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17 candidates vie for eight seats

Saturday is the day of decision. On Saturday the islands will go to the polls to elect four new school trustees to the board of Gulf Islands School District.

Ten candidates are competing for the four seats.

One seat is vacant at Galiano and two are vying for the vacancy as Jim Ripley, Galiano postmaster, has retired from education affairs.

Two contestants are Michael Hoebel and Andrew Loveridge.

Only two islands head into a school board election. In addition to the two candidates at Galiano, there are eight seeking three seats on Salt Spring Island.

TWO BALLOTS

Two incumbents, Charles Baltzer and Bert Beitel, are seeking to retain their seats on the board. Seeking to unseat them are David Eyles, Judith Ripley and Yvette Valcourt.

Also on Salt Spring is the election and second ballot for one trustee to complete the remaining year of Strickland Aust's term. Chairman of the board, Aust resigned recently and announced that he would not seek to serve again.

Seeking that remaining year of his term are Patrick Baines, Robin Cherney and Ron McQuiggan.

Only islands facing an election for Islands Trust are the Penders. While Islands Trust candidates in the remainder of the Gulf Islands were elected without an election, on the two Penders nobody was named to the Trust by acclamation.

Development rejected

After a bitter attack on the community plan by regional director Yvette Valcourt, Salt Spring Island Trust Committee on Tuesday afternoon rejected the Windmill Farms plan for a small shopping mall on Lower Ganges Road.

The committee also urged the next committee to re-open the community plan and amend it where the community should see fit.

The Ganges plan was devised by a representation from the core community for its own benefit, charged Valcourt.

Committee rejected the proposal as contributing to strip development.

The Advisory Planning Commission approved the proposal last week. Details - Page Thirty-Two.

On North Pender, Gordon Wallace and Emil LeBlanc will battle with Robert Brand and Albert Campbell to hold their seats.

On South Pender three candidates are vying for two seats.

Joan Noble has withdrawn from public affairs. Incumbent Bill Norton is seeking a seat, with competition from Stephen Wright and David Spalding.

Referendum will be presented on Galiano inviting voters to support the loan of \$30,000 towards the purchase of a new fire truck. The loan would be over a five year period.



Driftwood photos by Frank Richards

Three straw votes to be presented

Three straw votes are to be presented to voters on Salt Spring Island on Saturday.

All three will be taken within close proximity of the official polling booths. None has any official status, but they are being taken for public guidance.

Salt Spring Island voters, as well as those on Pender and Galiano, will be asked whether they favour the Canadian government's striving to eliminate nuclear warfare.

Residents of Mayne Island will be able to express an opinion on the nuclear subject through a petition which is being circulated at various public events on that island.

A petition is also being circulated on Galiano Island in conjunction with the straw vote to be held on civic election day.

The vote was destined originally to be presented at the regional polls, but the directors of the regional board ruled that islanders shall not be permitted to vote on the matter. In the absence of a formal, official referendum, the sponsors of the vote will invite islanders to take part in the straw vote on the same subject.

On Salt Spring Island, voters will be presented with the opportunity to express an opinion on the future of the Farmers' Market at Centennial Park.

FUTURE OF MARKET

Should the market continue as before? Or should it be restricted to specific merchandise and should it move to Rainbow Road and permit the Centennial Park area to revert to its original Saturday morning role of parking spaces?

Voters have the choice.

Third ballot on the straw vote invites the people of Salt Spring Island to express their opinions on the Islands Trust.

Voters will be asked whether they favour an investigation of incorporation of the "Islands Trust Act and the powers of a Regional District within the Islands Trust area or parts thereof."

This vote on the Trust has been sponsored by regional director Yvette Valcourt on the heels of the former municipal affairs minister's proposal to eliminate the Islands Trust.

Voters are advised that the vote merely seeks permission to explore the options.

The straw votes will be taken at unofficial polls in the vicinity of the polling stations on Saturday. The vote is voluntary and any person who wishes to take no part in any or all of the straw votes offered is at liberty to steer clear of the extra vote.

RESULTS PASSED ON

The results will be submitted to the region or the ministry of municipal affairs or to the federal government at the conclusion of voting.

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We will remember them

There were youngsters and there were veterans at the Centennial Park last week. The top picture shows part of the crowd of several hundred taking part in

Remembrance Day ceremonies. In the lower picture two veterans, Pat Walsh and Ivan Mouat, are laying wreaths on the cenotaph.

Coroner recommends cycle paths

The coroner's report on the death of a bicyclist on Galiano Island last July made four recommendations aimed at increased safety for bicyclists.

Pauline Rimmer of Vancouver was struck while riding her bicycle on Porlier Pass Road. The accident occurred at a blind spot in the road where a dip in the pavement restricts vision. No charges were laid at the time by RCMP and the coroner's report did not recommend any charges being laid.

The department of highways crews have since put a warning sign

in place.

Coroner Hugh Ross of Ganges recommended that the department of highways and the provincial government's tourism department consider constructing bicycle paths, particularly along the roads leading to ferry terminals.

B.C. Ferry Corporation was advised to keep bicyclists on the ferries until all vehicles have cleared the ramps. The recommendation mentioned specifically the summer months when bicycle traffic is heaviest.

Each ferry stopping at a Gulf Island should display a sign

containing a warning to cyclists that island roads are narrow and winding, requiring care to negotiate safely.

The final recommendation was to the RCMP with a request that the police perform periodic checks, especially during heavy traffic periods, to ensure that the bicyclists have not overloaded either themselves or their bicycles. The RCMP should also ensure that young cyclists are adequately supervised and sufficient control over them would be exercised while they are using island roads.

Farmers' Market

Opinion poll on Saturday to set the way

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BY FRANK RICHARDS
 Salt Spring Islanders will enjoy the opportunity of deciding the fate of the Farmers' Market in Ganges when the straw vote is called on Saturday.

The Farmers' Market has operated throughout the summer in the Centennial Park car parking area for the past decade.

During the growing season the market presented an opportunity for local farmers and gardeners to sell their surplus produce. It also offered local craftsmen and artists a steady market for their works.

In the course of the years it has attracted vendors from off-island, selling used articles and tourist novelties as well as fruit and vegetables grown elsewhere in British Columbia.

ALIENATION

The expansion of the market into general merchandizing has alienated some local merchants. They face all the costs of operating a downtown business, licence and other obligations to be privileged to compete with transients, whose costs are minimal and who are readily able to withdraw from the

island economy if the profits are too low, they contend.

The introduction of outside novelty vendors has alienated those residents who object to the sale of goods which offer no appeal to the critics. It has put off local producers who are not prepared to compete for space with outside merchandisers to whom an overnight stay in anticipation of Saturday morning's patrons is negligible. Island vendors of fruit, vegetables and crafts must be in place in the early hours of the morning to be sure of finding space in the market.

Many local vendors resent the suggestion of any form of regimentation and have withdrawn from the competition for limited space.

SOCIAL CENTRE

To many Salt Spring Island residents the Farmers' Market is a meeting place. They go to make purchases of local produce and to meet their friends and neighbours. The social aspect of the market has run closely parallel to the appeal of buying local produce.

It has been charged that, as the local producers give up competing for the limited sales space, many island residents have given up patronizing the market.

On the other side of the market coin is the basic economic fact that if visiting vendors were not satisfied with the patronage they find on the island they would not continue to visit here.

Voters will be asked to make a number of decisions. They must decide what they seek from the Farmers' Market. Are they looking for a social gathering in the world of merchandizing? Do Salt Spring Islanders enjoy the almost unique facilities of the market in offering a place to buy, a place to meet and an attractive Saturday morning rendezvous?

Would Salt Spring Island people welcome a provision whereby produce was offered for sale without the offering of tourist commodities and used goods?

The sale of used goods has led to some criticism. The character of a flea market does not appeal to all patrons. The balloting on Saturday will provide a forum where islanders will be able to tell the sponsors just how they feel over it.

What are we looking for? The market could be closed, period. No more produce, no more crafts, nothing would be sold in the park on Saturday mornings. That would be that.

The market could be retained for local produce, local crafts and nothing else. It is possible that such a program would be difficult to legislate and impossible to enforce.

MARKET MOVED

The market could be moved to another site, such as the Farmers' Institute property where the Salt Spring Island Fall Fair was staged. On private property the sponsors of the market would enjoy the privilege of deciding who might take part and who might be excluded.

Or tighter controls could be exerted on the users of the present Farmers' Market. Vendors could be limited to specific areas and size of sales outlet in order to accommodate more people than are at present taking part.

Some changes have been attempted, without marked success.

Do Salt Spring Island residents want the market like it is? Or would they like it more tightly controlled? Or would they like it moved to the Farmers' Institute on Rainbow Road?

The straw vote is called to settle these questions: and any more that might yet arise.

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Three votes

From Page One

The nuclear vote follows the frustrated hopes of the sponsors in the islands. The Islands Trust vote is an answer to the minister of municipal affairs and it is hoped that he will in future be guided by the expressed wish of islanders.

Counting the nuclear referendum votes on Salt Spring will be Wilf Peck. Clifford Coolidge will add the totals on Galiano while Dr. Al Vey and Gordon Dickin are to count on Pender Islands.

The future of the Farmers' Market will hinge, to some degree, on the results of the voluntary polls on Saturday.

None will bind any level of government to take any specific action. Each will serve the various governments as a guide to public opinion on a number of controversial issues.

A straw vote on the nuclear referendum was held at the Gulf Islands Secondary School. The students, more than 250 of them, voted 90% in favour of the call to end nuclear armaments.

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*Who served coffee
30 years ago?*

"Sounds like my Dad," said Heather McManus. But it didn't to me. I was looking back to the day when I came to Salt Spring Island from Sidney with the publisher of the *Sidney Review*, Clair Rivers and Jim Cumming, who is at present serving as North Saanich director on the Capital Regional Board. We came to pick up a piano. I think the vendor was a Capt. Blackburn. It was a Sunday and we arrived at the Blackburn home before the household had risen. I recall a head appearing at a window and I remember sitting in the living room while a cloud of smoke descended on us. The toaster was on the fritz. The piano was a square grand and we loaded it on to the Cumming truck, a 1947 Studebaker. At Fulford we went for a coffee at what is now Nan's. The officer in charge of coffee wore an air force jacket with no badges or buttons. He was, as I recall him, elderly. But I was 30 years younger and the effect of his years might have been exaggerated. As I see him, he was grey with not a thick layer of hair and about 60. I thought about what Heather had said and I would figure it would more likely be her grandfather. I am sure it wasn't Alex McManus.

*Those three
turkeys are done*

Les Ramsey came back to report that he had shot three turkeys. He didn't mention who they were. Les acquired the privilege of shooting wild turkeys when it was offered at the recent Ducks Unlimited dinner. He's looking for a few wild hams right now and he'll be all set for the Lions ham and turkey bingo.

*Here's that man
again from Victoria*

Jack Lamb is nothing if not consistent. The former Salt Spring Island resident was at the Centennial Park on Thursday for Remembrance Day. One of the hardest-working members of the Royal Canadian Legion for many years, he and Kitty moved into Victoria when they felt they had to. I don't think he's missed a Legion event since he went away.

He was already better

Donald and Nan New were in the office a week or so ago and they were talking of having called on George Pearkes in Victoria. They had enjoyed a chat with their old friend, who was not receiving many visitors. The News then entered a debate on various ages. I suggested that the former Lieutenant-Governor and erstwhile minister of national defence must be somewhat older than some veterans because he served with distinction in the first war. Donald had also served in that war, he reminded me. All three have long memories of long ago. Within a few days of their visit came the announcement that Major-General George Pearkes, had been a patient in Victoria General Hospital and was showing signs of improvement. Few retired members of parliament or retired generals or retired Lieutenant-Governors could enjoy the affection of the islanders more widely than George R. Pearkes, V.C.

*Walter wrote for
30 years and more*

Thinking of veterans and long memories puts me in mind of the late Walter Hunt-Sowrey. The Man of Mayne was never more active than in November. For 30 years and more, at Sidney and at Ganges I went through Walter's submissions on the ceremonies on the Outer Islands. I recall the excitement of the lych-gate at the church of St. Mary Magdalen and I remember the annual reference in his reports to the "rations" provided by the ladies. Remembrance Day seems to lack something now he's gone. You bet he'd be twinkling in both his British eyes if he knew we missed his lengthy reminiscences.

*It's the writing,
not the words*

The post office reports that if a letter is addressed to a foreign country it may be returned to the sender if the address is only in the language of its destination. The announcement, I think, means that the address must be in the local alphabet. A letter to Russia might prove incomprehensible to the postal clerk who speaks no Russian. It could end up in Greece. But I would not expect a letter to be returned to me because it was addressed to M. Dupois, Rue St. Germain, Paris, instead of Mr. Peas, Saint Germain St., Paris. In fact I'd be incensed, which is a disease of the aging.

*He lent his car
and faces prison*

It's funny, the things you learn, reading. An American car owner was having a drink with a pal. The pal was 20 years old and needed a car, so he borrowed the other man's power buggy. Within minutes he had been involved in an accident and killed two youngsters. The owner of the car is now indicted for negligent homicide and faces a sentence of 3½ to seven years in jail. His crime? Lending his car to a man who had been drinking.



Island Secondary students have concluded taping of show on nuclear disarmament to be shown

Sunday on BCTV. From left they are: George Woernle, Jenny McClean, guest Andy Orkin, Rob

Beardsell, Angela Taylor and Bruce Kirkpatrick of BCTV.

*Students
appear
on BCTV*

BY DAVID FORESTER
On November 8, seven Gulf Islands Secondary School students concluded a series of meetings by travelling to Victoria to tape a show on nuclear disarmament at BCTV's studios. Appearing on the show with guest Andy Orkin are Rob Beardsell, Angela Taylor and George Woernle, all Grade 12 students, and Jenny McClean, in Grade 9.

The island group tried to break the usual format of the show which has the students pose a series of questions to a knowledgeable guest.

In this show, the guest sounds out the students for their feelings and opinions on the frightening build-up of nuclear weapons in the world.

Robert Beardsell comments on the moral aspects of nuclear weapons; Angela Taylor speaks about the human costs, especially in developing countries, because of the exorbitant amounts of money spent on arms; George Woernle, recently from Germany, comments on the differences between his experience in Germany and Canada with young people's concerns over the nuclear threat; and Jenny McClean speaks about some of the political reasons for the current escalation in nuclear armaments.


The program will be aired on Channel 6 at 1 pm on Sunday, Nov. 21 (unless pre-empted for football playoffs). Watch the show, but, more important, take a stand against the greatest threat to our world today!

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1982

Saturday's elections

The pattern of voting in the islands has changed this year on most of the islands. The election of local trustees to the Islands Trust from Salt Spring, Saturna, Mayne and Galiano Islands by acclamation has left only the Pender Islands with a vote on the Trust.

And, similarly, the naming of a trustee for the Penders on the Gulf Islands School Board has resulted in a school election on only two islands, Salt Spring and Galiano.

An additional referendum on Galiano, in respect of fire protection, completes the list. Islanders will be invited to approve the borrowing of \$30,000 to acquire a new fire truck.

While the conventional election is unusually small in its scope, an unofficial balloting by straw vote or an opinion poll is being presented on three islands. This vote has no connection with the municipal or school district elections. It is a voluntary vote whereby it is hoped to gain an insight into popular opinion on various matters.

The islands had planned a referendum on nuclear disarmament, but the regional board declined to present it. This referendum will be offered at the voluntary opinion poll. On Salt Spring Island the straw vote will be taken in premises near the official voting stations. Voters are not required to participate, but their cooperation will be appreciated by the sponsors of the poll.

Voters will be invited to take part in the straw vote and decide whether they favour the retention of the Farmers' Market in its present location or whether it should be relocated. They will also be invited to express an opinion on the manner in which it is administered.

The Farmers' Market has been under criticism from various directions for many years. In the past the island community has made it very clear that it was a part of the community and that it was valued as such. Patrons also demanded that it be retained where it is.

The changing character of the market has given rise to the call for a further examination.

The final straw vote on Salt Spring calls for a look at the Islands Trust. Voters will be invited to say whether they favour the "investigation of the possibility of incorporating the Island Trust Act and the powers of a regional district within the Islands Trust area or parts thereof."

It follows the past year's uncertainty in respect of the Islands Trust, and the decision of the Trust to take no further action into seeking alternative methods of administering the Trust area.

The official voting, under the Municipal Act, is binding on those taking part and on the islands communities.

The straw vote is a voluntary offering of opinion and is binding on neither sponsor nor participant. It will, nevertheless, produce some interesting results.

School districts

Municipal Affairs Minister Bill Vander Zalm has come up with a new saver. Amalgamate school districts, he suggests. And Gulf Islands School District is cited as a mini-district with no obvious right to life.

So it's chopped. What do we gain?

Three senior employees might be laid off and, perhaps, five in junior appointments. Suppose the economy is \$275,000 a year. But someone must do the job and part of the salaries will be debited to the district. So the district still has to pay about half of that figure, at least.

And there's a big bill for transportation. But the present office accommodation could be set aside.

Divide the savings among all islanders and the tax saving won't buy the average man a new shirt a year. Unless he is trying to live awfully cheap.

Let's not, Mr. Minister!



Bill Webster

Situation requires new approach

The issue of nuclear disarmament is motherhood, claim cynics who cast aspersions on the efforts of those who seek public opinion.

Certainly, the issue is motherhood. But so is peace of mind. So is life to be lived without the dark threat of a mushroom cloud hovering on the horizon.

The same cynics claim that municipal elections are not the vehicle for the expression of public opinion on the subject. Come the bombs, and municipalities will be the beneficiaries of the megaton destructive power.

Do we, the common folk, not have a say on whether the world goes boom like an obscene firecracker?

Apparently not, if we live in the Gulf Islands.

When one checks what is involved with the two powers, the USSR and the USA, the discovery elicits nervous tremors. According to the World Armaments and Disarmament 1982 Yearbook published by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, the two sides have possession of the following:

The USSR has a total of 7,000 warheads on bombers and missiles while the USA possesses 9,000 of the same.

That, dear friend, is a lot of killing power.

Consider that warheads today run to many times the destructive power of the bomb dropped on Hiroshima. That goody contained the equivalent of 12-15,000 tonnes of

trinitrotoluene (TNT).

A politician once said that war was too important to be left to the hands of the generals. Today the paraphrase should be that nuclear war is too important to be left to both politicians and generals.

The cowboy who fell off his horse and landed in the White House said, in May this year, during a speech in Illinois, that he favoured a ceiling of 850 long-range missiles capable of carrying no more than 5,000 nuclear warheads.

The counter-proposal from the other side came in August. They were willing to loosen up a bit and allow each side to toy with 1,800 long-range missiles and bombers.

Meanwhile, we the common folk should bask in the warmth of such thinking. Imagine, they can only kill us umteen times over and not many umteen times.

Listen to the phrases used to describe these things.

Multiple Independently Targetable Re-Entry Vehicle, commonly known as MIRV. Mutual Assured Destruction or MAD.

That last is appropriate. The entire idea of nuclear stockpiles is MAD.

The MAD concept involves "reciprocal deterrence which rests on the ability of the nuclear weapon powers to inflict intolerable damage on one another after surviving a nuclear first strike."

But perhaps the crowning achievement of the race for more space to store nuclear

weapons was the breakthrough in finding the neutron bomb.

This gem can be used as a battlefield weapon. It is labelled as an enhanced radiation weapon.

What that means is that it kills people but inflicts little damage on buildings and such. The only wrinkle they haven't worked out is that the radiation given off by this dirty little bomb is equal to the emissions from a much larger device.

The people are dead, the buildings are relatively unharmed but time must pass before anyone can enter the zone.

Which brings us back to the twilight zone created by the deep thinkers at the Capital Regional District.

Islanders won't have a regular referendum on nuclear disarmament. Those deep thinkers thought deeply and said no, but for very shallow reasons.

The results are a series of straw votes conducted by concerned people. The ballots will be offered near each polling station. Residents on a couple of the islands have had to settle for petitions.

The situation in the world, on both sides of the fabled Iron Curtain, calls for new, imaginative approaches to the problems confronting both sides. The solution must also involve the third world.

Will a yes vote do any good? Will anybody listen to the voice of the people?

Who knows. But we can find out.

Letters to the Editor

Vote on facts, not fiction

Sir,
The Board of School Trustees has instructed me to publish a report to set straight some statements that are being made during the election campaign.

It is our hope that all who have the right to vote will do so, but we are concerned that they vote on the facts, not fiction.

Some candidates have indicated that if elected, they would work to change the site of the Fulford school, and that this could be accomplished in "a few months".

I would remind voters that the decision to build Fulford school was made during the chairmanship of Ivan Mouat, 2½ years ago, and that it has taken that length of time to get to the point we are at now. The funds have been approved by the ministry to build the designed school on the approved site, and if we change the site now, we will have to start this process all over again.

As well, the new minister of education has made it clear to all boards that any capital projects which are not kept on schedule will lose their funding approval, and will have to be re-applied for under the existing restraint program.

Many statements have been made during the election regarding such items as the awnings at Salt Spring Elementary, the proposed change in traffic flow and parking facilities at the Ganges complex, etc.

Some candidates have indicated that if elected, they would insure that these monies would be spent on such things as aides and

Auction to pay for vote

Sir,
May I use some space to thank everyone who made the Atomic Auction so successful and such fun? This means all the people who donated the wonderful variety of items and services, the treasurer, Ron Irvine, the auctioneers, Linda Hoover, Ray Simard and Michael Hayes, and everybody who came and bid.

The auction raised the astonishing sum of \$1,120!! This will pay for Salt Spring's vote on nuclear disarmament — haw haw on the CRD who tried to shut us up and stop islanders from having a vote!

Albert Einstein said, "The splitting of the atom has changed everything, save our modes of thinking, and thus we drift toward unparalleled catastrophe".

We hope that our auction has helped in its little way to halt that drift.

MARALYN HORSDAL,
Fulford Harbour,
November 14, 1982.

programs, rather than "non-people" items. The district has an operating budget, which is the money used to operate the district from year to year.

This is the budget we use to pay salaries, heat and maintain our facilities, operate our buses, etc. As well, the district has a capital budget, which is the money used to build capital projects, Fulford school, awnings at Salt Spring Elementary, new traffic flow and parking facilities at Ganges, new carpets, renovations to facilities, etc.

The difference between these two budgets is that your local board sets the operating budget, but the minister of education sets the capital budget. Monies cannot be transferred from one budget to the other.

If we do not do an approved capital project, we lose the approved funds, we cannot use them in a different manner, or for a different reason.

The other major difference between the two is that funds for the operating budget are raised through local taxation, whereas funds for the capital budget are raised through a grant from the government (50%) and the sale of debentures (50%).

On November 20, please exercise your right to vote, as this is the way you have of deciding the future of this district.

R.S. AUST,
Chairman, Board of School Trustees,
School District 64,
November 15, 1982.

Children used in dispute

Sir,
Pardon me for sitting on the fence in this educational dispute that has been raging recently, but both sides look unappetizing to me. They should both excuse themselves from the educational table and carry out their battle in the backyard where it belongs.

The two sides (which is not the teachers and the government, but the NDP and the Socreds) will both use racy advertisements, slick promotions, propaganda, and dishonest news releases. Worst of all though, they both think nothing of using the children of B.C. as their battleground.

A case in point: a Prince George teacher has a 13-year-old girl write a letter which the minister of education makes a public issue over this child's lack of writing skills. Don't forget the news media's part in this sad affair: they printed the whole thing on the front page.

If I was the parent of that child, I would sue everyone involved over the affect on her young mind.

The issue at stake is a hundred times more important than the contestants in the battle. (There shouldn't be a battle). We are the common people. We don't have royal blood flowing in our veins and we are not born millionaires. Our educational system is what we look towards to produce exceptional people, such as Gordon Lightfoot, Lester B. Pearson, and Guy Lafleur.

Just as importantly, though, our schools produce the millions of

normal, happy, and healthy citizens that are the main ingredient of society. Education is our societal future, and it's being tampered with.

In recent times we have seen so many custody battles for children. A couple that is splitting up will fight tooth and nail to "own" the children of their ill-fated relationship. It never looks like they love their children, but they are desperate to possess them. The children become battlefields and marital (or whatever) skirmishes are carried on in the young minds.

Too bad there wasn't a grandma to send the schools off to, while Billy Social and David Democrat slugged it out, battle royal, with each other.

GARY J. CHANDLER,
Box 64,
Fulford Harbour,
November 13, 1982.

Students favour disarmament

Sir,
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MARY C. WILLIAMSON,
R.R.1 Ganges,
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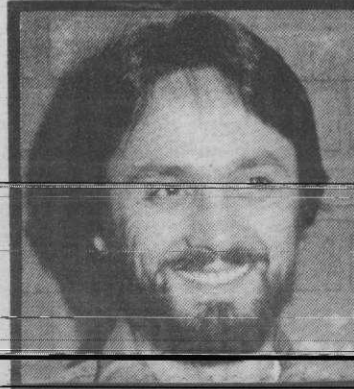
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It was with satisfaction that I found that meetings have been held over a period of about two years with the owner of one of the most important and significant watershed properties.

The purpose of these meetings has been to reach an agreement

with him for the exchange of that property for Crown property of equal value in a less sensitive area.

This agreement was reached many months ago. Unfortunately a final settlement with the B.C. government is still outstanding.

I understand our MLA, Hugh Curtis, is in full support of such an exchange and is working on the matter.

However, I am unable to determine what progress has been made. But I am attempting to do so and I ask other concerned users to join me.

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BY PETER PENTZ

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The next step in the arms race was made possible by the development, first in the U.S. and some years later in the USSR, of smaller, more accurate nuclear missiles. These led in turn to the policy of limited nuclear war fighting in which the U.S. would respond to what it regarded as Soviet aggression, e.g. in Berlin or Hungary or Poland, by a nuclear attack, on selected targets other than major cities. If the Soviet Union responded in kind, the U.S. would launch a second, more dangerous blow; and so on, until the Soviets — so ran the theory — called Halt! Enough! Nominally, this is U.S. policy today.

In fact there is no certainty that the Russians would regard the equivalent of say, 10 Hiroshimas on their soil as a sort of token blow, a mere warning. Even the strategic planners in the U.S. now feel little confidence in the realism of this notion of "graduated response", with each side respecting the same rules, as in the jousting of medieval knights in armour.

Hence the apparent logic of the next step: if the only way we can actually use our 50,000 nuclear warheads, and still be alive to profit from it, is to launch them first in a surprise attack, leaving our opponents totally unable to hit back, let us aim for that. The alternative is disarmament, at least to the level where we retain only enough missiles safely

hidden in a few submarines, and armed with warheads capable only of destroying cities in reprisal, not silos in a first strike.

That might work — but it would be fiercely opposed by the military establishment, as President Carter found when he urged it upon his chiefs of staff.

The Soviet Union has doggedly copied each new advance in U.S. weaponry. How far has it got toward a theoretical first-strike capability? In 1979 it had some 35% of such capacity. By the mid-80's it is expected to have perhaps 60% — far too little to be usable, when even 97%, as we have seen, could mean more than 10,000 Hiroshimas in the USSR.

It is notable that Soviet military strategists deny the possibility that *either side* can ever eliminate reprisals. The first-strike theory is an illusion, they say. Is it? And even if, on the contrary, the U.S. could really achieve the capability, is it credible that the American people would permit its use? Have ethics no relevance at all?

Expert opinion is sharply divided on the chances of U.S. first-strike dominance. Some consider it would be insane to count on near-perfect success in the almost simultaneous launching of perhaps 20,000 individually-targeted nuclear warheads from bases in many countries and from submarines at sea.

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suicidal, pre-emptive attack by the Soviet Union, in fearful anticipation of an impending first strike by the U.S. And the U.S., in the possibly mistaken belief that such a Soviet pre-emptive blow was imminent, might in turn be tempted to launch its all-out first-strike prematurely.

The complications and the dangers are clearly immense, even if we assume a degree of rational behaviour and effective, responsible control on both sides. When we add the possibility of an electronic error releasing a holocaust of destruction simultaneously from both sides with their jittery hair-trigger launching arrangements, it seems plain that this would be the final stage of the arms race — and the end of civilization.

If the odds are against a "successful" first strike (by either super-power) for these practical reasons, there is little to be gained by arguing about the morality of vapourizing, blasting or burning some tens of millions of Russians (or Americans or whatever) without warning for the sake of world peace, security, free enterprise, socialism or any other slogan.

Maybe the feverish efforts to accumulate the special weaponry demanded by a first-strike policy, despite the horrendous dangers this build-up entails, can be explained differently.

The key to understanding U.S. policy, it appears, is the realization of an elementary fact: there is no such thing as a coherent, rational U.S. policy.

Weapons are produced, not to meet a strategic need but simply because they can be; the organization exists for devising, constructing and deploying new weapons, more sophisticated, more accurate weapons, nuclear war-fighting weapons; and it is this organization of military scientists, weapons engineers,

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Presidents and their political advisers merely formulate appropriate slogans and "policies" to justify the new armaments — and persuade the public to be parted patriotically from their money so that the latest unusable contraptions can be paid for. No president, no secretary for defence has been powerful enough to oppose effectively the beguilingly simple proposition that nuclear weapons are A Good Thing (in our hands, of course, not in "theirs", and its equally simple corollary: You Can't Have Too Much Of A Good Thing!

Where does this leave us? Whatever explanation we care to accept for the daily increase in the nuclear arsenals, some conclusions seem unavoidable: Nuclear weapons *protect* nothing and nobody, because the penalty for using them is the destruction of the user, along with his enemy.

"Deterrence" is a myth. Limited nuclear war is practically certain to escalate into total unlimited suicide, as Lord Mountbatten foresaw. A first-strike capability is probably unattainable and certainly fraught with vast danger to all humanity.

All told, none of the arms race makes any sense, unless we aim to end our world as expensively and painfully as possible. Humanity has spent millions of dollars for the means of committing suicide. Cyanide is far cheaper. Can we ask for our money back?

More positively, what can we do to stop the senseless drift towards catastrophe in the very short time that is left for humanity to save itself?

Salt Spring student takes part in conference

BY ALANA BERGSTROME
(Grade 6, 10-year-old student at Salt Spring Elementary School)

On September 3 to 5, I attended, in Montreal, the very first Baha'i International Children's Conference.

The goal of the Baha'i Faith is to have peace on earth. What children can do to promote peace and unity is to learn to grow up into a person who knows not to kill or hurt others in the world.

At the Conference there were 1,200 children. It was very exciting being at the first International Children's Conference and being with all those people from countries all over the world.

Some of the leaders in the Baha'i Faith entertained us and shared experiences of how their life was as a Baha'i child. Ruhyyih Khanum,

a Hand of the Cause and wife of the Guardian of the Faith, showed us slides about her husband.

PROJECTS

The children were divided into groups with adult supervisors for each group. All the children had to do three projects to prepare for the conference. They were a family game, a family tree, and a calendar

with Baha'i Holy Days on it.

If there is another International Children's Conference, I would go.



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Voters will be asked to answer two questions:

1. Are you in favour of limiting the farmers' market to the sale of home-produced goods?	YES	
	NO	
and		
2. Would you be in favour of having the Farmers' Market moved to a less congested and more spacious area, such as the Farmers' Institute property on Rainbow Road?	YES	
	NO	

Voting will take place at these locations:

- Central Hall (downstairs)
- United Church Hall, Ganges (ground floor)
- Nan's Coffee Bar, Fulford

New folk series begins with dulcimer

Contributed

All that toe-tapping in Ganges Sunday afternoon signalled the delight of 50-odd people helping Mark Nelson usher in the new folk series.

Nelson is a champion dulcimer performer. He also plays guitar, bones and jewsharp, and he also sings. His program was larded with humour, historical miscellany and good-natured social comment.

Nelson draws an astonishing range of sounds from his

dulcimers: in a Canadian song, *Les Disputants*, there was very complicated strumming, while he created positively orchestral sounds in some pieces from Robert Burns' *Beggar's Opera*. In other songs there was a drone-like effect below a simple melody.

The audience was regaled with a brief historical run-down on bones. These rhythm instruments were indeed bones long ago, but modern bones look more like thick

tongue-depressors and are made of wood. Those that Mark Nelson played were made by Salt Spring Island's Terry Warbey and have a crisp resonance rather like castinets.

Introducing some prairie songs, Nelson had the audience giggling and guffawing over a yarn about shrimp-wrangling in Great Salt Lake in Utah. His information about the introduction of hornpipes in the British navy as a

cure for scurvy was equally funny, though he insisted it was true.

He followed reels with drinking songs, hoe-downs, marches and there was lots of audience singing.

At intermission, Annie Shuttleworth announced the Folk Society's plans to bring Blue Grass performers Orin Star and Gary Mehalick during December, possibly adding a coffee house featuring local talent before Christmas.

Arrangements are shaping up to bring jazz pianist Scott Cossu early in 1983.

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Slugs give Raiders 10-3 'boost'

BY STANLEY STREAKER

As if it's not bad enough that the Slugs get annihilated by Mill Bay's rampaging Redline Raiders 10-3 at Fuller Lake Sunday, their captain proceeds to come and thank us for giving their team a "boost". "Ya know, we hadn't won a game all year at Mill Bay," is what he said.

What's more, he then proceeds to moan and groan about all the young guys in the league making him feel like an old man (he's 26).

Jeez, Mel was so despondent he went right out and stuck his head in a bucket of Oil of Ole. Unfortunately, all it did was make his wrinkles smooth and glossy.

Really, our day of reckoning is

near. If this is what the "worst" team does to us, just what's gonna happen when we play the Bruins or the Saints. I think we're in deep trouble.

So much for being ambitious. Maybe we should go back to playing the Bamberton Bozos and Duncan Disasters. At least then we get to touch the puck.

Anyway, next week we get to "rest" against Mill Bay Old-Timers (not a single player over 35, I'll bet). It's really becoming hard to accept being called "sir" by the referee and "Mr." by the other team. We'd really better get our act together — and quick.

The Gold River tournament is scant weeks away - and if you don't think all those unemployed loggers aren't going to be lean and hungry - well I have some beautiful commercial property for sale down at Musgrave Landing.

There is some hope, however. Things can't get much worse, can they? I mean the ego can take only so many blows. Besides our highly publicized team jackets should be here soon - make us real macho - ya know.

And anyways - who's going to abandon ship with 50 bucks invested in a coat? Stay tuned for the return of the Slugs (maybe).

How many are eligible to vote Saturday?

When voters of the islands go to the polls on Saturday, there will be almost twice as many eligible voters on Salt Spring Island as there are on the Outer Islands.

The voters' list shows 3,702 voters on Salt Spring and exactly 2,000 in the main islands of the Outer Islands electoral area. Another 28 voters are registered on the smaller islands in the area, to total 2,028 for the Outer Islands.

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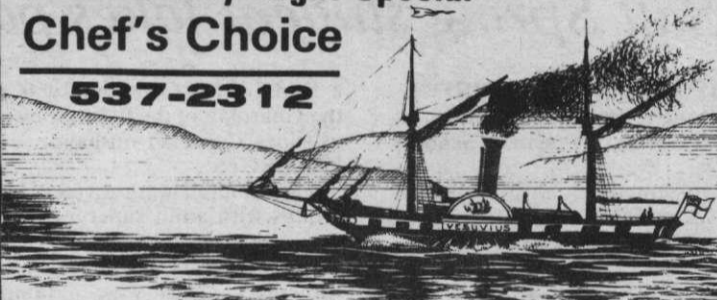
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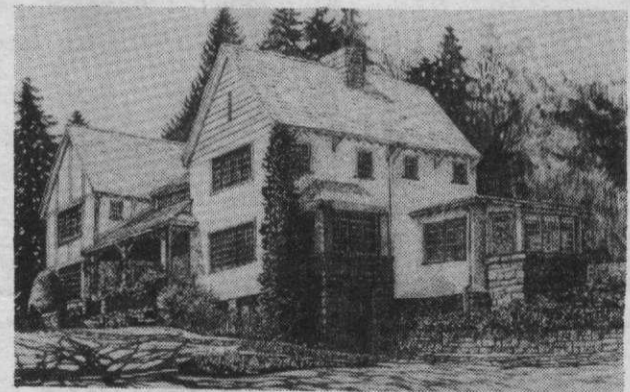
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Church women send cards to exiles from two countries

Salt Spring Island Council of the Catholic Women's League met in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 10, after attending Mass. Father Bergin led the opening prayers. Ursula McEwen presided.

The president gave a report on the successful harvest tea and raffle. In addition to thanking the members of the CWL, she expressed gratitude to the ladies of the bingo club for their generous support.

It was announced that Father Bergin would lead a Day of Recollection for the members on

Wednesday, Nov. 24, starting with Mass in Our Lady of Grace Church at 9:30 am. Ladies attending will bring their own lunch. Coffee will be provided.

Jeanne Anderson is convening entertainment for the guests at Park Drive Guest House on November 17.

TO EXILES

During the afternoon, members wrote Christmas cards to be sent to Guatemalan and Salvadorean exiles in Honduras. The messages expressed concern for these suffering people and let them know

they are not forgotten.

The cards are being forwarded to the exiles through the national office of Development and Peace.

The meeting closed with prayer. Fordene Kavanagh and Elsa Drummond provided the refreshments.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 8, the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Members will gather for Mass in the church at 11:30 am. Afterwards, Lilian Beauchemin will host a potluck luncheon at her home on McGill Road.

Bus service up for tender

A tender for school bus service on the Pender Islands will be called.

The Gulf Islands School Board authorized the call for tender at a recent meeting. The holder of the current contract for busing school children will be unable to renew the obligation.

Details of the tender will be released soon.

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Charges are dismissed at Ganges

When the crown attorney failed to produce sufficient evidence, the charges against the young man were dismissed.

Douglas Hamilton-Horne of Fulford had been charged with stealing money with a value of more than \$200, as well as five counts of forgery.

The charge of stealing stemmed from an incident August 21. Hamilton-Horne, Bob Miller and a friend had been at a party in

Ganges and hitch-hiked home to Fulford. The two people in the car who picked them up were invited to use the driveway as a place to sleep in the station wagon.

Hamilton-Horne and the two friends stayed in the house. The doors were not locked.

The next morning, Miller checked on his money but it was gone. Hamilton-Horne and the two people parked in the driveway were also gone.

In provincial court at Ganges last Wednesday Judge J.M. Hubbard said, after testimony had been given, "It is clear from the evidence that the accused had opportunity to steal the money."

He noted that the evidence was circumstantial at best because the two who stayed in the driveway also had the opportunity to steal the money.

The evidence, said the judge, allowed doubts that Hamilton-Horne stole the money and the case against him was dismissed.

For the charges of forgery the crown called several tellers from Island Savings Credit Union. The evidence showed that cheques backed by insufficient cash in an account had been passed.

Defense attorney Nick Lott of Sidney asked the judge to drop the charges because the forgeries had not been proven. The judge agreed.

Another workshop Sunday

BY COLLEEN CHILDS

After a successful workshop with Honor Griffith on "Becoming Androgynous" on November 5, we're anxious to present another learning experience to the island community.

On Sunday, Nov. 21, the Gulf Islands Women's Place is sponsoring a Health and Well-Being Awareness that will be held at the Women's Place in the

Community Centre. The day will be divided into five sessions featuring local speakers, all sharing their alternative approaches to wellness.

The speakers and respective topics slated are: Don Olsen, a herbalist and iridologist; Michael Blades and Jack Clements, discussing mental well-being; Phyllis Coleman, who will cover women's health and natural birth control; and a social evening with Ron and Sharon Puhky who will share slides and health discoveries made on their recent trip to China.

Participants are encouraged to come to one or all of the sessions and a potluck lunch being held from 12:30 to 1:30. A registration fee will be charged.

Community Centre has further information and pre-registration may also be made there.

Commission asks for information

Capital Regional Board has been asked for details of costs of the Ganges sewer project.

At last week's meeting of the Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission it was agreed to ask for information when Arvid Chalmers reported that he had been unable to gain satisfactory information on the subject.

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Arbitrator will be called in if contract talks reach stalemate

The Gulf Islands School Board approved the appointment of an arbitrator to act if contract negotiations with the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association reach a stalemate.

The two sides are currently meeting to hammer out an agreement for 1983 and while both school board chairman Strick Aust and GITA president Mike Hayes agree that "channels of communications are still open," the two sides apparently are wide apart on vital issues.

Hayes recommends a contribution of negotiations even though the agreement deadline of November 15 has passed. The

ministry of education had set the deadline and had imposed binding arbitration on negotiations which were not settled at that date.

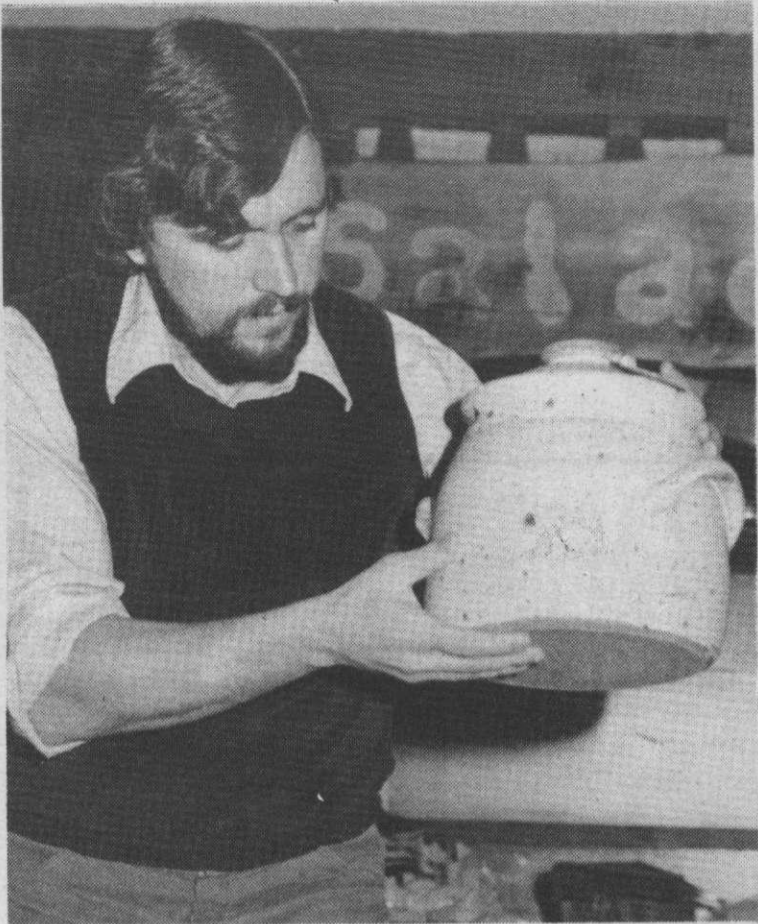
Neither side is willing to discuss the details of the negotiation hangups but Hayes did say the problem has been "the pronouncements of Vander Zalm (minister of education) tampering with the collective bargaining process."

The school board also passed a motion to empower the negotiating team to name an advocate in the event the contract talks reach the binding arbitration stage.

Hayes said, "We, GITA and the board, can make a joint submission to the arbitrator," as an explanation of his willingness to continue talks even after the deadline.

He said a problem from the board's point of view was that the trustees will not know until after December 1 how much money they will have to spend in 1983.

The ministry of education is to submit to the board a budget figure based on the level of funding for 1982 plus a percentage increase based on the difference in enrolment of September 1981 and 1982.



Auction raises \$1,100

Atomic Auction held last Saturday in the Blue Heron Dining Room of the Fulford Inn raised over \$1,100 to pay for the Salt Spring vote on nuclear disarmament. Many islanders donated items and services to the

cause. Above, Michael Hayes, auctioneer, holds pottery by Bas Cobanli, island potter. Below, Maralyn Horsdal, who organized the event, has a grip on an oil painting. Straw vote is to be held on Saturday.

Driftwood photos by Alice Richards



Chimney fire at Fulford

The Salt Spring volunteer firefighters were called last week to put out a chimney fire.

The burning chimney was in a house on Roland Road in Fulford and no damage was done.

Fire chief Bob Leask said the chimney fire marked the beginning of the "season to be cautious".

Chimneys should be checked at least once each month during the cooler weather, he said. The things to watch for are buildups of creosote as well as anything blocking the flue.

If the chimney is coated with creosote or the flue blocked, the services of a chimney sweep may be in order. Older chimneys which do not have flue liners could be a potential for house fires, the Chief said.

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They danced the day away

Driftwood photos by Alice Richards

Gulf Islands Secondary School Athletic Council held a Dance Marathon last Friday to raise funds for their activities.

Dancers pictured above had completed eight hours of dancing with a five-minute

break per hour. First-prize winners were Ray Hawkes and Elaine Fraser; second, Bob

Leader and Venessa Volkammer; third, Bruce Caspar and Elizabeth Gay. Pictured from

left are Allan Sinclair and Maria Betts, Heidi Hume and Bob Leader and Craig Selby and Elaine Fraser.

New motel proposed for Ganges

New 30-unit motel is sought on Ganges Hill.

Application has been made to the Salt Island Trust Committee for a permit to construct the new motel on the Sea View Court property of two acres already zoned for a resort.

Application was passed on to the Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission last week for the information of members. As there is no change in zoning proposed it lies outside the range of the commission, it was noted.

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Islanders mark Remembrance Day at Golf Club

BY BASIL AND KATHLYN BENDER

A Remembrance Day service organized by Galiano members of the Royal Canadian Legion took place on the lawn in front of the clubhouse at the Golf Club.

The November sun sparkled on the dew-covered grass and the green fairways stretched to the surrounding forest. Contrast indeed to the memories passing in front of the mind's eye of many of those present who had fought in either or both World Wars or in Korea.

Jim Ripley introduced Clinton Coolidge who reminded the nearly 100 people present of the meaning of remembrance. He compared memory to a film stored in the brain which the mind's camera can bring into focus. He spoke of the armistice of 1918, the first Remembrance Day a year later, the dashed hopes of the League of Nations, the resumption of hostilities in 1939 and the terrible problems facing the United Nations today.

He urged that everyone must bend their best efforts to avert the instantly annihilating next world conflict.

After the traditional and poignant bugle calls, Art Wood spoke the Legion's words of remembrance. Acquaintanceships were renewed over coffee, and a few golfers set off from the first tee. The annual ceremony was over, leaving the memories to be converted into resolve and action.

A second Remembrance service had been planned to replace the regular Sunday morning service at St. Margaret's and to be the first one led by Galiano's new minister, Rev. Leonard Pocock.

Unfortunately, Rev. Pocock was unable to be present due to illness but he sent an able party of substitutes, his wife Marion and his brother-in-law the Reverend Jack Vance. Rev. Vance, who came at short notice from Bellingham to conduct the service, preached a thought-provoking sermon on the text, "Seek ye the kingdom of heaven." St. Margaret's congregation say thank you to Rev. Vance and send their best wishes to Rev. Pocock for a speedy return to good health.

Ladies Service Club

The Annual Bazaar of the Galiano Ladies Service Club will be held at the South Community Hall on Saturday, Nov. 27 from 1 to 4 pm. President Lucey Miley and conveners Betty Ree and Kitty Weaver are appealing for help and

donations to their stalls, particularly new goods, white elephant and bakery.

Perhaps this is the time to remind Galiano-ites that all the money raised by the Service Club is spent on others - mostly on this island. The club gives regularly to certain charities, children's parties and Lady Minto Hospital. In addition, it is ready to supply immediate help to those who suffered a sudden emergency such as fire.

The sunshine convener, Devina Baines, sends messages of comfort to the sick and on occasion the club also provides nourishing meals. New members are asked to introduce themselves to Lucey Miley, Betty Ree or Kitty Weaver and to give a helping hand on Saturday week.

School Appeal

Diane Cragg, who is coordinating the team of volunteers working to put the school library back into operation, urgently needs extra hands to sort books and type cards, preferably on their own typewriter. Offers to help should be phoned in to Diane at 2067 or the school at 2261.

Adult singers, female or particularly male are needed to boost singing at the school Christmas concert. Please volunteer by attending practices at Sue Gilson's home at 7:30 pm on Wednesdays. As Gulf Island teachers are no longer confining their activities to the Basic Education Program, primary and junior room teachers will be training their pupils to perform in the concert.

The school soccer team concluded a very successful season on Tuesday by winning a soccer tournament at Mayne. Galiano defeated Mayne by a score of 7-1 and Pender by a score of 4-1. There is little doubt that under coach Bert Mozley the Galiano team is the best of those from the four Outer Islands schools.

Bridge

Duplicate winners for the past two Fridays have been Ed Jones partnered by Bob Dugas with Audrey Cook as runner-up. As Audrey was afflicted with Ed as a partner this was quite an achievement on her part.

Last Friday the cream rose to the top when winners were Marie-Claire Von Hausmann with Dr. Bill Paterson, second pair being Bea Thompson and Joan Macdonald. Mrs. Thompson was also a winner at the Salt Spring

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Remembrance Day gathering brought Galiano Islanders together in front of Golf Club.

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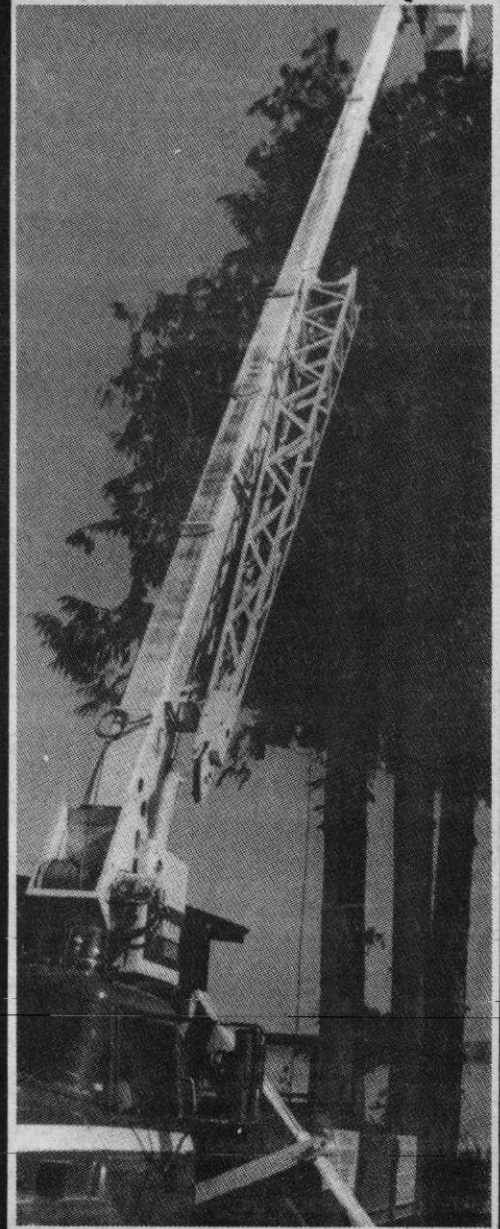
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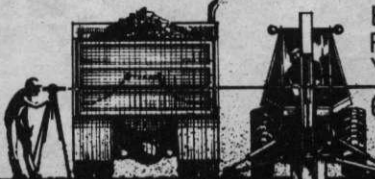
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DOWN THE GUTTER

Ladies lead way in Bowl-A-Thon

BY KEN COLLINS

Last Saturday a six-game bowl-a-thon was held and the ladies led the way. Everything was based on the handicap system only and Deanna Marleau took full advantage of this by rolling a big 817 triple for her first three games.

This was 232 pins over her 195 average. With her handicap added on Deanna averaged over 300 for the six games.

Sheila Lucas bowled very well to gain second spot. She bowled her first ever 300 game, by the way. Gerry Marleau bowled a 309 in his last game to beat out Peter Lucas by five pins to gain the third and final spot.

I bowled our first 400 game of the current season. I started with nine strikes only to see the right hand two-pin stand up on the first ball of the 10th frame. I failed to spare it but picked it up with my last ball to make 401. Other good scores handed in are as follows: Steve Marleau, 700; Val Hughes, 744; Jean Jenkins, 712; Terry Jenkins, 706-741; Erling Jorgensen, 700; Lucille Marcotte, 756; and Carol Kaye with 720.

The bowlers of the week were Lucille Marcotte and this writer, and for the Golden-Agers it was Lydia Purser and Wally Edwards. We had 300 games from Pat

Jacquest, 301; Lucille Marcotte, 343; and myself with two games of 316.

Last Thursday while sparing in the Legion league, I bowled a gutter ball which brought a loud cheer from the people present. I was told that should be worth putting in my column because I always write about other people's shortcomings. So there it is.

YBC NEWS

There were some pretty good games bowled by the YBC'ers this past week. Good bowling, kids.

High scorers for the Jets on Saturday were: Nathan Helfrich, 103; Eric Taylor, 101; Jennifer Neilson, 86; Simon Baines, 85; Heath Cooper, 71; Meghan French, 60; Alicia Gopp, 46; Ian Reid, 36; Bonnie Trotter, 33.

Pee Wees: Tracy Cunningham, 141; Tina Reid, 111; Leah Brubaker, 90; Rita Phillips, 68; Clinton Helfrich, 146; David Lucas, 65; Daniel Hatch, 40.

Bantams: Laura Little, 189; Suzanne Jacquest, 188; Lisa Jorgensen, 161; Mark David, 233; Jamie Robertson, 196; Adam Baines, 145.

Junior high scorers Monday, Nov. 8 were: Jayna Adshhead, 242; Shannon Taylor, 235; Jennifer Lucas, 213; Anthony Barrett, 242; David Cates, 233; Justin Williams,

164. Senior high scorers Wednesday, Nov. 10th were: Dawn Guilbault, 239; Denise Harrison, 190; Carol Cunningham, 174; Eddie Westcott, 250; Allan Sinclair, 242; David Steggle, 188.

Bridge winners

The Tuesday night bridge game and dinner at the Salt Spring Island Golf Club was in honour of Vera and Alf Nichols.

Seven tables turned out to wish them well in their new home on the Sunshine Coast.

The winners were, first, Fred Melhuish and George Ferguson; second, Shirley Love and Dawny Scarfe; third, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop; fourth, Alf and Vera Nichols; fifth, Joe and Madeline Franz.

Winners on November 8 were, North-South: first, Don Nemeth and Dawny Scarfe; second, Lorna and Peter Pentz; third, Gordon Hutton and Fred Struve; fourth, Audrey Allan and Helen Shandro. East-West: first, Kay Javorski and Mildred Gurney; second, Dr. Hyslop and Bunny Jordan; third, Joe and Madeline Franz; fourth, Dorothy Crofton and Mary Cléments.

Lansdowne trounced 5-0

BY ED DAVIS

Saturday's soccer match in Victoria was an especially sweet victory for the Salt Spring Wranglers. The Lansdowne Spitfires and the Wranglers have developed a good rivalry over the last two seasons, going tit for tat in almost every meeting.

It was the Spitfires who knocked the Wranglers out of the District Cup in the final round last year, and in our first meeting in the new season it was the Spitfires who handed the Wranglers their first loss of the season. To say that this meeting would prove to be a grudge match was a bit of an understatement.

The Wranglers took over from the opening whistle and never let up for the course of the game for a 5-0 victory. We won the toss and carried the ball right down for a shot on goal. The Wranglers were hungry and Mason Scown put it away for goal number one at one minute and 50 seconds.

Mason was hot as before the game was over he collected three

more goals and Renard Graham picked up the other goal. Assists were picked up by Robbie Sheppard and Erin Fewings.

We have now played all the teams in our league and have won seven of our nine matches. While the Wranglers have always been strong offensively, we are developing good defensive tactics as well. Our goals per game average this year is 5.1 while we have allowed only 1.1 goals to be scored against us.

Our next two games will be home games at Portlock Park, 1 pm on Saturdays.

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GALIANO NEWS

From Page Thirteen

Monday afternoon duplicate tournament and recently returned from the district tournament held in Victoria with a second place in the ladies' pairs.

Sympathy

Galiano residents voice sympathy to the wife of Chuck Webb, for many years a prominent resident of Galiano, who died recently in a mainland hospital. They also send their best wishes for a recovery of good health to Devina Baines, lola Macdonald, Ed Callaghan, Janet Georgeson and any other islanders who might be ill.

Coming Events

All islanders are reminded of the important events of this coming Saturday. Polls will open at Galiano School at 8 am and close at 8 pm for the election for school trustee.

At the same place and time electors living in the South Galiano Fire Protection District will be entitled to vote in a referendum to allow the fire department to borrow \$30,000 for the purchase of a tanker truck.

As the Capital Regional District Board has denied the people of Galiano the opportunity to vote on the nuclear armaments issue, the Peace Group ask all concerned islanders to register their disapproval of nuclear weapons on

petitions that should be at Burrill Brothers, the Deli, the Corner Store, Spanish Hills Store, Galiano Garage and the Pink Geranium. The peace groups of the Outer Islands and Salt Spring will meet for a luncheon meeting at the Salt Spring Golf Club at noon on Wednesday, Dec. 1.

Also on Saturday, the North Galiano Christmas Craft Fair runs from 1 until 4 pm in the North Community Hall and from 2 to 4 pm the W.A. Book Sale will be held in the South Galiano Fire Hall.

Garden Club

The North Community Hall was filled to capacity last Wednesday when Garden Club members gathered for a pot-luck luncheon to celebrate the winding up of the 1982 season.

The Green Thumb Bums entertained by rendering the *Galiano Garden Club Song*, with lyrics by Jean Mozley, winner of the Felicia Cup for humour in gardening.

The 1982 Show Bench Awards were won by Alistair Ross (high

aggregate and floral arrangement), Renee Howard (novice arrangement), Tom Liddell (vegetables), Marjorie Bow (cut flowers), Jessie Bellhouse (potted plants) and Tony Kingscote (novice exhibitor). Aini Haksi, the club's hard-working president, was awarded the Magic Weatherstone Trophy by Joe Fleming, who explained its properties in humorous verse.

The slate of officers for 1983 was Mrs. Haksi as president, Edith Wishart as vice-president, Tom Liddell as secretary-treasurer, A. Ross and Marcelle Kolossoff - showbench, Thelma Beattie and Peggy Liddell - hospitality, Audrey Cook - sunshine, with Martha Ann Kelly as librarian. The librarian would appreciate donations of gardening books to the club's library.

Audrey Simas, the new program chairman, is planning a club expedition to the Crystal Gardens, Victoria, at the beginning of December. Members who wish to take part in the outing are asked to phone Audrey at 2159 or 2070, or Kathy Bengner, the club's publicity representative, at 5702, as soon as possible.

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8-1 win over Gordon Head

Selects give scoring display

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Goals, glorious goals! For the Salt Spring Selects it was that kind of day last Saturday as they rolled over Gordon Head to the tune of 8-1. It was their best scoring display of the season as the boys showed their scoring fireworks for a good sized crowd.

Gordon Head scored first, which was their biggest mistake as it seemed to rile the Selects into action. In fact, Gordon Head had only one scoring chance for the remainder of the game.

The Selects' scoring was handled by Izak Ondre and Darcy Kirkpatrick with three each and B.J. Severs and Mark Nordine with singles. For Mark it was his first goal of the season, a nice gift for our stand-out goalie.

The team's powers at scoring over-shadowed the play of three players, Ben Berry, Barry Bompas and Tony Marshall, who played stand-out games.

Ben and Barry are both midfielders and it is their creative play that does the spadework for many of the team's goals. They both have good ball sense and are excellent with their ball distribution as they unselfishly assist the goal-scorers

on the team.

Tony Marshall is one of the Selects' central defenders and game after game he has steadily improved to become one of the team's most consistent defenders.

His fine positional play and strong tackling are factors that have solidified the Selects' defence

immensely over recent weeks.

The team now has a record of six wins to one loss and a solid grip on second place.

Next week the team has a bye, giving them a chance to rest for the big game against first-place Bays United and maybe some more glorious goals.

Soccer Scoreboard

Div. 1: Salt Spring Kicks 3 (S. Marleau - 2, N. Graham); Cordova Bay 1

Womens: Salt Spring Sockeyes 2 (T. Byron - 2); Victoria 'A's 6

Div. 4: Salt Spring Wranglers 5 (M. Scown - 4, R. Graham); Lansdowne 0

Div. 5: Salt Spring Sting 8 (J. Bush - 4, T. Logan - 2, M. Laing, R. Stewart); Juan de Fuca 4

Div. 6: Salt Spring Selects 8 (I. Ondre - 3, D. Kirkpatrick - 3, B.J. Severs, M. Nordine); Gordon Head 1

INTRA-ISLAND

Senior:

Sharks 1 (P. Hatch); Cosmos A 1 (A. Donnelly)

Dodgers 0; Fury 0

Sounders 1 (Y. Horsdal); Stingers 1 (A. McCarthy)

Cosmos A 1 (J. Speed); Cosmos B 1 (J. Moger)

Junior:

Devils 1 (M. Prendergast); Goblins 2 (T. Lam, C. Laing)

Panthers 0; Demons 0

Eagles 1 (A. Martin); Firebirds 2 (W. Hann, J. Kernan)

Sting in second place after victory

BY STRICK AUST

For the second time this season, the Salt Spring Sting overpowered last year's league-winners, Juan de Fuca. The win places the Sting solidly in second place.

With only one minute gone in the game, Jason Bush opened the scoring, converting a cross from winger Troy Logan, heading the chip into the top corner of the net. This was to be only the first of six that Jason would be involved in, as he scored four and assisted on two others.

Half a minute later Jason scored his second of the game, this time converting a corner kick by Ryan Stewart. Three minutes later, Troy Logan converted his first goal of the game, chipping his shot over Juan de Fuca's keeper and into the back of the net.

With only five minutes gone in the game the Sting were ahead 3-0, and seemed to be in total control, as Juan de Fuca had not yet crossed their own centre line.

Many of the Sting players relaxed with the effect that Juan de Fuca slowly began to gain some momentum. When they finally did get over their centre line they surprised the Sting defence with an awesome forward line who picked our defence apart and scored their own goal.

Five minutes later, they scored again, and it was now becoming obvious that our defence could not

contain them once they crossed their own centre line.

Three minutes after their second goal, they converted their third, tying the score at 3-3. Now, with 15 minutes gone in the game, the Sting had lost their advantage, and it was Juan de Fuca that was totally in control.

Ryan Stewart was moved back to sweeper and he and fullbacks Charlie Hume and Luke Maron gave Juan de Fuca's fast forwards a little less room to operate in, cutting down their effectiveness and forcing them to shoot from further out.

The effect was that keeper Andrew Aust had a better chance at stopping their shots and for the latter part of the first half, made several key saves to keep the Sting in the game.

In the second half a trip on a break-a-way resulted in a free kick for the Sting on the 20-yard line.

Ryan Stewart placed a perfect chip shot high in the top corner of Juan de Fuca's net. Soon after, Jason Bush brought the ball in

from the win and hammered a low shot that deflected through the keeper's legs, with both Troy Logan and Marcus Laing making sure of the goal by kicking it the last couple of feet.

On the next run up the field, David McWhirter pushed a ball across the goal that Jason Bush deflected in, putting the Sting up 6-3. As in the first half, after we had scored three quick goals, Juan de Fuca again came back with their own and started to put pressure on the Sting defence. But our midfielders were coming back to help the defence, and Juan de Fuca's scoring drives were being contained out on the wings.

With five minutes left in the game, Marcus Laing deflected a cross from winger Jason Bush to register his second goal of the game.

Half a minute later, Jason scored his fourth of the game, dribbling around three defenders and the keeper to close the scoring at 8-4, a convincing win for the Salt Spring Sting.

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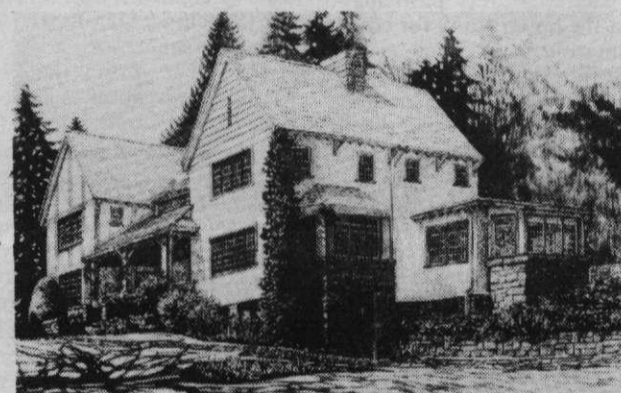
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Women's: S.S. Sockeyes vs Oak Bay, Sun., Nov. 21, 11:00 am, Portlock Park.

Div. 4C: S.S. Wranglers vs Gordon Head, Sat., Nov. 20, 1:00 pm, Portlock Park.

Div. 5C: S.S. Sting vs Bays, Sat., Nov. 20, 11 am, Portlock.

Div. 6C: S.S. Selects - BYE.

Intra-Island:

Senior: Saturday, 9:30 am. Cosmos B vs Fury, Portlock #1; Stingers vs Dodgers, Portlock #2; Sounders vs Sharks, Ganges School; Cosmos A vs Cosmos B, Portlock #1.

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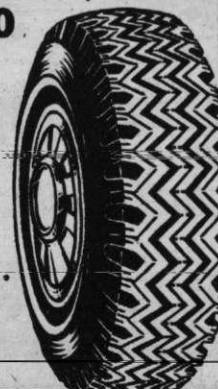
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