposal yet. It was Mr. Curtis, the Minister of Finance's duty to veto such a waste of public funds. He did not do so. It is easy to see where this government's loyalties lie, certainly *not* with the interests of the people of this island. This government action has been done *solely* in the consideration of a *self-interest*

group of developers, who stand to make a lot of money at everyone else's expense.

In the public's interest the Salt Spring Sewer Alternatives Committee has undertaken a legal challenge of the Order of the Director of Pollution Control to install the sewer. When this Order has been cancelled, the Big Sewer Proposal will be back to square one. To proceed with any future sewer proposal a Public Referendum will have to be held.

This court action will be coming up in the Supreme Court of B.C. in the near future.

N. P. MERKELEY, M. D.,
R.R. 3, Ganges.
For the Salt Spring Sewer Alternatives Committee.
November, 1980.

Three cheers for firemen

Sir,
Another Hallowe'en gone by and another thank you due to our local firemen and their families. It was a miserable evening weather-wise yet they carried on and gave the kiddies a happy time. Three cheers to them!

We also thought we had a fine assortment of youngsters; all were polite and a goodly number brought Unicef boxes, which pleased me greatly and I told them so. It's never too early to teach kiddies to think of others before themselves.

I think we of St. Mary's Church Sunday School had the privilege of starting this practice many years ago. It now seems to have taken hold. Praise be.

ELIZABETH DANE,
Fulford Harbour.
November 7, 1980.

Donations sought for giant garage sale November 29

Sir,
I would like to remind members of the community that the Salt Spring Elementary School Advisory Committee is holding a Giant Garage Sale at the school on Saturday, Nov. 29 from 10 am-4 pm, to raise funds for educational, cultural and recreational activities and materials that we feel are important supplements to the programs provided within the official school budget. This will hopefully be our major money-gathering event of the year, so please help us make it a success.

We would appreciate donations of recyclable goods, clothes, books, toys and household furnishings, as well as fresh produce, house plants and baked

goods. For example, anything you feel someone else might be able to use. Items remaining from any of the half-dozen garage and rummage sales held on the island each week might be helpful to us. Call 537-5297 or 537-9858 for information or pick-up.

And don't forget to attend the sale. It'll be fun and interesting. You can help us raise the program funds we need and will likely come away with some very good buys in the process. You may well find just the thing you didn't know you needed.

Thank you.

RALPH D. MILLER,
Fulford Harbour.
November 17, 1980.



Tony Richards

MY RECENT DIATRIBE on the quality of B.C. Ferry food has prompted a response from the ferry corporation, but there is no mention of food in the nine-page report.

Bill Bouchard, manager of corporate communications, writes:

"I felt that it would be in the interest of all of our passengers and our crews who work on the ferries to set the record straight in reference to recent comments in this newspaper from Tony Richards concerning refit work on the *Bowen Queen*.

"Let's look at the work recently completed during refit of the M.V. *Bowen Queen*. The specification for annual refit of this vessel is attached. As you can see, the work is extremely thorough in all aspects.

"Thank you for setting the record straight." Unfortunately, space does not allow us to set the record straight by publishing the complete list of work carried out on the *Bowen Queen*.

But let me assure you that it is an impressive list. In fact, I find it difficult to believe that the *Bowen* wasn't off for at least a year in order that all that work could be undertaken.

But: the items under the heading, Galley Maintenance, don't include turning around the coffee machine. Normal routine maintenance is specified, as well as instructions to permanently mount the thermometers on the display case and salad table (?). It also notes that there was a complaint that condensed water is not running off in the salad table (?).
Salad table?

Next time I ride the *Bowen Queen*, I shall be looking hard for that salad table.

In the meantime, thank you, Bill. I shall make a point of showing the specifications to anyone who should ever complain about the poor service which results when a ship is off for refit.

OH, DEAR. I've gone and done it again. I've gone and offended those poor people who feel that to review any form of entertainment one must speak praise, all praise and nothing but praise.

But wouldn't it be a boring world if no one spoke out and said what he felt?

Oh, dear . . .

I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN that brainless dolts can't read.

The number of muscle machines racing down Rainbow Road is up over last week, and speeds are up as well.

But before we get to the point where we've written 1,000 words on the subject, perhaps we should try using visual aids. A photo of any car which manages to get from zero to 50 by the time it reaches our office from Lower Ganges Road.

On second thoughts, I don't know if we'd have room for that many photos.

WOULD THE JOKER who slipped an IOU into the money box in exchange for a paper on the Long Harbour ferry kindly pay up?

A careful count of the take each week has revealed that there is still 25¢ owing.

The seventh day

The Anarchist

One can but wonder at the voters of Salt Spring who in some majority support the idea of a day of rest, sanctity and/or family gathering by turning down Sunday shopping just as long as the newspapers, radio, T.V., sports, ferries, marinas, service stations, buses, fire, police, ambulance, hotels, motels, airlines, hospitals, trains, restaurants, drive-ins, corner stores, movies and churches are open.

I am reliably informed that there are at least a dozen families, some couples, some with children, who are at no time to be found in one room except for the Sunday shopping trip to K & R.

Labels

There was a most obvious factor of bad timing in the presentation of the Recreation Centre bylaw: it came immediately on the heels of a massive increase in ICBC rates and a smaller though simply more bad news increase in ferry fares. If you add the prospect of higher assessments, fuel costs and the general spectre of inflation, then you get the picture of the many (spelled m-o-n-e-y) reasons which added to fear, selfishness, disinterest, and the knife job by the regional director spelt a very decisive defeat.

It is probably some reason for hope to realize that an even larger majority confirmed the present grant to the commission even though that, too, was without the blessing of Herself.

Nevertheless, it occurred to me that labels, names, words, played a significant part in some of the votes.

For instance, the two successful candidates for school board on Salt Spring were identified as being in one instance "20 years in schools administration", and the other, a bank manager who has spent "all his working life handling finances and straightening out accounts".

In the first case I would think that 20 years in school should have been ample time for the gentleman to have graduated or perhaps found a different hobby, while in the case of the latter, it says little for the class of customer with

whom he does business.

In fact, if you consider the ramifications of the bank manager's advertisement, one can only presume that he considers the present and past financial conduct of the board to have been little short of scandalous, and that includes the other newly-born trustee who has been elected with him. I shall leave it up to the publisher to institute the call for a Commission of Inquiry into the Finances of the School District.

Now let me see, where was I? Oh yes, words and labels. Well, you see, the voters chose these two, an administrator and a bank manager, because of a deep-seated conviction that what other people's children need in school nowadays is more administrators and bank managers, and if you have any neighbours with children I am sure you know what I mean. At least the two other candidates who used labels like "community" and "counselling" are probably getting the idea.

To conclude this topic on a positive note, I would suggest to the people on the recreation commission that in considering their future policies and programs they avail themselves of the many opportunities to increase the psychological impact of the proper label.

No more "Recreation Commission". Everyone knows from personal experience that recreation is frequently immoral and always expensive, and is the last thing for which one expects to pay for somebody else. So, how about the Salt Spring Community Activity Commission, and certainly never again a racquetball court.

Over There

The voters in Vancouver have performed one of the most incredible feats in recent electoral history. Against the reigning mythology of conservative thinking they dumped Volrich, Little and dear old Bernice. It almost makes one hope that there is some prospect that Salt Spring may do the same next November.

Meanwhile, let's give the regional director first, second and third star for throwing her weight behind the No vote.

Unmarked articles 'intolerable'

Sir,
Recently I went into one of the stores in Ganges just because it happened to be convenient. I needed a few articles but discovered, to my dismay, that some of them were not marked so I could tell just what the cost would be.

I find this intolerable. I need to know just what something is going to cost before I reach the cashier's desk. It's bad enough even when I know but not to know until I'm ready to leave the store with my bag of groceries is just not good enough.

I asked the cashier why things were not clearly marked and she sort of shrugged and said, "I guess someone missed." It had nothing to do with the cashier so I simply said, "In the Trading things are clearly marked."

To say the other grocery shop

had a larger staff is not an adequate excuse. Even though it may be raining and my car is parked near the bank or the post office I will brave the downpour and go to the shop that is concerned enough to see that their articles are properly marked.

Talking to two other customers in the lineup they felt just as strongly as I but one of them said, "What are we doing about it?" I'm registering my disapproval and giving my reason for not going again to a store where I'm guessing what something will cost until I reach the cashier. That is not good enough.

LILLIAN HORS DAL
DALZIEL,
Fulford Harbour.
November, 1980.

More letters on
Pages Six and Seven

Help in fighting transit levy acknowledged by committee

Sir,

It has been duly reported in *Driftwood* that the Gulf Islands have been exempted from paying the Hydro surcharge tax for transit as a result of a motion passed in October by the Capital Regional Board.

It should be noted that the islands still remain within the CRD transit area (under the Urban Transit Authority umbrella) but are exempt from this tax based on the position the Gulf Islands have no transit service on their islands.

As Chairman of the Salt Spring Island Transportation Committee I would like to acknowledge all the help and co-operation that developed over the 20-month struggle that has resulted in removal of this unjust taxation and retroactive to its introduction on April 1, 1980.

A sketchy historic sequence of developments follows:

In early February 1979 the two Salt Spring Island Trustees, Bud Kreissl and David Lott, called a public meeting to protest the proposed transit taxation of CRD - a gas tax at that time. The meeting, attended by about 125 Salt Spring citizens, almost unanimously expressed indignation for this CRD proposal. Five persons in the audience were elected for a two-year term to form and develop a transportation committee for Salt Spring.

Within a week, at a meeting held in the home of Trustee Kreissl, and attended also by Trustee Lott and Regional Director Clement and the five Committee members, the rules and objectives for the Transportation Committee were established.

The new committee promptly informed the Capital Regional Board both directly and through Director Clement of its strong objections to the taxation scheme. Other public figures to whom the matter was of concern were similarly posted. Soon after Director Clement put a motion for exclusion from the transit area of Salt Spring but the CR Board tabled it by

referring it to the Transit sub-committee.

The original date set by the Provincial Government for transfer of responsibility of transit from B.C. Hydro over to the Municipal Governments was April 1, 1979. Owing to objections over financial arrangements by the Greater Vancouver Regional District a postponement of one year was declared by the Provincial Government late in March.

Early in 1980, with the new April 1 take-over date quickly approach-

ing, the CRD, over the objections of Salt Spring Director Valcourt, passed a motion declaring Salt Spring and the Outer Islands as included in the transit area and subject to the same taxation as all other municipal and electoral areas within the Capital Region.

Our committee responded with strong objections and appealed to the CRD Transit Committee to make direct in-person representation at their next meeting. On behalf of the committee, the writer appeared before this CRD Transit body and found little sympathy for our position from the majority of members. I was supported in this presentation by Trustee Kreissl who spoke to the committee.

I made two further appearances before full board meetings in the ensuing months and on both occasions Director Valcourt put motions forward, seconded by Director John Mika, which won slim majority in each case in the Board's weighted vote system. By actions taken immediately following the votes by Chairman Jim Campbell, the votes were declared lost.

In July 1980 another Valcourt-Mika motion resulted in a positive vote for exclusion with a larger majority but Chairman Campbell overturned this result by a veto vote two meetings later when some of our regular supporters were absent and alternates in their places voted against us.

Again in October Directors Valcourt and Mika put a new motion forward for exemption of all the Gulf Islands from the transit taxation, retroactive to the April 1 introduction. This motion carried with a comfortable majority of the weighted vote since for the first time one more Director accepted the validity of our cause after months of voting against us. While complete exclusion from the transit area has so far eluded us, we are appreciative that we have won exemption from the tax, thereby establishing the principle that "taxation without transit on the Islands" was unjust.

Throughout the long campaign we were fortunate to have had the steadfast support from the following Regional Directors:

Dave Hill of Central Saanich; Mel Couvelier and John Mika of Saanich; Bill Tindall, Bob Wright and W.J. McElroy of Victoria; and Yvette Valcourt, Salt Spring. In the later stages we welcomed additional support from Director H.F. Sturrock, Saanich and Director D.W. Rittaler, Sooke.

Throughout we appreciated the continuous backing from our Trustees, Kreissl and Lott, and in the late months the additional, vigorous help of Trustee Gordon Wallace of North Pender Island.

I feel two of the Board Directors deserve special mention. The unrelenting encouragement and wise actions by John Mika kept us in the fray when the odds looked pretty difficult. His initiatives helped us to broaden our approach so we could speak for all the Gulf Islands and thereby help our neighbours in the Outer Islands. Much credit is owing to Yvette Valcourt for keeping the issue alive after each rejection and for her co-operation in working together.

On behalf of the Salt Spring Island Transportation Committee I say "thanks a million" to all these elected officials. I am confident these feelings are shared by my fellow Gulf Islands residents who will know the amount of time and effort these people have expended for our cause.

G.K. ARNOTT, Chairman,
Salt Spring Transportation
Committee,
November 10, 1980.

Appreciation expressed

Sir,

The residents of Greenwoods would like to thank Miss Gwen Ruckle for putting her surplus flowers, fruit and vegetables on the wayside stall by her home, and for the many people who put donations in the accompanying box when helping themselves to the fresh produce.

Greenwoods was happy to receive over \$300 to go towards outings and special events planned for the residents in the next few months.

PAMELA TAYLOR, Director
Diversional Therapy,
Greenwoods,
November 5, 1980.

Antacid may improve outlook

Sir,

Last Monday evening my wife and I thoroughly enjoyed the Salt Spring Players' production of *Armani and Old Lace*. The review by the editor of *Driftwood* in the next edition was very surprising considering the fine performance that we witnessed.

If Mr. Editor is going to continue to attend social functions in the future with the object of writing a review, I would suggest that he take a few Turns or some other form of antacid before attending, they may improve his outlook on life.

Regarding the 20 minutes he felt could have been cut out of the play, I wonder what he would have done with the time.

J. BENNETT,
Box 52,
Ganges,
November 17, 1980.

Keep up the fight

Sir,

The Salt Spring Lands Islanders hockey team would like to extend our most sincere appreciation to the Recreation Commission, particularly Glenn Woodley and our teammates, Alan Hardie and Pat Ackerman, for its efforts in trying to bring a recreation centre to our island.

It is extremely unfortunate that the voters didn't support the proposal.

From the players, our wives and 21 children, thanks and keep up the fight.

SCOTT BERGSTROME,
MEL TOPPING,
TOM WATSON,
RAY BUSH,
IAN JUKES,
RON SPENCER,
RON MOGER,
DAN ACKERMAN,
TERRY STRINGER,
BILL HITCHCOCK,
LEN SOKOL,
PAT GAINES.

November 16, 1980.

An attempt to justify transit levy?

Sir,

On Saturday, the first day of new Ferry fare increases, my wife and I returned home on the Fulford run. In our car and with residence passes we were charged \$7.50. When I queried this I was handed a sheet listing the new fares.

I was most surprised to see a statement at the top of the page, saying that "automobile fare increases range from 25 cents to \$1.00 ..." yet lower on the page it was written that the resident car fare was \$5.00, an increase 50% greater than the maximum was supposed to be.

Is this a mistake I wonder or a subtle attempt to make us glad of a transit levy as our cars are too expensive to take across.

DAVID EYLES,
Box 34,
Fulford Harbour,
November, 1980.

Post office bill supported

Time to put petty politics behind

On November 1, I joined the people of Mayne Island as they observed the 100th anniversary of the establishment of a post office in their community.

Too often, we take for granted basic government services—such as local post offices. But when the government closes a community post office, as it did in Cowichan Station, the people feel a great sense of loss. A post office not only sells stamps and sorts mail, it also symbolizes the community itself and its links with other parts of the world.

It was appropriate therefore for Mayne Island to celebrate the centennial of its post office. But while local communities appreciate the service of their post offices, we all know that the Canadian postal service has deteriorated over the past few years.

Today when people think of the post office, they too often think of expensive automation programs, increased bureaucracy, poor labour relations and horror stories about letters or parcels getting lost or destroyed rather than delivered. **CROWN CORPORATION**

On July 17, 1980, to help overcome some of these problems, the government introduced Bill C-42 to turn the post office into a crown corporation. A board of directors from all areas of Canada with representatives from both management and labour would set basic policy and would report to parliament once a year.

As a crown corporation, the post office would be able to run its own show without needless interference from government. Workers in crown corporations would negotiate under the rules of the Canada Labour Code. These rules are more likely to lead to

Increased taxation important issue to most

Sir,

The results of the November 15 voting overwhelmingly supported the proposal for a continuing one-half-mill recreation commission levy and soundly defeated the proposed large recreation complex. Let us hope that the divisive and contentious issues can be put aside and that we can now proceed with realistic support for and reasonable expansion of our existing facilities such as Mahon Hall, Fulford Hall, the Activity Centre, etc.

The position taken on these two referenda by the Regional Director appears to be both reasonable and indicative of the ideas and wishes of the island majority. Increased taxation is, at this time of rapid inflation and monetary pressures, a very important issue to most of us on the island.

The defeat of the Recreation Commission proposal is important in itself but it also indicates that the people of Salt Spring want continuing involvement in the crucial issues facing the island and in local taxation expenditures related to them.

ANN RICHARDSON,
R.R. 1 Fulford Harbour,
November 17, 1980.

Ottawa report

BY JIM MANLY, MP

acceptable settlements than the more restrictive Public Service Staff Relations Act.

On October 24 the government brought the bill up for second reading which involves approval in principle. New Democrats agree with the basic principle of the bill and want to forward it to committee as soon as possible. Any necessary amendments can be made there.

However, the Conservatives prolonged the debate past the time the Liberals had allotted. Most observers think that this reflects Tory anger at the government rather than concern about the merits of the post office.

DIFFICULT TO GET THROUGH

The government will not allocate further time for debate before the last part of November. It will be very difficult for the House to get the bill through the committee and third readings stages in time for it to become law before the end of the year.

Because the existing collective agreement expires on December 31, 1980, the delay disappoints postal workers who want to negotiate their new agreement with the crown corporation. Given the poor track record of government negotiations, the delay could also be very costly in terms of another disruption of postal service.

It's time to put petty politics behind and support constructive proposals to improve our postal service.

Supporters thanked

Sir,

I wish to thank everyone who supported me in the recent election.

I hope to continue to serve all the people for our common benefit.

L.J. KREISSL,
R.R. 1 Ganges,
November 17, 1980.

Need may be appreciated

Sir,

The votes have been cast and the electorate has spoken - and dramatically so. The recreation centre - for now - is a non-issue. In time perhaps people will come to appreciate more fully the need for such a structure - one whose bottom line should be based on something more than dollars and cents.

Nevertheless, speaking I'm certain on behalf of many people in this community, I would like to express my sincere appreciation and thanks (as well as my profound disappointment) to Glenn Woodley and the Recreation Commission for the countless hours they have devoted to developing a recreation complex on this island. Your dedication and perseverance will triumph - if not now, then in the near future.

IAN JUKES,
R.R. 1, Ganges,
November 17, 1980.

She has three children but is officially unemployed

Sir,
I had an interesting experience at the polls on Saturday, as I was registering my name to vote. When asked to give my occupation, I answered "child-rearer". I must be the only person to have such an occupation for the woman who did the registration was taken aback. All I wanted to do was to get my toddler away from her desk, so in frustration, I accepted the designation of "unemployed".

In 1980, it is still common opinion that "child-raising" is not an occupation but stems as naturally from the female as do her limbs. She does not work, she is doing what God intended us to do, so it is not work, but joyful service. Perhaps I am naive but I was surprised. Surprised enough to write this letter.

I admit I hesitated when asked about my occupation for I have so many! Homemaker flashed through my mind. No, my husband and I both share that task. House-keeper? No, my family can attest to the fact that I am no expert at keeping the house clean, and the major cleaning has been assigned by the family to my husband who is much more proficient at it.

Cook? Who could possibly say someone is a cook that frantically searches the cupboards and fridge at 5:00 for something to have on the table by 5:30? Child-rearer? As a mother of three small children I can safely say that I am rearing children. I had geared my first two years of university around child psychology and have spent many

years since I have become a mother up-dating and improving my training as child-rearer. I feel I can definitely say that my chief occupation is child-rearer. But I am registered as "unemployed"!

It is a sad statement of our times that after all the hard work and sacrifice our former generations did in order that people could be released from the bondage of an ideology that refuses to give child-rearers credit for their contribution to society, men and women still continue to measure worth according to monetary rewards for services rendered. It remains, as always, that to remain at home and raise your children, you are afforded no status. We child-rearers, then, are a slovenly, worthless lot.

CONNIE BERGSTROME,
Box 241,
Ganges,
November 17, 1980.

New location for depot

The Salt Spring Island recycle depot will be opening again as soon as volunteers are found to help move the shed to its new location.

Driftwood was told Monday that the Community Society has been given permission by Phil and Yvette Valcourt to locate the shed behind their shopping centre.

The shed is presently behind the liquor store and the owner of the property has asked that it be moved.

Time for new critic

Sir,
With regard to your criticism of the Salt Spring Players' production of *Arsenic and Old Lace*, may I suggest that it is time for you to pass on the duties of Entertainment Critic to someone with a more general appreciation for the arts - someone who can recognize quality whether or not they personally enjoy the medium.

I have noticed over the last year or two that the only forms of entertainment to receive a favourable review from you are our local folk musicians and the rock opera *Jesus Christ, Superstar*.

You say in your second paragraph that you "would have recalled to mind how many times the Players have deserved a bad review". As I have yet to read a good review by you of the Players' efforts, I wonder what you consider a bad review.

Speaking of *Arsenic and Old Lace* in particular - you spent nine paragraphs telling us all how terrible the production was, then spent the rest of your space praising all concerned, with the exception of the play itself. Of course the story is more than somewhat unrealistic and of course they're not your average aunts or your average nephew - this is a light comedy set in the 1940's and is meant to do nothing other than entertain! Accept it for that alone and you would most likely have enjoyed yourself.

MRS. CAROL SIMPSON,
Box 962,
Ganges,
November 14, 1980.



Lions Club welcomes new member

New member of Salt Spring Island Lions Club, Glen Hanna, is welcomed by zone chairman Ron McQuiggan while Joe Bossio looks on.

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"Growing with the Islands"

Opening ceremonies at library in

It was cold; it was November; it was the new library and it was Saturday, but nowhere else in all of Canada was it likely that a group of people was walking the streets in shirt-sleeves, it was agreed.

The cold penetrated a little more deeply when the library ceremonies took place behind the new building, but the weather remained mild and pleasant for the time of year.

The opening ceremony was performed by Mrs. Sheila Curtis and Mrs. Kay Kertland after the formalities were over.

Mrs. Curtis is the wife of the Islands MLA, finance minister Hugh Curtis, and Mrs. Kertland is the wife of one of the most active members of the library association, Don Kertland.

The official guests of the library went to the Legion Hall for lunch at 1 pm and enjoyed a tour of the new premises before the ceremony.

A small dais had been set out on the parking lot at the rear of the library and chairs were arranged for some of the more than 150 people who came for the event.

Sharing the dais with Hugh Curtis were Don Kertland, Rev. P.A. Bergin, Ron McQuiggan, Hank Schubart and Les Ramsey.

HISTORY

Kertland recalled the history of the project. In October, 1978, the library acquired the building next door. In November it was decided, at a special meeting of members, to strive for a do-it-yourself financing instead of looking for a financing by referendum.

Members agreed with the proposal and then looked for a chairman to take over the fund-raising project. They found Les Ramsey.

He was a busy man and he did a magnificent job, said the speaker.

Ramsey was grateful to Don Kertland and to his staff at the



Pharmacy and to everyone else who had a hand in it.

"For your inspiration, Don, we thank you," he told Kertland.

As chairman of the fund campaign, the speaker referred to the contributions enjoyed by the library.

SERVICE CLUBS

Service clubs raised some \$3,000 and special projects brought in another \$1,380. The donation of BCRIC shares yielded almost \$1,000 and cash donations from members and friends amounted to \$18,000.

Hugh Curtis brought a lottery grant and the total stood at \$62,376 to September, 1980. An RFAP grant amounted to \$19,100 and the 1980 fund drive reached \$9,000. Interest on library funds and library funds allocated to the project brought in the remaining amounts to total \$95,096, or \$3,736 short of the total.

The fund chairman concluded with an expression of gratitude.

"A sincere thankyou to everyone who has been included in any aspect of the project," he said. "Salt Spring Island has obtained a very fine addition to the community.

Ron McQuiggan had been "extraordinarily helpful" said Kertland, particularly in zoning problems and the purchase of the property. He served as chairman of the building committee.

A NEW ENTRANCE

And it all started three years ago when the association wanted to see amendments to some planning

Finance minister Hugh Curtis is at the podium with, seated, Ron McQuiggan, Fr. P.A. Bergin, Don Kertland, Hank Schubart and Les Ramsey. It was the closing address of the ceremonies on Saturday.



Marguerite Lee with a coffee cup and Carol Guthrie are distracted while talking of the facilities opened up.



Rev. S. Hildebrandt is served coffee as the coffee urn appears to be running out.

My sincere thanks to the people of Salt Spring Island who supported me in the recent election of School Trustees.

Charles M. Baltzer

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anomalies when the library wanted a new front door, the audience was told.

He could never have achieved anything without the more than 1,000 hours donated to the project by local residents, said the building committee chairman. He had invited Bob Gall to look after the work and a number of residents contributed semi-professional work. And at no salary.

He particularly cited Bob Kertland, Bob Robertson and Margaret Mackintosh.

Hank Schubart wondered when Spencer Marr would be looking out of the window above him. The extension was acquired from the Ganges accountant.

He had enjoyed the co-operation of Ben Greenhough and Wilf Taylor as well as the efforts of Walter Huser and "many sons".

Architect Schubart handed over the key to Don Kertland on behalf of the contractors and workers involved.

FLY-PAST

Hugh Curtis was competing with an airplane when it came to his turn to speak. The minister got out a few words and the plane put in the punctuation. The local member was accompanied by Mrs. Curtis as well as his assistant Jim Guthrie and Mrs. Guthrie.

"The community involvement made it so much easier for us to offer a lottery grant," he recalled.

He congratulated the community on the library.

The party then moved around to the front of the building where Sheila Curtis and Kay Kertland formally cut the ribbon at the new front door.

The formal ceremonies over, visitors and patrons swarmed into the new facility for coffee and mutual congratulations.

The library had marked a milestone with the opening ceremony. Originally, it had moved from Mouat's Store into a building of its own in its steady growth. The extension of the library now will enable it to serve the people of Salt Spring Island for many years, in accordance with provincial requirements.

The branch is named after the late Mary Hawkins, who came to Salt Spring Island two decades ago and determined that there would be a facility on Salt Spring.



Some of the 150 or so who attended Saturday's ceremony.



Peter Martin, left, director of library services for the province, is chatting with Les Ramsey, who headed the fund drive.



Louise Wolfe-Milner and Peggy Flewin are deep in conversation in the reference area.

Congratulations
to the Salt Spring Island Library
on its official opening.
We are proud to have participated in
building the new facilities.
David Rainsford
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for this addition.

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Sukay: Their songs speak of mountains

BY MICHAEL ARMSTRONG

Maybe it is raining. The dirt streets are slick and it is festival time. You are sitting in the plaza. The shoeshiners are out despite the rain. They hope it will stop soon. You hear music. Faint at first. A drum. A whistle. A shout. Once in a while.

Slowly the sounds grow. You hear hands clapping and the high sounds of flutes.

You look down the street to your left. Lined with white plaster buildings. The ones near the square freshly painted. The ones farther away are not. The houses of the rich on the hill are always freshly painted.

You look down the street after the sounds of music and you see dancers. And a band playing the traditional songs of this festival.

This song is fast. Full of rhythm and joyous melodies. The dancers whirl and spin as the band marches into the plaza. As it passes, you feel the rhythms and your body sways and moves with the people around you.

ANOTHER BAND

Then in the distance, you hear another drum. Off beat. It is from another band. And as the first moves off down another street, the second approaches.

A slower beat mingles with the faster one. Other flutes and pipes create strange chords and disharmonies.

The second band moves into the square now and the music they are playing is much different. It is slow. It is a lament for the centuries of back-breaking work. Centuries of exploitation and tyranny.

Around you on the wet dirt streets people are crying. On the hill they still dance.

Maybe it is raining harder now. Maybe the rain is blood.

This is the music of the Andes that Sukay presented to a crowd of about 200 last Sunday night at the Activity Centre in Ganges.

The I-PACS-sponsored event began with a set by a very talented young woman named Mae Moore. Mae recently arrived on Salt Spring from Ontario. She played with a band there for several years, doing shows for coffee houses, protest rallies, etc.

WELCOME ADDITION

She was a delightful surprise and a welcome addition to the Salt Spring musical scene. Her own songs are very well written and her beautiful voice deals with these as well as a carefully selected repertoire of other numbers.

She has been playing as a solo performer for only a very short

time. Outside of a number of appearances in "open stage" coffee houses, this was her first performance alone.

There were two breaks in the show during which the audience filled themselves with delicacies in the lobby. Aside from the wonderful offerings of Rose's Cafe, there was some great chili that was sampled by far too few.

Sukay's music could have gone on all night and few would have tired. This was the fifth time I have seen them and I am still delighted every time.

They presented us with an incredible variety of instruments: from harp and fiddle to pan pipes and charango (a guitar-like instrument made from the shell of an armadillo).

EUROPEAN INFLUENCE

One number featured a charango, a guitar, a harp and a harmonica. All these instruments are used widely in South America but all are the result of European influence. This particular combination created a sound that felt like a melding of Celtic and Andean folk traditions.

Most of Sukay's songs are traditional festival songs, learned by ear. They were songs that spoke of the high mountain farms of the Andes or wind through narrow, steep-walled valleys.

Many of the songs evoked a deep sense of sorrow fostered by years of repression. We cannot listen to this music without knowing how much suffering is behind it.

Many of us there on Sunday were, to borrow a line from one of Mae Moore's songs, "the ones who stood in the rain and shouted". Many of our shouts have died out. But there are places in the world where the rain is still blood.

The Inter-Island Performing Arts Co-operation Society is to be congratulated for bringing both of these performers to us.



UVic students conducting study

Five students from the University of Victoria were on Salt Spring Island last week conducting interviews and handing out questionnaires for a class study project.

The students are studying social work at the university, and their group was one of a number of groups doing similar studies in different areas on Vancouver Island.

Lorraine Renfer, a third-year student who is seeking a bachelor's degree in social work, told *Driftwood* that following the interviews and compilation of the

questionnaires, each student will write a report.

In less than two days, Renfer said she discovered that "major conflicts" exist on the island. She said that development and the Ganges sewer project are seen as big issues.

The students are focussing on social work in rural areas and will later compare notes with the rest of the class.

About 60 questionnaires were handed out here, asking questions pertaining chiefly to social services and local government.

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Hope for island basketball team

Gulf Islands Secondary School senior boys basketball team are off to an Invitational Tournament, to be held this weekend at Hope Secondary School.

Strikers beat Duncan with early goals

BY STRICK AUST
Strikers, 5; Duncan, 2

Last Saturday we saw one of those rare treats at this point in our soccer season, a warm sunny day.

Duncan won the toss and the opening kick-off, but before they could cross the centre line, our mid-field was on them, had taken possession of the ball and was streaking up the left wing.

Tony Mason, left wing, and Hamish Lloyd, left half-back, controlled the ball on the wing long enough to draw the defence out, and then pushed it across to Stuart Lyon, who was steaming in on goal. Stuart's shot was low and to the corner, giving Duncan's goalie no chance, and put the Strikers up by one, with only one minute gone in the game.

Duncan kicked off again, and again the Strikers were on top of them. This time the ball was relayed up the right side to right-winger Peter Aust.

CLEARED IT OUT

Peter crossed the ball to the goal-mouth, but Duncan's defence cleared it out. Stuart controlled the clearing kick, and pushed it right back up to Jeff Moger. Jeff dribbled around the last defender, and a sprawling goalie, to make the score 2-0, with only 1½ minutes gone in the first half.

These two quick goals caused Duncan's forwards to fall back and help out on defence, and although this temporarily stopped the Strikers from scoring, it also stripped them of any offence at all.

For the next 25 minutes, they were unable to get out of their own half. With Duncan hemmed in, Striker goalie Erin Fewings moved out to the 40-yd. line, allowing sweeper Todd Tamboline to move up and add more punch to the Strikers' attack. The result of this tactic was almost immediate as Brad Davies scored for the Strikers.

Two minutes later, Brad scored

again, and again it was the result of some heads-up play on his part.

Two minutes later, Brad figured in another goal on a similar play. This time, instead of trying to go around the defender, he pushed a through ball to Jeff Moger. Jeff ran on to the ball, and got his second goal of the game, closing the scoring for the Strikers. The score was now 5-0, and only 18 minutes of the game had been played.

TOOK CONTROL

At this point, with the outcome of the game decided, wholesale substitutions were made, and the Strikers' bench strength took control of the game. The Strikers went back to the attack, but Duncan's goal-front was so congested that neither their defence nor our forwards could get a clean kick at the ball.

With two minutes left to go in the first half, a clearing kick by Duncan's defence got over our defence's head. The push back to the goalie was mis-kicked, and Duncan's forward was able to control the ball and push it into the open net. This goal sparked Duncan, and for the last two minutes of this half, and the first five of the second, they were putting pressure on the Strikers.

Their second goal came during this second half pressure and was the result of a good passing play between their winger and forward. With the scoring of this second goal, the Strikers pressed a little harder and were able to take control of the game again and hold Duncan scoreless for the rest of the half.

Next Saturday, the Strikers face their stiffest competition of this season, the Juan de Fuca Inn. This team is currently second in our league and in the two games we played against them last year, we narrowly beat them 2-1 and 1-0. Game time is 1 pm at Portlock Park.

Dinner, dance held to mark birth of new Power Squadron

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

The Pender Islands Power Squadron was presented with its charter November 8 at a dinner attended by about 100 guests and members of the squadron.

Phil King said grace before dinner, followed by Salt Spring squadron member Peter Bingham, who gave the toast to the queen. The new squadron's commander, George Storrie, introduced the head table and guests.

Chief Commander Oliver Summers from Oak Bay spoke at the conclusion of the dinner, before presenting the charter.

He told his audience that the Power Squadron began in Windsor, Ontario, in 1932 and has grown to a national organization. There are 16 districts divided into squadrons and he believes Pender to be the 159th or 160th. Each squadron puts on a boating course every year, and as the members advance, so they can take more advanced and specialized courses.

Summers said that two years ago he went to Whitehorse to present a charter to the Yukon squadron, the most westerly Canadian squadron, as Whitehorse is 500 miles west of Victoria. Three weeks ago he was in the Gaspé Peninsula, where all the conversation was in French, to present a charter to the most eastern Canadian squadron.

The Power Squadron is a coast to coast organization. Although each squadron is individual as the circumstances in which they operate differ, as a whole the Power Squadron does a great deal of good work to help people learn how to handle boats.

Summers said when a new squadron receives its charter there is much enthusiasm, but sometimes membership will drop, and he cautioned the Pender members to stay with the squadron for at least five years in order to train others who can then take over.

He complimented the Pender squadron on the chosen officers. George Storrie has over 20 years of knowledge and with his wife Dora, Pender is very fortunate to have such a man to be the first commander of the squadron.

"A new squadron is born; make sure its life is strong and lasting," he said.

Storrie will be assisted by Lt. Cmdr. Jack Little, executive officer; Lt. Cmdr. John Howell, training officer; 1st Lt. Alf Pert, squadron secretary-treasurer; and Emily Brackett, supply officer.

At the close of the ceremonies, entertainment was provided by Gordon Berry and Tom Matty with Bob Allison at the piano and Art Lambeth, M.C.

Commander Jim Napper of Salt Spring presented the Pender squadron with a ship's bell.



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After comparing some of our scores against the rest of Vancouver Island, I am convinced that we have just as good, if not better scores, than some of the other bowling centres. When we are mentioned to people off-island, most of them don't know where Salt Spring is, let alone that we have a bowling alley here.

This coming Saturday and Sunday myself and Leo Toutant are journeying to Duncan Lanes to compete in a doubles tournament, and we will be doing our best to put Salt Spring on the map.

Here are the better scores of the week: Joan Badesso, 715; Denis Corcoran, 725; Ann Harrison, 728; Mike Testart, 716; Terry Jenkins, 704-833 (male bowler of the week); Gerry Coers, 748; Steve Marleau, 732; Deanna Marleau, 729; Dan Bedford, 743; Connie Hardy, 780; Bob Akerman, 730; Carol Kaye, 852 (female bowler of the week); Julie Collins, 717; and finally this writer with 728.

We had 300 games from Ann Harrison, 325; Terry Jenkins, 309; Gerry Coers, 355; Carole Martens, 306; Lori (Little Miss Muffet) Woods, with her first-ever 300 game, 300 exactly on the nose (why didn't you do it on Thursday when you spared for my team?); Dan Bedford, 311; Connie Hardy, 353; Carol Kaye, 397; and finally this writer with 333.

The way some of the younger bowlers are starting to bowl of late, they are going to be hard to beat in the future. It seems when they bowl in the adult leagues it brings out the best in them. Some of the people who deserve mention are Kevin Kline, Steve Marleau and last but not least my own daughter Julie.

Tip of the week

Always move the way you miss. For example, if you are shooting for the headpin and you take out the left three-pin, move two boards

to the left. Most people always move the wrong way, only causing their ball to go further astray.

Y.B.C. NEWS

Flash: Youth helping Salt Spring's Golden Agers.

This year a few of our Y.B.C.'ers are helping the Golden Age Bowlers with the sale of their Christmas raffle tickets. Your support is greatly appreciated.

A date to keep in mind, you Jet and Pee Wee Bowlers: Sunday, Nov. 30 at 3 pm is our Pee Wee/Golden Age Tournament.

If any of the bowlers can't make this tournament, please let us know just as soon as possible so the Golden Agers can enter the correct number of their bowlers.

We promised to let you all know who won in the I Beat My Coach Tournament in this week's column but since nearly everyone who entered the tournament BEAT their coaches' scores, the number is too many to report here. So we have, instead, listed the names in our Bowling Newsletter which will be out for you on Saturday, Nov. 22.

We are sorry to say good-bye to Melissa and Bryan Farrell, two of our youth bowlers and their dad, Gordon, who faithfully kept score for us over the last two seasons. Good luck and good bowling.

Top scorers for Saturday, Nov. 15 were:

Jets: Rebecca Stratholt, 69; Aaron Slingsby, 67; Shane Eldstrom, 63.

Pee Wees: Tammy Sloan, 145; Angela Bader, 96; Chelsea Eldstrom, 95; Tanya Slingsby, 78; Jeffrey Neilson, 118; Clinton Helfrich, 112; Benjamin Deacon, 92.

Bantams: Shannon Taylor, 252; Jodie Harrison, 153; Laura Little, 142; David Jacquest, 162; Justin Williams, 155; Arlys Stratholt, 109.

We saw the first 600 game bowled by a Bantam in a long time. Shannon Taylor came up with a 676

total. Our congratulations.

Juniors: Denise Harrison, 251; Jackie Matthews, 239; Kara Cruikshank, 233; David Cates, 157; Eddie Ruckle, Allan Matthews, 145; Charles Rose, 131.

Seniors (Wednesday, Nov. 12):

Over three million
According to the British Columbia Lung Association, Canadians suffering from lung diseases accounted for 3,363,484 patient days in hospitals during 1977, the most recent year for which figures are available.

Bridge Winners

Gulf Islands Bridge Club winners on November 11 were:
First, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop; second, Fred Melhuish and Norm McConnell; third, Lorna and Peter Pentz; fourth, Gordon Hutton and Anne McConnell; fifth, Margaret McDonald and Margaret MacKintosh.



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Teachers examine district needs in brief to board meeting

Immediate, short-term and long-range facilities needs in the Gulf Islands School District were the topic of a brief presented to the school board meeting at Ganges last week by the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association (GITA).

Presented by Barbara Persson, chairman of the GITA learning conditions committee, the brief commended trustees for the progress being made in terms of facilities improvement and expansion.

However, the association pointed out that there were delays in some areas which it could not understand.

An example given was the band room at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

The brief went on to point out the areas in which GITA felt immediate action was necessary "to maintain the quality of educational environment we deem the right of children".

At Galiano, said Persson, facility needs include upgrading of washrooms, storage space, painting of the K-2 room, a covered play area and extension and upgrading of playing fields.

OVERCROWDING

There is "serious overcrowding" in specialized areas at Mayne Island, she continued. Requirements include a home economics room for 16 students, plus space to accommodate typing; an industrial education room for 16 students

with space for art; changing rooms for 12 boys and 12 girls; and a locker room to provide a minimum of 36 lockers.

A proper administrative office area and storage space are needed at Saturna.

At Fernwood School provision of additional classes was described as imperative, due to the capacity student population and "the possibility of Fernwood becoming the French school of the district". The playing fields need attention and more storage space is required.

Salt Spring Elementary's needs are the same as those at Fernwood, said Persson.

Finally, Gulf Islands Secondary needs a new band facility, an increase in storage areas and development of fields, she said.

FROM 1982-1987

Future concerns of the association, between 1982 and 1987, include a new school at Galiano with an activity room, library and administrative area; a new school in Fulford; additional classrooms, library and gymnasium extensions and change rooms at Fernwood; grounds development at Galiano; and change room and showers for Mayne Island.

Concerns which apply to all the district's schools include adequate ventilation, adequate library facilities, learning assistance areas, grounds development plans, full gymnasium facilities with change rooms and showers, adequate ad-

ministrative areas, staff rooms, organized and adequate storage, covered play areas for all elementary schools and safe and sufficient playground apparatus.

In conclusion, the brief made six recommendations:

- that an organized systems approach to planning be adopted;
- that input by administrators, parents, teachers and students be part of the board's planning policy;
- that the "prioritizing" of district facilities and needs be participated in by administrators and teachers;
- that the building and grounds committee include GITA, teacher and parent representation;
- that the board take a long-range global look at facility needs in the district and that the needs be reviewed and evaluated annually;
- and that the Learning and Working Conditions Committee Declaration, the expression of GITA and BCTF (B.C. Teachers' Federation) policy, be considered and respected when planning and updating facilities.



December program

Following is the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club program for December, 1980.

December 2: Nancy Keith Murray will lead a new walk in the Nose Point area, and Val Keys will lead a hike in the Duke's Road area. Meeting place for both is Centennial Park at 10 am.

December 9: This will be the final outing for 1980. There will be

a combined walk and hike on the Cunningham property, led by Ernie Jenkins. This will be followed by a slide show, given by Beth Hill at Central Hall.

The topic is *Writing on Stone* at a petroglyph site in southern Alberta. Those interested are asked to take their lunch. Tea, coffee and cookies will be provided. Meeting place is Centennial Park at 10 am.

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A special thanks goes to the staff of Driftwood for their help and their patience.

Pat James

This Week in Recreation

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

SOCCER:

Men's: S.S. Blues vs Sidney, Sun. Nov. 23, 2:15 pm, Portlock Pk.

Div. 2B: S.S. Cyclones vs Duncan, Sun. Nov. 23, 10:30 am, Portlock Park.

Div. 3B: S.S. Kicks vs Lakehill, Sun. Nov. 23, 1:00 pm, Portlock Pk.

Div. 4B: S.S. Selects vs Gorge, Sat. Nov. 22, 1:00 pm, Esquimalt Senior School.

Div. 5C: S.S. Strikers vs Juan de Fuca, Sat. Nov. 22, 1:00 pm, Portlock Park.

Div. 6C: S.S. Wranglers vs Juan de Fuca, Sat. Nov. 22, 11:00 am, Portlock Park.

Intra-Island:

Senior-

Thurs., Nov. 20 - Panthers vs Rowdies, Ganges

Tues., Nov. 25 - Panthers vs Fury, Ganges

Thurs., Nov. 27 - Rowdies vs Kanaka, Ganges

Tues., Dec. 2 - Fury vs Rowdies, Fernwood

Junior:

Thurs., Nov. 20 - Machine vs Demons, Ganges

Tues., Nov. 25 - Demons vs Eagles, Fernwood

Thurs., Nov. 27 - Eagles vs Machine, Ganges

Tues., Dec. 2 - CUP FINALS

All games kick-off at 3:30 pm; home team is first named.

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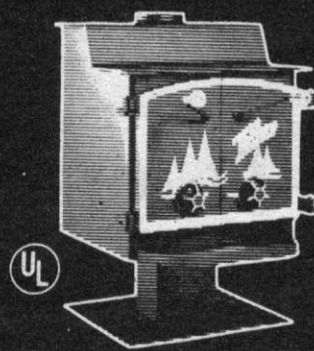
a) **Senior:** Saturday Nov. 29, 2:00 pm Portlock Pk. - round robin.

b) **Junior:** Saturday Nov. 29, 10:00 am, Ganges School Grounds, round robin.

Referees' course:

Written exam, Monday Nov. 24, 7:00-9:00 pm, Rm. 6, Gulf Islands Secondary School.

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KICK-OFF

Local teams win most matches

BY MALCOLM LEGG

It has been another good week of soccer action with our teams coming up winners in most matches once again.

The Blues won 3-0 over Duncan in Jackson Cup play, Cyclones 2-0 over Cordova Bay, Kicks 2-1 over Prospect Lake, Strikers 5-2 over Duncan, with the Wranglers tying Lakehill 1-1 and the Selects, only eight men strong, taking the only loss, 6-2, to Bays United.

Since most of these games will be covered in separate articles my column will deal with odds and sods for this week.

KICK-A-THON

By all appearances our Kick-A-Thon program looks to be a huge success this season, partially due to a lot of hustle by the players but even more so due to the fine response from you, the public.

Our Kick-A-Thon program is the only fund-raising project we run during the season and it is a major source of revenue for the many programs we offer. Since we cannot rely on a tax base this funding is really needed and it has great benefits for the players.

This season we offered a 10-speed bicycle to the top fund-raiser but also offered a club jacket with crest and name plate to any player raising \$70 or more. All players receive a 25% credit on the amount raised towards purchasing soccer equipment either for themselves or their team. (For players over \$70 the credit applies to amounts over the \$70).

This way, players can raise their own money to purchase a ball or soc-guards or whatever they need and at the same they raise money to help run the many programs we offer.

Obviously this program would not work without the fine support from the people of our community and I will take this opportunity to thank you one and all for your support.

A note to players and coaches: get the money collected and turned in as soon as possible. Congratulations to the Blazing Eagles who are the first team to get all their money in - a fine example for those teams who are slow.

REFEREES' COURSE

The referees' course appears to be heading for a huge success as we have about 30 people taking the course in the hope of becoming

referees.

This program is one that is funded through the Kick-A-Thon fund-raiser and our hope is to develop a good crop of young officials for future years.

The program comprises of a two-part examination system: the first, a written exam and the second a field examination. A 60% pass mark is required to pass the course and those successful will receive a shirt, whistle, referee's booklet and Salt Spring referee's badge.

WORLD REPORT

A good way for players, coaches or fans of soccer to learn more about the game is to watch the British Game of the Week, every Sunday at 5:30 pm on CKVU Channel 13.

They show top-notch first division English soccer matches and one can learn a lot from watching individual play or systems of play.

INTRA-ISLAND

Even with the poor weather we got the games in but there were no surprises at either level.

Senior

Rowdies, 4 (Izak Ondre-2, Kevin Smith, Robert Warless); Fernwood Fury, 1 (Chad Little).

Panthers, 2 (Andrew Aust, Drayson Akurst); Kanaka, 0.

Junior - Play-offs

Green Machine, 1 (Corbin Scott); Blazing Eagles, 0.

With the weather turning poor at this time of the year we recommend:

- Players dress warmly for games.
- Players on sidelines should keep warm with a coat or track suit on.
- Always check with your coach or manager to see if your game is still on when it is raining. Never assume a game is cancelled, because you could be wrong. Intra-

Enrolment drop seasonal

Enrolment in Gulf Islands schools is down by 14, mostly at the elementary level, superintendent Bob Huestis told the Gulf Islands School Board last Wednesday.

He felt it was only a seasonal change and didn't think there was any trend to be seen in the drop.

island games cancelled over school P.A.

• Always notify your coach or manager if you cannot make a game or practice - a little courtesy always helps.

• After games get home quick, get out of wet clothes, get warm and have a hot drink.

Next week, who knows but I hope to have something new, so keep your eyes peeled.

Another win for Cyclones

Contributed

Salt Spring Cyclones won their fifth straight game beating the Cordova Bay Bruins 2 - 0.

Even though the Cyclones started out slowly, they managed to control Cordova with strong performances from fullbacks Bruce Caspar, Jim Buckley and Alex Neish. Goalie Ken Marr also came up with key saves to keep Cordova off the scoreboard.

In the second half things started shaping up, namely in excellent efforts from Steven Marleau and Gordon Hitchcock. Gordon, on a well placed pass from Nelson Graham, opened the scoring with a well placed shot, beating the goalie cleanly.

After this goal Salt Spring really came to life and played to their potential. Steven Marleau got the insuring goal by intercepting a pass, then neatly beating two defencemen, he hammered it in the net. After that the play belonged with no doubt to the Cyclones.

The victory over Cordova Bay means the Cyclones have defeated every team, clearly making them the team to beat. The Cyclones have two games left against each team, but if they keep up their play they should be league champions by the end of the season.

Tie game for Wranglers at Portlock Park match

BY ED DAVIS

Saturday's Wrangler confrontation at Portlock Park ended in a tie with the Lakehill Panthers. The action-packed game was witnessed by a large group of island parents and soccer fans.

Not to be outdone, the Lakehill group came to Salt Spring well prepared. Their well disciplined team was complemented by a large group of supporting parents and friends.

First-half action saw the Wranglers getting off to a slow start, doing a lot of defending to an aggressive Panther offensive. The Lakehill forwards seemed to be of the large size and were a bit of a menace with their aggressive style.

Fullbacks Troy Logan, Chad Davis, Anthony Archer and Mason Scown were instrumental in holding off the Panther offensive. Another outstanding job of net-minding by Sean Albhouse contributed to keeping the opposition scoreless in the first half.

Second-half action was more equally shared by both teams with the Wranglers taking control midway with drives that were finally rewarded late in the game. Early second-half action saw fans cheering from both sides as the boys drove from one end to the other in a display of vigour that only boys of this age could provide.

The first goal was scored on an attack led by midfielder Renard

Graham. Renard's shot on goal just missed bouncing back after hitting a corner post. David McWhirter picked up the rebound and fired off a shot that was deflected by Panther defense. Another Wrangler forward, Paul Reynolds, got possession this time and his shot on goal was also stopped. Wrangler captain Michael Brown was next to collect the rebound and his shot found the mark.

With three minutes to go someone on the Panther team asked how much time remained. When they found out they charged down the field and bounced right back into the game with a high looping shot that dropped in the Wrangler net just under the cross bar. The final whistle blew with the Wranglers pressing downfield seeking another goal.

It was a hard-fought tie, and fans from both sides went home pleased. Wrangler of the game was Jason Bush who played hard throughout. As a midfielder, Jason initiated many drives into Panther territory, and also did an excellent job dropping back to defend when the Panthers were on the attack.

This coming Saturday the Wranglers will host the Juan de Fuca Dycos at Portlock Park. Game time, 11 am. Soccer fans and parents are welcome to join us for the game.

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Two more victories for Kicks

BY MEL COATES

S.S.I. Kicks, 1; B.U. Ocean Construction, 0.

Several of the players on the Kicks' team had played three games in the previous two days, and their lacklustre performance November 9 was clear evidence of fatigue. B.U. Ocean Construction provided by far the strongest opposition the Kicks had experienced so far this season. The combination of these two factors resulted in a very close game that could easily have gone either way.

For the first 20 minutes the Kicks played smooth soccer, but failed to make the finishing touch. When the Kicks' goal did come, it merely spurred the Ocean Construction team to even stronger efforts.

A cross from the right wing from Paul Cottrell came straight to Peter Coates on the left side of the goal box. He brought the ball under control and neatly placed it in the right-hand corner of the net.

In the Kicks' goal, Jack Andrews had his first active game since the season began. He played a strong, safe, decisive game, and frequently frustrated the opposition's attempts to score.

In defense, Rob Hitchcock and Lyle Brown both performed well. Rob's play is one of the keys to the Kicks' successful defence. He is often faced with a winger who has more speed than he has, but his sense of position and his determination are such that he is rarely beaten.

In the forward line, Mike Blomley and Peter Coates both played fine games, cutting through the opposing defence and creating innumerable scoring opportunities.

Slugs turn to clean living, smite Bozos

BY BART CRASHLEY

Stung by this writer's criticism of their recent play and staggering from the Sunday morning - no recreation centre blues the Salt Spring Lands Islander-Slugs rose like a veritable phoenix from the ashes to smite Bamberton Bozos 10-6 in hockey action Sunday at Fuller Lake.

Spotting the Bozos an early lead, the Slugs struck quickly back to take 2-1, 3-2 and 5-3 leads before finishing Bamberton off with three quick goals early in the third period.

The Slugs were again led by the Akerman-Moger-Akerman line which combined for five goals, and newcomer Pat Gaines and Tom "Pegleg" Watson with two apiece.

After the game, inspirational leader Scott "Boom Boom" Bergstrom, who personally missed five glorious scoring opportunities (and who is due to be farmed to the minors this week), attributed the win to "clean-living, a stable home environment and bathing with garlic."

He also added that if he were ever quoted again, he would force this writer to eat more than his words.

Danny Akerman was also heard to say that if his six assists weren't mentioned, he'd throw a temper tantrum. There you go, Danny.

Anyway, the Slugs are back on track.

Next week, a return match with the ever-dangerous Duncan Old-Timers.

We need more games as close as this one - or even closer. When a team is faced with opposition that is consistently weaker and easily overcome, performance and morale deteriorate.

Prospect Lake Copley Bros., 1; S.S.I. Kicks, 2.

So far this season Prospect Lake has not won a game, and so far this season the Kicks have not lost a game. Anyone watching this game may have found those two facts a little difficult to believe. It's true that the ball was in Prospect Lake's half of the field for 80% of the time, but there were times when that seemed to be happening more

by good luck than good management.

The Kicks had 11 players on the field throughout, but very seldom did they have a team. The rot has set in a little earlier than expected. Winnings has been too easy for the Kicks, and it's very difficult for a team to hold things together under those circumstances.

Goals came on a fine shot by Sean Logan and a penalty shot by Paul Cottrell.

Apart from that, the less said about the game, the better.

Jackson Cup play opens with one-sided, wet affair

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Salt Spring Blues, 3; Duncan United, 0.

Jackson Cup play opened on a high note for the Blues as they swamped Duncan to the tune of a 3-0 count in a very one-sided, wet affair.

In fact, for the Duncan goalie it was difficult to tell whether he was facing a heavier shower from the rain above or from the Blues shooting ahead of him. Certainly, he was the difference as he made many fine stops on Salt Spring's goal-hungry forwards to keep the score down.

The Blues started fast and were one goal up after five minutes as Julian Valcourt and Nick Bergnack combined to put Gary Hartwig in the clear. Gary easily slipped the ball in and the Blues were off and running.

After many missed opportunities and some solid saves by Duncan's goalie, the Blues struck again. Gary took a throw-in that was headed on by Julian to Jimmy Taylor. Jimmy unleashed a 20-yard howitzer that smoked past a bewildered Duncan goalie.

The second half was all Blues' but it was not until late that they scored their last goal. A Larry Spence cross was corralled by Mark Hughes who drilled a fine shot into the corner for the clincher.

Mark's goal reflects one of the Blues' strong points, their bench strength, as both he and Ysa Mach came off the bench to play fine games.

Probably the best reward of the game came through the shut-out as the defence of Bruce Hume, Graham Tweedle, myself and goalie Derek Walker had an outstanding game. The back three played very cohesively and showed great understanding throughout

the game, something lacking in previous matches.

For Derek a super effort as he stopped a penalty shot with the score 1-0 and forced a second one to go wide (that is three for three in two games for Derek) and all in all played great. He is putting his game together with each passing game.

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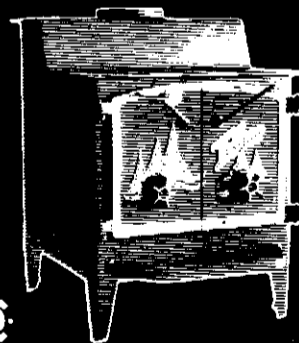
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News from Fernwood School

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And now for something completely different! Sorry to steal the Monty Python line but I try not to be boring, or at least not very boring.

There was a cross-country race on Friday the 14th with Fernwood's pride and joy, Stuart Lyon, finishing third. Ahead of him were Hamish Lloyd, first, and Shaun Althouse. Our only girl brave enough to try, Morven Neish, finished fifth.

The signs of fall are beginning to show around the school. There are no leaves on the floor yet but on the

tack-boards there are paper apples on paper trees and waxy leaves falling across a cellophane rainbow and, as I come round I see Mrs. Severn's class has made a giant to guard their doorway. I wouldn't want to meet him in a dark alley even if they say he's gentle. And... crash! I should watch where I'm going. I just ran into the pictures of things gettings in the way by the grade 4-5's. Around the next corner I see the collage of self portraits by le classe de imersse - whatever that means - and the painted self portraits by 5-6's; well, if not of body, portraits of mind.

On Friday the grade 4-5 class-

room set a record for least noise ever. You see they were away skating. Some of them, upon returning, were seen to seat themselves with unexplained tenderness.

On Monday the 10th we held a Remembrance Day service with Mr. Wright doing his usual good job explaining growing up during World War II and what it was like wearing a basin on your head so you could walk to school without being hit by a flying piece of metal. Many thanks to Mr. Wright for sharing some of his childhood experiences. About five parents were in attendance.

Water study is opposed

Call for a study of the water supply problem in the Arbutus Beach Subdivision was postponed last week by the Capital Regional Board when Salt Spring Island Director Yvette Valcourt reported that she had been approached by two owners in the subdivision, who already have an adequate water supply.

The subdivision is at Cranberry Outlet. Based on ground water supply, the water system turned brackish and salt and residents are desperate for a remedy, reported Engineer Norman Howard.

The resolution to initiate a feasibility study was moved by Valcourt, who then moved a second

resolution to table the motion for further study.

PRE-REQUISITE

Isn't water supply a pre-requisite of subdivision, asked Mel Couvelier.

It is required, agreed Jim Campbell.

"Approval is granted under a set of rules which might prove faulty after a time."

Owners of such lots are in a difficult spot, continued the chairman.

"It has happened on every island. It's not at all uncommon. Sometimes you can find a solution and sometimes you can't!"

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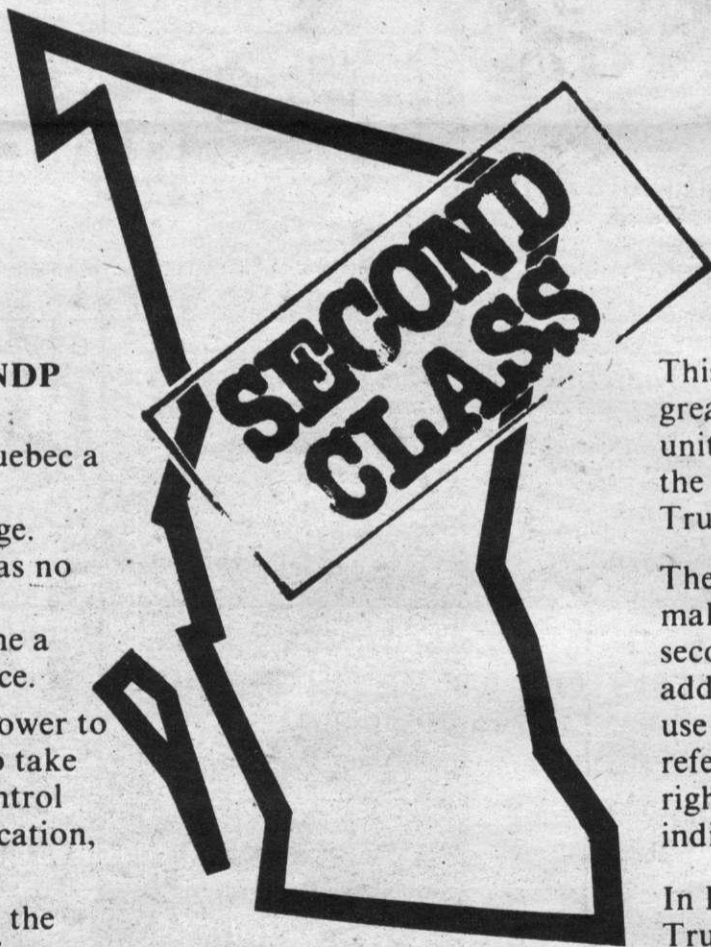
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If you want British Columbia to be a full partner in Confederation; if you think we owe our children a strong, united Canada, you must act now!



Christmas Craft Fair society's only fund-raising project

BY ROZ TRUELOVE

More than 40 craftspeople have now registered for the Community Society's annual Christmas Craft Fair on December 5 and 6.

The fair will be held as in previous years at the society's centre on Ganges Hill. It's easy to identify: a large, delapidated older house with a playground outside, right opposite the RCMP station.

The fair will fill the building to capacity. Craftspeople from Salt Spring, Galiano and Pender will be displaying and selling articles both colourful and varied. Stained glass, jewellery, woodwork, batik, pottery, paintings, toys, baked goods, lampshades, leather goods, gold and silver, screens, quilts...what have I missed? Pinatas! (You don't know what they are? Come and find out.)

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MUSIC, REFRESHMENTS

The occasion will be friendly, social and cheerful, rather than commercial. On the Friday evening there will be wine and cheese (for a modest admission charge), on the Saturday refreshments will be available in the basement (some interesting ethnic dishes are being planned by the organizers) and on both days musicians from I-PACS have promised informal entertainment.

Child-care, again for a small fee, will be available on both days; and to ease parking problems, a shuttle transportation service will be provided from Ganges on the Friday evening.

Plainly it will be an occasion not to be missed, and perhaps at this time it is worth emphasizing that it's more than just a colourful and seasonal marketplace. It's a fundraiser, the only one in all the year, for the Community Society itself. This organization offers so much to the community, spreads its net so wide and operates on such an absurdly inadequate shoestring budget, that it is truly deserving of help from us all.

MANY ACTIVITIES

Consider some of the many enterprises and activities that take place or are co-ordinated under that one roof.

There is the parent-run nursery school; the parents hire a teacher and take their turns in helping.

The Achievement Centre, where a pilot project is helping a group of handicapped adults to learn skills.

The Family Centre, which occupies that large homey room in the basement in which programs and get-togethers are held relating to young families, to ante-and post-natal care, to women's groups; and where there is also an excellent library.

There is also the Special Services for Children, a program requested by the ministry of human resources which offers a one-to-one counselling and helping service for children and families with particular problems.

Then there are the offices of the community school worker and an educational psychologist, both of whom are employed by the school board and who work in co-operation with the local schools. There is the five and 10-cent clothing exchange. There is an environmental library. There is the office of the Inter-Island Performing Arts Co-operation Society. And just behind the centre, on and part of the same property, you will find the building which houses the high school's GIPSY program.

TWO PART-TIME WORKERS

From the office of the society itself, staffed by two part-time community workers and a handful of others mainly volunteers, many other activities are organized and carried out. The recycling, the summer day camp, the emergency crisis telephone line, the co-ordination of volunteers, information on human resources, grants, human rights.

Add to all that the impromptu extras, those things that cannot be listed or labelled or categorized. The coping with emergencies, the supportive interviews, counsellings, friendly conversations; the unobtrusive helping hands and everything else that goes along with the general philosophy of people helping people - whatever and wherever the need.

Recent government cut-backs did nothing to help the finances of the society. Ten per cent of all sales at the fair will go to help swell the funds; to enable various essential maintenance and decorative plans

and projects to be carried out in the centre.

Every householder knows all too well how much it costs to keep a house in good shape these days!

So come to the fair - and do yourself and your Community Society a good turn.

Mini-art show held at Pender

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

The Pender Islands Art Group held a mini-art show on Saturday in the art room at the old school centre.

Nine members of the group exhibited paintings, there were two pottery exhibits, and four people exhibited hand-made cards made from pressed flowers.

About two years ago the Art Group on the Penders was able to secure a New Horizons grant to purchase equipment for framing pictures. This has proved very worthwhile and members John Kwak and Henry Sky have built a table to enable the equipment to be used, and also some beautiful easels.

There are some very good artists in the club and a wide variety of pictures were on display.

Larger turnout than usual for Mayne Island service

BY W. HUNT-SOWREY

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 84 held its annual parade on Remembrance Day at the island's war memorial, the Lych Gate at St. Mary Magdalenes Church.

The parade fell in at the war memorial with Hugh MacFarlane, president, in charge, and a much larger turnout than usual. There were almost 40 veterans, as well as members of the general public. A number of veterans were off-island.

Following the cenotaph service, the branch paraded for its annual church parade, and the church was comfortably filled by the parade and island people. The service was taken by the Rev. John Dyer, our local vicar.

This service is unique to this branch, and was formulated shortly after the second war. It is based on a service used at Toc H (Talbot House), one of the many rest centres established by church and

other societies behind the lines in the first war, where the troops, when out of the line, could get normal food rather than the bully and biscuits which kept us going in the line. It also provided some comfort other than that which was obtainable in billets, usually a bare floor in a factory or a house, with parts of the roof and walls missing due to enemy fire. Toc H is in Poperinghe, near Ypres. I was in the building two years ago, and it has changed but little. It is now a youth hostel.

The branch then adjourned to the Agricultural Hall where lunch had been provided by our ladies. Proceedings here opened with toasts to the queen and the silent toast to those who were killed in action or died of wounds, a primary memory of the Legion, especially on this day.

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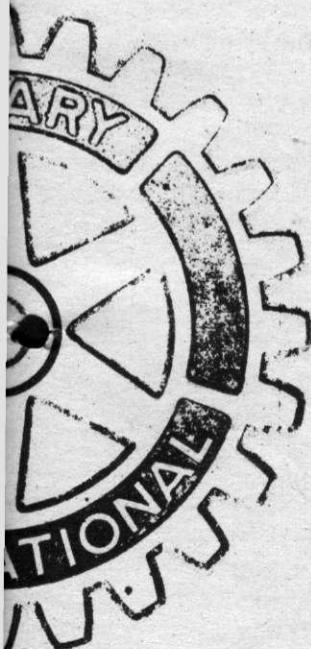
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Water taxi inspections are topic at board meeting

Gulf Islands school trustees last week were unable to resolve the problem of safety inspections for water taxis transporting students and decided to seek aid from the local Coast Guard station.

The district has prepared a list of equipment specifications for water taxis and some trustees wanted to know who was going to ensure that the requirements were adhered to.

Strick Aust suggested that the list should specify who was to inspect the vessels and how often it was to be done.

Secretary-treasurer Wilf Peck said he had assumed the district's administration staff would be

responsible for the boats meeting the specifications.

"There is no agency from whom we can request an inspection," he noted.

Coast Guard requirements, he continued, would be very demanding on a taxi operator. They follow standards set by C.S.I. (Canadian Steamship Inspection) and it was possible that the water taxis could not meet those requirements, he said.

Charlie Baltzer suggested asking the Ganges Coast Guard base if they would be prepared to make the inspections, using standards set by the school district.

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GREETING

Minister of Municipal Affairs

WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of section 767 of the Municipal Act, the Capital Regional District was incorporated by Letters Patent issued the 1st day February, 1966:

AND WHEREAS by section 767 of the Municipal Act it is provided, inter alia, that in addition to functions conferred by that Act, a regional district has such functions as are provided by Letters Patent or supplementary Letters Patent, and for this purpose the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, on the recommendations of the Minister, provide in the Letters Patent or supplementary Letters Patent such further objects, powers, obligations, duties, limitations and conditions in respect to any or all functions requested pursuant to this section:

AND WHEREAS by supplementary Letters Patent dated December 28, 1967 as amended, the Capital Regional District was granted the function of Division VII - Trunk Sewers and Sewage Disposal with all members participating except Sooke, Saltspring Island the Outer Gulf Islands:

AND WHEREAS by Order dated the 17th day of January, 1978, the Director, Pollution Control Board of the Province of British Columbia ordered the Capital Regional District to install a sanitary sewage collection and disposal system to serve a part of the Electoral Area of Saltspring Island:

AND WHEREAS by supplementary Letters Patent dated March 30, 1978 the function of Division VII - Trunk Sewers and Sewage Disposal was further amended to authorize the Regional Board to borrow up to a sum of \$2,700,000.00 to install a sanitary sewer collection and disposal system to serve part of the electoral area of Saltspring Island.

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board of the Capital Regional District has requested that the borrowing power for the function be increased from \$2,700,000.00 to \$4,100,000.00 to construct the said sanitary sewage collection and disposal system in accordance with instructions from the Pollution Control Branch.

AND WHEREAS the provisions of section 767 of the Municipal Act have been duly complied with:

NOW KNOW YE THAT by these presents We do order and proclaim that on, from and after the date hereof the following be added to the objects, powers, obligations, duties, limitations and conditions of the Capital Regional District.

- Paragraph 17(d) of Division VII - Trunk Sewers and Sewage Disposal granted by supplementary Letters Patent dated December 28, 1967, as amended shall be deemed to be further amended by striking out the figures "\$2,700,000.00" and substituting the figures "\$4,100,000.00" so that the paragraph reads as follows:
 - the aggregate debt other than temporary current borrowings which may be incurred by the Regional District for the service provided pursuant to this paragraph shall not exceed the sum of \$4,100,000.00.

AND THAT the Letters Patent of the Capital Regional District be deemed to be further amended accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, the Honourable Henry P. Bell-Irving, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province this 29th day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty and in the twenty-ninth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

Provincial Secretary and
Minister of Government Services

Death of Jack Roland

Laurence Harry Roland, known to most islanders as Jack, died at his home on Roland Road, Salt Spring Island, November 11.

Jack Roland was born on the property where he resided until his death last week at the age of 65.

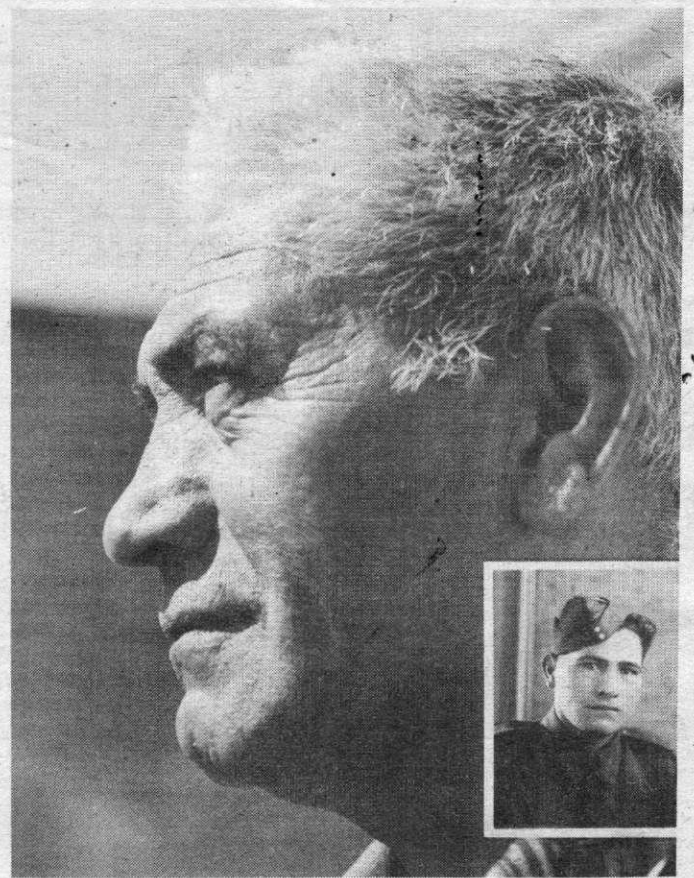
Due to a heart complaint, he had worn a pacemaker for the last 10 years.

Until the war Roland was engaged in a variety of industries, mainly logging and fishing on the island. In 1937 he married his wife, Laura, who came from Mayne Island to Salt Spring.

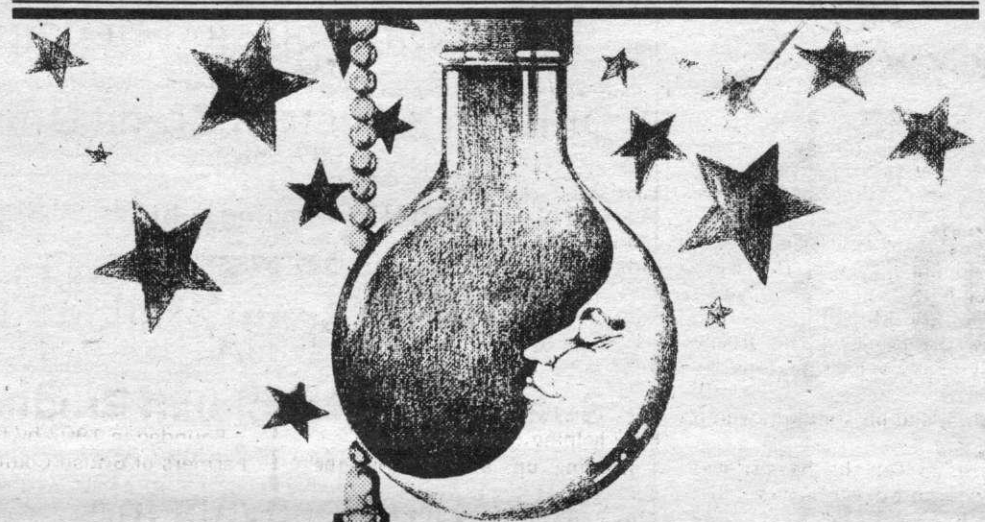
Jack went overseas for four years during World War II, leaving his wife and two small girls at their Isabella Point home. He returned and continued logging on the island.

He spent 11 years with B.C. Ferries and was forced to retire last year due to poor health. In December 1979 he was officially retired.

He leaves eight children, eighteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



JACK ROLAND



IT'S THE TIME OF YEAR WHEN NIGHTS GET LONG AND ELECTRICITY GETS SHORT.

The 5pm-7pm electrical problem we all overcame last winter will be with us until a new cable comes from the mainland in 1983.

While a rainy May and June put more water in the reservoirs, over 4,000 new customers have been added to the system since last January.

And the only way we'll have enough electricity to go around this winter is to avoid using it unnecessarily around dinner time.

Which means turning down the heating while cooking.

Cooking whole meals in the oven to save using the top elements, and self-cleaning the oven some other time.

Avoiding hot water for dishes, laundry, showers and baths until later.

Switching off unused TVs and lights.

Arranging to use the iron and power tools outside the 5pm-7pm period.

It's up to us.

If we ignore the problem, it could give us problems. But if we face it, we'll hardly notice it at all.



Avoid the electrical rush-hour. 5pm-7pm.

United Church Women project

Bazaar 'enormous success'

BY OLIVE MOUAT

The United Church Women's Bazaar is over.

And what does that mean? It means that hard-working, capable, good-natured men have turned the tables over, unscrewed the legs, piled the table tops in their accustomed alcoves, and stacked the table legs in the tiny spot underneath the stairs where nothing else fits, but where they may wait safely until they are needed again.

It means that the dishes have been washed and returned to their cupboards, some upstairs ready for Sunday, some downstairs to wait for the December luncheon.

Most of all it means that once again the men and women of the church, assisted by an amazing number of kindly people, many of whom owe the United Church Women no allegiance, have worked together as friends and have made the bazaar an enormous success.

SUCCESSFUL IN TWO WAY

It was a success. It was successful from the point of view of finances and of friendship. The money raised is well and carefully used, none of it selfishly. The friendships? Well, who can feel anything but friendship for the person who is carrying the other end of a heavy table or wiping the dishes that you are washing?

We met many new friends, some very special. It was the Rev. Allister N. Skinner that convener Mrs. Buntly McNally asked to declare the bazaar open. Beside Mr. Skinner was his wife, Iona, his daughter Andrea who is almost 10 years old, and his son, Ian, who is seven.

Planning for the bazaar was done by the Mizpah group under Mrs. Buntly McNally. Though Mizpah is the spark plug, the engine is made up of all the women of the congregation, quite a few of the men and some outside friends. Gentlemen who came early to put up tables and came late to take the tables down were Edwin Allan, Ted Aves, Ron McNally, Morton Stratton and Duncan Whitecross.

People entering the hall were greeted by a smiling Mrs. Nora Wilson behind a table full of house plants. Next to that, on the left, were women from the Burgoyne

U.C.W. In charge of their Country Fair were Mesdames Edna Fraser, Evelyn Lee and Kit Moulton.

TINY BAZAAR

Their table was a tiny bazaar within a bazaar, for its proceeds go to help the Burgoyne group with their good works. On the right, sitting at a low table, were Mrs. Gladys Bidwell and Mrs. Marjorie Paterson. They were selling jewellery, calendars, gift tags, coasters and tree decorations.

On the far side of the hall were the stalls that displayed sewing and knitting. In charge of the first were Mrs. Doris Gibson and Mrs. Nora Henderson. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, a member of the Burgoyne group, had been lured away to help Mrs. Madge Walker, also from the south of the island but a member of the Ganges church, and Mrs. Margaret Allan from the very end of Beddis Road, in selling their popular and useful articles.

When someone said to Mrs. Walker, "What a beautiful lot of knitting you have!" she smiled and replied, "Oh, yes, I have been knitting all year. So have several others."

NOVELTIES

One whole side of the hall was devoted to novelties, most attractively displayed. There were dolls of every size and shape, all hand-made of course; clowns and monkeys; Christmas decorations and kitchen canisters; banks that looked like Humpty-Dumpty; beautiful arrangements of dried flowers crafted by Mrs. Madge Farncombe; fancy stationary decorated by Mrs. Roberta Coggin, a lady who spends her days in a wheelchair, her fingers busy helping others.

Keeping up, almost, with the demand for their treasures were Mesdames Marion Critch, Ruby Johnston, Adelaide Sibley and Marion Woolley.

Off by themselves, upstairs, opening 15 minutes before any other part of the bazaar so that hungry people could buy cooking and still not miss out on the choice of gifts downstairs, Mrs. Chris Pattinson, Mrs. Lydia Purser, Mrs. Anne Sober, Mrs. Margaret Robinson and Mrs. Grace Williams had arranged pies here, buns there, cookies and slices on that table, cakes and loaves on that.

These are the women who must stand up to the first invasion, sell, wrap, count change, while eager buyers stand three deep and try to press to the table before those delicious dainties disappear.

TEAROOM

The tearoom was downstairs. Money for the tea was accepted by Mrs. Leora Anderson, Mrs. Mary Clarkson, Miss Mary Corbett and Mrs. Mabel Holtby. Tables were attractively set with soft green clothes, tiny decorated pyramids made by Mrs. Biz Stratton, and dainty blue and white cups and saucers. Refreshments consisted of fruit bread, cookies and slices.

For almost two hours workers hurried to provide tea and dainties. Servers and those who worked in the kitchen were: Mesdames Kay Allan, Beth Bourke, Elsie Cochran, Jean Hancock, Betty Horncastle, Sharon Horncastle, Betty McGinnes, Mary McMurdo, Buntly McNally, Biz Stratton, Julie Tesson, Marie Torrington and the writer.

Upstairs, away from the excitement, Mr. Les Linnitt with co-operation from Mrs. McNally checked and sorted the proceeds, for which help the Mizpah members are profoundly grateful.

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- AGENDA:**
1. Chairman's Report
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 3. Treasurer's Report
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MORE FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Ten Days to look at Nicaragua

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

On Saturday, Nov. 29 the Ten Days Committees in our region will hold a planning session at Brechin United Church, Nanaimo. Sheila and David Reid and I plan to attend, and will welcome the company of any others who are interested in this, the second year of the Work Issue, "Making a Living".

At a recent provincial meeting in Kelowna, our region proposed a visit from Francisco Campbell, a Nicaraguan involved in agrarian and fishing development in Bluefields, a very isolated and poor part of Nicaragua. We are therefore planning to learn more about Nicaragua in preparation for his visit in February 1981.

The proposed agenda is as follows:

9:30 am-12 noon: Background on Nicaragua: (a) Slide/Tape show - *Nicaragua, One Year Later*; (b) Report from Bishop Remi DeRoo - at present in Nicaragua. A joint meeting with a group who plan to visit Nicaragua in February on a CUSO tour. We will use this as an opportunity to identify possible resource people; and they will become familiar with our program.

1 pm-4 pm: Specifically Ten Days business: (a) Sharing ideas on how to use this year's guide; (b) Integration of Third World visitor with other parts of our program - preparation and follow-up; (c) Development of a tentative itinerary; (d) Discussion and decisions re budgets and re Ten Days contact person for Vancouver Island (Sister Marie Zarowny will co-ordinate the visitor's itinerary, but cannot be the regional contact); (e) Report from Ten Days program committee meeting.

Some background reading is strongly recommended for those planning to attend:

• *United Church Observer*, October 1980.

• Newsletter - Interchurch Committee for Human Rights in Latin America July/Aug. 1980, *Of Justice, Revolutions and Human Rights* by Bishop Remi De Roo, available at the Chancery Office, 740 View St., Victoria. 384-4951. \$3.

We plan to catch the 8 am ferry from Vesuvius on Saturday the 29th and return on the 5:30 pm or 6:30 pm from Crofton. Please join us!

Dr. Martin Luther King said of social injustice:

"Like a boil that can never be cured so long as it is covered up, but must be opened with all its ugliness to the natural medicines of air and light, injustice must be exposed, with all the tension its exposure creates, to the light of human conscience and the air of the national opinion before it can be cured."

LOOK BACK

When we are feeling hopeless about the state of the world, the frame of mind of its people and the uncaring attitude of our neighbours towards those in need, we should look back, comparing the China of today with the China of Kuomintang, or the working conditions of 18th century England with those of a modern industrial society.

Consider the freeing of human potential when slavery was ended in the United States of America, and then weep a little, if you will, at the remnants of bigotry, racism and colonialism in our own country.

A recent Ten Days publication reminds me of the words of Tommy Douglas when I met him at the Goodmans' a few years ago:

"Why, with so much work to do around the world, to provide adequate homes for people, adequate food, clothing, clean water, clean environments, new forms of energy, good medical facilities, mass transportation, child care and services for elderly, why in heaven's name, with so much work to be done, is unemployment so high?"

NO PROFIT?

Because there is no profit in basic services? What about B.C. Hydro? If I recall, we specifically discussed burying all those unsightly overhead cables, building sidewalks, cycle paths, etc., enough projects to keep all the able-bodied unemployed busy in this province for years. But no profit motive, therefore will not be done!

More questions:

"What is the result of countries around the world producing goods not primarily meant for their own societies? Does extraction and production for export really generate a better life for each country's citizens?"

"What is the result of countries around the world consuming more and more goods that are not produced at home?"

"What would happen if the heart of each economy were to produce for internal consumption with international trade as a supplement, rather than as the basic component of so many economies? Would such changes create more employment to produce the kind of goods which people really need?"

"Do countries around the world have enough capital to produce the things needed by their own people?"

"What is this thing called capital? Is it money available for investment? Where do transnationals get their capital? How much do they bring with them? How much wealth do they take out of Third World countries? How important is capital? Could the labour power which a society already has to produce new goods and new wealth be considered as more important than capital to the development of appropriate technologies? Do all countries have enough people to make it economically feasible to create employment by producing for local needs?"

"We saw that it was not the number of people in a country that mattered so much as the value that a society put on different kinds of work: how the purchasing power was distributed and how prices were established. And so our questions began again."

These quotations are taken from a paper, *Models for Action* by David Pollock, Ten Days worker from Ottawa. We'll have more questions next week. And possibly some answers!

Disagreement over driver

Gulf Islands School Board approved the allocation of \$6,000 a few weeks ago to provide transportation to students participating in the career preparation program, the agriculture class and extra-curricular activities.

But last Wednesday trustees discovered that the district was not yet in possession of the minibus which was to have been obtained with the funds.

Gulf Islands Secondary principal Bob McWhirter brought up the matter at the school board meeting when he asked the board to provide

some assistance in transporting students.

"Where's the bus we budgeted \$6,000 for?" asked Strick Aust.

When some trustees expressed surprise that no bus had been obtained, they were told that there was some disagreement with the Canadian Union of Public Employees over who should drive it.

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