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## Clocks go ahead Saturday as summer time starts

Saturday's the night!

Saturday night ends standard time in British Columbia until the fall. Sunday evening will stay open late this coming week for the enthusiastic gardeners.

The clocks are set one hour forward on Saturday night to make for long, late evenings and dark, early mornings.

The summer time will be observed until the fall. On the last Saturday of October it will all be cancelled and the hour will be back.

Official changeover time is 2 am, Sunday.

Those who neglect to make the necessary change will find themselves the only ones in step on Sunday morning.

## Engine quits

## Four escape injury when plane crashes on Pender

Islanders were given a scare over the holiday weekend when a single-engine plane crashed while flying over a privately owned airfield on North Pender Island.

No injuries were reported, even though the Cessna 180 plummeted approximately 30 feet to the ground after encountering engine difficulties Friday afternoon at about 4 pm.

The pilot, Malcolm Ashwell, 49, and the three passengers on board, all in their thirties, are from the lower mainland. The passengers included two men and a woman.

Harry Danyluk, of Pender Island RCMP, said Ashwell was flying low over the airfield in order to scout it before attempting a landing when the plane's engine suddenly quit.

**\$15,000 TO \$20,000**

The Cessna fell nose-first to the ground, causing damage estimated at between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

The airfield belongs to Earl Hastings of Pender Island and the plane was a rental, according to Danyluk.

The last crash on the island was late last summer when a young pilot landed on the same airfield heading in the wrong direction. The plane ran off the near-end of the one-way airstrip, across a road and into a ditch causing about \$20,000 damage.

## Fresh water fish derby at weekend

Salt Spring Rod and Gun Club Fresh Water Fishing Derby held on April 18 and 19 brought 25 fish to the weigh-in at Ganges Auto Marine. Co-ordinator Harry Williamson is pleased to announce the winners:

Saturday, April 18: H. Doerksen, 17 oz. trout; E. Fraser, 13 oz. trout; George Akerman, 12 oz. trout. Sunday, April 19: Glen Newmeyer, 3 lb. 3 oz. bass; Rick Andrews, 2 lb. 14 oz. trout; George Akerman, 1 lb. 14 oz. trout.

## Sunrise service Sunday

There was a brave little gathering in Centennial Park very early on Sunday morning. It was the annual Easter sunrise service.

Ministers of four island churches took part and there was a fair representation of their congregations. Following the ecumenical church service refreshments were offered in the United Church Hall.

## Fire razes home

Shortly before 8 pm in the evening on Friday, April 17, Percy Fox of Gossip Island noticed flames leaping among the trees across the channel on Galiano.

The Fire Department was called and on arrival at the scene on Deerfield Road discovered that a post and beam, unfinished house was burning fiercely and had ignited the surrounding bush.

The house and contents, which belonged to the Prevedoros, was completely destroyed. The home was unoccupied at the time and this enabled the fire to engulf the structure before it was discovered.

Janice Prevedoros had left her home at 6:30 to baby-sit for a friend. At this time everything was in order. The cause of the fire has not yet been determined.

## Engineers assess disposal

## No short cuts for hospital complex as options are listed

Hopes of finding a ready solution to the sewage disposal problems at Lady Minto Hospital and Greenwoods were dashed with

the completion of the engineering survey of alternatives.

Underwood McLellan Ltd., of Burnaby, had been engaged to

carry out an investigation of the needs of the complex and to make recommendations. The engineers made a report on sewage treatment and disposal options.

The best way of handling the situation is to await the installation of a community sewer, the engineers suggested.

Alternative systems of handling the effluent would be costly, with a price tag ranging from \$180,000 and a big annual operating and maintenance cost up to \$405,000 for a land disposal and irrigation system.

The examination also identified the problems facing the engineers in designing an effective ground-disposal system.

The area utilized for sewage disposal is too small to permit installation of a more nearly adequate system. It is also based on an impenetrable layer some three feet below the surface. And in addition to that, the water table lies at a depth of about 20 inches on at least two of the available, adjacent sites for extension of the disposal fields.

**CARRY ON!**

"Continued operation of the existing facilities with pumping and hauling of sewage to disposal has been found to be the most economic treatment option," stated the engineering company's report to the hospital and intermediate and personal care society. "It is therefore recommended that sewage disposal be continued in this manner until the Ganges sewerage system is operational."

The present disposal fields are still in use and the tanks are pumped out and the effluent dumped as necessary to prevent overflow, or seepage.

The problem, as outlined by the engineers, arises from the growth of the hospital during the years.

Built in 1958, the hospital originally offered 25 beds for acute care only. Within 12 years of its construction the sand disposal field malfunctioned. In 1971 a new field was constructed. A year later 15 extended care beds were added to the hospital. The laundry was upgraded.

The disposal system was adequate until 1978, when a 10-bed expansion of the hospital was completed. In 1980 the septic field was reconstructed. It has been malfunctioning since that time.

Greenwoods was constructed in 1978 when the disposal system was installed. Before the facility was opened seepage was noted from the system. It is reported to operate adequately only during the summer months.

Test holes sunk in January indicate, among other things, that the water table beneath the Lady Minto Hospital disposal field



He isn't learning to drive

No, it's not a new driver's education program on Salt Spring Island, it's just 12-year-old Leah Pallot and her dog Boomer taking a break during another tough day of moped riding. Boomer has been

riding shotgun for about a month. The pair restrict their rides to their home ground on Pallot Way. Leah is a grade seven student at Salt Spring Elementary School.

## Skipper dies after fall from his fish boat in Pass

A 29-year-old Richmond man died Monday night in hospital after falling overboard from his fishing boat earlier in the day near Gossip Island in Active Pass.

Douglas John Thompson, skipper of the *Gulf Kid*, was pronounced dead at Vancouver General Hospital at about 7:10 pm. He had fallen overboard at about one o'clock that afternoon.

Thompson is believed to have spent about 20 minutes in the icy water before being picked up by the Pacific Rescue Centre's hovercraft. He was reported to

have been wearing a thermal life jacket at the time.

Once located, he was rushed to Delta General Hospital by the Richmond-based hovercraft and then later transported to Vancouver General Hospital by helicopter.

Details were sketchy at press time but reports have it that a number of vessels in the area at the time, including four B.C. ferries, responded to the distress call by searching for the man.

Ganges RCMP were uncertain how the incident occurred.

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*Capacity crowds expected*

# Painting exhibition for second year here

Salt Spring Painters Guild is now planning the second annual exhibition and sale of paintings to be held in Mahon Hall on May 16 and 17.

This popular show will display not only recent work by Guild members but also work by many other Salt Spring artists. A wide variety of styles and media will be seen. By popular request many of the works will be offered for sale.

All Salt Spring artists are invited to submit recent paintings, up to three per person. Last year's show attracted so many exhibitors that, this year, pre-registration is necessary.

Registration forms may be obtained from Marsim Craft Shop on McPhillips Avenue or from the

secretary. These must be received by May 13.

Admittance to the public will be free and capacity crowds are expected again this year, said a spokesman for the group.

## School of art in Vancouver

The continuing education department of the Gulf Islands school district has received a brochure describing the Emily Carr College of Art's first Granville Island Summer School, July 6-31. Subjects include painting, sculpture, ceramics, intaglio and photography and the fee is \$200 for any one of these classes.

People wishing a copy of the brochure may call Virginia Newman and arrange to pick up a copy at the School Board office.

Many brochures describing continuing education workshops and conferences offered on Vancouver, Island and the Lower Mainland are posted in the office. Residents are invited to call and check the bulletin board from time to time.



When Jackie Hembruff staged an Easter Bonnet Parade at her Kanaka Place on Sunday, one of her grandchildren was by her side. The Easter bonnets were by her granddaughter Cara.

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## Socreds to hear Curtis at supper

M.L.A. Hugh Curtis will be guest speaker at a "Beef on a Bun" supper meeting of Saanich and the Islands Social Credit Constituency Association, to be held at 7 pm, April 24, at Stellys School, 1627 Stellys Cross Road, Brentwood Bay.

The social committee has planned an old fashioned Western evening to enable members and friends to "meet, mix and mingle."

Volunteers at the Constituency office, 2460 Beacon Ave., in Sidney, will arrange tickets, transportation or accommodations for Salt Spring Island members and friends.

## Warm audience

Chameleon-sponsored coffee house on April 11 in Ganges attracted a gathering to listen to music and to debate the political issues seen by the new provincial political party.

The event featured mostly local performers, Susan Cogan, Tim Collins, Mae Moore, Mara Seagull, Kevin Wilkie, Starshine from Victoria and Oscar S. Riley.

It was a warm, appreciative audience, agreed the sponsors.

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# To Be Frank



by richards

The title was "You and Your Rights" and I didn't buy it. I figured I'd be more interested in "Me and My Wrongs". And it's a funny thing there are so many interested in their rights and so few concerned with my wrongs.

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The cat decided to have kittens. It's a funny thing about cats. Somebody gives you a male kitten and the odds are it'll be a grandmother in 12 months. There's something very effeminate about all the male kittens we ever get. But the cat changed her sex and made this rash decision to raise a family. All males, of course! When the great day came there was a box in every closet in the house and I'd never seen Women's Lib broody before. She was liable to sit on the cat before the day was over. Finally the cat decided to live in a shopping basket with her progeny. But there wasn't room. I wouldn't want to wax indelicate over such a delicate subject, but room for a dozen eggs and a pound of bacon just won't allow the necessary freedom to mother cat. With a kitten half-born she was crouched on the kitchen floor to get out of that basket. And there stands Women's Lib, a mother, a grandmother and a trained nurse. And all she can do to straighten out the situation is to shriek, "Look! Do something!" Despite the lack of competence on the part of the midwife, we now have five cats; one female, mother type and four males. I think there may be less if the dog ever gets into the closet. He's got that hungry look about him.

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Ever thought that the Canadian constitution battle is little more than the constant battle that rages every day in any normal home. It's just a fight for recognition.

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If your dog is in the habit of biting the mailman's legs, don't get mad with him! The dog, I mean. It may not be his fault. If he runs sheep, don't buy him any. It may be his psyche. A British animal behaviourist has come up with a new line on dogs. He is a canine psychiatrist. He makes visits to dogs which attack humans and sheep. After treatment, the dog is all smiles and good nature and never looks at blood again. There were 6,700 sheep killed by dogs last year in Britain. Dr. Roger Mugford puts an aggressive sheep-worrier into a pen with a ram and leaves them long enough for the dog to learn that the ram might fight back. It's nothing new. Farmers have used this system for centuries to train dogs. The dog figures that a sheep is an animal to be carefully examined before any attack is made. I'm not sure about the mailman bit. Maybe he puts the dog in a pen with a mail bag. It just didn't say.

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He had a sore neck, but no sore head. He was wearing a dressing and a happy grin. You don't know the relief there is in those words until you've had a cyst and the doctor tells you, "It's benign!" And that's the truth of the cancer story. If it's benign the past is past and you can look to the future. If it is not only too often the past is present and there's no future.

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I listened with interest to Thursday morning's radio report of the provincial premiers' conference. But the announcer startled me a little when he reported that a translation of Jean Chretien's comments could not be provided because all the translators were at the premiers' conference. Was it an intentional slight by the CBC? Or was it incompetence? We'll probably never know, now it no longer signifies.

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Fred Linnitt had the answer. Last week I recalled receiving a letter from Dr. Howard Mallek without any address. Said the retired Ganges accountant, "He's my doctor!" So now we can send him a paper.

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It's a funny thing about the United States president. It took an assassin's unsuccessful bullet to thoroughly identify him. Uncertain whether he was mortally wounded or merely sore, he could not forgo his sense of humour. And he won many friends as a result of his courage. There are still a lot of Canadian writers who find him a hostile influence in a great country so close to home. They abhor his hawkish philosophy and his quickness on the draw. Which is their privilege. Just as it must be his privilege to embrace so popular a philosophy. I'd sooner he was a bit more little-L liberal in his thinking, but I can certainly enjoy him. Particularly when he's getting himself shot up.

## Bleak picture for hospital sewage system

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stood at .75 metres, or approximately 30 inches. At 0.3 to 0.9 metres, or 12 to 36 inches down, the auger found a dense material of minimal percolation.

Following a series of tests, the engineers listed a number of factors which have a bearing on the failure of the present field:

#### IMPERVIOUS

The site of the septic field is underlain by a soil stratum which is nearly impervious and effluent discharged to the field must travel in a horizontal direction. The land slopes to the east and the effluent thus travels horizontally, to an area of extremely low percolation. The site has a high ground water table.

The same problems exist in the area of the Greenwoods disposal field.

Options explored included deep well injection. This system uses a deep well and treated effluent is forced into the ground. The ground was adjudged unsuitable for such a system.

Septic field disposal would envisage an extension of the field on to adjacent available property. Use of the pasture land to the south of the hospital might permit the construction of works adequate to meet the needs of the complex. The cost was estimated at \$402,000.

A reduced-cost system of utilising adjacent land with only one septic field was estimated at \$183,000. But this system is based on the hauling of a daily surplus of 1,800 gallons a day through October, November, December, January and February.

A fourth proposal investigated the possibility of land disposal and irrigation.

This system would require the installation of a storage lagoon to provide treatment and storage of effluent for 60 days. This is 510,000 gallons.

#### 1.5 MILLION GALLONS

On the basis of an estimated six-month irrigation season a further storage capacity of six months' flow would be needed. This is because irrigation would not be feasible during the winter months. The storage facility would need a capacity of 1.55 million gallons.

Chlorination and pumping facilities would be needed and an irrigation system on an area of about four hectares, or 10 acres. The provisions are listed as a means of assessing feasibility and not as a summary of the engineering requirements of such a system.

Estimated costs would be \$405,000.

The fifth alternative would be a biological treatment plant with ocean disposal such as that proposed for the Ganges sewer system. In the case of the Ganges proposal an outfall costing some \$2,200,000 is included.

"It may be assumed that if the

Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital and Intermediate and Personal Care Facility were to proceed with this type of sewage disposal option, a similar outfall would be required."

The system would not be economically viable, concluded the report.

The Arco system, investigated by the Salt Spring Island Sewer Alternatives Committee, is capable of producing an effluent which could be discharged directly into the sea, said the report. The total cost would be about \$300,000. The plant would require daily attention, resulting in high maintenance costs.

#### PUMPING COSTS

The sixth alternative is the operation of the existent plant. The annual cost is estimated at \$50,000, mainly for pumping.

The engineers also suggested that an impermeable barrier could be installed around the system to ensure that there be no seepage on to neighbouring land.

The seventh option is to connect with a Ganges sewer system. A community sewage system has been proposed for Ganges for 10 years, commented the engineers.

Of the total cost of its installation, \$500,000 will be assessed against the users and the exact apportionment is not yet established. They were unable to offer a firm figure of costs to the hospital.

The most attractive option, economically, is to continue on the present basis. Such a proposal is only acceptable, warned the company, on the assumption that the hospital and Greenwoods will be connected to the community system within five years.

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## There's only one!

There is only one Canada.  
There is only one constitution.  
There is only one national government.

No matter which way the constitution debate might go. No matter what politicians may say about the nation's foundation, the constitution will be a fact before this year is out.

There will come a time when the constitution, like the national flag, will be decently tucked away in a Canadian drawer while resting in contentment in every Canadian home.

When that day comes we must pause and look back over the crippling blows which have been dealt this nation by the people we elected to preserve it in dignity and integrity.

It is possible that the country will never be the same again. Not the same, solid, united Canada that has been torn apart by interests whose concerns lie with personal aggrandizement rather than with the well-being of the nation.

The provincial leaders are earnest, well-meaning politicians, we have no doubt. But they were not elected to govern this country. They were not elected to wrest control of Canada from a government they dislike. They were not elected to behave like revolutionaries about to enter battle.

The provincial premiers were elected to protect the interests of the provinces, they were not named to guide the nation. The provincial premiers do not even reflect a clear picture of their own electoral areas, the provincial premiers are applying a subjectivity to national affairs to which they are scarcely entitled. Even if we favour their convictions we should be aware of the perils of the path they tread.

It is high time the provincial premiers went home and read the British North America Act. They might learn, without recourse to any court action, that there is only one Canada; that there is only one constitution and that there is only one Canadian government.

And that one government is not them.

## Driftwood can no longer guarantee mail delivery

Driftwood is distributed through the mails on Wednesday afternoon of each week.

The publishing company can no longer guarantee delivery of this newspaper beyond the islands. Distant readers are regularly complaining that they receive Driftwood intermittently or not at all.

On Tuesday five letters were received in one mail complaining of irregular delivery. One writer explained that the post office had assured him there was nothing to be done to improve the situation.

Last week a reader came to the office to explain that his distant home is beyond the range of Her Majesty's mails. His postmaster had admitted that there is no longer any assurance of the delivery of mail.

The publishers will continue to accept subscriptions for out-of-town readers. But it must be on the basis that delivery is not guaranteed.

Driftwood can lead the mail horse to the post office water, but cannot make him drink.

## Island singer featured

Well known Salt Spring Island songster Marianne Gritanni will be one of the featured artistes at Belfry Theatre's Songwriter's Showcase on April 29.

The Victoria theatre program will be produced in co-operation with CFAX Radio and the Homegrown Music Society.

Marianne Gritanni will be singing her own work to the accompaniment of Nightwatch. She is completing a six-week B.C.-Alberta tour with the group.



## Letters to the Editor

### We become so smug in our pews!

To Whomever!

This week I have tried to put into words, in an article which appears elsewhere in this edition, my overwhelming feelings of gratitude to our Community Centre Workers.

We all become so smug in our "comfortable pews" that we seem to overlook the people who are "minding the shop". Not many of us want to open our doors (and even our hearts) to people in need or conflict - so where can they go?

At our local Community Centre all ages are provided for, from toddlers to grandparents.

Please read our article and become part of the spectrum. Your community needs you. Our Board meeting is on April 29 at 7:30 at the Centre, and all are welcome to attend.

MARY SMALL,  
Ganges.  
April 18, 1981.

### Play was beyond praise

Sir,

It is almost beyond words to suitably praise the Salt Spring Players in their presentation of Fiddler on the Roof last week.

I had thought they were taking on too much with such an extravagant project, but not so. The staging was first class, the enthusiasm of the entire cast was contagious, the timing and continuity so cleverly executed, and then the music! The band, singers and dancers were excellent.

I felt that we, in the audience, were so fortunate to have such enjoyable entertainment on Salt Spring. I hope our appreciation shown in the long standing ovation at the end, expressed "thank you" to the cast and to those behind the scenes.

DAN KING,  
R.R.1, Fulford Harbour.  
April 12, 1981.

### There must be a better way!

Sir,

There has to be a better way to share out the clams on Booth Bay Canal! Since the year-long lay off from clamming, our huge clam bed has been seething with tasty morsels just waiting to be raked up.

The snag is that it's so hard to get at them. Most residents with property facing the canal are only too happy to give access through their own land to people they know. But this Easter weekend has been just too much of a good thing. I was approached by four separate groups of natives, from Duncan, Chemainus, Kuper and Van-

### Don't knock highways for parking

Sir,

Before you take up more of your editorial space with attacks on the Ministry of Highways for the elimination of parking at the front door of the Post Office, let me introduce a few bits of information:

1. In a few weeks the Post Office will move to larger premises in the new building now nearing completion. Parking arrangements will be greatly improved over what they have been in the past.

2. The establishment of 2 short one way sections of road in Ganges was done as part of a realignment of traffic in Ganges and was endorsed by the Island's Trust.

3. The establishment of these one way roads together with improved sidewalks related to the new building and other walkways planned for the future will improve pedestrian and vehicular safety in the area.

I regret not having informed you earlier of the planned move of the Post Office as this seems to be the major cause of concern. Many people have said, and I think, given a little time you will agree, that the clarification of traffic patterns was long overdue.

T. A. TOYNBEE,  
Mouat's Trading Co. Ltd.,  
Ganges, B.C.  
April 20, 1981.

cover, who parked vans and cars outside my house. Weakly I gave them all permission to go through the garden for that day only.

The result was chaos. I had little children offering to pick my flowers, my dog offering to bite the littlest one, tears and screams and attempts to get into the house, and a constant furtive stream of people up and down from the beach. At last I approached several of the groups on the beach and asked them to get all their clams off the beach that day, and not come onto my land again. Next day they were all back, parked on Acland Rd., and creeping through my garden when they hoped I wasn't watching. It was uncomfortable and frustrating for all of us, and I felt just as guilty as they looked.

The problem of course is that the two access roads near the mouth of the canal are in fact inaccessible, the bottom of Acland Road being impenetrable bush.

Would it not be possible for the Highways Department at least to brush out a walking trail at the bottom of Acland Road, to give everyone at least one way of getting to the beach without having to cross private property?

Selfishly, I do not particularly relish the thought of increased traffic on Acland Road, which is little more than a lane. But I like even less the prospect of spending the summer patiently explaining to hordes of strangers that I can't cope with all the traffic in my own back yard.

NONIE GUTHRIE,  
161 Acland Road,  
Ganges.  
Easter Sunday.

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this week,  
says the Salt Spring  
Island Chamber  
of Commerce.

## How deserving or needy are they?

Sir,  
While reading the Galiano News in your March 4 issue I came across a sub-heading entitled, Pearson College Visitor. I take exception to the cheerful tone of the article and feel it is time to take a harder look at the College of the Pacific.

No doubt many of your readers have seen its students tramping the by-ways of the Gulf Islands doing their community service, and may even have talked to some of them. I have. One is first struck by the remarkable homogeneity; all of them seem bright, polite and well-groomed, be they from Canada, Denmark, Equador or Bolivia. Curious. Talking to them, we discover they are, without exception, the offspring of doctors, lawyers, upper-echelon civil servants, industrialists, etc. A remarkable coincidence? "Curiouser and curiouser," said Lewis Carroll, until one realizes that the selection committees of the various countries nominating

students are from the identical social strata as the students themselves.

An example? The present Danish quota of two consists of the child of professionals and the son of a millionaire. On what grounds can these two students possibly be considered 'deserving' or 'needy'? Perhaps by application of the Humpty Dumpty principle, i.e. a word means what I want it to mean... I admit to bafflement. Perhaps Shakespeare's line about something rotten in the state of Denmark throws a little light on the case.

Unfortunately, no matter how we interpret it, the bottom line is that a national people are supporting an already fortunate elite. More curiouser still. Why? A question we all ought to ask ourselves. All things considered, I for one, would rather pay a much larger share of my taxes in order to provide a better education to the children of Bolivian tin-miners or possibly those of the jute factory workers in Bangladesh. Subsidize the children of the governing classes of South America? The offspring of European millionaires? Surely it's a bad joke that will just fade away like the Cheshire cat's grin. Somehow I doubt it.

ANDREW BENDER,  
Edmonton, Alta.  
April 18, 1981.

## Will we ever learn?

Sir,  
In your March 11, 1981, edition, you carried an article in the letters to the editor, entitled "Arms Expenditure Offensive".

I find it hard to believe that educated men of the 1980's would be thinking in the manner of the men who helped lead the world into the holocaust of 1939 to 1945.

The men of the 30's thought much in the same manner of arms limitations, with a partial to total disarmament of nations. They partially succeeded in achieving their aims in France, Belgium and England. Did this alter the almighty goals of lasting peace with the German people and their wants and needs for equality?

We are citizens of a free western democracy. We are allowed to voice our opinions in free speech and press. We, as a whole, or in part, are not prosecuted for our political beliefs. We have the choice of free trade and commerce, and are entitled the choice of education, career and a future. We do not imprison Canadians for their religious convictions, for we are of free thought and mind.

I find it difficult to think of the roles our Canadian military have and are performing as being offensive. All one must do is ask any ex-serviceman, or any serving member of the military today.

The Canadian Armed Forces has more than performed her duties as a peacekeeper and peace maker. One just must ask the families whose husbands and fathers served in Korea, Cyprus, Egypt and Israel.

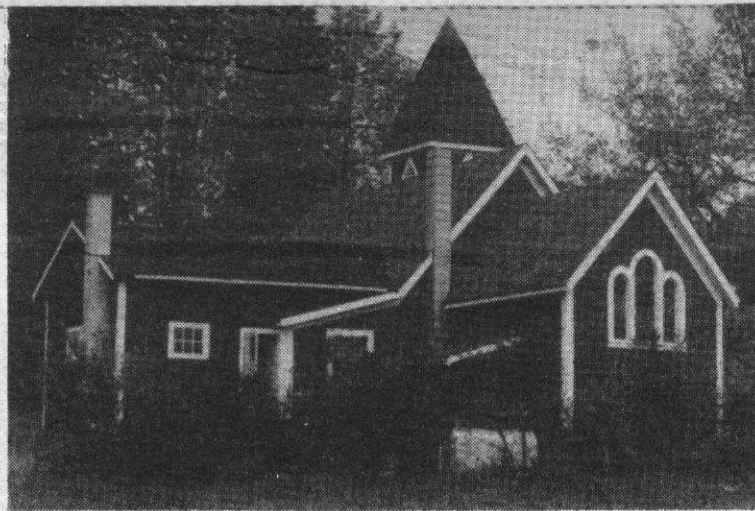
Ask the families of the men and women who fought the fires in Northern Ontario in 1980. Ask the seamen of the fleet who patrol the Canadian 200 mile Economic Zone if their jobs are offensive.

These men and families are separated for 240 or more days a year, and do so for the rest of Canada, so that we may remain free Canadians.

I wish to close by having all of us stop, and think of what we as Canadians have here in this vast land, and compare our lives with the rest of the world.

Is the cost too great to pay?

T. A. OWEN,  
4 Hiada Cir., Apt. 6,  
Dartmouth, N.S.  
April 10, 1981.



## New foundations for church

On Friday, April 10, the Bishop of British Columbia, the Rt. Rev. H.J. Jones, joined with the people of St. Mary's Church, Fulford in a service of celebration for the new foundations of the church.

When the church was built in 1894, foundations were not laid.

The wood beams were left open to the dangers of dry rot, carpenter ants and termites. The raising of the road some years ago increased these dangers by reducing the drainage from around the church.

A little over a year ago the ladies of St. Mary's Guild began raising funds to carry out the work of raising the church, building a proper foundation and laying drain tile.

By the end of the summer they had raised the necessary \$12,000

and work began in September.

Local contractor Mark Proctor carried out all the work related to the foundation and drainage while a Duncan firm raised and lowered the building.

Work was completed in time for Christmas services.

The Bishop, who himself has served in several pioneer churches of this province, congratulated the people on their effort which has saved St. Mary's for a new generation of Christians.

At the same service the Bishop confirmed Gary Hayman and Mrs. Lynda Hatch.

Following the service the ladies of St. Mary's Guild served refreshments in the Sunday School room attached to the church.

## Bridge winners at two events

Gulf Islands bridge club winners on April 13 were: first, Mayme Iverson and Dawney Scarfe; second, Mrs. Hyslop and Dorothy Crofton; third, Lois Popkin-Clurman and Helen Shandro; fourth, Lorna and Peter Pentz; fifth, Gordon Hutton and Anne McConnell.

On Tuesday night top players were, first, Irene Hawksworth and Gordon Hutton, with Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop and Lorna and Peter Pentz tying for second.

## Free concert

Sure, someone's singing flat -  
What of that?  
Another's somewhat sharp -  
I'll not carp.  
It's the sweetest sound on earth  
Heard at each day's birth,  
But...  
Early morning concert's for the birds!  
- Joan M. Raeside (5 a.m.)

minutes of running into the log.  
After collecting a few pieces of gear and personal belongings that were floating on the surface, the Whaler took the disabled craft in tow and headed back towards Otter Bay on Pender Island.

## QUEEN OF STORM

Along the way they encountered Klein's wife who had set out after them at the helm of the 40-foot *Queen of Storm*. She had been contacted by radio and learned their whereabouts. The larger vessel completed the task of towing the pleasure craft back to the marina.

Klein, an electrical and plumbing contractor, has been involved in volunteer coast guard search and rescue operations for the past five years.

Tattersol owns the Esso service station on Mayne Island.

## The sewer questions

Sir,  
Having read the statements on last week's *Driftwood* front page from Jim Campbell, I was amazed at his reasons for opposing Yvette Valcourt's motion to cease all work and expenditures on the Ganges sewer.

First, when the Cabinet makes orders on the sewer he tells us, "The cabinet does not have to give reasons and cannot be challenged for making orders for the wrong reasons"; really?

Secondly, "We'll lose \$2 million of federal funds", and

Thirdly, If we don't, we jeopardize the investment of those who have bought property in the sewer area.

Does this mean that we must go ahead with the sewer, so that speculators, in this time of easy profits, should be helped to make even more? Who is supporting who here?

If these are the only reasons why we should adopt this sewer plan and pollute the harbour, then they aren't good enough!

ALAN MARTIN,  
R.R. #1, Tripp Road,  
Ganges.  
April 20, 1981.

Beaver Point is named after the Hudson's Bay Co. ship *Beaver*, which came out to the west coast via Cape Horn under sail.

## Three are saved

# Horst Klein to the rescue as pleasure boat sinks

The efforts of a volunteer rescue team saved the lives of three Mayne Island residents after their 26-foot pleasure craft began sinking in Haro Strait, off Moresby Island, late Thursday afternoon.

Within 12 minutes of being alerted that a boat was in trouble, Pender Island resident Horst Klein and another man had raced across seven nautical miles of sea and had the man and two children safely on board Klein's own 18-foot Boston whaler.

By the time they arrived at the scene, the pleasure craft had slipped to the waterline and Earl Tattersol, his six-year-old son and 13-year-old Robert Hammer were riding the choppy swells in a small plastic liferaft.

## SAW A FLARE

Klein said that he received a telephone call at exactly 4:58 pm from a man living in the vicinity of Wallace Point, who had sighted a disabled boat and a rescue flare in Haro Strait.

Having contacted Bob Melville, owner of the marina at Otter Bay, the two men set out in the Whaler and had the three Mayne Island residents aboard their craft by 5:10 pm, according to Klein.

The vessel began taking on



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# Calendar for May is list of heavy chores for hikers

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club May programme will be as follows:

May 5: Hike with Jean King; a low-tide beach walk in the Roland Road area, Isabella Point. Likely to be slippery; choose suitable shoes.

Walk in same area, led by Anne Marie Dalke with Beth Hill. Interesting stone structures.

Both meet at Centennial Park at 10 am, Drummond Park at 10:15 am.

May 12: Walk Heritage Trees in Victoria. Leader, Mr. Warren. Meet at Centennial Park at 9:15 am for Fulford Ferry at 10 am.

M.V. "Salt Spring Queen." In place of hike — working parties to clear trails and brush. Phone Jack Ready, Bob Ball or Ernie Jenkins to volunteer and make plans.

May 19: Walk and Hike — separately on Cowichan River, Skutz Falls area led by Val Keys and Di Fraser. Meet at Centennial Park at 9:15 am for 10 am Vesuvius ferry.

May 26: Hike on Mount Maxwell led by Tom Fraser; walk: nature walk in Cusheon Creek area led by Ted Brown. Both meet at Centennial Park at 10 am.

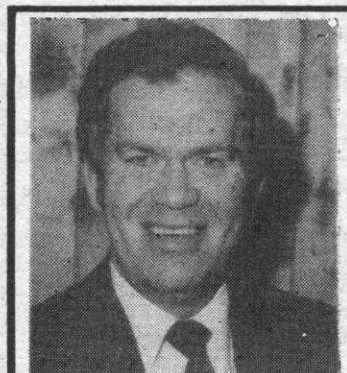
**BAMFIELD TRIP**  
A fact sheet about the June trip will be available at the Salt Spring Island Library. As of last report there was some accommodation still available at the Bamfield Trails Motel. There is accommodation for campers.

Further information from Bob Robertson, 537-5306.



*Easter Bunny calls on hotel*

Easter Bunny dropped in to Harbour House on Saturday for Easter breakfast. And here are some of her friends.



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### Recreation report

## No more swimming at Sidney pool as costs escalating

The last swim will be Sunday, April 26 from 6 pm to 8 pm. Salt

Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission has rented the Sidney Pool for the past several years.

At various times we have had up to 100 people of all ages enjoying the full pool recreations, sauna, wading pool, whirlpool, games, and there has been the additional benefit of islanders being together and making friends.

However, the rent has been increased, as of April 1, from \$50 to \$80 for the two-hour period and it is with great regret that we have not renewed for the next season.

In addition, inflation has brought the increase in ferry fares and this had led to a decline in pool use.

The Sunday Swim has not been ideal for islanders, especially for those with children, because travel and ferry waiting times totalled six hours from home and back.

**NO CHARGE**  
The Commission made the pool available at no charge to islanders, but there was still the expense of running a car, so a family of five using ferries and car faced an approximate cost of \$15.

As usual, the commission will be running swimming lessons on the island during July and August with Lois Phillips as co-ordinator and head instructor (Tel. 537-2618). Announcements will follow at school and in *Driftwood*.

For those who enjoy swimming, the Commission urges community support for an island pool as the only sensible answer.

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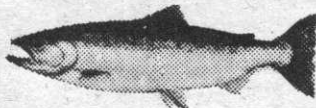
The Ministry of Health is offering an alcohol and drug treatment program on Salt Spring Island. The office is located in Ganges at the Court House, room 207B. Office hours are 9:30 to 4:30 every second Thursday from April 23 on. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Mark Stone or Brent Merchant at 537-9441 or through the Victoria office at 387-5077.

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## Year of the disabled

# New society launched for islands

It is the Year of the Handicapped. All over the world, this year of 1981 is addressed to the disabled persons of the world.

In token of this international concern for the disabled a group of island residents has launched a project to bring the attention of all islanders to the plight of the disabled and to establish a program for this year and for years to come.

The Gulf Islands Handicapped Society is to be formed and chartered as a non-profit society in British Columbia.

The society will extend across all segments of the community.

Sponsors had looked to a re-activation of the now defunct Handicapped Resources Centre, but a society is already chartered under that name on the BC mainland.

### TO SERVE THOSE IN NEED

The purpose of the new society is to serve the needs of the handicapped in the Gulf Islands. It will address itself to individuals and to groups, wherever the need exists. Its area of activity will embrace the physically disabled, the blind, the deaf and dumb, the mentally handicapped and those afflicted by physically restrictive diseases such as arthritis and others.

There will be public and private meetings to demonstrate the needs of all handicapped to be integrated into the community and employment opportunities sought. At such meetings film shows of all aspects of disability will be shown, followed by a short question period. Emphasis will be placed on measures of prevention.

It is hoped that a professional in a particular field of disability will attend such meetings and participate in the question period.

Encouragement has already been received from Jim Neilson, minister of health; Islands M.L.A. Hugh Curtis, finance minister; Jim Manly, M.P.; Edmund Desjardins, rehabilitation consultant; Douglas Mowatt, executive director of the Canadian Paraplegic Association (B.C.) and Don Jones, director of the C.N.I.B., Victoria and district.

Already 10 members of the Salt

Spring community have indicated their willingness to serve on the board of directors but they will not be named until they have been officially appointed by the members of the society. The inaugural meeting will be held at Central Hall, on Saturday, May 2 at 1:30 pm.

The time and date was chosen to enable interested participants from Mayne, Pender, Saturna, and Galiano to attend and to permit them to return home on the 4:20 pm ferry. It also serves the convenience of the handicapped and senior citizens.

### FILM SHOWING

At the meeting it is hoped a film depicting either amputee or paraplegic disability be shown. Further

aims and objectives in greater detail will be outlined. The new project has already borne fruit.

Tom Toynbee has arranged for a parking slot to be reserved for "Handicapped Parking Only" at the new shopping complex in Ganges.

Further requests will be made for parking slots as near as possible to the main doorways of the K & R, Mouat's, Gulf Islands Trading Co. and the Valcourt Centre.

The temporary headquarters of the society will be situated at R.R. 1, 1155 North End Road, Ganges, opposite Cedar Beach Resort. Bryan Smith will welcome all callers, either in person or by telephone 537-9362 or 537-5211.

## Police patrol watches as motorcycle and car collide

A Pender Island RCMP officer was right there to witness the entire incident when a motorcyclist was in a head-on collision with an automobile early Saturday evening on Mayne Island.

Patrick J. Mummery, 26, of Surrey, was rushed to hospital in Victoria with a suspected broken kneecap after his motorcycle ran into an oncoming auto, driven by William David Clegg of Mayne.

The collision occurred at the intersection of Fernhill Road and Felix Jack Road at about 6 pm.

Pender Island RCMP senior officer Corp. Harry Danyluk reports that Mummery was thrown head first over the other vehicle after colliding with it. The accident was witnessed by Const. Al Richard, who was driving along behind Mummery at the time, while on routine patrol.

The motorcycle suffered damage estimated at \$400.

Mummery is to be charged with driving without a helmet, driving without due care and control and for driving while suspended.

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P225/75R14(HR78-14)	95.10	19.02	76.08
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## BY MARY SMALL

I've just spent several hours talking to and about our Salt Spring Community Centre workers.

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I came away with a feeling of awe for a handful of dedicated workers on half-time pay doing a full-time job, often beyond the call of duty.

For those of you who feel that our "hard earned taxes" are being spent to support "all those people", just keep reading!

You will discover that two workers sharing one salary have their fingers on the real pulse of our community, fielding phone calls, providing resource information, sharing problems and co-ordinating the varied activities of the centre.

They are never too tired to find an emergency shelter for a stranded traveller or take time to teach handicapped persons how to look after themselves in such ways as dressing, washing, homemaking or shopping.

The elderly can call for a helping hand with daily life and transportation, the youth are provided with "let's get back on the track" guidance and working skills, young parents group together to form their own baby-sitting service with the clever method of "script exchange" rather than money.

The list of community services goes on and on. None of us should presume we will never need their aid and all that is being asked for is moral support. If you want to do yourself a favour then phone 537-9212 and volunteer your own unique talent, or attend the annual general meeting on April 29 at 7:30 pm at the Centre.

Remember that there is very little money from the ministry of human resources supporting the centre. The following thumb-nail sketches of some of the services provided will give you an idea what I speak....

### WHAT KEEPS THE BUILDING TOGETHER?

Co-ordinating all the internal functions; heating and maintaining the building; collecting rents for the special services that use some of the space are all big jobs for the workers.

Needless to say, the old structure sucks up heat, then loses most of it before it can be effective. The rent is shared by human resources and those using space in the building.

Other costs are offset in many ways. The Five and Dime Store and Craft Fairs also add to the kitty. There is never enough to go around but with a group of volunteers the "house-on-the-hill" keeps her face clean and her innards warm.

### FIVE AND DIME

How long has it been since you could buy, for a few cents, anything except a book of matches?

Donated articles are displayed and sold in this little shop on the second floor of the centre and the money goes towards the tremendous heating bills to keep the old building warm (and I mean just warm). Donations of clothing, clean and mended, is appreciated, or any other items that are still usable.

### RE-CYCLING

Another service administered by the Community Centre is the recycling of bottles and paper and other waste materials.

The Capital Regional District provides a paid worker for ten hours per week to keep the recycling shed clean, break the glass and tie the paper bundles and ready everything for pick-up by a truck that comes from Victoria.

Sadly, we are told people still drop off garbage, including old bottles of pills, grapefruit rinds and coffee grounds. These are not re-cyclable.

### ACHIEVEMENT CENTRE

Human resources calls this program a "pilot project" as it is unique on Salt Spring and hopefully will lead the way for other communities to follow suit.

## It was cheap but it still cost \$125

A 17-year-old Fulford man saved \$25 in Ganges provincial court last Wednesday but he still left the courtroom \$125 poorer as a result of two drinking offences committed February 21.

Allan Charles Davies had entered guilty pleas to charges that while under the age of 19, he had entered licenced premises and that he had been in possession of liquor.

The offences occurred at the Harbour House Hotel pub.

The court was told that Const. Ace Mainwaring, of Ganges RCMP Detachment, had observed Davies leaving the pub that night with a case of beer under his arm. Realizing he had been spotted, Davies re-entered the hotel and locked himself inside a washroom cubicle where Mainwaring eventually located him.

Judge L.A. Pearce imposed the minimum fine of \$100 for being found on licenced premises and \$25 for the possession charge. He told Davies that he generally fines teenagers \$50 for possession of liquor but was making an exception since there were two charges involved.

It involves adults helping adults. "Life Skills" are taught to the mentally and physically handicapped. This can mean any function from good hygiene, dressing themselves, homemaking, planning their days and shopping. In other words, trying to make these otherwise dependent people more self sufficient.

### G.I.P.S.Y.

"Gulf Island Programme Serving Youth" is a very special approach to school children experiencing some difficulty relating to the standard school system and wanting to "drop out."

With three staff teaching the Three "Rs" in the morning, the students then have an opportunity to discover skills by "on the job" training with Island businesses in the afternoon. This system has succeeded in bringing a number of island youth back to school who otherwise would have missed out in any secondary education. The Community Centre facilitates the "Child Care Worker" at GIPSY.

### SELF-HELP

Incentive programmes for those persons who find themselves out of the work-a-day world, wanting some work experience to regain their self esteem are sponsored by the Centre.

### FAMILY CENTRE

Almost any subject connected to family life can be found in the library at the Family Centre, health care, family nutrition, pre- and post-natal care, menopause or virtually any and all stages of life. Meetings for women's groups, lectures on adult growth, nutrition, child development, a toddlers playgroup, drop-ins, and films, are

all administered by the society. Any suggestions for programs are welcomed.

### NURSERY SCHOOL

Co-operation between parents runs the nursery school. Each family donates a small fee to have a part time teacher in the school aided by volunteer parents.

### TODDLERS' PLAY GROUP

This pre-school group is by volunteer parents who organize games and learning experiences for the young folk.

### LOCAL SERVICE CLUBS

Contributions have been made by local clubs and by the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission, to Youth Programmes for such activities as summer day camps. These are marvelous learning times for children through outdoor explorations and indoor games and crafts. The fees are nominal and for those not able to pay, there is assistance.

Grandparents with visiting grandchildren or children with free time can join this summer fun by phoning the Centre and registering.

### INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE

The Centre also co-ordinates monthly meetings of the Salt Spring InterAgency committee, comprised of agency social service representatives serving the island. The purpose of the committee is to maintain communication and co-operation and to identify any needs in the community.

### SPECIAL SERVICES TO CHILDREN

The ministry of human resources contracts with the Community Society to provide services to children with special needs and their families. The co-ordinator, on referral from a social worker provides a trained worker who, on a one-to-one basis, helps the child and his or her family through support and counselling.

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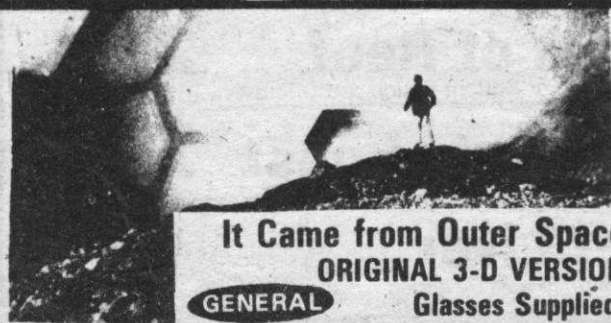
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### Breaks his ankle and is charged

A Vancouver area man's troubles were only just beginning when he broke his ankle during a motorcycle accident on Mayne Island Sunday night at about 11:10 pm.

Following the accident, Stan Leese, 17, of Surrey was informed by Pender Island RCMP that he would be charged with driving without insurance. He was taken to Lady Minto Hospital at Ganges for examination.

A passenger, Michael Anthony Farrington, 17, of Delta escaped uninjured.

Leese lost control of the motorcycle, which skidded along the ground for a short distance on Bayview Avenue.

Police are still conducting an investigation.

### Driver charged after accident

A Salt Spring Island man has been charged with driving without due care and attention as a result of a motor vehicle accident on Stewart Road in Ganges late Sunday night.

Gary Forbes, 20, was the lone occupant of a 1969 Ford pickup truck that left the road and struck a tree.

Forbes told police that he had dropped a cigarette and had bent down to retrieve it when he lost control of the vehicle. The accident resulted in about \$2,500 damage to the truck.

## They were spending money they didn't have for committees

The Gulf Islands School Board was caught in an embarrassing position at last Tuesday's meeting when it was discovered that funds weren't available for expenditures the board had already approved.

The board had recently received a letter from the Salt Spring Elementary Parent Advisory Committee requesting financial assistance to meet some of its oper-

ating expenses.

At a meeting several months ago, the trustees had agreed to make funds available to parent advisory groups in the district. The money was to go towards keeping parents abreast of developments and activities at each individual school.

"Don't put the onus on me because you approved the spend-

ing of money and didn't budget for it," said secretary-treasurer Will Peck when it was realized that the board had neglected to set aside money for the advisory committees.

#### IN REPORT

Peck had informed the board of the situation while making his secretary-treasurer's report.

Chairman Strick Aust had suggested taking the money out of funds slotted for trustees' expenses.

It was finally decided to turn the matter over to the finance committee which will study the problem and report back to the board.

Lynn Mathews, chairman of the Salt Spring Parent Advisory Committee, said that its yearly operating costs are in the neighbourhood of \$100, most of which is for advertising.



MAE MOORE

Mae Moore, former member of the Darlington Dozen, a pacifist, direct-action group of the Thoreau school of thought, will be playing a concert sponsored by I-IPACS to mark the International Day of Anti-Nuclear Protest on April 26 at 8:30 pm in St. George's Hall, Ganges.

## Sentenced to five years for Mayne Island theft

The temptation of an unlocked door at a Mayne Island residence last week proved to be too much for a habitual offender from the mainland, who has already spent 16 of his 34 years behind bars.

As a result of provincial court proceedings last Wednesday morning at Ganges, Bertram Frank Stockdale of Burnaby will also spend the next five years in prison.

Stockdale had pleaded guilty to charges of breaking and entering, possession of a stolen credit card and use of a stolen credit card.

The crown entered stays of proceedings against four Mayne Island individuals who were arrested along with Stockdale by Delta police as they disembarked from the MV Queen of Sidney at Tsawwassen. They were Norman Ewanchuk, Zenda Macdonald, Peter Knutsen and Kathryn Piercy.

#### WORTH \$6,300

The court was told that Stockdale had entered the home of Adelaide Hampshire of Laura Pt. Road on April 12 at about 5 pm and removed jewellery, cash and other merchandise valued at approximately \$6,300.

Hampshire informed the Pender Island RCMP detachment of the theft upon her return home.

Corp. Harry Danyluk, senior officer of the detachment, said that his office was provided with a detailed description of the two men and Stockdale's white truck by a 13-year-old girl who had noticed them leaving the area.

An extensive history of non-violent criminal activity dating back to September 1964, was read to the court. Stockdale was last released from prison in 1979 after serving a three-year term, also for breaking and entering.

"You just can't make it on the outside," said Judge L.A. Pearce.

In passing sentence Judge Pearce said that he had to bear in mind the seriousness of the offences and the hope of deterring Stockdale upon his release from prison.

"With the unlikelihood of your ever changing your ways, I have to consider protecting the public," said Judge Pearce.

Stockdale received a four-year sentence for breaking and entering, one year for possession of the stolen credit card and one year concurrent terms for each of the three occasions he had used the card.

Contacted on Friday, Corp. Danyluk said that following his court appearance Stockdale had informed him that a wristwatch could be found stuffed down in the rear seat of the Delta police cruiser and that a quantity of jewellery could be found underneath the porch of the house where he had been staying on Mayne Island.

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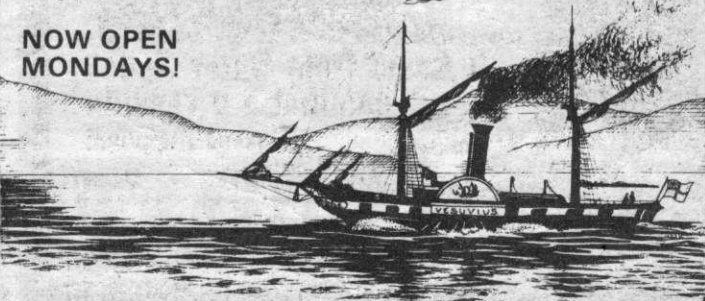
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## Program links Ulster and Mayne

# Four Irish youngsters to spend holiday here

Four children from wartorn Ireland will be visitors to Mayne Island this summer. The children will come here under a program destined to expose Ulster children to a community where hatred is not part of the daily life and bigotry is a rare experience.

When the program was introduced to the island, Walter Hunt-Sowrey wrote this summary of Ulster fury and despair.

### IT IS HISTORY!

One of the earliest recorded Irish Books, *The Tain Bo Cuailnge*, deals with a long drawn out fight between the people of Ulster and Connacht. This book antedates the Christian era, and lines up with such classics of that era as *The Iliad*.

In later years, in common with all the Gaeltacht, there were the clan feuds, and at the end of this period few clans occupied their original possessions, and many, as a result, had been dispersed, and held no land at all.

In more recent times we have had the ever recurring fights between Orange and Green, the end of which does not appear to be in sight, as Ulster, in almost every generation, on both sides, seems to be capable of producing enough rabble-rousers to make sure that peace is in the far, far future.

Today, and for the last 12 years, such a fight, or "troubles", as is the usual Irish way of describing them, has been going on, and despite all efforts, no peace is yet in sight.

Mayne Island is in no way connected with this fight, and as far as the writer is aware, few island residents have Ulster-ancestry, yet this spring, we had two Ulster ladies making an appeal in the Agricultural Hall for the children of this unfortunate province to a surprisingly large audience.

Through the news media, we are

all aware that death has been the portion of many Ulster residents; that bombing has caused much property destruction to add to the debris left over from the second war, all of which had not been repaired when the writer was over there last some two years ago.

There are so many other factors that affect life there which are but little known here.

Wages are low, and in many areas as much as 20% of the employable are "on the brew"; that their payments are much lower than those our unemployed receive, that, as Ireland has almost no mineral resources, there appears to be a constant shortage of electricity, gas, coal and oil and all at a very high price.

Further, in most of the town the standard of housing is very poor, and quite insufficient for local needs. This is even true of housing built in Belfast and Derry since the second war, and much is being torn down at the present, and goodness knows when it will be rebuilt, as newspaper accounts all tell of an absolute shortage of cash to rebuild.

Inflation is very high, making low wages even lower. Some of the slum areas in Belfast and Derry have to be seen to be believed, and little has been done, in the 80-plus years that the writer has known the North to improve them. The country areas do appear to have been improved, and numerous houses that the writer has known for many years now have wooden floors in lieu of earth, and slate roofs have replaced the thatch.

As Mesdames Hughes and Campbell made very clear to us, the worst sufferers under these conditions of poverty and strife are those least able to fend for themselves, the elderly and the children, and their main concern was the children. Here, at home, we cannot

conceive ghetto conditions, but these children have known no other. Lack of playgrounds until quite recently, and the very definite boundary between Orange and Green.

Most of them have not gone further than throwing stones at the "enemy", and almost none have any knowledge of the beliefs of the other side. As long as these ghetto conditions remain, there is no hope of solving any of their problems. The present idea is an effort to give these children a new insight into life; to take them into areas where

children, and grown-ups also, do not have this intensely narrow outlook on life, and where people can mix freely, regardless of creed.

This work has been going on for some years; first a trickle, and now a stream. Many people are engaged in it, taking Irish children to various parts of Europe and this continent for their summer school vacation, to see and live a different life.

The part these ladies are engaged in began with two or three children being sent to a mid-western state of the USA.

Numbers have grown, and new areas are being sought. Mayne Island is now one of them.

They explained that it costs about \$500 to give each child such a vacation, and Mayne responded very freely. Almost \$2,000 was raised that afternoon, and now Mrs. Hughes, who still resides in Belfast, plans to send four youngsters here, two girls and two boys, two Orange and two Green, and homes at which they may stay are already arranged. More money

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## MOUAT'S



### Truck sustains \$1,500 damage in accident

A Ganges man was involved in a single vehicle accident early Friday morning that resulted in damage estimated at \$1,500, according to Ganges RCMP.

Ian Byron, of Rainbow Road, was the lone occupant in a 1973 Chevrolet truck that left Fulford-Ganges Road and went onto property owned by Fred Howard where it struck a tree.

The accident occurred at about 4 am.

Ron Bushell, of Price Road, Ganges was presented with a plaque last week by the Salt Spring Island branch of the Royal Canadian Legion. Plaque came from the Canadian Red Cross and marks Bushell's donation of blood 100 times. Picture shows Peter Bingham, Bushell and Legion President Jim Mayo.

### Five hurt in Galiano collision

Five people were injured in a two vehicle accident late Saturday afternoon on Galiano Island, according to Ganges RCMP.

Brian Hvylycia, 19, of Victoria was charged with failing to confine his vehicle to the right side of the road after his 1979 GMC pickup collided with an automobile driven by a Vancouver woman.

Hvylycia, the three passengers riding with him and Leslie Pinder, driver of the other vehicle, all suffered minor injuries.

Pinder, 32, was driving a blue Ford Maverick that received approximately \$200 in damage. Hvylycia's vehicle received more extensive damage estimated at \$3,000.

The accident occurred on Bluff Road at about 5:10 pm.

## It's 10 years

*A decade of fighting fires and flipping flapjacks*

Fighting fires and flipping flapjacks have been the fundamental fields of activity of the Mayne Island volunteer firemen for the past 10 years, and the Mothers' Day Breakfast and equipment show that is scheduled to be held at the firehall on Sunday, May 10, will celebrate the anniversary of the Department.

Fun and fine food with the firemen are forecast.

For mothers, the fiesta represents freedom from food fixing and a chance to sit down for more than five minutes.

For the firefighters, it's an event which gives them a chance to show off their culinary capabilities and their fine facilities for fighting fires.

The pancakes and sausages will be served at the old price of \$1, in spite of inflation, and there is no extra charge for all the coffee and fruit juice that the customers can consume.

Deputy Chief Dan Imrie is in charge of the arrangements, ably assisted by volunteers who are designated without appeal.

Rounding out their good deeds for their 10th birthday, the Mayne firemen are donating six helmets,

six boots, and six regulation jackets to the newly formed Saturna Volunteer fire department.

### Holiday from Ulster

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can be used, if not here this summer, then at other places.

All monies are put in a Trust Fund, and are only to be used for this one purpose. This is a most worthy and deserving act of charity, and it is felt that few island people can ignore it. Large subscriptions are not asked for, but naturally will be thankfully received. Small ones help and are just as welcome. Help these children to see a new world, a new life. In time they will repay you.

If this appeal has roused any enthusiasm, and it surely will, and you have not already donated, contact Mrs. Fitzgerald at 539-5310, who can give you fuller information. If cash is not too plentiful, these children have to be entertained for a month or more, and help will be gratefully accepted. You may even learn a new language, the Ulster dialect.

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# Two Saturna brothers convicted of assault

Two Saturna Island brothers were found guilty in Ganges provincial court last Wednesday of assaulting an off-duty West Vancouver police officer at the Saturna Community Hall one night last November.

Casey and Barry Carpentier sat grim-faced in the accused box while Provincial Court Judge L.A. Pearce told them that he didn't believe a word of their story and that he found them to be guilty as charged.

Casey, 21, the instigator of the attack, was sentenced to a jail term of six days and a fine of \$500, while Barry, 27, who had claimed that he was only protecting his younger brother, was given a \$500 fine for his part in the affair.

They live at separate addresses on Sunset Boulevard.

### FEARED REPRISALS

Out of concern for a Saturna Island man who had been called to testify against the two brothers, Judge Pearce ordered the pair to avoid contact with him for a period of two years.

Crown counsel Don Laughton had expressed concern that the Carpentiers might attempt to cause harm to Jack Trickey.

Victor Harvey Wiebe, a six-year veteran with the West Vancouver police force, told the court that he was physically assaulted by Casey while leaving a barbeque at the Saturna Community Hall the evening of November 8.

Wiebe, who was wearing civilian clothing that night, testified that he had been harassed and insulted by Casey several times prior to the attack, on a veranda outside the hall.

"You're a ----- pig aren't you, so let's see your pig badge," were the words that Wiebe attributed to Casey.

### CAUGHT OFF-GUARD

Wiebe, who stated that he had been standing with his hands in his pocket at the time, said that he was caught off guard when the smaller man landed a punch on his nose. The assault continued, with Casey forcing Wiebe up against the wall where the 6 foot 1/2 inch Wiebe recovered and, grabbing his assailant by the hair, bent him over a veranda railing.

Wiebe told the court that at that point he was struck from behind on the back of the head by a hard object, causing him to bleed profusely. He said that he backtracked through a doorway into the hall without having seen who had wielded the object.

Trickey, a friend of Wiebe's who has witnessed the entire incident, corroborated the officer's story and also identified Barry as the unseen assailant who, he said, struck Wiebe several times with a beer bottle.

### TRIED TO AVOID IT

Wiebe testified that despite the verbal abuse that Casey had hurled at him that evening he had



It was a seething mass of gardeners on Thursday when Salt Spring Garden Club opened its annual sale. Tony Knight, in left foreground, looks worried about getting out of there.

attempted to avoid a confrontation with the younger, much smaller man.

"Were you looking for trouble that night?" asked Laughton.

"I never look for trouble," replied Wiebe.

Defence counsel Lloyd Johnson had argued unsuccessfully that it was unlikely that the 5 foot 6 inch Casey would launch an unprovoked attack against an off-duty police officer.

# Doug Dane, veteran of two wars, dies in Lady Minto

Veteran of two wars and a first war soldier who fought in Russia, Douglas Alfred Dane died in Lady Minto Hospital on April 16 at the age of 81.

During his long residence on Salt Spring Island, he sailed as Chief Engineer between Fulford and Swartz Bay for many years.

He was also widely known as a trustee of the Gulf Islands School District.

He was a tireless worker for the Fulford community and took part in numerous community projects.

He is survived by his wife, Bessie, at home; a daughter, Elizabeth Tutt in Sardis, B.C., and two grandsons.

He served in both world wars. Last rites were observed on Monday afternoon, April 20, in St. Mary's Anglican Church, at Fulford. Rev. John Bailey officiated and cremation followed.

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For those who want to grow their fruit and vegies, or flowers, in harmony with the forces of nature, and reap the benefits thereof, I can only say, get a good book.

**ASTROLOGICAL GARDENING**  
I cannot advise you, as I have never tried it. But having dabbled

in astrology some time ago, I can tell you what to look for.

As the moon waxes and wanes it also travels through the signs of the zodiac. As far as I remember, it enters a new sign every two and a half days. The most fertile signs are Cancer, Pisces and Scorpio, all water signs, followed by Taurus and Capricorn, both earth signs.

The other earth and water signs affect root and leaf crops in a specific manner, so that root crops would thrive if planted while the moon traverses an earth sign. Fruit crops would be best planted under an air sign, if I remember correctly.

Aries, Gemini, Leo and Virgo are considered barren signs. Nothing should be planted with the moon in those signs. Sanctuary Seeds, 1913 Yew St., Vancouver, makes reference to *The Moon Sign Book* for more complete and detailed information.

In any case, this specific information - 2A - is what to look for. Also check for what area the book is intended. If it is correct for Toronto, let's say, it would be three hours off, as far as we are concerned. The same holds true for moon phase calendars, so there should also be a method for adjustment to various locales.

I would suggest that those interested obtain a book first and try to absorb as much information

as possible. If you have some background knowledge and still have some questions, Mrs. Pat, as she is affectionately known, will gladly share her knowledge, and you can then ask intelligent questions and answers will be more

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meaningful as well.  
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I am well pleased with all the response to this column and deeply grateful to all those who help in so many ways, including *Driftwood*, and also am almost beside myself with the excitement of the things to come.

Mrs. Pat also grows her plants the organic way and takes

advantage of the benefits of companion planting. Companion planting is as old as gardening and our master gardener does it naturally.

The following is a checklist for likes and dislikes, also from Sanctuary Seeds:

- Asparagus likes: tomatoes, parsley, basil.
- Beans like: potatoes, carrots, cucumbers, cauliflower, cabbage, summer savory; dislike: onions, garlic, gladiolus.
- Beets like: onions, kohlrabi; dislike: pole beans.
- Cabbage family likes: potatoes, celery, dill, sage, peppermint, beets, onions, rosemary, chamomile; dislikes: strawberries, tomatoes, pole beans.
- Carrots like: peas, leaf lettuce, chives, onions, leeks, rosemary, sage, tomatoes.
- Celery likes: leeks, tomatoes, bush beans, carrots and cauliflower.
- Chives like carrots; dislike peas and beans.
- Corn likes: potatoes, peas, beans, pumpkin, squash and cucumbers.
- Cucumbers like: beans, corn, peas, radishes and sunflowers; dislike: aromatic herbs, potatoes.
- Leeks like: onions, celery and carrots.
- Lettuce likes: lettuce, carrots,

radishes.

• Onion/garlic like: beets, strawberries, tomatoes, lettuce, summer savory, chamomile; dislike: beans and peas.

• Parsley likes tomatoes and asparagus.

• Potatoes like: beans, corn, cabbage, horseradish, marigold and eggplant; dislike: pumpkins, squash, cucumber, sunflower, tomatoes, raspberries.

• Peas like: carrots, turnips, radishes, corn, beans, cucumber; dislike: onion, garlic, potatoes.

• Pumpkin likes corn; dislikes potatoes.

• Radishes like: peas, lettuce, cucumbers, nasturtiums.

• Spinach likes strawberries.

• Sunflowers like cucumbers; dislike potatoes.

So there we have it. It is so exciting, new discoveries or old rediscoveries, they all point in the same direction: harmony, health, abundance, joy. For if we are in harmony with all life, all these are ours with a deep and all pervading joy as the bonus.

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# LINE CALL!

BY ROZ TRUELOVE



The first tennis tournament of the season will take place (weather permitting) at Portlock Park on Saturday, April 25.

Mix 'n' match will be the order of the day. Players will have partners allocated to them, hopefully in such a way that we can have well-balanced matches.

Please register in advance by calling 537-5334 (days) or 537-2459 (evenings) before 6 pm on Friday. It would be helpful if when you register you would indicate your level of play: beginner, intermediate, or experienced. We know you're erratic...aren't we all! but don't be too modest.

Entry fee (payable at the courts) is \$2 for SSTA members, \$3 for non-members and \$1 for 16-and-under, whether members or not.

By arrangement with the Recreation Commission, court 2 and 3 will be reserved for the tournament. Court 1 will be available for public use as usual.

Starting time 10 am. Please be punctual! Finish time will be dependent on the number of participants but probably around 2 pm.

The treasurer will be available to take membership fees. Last year's have expired! And we would very much like to acquire new members, at all levels.

Tennis Nights will begin early in May - two evenings a week this season - again thanks to the Recreation Commission. Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6 pm until dusk. More on that next week.

## Salt Spring Island Golf

# Fixture cards are ready at clubhouse

In the ladies non-hole section play on April 7, Mary Alice Burford took low gross on number 7, and Millie Harrison low putts. Millie also picked up the Connie Porter trophy with her chip in on number 3.

On April 14, the nine-holers welcomed newcomers Marg Rithaler, and Dorothy Graham.

In the competition for the longest drive on number 7 it was Dodie Dillabough coming out ahead of Jan Flanagan and Dorothy Crofton. One of the players, Mary Clements, drove further, but landed at the number 6 tee, and to prove it was intentional she played adjacent fairways for the next two holes.

In the 18-hole division on the 14, 24 ladies played for the Brooks Cup.

The winner was Lois Popkin-Clurman with net 68. Runner-up was Irene Hawksworth, with net 70.

### PUTT POT

Betty Harrison won the putt pot

with 24 putts.

Over at Colwood Jean Cunningham and Lilian McNulty won their seniors match. Juniors are reminded of the Monday 3 pm tee off time, and also that the ladies are looking for caddies for their Invitational on May 7 and 8.

The men have a sheet on the notice board looking for players to play against Mount Brenton at Salt Spring on Thursday, April 23. If you haven't already seen it and put your name down, you will probably be too late by the time you read this. Now that the golfing season is officially underway it is most important that members take time to scan the notice board each time they visit the club. This will keep you up to date as to coming events you may wish to enter, and also perhaps save you the embarrassment of turning up to play and finding you are excluded because of a scheduled tournament.

### NEW CARDS

In this regard the new Fixture

Cards are now in the clubhouse giving all the official fixtures for 1981. These are free for the asking and every member should avail themselves of the opportunity.

This way they can schedule their days off, or trips off island to accommodate events they wish to take part in. As usual it is interesting to note that on the men's side of the card they use capital letters to help fill up the space, while on the ladies' side, they use the smallest print, fill up the card and spill over to half of the next page. Even at that the men are all through by late August while the ladies carry on until their Fall Luncheon on October 27.

The first mixed two-ball is on Wednesday evening April 29. Check the notice board for starting times. The first tournament for men is the Morris Cup, and Mouat Cup, both played on the same day, May 3.

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# KICK OFF

*There was no kick-off for men's soccer*

**BY MALCOLM LEGG**

A lot of people are probably wondering what happened to our men's tournament last weekend, an event that promised to bring some quality soccer to the island at the men's level of play.

Maybe it was a tournament that was never meant to be, especially when one reflects on the Blues' season, or maybe it was just bad luck. A week ago Sunday, everything was set and all the teams were coming and the Blues had a beer garden planned for Saturday night.

On Tuesday night the tournament suffered two blows as, firstly, the Castaways stated they could not field a team and then we were notified the Calgary coach had resigned from the Blizzard, leaving him with no team.

The Blues hastily reunited a fall-in team in the form of Gordon Head and Duncan and it appeared the tournament could continue, although the format had changed to Sunday only.

Unfortunately, on Wednesday, Gibson's phoned to state that they would not come if the money prize was dropped, which we had done in revamping the event. It was the nail in the coffin and a rather sore one as we felt the sport was played for fun, not money.

In a way the failure of the tournament reflects on the character of men's soccer and certainly applies to the Blues over the season.

**STARTED WELL**

The Blues started the season in good form and appeared to have the potential to be league champions if they were willing to work at it. Up to Christmas the team looked and worked like champions, but after was a different story.

The team's record in the new

year was 4 wins and 5 losses (with two of the wins by default) and was due to a host of reasons. The loss of their coach in early December was a set-back that hurt the team slightly, but the players' attitudes did the real damage. Players started dropping off the team for petty reasons, they failed to show for practices and games for no reasons and showed a lack of co-operative spirit in many games.

As the manager of the team I found it hard to get myself up for games but continued on because a small nucleus of players showed a commitment to the team. These players were Graham Tweedle, Gary Hartwig, Nick Bergnack, Dave Toynbee, Alan Webb, Ron Hatch, John Urchin, Arne Hengstler and myself. These were

the few who put selfishness aside and played for their team and for Salt Spring.

Unfortunately, men's soccer is full of selfish people who think more of themselves than the sport and in truth, I believe it is the sport we are trying to promote.

To that end the Blues will attempt to hold their Eric Springford Challenge Cup this Sunday, April 26 at Portlock Park commencing at 10 am. Our opposition will be provided locally as the youth teams, the Cyclones and Kicks as well as an all-stars team will attempt to take the Cup from us.

We hope to provide islanders with a day of good entertainment and fun and especially a day of good soccer.

## Down the Gutter

With **KEN COLLINS**

Looks like everybody is saving for the various roll-offs, because this past week did not produce many high scores of note.

We had Carol Kaye, 707; Terry Jenkins, 730-731-764; Denis Corcoran, 705; and this writer with 850 and 807.

We had 300 games coming from Terry Jenkins, 331; Denis Corcoran, 308; Gene Graham, 329 and, finally, this writer with two games of 303.

The bowlers of the week were, for the ladies, Carol Kaye and, for the men, it was this writer. For the Golden Agers it was the husband and wife duo of Bill and Gladys Harper.

Dave Calver who used to own Leisure Lanes has now, in partnership with another person, purchased the bowling alley in Chemainus. He tells me that he looks forward to any of his old

friends dropping in for a chat.

In case anyone is interested in my battle of the bulge I have now lost a total of 36 pounds, to date. My weight is now 148 pounds, and my waist has gone to 32, from the 40 which it was when I started out ten weeks ago. It just goes to prove you can do anything you want to if you really set your mind to it.

**BOWLING TIP OF THE WEEK**

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## Riding club marks 10th birthday

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The club has expressed its thanks to Claus Andress for the films, and to Mrs. Louise Harkema for her attendance, and words of encouragement for the future of the riding club.

At this time of the year the riding club is ready and anxious to prepare its plans and to include anyone with equine interests in the coming activities.

On the weekend of April 25 and 26 the first clinic, under the guidance of Mrs. Ann Caldwell, will be held at Ganges and Fulford rings. Further information on this is available at 537-2950.

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**SOCCER:**

**Eric Springford Challenge Cup:** Sunday, April 25, 10 am, Portlock Park. The Salt Spring Blues defend their Cup against challenges from Salt Spring Cyclones, Salt Spring Kicks, and the Odd-Sorts. Concession available - come and cheer on your team.

**S.S.I.Y.S.A. Soccer Banquet:** Friday, May 1, 1981, 6:30 pm, Gulf Islands Secondary School Gymnasium. *Please note:* players have free entry if they hand in their full uniforms.

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All interested persons are invited to attend the meetings scheduled as follows:

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May 12, 1981	Prince Rupert	7:30 p.m.	Rupert Hotel 2nd Ave. and 6th Street

*A wonderful show!*

# Michael Hayes, dairyman, was Saturna teacher

BY PRISCILLA JANSZEN

**Audience impact**

My young daughter and I went to see *Fiddler on the Roof*, presented in Ganges. We were carried away by the play and yet most deeply within ourselves.

The dancing, singing, sets, costumes and orchestra; the cohesive vehicle of the play left me astounded by human talent and creativeness.

The words and lyrics and figures of speech and mind acted before me let me watch "us," "we," "you," "them," "me" mingle and change.

It is rare to be able to step out of life, have no impact or input, and see and watch familiar lives.

Of course, we cried and laughed and nodded our heads, like children seeing themselves in a mirror. I thought to be so entertained and touched you had to step out of your community, out of your familiar life, but apparently not. Please be proud of yourselves, each of you. We two people were given something very valuable.

A parent's meeting will be on April 27 at the school. Call the school if you have any items you would like on the agenda.

Sam Perimari, Kathy, Walter Ratzlaff and Stella Counts spent Wednesday cataloguing fiction books. They aren't three-quarters of the way through, yet.

**Birthdays!** Happy Birthday! April is a month full of birthdays. Special kids born this month are Michael Fisker on the 1st; Richard Bertram and Scott Stewart on the 4th; Christine Fisker and K.J. Piper on the 7th and Dougie Money on the 26th.

Sports Day is the 29th of May.

**Of note**

• Church is every 3rd Sunday of the month at 2:15 pm.

• Children's health clinic. Beverley Rees will make two more visits, May 1 and June 5, before the summer holidays. If you need her skills after this, phone the clinic on Mayne Island and she will be happy to help. Beverley comes to the school regularly for sight and hearing tests and the children enjoy her visits. Visits at the health clinic, 12:30 to 1:30 — first Friday of the month.

• April 18 is the bake sale and tea — a splendid jaunt for your guests! Be thinking of any delicious delights you might like to donate to the sale. The time is 3:00 pm at the hall. A fancy crocheted rabbit is being raffled.

**Us**

At the senior citizen's housing everyone was out landscaping Thursday. Ernie Atkinson, Mrs. and Mr. Hobbs, John Sylvester and Marjorie and Walter Ratzlaff live in the new apartments. They say they don't have a name for their homes, collectively. Any suggestions? Put them in at Lawson's!

Sandra, Sam, Shelly Crooks and Marie McMahon's two eldest

grandsons left Wednesday for Huntington Beach, California, for two weeks. They are staying with Sandy and Dave Obade.

Michael and Maggie Hayes hosted the entire Crooks family (who came by boat), Taimi Hindmarch and Michael's sister and brother at a fantastic brunch. Then they all set off to see Michael and Caitlin in *Fiddler on the Roof*.

Elizabeth Bray brought over her friend, Donald McCloud to teach her "Mum's Class" (Lizism). What a treat to be well prepared by Elizabeth and able to enjoy and benefit from the teaching of another dancer who loves his art.

Dory and her son, Joseph, came to visit Marjorie and Walter Ratzlaff. A daughter and her son — very special to her family.

Bob Hindmarch spent last week helping Gladys giving fatherly help and fixing things. Gladys is recovering from an operation.

Peggy and Alex Mitchell went to Victoria to visit their daughter Margo, and her husband George Edwards. They have three grandchildren.

Son and Li-En and David and Fong have moved to Nanaimo and are living in an apartment. Li-En has a job working in a restaurant. Son will come back and visit, he misses Saturna.

Nettie Hamilton bought a new car. She and Ray Daly drove the old one in and came back with a 1980 Le Baron: good for the spirits!

Carol, Per, Christine and Michael Fisker are expecting Per's mother to visit from Denmark May 5. Mrs. Fisker doesn't speak English but is an outstanding grandmother - all in Danish!

Debbie and Michael Graham spent several days in Nanaimo painting and scraping on their boat, while a shipwright worked on the planking in the hull.

About out post office rating evaluation - as they will mail the results to Ottawa, and the reply will be mailed back, it will take three months.

This may be due to the deliberation involved or the time in transit. If we never hear, it's because service has been cancelled.

Mayne Island Fire Department donated six sets of boots, coats and hats to our fire department. People are certainly responding generously.

Nan Campbell has been home. She now lives in Virginia Beach, Virginia. What a contrast in cultures!

Melanie and John Gaines and Ingrid and Ian flew to Kelsey Bay to visit friends and relatives.

Stella Counts visited her daughter and family in Surrey. Happily, she returned with a granddaughter in hand, for a holiday.

Albertain Morten McGinness, Marjorie Davidson's brother and

his wife visited the Davidsons last weekend along with cousins from Ontario. Marjorie and her family enjoyed hearing details about their ancestors who settled in Pictou, Nova Scotia in 1802.

John Fryer and Jeannie Crerar and Andrew, their son, are here on Saturna, at their home.

The Lions Club has given the choir \$100 for music. Now Walter Ratzlaff can stop spending his loose coins on the choir! Thank you, Saturna Lions, it feels good to have support!

The bake sale was magnificent. Tracy Pillsbury wants to thank all of us generous islanders for our time and effort! Lou Money won the Easter bunny.

St. Mary's choir sang beautifully at the church service. Saturna's choir sang back to them, later, at tea. Lou Money, Evelyn Saunders and Evelyn Steeves made the arrangements, flower, tea and church!

**Of note**

• May 1 is charter night for the Lions. They will have a dinner at the Community Hall.

• April 27, at Lil Cunninghams, a meeting of the weight control group will be held. Go to the mail and drop by at 1:30 pm. Lots of advice, shared experience and encouragement!

• Sunday, May 3, a talk will be given at the Community Hall, "Remittance men and genteel immigrants from the United Kingdom". What a title! The Historical Society has made the arrangements.

**Peanut Butter/Jam**

Before Christmas Saturna School went to the provincial museum. The children chose to

write and illustrate a report on the field trip rather than do individual essays. The Historical Society has held a contest for years for students of all the Outer Gulf Islands. Susan Wagner, a Vancouver teacher, evaluated the children's reports. She had this to say, "I have no hesitation in recommending that the school receive the Historical Society's award. The

obvious enthusiasm of the children's writing and pictures from kindergarten to grade 7 indicated their field trip was an outstanding success." Mrs. Ratzlaff will present the \$50 prize to the whole school; perhaps to put towards another field trip. Well done! And thank you, Historical Society members.

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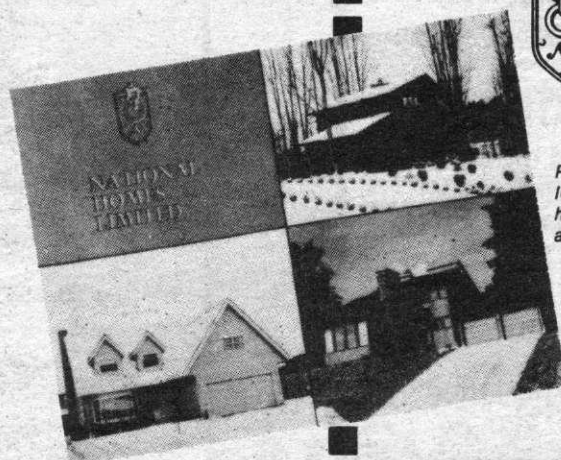


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