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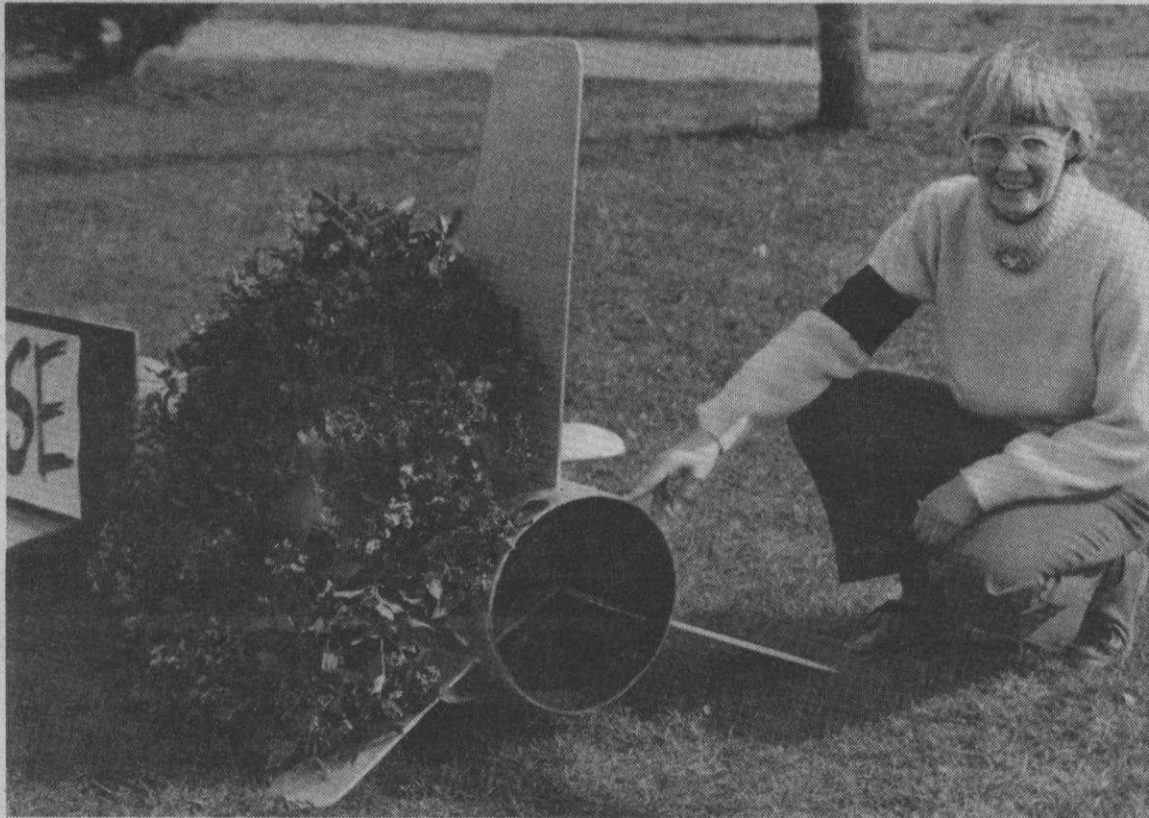
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Cruise testing protested

While a U.S. Air Force B-52 bomber was to carry a cruise missile over Canadian soil in a test Tuesday, Salt Spring Islanders were carrying their own cruise missile through Ganges at noon the same

day. Above, protesters carry missile through Ganges to Centennial Park where it was laid to rest on the grass. Below, protester Biz Whitby points to peace symbol formed by missile's

fins. Weapon is not the property of the U.S. Air Force. It was made by Ray and Beth Hill of Salt Spring. About 50 people took part in the parade.



Sidney returns, Bowen back soon

Travellers from the Gulf Islands to the mainland might notice a slight difference in the boat taking them to Tsawwassen.

The *Queen of Sidney* returned to the run last week. She is the sister ship to the *Queen of Tsawwassen* which has gone to drydock for annual refit.

The main difference between the

two vessels is not noticeable. The *Tsawwassen* is outfitted with bow thrusters while the *Sidney* is not.

The *Queen of Tsawwassen* returns to the mainland-Gulf Islands run at the end of March.

And the end of March marks other changes in vessels on other Gulf Islands runs.

People travelling between Swartz

Bay and Salt Spring will bid farewell to the *Quinita* at that time. The department of highways vessel leaves the run when the *Bowen Queen* returns.

The *Bowen Queen* has been filling in for the *Mayne Queen* on the Outer Islands route. The *Mayne Queen* returns to service from refit near the end of the month.

Two names questioned

Recount and reconciliation of poll books from the November 19 election on Salt Spring Island has been completed.

Checking of votes and voters was ordered by Judge Peter Millward, of the B.C. Supreme Court, in response to a petition from Yvette Valcourt, charging a number of irregularities in the conduct of the election, including the charge that many voters were permitted to cast a ballot at more than one poll.

The results of the count have not

yet been released, but *Driftwood* was informed that two names have been questioned. Executive director of the Capital Regional Board, Bernard Doughton, declined to give any details, but told *Driftwood* that an explanation will be sought from the persons concerned.

The inquiry into voting procedures on the island has been moving since December 5, when Valcourt asked the court for an invalidation of the election or a recount.

Suburbanized community foreseen

Plan needs change to avoid unwanted development

Unless certain aspects of the Salt Spring community plan are changed, the island may develop in ways few people want.

The warning came at a meeting called to discuss potential changes in the document which sets out how the island is to grow. The Advisory Planning Commission had called the meeting to hear from those who had something to say on the matter.

Hank Schubart issued the warning. He noted that the community plan provided a way to maintain a rural community on the island. But the type of development allowed could lead to a suburbanized community, he said.

The plan allows a five-acre average for lots on the island when it should be calling for dense development in certain areas and open space surrounding those areas, said Schubart.

"We've reached a point where we're going to pretty well end up with a disaster if we don't deal with it now."

He urged the APC to keep the dialogue on the community plan open for at least six months to allow the community to say what should be done.

Norm Mouat agreed with the criticism of the five-acre average. He told the meeting that "the easiest land use is to chop the island into five-acre lots."

But, he added, if the process isn't changed soon, the pattern won't be open to change in the future.

A suggestion to incorporate the island met with equal measure of approval and disapproval.

Bev Unger, Islands Trust representative for the island, said that incorporation would mean giving up the "preserve and protect aspect of the Islands Trust."

Other ministries have to deal

through the Islands Trust for their plans for the island, she said, but if the island were incorporated, that check would be missing.

Schubart expressed concern that the Trust may be done away with and the island would be at the mercy of the provincial government.

An attraction of incorporation was that it would allow islanders to "scrap on the island" without outside interference, as is now the case, he said.

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Underground phone lines in Ganges?

New telephone lines in the core area of Ganges may go underground in future, according to a B.C. Telephone Co. spokesman.

Outside plant technician Ken Dwernychuk of Victoria said Tuesday the company is considering underground installation of future additions to the cables running through the commercial core.

Eventually, he said, all the lines in the area would be buried, but the process would take many years.

When pole space is exhausted, as it is in Ganges, the company has two options. One is to go to the other side of the road and the second is to go underground.

The first option is out because the space is already taken up by Hydro lines.

Dwernychuk also noted that beautification was one of the company's concerns and that a large number of telephone lines was unclothed.

Graham Lea speaks at Ganges

'Odd man out' in leadership race wants changes in party structure

The New Democrats will have to examine their values and principles and base new policies on the needs of changing times, says Graham Lea, MLA for Prince Rupert.

Lea was on Salt Spring last Thursday to talk to local party members in his quest for support in his bid for the party leadership. He is generally considered to be one of the front-runners in the race to replace Dave Barrett as party leader.

Barrett announced his intention to step aside following the last election. There are at least six candidates seeking his position.

Lea described himself as "the odd man out in this leadership race."

He said he is using the leadership to express his views on what is wrong with the party structure today and to suggest ways to change it.

The NDP should be defining itself as a party, he said. Party members should redefine what they are and the party should undergo a continuing renewal.

But that has not happened. Ideas, he noted, are considered dissent in caucus. He gave as an example the fact that new ideas seldom reach the convention floor when the party gathers for annual meetings.

The party is currently controlled by an "establishment", said Lea.

And while he does not question their motives, he does question their methods.

"The reality of it is that they have to be pushed out of the way." His criticism is not directed at Barrett but at the leadership of the party. He explained that he had been part of that leadership until 1979.

He fought for changes from within caucus, he said, "but it didn't work."

The NDP lost the last election because people took a look at the two parties and said "we prefer the petty crooks to the nice guys who can't handle the economy."

As he travels the province, Lea said, people ask him what the NDP is all about. He came to realize what they were asking was "what kind of world would it be if we had our way?"

He said that government should be based on the constitution and statute laws to create order. Without order, he explained, society would begin to break down.

And when that happens, "the barbarians won't be out there waiting to get in. They'd be us."

He is opposed to special interest groups holding membership in the NDP. The party should be composed of individuals because they believe in the party, not because they are part of a particular group.

He mentioned organized labour, environmentalists and women's groups as the special interest bodies within the party.

"The voice of labour can come in

to the party through the voice of individual trade unionists who join the party," he said.

The party should be working towards utopia, he said, but it must be intelligent enough to know the goal can never be reached.

He repeated that the party should fight to redefine and renew itself.

"That's a fight more important than winning the next election."

The party should come up with policies based on economics that make sense, he said. That means a decentralized economy which can respond to local needs.

The success of the party would be based on three things, Lea noted. Success would come from the energy of party workers, money and the truth "as we see it".

The party should be truthful and then play the political game "but that doesn't mean being corrupt or playing their game."

He quoted from a study carried out in 1975 which determined who supports various political parties. The NDP draws support from people who have a Grade 9 to 12 education or who are university drop-outs and who earn from \$10,000 to \$20,000 per year.

Social Credit, on the other hand, draws support from those who have up to a Grade 8 education or who have graduated from university. Such people earn up to \$10,000 or more than \$20,000 per year.

He wondered why university



Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

The leadership campaign of the provincial NDP reached Salt Spring last week when candidate Graham

Lea, right, came to talk to party supporters. He discusses the campaign with Ray Hill of Ganges.

drop-outs supported NDP while graduates went with Social Credit. He concluded that "education turns out educated barbarians."

The education system must be changed, he said. Universities should talk more about the human condition rather than be trade

schools.

Lea's message to the Salt Spring meeting was one of change. The party must change, he said, to be in a position to "fight the cancer in society that would take away our democratic rights."

Plan needs change

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Tony Netboy told the meeting that many people such as he had come to the island for the rural atmosphere and didn't want many more people to come here to live.

He said that the proposed population, as seen by the community plan, of 15,000 scared him. "I don't want growth mania," he said.

Hugh Archer suggested that the Islands Trust consider taking over the many water district boards on the island. Such a move would help to organize growth on the island, he said. "If growth is what you want."

Tom Gossett spoke to the meeting on behalf of the Salt Spring Island Water Preservation Society.

He presented the APC with a memorandum from that group which outlined suggestions for protection of watersheds.

The minimum lot size in watersheds should be set at 20 acres, he said. Low-density residential developments should be the permitted uses in those areas and no

recreation facilities should be allowed.

Ray Hill urged consideration of a "strong central planning authority" for the island. It should be accountable to the public, he said, and should have the authority to make decisions stick.

He expressed disappointment with the averaging principle and the way it has worked in various subdivision developments. He also suggested a way to encourage cluster development surrounded by open space.

The sale of development rights could be introduced to compensate land owners for the use or non-use of their land. Land use contracts should be returned as part of the development process, he said.

The APC will continue to seek opinions about how the changed community plan should be shaped. It will continue with public meetings to work towards a revised plan.

When the plan has been reworked, the document will be sent on to the Islands Trust for a formal public hearing.

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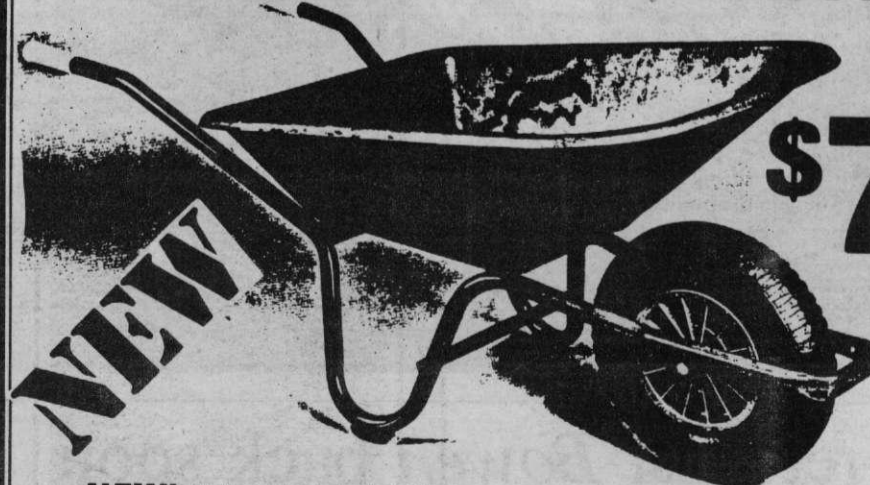
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To Be

Frank

by richards



To far north in two days!

When I heard from my older brother in Fort St. John last week, he looked over the telephone at me with a wolfish grin and explained that he is getting used to twits coming up north to sound off about wolves. He is also used to sounding off about wolves. The significance was that he called Friday to comment on a statement in Wednesday's paper. Driftwood had travelled to Fort St. John in 48 hours. I listened with half an ear after that. The other ear was busy mulling over the speed of travel of the modern newspaper. Besides beefing about Webster on Wolves, he also protested the lack of a "n" in an article about Lions. And he complained that his paper was going next door because it bore the wrong street number.

More Scotch and less problems

If a few Scotsmen were to stay in Scotland distilling whisky there would be an ample supply of good liquor for all of North America. If all those Scots then prevailed on some Sassenachs to help, the increased supply might well bring the price down. And the resultant improvement in labour disputes in the province could, perhaps, provide a greater source of funds for the purchase of good Scotch crocks. We could then be looking at a prosperity never previously imagined in that far-off land of the thistle.

What's all this tranny business?

It's not what you say, it's the way that you say it. And the car business says it in so many different ways. I can't keep pace. Some of the words have changed over the years and others are different across the Atlantic. The one modern automobilism is the use of the word "tranny" for transmission. It is an endearing term only used by the initiates who know the guts of the gears so well they call them by their first names. O.K., so call it what you like. But be consistent. If the transmission is the tranny, surely the carburetor (carburettor in some lands) should be the carbie? And the generator is in other spheres the jenny. The successor to the generator, the alternator becomes the altie and the brake cylinder the silly. That would make the master cylinder the big silly. And so on to the end.... You sit in the seatie, switch on the iggy and step on the gas peddy and the next thing you know there's a flashing red light and a word with the traffic copy.

Why more going South?

We had a post card from Seattle. It cost the mailer 20 cents to mail it here. But if we want to send one back it will cost us 37 cents, according to the list in the office. If you add the United States premium the 20 cents would be about 25 cents Canadian. But where does the other 12 cents come in?

What a lovely mess!

Last time Women's Lib went off on a bender without me I was living it high. The kitchen looked like the stage setting for a garbage disposal system and I was busy preparing another meal and adding more mess to the existing mess. Then came a call that I was to expect visitors. Against my wishes I had to clean up and as I went through the routine I listed the garbage I was shifting. It was all on one counter in the kitchen. There was a tin of cookies, a bag of sugar, a carton of milk, a carton of coffee cream gone lumpy, a tea pot, a typewriter, two spoons, two piles of typing paper, a pile of old newspapers, a carving knife, a camera and flash, a pile of dirty plates, dirty knives and forks, a tea cup slightly used, a cruet, a butter dish, a saucepan lid, two rings of car keys, several empty glasses, a cheque book, two letters, incoming mail, a TV Guide, the report of the Senate Committee on senates, le Soleil de Colombie, Fowler's Modern English Usage and a Maclean's. It was dismaying, wading into the heap, but the happy thought throughout was the gladness that Women's Lib wasn't there to see it before it all got shifted.

Was uniform darker?

Had a brief exchange of notes with Colin Nicholson. I contended that the Royal Canadian Air Force wore a uniform a few shades darker than that of the Royal Air Force during the Second War. But we had only memory by which to debate the point. Does any veteran disagree with me?

Program seeks help from commission

The teen program at the Salt Spring Community Society will run out of funds at the end of May and organizers are seeking support from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Patricia Nobile, the child-care counsellor with the Gulf Islands Program Serving Youth (GIPSY), went to a recent meeting of the

commission to outline the program and its needs.

She noted that the program had started last October with a \$1,200 grant from the commission. It has been administered by the Community Society with a part-time co-ordinator running the program since then.

The Community Society, however, has had second thoughts about being involved. Nobile said the society feels the efforts fall more under the jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The program serves those teenagers, approximately 30, who do not feel comfortable in the programs run through Gulf Islands Secondary School. They get together once each week for different activities and attendance runs from 12 to 20, depending upon the program offered, said Nobile.

The organizers are seeking another grant of \$1,200 from the commission and asking them to

administer the program.

Hugh Borsman, Capital Region director for Salt Spring, said the commission is busy taking care of the programs it now offers and may be hesitant to take on more.

He noted that the funding could be available.

The commission's planning committee, under chairman Irene Fewings, will talk with the people involved in the teen program to determine the needs. She will report to the commission on her findings at the March 26 meeting.

Body found near Mayne

A 54-year-old man from Richmond drowned in the waters of Navy Channel off Dinner Point on Mayne Island recently.

Pender detachment RCMP reported that the body had been in the water for almost a month before it was discovered February 17. The name of the victim was not released.

He had been reported missing by Richmond RCMP on January 26.

Although no foul play is suspected, the coroner's office in Sidney will be conducting an inquest or an inquiry into the death.

Tenders to follow policy

Tenders called for by the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission in future will follow a policy set by the Capital Region.

A minor furore developed over the tendering of the work for preparation of the Fulford tennis court and the commission decided to adopt the CRD policy to avoid a recurrence on future projects.

The CRD policy requires tenders for work valued at \$100 to \$1,500 to be arranged by at least three telephone calls.

If the value is between \$1,500 and \$10,000, written tenders are required with advertisements of the tenders to be placed in local newspapers.

If the value exceeds \$10,000, the tender is to go to public tender with advertisements in a local newspaper or other papers as needed.

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Freedom of speech

The irresponsible charges sounded in the provincial legislature have brought forth a proposal to limit the privilege of free speech. For three decades the parliamentary system obtaining in British Columbia has permitted members the privilege of expressing any opinion within the assembly free of the risk of subsequent legal action.

A statement made in a parliamentary assembly, however offensive, however untrue and however damning, is not actionable. The member of such an assembly is assumed to be a person of such stature that he would not expose another to false or slanderous charges.

In recent years we have heard charges sounded in the British Columbia legislative assembly against persons on Salt Spring Island. They have been completely without a vestige of truth, but the individual who suffers such attacks has no opportunity of taking action.

Despite this close contact with the victims of irresponsible privilege, we would not welcome a curb of free speech in the House.

Cannot the various parties or the individual members police their own conduct? Must we hear the legislature conduct its business with the same dignity and reserve as a crowded pub on a Saturday night?

Exit Trudeau

The nation faces a change in leadership. Last week Pierre Elliott Trudeau announced his plans to withdraw as prime minister and Liberal leader. The wheels are already in motion.

For 16 years Canada has been led by the controversial leader with only one brief interlude. For 16 years the nation's prime minister has been unapproachable, witty, shrewd, indifferent and unpredictable. We have seen him in jest, in dance, in laughter and in earnest. And many of us Canadians have been indignant that our leader could conduct himself frivolously or impishly or with great vulgarity. And to prove our distaste we have re-elected him for a decade and a half to lead the nation.

The prime minister came into power on a wave of Trudeaumania. The world and Canada loved him. You never knew what he was going to say next and you waited with bated breath.

After many years in office there grew a Trudeaphobia in many parts of the land and there are many who can only speak of the national leader with a curl of the lip. But manic or phobic, the nation asked him, time and time again, to lead its destinies.

As he steps down from office we must bear in mind that this man, with all his faults, has led this nation for 16 years. His qualities have been such as to gain him constant support in his direction of Canada and its government. If we condemn the leader we must also condemn those who made him so. And that includes many of ourselves.

The test of the past 16 years will come with the naming of a successor. When the Liberals, still in power, name a successor, the nomination will lack the confirmation of the people. When the electors of the nation name a new national leader at the polls, they must seek a man with all of the skills of Pierre Elliott Trudeau and enough, in addition, to have the people flock to him.

He will be quite a Canadian, this new leader, on those terms.

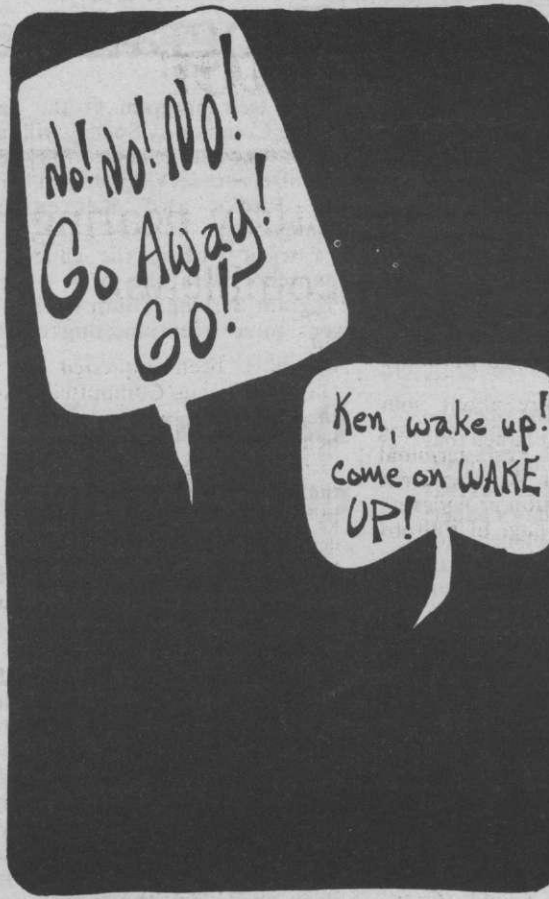
No support

The province has refused to offer help or advice in safeguarding Salt Spring Island's water supplies.

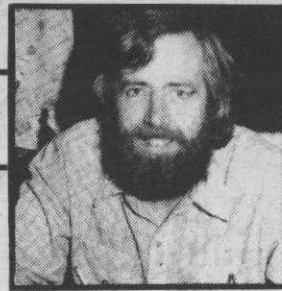
It was on the advice of the minister of municipal affairs that the Salt Spring Trust Committee introduced local planning controls to keep watershed lots large. The minister had assured the island community that there was no call for government action in connection with water deterioration. The solution was within the

Since that time the ministry has simply rejected any move to make changes in zoning. It has offered no help whatsoever.

After all, the minister doesn't have to drink island water.



Ken, wake up!
Come on WAKE UP!



Tony Richards

CANADIAN SPEED SKATER Gaeten Boucher left the XIV Winter Olympics in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia, with two gold medals to his credit. So it was with more than just mild surprise that I learned he broke his ankle last year.

I, too, broke my ankle last year and still find it difficult to walk, let alone skate.

It's been a disappointment, not only to me, but to Ian "Captain Crunch" Jukes of the Salt Spring Slugs as well. He's been trying for years to persuade me to play for Team Slug.

I WENT AS FAR AS purchasing my first hockey stick recently, and I've been trying ever since to convince myself that the price I paid was not exorbitant.

The stick was on the block at Salt Spring Elementary School's auction and was part of a package deal that included a trip to a Slugs game, including transportation, ferry fare and post-game refreshments.

It cost me \$33.

Now the stick is worth about \$15, but you've got to subtract about \$10 from that because it's covered in scrawls that are supposed to represent autographs.

So I'm looking at an approximate value of \$7 with ferry fare, which means I've got to consume \$26 worth of post-game refreshments. And that's being liberal. Most people would figure they should be paid to watch the Slugs play.

AUCTIONEER MIKE HAYES didn't need a microphone at the auction, partly because he has a strong voice. Another reason was that the size of the crowd at the activity centre didn't warrant any amplification.

The turnout was a good indication of how apathetic we can be.

Parents who failed to attend this money-raising affair have no right to speak up in protest against budget cuts in education.

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS mailed to our office are often accompanied by interesting notes from subscribers.

A good one arrived last week from Walter Ratzlaff of Saturna Island who recalled a story published many years ago in the *Western Producer*, a farm paper on the Prairies.

"A subscriber to the *Producer* was out hunting rabbits when he got caught in a downpour. He

grew up on the Prairies, must have been larger than

where he lived).

"By the time he awoke, the log had become waterlogged, and it had swollen so much that he was firmly caught. He could hardly breathe, let alone move.

"Sure that his end was near, he began to think of all the happenings of his life. In due course, it came to his mind that his subscription to the *Producer* was overdue—long overdue.

"The thought made him feel so small that he was able to crawl out of the log with ease."

ABOUT 15 DINERS took their chances Saturday night at a Salt Spring Island restaurant and none (as far as I know) suffered any ill effects.

They partook of a meal with the somewhat questionable title of *Publisher's Poisson*. The word, you will note, has two s's.

Many of those who showed up at the Fulford Inn were relieved that yours truly, the celebrity chef for the evening, was not cooking. Many others were relieved upon learning that the celebrity chef's concoction was not the only offering on the bill of fare.

I was relieved when people began ordering the meal. It would have been embarrassing otherwise.

The only discomfort I've suffered as a result of submitting the recipe is being the victim of crude jokes. I hope that by the time you read this people will have stopped asking if the ambulance had to be called, if the Poison Control Centre was on red alert for the evening or how many cases of stomach flu were reported Sunday morning.

Competition in the contest could prove to get pretty stiff this month. The Inn's Gerry and Barbara Bourdin report that Vancouver *Sun* columnist Denny Boyd is expected to do the chef's honours in the next few weeks.

I FOUND MYSELF in agreement with some of Bill Webster's observations of last week after I saw *Deathtrap* last Friday.

The Salt Spring Players did a commendable job of producing a play that could have done with a rewrite before it went on stage.

The last scene, in particular, was almost totally redundant in that the outline of the plot, with which we were already quite familiar, was summarized in full.

But the Players were beset with more serious difficulties in the second half of the two-week run.

suffered an injury to his leg.

Letters to the Editor

Excellence important

It needs help from all

Sir,
In an article in last week's *Driftwood* it was mentioned that the term "excellence" could be conceived of in different ways. As a School Board Member who has been working on "Project Excellence" I would appreciate a chance to comment.

My dictionary defines excellence as "outstandingly good of its kind..." and excellence as "the state of excelling". So, how can the word be used? The farmer may plough an excellent furrow and a cook may achieve excellence in cooking a custard tart. The word "excellence" still means the same thing; outstandingly good. It is the criteria which differs according to what the term is applied to.

I believe excellence to be extremely worthwhile and of particular importance in our educational system. I know that right now we have excellent teachers and students who achieve excellence as well.

The exact criteria which are to be used to judge excellence in education must be established by the professionals in their areas of expertise. For my part, I am happy that there is excellence in our educational system and I strongly support anything which can be done to promote it.

DAVID EYLES,
R.R. 1, Fulford Harbour,
March 4, 1984.

Sir,
For several years now I have thought that a cooperative venture among the people on this island to create a viable economy would be the only way of supplying satisfying work and a means of livelihood for the community. I admire those who have had the foresight to begin this venture.

However, having been engaged in the woodworking craft for several years I know that it is impossible to create that economy without exporting our goods to areas of larger population. This island will simply not support the large numbers of highly skilled crafts people.

While I also agree with many of the ideas of the originators of the Island Futures I think it is important not to lose sight of the basic need to create employment and make efficient use of all the assets of the island. This organization, at least at this point, should not be used to make political statements. We need the help of all the people of this island.

The most effective statement that Island Futures can make is to show that a cooperative effort can work.

JOHN MULLAN,
R.R. 1 Castillou Way,
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February 23, 1984.

Study nearing completion

Sir,
I have been requested by the Ganges Citizens' Committee to issue the following statement on its behalf.

The investigation and study on the sewerage of Ganges conducted by the Ganges Citizens' Committee is nearing completion. As soon as all final reports are in on this subject, a public meeting will be called to inform Salt Spring Islanders of its findings.

DAVID S. MATHEWS,
Vice-Chairman,
Ganges Citizens' Committee.
March 2, 1984.

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Bill Webster

A solution: eau de septique

Gulf Isles swelter in a mid-winter heat wave but contradiction is a way of life hereabouts.

And winter sunburn on the face aids in hiding embarrassment.

Louis Bolivar-Finchley returned to the Gulp Isles and paid a visit to the office earlier this week. He had come to explain a solution to a long-standing problem which has vexed islanders for a decade or two.

"Well, my boy," he said as he came through the door, "I want to talk to you."

"Not now, Louis, I have a photo assignment at the school," said the scribe.

Louis, of course, would not be dismissed so easily. He watched as the scribe wound some film for use at the assignment. He continued his observation as the scribe, upon checking the flash and discovering it to be without power, took steps to recharge the batteries.

He looked with interest as the scribe inventoried the items which any competent photog needs on assignment. A camera, check. A fully-charged flash, check. Film, check. Camera bag, check. Note pad, check. Pencil, check.

He followed the scribe to the school and continued his observations as the four youngsters were gathered and posed.

The idea was to show the craftsmanship which the

"Of course," said Louis. He went on to explain his idea.

The harbour, being the shallow entity that it is, should be closed, said Louis. To enforce the closure, a gunboat can be rented from a neighbourhood arms dealer. The vessel would be anchored to the thing on the bottom of the harbour and located just on the Prevost side of the Second Sister.

To reduce the cost of the project, the treatment plant will be done away with. The sewer pipe need not be buried but laid along the ditches. Each pipe would join house to harbour.

Much of the money saved would be put to use in the purchase of plastic buckets. The buckets would be dipped into the harbour and filled with authentic Ganges Harbour Eau de Septique and sold as fertilizer to big-city gardeners.

The money generated in one year would allow islanders to pay for the system which the Capital Region wants us to buy.

The money generated in five years would allow islanders to buy the Capital Region.

Louis said that to complete the project, we could change the name of the village to Grunges and the island to Sick Spring.

As he continued to wax eloquent on the subject, the scribe tip-toed away to check out the darkroom in an effort to find the mysterious missing photographs.

youngsters had shown when they created incredible masks from wet paper.

Several shots of charm and interest were taken. The flash worked each time.

Then Louis began to laugh and continued chuckling as the pair returned to the office.

He laughed, but would not say what the source of the humour had been.

"You'll find out," he replied to the question.

How does one explain to four charming young people that their photo will not appear in the paper because the scribe attempted to perform the impossible?

The red on the face of the scribe comes from a winter sunburn and not because the camera contained no film.

When Louis had laughed himself out, he decided to remember why he had visited the scribe.

He had been on a world tour to check on the various ways in which human fertilizer is disposed of. He had purposely visited only those islands which resembled Salt Spring in size and shape. Louis is, if nothing else, meticulous in his research.

"The problem here," expounded Louis, "is one of costs of disposal."

"Don't forget the concern about polluting the water," said the scribe, who knows those finer details of the problem.

Parking problem

Open letter to Stuart Hodgson, chairman, B.C. Ferry Corporation.

This is to inquire about your plans to provide some parking facilities at the B.C. Ferry terminal at Fulford Harbour. At the present time your Corporation provides no parking, and the village of Fulford Harbour has very little space available for those who wish to walk on board the ferry.

A few years ago the B.C. Ferry Corporation announced that its strategy to meet escalating ferry traffic demands would be to encourage foot passenger traffic. This seemed like a logical policy; it is one that many people would embrace if an economical and efficient parking and transit system were implemented in conjunction with the use of the ferry system. Although the Corporation's policy has yet to be realized—the use of the *Quinitsa*, for instance, appears to be designed to repel all foot traffic—the recent increases in vehicle fares dictate that casual and regular commuting foot passengers continue to walk on board.

The B.C. Ferry Corporation appears to have done nothing in the last six years to provide vehicle parking at Fulford Harbour.

Commuters and casual foot passengers have been forced to park haphazardly on the roads in the village. The numbers of commuting foot passengers have increased over the last few years; consequently so has the congestion and vehicle-parking problem. Not unnaturally, village residents have now complained and have effectively banned (except for one place that will hold about six vehicles) parking in Fulford Harbour.

I do not think it is unfair to assume that the B.C. Ferry Corporation has some responsibility in providing a solution to this problem, particularly in light of your stated policy. Receiving some information on your plans to provide car parking facilities at the Fulford terminal will provide the ferry patrons with some hope for the future and the reason to be patient while the situation is effectively resolved. I look forward to your earliest reply.

NEIL L. TODD,
R.R. 1 Fulford Harbour.
February 25, 1984.

Smokers weak, selfish, stubborn

Sir,
Memo to smokers:
You must be very weak, allowing a weed to rule your life.

You're selfish, not concerned with how your weak habit affects your loved ones. You're selfish because when you die an early death, you're leaving your loved ones to fend for themselves.

You're stubborn, because you aren't listening when your family try to break you of your weak habit.

You're a gambler, you're playing Russian roulette with your life.

G. M. BARKER,
Box 1121,
Ganges.

February 28, 1984.

Taxpayers misled?

Sir,
Hugh Curtis, MLA, is obviously either misleading us or is himself uninformed. I have not quite decided which.

While wearing his Minister of Finance hat, in the recent Budget, he told his electors and all other B.C. taxpayers that he would introduce a "four percent surtax" (this year) and eight percent in a full year.

The rate of Provincial Income tax at present is 44% of the Dominion Income Tax payable. It goes up by four percentage points, hence to 48%. Four divided by 44 equals 1/11 or nine percent: (or 18 percent in a full year).

These figures are not the same as four percent and eight percent, and Curtis would seem to have been unwise in insulting the intelligence of the taxpayers by trying thus to mislead them.

COLIN NICHOLSON,
Box 1087, Ganges.
February 22, 1984.

Ludicrous suggestion

Sir,
While reading Mr. Netboy's letter of February 22, 1984, I can now understand why the sewer issue of Salt Spring Island has not been easy. It is no wonder that people can't get it together. With thinking like that to even suggest that the sewer is less important than a meeting place is to say the least ludicrous.

I was told by some born bred islanders that at one time you could swim in Ganges Harbour. Now you can't. If the sewer isn't resolved by the time my children have children they'll be able to walk out to the point or slither. That is just one of many tales told.

Sure a meeting place would be a great asset but to whom. I think a pool would be more useful. It would be used by people young and old. And besides it is not the warmth of a building or intimacy that makes a good meeting. It is the human quality represented.

Our population is screaming of cutbacks in medical, education and other vital services. And you want the government to fork over \$500,000 for such a place. That is why we are where we are. In bloody big debt.

I agree about Expo. But it has created much-needed jobs and the tourist dollar that comes in will help our economy a great deal more than a meeting place used a couple of hours a night.

If such a family exists in this bad economic time, I think their money would be better spent on education. After all, our children will be our next "leaders". Or spent on a piece of medical equipment.

So, Mr. Netboy, the only place I would throw your suggestion is out the window. Until we as a community can improve our more needed education and medical services.

DEBORA FORSYTH,
Box 1305, Ganges.
February 23, 1984.

OTTAWA REPORT

Canada's economic performance examined in assessing Trudeau

BY JIM MANLY, MP

"Speak nothing but good of the dead," says the old proverb. Of course Pierre Trudeau isn't dead, but some of the eulogistic comments in the last week would suggest that he has departed for a better world.

Obviously historians, political scientists and journalists will take time to assess his career as Canada's prime minister for most of the time between 1968 and 1984. Although I can't pretend to great objectivity in my assessment, I never suffered from the extremes of either Trudeauomania or Trudeauophobia.

But I have felt for a long time that it would be in the country's best interest if he resigned. To some extent this feeling was a by-product of other people's objection to him. So many people had such a strong dislike of Trudeau that for a time "getting rid of Trudeau" became the dominant federal issue and prevented rational discussion of more basic issues such as unemployment. It was almost as though some folks thought if we could only get rid of Trudeau Canada would once again become a prosperous and hopeful nation. Today, after his announced resignation, we should all know that it won't be quite that easy.

Sitting in the opposition for the past four years has given me an opportunity to observe this complex and intriguing person. But one of my most salient memories goes back to 1976 before I was elected. Along with several thousand other people I was attending events associated with Habitat—the United Nations conference on human settlements—being held in Vancouver.

As crowds of people milled through the various displays, Prime Minister Trudeau came by with one of his children in tow. Suddenly the little boy began to cry—as all children are liable to do in the midst of a big crowd. He was not to be consoled until the prime minister picked him up and carried him on his shoulders. I happened to be in the same area and the friend I was with said to Trudeau, "He just wants to be with dad".

This inconsequential story is a rather pleasant reminder of the man's humanity. It also raises the question, "Would he be able to walk quite so freely amongst a Vancouver crowd today?" If not, we have all lost something very important.

In my picture of Trudeau, the gracious words he spoke to welcome Stanley Knowles back to the House after his stroke have to be balanced with the childish name-calling he would sometimes indulge in during question period. His insults to the unemployed workers or protesting students have to be contrasted with his passionate commitment to Canadian unity. His dedication to bringing home the Canadian constitution and the creation of a charter of rights has to be placed next to the suppression of civil liberties when he proclaimed the War Measures Act in 1970.

His commitment to bilingualism and his neglect of Western Canada have been placed together so often that many people think they are two sides of a single coin—which they should not be. I believe Trudeau's Peace Initiative was a sincere effort to bring a sense of urgency and a measure of reason to a frightening and insane arms race—but he detracted from his own credibility by giving the United States permission to test the cruise missile in northern Canada.

The rights and wrongs of his relationship with Margaret Trudeau are not our business. But as the press used his family life as daily headline fodder, Trudeau showed a degree of grace and dignity that calls for our admiration. On the other hand his brazen contempt for evidence of government corruption or wrongdoing; his downgrading of Parliament, and his blatant use of patronage in appointing personal friends and party hacks to the

Senate and other government offices calls for our contempt.

But above all, when we assess Trudeau's leadership, whether or not we like his style, his constitutional achievements, or his forays into global politics, we have to look at Canada's economic performance during his term of office. Here the results have not been good; even the so-called good years of the early 70's showed signs of the decline that has caught up with us in the 80's.

Canada has paid a terribly high price for Pierre Trudeau's lack of interest in the economy. Let us grant that the prime minister loved and continues to love his country; let us recognize his achievements. But now that Pierre Trudeau is leaving the scene, let us get to work on our real problems—putting Canada's two million unemployed back to work and restructuring our economy to meet the needs of all our people.

'Unfair, unkind attack'

BY HUGH BORSMAN
Salt Spring Regional Director

Despite considerable provocation, I have refrained from commenting on Mrs. Valcourt's various charges regarding possible election irregularities, until some answers have been forthcoming. I would now like to set the record straight.

Mrs. Valcourt's first application to the court was a request to have the election declared invalid. Her stated reasons were almost entirely incorrect or irrelevant. Unfortunately, neither the returning officer nor myself knew about the application and it was not contested. A recount was ordered and the election results verified.

What she neglected to ask the court was permission to reconcile the voters' list with the poll books. She had, it would appear, become convinced that a significant number of persons had voted more than once and this reconciliation was the only way of checking. Therefore a further court application was made which made various charges of neglect or irregularities against the returning officer. It particularly objected to the system which allowed voters to attend at the poll of their choice. Not only is this permitted, but Mrs. Valcourt was elected twice under this same system which now became unacceptable to her.

NOT CONFIRMED

The court allowed this reconciliation. Her suspicion that

considerable numbers of people "voted against her twice" was not confirmed.

All this, in my view, has tended to discredit Mrs. Valcourt. However, that is something she had an opportunity to consider. But her charges have impugned the integrity of myself and my supporters; without any foundation! They have brought a measure of discredit to the whole community by suggesting that there are a considerable number of dishonest and stupid people. But most unforgivable is the unfair and unkind attack on Mrs. Jean Vodden.

Apart from being a fine lady, Mrs. Vodden is considered to be the most careful, precise, efficient, honest, and well-organized returning officer in the Capital Region. This was again confirmed at this election, Mrs. Valcourt to the contrary. Mrs. Vodden's reputation is such that when a referendum was planned for Salt Spring concerning the sewer, Mrs. Valcourt particularly asked that she be appointed to supervise it.

It would be difficult to find anyone, including her former supporters, who thinks that Mrs. Valcourt really believed that she was defeated because of election irregularities. Far from protecting the democratic election process, as she claims, she has been trying to subvert it.

Not so incidental is the fact that this whole exercise will almost certainly be expensive for the taxpayers.

Ed Broadbent will attend local nomination meeting

Federal New Democratic Party leader Ed Broadbent will be in Duncan Friday for the party's nomination meeting in the Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands riding.

Broadbent will be the principal speaker at the meeting, to be held at 8 pm in the Eagles Hall, 2965 Jacob St. MP Jim Manly is not expected to be contested for the nomination.

The NDP leader will participate in a number of activities during the day. He will address a Western

Community Chamber of Commerce luncheon meeting at Langford and meet with people concerned with the sea environment in Duncan at 3 pm. He will also meet with members of the Cowichan Band at the fish hatchery.

Broadbent's address at the Eagles Hall will be open to the public.

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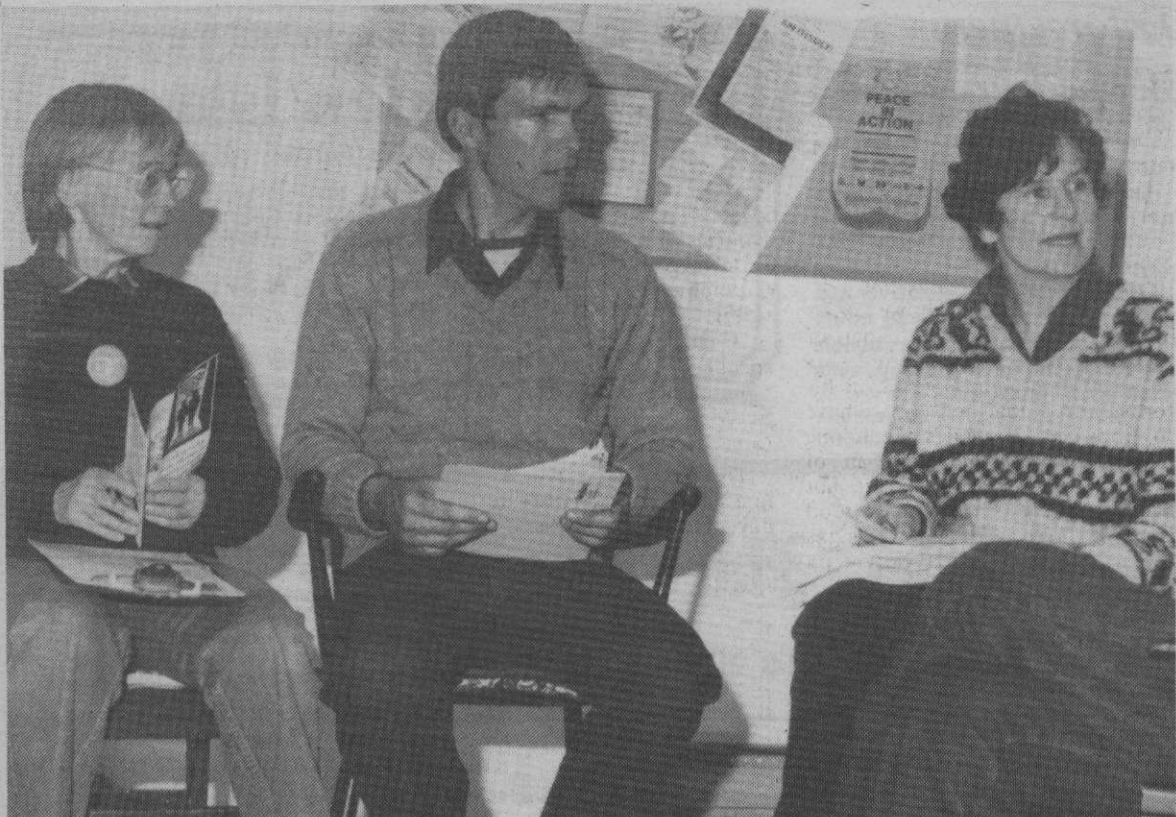
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Peace Centre opens

The Peace Centre opened in Ganges last weekend. It will serve as focal point for various Salt Spring groups involved in the peace movement. From left, Biz Whitby,

Tom Gossett and Maralyn Horsdal at a meeting in the centre on Saturday to discuss strategy for activities.

Fees up at five local parks

Increases in camping fees for B.C.'s provincial parks affect five parks in the Gulf Islands.

The ministry of lands, parks and housing recently announced the 1984 camping fee structure which

shows an increase of \$1 per party per night over the price charged in 1983.

The Gulf Islands campsites affected are Mouat and Ruckle Parks on Salt Spring, Prior Centennial Park on North Pender, Montague Harbour Marine Park on Galiano and Beaumont Marine Park on South Pender.

The rates for the first three parks will be \$5 per night, up from \$4. The two marine parks will cost \$7 per night.

If docking facilities are required for Montague or Beaumont, the cost goes to \$1 per metre of boat length per night. Last year, docking cost \$4 per boat per night.

Senior citizens and handicapped people will not be charged fees and all other fees remain unchanged.

Trailer destroyed by fire

Gordon and Donna Bolitho of Cusheon Lake Road on Salt Spring will miss their travel trailer.

Last Tuesday morning, Bolitho was preparing his children for school when one of the youngsters discovered that the trailer had caught fire. A short in the electrical system was suspected of being the cause of the flames. Only part of the frame remained when the flames went out.

The trailer had been decorated by a friend. On the outside, a cartoon of Mickey Mouse in a tuxedo proclaimed "Our Mickey Mouse Home."

The couple brought the trailer with them from Victoria when they moved to the island last December.

"We were really attached to it," said Bolitho.

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Region seeks injunction

The Capital Regional District is seeking an injunction to have a restaurant closed at Galiano Island.

Solicitors Harman, Wilson and Co. have been authorized to commence court action to enforce regional district bylaws and regulations under the Health Act with respect to a restaurant operated by Kelly Blackwood.

According to documents

obtained from the region, Blackwood is alleged to be operating the restaurant without a restaurant permit under the Health Act, without an adequate sewage disposal system, in contravention of the Islands Trust zoning bylaw and in violation of building bylaw 1042.

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Married in Saskatoon

Jocelyn Girard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Girard of Rainbow Rd., Salt Spring Island, and Marcel D'Eon were married in Saskatoon recently. The bride attended Gulf

Islands Secondary School and later graduated from the Royal Jubilee Hospital school of nursing. The couple will reside in Saskatchewan.

Good choral training was evident in performance

Review

BY JOY JOHNSEN

The B.C. Boys Choir, under the able direction of Donald Forbes, produced a concert worthy of note at Ganges February 26.

The program, representing various types of choral composition, achieved unity and contrast. Good choral training was evidenced in the basic fundamentals of singing, resulting in correct breathing, fine legato lines, excellent articulation and rich tone colour.

Dynamic control, clean attacks and releases and good carry through on the phrases highlighted every composition.

The talented baritone soloist was superb, touching the audience with beauty of tone, interpretation and perfect legato.

Overall, the disciplines of good singing were present in this group, who deserve praise for an excellent performance.

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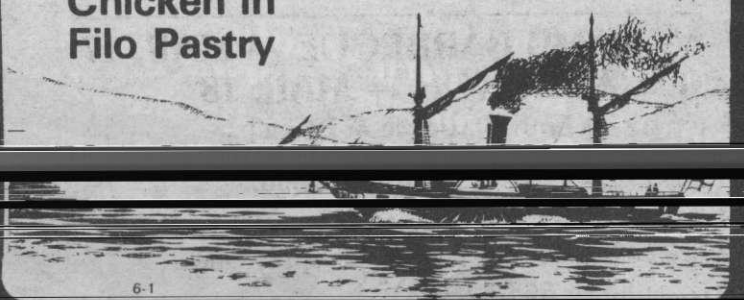
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Enforcement stepped up

Drivers who indulge in a few too many are targets of Ganges RCMP. The island police have begun increased enforcement of the Counterattack program, says Sergeant Mitch Hanks.

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Music of French balladeer to be heard at Mahon Hall

Contributed

BY PETER TASCHUK

For four days in March, Mahon Hall will assume the air of a Parisian cabaret, as a group of local singers and musicians bring the music of Jacques Brel to Salt Spring Island.

Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris, conceived by Eric Blau and Mort Shuman, is a musical containing a selection of some of Brel's best songs arranged for four singers and small orchestra and will be presented on March 16, 17, 23 and 24 by a troupe directed by April Curtis.

Jacques Brel, who was born in 1929 in Brussels, moved to Paris in 1953 to pursue his career in music and proceeded to establish himself as the most controversial and revered romantic balladeer of the era. In 1967, he curtailed his career as a singer, instead directing his creative energies toward the medium of film, writing, directing, composing music for, and acting in several movies, while at the same time becoming somewhat reclusive. He died of leukemia in 1979.

His songs encompass a wide range of styles and sentiments, from Spanish tangos to bawdy drinking

songs to love ballads; from political comment to funeral odes to exuberant celebrations of life and love.

They sing of sailors and thieves, tycoons, drunks and always of lovers. They are an explicit exposition of Brel's fears and loves, of his own view of life; life seen at times through clouds of cigarette smoke and glasses of red wine, life sometimes made crystal-clear in the same murky cafes.

The music is, above all, a celebration of life. Brel was a definitive French balladeer and the songs in this musical are an exhibition of that art at its highest level, along with its seamiest and most exquisite elements.

Cast of the musical *Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris* includes, back row from left, Ross McColl, Peter Taschuk, Chris Kodaly, April Curtis and Dwaine Prosk. In foreground are Kevin Wilkie, Oscar Riley and Barb Slater. Play opens in Mahon Hall on March 16.

Driftwood photo by Alice Richards



For Mayne School students

Computer course is part of field trip

Contributed

By KRISTINE WICKHEIM
Mayne School

On Wednesday, Feb. 1 the Grades 4-7 class of Mayne Island school went on an interesting field trip. Mrs. Pam Edge and Mr. Robert Taylor took their class to The Arts, Sciences and Technology Centre. I think all of the students, including myself, quite enjoyed the experience.

The very first thing we did at the Arts, Sciences and Technology Centre was to go to the "computer room". In the computer room there were 17 Vic 20 computers. We learned how to program the computers, how to make them ask questions, and some of us did computer art. The first half of the course was two hours.

For our two-hour lunch break we went to the Pacific Centre's food fair. I think almost everybody

bought something at the food fair, because everything looked absolutely delicious! After lunch, we split up into groups and looked around the Pacific Centre.

After the lunch break we went back to the Arts, Sciences and Technology Centre to work with the computers again. For two more hours we finished off the work sheets that we were given, and we learned some more. I think working with the computers was a great learning experience.

After working with the computers we were ushered down to the ground level for a static electricity show. On a platform was a large metal ball plugged into an electrical socket, so that when you stood on a rubber mat (about seven centimetres thick) and placed one of your hands on the ball your hair would slowly stand on end.

Right after the electricity show we went down to the next floor for a bubble demonstration. It was lots of fun making square bubbles, and triangular ones too.

When we left the Arts, Sciences and Technology Centre we split up into two groups and looked in some psychedelic stores. The group that I was in may have possibly seen Duran Duran drive by in a black limousine.

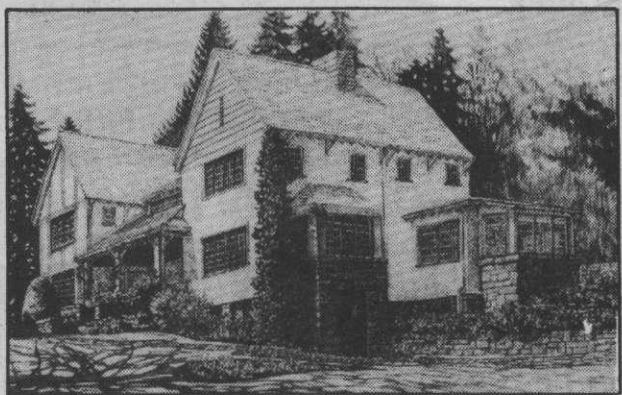
When both groups met up at the bus, we got inside and started off to the ferry. We got there in good time, and I'm quite positive that everybody was glad to have a chance to sit down for the ride back to Village Bay.

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There is an easy way and a hard way of doing almost anything, and as far as gardening is concerned, I much prefer the hassle-free joy of gardening to the other way.

For instance, I could carefully take some soil samples from various areas of our garden, dry them out a bit, mix them thoroughly and send them off to the nearest soil analysis facility. This costs a bit of money, involves some running around and requires some careful work, to give me an average analysis of the general soil condition of our garden. Or does it?

Organic Gardening did just that on a larger scale about a year ago or thereabouts. A large sample was most carefully prepared and mixed to insure complete conformity, packaged and sent off, as far as I remember, to 52 soil analysis laboratories.

Some weeks later 52 different results were received, which bore little resemblance to each other. Only two or three analyses had a few things in common and the remainder differed greatly, even in the most primary categories.

Both a total absence and rich presence of the basic element nitrogen were analyzed from the uniform samples by different laboratories. So much for soil samples.

Personally, I prefer to spend my money, time and labour on

providing optimum conditions for the growth of our fruit and produce, for this is the only thing I can do.

DO THEIR OWN GROWING

Plants or crops do their own growing; what I know about growing peas amounts to a hill of beans; I do not even know how I grow; all I can do is to provide the best possible conditions.

Since I know that our soils are somewhat acidic and that most crops do best in a near neutral soil pH level, I use dolomite lime to provide that level, along with vital carbon and also calcium with its crucial magnesium balance. Rock phosphate is my favourite source of phosphorus and also a source of about a dozen different trace minerals.

Nice and easy, also sure and safe, both last a long time, five years for dolomite and 10 years for rock phosphate. It is also really hard to overdo it.

Rock phosphate, which incidentally can be obtained at Foxglove due entirely to their long perseverance, is almost inert and can only be used up by cropping. It is like establishing a solid bank account from which the green life may draw as needed.

Manures, which also break down slowly and thus provide a stable base, provide nitrogen and other major nutrients and minerals; seaweed rounds out the full

Farming and Gardening

BY PETER WEIS
Foxglove Nursery Consultant

spectrum of the 60-odd essential trace elements. All these provide multiple benefits, such as the vital organic material in manures and seaweed.

BETTER INVESTMENT

Thus rock phosphate is a far better investment than a soil analysis, along with manure, compost, seaweed and dolomite.

I have not come across a single vegetable which refused to grow in soil too rich in natural nutrients. On the contrary, they seem to like it that way. To be sure, as tomatoes prefer somewhat acid soil, cabbages and corn thrive on high nitrogen levels, in which carrots and beets grow hairy. But there is an easy way around this too, which again has multiple benefits: a simple, four-year rotation. First of all, only a quarter of the garden requires intensive fertility in its first year, and secondly, soil-borne diseases are deprived of their host plants.

The high fertility quarter in its first year is used to grow cabbages, corn or cucumbers. The same

quarter in its second year is ideal for leafy greens, chards, lettuces and the like, without any further attention. In its third year it is just right for root crops such as carrots and beets.

IDEAL IN FOURTH YEAR

Peas and beans then are ideal candidates for the fourth year of the same quarter as the declined fertility is beautifully compensated by the nitrogen-fixing capability of the leguminous crops. Again, nice, simple and easy; all it requires is the keeping of a simple garden chart since we tend to forget.

Acid-loving crops, such as tomatoes, may be grown in the same area year after year in an area exempt from this rotation, to avoid the hassle of high alkalinity, which is nice for cabbages but not for tomatoes. These may be rotated

every five years if you wish, to tie in nicely with the dolomite applications.

Again, a nice and easy way of providing optimum growing conditions which fits hand in glove into this easy rotation.

A permanent herb bed, in the centre or along the perimeter, will not only provide us with fresh herbs but also go a long, long way to sustain a healthy, beneficial predatory insect population, which takes care of the undesirable critters bent on eating what we would like to eat.

This rounds out the hassle-free joy of gardening, which has a far greater appeal to me than the other kind, in full support of the positive dynamics of growth out of which the green life and our life evolved.

This may be the worst kind of fear

Contributed

A battered spouse says: "Fear comes in all kinds of different guises. You can be startled by someone coming up behind you suddenly, or out from behind a bush as children are wont to do. A scream in the night may be your own."

"Wondering what will happen: when it will happen. Stressful fear. The kind that goes on and on and wears the life out of you, reducing you to a whimper. There is no

strength to burst out and break the pattern.

"Nobody knows, except those who have lived under this kind of tyranny. This may be the worst kind, because of the length of time it can go on. This is how an abused spouse lives.

"Speaking in public is a major fear of almost everyone. A spasm of fear as you approach the podium. Fear of failure to hold and please your audience.

"We all suffer from fear of one kind or another. Some of us are afraid of heights, or water, fire or the dark. Many fears are real and many more imagined.

"Then there is terror. The maximum fear. You hold your breath, because breathing might be the catalyst which will unleash the holocaust. Terror: a flashlight in your face in the dark night, held by someone who is not rational. A tone of voice. You taste and feel the fear all around you.

"It is survival at any cost. Kill or be killed?"

A film on the subject of battered spouses will be shown at the Salt Spring Community Centre March 16 at 1:30 pm. Called *We Will Not Be Beaten*, this is sponsored by the Women's Support Group and all are welcome.

50 attend World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer was marked on Friday at the Pender Islands Community Church at 2 pm with about 50 members and friends in attendance.

The service was conducted by Helen Allison and the address was given by (Mrs.) Colonel Watson from the Salvation Army in Victoria.

Betty Atkinson and Reg Jackson sang a duet and Betty Atkinson sang a solo during the service. They were accompanied on the piano by Verna Kevil.

Reverend David Apivor played the organ for the service and taking part in the service prepared by the women of Sweden were members of the three Pender churches.



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It was with deep regret that the management and staff of Mouat's Trading Co. learned of the death of John Lees on Thursday, March 1st.

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BY BILL WEBSTER

The large white house on Ganges Hill has served the Salt Spring community in many ways for many years and as a result of recent renovations, the service will continue for many more years.

The Salt Spring Island Community Society operates the Community Centre, as the white house is known, for the benefit of islanders.

Back in the earlier years of this century, the structure was built as a hospital for Salt Spring. It continued in that capacity, offering shelter for the sick and infirm, until the mid-1950's.

When the current facility for Lady Minto Hospital was opened and in operation, the white house passed to other uses.

The Gulf Islands School Board eventually acquired the property and remains the owner of the 1.23-acre site. Students from the Outer Islands called it home during the week as they attended high school on Salt Spring.

The school board deliberated on issues educational from a room in the basement.

For the past decade, the Community Society has operated community services from there.

Marg Simons, acting administrator of the society, told how the centre exists as many things to many people.

In the basement, the Women's Place offers space for workshops and other activities of interest to local women.

Weekly program for youngsters

In addition, the room doubles as a meeting centre for Services to Youth, a weekly recreational program for youngsters aged 12 to 17 years.

On the main floor of the centre, the hallway is devoted to a second use as a library. Shelves of books line the hall and one portion of the wall contains a notice board telling of activities and seminars and general information.

As one continues on a tour of the building, space becomes noticeable. But that's what architect Hank Schubart was after when he designed the renovations.

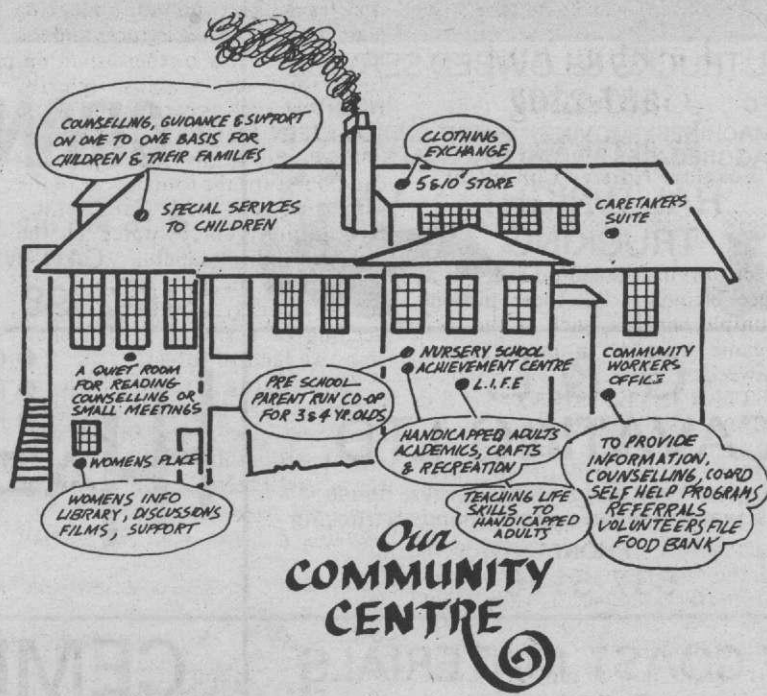
Each area of the centre is self-contained to minimize interruptions. The nursery school rooms, for instance, contain washrooms and other facilities for the youngsters.

Schubart looked to improve the efficiency of the building while preserving its heritage value. The outside walls were expanded to permit space for up to eight inches of insulation. The outmoded oil heating system was replaced by electric heaters in each room.

Simons said that when a room is not in use, the heat is turned down.

The renovations, said Schubart, have taken place "in bits and pieces" over a number of years.

The renovations illustrate how the centre focuses on community



involvement. Work has been allocated to island contractors and carpenters.

The remodelling of the centre is close to completion, said Schubart, and what remains is fixing the driveway and parking area as well as repairing the roof.

Renovations have cost nearly \$48,000

Since the project began in 1981, the Community Society has spent close to \$48,000 on various renovations. A new septic field was installed for \$2,200 while \$14,000 went towards making the building energy efficient.

The centre employs 15 part-time workers and, as Simons noted, "an incredible number of volunteers."

The emphasis of those who operate in and from the centre is job

sharing. "I guess", said Simons, "sharing is the key word for this building."

Upstairs, a small meeting room forms part of the special services facility. When workmen were fixing the room, they felt its cosiness and named it the "Womb Room".

In addition to space for family counselling, the room is also used for prenatal classes.

The objectives of the Community Society include promotion, planning and development of comprehensive community services. The society, and its employees, are there to provide services to those in need.

To that end, the society offers aid to individuals, groups and organizations in gaining information and access to resources, personnel and government funding.

The society is directed by a board of directors. There are 15 island residents on the board with Judy

Boylan as chairman.

Support for the centre comes from, in addition to the Salt Spring community, the ministry of human resources, the Capital Region, as well as federal and provincial grants.

"If it wasn't for grants, and community donations," said Simons, "we'd never have gotten anything done."

Program for handicapped adults

The centre is home to such groups as the Achievement Centre which offers a program for handicapped

adults. Sessions of the group are geared towards exercise, recreation as well as development of craft, academic and living skills.

Women can seek help in support groups which offer counselling for battered women and widows.

Seniors, youngsters, teens and anyone else in need of assistance can seek help at the centre.

The Food Bank, aided by efforts from the Ganges United Church, offers food for distribution to the hungry throughout the year with emphasis on Christmas hampers at year's end.

The efforts of the society and the people at the centre aim at reaching all segments of the Salt Spring community, said Simons.

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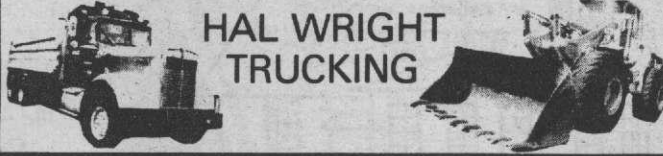
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Accreditation survey

Lady Minto Hospital is preparing for a survey by the Canadian Council on Hospital Accreditation, expected to be undertaken in the summer.

Accreditation is a voluntary program giving accredited hospitals the equivalent of the Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval.

A short film on hospital accreditation will be shown at Lady Minto's annual meeting.

Meanwhile, the board of

management is expecting to hear any day from the ministry of health concerning its funding allocation for the year beginning April 1.

In a release the board noted that the hospital has made a good recovery from the worst effects of the restraint measures it was forced to impose in 1982-83.

However, to maintain services at the present level, funding will have to be maintained at least at the level provided for 1983-84, the board said.

Second bankruptcy

A second Ganges store is involved in bankruptcy proceedings following an assignment under the Bankruptcy Act.

Cavendish Holdings Inc., doing business as Bin and Barrel Stores, Costcutter Foods and Distributor Foods, made an assignment February 23.

The Bin and Barrel Store at Ganges has been operating since July 1983 in the shopping centre north of the Valcourt Centre.

The store is still open.

All five companies operating K & R Your Food Store filed bankruptcy February 15, and the Ganges store has been closed since then.

A creditors' meeting was held Tuesday afternoon in Victoria but there was no discussion of reopening the local store.

Ross Hill, of bankruptcy trustees Coopers & Lybrand, said following the meeting that it was unlikely that any money would be available for unsecured creditors, who are owed \$2.6 million.

Total assets are reported to be \$1.2 million and liabilities, \$4.7 million.

Protest

At least four Gulf Islands residents left for Cold Lake, Alta., early this week to participate in a protest against the testing of the cruise missile.

Four people from Galiano Island left Sunday evening to take part in the demonstrations.

The missile testing was to start at 6:30 am PST.

World Day of Prayer at Ganges United Church

The Women at the Well, said Jay Andreassen, on the extreme right; and she referred to the women gathering to refresh themselves at the coffee table while exchanging notes. With her are from the left

Margaret Allan, Helen Carey, Betty McGuinness and Nora Chester. Picture was taken in Ganges United Church on Friday when the Salt Spring Island churchwomen took part in the annual World Day of

Prayer. It is the occasion of each year which brings women of various denominations together to pray for peace. Display of pictures may be seen behind the group. The pictures emphasized the theme of the service.

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SATURNA SCENE

BY PRISCILLA JANSZEN

Marjorie and Walter Ratzlaff spent several days in Vancouver recently. Joseph, their grandson, had his birthday, their daughter Dorie had a singing concert and Walter had his many projects to attend to.

The Lions had a good turnout for their zone conference. Many guests from the Outer Islands and southern Vancouver Island attended.

Lorraine Campbell attended a school board retreat over the weekend. She said it was a good opportunity to get to know the other trustees.

The Crosbys and their friends the Ackermans celebrated Les and Hilda's wedding anniversary in Vancouver. Congratulations and best wishes for many more!

School superintendent Mike Marshall and board chairman Charles Hingston came to Saturna for an evening meeting with the parents. Mr. Hingston discussed the school budget.

The Mayne Island Nuclear Disarmament committee hosted Kinoko Laski, a founding member of Canadian Survivors of Hiroshima. Taimi Hindmarch and the other Saturna members found it a deeply moving and saddening presentation. Laski, with pictures from the American archives, described her and her family's experience on that day.

Wendy Bertram, Laura and Em Coombes' daughter, is getting such high marks at Camosun College that she has raised her sights from practical nurse to lab technician. It's

wonderful to see Wendy's industriousness being rewarded so well.

Tony Turney and Barbara, his mom, were over visiting her parents, Hazel and Jack Trickey. Since Tony went to school for a year on Saturna he has many friends to play with whenever he visits.

Saturna kids had a rough week. Kimberly Graham was riding home from school on her bicycle, turned to wave to Eddie Whiting, and fell off!

She, her dad and Alfred Reynolds were the first people to try out the new coast guard zodiac now stationed on Saturna. It was a good ride, cool but brief. Kimberly now has a cast on her left arm.

Stewart Middleditch went on the night boat the same day as did Jesse

Guy. Stewart had ear infections and Jesse had taken a swig of a poisonous shampoo.

On the subject of poison, in the medical bag which is left with one of the island nurses is a set of substances to deal with various types of poison. The first 15 minutes can be crucial for treating a young child so call our nurses promptly!

The Campbells have two women from Pearson College staying with them for the week. The girls are helping with the lambing and participating in farm life. Tracy is from Hay River, Northwest Territories, and Antonia from Lima, Peru. The girls rode horses with Jacques over to the school and spoke to the kids about their homelands and their lives at the college.

Our island friend Don Cunningham died last week. Don has lived on and off the island for many years, alternating with trips to the oil fields of the Middle East. Don wanted to spend his last days with his family at home and he didn't want a funeral.

Laurie, his daughter, read a moving remembrance of her dad, at an afternoon gathering of friends. Don was a warm and friendly man and had many friends on Saturna. We will miss him. Deep and warm condolences to Lil, Laurie and Donny.

On Friday the school staff went to Salt Spring for a professional day. There was a full slate of workshops offered.

Help for Young People GET YOUR "CALLING CARDS" FOR 1984 SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

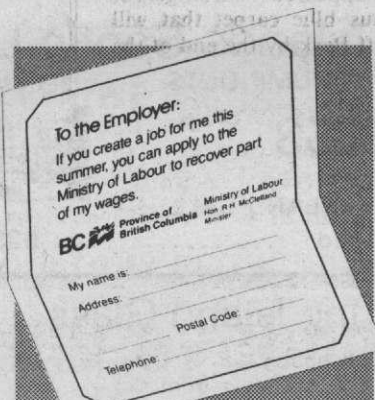
For Youth and Students

To aid young people in making contact with employers who may create summer employment opportunities, the 1984 JOBS FOR YOUTH Program of the B.C. Government now provides youth and students with a valuable tool.

If you are 15 to 24 years of age or a student who attended an accredited educational institution on a full-time basis for at least one semester since October 1, 1983, you are eligible for the program. The Ministry of Labour will provide you with Calling Cards (see sample at right), and information on how employers can be reimbursed for part of your wages.

For Employers

Employers who are able to create summer jobs for youth may apply directly to the provincial government for financial assistance. Funds are available for employers in the business and farming sectors, as well as universities, colleges, tourist information centres and museums. Further information is available at your local Ministry of Labour office.



A Calling Card may well be your key to gainful summer employment. Pick them up at any of the Ministry of Labour offices listed here.

Youth Should Act Now

It's important to remember that your prospective employer must complete an application and receive approval from the Ministry of Labour before your employment qualifies under this program.

Completed applications should be submitted to your Ministry of Labour office as soon as possible, as funding assistance is limited.

To Apply

Students or young people who wish to pick up their Calling Cards, or employers who wish to apply directly, are requested to contact one of the Ministry of Labour offices listed below. For further information call ZENITH 2210 (toll free).

- MINISTRY OF LABOUR OFFICES:**
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| Vancouver Island Region | Northern Region |
| 101 - 1180 Ironwood Road
Campbell River, B.C.
V9W 5P7
286-3265 | 1201 - 103rd Avenue
Dawson Creek, B.C.
V1G 4J2
782-5931 |
| 941B. England Avenue
Courtenay, B.C.
V9N 2N7
334-4403 | 1011 - 4th Avenue,
Plaza 400
Prince George, B.C.
V2L 3H9
564-8131 |
| 238 Franklyn Street
Nanaimo, B.C.
V9R 2X4
753-9185 | Bag 5000,
3883 - 2nd Avenue
Smithers, B.C.
V0J 2N0
847-4229 |
| 4000 Seymour Place
Victoria, B.C.
V8X 4S8
389-3088 | 1st Fl. 4548 Lakelse Avenue
Terrace, B.C.
V8G 1P8
638-8191 |
| Interior Region | 302, 35 - South
Second Avenue
Williams Lake, B.C.
V2G 3W3
392-6261 |
| 101, 117 - 10th Ave.
South
Cranbrook, B.C.
V1C 2N1
426-2283 | Lower Mainland Region |
| 240, 546 St. Paul Street
Kamloops, B.C.
V2X 5T1
374-7165 | 110 - 4946 Canada Way
Burnaby, B.C.
V5G 4J6
294-3878 |
| 200 - 1626 Richter Street
Kelowna, B.C.
V1Y 2M3
763-9241 | 45904 Victoria Avenue
Chilliwack, B.C.
V2P 2T1
792-0634 |
| 310 Ward Street
Nelson, B.C.
V1L 5S4
351-2211 | |

GALIANO NEWS

Firemen attend workshop on fighting forest fires

BY KATHLYN BENDER

Eighteen volunteer firemen from both North and South Galiano departments attended an all-day workshop organized by Clarence Friesen of the Duncan office of the forestry department on February 28.

During the morning session instruction was given in the suppression of forest fires, illustrated by well made films. In the afternoon an area of forest was marked out and the students were assigned to deal with the situation that would arise if the forest were on fire.

Each fireman attending was awarded a certificate of forest fire suppression training. This course is one of several available to firemen. Fire chief Williams was impressed with the value of this training and is of the opinion that it would be pertinent to any islander whose property has a forest or bush component. They might find the films particularly helpful.

The chief reminds all property owners that it is wise to get any burning done before the fire season starts on April 15.

Etching for Royalty

Some time ago the Galiano Historical and Cultural Society commissioned local artist Ronaldo Norden to prepare etchings of Dionisio Alcala Galiano's boat, the *Sutil*, for sale to members of the society.

Hearing that the King and Queen of Spain were to visit Victoria, the society has decided to present the first print of the *Sutil* to the Queen of Spain and this will be done at a luncheon in Victoria on Saturday, Mar. 17.

St. Margaret's

World Day of Prayer was celebrated last Friday in St. Margaret's Church by a service in which many people took part and which was prepared for churches of many denominations in many countries by the women of Sweden.

Rev. Sydney Bell presented an interpretation of the parable of the prodigal son that was particularly pertinent in its application to present-day problems. After the service the congregation were afforded the opportunity to meet Rev. Bell during a pleasant social hour at the residence of Clifton and Pat Coolidge. Next Sunday the pastor, Rev. Leonard Pocock, will make the service at the new time of 10:30 am.

Red flag over Gossip

Travellers from Vancouver to Victoria via a B.C. ferry from Sawwassen approach an apparently unbroken coastline. Suddenly, after a half-hour sailing, an opening appears marked on the port side by the Mayne lighthouse and on the starboard by a black or green bell-buoy with a flashing

green light.

This is the northern entrance to Active Pass. The bell-buoy marks the undersea extension of Gossip reef, the middle finger of the "hand" that extends from the little island in a southeasterly direction.

This narrow point of land which varies in length with the state of the tide has on it two features of interest. On the highest point is a gazebo, dating back over 50 years to when Gossip was a holiday resort with a hotel run by the Denroche family.

Many is the picnic or afternoon tea enjoyed in that octagonal edifice with its magnificent view of the Strait of Georgia. On the last little plateau, safe from even the highest tide, is a flagpole, from which now flutters a red flag!

Now Gossip can hardly be considered the domain of a proletarian regime. The flag in fact flies over the territory of Jerry Hamilton whose free-enterprise credentials no one could question. It is true that Gossip Islanders nationalized their electricity distribution system, but this was done for reasons of economy and not as a matter of political principle.

The flag is unusual in several ways. Instead of being attached by a halyard at its hoist end it appears to be suspended by a pulley at its upper corner. Its shape is not rectangular and the fly end seems to be serrated. No device—hammer, sickle, sun or other emblem—can be seen on the blood-red ground. To the lower fly corner is attached a streamer at least twice the length of the flag and reminiscent of a Chinese kite-tail.

The significance of the flag is unknown, as there is very little commerce or communication between the two islands of Galiano and Gossip. It is to be hoped that there has not been a secret winter take-over of the island by "leftists", for this would provide an unpleasant surprise for the migrant Gossipers when they return to their cottages in the summer and provide Galiano with an excuse to invade their neighbour in order to protect the national interest.

Nature notes

When Wendy Roberts returned to her Galiano home last Friday evening her power was off and on phoning around she discovered that she was the only one so deprived.

When a Hydro lineman appeared on Saturday morning to correct the fault it was discovered that a bird had alighted on the power pole, causing a short circuit and electrocuting itself in the process. When the bird was brought down it was discovered to be a Cooper's hawk with blue-gray back and rusty breast, a not infrequent winter visitor to this part of the world. The magnificent specimen, although half cooked, was donated to the lineman who has taken it to a taxidermist to be stuffed.

The Victoria Natural History Society birdcheck lists 28 species of ducks commonly seen in winter in the Victoria area. With much less variety in habitat only about 10 of these are frequently seen in the Galiano area. Most of the ducks seen in the waters around our island are diving or bay ducks.

Ducks are now particularly conspicuous as they go into their spring courtship routines and begin to pair off. The little black and white buffle-heads are typical as the drakes rear up in the water, chase off rival males and exhibit a rapid to and fro movement of the head.

With one exception, flocks are small, rarely numbering more than a dozen ducks. Some groups swim randomly along the shoreline, diving and feeding, as do goldeneyes and the blue-billed scaups. The common mergansers prefer the regular formation of line-ahead cruising together with their heads under water looking for small fish.

The one exception to the small flock size is the scoter. Great rafts of these can now be seen, some containing hundreds of birds. These "skunk" ducks sometimes swim in lines or V's and at other times form squares or circles. When flying low over the water they favour the same diagonal line as the cormorants which, however, are much larger birds. This type of formation allows each bird to take aerodynamic advantage of the slipstream created by the bird in front of it.

This week on the south-facing slope below the edge of the bluff in the park the first flowers of blue-eyed Mary appeared—harbingers of the glorious blue carpet that will adorn Bluff Park by the end of the month.

Coming events

There will be a meeting of the Galiano Island Trust Committee in the South Community Hall Friday at 7 pm.

Galiano Island Ladies Service Club will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday, Mar. 12 at 2 pm in the home of Fern Stewart on Highland Drive. Their new slate of officers is Pat Ford, president; Helen Hoole, vice-president; Marian Michaelson, secretary; Kitty Weaver, treasurer, and Sally Riddell, sunshine convener. Publicity will be handled by Helen Hoole.

The Garden Club will have as its guest speaker on Wednesday, Mar. 14 Dr. Gerald Straley, professor of botany at UBC. Dr. Straley will talk on the plants and gardens of Australia and illustrate his lecture with slides. The meeting in the North Galiano Hall begins at 1:30 pm and guests are welcome for an

entry charge of \$1.

Tickets for the Lions Club Sea Food Dinner on March 17 are going quickly and should be purchased forthwith from Terry Wishart 2958, George Stephen 2586, or Jim Burroughs 5533. Note the new place, the activity centre.

The annual fund-raising drive for the Canadian Red Cross Society is now underway with an envelope campaign on Galiano. Please lend your support to this worthy cause by mailing a cheque to the chairman, Mrs. Margaret Robson, Box 32, Galiano, before March 31. A receipt will be returned. If more convenient, donations may be left at the Corner Store, courtesy of Ron and Connie Minette.

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Men's team third in zone finals

BY TERRY JENKINS

Duncan was the scene of our off island bowling on the weekend where our men's team placed third in the zone finals of the Export A National Classified. Unfortunately, you have to place first to go on to the provincial finals. The ladies did not do as well as in other years. Sometimes you're hot and sometimes you're not. Better luck next time.

Bunty Lees is our Queen of the Lanes for 1984. She bowled 170 over average to beat out Margo Casper and Doris Beach who both were 165 over average. Thank you all for taking part.

The men have been bugging me about King of the Lanes which we did not do last year, so I will be after you this week to enter.

High scores of the week: among the ladies Val Hughes tops the list

with 772 (229, 243, 300) followed by Sheila Lucas 740 (191, 311, 238), Deanna Marleau 717 (271, 231, 215), Mary Fraser 709 (305, 202, 202). For the men: Terry Jenkins 817 (251, 305, 261), 777 (266, 260, 251), Pat Slingsby 764 (256, 209, 299), Steve Marleau 746 (252, 238, 256), Albert Kaye 709 (247, 221, 241).

300 games: Sheila Lucas 311, Mary Fraser 305, Terry Jenkins 305, Val Hughes 300. Pins over average: Val Hughes with 202 has the most over so earns herself a free bowling night. Others who bowled well over average were Mary Fraser 169, Helen Hopper 163, Les Giles 148, Patrick Slingsby 143, Edie Gear 113.

GOLDEN-AGER SCORES

Over 250: Helen Hopper 289, 211. Over 225: Edie Gear 234, 233, 222, Les Giles 226, 218. Over 200: Dave Slingsby 218, Rusty Hopper 217,

Gladys Harper 214, Bett Taylor 212, Bill Harper 212, Geoff Baker 210, Connie Ramsay 209, Jean Blatter 209, James Gilson 209, Bunty Lees 207, Lydia Purser 201, Frank Cullis 201, Annie Code 200, Helen Herron 200, Tracie Gilson 200.

Over 600: Helen Hopper 673, Edie Gear 626, Les Giles 625.

Bowlers of the week: Helen Hopper for the ladies and Les Giles for the men.

The Golden-Agers who open bowl Sunday afternoons at 1 pm hold a pins over average tournament the first Sunday of the month. The winners this month: Helen Herron, plus 157; second, Edie Gear plus 104; third, Murray Poyntz, plus 74. Honourable mention, Bett Taylor plus 64. Bett actually got to hold third-place money before I discovered I had made a mistake.

New board members elected

New board members were elected at the annual meeting of the Salt Spring Community Planning Association recently.

Harry Pickstone, Debbie Davies, Kathy Ratz, Sue Bradford and Mike Hayes were elected to serve two-year terms. Clair Nutting was named to a one-year term.

The following officers were appointed at a subsequent meeting: Ray Hill will continue as chairman; Murray Reiss, vice-chairman; Debbie Davies, treasurer; Kathy Ratz, recording secretary; Judy Ripley, corresponding secretary. Sue Bradford will represent the association on the Advisory Planning Commission.

Other board members are Jean Brindamour, Rice Elkington, Judy Rolfsen, Syd Wigen, Jean King,

Richard Nemeth and Mary Williamson.

Next regular meeting is scheduled for 7:30 pm March 14 at the school board office. Agenda items may be submitted to Ray Hill.

Directory published

The 1984 Pender Island telephone directory was received in the mail recently by all Pender households.

The directory is published each year by the Pender Lions Club. John Sabbagh is responsible for compiling and publishing the book, which contains a business directory and advertisements for 54 businesses.

School District #64 — Continuing Education SPRING PROGRAM — 1984

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

DEBBIE NOSTDAL

7 Tuesdays; starts Mar. 27; Mrs. Dammel's Rm.; 7:30
Fee \$15 or \$25 for a family
English help for those who feel the need to improve their communication skills.

FIRST AID — STANDARD

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

3 Saturdays, March 31, April 7 & 14; Elem. Library; \$42
There will be an additional charge of \$3-\$5 per person to cover travel expenses of instructor. Course length is 22 hours, approx. 7 per session. Starting time will be announced.

MR./MS. FIX-IT

COLIN NICHOLSON

5 Tuesdays; starts March 28; Metal Shop; 7:30; \$25
Learn to do simple maintenance/repair: faucets & fuses, soldering & circuit breakers, pipes & pumps. Also learn when NOT to "do-it-yourself".

G.E.D. PREPARATORY COURSE

DEBBIE NOSTDAL

5 Wednesdays; starts March 28; Rm. 6; 7:30; \$15
Learn how to take the High School Equivalency Test. If there is enough interest we can arrange for the test to be given here at the conclusion of the course.

CLASSICAL GUITAR FOR BEGINNERS

PETER TASCHUK

6 Tuesdays; starts March 27; 7:30; Band Rm.; \$30
An introduction to music notation and classical guitar technique. Students furnish their own guitars.

REGISTRATION

- Any class may be audited at its first session. Exceptions: certain classes requiring fees paid in advance, or, where enrolment limit has been reached.
- Registration & payment of fees may be done by mail, or at Continuing Education office in Mouat's Mall, 10:30-3:30 Monday-Thursday, or at first class session.
- Telephone calls are welcome as indications of interest but they do not constitute registration.
- Deferred payment or reduced fees may be arranged as necessary.
- Refunds only if class cancelled.
- For further information call Virginia or Ray Newman at 537-2822.

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CLASSICAL MUSIC WORKSHOP:

Being a Participatory Listener

LYNN QUINN; LILLIAN SLANINA;

SUSAN DE BURGH; MADGE KIMBALL

1 Sunday, April 15; 9:30-4:00, lunch 12-1:30

High School Band Room. Fee \$10.

An overview by Lynn will lead into listening/discussion of vocal, piano and instrumental music ending with the esoteric and meditational aspects of music.

RECORDERS/INTERMEDIATE

JOAN STACEY

4 Wednesdays; starts March 14; Art Room; 2:30; \$15

If you can play a bit, come and join the group.

CREATIVE WRITING

HONOR GRIFFITH

1 Sunday, March 25; Mahon Hall Board Room

9:30-4 (lunch break 12-1:30); \$15

We will work on individuals' own writings. Note: Pre-register by Thursday, Mar. 15 please.

ANATOMY OF THE ARMS RACE

5 Thursdays; 7:30; Fernwood School; Fee \$5

A repeat of the short lecture/discussion course given earlier in Ganges and Fulford. Come into the Continuing Education office & look over the outline of this vital & timely topic.

DANCE

JAZZ, BALLET & TOTAL BODY WORKOUT

These classes have limited enrolment. New students please check with Continuing Education office before attending.

DRAWING & PAINTING

DIANA DEAN — All levels, all media

8 Wednesdays; starts Mar. 28; 7:30; Art Rm.; \$36

Drawing leading to painting. Afternoon or weekend outdoor sessions may be arranged, weather permitting.

CALLIGRAPHY

SYLVIA SKELTON

Sunday, March 25; Elem. Library; 10-4:30; \$20

A few openings left. Pre-register by Thursday, March 15, please. List of necessary equipment is available.

FILL OUT YOUR INCOME TAX

JIM FOGARTY

1 Saturday, April 7, 1-4 pm, Board Rm., Mahon Hall; \$4
For people without business, farm or rental income. Limit 20.

MICRO-COMPUTERS

INTRO...AND A BYTE MORE!

PAUL SINCLAIR

5 Mondays; starts March 26; Ian Jukes' Rm., Elem. School; 7:30; \$25

Hands-on experience for the uninitiated. Get the feel of program operation.

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5 Thursdays; starts March 29; Rm. 1; 7:30; \$27
No beginners. A more advanced approach to Data Processing. If you want to use your own machine let us know.

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5 Wednesdays; starts Mar. 28; 7:30; Wood Shop; \$20
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6 Mondays; starts March 26; Woodshop; 7:30; \$30

No beginners. Work on your own projects.

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5 Wed.; starts March 28; 7:30; H.S. Metal Shop; \$30

Foundry and basic drill press work.

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MANO SANDHU

3 Tuesdays; starts March 27; 7:30; H.S. Foods Rm.;

Fee \$12 plus food. Limit 15.

Keep your food costs down—Chinese cuisine provides delicious healthful meals yet uses smaller quantities of expensive meat, fish & poultry.

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Fee \$95 Can. (not incl. meals or Fulford ferry). Limit 40

NOTE: Additional people may be able to join the group for the art show only & arrange their own transportation & lodging. **Pre-registration imperative on this event.** Deadline for payment of fee: Thursday, April 5.

KICK-OFF

Cup fever setting in as league play winds down

BY MALCOLM LEGG

League play closed down last weekend for most of our off-island teams, giving way to District Cup play and cup fever.

With the first round opening this weekend it is a good time to preview our teams, their play to date, strengths and weaknesses, and their chances of reaching the finals.

Our senior team this season is the women's team, the Sockeyes. They have struggled all season, hampered by injuries and lack of players, only picking up two wins and two ties in 15 games. The team's strengths lie in a very sound defence and cohesive team-work while their only real weaknesses are their lack of scoring ability and their failure to field a full squad of players.

If the girls can field a strong team in the play-offs, as they did in last weekend's 2-0 win over Oak Bay, they could fare well in their drive to the final.

In Division 2B the Strikers, our senior boys' team, have a real challenge in the cup. The team has come off a very inconsistent season, never able to put a consistent stretch of games back to back. The team's strengths lie in good goalkeeping and a sound defence while their weaknesses are a poor offence and disjointed team play at times.

The Strikers open cup play with a difficult away game to Gordon Head. They will need a sound team effort to gain a win, but with a win they should then win the semi-final for a good shot at the final.

The Wranglers of Division 3B have also struggled with inconsistency this season, one week playing well, the next not so well. The team's only strengths are in a dangerous attack and players with

SOCCER SCOREBOARD

Div 3: Salt Spring Wranglers 1 (M. Scown), Peninsula 3.
Div. 5: Salt Spring Selects 2 (M. Nordine, I. Ondre), Gorge 2.
Div. 6: Salt Spring Sounders 1 (Default), Sooke 0
Womens: Salt Spring Sockeyes 2 (J. Hull, D. Sneade), Oak Bay 0.
Girls: Salt Spring Cosmos 1 (T. Martin), Sooke 0.

INTRA-ISLAND

Senior: Stingers-Dodgers 3 (X. Lam 2, T. Lam), Sharks-Lazers 0.
Junior: Demons 1 (R. Guthrie), Leopards 1 (L. Quesnel); Eagles 1 (A. Bell), Panthers 0; Mites 2 (H. Jason 2), Devils 0.

very good skill levels giving them the potential to beat any team.

The team's only weakness appears to be cohesiveness in their play throughout the full game and from game to game.

The Wranglers also play their first cup game away to Peninsula. It is a team they can beat and with the win they should go all the way to the final.

In Division 5C the Selects have come off a good season, winning 12, tying two, and losing only four, to finish solidly in third place. The team's strengths lie in brilliant cohesiveness in their team play and consistency of effort. The team's weaknesses would have to be size, as the team is small, and the ability to finish the many scoring chances they have.

The Selects have an excellent draw as they have home advantage all the way to the final. If they play up to their potential the team should be in the final and anything can happen there.

The Sounders of Division 6C have had an excellent season, only losing one game in 18, which is a great start for a new team. The team's strengths are in hustle, good

individual skills, and a strong attack. The team's weakness might be inexperience as they are a first-year team.

Their first game in Cup play is at home to Peninsula, a game they should win, a win that should give them the momentum to go all the way to the final.

Our girls' team, the Cosmos, still have three league games to complete before they go into cup play which will be a one weekend tourney on the April 7 and 8 weekend.

The girls' strengths lie in hustle and a strong defence while their weaknesses are size and a poor offence. The chances in the play-offs hinge on the girls putting together some good performances and getting some goals.

We must not forget our intra-island teams who are in the middle of their play-offs.

In the senior loop the cup race has broken into two groups. The Stingers, Kicks and Fury are all fighting for first place with the Stingers up by one point on the Kicks and two on the Fury, but the Kicks and Fury both have a game in hand. The second group sees the Dodgers one point ahead of the

Sharks and Lazers in the battle for fourth.

The junior loop has a very exciting race in progress and some surprise leaders to boot. There are only six points between all six teams with the Eagles holding the lead, one point ahead of the Mites. The Leopards and Panthers are in a tie for third with the Devils and Demons hot on their heels.

All in all there appears to be plenty of good cup action throughout March. With the weather looking good why not get out, catch cup fever and watch our teams in their hunt to reach the finals. Three teams made it last year, why not six this time around?

Classic battle ends in tie

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Last Saturday's game between Salt Spring Selects and Gorge was billed as a classic battle between two of the division's top teams and the game easily lived up to its billing, ending in a 2-2 tie.

There were numerous scoring chances at both ends, excellent build-up by both teams to create those chances and great plays by both defences to keep the score respectable.

Gorge opened fast forging to the attack with sustained pressure that led to the opening goal after only 15 minutes. Once they had this lead the Gorge team started to sag and the Selects took over.

The Selects' mid-field of Ben Berry, Izak Ondre and Justin Scott quickly established their passing game and the Selects started to get chances. Mark Nordine had the best as he corralled a Mike Tranter pass, broke into the clear, only to see his shot rattle off the goal-post.

With half-time almost there the Selects suddenly struck. A Chad Little goal-kick was flicked on by Izak's head to Mark who broke in the clear to score the equalizer.

In the second half it was the Selects who came out flying and were quickly rewarded with a goal. Izak pushed a ball forward to Mark who held it for a moment and then slipped it to Justin Scott who was overlapping up the middle.

Justin moved in and just when it looked like he would shoot, he squared the ball across the goal to Izak who easily scored.

The Selects had numerous chances to increase their lead but the ball somehow would not go in. Gorge were able to recover from the onslaught and mid-way through the half equalized on a nice passing play.

This weekend the boys try for the second consecutive cup victory, 1 pm at Portlock Park on Saturday against Cordova Bay.

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Women's: S.S. Sockeyes: TBA, Sun., Mar. 11

Div. 5C: S.S. Selects vs Cordova Bay, Sat., Mar. 10, 1 pm, Portlock Park.

Div. 6C: S.S. Sounders vs Peninsula, Sat., Mar. 10, 11:30 am, Portlock Park.

Girls: S.S. Cosmos vs Gorge, Sat., Mar. 10, 2:15 pm, Victoria.

INTRA-ISLAND:

Dodgers, Portlock #2, Fury vs Lazers, Portlock #3.

Junior, Sat. 9 am: Panthers vs Devils, Portlock #1; Leopards vs Eagles, Portlock #2, Mites vs Demons, Portlock #3.


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