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Incumbent trustees returned by voters

Incumbents Nick Gilbert and Pat Byrne scored an impressive win over challenger Rick Rockcliffe in last Saturday's polling for two Salt Spring Island Trust Committee seats.

Byrne, coming off his first year as trustee, topped the polls with 1,334 votes, followed by four-year Trust veteran Gilbert at 1,321 votes. Rockcliffe trailed with 292 votes.

Turnout was 34.22 per cent.

Outer Islands pick trustees, deny fire vote

Three incumbents, two newcomers and a veteran — that's the makeup of Island Trust Committees on Saturna and the Penders after balloting held last Saturday.

Also decided by Saturday's balloting was a fire protection referendum on South Pender, which failed by a handful of votes.

Trust incumbents John Money on Saturna, Peter Campbell on North Pender and Steve Wright on South Pender won re-election in races that saw voters lean heavily towards experienced candidates.

Experience wasn't enough to top the polls in all cases, however.

On North Pender, Campbell's 315 votes left him behind Doreen York, who polled 342 votes, but well ahead of Ben Manning, who drew 96 votes. Turnout was 47.32 per cent of registered voters.

On South Pender, Elaine Jacobson led the way with 81 votes. Wright's 66 votes left him in second, 12 votes ahead of Charles Hlsley at 54. Turnout was a phenomenal 75.16 per cent.

On Saturna, Money topped the field with 85 votes, followed closely by former regional district chairman and school board rep

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Gilbert and Byrne welcomed the election result, saying they interpreted their sizable margins of victory as support for the way they've handled Trust affairs to date.

"I feel the result reflects public opinion on development philosophies," Byrne added, referring to the pre-election perception of Rockcliffe as a pro-development candidate and the incumbents as supporters of slower growth on

"The people have demonstrated confidence in our ability to do the job," Gilbert said. "It (the result) very much cleared the air.

"I think it indicates a broad section of the island is behind the Trust, to a degree I don't think we've ever seen before."

Gilbert added that the margin of the incumbents' win gives them "a clear mandate" that cannot be ignored by other government agencies.

Rockcliffe, however, said he regarded the election outcome as a vote against his involvement in returning outboard motors to St. Mary Lake, not as an endorsement of the incumbents.

"It wasn't a mandate for them — it was a vote against me," Rockcliffe said. "I read into the result the fact that most people believe (the election) was fought over environmental reasons, but

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Rockin'

A Salt Spring student belts out the song *True Blue* during the third annual Gulf Islands Secondary School airband competition held

Friday. *True Blue* placed eighth out of 11 entries. The competition was hosted by Valdy and supported by local merchants.

School board race returns Eyles, Beitel

Incumbents Bert Beitel and David Eyles fought off a stiff challenge from candidate Susan Bradford to retain their Salt Spring seats on the board of trustees for School District 64 (Gulf Islands) in Saturday's elections.

Eyles, who currently serves as vice-chairman of the board, captured the largest share of Saturday's vote. He garnered 1,088 votes, 42 more than second-place finisher Beitel, who polled 1,046.

Bradford finished a surprisingly strong third with 754 votes.

Eyles said in an interview Monday that he "would like to thank the voters for their support, and for the good turnout we had.

"I'd like to congratulate the other candidates for the energy they gave to the campaign, and I'm looking forward to another two years of working with the people in this district," he continued.

Eyles said one of his goals during the coming two years will be to improve communications within the district. "And I would ask anyone with any suggestions or concerns to get in touch with me," he said.

Beitel, who has represented local electors for six years, thanked the residents of Salt Spring Island for their continuing support on November 15.

"I will continue to attend as many meetings as possible, always bearing in mind that the bottom line is getting the maximum educational value for the benefit of the kids," Beitel noted.

Although she failed to gain a seat on Gulf Islands school board, Bradford said Monday she was pleased with the support she received.

"I think I did really well, actually," she said. "I didn't really expect to get in, to tell you the truth. I was up against two incumbents, neither of whom had done anything controversial in the last year or two.

"Actually, I thought Bert (Beitel) was going to step down. When I went to file my nomination papers, he still hadn't filed his yet."

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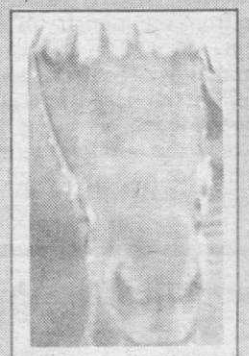
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But is one month time enough?

Fish farming enquiry applauded

By DUNCAN MacDONNELL

Observers say a one-month enquiry into B.C.'s fledgling maraculture industry, announced last week by the provincial government, may not have enough time to adequately answer all questions raised about the possible impacts and conflicts posed by fish farms.

The enquiry, headed by Kamloops lawyer David Gillespie, will investigate concerns about the maraculture industry's impact on commercial fishing and the environment, its potential conflicts with other foreshore users, and the process government bodies follow when evaluating fish farming licenses.

While industry observers like fish farm operator Chris Hatfield and Salt Spring Island Trust Committee member Nick Gilbert last week

welcomed the enquiry, they said its one-month time limit might prevent Gillespie from taking the in-depth look warranted by questions raised about the industry.

Echoing the assessment of Tom Lee, the deputy minister of forests and lands, Gilbert noted the enquiry was called in response to concerns raised by commercial fishermen that the maraculture industry poses possible threats to the environment — placing natural fish stocks in peril — and unfair competition in their traditional markets. Gilbert said he's sure the enquiry will be most concerned with those questions, possibly leaving others unanswered.

Hatfield, operator of a salmon farm at Yeo Point on Salt Spring, said the issues dividing commercial

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Two task forces set to study St. Mary Lake

By MIKE TURKKI

Salt Spring Island now has two task forces studying water quality problems in St. Mary Lake.

Tom Gossett, president of the Salt Spring Island Water Preservation Society, announced Friday that the organization is moving ahead with its plan to form an independent task force to consider the problems in Salt Spring's largest lake.

Gossett said he has sent letters to all the water districts using St. Mary Lake and asked that they join the society in undertaking a new, comprehensive study of the lake.

"We're taking the initiative on this thing," said Gossett. "We're going to leave the politicians off the study in this initial phase. We've asked the water districts to join us, along with a representative of the ministry of environment."

In the study's initial phase, representatives of the society and the water districts will work with an environment ministry official to bring together "the pertinent information contained in the studies on St. Mary Lake and adding to it general knowledge relating to water quality under similar circumstances elsewhere."

In his letter to Don Storr, chairman of the North Salt Spring water district, Gossett wrote: "After an objective assessment of the problems and recommendations for policies and programs to preserve and restore water quality in the lake, then phase two of the study will take effect and the task force will be enlarged to include a representative of the (Islands) Trust and CRD.

"This political phase will involve assessing the relative feasibility of each recommendation, determining priorities and then taking action accordingly."

"The studies have been done," Gossett said Friday. "Now we have to apply to them local and general knowledge."

The water preservation society's study — approved by the organization's membership at a meeting held October 30 — will bring together all relevant information on the lake; identify existing and potential problems; recommend policies and programs to prevent further loss in water quality; disseminate this information to the public; present the proposals to government bodies; and follow up to ensure progress is being made.

The society's decision to move ahead with its study comes shortly after Capital Regional District director Dr. Hugh Borsman's announcement that he intends to press on with his plan to form a St. Mary Lake community task force.

Dr. Borsman's proposed task force will consist of eight members selected from the community: one representative from each of the four water districts using St. Mary Lake; one from the Islands Trust; one from the CRD (Borsman); one from the water preservation society; and a technician from the ministry of environment.

Borsman is organizing a meeting of the proposed task force, and indicated in a recent interview that the group's terms of reference would be decided then or shortly thereafter.

He said Thursday he had "nothing further to report" on the task force. He added, however, the body's first meeting would likely be held sometime next week.

Local water districts seem perplexed by the water preservation society's announcement that it also intends to form a St. Mary

Lake task force.

Don Storr, chairman of the North Salt Spring Water District, said Monday he hopes the two task forces will simply amalgamate — thus avoiding duplication of effort.

"Well, I hope they're both the same one," he said. "I think it's unfortunate if they aren't. It

would be a complete duplication of effort."

Storr said the North Salt Spring Water District has already appointed Hart Graham as its representative on the Borsman task force.

"I think things will settle down so that there is only one (task force)," he continued, "because

it's important the work get done. There have been two or three studies completed, and now it's more a matter of going through the information and putting it in language we can all understand.

"But I'd hate to think there would be duplication of effort, because this is such an important issue," he indicated.

Telephone poles will be moved

B.C. Tel is relocating its lines along a portion of Lower Ganges Road to eliminate a long-standing hazard to motorists.

Graeme Cockle, B.C. Tel's construction supervisor for this area, said Friday that company employees began preparatory work last week to relocate telephone lines currently located on the west side of the sharp corner south of the Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club.

"As you know, there have been untold motor vehicle accidents along that section of road, and

(the ministry of) highways finally said: 'Move your lines to the east side,'" he explained.

Cockle indicated the new poles will support both B.C. Tel and B.C. Hydro lines in the area. "When we go on B.C. Hydro poles, we administer them jointly," he said.

The B.C. Tel construction supervisor said the project — expected to cost B.C. Tel approximately \$8,000 — has no specific completion date. "As I said, we're setting the poles for Hydro," he indicated, "but the

move to the new poles has to be co-ordinated, so it (the project) could drag on for some time."

Cockle said the project isn't expected to disrupt B.C. Tel service in the area.

"The move will take a day to complete, and we'll probably be approaching highways to close Lower Ganges Road for a day," he continued. "There will be no interruptions in service, and I expect it to go fairly smoothly. There may be a temporary interruption of cablevision service, but it wouldn't be long."

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Islanders to pay more for '87 auto insurance

Gulf Islands residents will pay more for their automobile insurance in 1987.

Officials for the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC) announced last Thursday that rates would rise an average of 4.5 per cent next year in B.C. to help pay anticipated 1987 claims costs of \$775 million.

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The local owner of an older vehicle like a 1975 Datsun will see the premium for pleasure-use only insurance rise to \$239 in 1987 from this year's rate of \$220 (based on \$1 million third-party liability insurance and a four-year, safe-driving discount).

Insurance costs on medium-priced vehicles such as a 1984 Honda Civic Hatchback will increase to \$367 per year (pleasure-

use only) from the 1986 rate of \$346.

Insurance on late-model vehicles will also rise in the Gulf Islands. A 1986 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme, for example, will cost the average driver with a four-year, safe-driving discount \$428 to insure in 1987 — \$22 more than it did in 1986.

ICBC did have some good news for motorists, however. According to ICBC President Tom Holmes, the corporation will:

- Continue to move vehicles to lower rate groups as they age, resulting in reduced collision and comprehensive premiums; and
- Increase payments for total disability and death to \$145 per week from \$130, and
- Increase survivors' benefits to \$35 per week from \$30;

In commenting on the new rates, ICBC President Tom Holmes pointed out that there has been a 20 per cent increase in injury-related claims and a 10 per cent increase in property-related claims in 1986.

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. . . by Richards

Kids and Christmas

It's the time of the year when everyone is looking forward to Christmas. None looks to Christmas as eagerly as the handicapped children who will sail the provincial seas aboard a B.C. Ferries ship.

The Ferry Authority and the ferry crews join forces each year in making a special trip for these children who have less in their lives than many of their friends. The ship is decorated for the occasion and every passenger gets a gift to remember the day.

The handicapped children will sail out of Tsawwassen on Sunday, December 13.

There will be a box at the Long Harbour wharf for donations of small gifts and stocking stuffers. A second box will be located at the office of *Driftwood*. Readers are invited to make a contribution towards the small gifts that go into stockings for these special passengers on a British Columbia ship. Small toys and other material to fill stockings are in constant demand. The ferry crews would also accept small donations of cash to help buy these gifts.

There's one more message from the many ferry employees in the islands. If you know of a handicapped child who hasn't registered for this special event, please call Long Harbour before December 6.

The day is a B.C. Ferries project. Nobody else. But in this area, they can use help.

Where are we?

It annoys me! What doesn't?

A radio announcer who tells me that the federal government is planning to spend X number of Canadian dollars. Of course they are Canadian dollars. What else would the Canadian government be spending, Deutschmarks?

When a prominent provincial newspaper columnist was reviewing Bill Bennett's term of service as premier of the province, she observed that his 11 years of office was two and a half "presidential terms." So what? It also happens to represent about 38 per cent of the average term of office of a Dalai Lama over the past four centuries, but she didn't mention that.

Quiet departure

When Hugh Curtis walked out of the parliament buildings in Victoria last week, he was a layman and not a cabinet minister. For the previous 11 years he had served in the Cabinet; for the past 14 years, he had been a member of the legislature.

It was a lonely departure. No government car; no ministry staffer; no last-minute instructions. He left for good.

But he was not alone. Sheila Curtis was with him to make her farewells to the office staff and to accompany him on this, his last day as a senior servant of the people.

It was also his first day of freedom in 14 years.

There is a great difference between coming and going, however. He entered the cabinet in 1975 amid noise, congratulations and a plague of reporters eager to ask him a slough of questions. He left without noise or effusiveness and not a reporter to ask him the time.

There was a farewell message. It came spontaneously and indirectly.

One of the Curtis office staff explained to the commissioner that there had been a happy farewell for the retiring minister.

"A good man, that!" was the prompt response.

An excellent showing

The fashion parade in Mahon Hall on Friday night was the work of Island weavers and crafts workers. The showing was full and impressive.

The show went on for a long stint as sample after sample was modelled by volunteers.

The showing came into the opening phase of a two-day exhibition and sale by artists and craftsmen. It's not in my line of activity: I avoid fashion shows by choice, but I was there and I was impressed with the versatility of a small group of islanders who can produce striking fashions from materials available here, at home.

Trust session approves permits

At a 'housekeeping' meeting held two weeks ago in Victoria, the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee approved three development permit applications.

The permits cover the addition of a carport to a house in a commercial zone, siting for a new office building at Ganges Marina, and approval for residential and commercial sections of the proposed Grace Point development.

The meeting also received copies of three bylaws the Trust Committee had taken to third reading and sent to the municipal affairs ministry for approval. The bylaws, now in force, cover new buildings on the Hastings House property, construction of a marina operation at Fulford Harbour, and industrial zones for Salt Spring.

The new industrial zone regulations are contained in two bylaws.

One specifically excludes asphalt plants from Commercial-4 zones, the other creates a Commercial-5 zone and restricts that zone to 13 acceptable industrial uses.

Those two bylaws were prompted by the proposed move of an asphalt plant from Metchosin to a Salt Spring property zoned C-4. The property has since been re-zoned C-5, preventing the plant from locating here.

setting it straight

An article in last week's *Driftwood* incorrectly reported that an upcoming session on self-healing was open to the public. In fact, the session is limited to 15 people and will cost each participant \$50.

Healing from the Heart: Healing Self, Touching Others will be staged November 22 at the Salt Spring Community Centre, from 9:30 am to 4 pm. Contact Susan Blagborne (537-5897) for further information.

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Eastern 'power play' shutting out the west

Every Canadian knows Joe Who. When the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada accidentally named a Western Canadian to the leadership of the party, there was a furore that extended over the whole of the nation, and for several years. The Tories toiled day and night to have the upstart westerner from Alberta put aside for a real Canadian from Quebec.

Today, history is repeating itself. The Liberals, button-lipped and secretive in the past, are now unzipping lips in their anxiety to rid the nation of a western leader. When John Turner was named to head the Liberal party, there were those who challenged his identity as a westerner, even though he was undeniably raised in this province.

The national Liberals are following the Tory example. Whether a Canadian is a Liberal or a Conservative, it appears he cannot tolerate the prospect of any leader who doesn't hail from that birthplace of all Canadian leaders, Central Canada.

In the recent days of dispute over separatism

and the future of Quebec, it was the west as much as any section of this nation which fought vigorously to maintain the integrity of the nation.

We would ask those who wield the power in both these great Canadian parties whether there remains any hope for the west as Canadians. We would ask whether western Canadians are, in fact, second-rate Canadians, unfit for any leading role and only capable of taking second place to the Canadian brains, the Canadian power, the Canadian authority all vested firmly and irrevocably in Central Canada.

We would ask the back-room boys of the ruling Progressive Conservative party, as well as those within the Canadian Liberal Party currently relegated to the Loyal Opposition, whether western Canadians should aspire to an authoritative voice in Canadian affairs, or should this role properly be filled, as in the past, by leaders picked from the Bastion of Power, Central Canada?

The recent experience of national affairs has

accomplished little to assure westerners that theirs is a secure and assured role in this nation in the future. They may vote, of course, for their master in Central Canada, but, please, don't expect to skim any cream from the Canadian political churn. The Progressive Conservative government has very shrewdly steered all goodies into the Central Canadian net. The hopes and expectations of the west have been plowed under by the demands of central expediency. Every western Canadian knows the Canadian philosophy. Every western Canadian has asked why the Central Canadian dog always wags the western tail? And the answer, so glib, so true and so desperately frustrating, is always: "that's where the vote is!" We can only snarl back, as small child might have recourse to the irrational, that they will be sorry when we've gone.

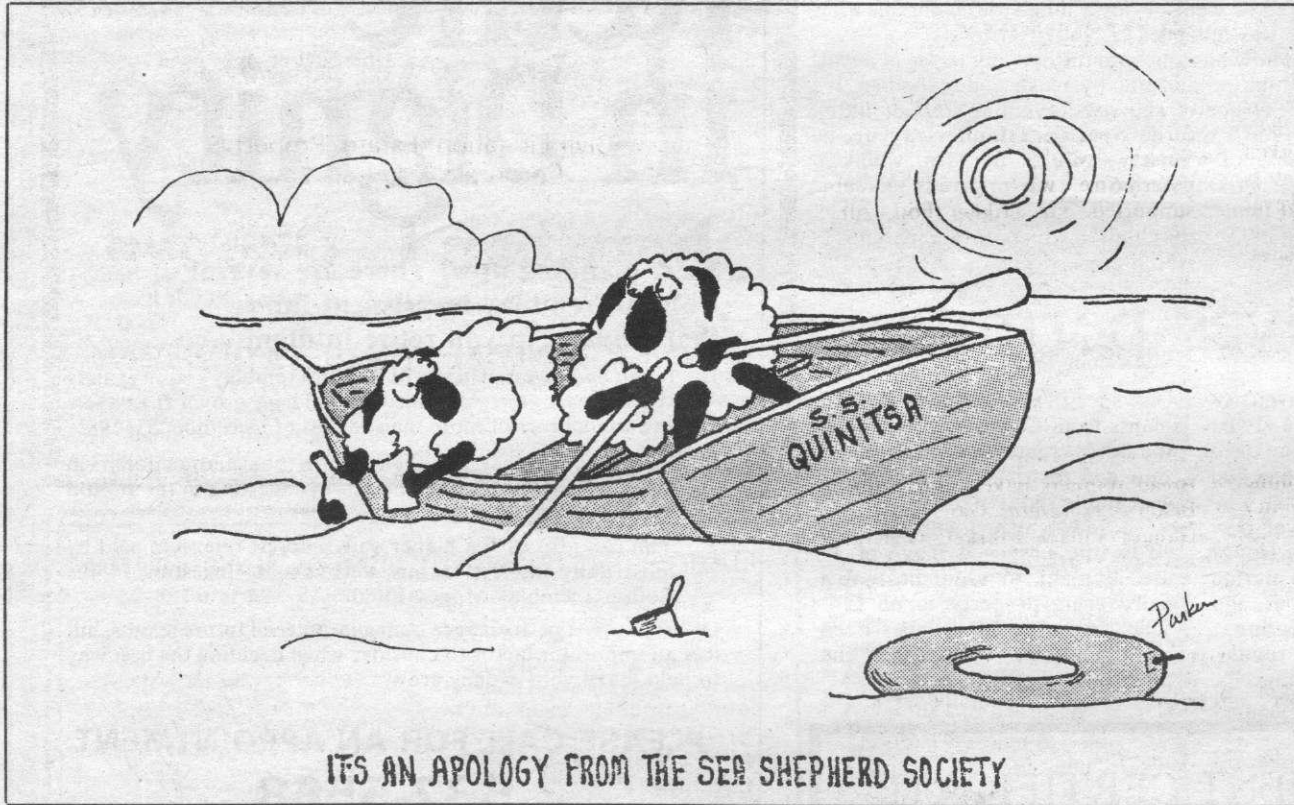
Those powerful Canadians who rule by right are bringing to bear on the west a burden that grows year by year. We have all heard the despairing cry to separation. And we have, by and large, ignored that cry. What alternatives lie for the west?

Separation has always been a dirty word. The Progressive Conservative government has always illustrated and practiced its contempt for the west. The Liberals in opposition are already behaving like a pack of hounds tearing at the flesh of their leader who has the temerity to identify himself with British Columbia. Where is the voice for western rights? How strange that no voice is raised in the ranks of Tory or Grit to remind the nation that the west and even that unknown territory west of the mountains, are yet part of Canada.

Just what is Central Canada trying to do to us?

Only one national political party has shown a preparedness to accept western representation at the top. When Tommy Douglas led the New Democratic Party, there was no scream of horror from the party's central committees.

The message comes over very loud and very clear. The only uncertainty here in the west is whether the Liberals and the Conservatives want us all to flock to the NDP or whether they would sooner have us tear away from the umbilical cord that ties us to central Canada and see us as a separate entity, unloved, unwanted, unknown and unmourned.



ITS AN APOLOGY FROM THE SEA SHEPHERD SOCIETY

Glitter of salmon farming may not turn into gold

A few weeks back, a long-time acquaintance dropped by the house. After having come into a good sum of money in the past year, he's eye-balling a few business ventures — one of which is fish-farming.

No, the friend said, he has no knowledge of salmon farming, but all you have to do is throw a few fish into a pen, sit back and get ready to count the profits. Right?

Dead wrong, as I found out during an afternoon spent at Chris Hatfield's fish farm near Salt Spring's Yeo Point. Even Hatfield, who operates a fisheries-related consulting company and has worked as a fisheries biologist, considers B.C.'s fledgling industry a risky venture.

In fact, Hatfield expects most

of the salmon farms springing up in B.C. will be bankrupt and out of business in a few more years. One problem, he said, is the perception of salmon farming as a can't miss venture; people are diving into it with little or no knowledge about fish and less understanding of the expenses that will be required to do the job right.

That's why he intends to bring his venture along slowly. Its scale, he said, will be small enough to keep the dollar investment within reason but large enough to generate the cash flow to hopefully keep it going.

How expensive is fish farming? Hatfield says you can jump in with a Cadillac version that might cost \$700,000 to get off the ground. Figure at least \$100,000

my word

by
Duncan MacDonnell

for feed. One state-of-the-art steel pen can cost \$30,000. A buoy is \$150.

He cuts costs by milling some of the timber on his land to build wooden pens for about \$3,000 each. For buoys, he'll use large soft-drink concentrate containers that cost \$13. He'll go slow, build up the farm and see what happens.

If Hatfield is cautious, it's because he's seen what the rest of the world is doing. Chile, he said, is poised to be a fish-farming

power — it has a coastline equivalent to the stretch from Acapulco to Anchorage, is the largest fishing nation in the world in terms of tonnage caught (lots of fish feed there) and has opened its bays and coves for fish farms. It's moving into the market, and quickly.

Then you have Norway, which Hatfield said is already producing fourth- and fifth-generation penned salmon. They're light years ahead of everyone else in terms of raising the most marketable fish, in terms of size, colour and aesthetic appeal.

There is no guarantee, then, that the B.C. industry will be the get-rich-quick venture many people believe will be automatic. Hatfield feels many will fall because of strong world competi-

tion for markets, the chance they may not realize a proper return on investment, and the likelihood that too many entrepreneurs are launching ventures without the technical know-how needed to get their farms off the ground (into the water?).

Sure, Hatfield wouldn't be getting into it if he didn't figure he had a good chance to make a go of his farm. But he's going in slowly (helped by an equally-slow bureaucratic approvals process) — with his eyes open, an informed feel for the industry and only after weighing the odds for and against success. And he still isn't 100 per cent certain he'll succeed.

I guess it's just like the old saying: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably isn't.

Explained

Sir,

Such is fame!
My uncle writes a letter and everyone wants to talk to me about it.

I have two problems in the community. My uncle Ken, who is more outspoken than I am, had the name of Ken long before I did.

I have been engaged in debate over the telephone for the past week following a letter to the editor signed by Uncle Ken.

He had strong views on the election issues. Mine were less urgent. He wrote a letter in support of his favourite candidate. I was too deeply engaged in work and soccer practice.

But I might as well have written, for the time I've taken explaining it wasn't me.

KEN BYRON (Jr.),
Ganges.

Opening

Sir,

*All I need is a little room,
A place that is fine and free.
A room where I can think to myself,*

*Where no one is needing me.
And then I'll find my way again,
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And then I'll find the joy again
That comes when I'm feeling strong.*

— from *I'm Getting my Act Together and Taking it on the Road.*

After November 25, the cozy room in the Community Centre known as the Women's Place will be open during the Community Centre's regular hours, 9 am to 4 pm.

You can bring a friend, use the library or enjoy a reflective hour.

To celebrate this re-opening, the Gulf Islands Women's Place Association is holding an open house on November 25 at 7:30 pm at the Community Centre. We hope you will bring your ideas and your self.

We are beginning plans for next year's women's festival. Would you like to be involved? Are you a woman with concerns you would like to deal with, or creative energy you would like to share? Would you like to give a special book to the library so that other women may benefit? Then come to the Community Centre on November 25, at 7:30 pm, and meet others just like yourself who want to have a Women's Place in the Islands.

APRIL CURTIS,
Fulford Harbour.

Rebuttal

Sir,

Last July at a public meeting for the purpose of discussing the problems of St. Mary Lake, Ed Davis rose to say he was more worried about Maxwell Lake than St. Mary Lake. Waving a black file he said he had evidence (aerial photos) of large-scale clearing in the Maxwell Lake watershed. At the all-candidates meeting last Thursday (November 13), Mr. Davis made reference to this same land-clearing in a question to the candidates. Although never mentioning the alleged perpetrator by name, it is obvious that Mr. Davis is referring to the activities of Foxglove Farm.

I would like to take this opportunity to speak to his concerns. Foxglove Farm is located near the outlet of Maxwell Lake and most all of our land drains down Cranberry Creek, away from the lake. With justification based on topographical surveys I could have long ago petitioned the Island Trust to have our farm removed from the watershed zone. However, I have not done so

because I firmly believe the farm provides an important buffer zone against future residential development around Maxwell Lake.

Furthermore, I would like to extend an open invitation to Mr. Davis or anyone else with concerns to come on up, see the clearing project and the lay of the land.

In the past five years the community has made some dramatic advances in the overall protection of the Maxwell Lake watershed. For example, one owner of a large lot gave 20 acres of vital watershed land to the Water Preservation Society. Another owner placed a legal covenant on his property so it will never be developed. Yet another owner of a large piece of the watershed has agreed to give North Salt Spring Water District first refusal if and when he decides to sell. Finally, still another owner has agreed to a land exchange on his vitally important portion of the watershed.

Now, why not compare these generous, community-minded acts and attitudes to those of Mr. Davis in the St. Mary Lake watershed.

TOM GOSSETT,
Foxglove Farm.

Victimized

Sir,

I can scarcely wait for the next riveting installment of Marty Bach's *victims of crime on parade*. May I suggest a suitable title: *The Naked Island*. The lead-in could read: "There are a few stories on the 'Naked Island' and this will be one of them." Perhaps there will be a juicy wife-beating or a drunken assault next and, with the clues supplied by Mr. Bach, however anonymously, some readers can play 20 questions and, no doubt, arrive at the correct identity. It has already happened to me.

This is not New York City, this is a small community, and Mr. Bach's idea of confidentiality is seriously flawed if he thinks that mere anonymity protects his clients. Having been a counsellor myself, I am appalled at his public revelations concerning my unfortunate experience. Surely Mr. Bach must understand that his published ramblings could prejudice or, indeed, precipitate legal action. If this is the person who will be responsible for training volunteers, God help us.

My conversation with Mr. Bach was, or should have been, in the strictest confidence but, since he

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chose to reveal my story in this medium the very least he could have done was to get it right. Either his memory or his perception of my case is defective and I would like to correct a few of his errors:

I was never in any doubt as to the perpetrator of the crime.

At no time have I ever felt 'guilty'.

No advice was needed or given on securing my home. The crime was unrelated to security but, solely, to misplaced trust.

I am not 'elderly'.

I hope that any future victims are spared the added burden of Mr. Bach's public disclosures. I am left feeling, justifiably, twice victimized.

Name withheld by request.

Thanks

Sir,

As the tourist season is now behind us, we would like to express our sincere thanks to the Salt Spring Business and Tourist Information Centre.

As the operators of a first-year bed and breakfast establishment the help given us was immeasurable.

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MORGAN and JEFF SAVIN,
Precious Meadows Farm,
Ganges.

Appreciative

Sir,

The members and staff of the Salt Spring Island Daycare Society would like to thank everyone who generously supported our Trike-a-thon. All the children who rode (and parents who jogged, strolled and cheered) did very well, raising funds for our daycare.

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DENISE HEATON,
President, Salt Spring Island Daycare Society.

Unhappy

Sir,

When we visited Mount Maxwell Park at the end of August we were so disappointed for the following reasons:

There was no sign indicating the direction to the park; fortunately we had a map and had been there before.

The condition of road in the park is disgusting. We had to leave our car and walk to the top.

Picnic tables had been removed. Large trees had been chopped down but they looked in perfect condition.

You have the most wonderful park with the most super view from the top. It is so sad to see the park neglected. This doesn't seem the right way to attract tourists.

CONNIE KINGERLEE,
Sidney.

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Sir,

The Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who donated prizes, music, food, art and facilities for the Harvest Ball.

* Thanks to the artists who so generously donated their works for the auction, and special thanks to all the people who worked so devotedly on the committee, and gave freely of their time and efforts to make the Harvest Ball an outstanding success. Thanks go to:

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Special thanks go to artists Jack Avison, Robert Bateman, George Bates, Allan Edwards, Brien Foerster, Robert Genn, Kiff Holland, Brien Johnson, Kay Ratcliffe, Kirstie Shoolbraid, Marke K. Simmons, Emil Socher, Gary Whitely, Edward Spears, B.L. Woodward, and Jose Trinidad.

Beth McDonald,
Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce.

Elected

Sir,

May I express a tremendous thank you to all who have supported me during the recent campaign. I believe we have a strong mandate to negotiate with other levels of government on behalf of Salt Spring. I believe too, that the election results show broad support for the Islands Trust, and its efforts to maintain the island's unique rural amenities.

NICK GILBERT,
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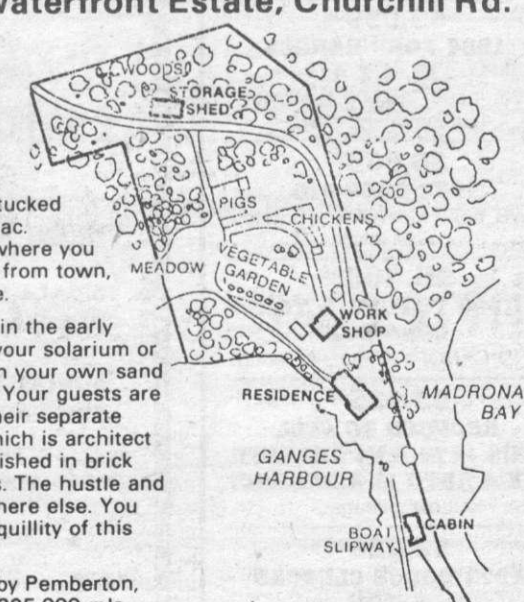
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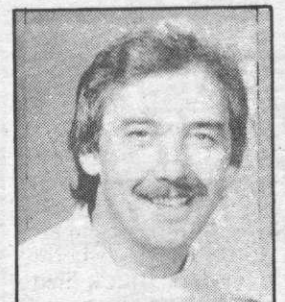


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Application

Sir,

We understand that Aqua-Nor Salmon Farms Ltd. of Vancouver has made application under Section 10 for a fish farm license of occupation covering 4.75 hectares (approximately 12 acres) situated in Campbell Bay on Mayne Island.

While we recognize that comment from the Islands Trust, federal department of fisheries and oceans, federal navigable waters department, Environment Canada and the Capital Regional District has been solicited and will be considered before a license of occupation is granted, local intimate knowledge of each bay and cove, within these departments' jurisdictions, cannot be expected.

For this reason, we write as owners of the northeast corner of Section 11, Mayne Island who have local knowledge based on ownership during the past 27 years.

Campbell Bay has a high recreational value. It is heavily used during the sailing season as one of the easily-accessible sheltered moorings at the southern end of the Gulf of Georgia. We have registered our moorings at the southern end of Campbell Bay

under the Navigable Waters Act to assure moorage for ourselves and residents of the development on the south-eastern shore of Campbell Bay when the bay becomes crowded with recreational boaters during the summer.

Campbell Bay is also the favourite location for water-skiers and surf sailors on Mayne Island. A 12-acre fish farm located as proposed would be a severe navigational hazard to all of these recreational water uses.

Campbell Bay is also an excellent fish, game and commercial fish habitat. The small rocky islands on the Edith Point shore of the bay are the natural home of several families of seals and sea lions. The surrounding residents regularly take oysters and crab from the bay. We are naturally concerned that a fish farm could upset the ecological balance required by this sea life.

At the end of Campbell Bay is the best recreational beach on Mayne Island. Used by several thousand islanders and visitors each summer, it is popular not only because of the sand beach but

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because the summer water temperatures are the warmest on the island, often going to about 70 degrees. This higher water temperature is due to holding of the sun-warmed water within Campbell Bay. This raises concern that waste material from a fish farm within the bay would pollute this heavily-used recreational beach.

Under the zoning for Mayne Island by the Islands Trust, commercial uses of the water and foreshore are not allowed. Whether fish farming is considered a commercial or agricultural use is not clear. However, the equipment required for fish farming and the commercial activity generated by fish farming would not be in keeping with the intent of the water zoning in this bay.

W. RANDLE IREDALE,
Vancouver.

Nightmare

Sir,

It can be a nightmare. There you are, saddled up and trotting your horse briskly down the road. Then, horror of horrors — a cement truck is coming at you from one direction and the school bus is roaring up behind you from the other. You have about two feet of shoulder on the side of the road.

What do you do? Your horse is nervously dancing into the middle of the road as the cement truck bears down, its air brakes hissing fiercely, and as the school bus slows to a crawl and creeps along at your heels.

You urge your snorting, prancing horse a little further down the road and into the safety of a driveway. Then, the truck and bus proceed slowly by, and you wave gratefully at both.

I think it's time to appeal to the drivers. There are certain vehicles that are frightening to a horse. Logging and gravel trucks are bona fide monsters; tractors and backhoes are in the same league. Motorcycles and cars with broken mufflers are terrifying. A pickup truck with a dog in the back, barking madly in the horse's face, is offensive. Even a friendly person beeping his horn in greeting can make a nervous

horse bolt for home. A herd of bicyclists flying silently by can be upsetting. A jogger bursting over the crest of a hill, puffing like a freight train, is to be feared. The list goes on.

I would like to outline some basic strategies for passing horses on the road. Approach slowly. The rider will often acknowledge you and wave you by if all is well. If the horse is acting abnormally, please be patient and give the rider time to dismount and hold the horse or retreat further off the road.

If you have children in the car, please don't allow them to roll down the window and yell or fling things — like matchbox toys or rubber balls — at the horse.

If safety permits, it is appreciated if you swing out and pass the horse widely. When this is impossible, the rider understands. Horses should legally be on the right-hand side of the road, with the traffic, but sometimes a rider will cross the road to take advantage of a wider, softer shoulder.

At this point, I would like to thank all those wonderful drivers who are already bending over backwards to accommodate horses on the road. The riders speak kindly of you often, and probably the horses do, too. Let me close by reminding you that the horse was once our only means of transportation; it has undisputed seniority.

ELSA FRASER,
Ganges.

Hounded

Sir,

Two Saturdays ago, I was walking by the Village Market parking lot with my little dog, Tina, on a leash when two big hound dogs in the back of a truck leaped out and attacked my little dog and me, too. Some people heard my screams and chased those dogs away.

Of course, I was very shaky at the time and it took me all the rest of the day to get over it. Even though I am not a nervous type of person, my little Tina is still licking her two front paws.

Owners of big dogs on the loose, if they are not responsible for their animals, should be fined.

I thank those ladies who came to my rescue.

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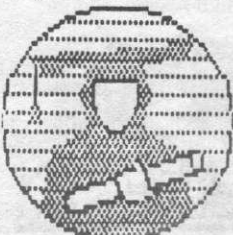
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Skelly cancelled by television age

VICTORIA — Thanks to television, the great entertainment medium, we don't have Bob Skelly to kick around anymore — at least not for much longer.

Taking a hint from his caucus, which would have dumped him without any hesitation, Skelly announced last Wednesday that he will not seek re-election as leader of the provincial NDP at the next party convention, expected sometime in May. What's television got to do with it? I'll come to that later.

Skelly made the best of a bad situation, bowing out as gracefully as was possible for someone who is widely blamed for the defeat of the New Democrats in last month's provincial election.

He told reporters he's proud of the party's renewal. Rather than being represented exclusively by leftovers from the NDP's 1972 victory, the party saw 13 new MLAs elected to the legislature, he said.

Skelly said his decision to step down as leader was in keeping with a previously stated position. As far back as two years ago, he had said he would give it one shot and if he lost, he would step down as leader. None of the reporters, however, recalled that occasion.

From his remarks, it was obvious that not one caucus member had asked him to stay on and take the NDP into another

capital comment

by
Hubert Beyer

leader. The margin was a mere 11 votes to eight.

NDP insiders say they saw the writing on the wall at that time. The same problems that beset Skelly during the election campaign — extreme nervousness and uncertainty — had already surfaced during the taping of some pre-election commercials.

Commercials that should have taken half an hour to tape, they say, took the better part of a day because Skelly was nervous and kept tripping over his tongue.

What happened later was for everyone to see. Skelly did well on the campaign trail, as long as he was able to speak to rallies, meet folks in the street and gave impromptu interviews, all the things politicians traditionally had to be good at.

But he fell flat on his face every time he had to make a prepared statement on TV. He'd get nervous and start hyperventilating. His voice would break and he would panic — with hundreds of thousands of television viewers looking on.

It was TV that made Skelly nervous, and it was TV that showed Vander Zalm at his best. Television has become the medium that creates and destroys politicians. Politicians who are at home in front of a camera win elections now. Look at Ronald Reagan.

It is television, therefore, that has given the world the one-shot political leader. The warts — imagined or real — show up too well on TV for a loser to salvage his pride, leave alone his political career.

With TV cameras around, Sir John A. would probably have been unable to become dog catcher of Upper Canada, and Mackenzie King might have been lucky to get elected to a school board.

Skelly has simply become another victim of the TV age, one in which image counts more than substance and *Dallas* draws better ratings than any newscast.

All of which the NDP had better keep in mind when the time comes to choose the next leader.

Mike Harcourt would seem to fulfil the requirements of a modern leader who can handle himself before television cameras. If he can deliver some substance to go along with his style and image, all the better.

'Television has become the medium that creates and destroys politicians. Politicians who are at home in front of a camera win elections now.'

election. And that's something which bears closer examination.

Turning on leaders who have lost an election has become the norm in Canada. The Tories have always had a reputation for dumping their unsuccessful leaders with the ballots barely counted. The Liberals are doing their best right now to emasculate their leader, John Turner. And here in British Columbia, Skelly has been sent packing with only one defeat to his name.

After his 1975 defeat, Dave Barrett was given two more chances before the NDP looked for a new leader. Skelly is out after one unsuccessful try.

What's even more surprising was the attempt to get rid of Skelly before he even had a chance to prove himself. A few weeks before Premier Vander Zalm called the election that sealed Skelly's fate, the NDP leader survived a caucus vote on whether he should stay on as

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Increased drug costs expected but Pharmacare offering help

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Les Ramsey has urged all islanders who spend more than \$200 a year on prescriptions to investigate the assistance offered by Pharmacare. The majority of Canadians see Pharmacare as a social service provided to the pensioners in the community to pay their drug bills and to get cheap ferry travel. It goes a long way beyond that.

Any resident of the province who is spending large amounts of money on drugs is entitled to assistance.

The routine can be very tough for the ordinary Canadian. He gets sick and takes prescribed

medication which cures him. But when he sees the bills for the medication, he gets sick all over again.

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And it's so easy. The householder can pick up a claim form from the drugstore, or he can write to Pharmacare in Victoria. All receipts for prescriptions are adhesive and are then stuck to the

back of the claim form or forms, if more than one form is needed. The form, with the receipts attached, must be in the hands of Pharmacare before March 31, 1987.

You do not have to wait til the end of the year, at any time after the \$200 plateau is reached, a submission can be made; subsequent submissions can be sent in as long as the prescription was filled in that calendar year.

Now is the time to get cracking. If your prescription receipts go over that basic \$200, for all your household listed on your medical insurance card, look up the receipts and start pasting them up. You may not win a lottery, but you can get some of your money back.

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More public support needed

Cy Peck committee seeks input

Members of the Cy Peck restoration committee are looking for more public input into the project.

Andy Dietrich, chairman of the committee, said Thursday the group will need more support from the community if the project is to be a success.

"We're going to need all kinds of input," Dietrich said. "We're going to need ideas, materials, labour, everything."

The committee met last week to discuss the Cy Peck project, but was hampered by a poor turnout.

However, the five people in attendance — Dietrich, Tony Farr of the historical society, Ian Fraser, Jim Stewart and Gary Greico — discussed the project and formulated a tentative plan for partial rebuilding of the Cy Peck wheelhouse.

The B.C. Lottery Fund has offered \$8,750 to help with the project, but local groups must raise an equal amount before the grant will actually be available.

Committee members indicated at their meeting last week that with community participation, as

well as help from both the historical society and Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce, they feel adequate funding can be raised to complete the restoration project.

Members of the committee have developed plans to restore and place the Cy Peck wheelhouse on property along Ganges Harbour. The wheelhouse was salvaged when the vessel ran aground in Nanaimo Harbour last spring, and the committee hopes to create a new tourism, chamber of commerce office and museum complex around the structure.

The current proposal is to construct a two-level structure along the waterfront. The lower level would include a concrete breakwater shaped like a ship's prow. The display's main 'deck' would include a museum and tourism complex, while the upper 'deck' would hold a chamber of commerce office and community meeting room.

Complete plans have not yet been formulated, so the restoration committee does not know the

estimated cost of its restoration project. However, as soon as these costs are known, Dietrich and the committee are hoping local residents and organizations will have no difficulty obtaining the necessary support.

A restoration proposal drawn up by local residents Ken Renaud and Phillip Grange carries an estimated price tag of \$17,500.

"We need the people to come out (to the meetings)," Dietrich stated, "and we need more Fulford people, too."

"The chamber will have to get some money going, and hopefully the historical society will be able to help. I'm hoping the provincial and federal governments will give some support, particularly the federal government, because after all, this is Canada, too."

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Fabrics show scenes of Chilean life

By MAGGIE HAYES

Salt Spring Island Voice of Women (VOW) came into being several years ago when Women for Peace decided to affiliate with Voice of Women nationally. We seemed to be working separately on causes that should draw us together.

Voice of Women was founded in 1960 when women across Canada decided to try to stop what appeared to be imminent nuclear war. They joined women around the world who were beginning to unite in the cause of peace.

At the end of its first year, VOW numbered 6,000 women from coast to coast, and organized an International Women's Conference. Over the past two decades, VOW has worked hard on its objectives, as summarized in its bylaws:

"to provide a means for women to exercise responsibility for the promotion of world peace, and justice, through education of themselves and others, to take an equal part in the democratic process of decision making; and to co-operate with women throughout the world to create the mutual respect and understanding necessary for the peaceful resolution of international conflict."

Salt Spring Island Voice of Women has been involved in a number of issues, including anti-war toys advertising, the Nanoose conversion campaign, peace education, letter-writing evenings, participation in peace marches and vigils, support for Green Thumb Theatre's production of *Skin*, (about racial prejudice), to a visible presence in the Farmers' Market the past few months.

During the summer, you may have noticed our weekly table, where we sold hand-crafted Mexican clothing and Chilean arpilleras (brightly coloured applique wall hangings). Arpilleras are a traditional folk art in Chile but their subject matter has changed dramatically in the last 10 years under the military government of General Pinochet.

Acts of repression incorporated into designs for 'folk art' hangings

Living conditions for the ordinary Chilean have become intolerable. Access to clean drinking water, electricity and basic health care have been severely limited. The unemployment situation is desperate.

The arpilleras are stitched in

'Aperilleras are a traditional folk art but their subject matter has changed dramatically in the last 10 years under the military government of General Pinochet.'

women's co-operatives, then sent abroad to link with other women and draw attention to the indignities of their lives. The sale of the arpilleras enables the women to feed their children. It is as basic as that.

With vivid innocence, the stitcheries themselves depict themes decided by group consensus in each workshop: soup kitchens, water shortages, lack of medical supplies, demonstrations for life, education, justice, bread

itself. Each new event of repression is incorporated.

As Marjorie Agosin, a Chilean poet, eloquently wrote: "Each arpilleras is a small scene from the life of the woman who creates it; just as their lives have been torn into pieces, the arpilleras also consists of scraps of leftover material, put together slowly and in sorrow ... the women who make them use their pain to try to forge a just society for all. That is the message to the rest of the world from these women warriors for peace."

That is the message Sheila Reid of Salt Spring Island VOW has brought back to us. Sheila visited these women, has seen the arpilleras being sewn, and experienced the living conditions of Chile first-hand. It was her idea to import some of the arpilleras here to sell for financial and emotional support of the Chilean women, and to raise our own consciousness about their plight.

The ones she brought back "sold themselves" to all who saw them and were entranced by their joyful colours, undaunted courage and the poignant story each tells. Soon a plan was devised whereby the more political arpilleras would be collected and shown, as in an art exhibit, to further widen their audience.

In the next few months, there

will be a local showing of arpilleras, and a festive opening in Vancouver at the Women in Focus gallery to launch the tour of the arpilleras collection across Canada.

These will be exciting months for Salt Spring Island Voice of Women. All local women are welcome to become involved. Meetings are the last Thursday of every month at the Community Centre, starting at 7:30 pm. Next meeting is November 27.

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Salt Spring trustee race a rout for Gilbert, Byrne



Rick Rockliffe

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I'm extremely disappointed that the water quality issue had to play such a role in the campaign. Too many people were scared by the lake issue, without facts. It's amazing what can result from misinformation."

Rockliffe added that while he was disappointed by the result, he does not regret seeking office. "At least there was an election."

He said there were still 292 people who supported him and his advocacy of private property rights, and warned that Gilbert and Byrne "had better watch themselves in that area. The people who voted for me realize those rights are being challenged."

The next item on the Islands Trust agenda is a Victoria meet-

ing of the Trust Council on December 5 and 6. There, the 26 trustees — two from each of the 13 member islands — will elect a Trust chairman and two vice-chairmen.

Gilbert is considered a leading candidate for the chairman's job and said Monday he is prepared to stand for the post. He has been a vice-chairman for the past two years.

Saturday's Trust elections brought several new faces to the body. Ten long-serving members — including chairman Mike Humphries of Lasqueti Island — did not seek re-election.

Carol Martin of Hornby Island is now the Trust's senior member in terms of years of service, having been a trustee for all but the first year. She is currently a vice-chairman.

Fire referendum voted down

Outer Islands' incumbents returned

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Jim Campbell, who polled 76 votes. Jon Guy, an Advisory Planning Commission member, drew 41 votes. Turnout was 51.58 per cent.

The fire protection referendum on South Pender failed by four votes. The final tally was 59 votes to 55, snuffing out a proposal to spend \$100,000 in taxpayer dollars to develop a fire department.

It's expected that failure of the referendum will send the issue of increased fire protection back to a property owners' association meeting at the end of the month.

Meanwhile, North Pender's York said she is pleased the election brought a balance of men and women to the Trust, and that she is thankful to all the people who encouraged her to seek office.

"I know I will try my hardest to live up to their support," she said.

On South Pender, Jacobson also expressed gratitude to her supporters, and said she will do her best to represent the electorate. She noted she is eager to get to work on the community plan as soon as possible.

Wright said he was pleased with the results and felt it was a good turnout for "an election that didn't have any real issues." He added: "An election is the only time people let you know they like what you're doing."

Wright plans to run for one of

the two vice-chairman positions in the general trustee elections in early December.

On Saturna, Money thanked his supporters and said he would continue to serve to the best of his ability.

Campbell said he "very much appreciated the support after all these years," and that he looks forward "to making the Trust on

Saturna as effective as it can be." He expressed a keen interest in the direction of the General Trust and concern over possible plans to expand its role.

Election worker June Allan said it was a tough year for polling station employees. They had to register 86 new voters because the old lists were out of date.

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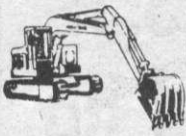
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Doubts voiced over deadline given enquiry

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fishermen and the maraculture industry are complex and worthy of full investigation. However, he's hoping the Gillespie enquiry devotes equal attention to questions about planning and government process.

The industry's rapid growth has caused a modern-day gold rush, Hatfield said, with "people just moving in to 'stake' a bay and waiting to see what the fallout is." The result is a flood of applications to government, meaning civil servants are tied up with processing the paperwork and have no time to draft guidelines that would help the industry avoid conflicts.

Maraculture applications are processed by a number of government agencies, including the ministries of agriculture, forests and lands, fisheries, the Coast Guard and local bodies responsible for zoning.

Tom Lee at forests and lands could not say how many fish farm applications his ministry has processed or is considering, but noted the maraculture industry "is going through a period of rapid growth" and is "generating a lot of interest."

Lee also pointed out that non-regulatory guidelines do exist for some fish farm entrepreneurs. Those on the Sunshine Coast can refer to a "planning exercise" that rates potential maraculture sites according to degree of conflicts. Lee said he has discussed with the Islands Trust the possibility of extending such plans to other areas, "and they saw the benefit in that."

So does Hatfield, who hopes the Gillespie enquiry recognizes the need to set standards that would help to measure the acceptability or unsuitability of any and all fish farm sites before an applicant moves in and 'places his stake.'

"It's probably unrealistic to expect the whole coast to be mapped by the government but I'd like to see guidelines as to the kinds and degrees of conflicts — environmental or residential, for



Chris Hatfield with wooden pens being constructed at Yeo Point salmon farm

instance — to look for when surveying a site," he said. "The people who are trying to establish this industry need that kind of help. They need a baseline of information they can refer to."

Gilbert, an Islands Trust vice-chairman, said he would welcome the opportunity to work with government to help assess the suitability of maraculture sites. However, he said the Gillespie enquiry should pay at least as much attention to the application approval process and the need to monitor the impacts fish farms have on the environment.

While there are a number of government agencies involved in the fish farm licensing process, Gilbert said those bodies do not appear to be co-ordinating their efforts. As an example, he said the federal department of fisheries is most interested in environmental impacts while the provincial government "appears to be glossing over those concerns."

Gilbert would like to see the enquiry pay close attention to questions about the effects fish farm feed and salmon feces have on natural stocks and the environment in general, and to recognize the need to monitor those potential impacts. He also hopes some weight will be given to concerns over fish farm conflicts with other foreshore users, and suggests the enquiry look at the need to provide the public with complete information about specific maraculture proposals and fish farming impacts in general.

"We need a fuller public process," he said. "Right now, when we receive an application, all opposition is based on rumour, on fear, on misinformation. People are afraid of the smells, predators, contamination, noise, traffic caused by trucks coming to the sites, the chance a farm will grow into an unsightly mess, the possibility of back-to-back fish farms up and down the coast ..."

"I'd like to see good, hard information provided to all interested parties, from upland residents to recreational boaters," Gilbert said. "We need that information, and the reassurance that proper monitoring will be in place."

Their wish lists aside, both Gilbert and Hatfield said it is perhaps too much to expect the Gillespie enquiry to answer all of their questions within its one-month mandate.

"One month is not enough time to set up the proper mechanisms," Hatfield said. "All you can hope to do in one month is identify the problems. An ongoing investigation would take a year or more."

"The worst thing he (Gillespie) can do is take a superficial look at the industry, to rush it because he's under pressure to give instant answers."

Enquiry sitting times, places set

Submissions to the Gillespie enquiry into mariculture can be made in person or by mail.

Four venues have been set for day-long hearings: at Parksville's Bayside Inn on November 21; at Campbell River's Discovery Inn on November 24; at Sechelt's

Band Hall on November 26; and at Prince Rupert's Crest Hotel on November 28.

Each of the hearings will sit from 10 am to 9 pm. People interested in delivering a submission can telephone 387-1851 (Victoria) or 684-2821

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In fact, it was at Serignac that he wrote the books that revolutionized entomology. There was nothing special there — the life that he found on those stony acres he would have found wherever he was, but only he, at the time, had the vision to see it. Put a Fabre anywhere on our planet and the teeming life, invisible to most of us, is seen.

It's the same in the seas and on the stretch of beach and rock separating it from the land. On our islands we have countless miles of intertidal zones, so most of us occasionally walk there, peering into the pools, occasionally picking up a shell. But to really see the life that swarms there, some help is needed—from, for example, Salt Spring marine biologist Sabina Leader-Mense, who recently took our small party for a simple walk along the fringe of the Fulford estuary.

We walked, in total, no more than a kilometre down the beach, and since we took about two hours to do it, the speed could hardly be described as breakneck. The leisurely pace was because every few steps there was some form of life to be looked at and explained.

Most of what we call seaweed is really algae. This surprised us, because we had thought of algae as the green slimy stuff that indicates freshwater pollution; but the term includes not only the single-cell diatoms but a whole range of plants which are to the seas what

the forests and grasses are to the land. They do the same essential job, converting sunlight into the usable energy supporting all of the other forms of life, and providing for many of them a habitat, in tiny green filaments or in forests of 100-foot-long floated cables of kelp.

'If you leave it turned over, in case you squeeze one crab, all the rest will have lost their homes. So always put the rock back.'

Then there is eel-grass, a marine flowering plant which extends along the whole Pacific coast, as far as Baja, California. Its matted roots bind the mud and the sand together and make a haven for, among many other species, crabs, snails, sea-anemones and jellyfish, as well as diatoms and other algae.

Under the surface over which we splashed our way was a host of other creatures — worms, clams and shrimp, all equipped with bad-vibe sensors which cause them to clam up, fold up or burrow, as their equipment dictates. Under the now-uncovered rocks were, as every island child knows, colonies of little crabs, which scuttled sideways when our mentor gently lifted their sheltering stone.

"Now what do you think this is for?" she asked, picking a crab up and pointing to a protuberance on its head. "It must have a purpose, eh?"

We looked, then scratched our heads.

"Well, it used to be a mystery, but then somebody noticed that the bumps are pulpy, and stay moist when the tide is out. So it turns out that when this little guy's eyes get dry between tides, it's able to mop them off."

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squeeze one crab, all the rest will have lost their homes. So always put the rock back."

To see changes in climate we land-dwellers must travel hundreds of miles along the surface of the earth, or thousands of feet vertically. But marine life

between the tides has a much narrower range of only the few tidal feet vertically or a hundred or two horizontally. In this space are squeezed all four zones, and in them are thousands of creatures, plant and animal, each specifically adapted for the amount of water delivered as wave or spray by eons

of tides. Schools of fish dart in the kelp beds off-shore, but under the high-and-dry rocks above low water we can find little fish able to survive in the dark dampness until the tide comes back.

Then there are the flowering plants. At the Fulford estuary, just above the high water line, we found a shrub with a mass of orchid-appearing flowers. It would have graced any garden, as would, at another season, the seashore relatives of the peas, poppies, lupines and other garden familiars.

Sabina clearly loves her work, and enjoys giving others a glimpse of its fascinations. When she talks about seashore life she does so anthropomorphically — a jawbreaker word which, according to the dictionary, means giving human characteristics to other creatures, but which really means having a reverence for life in any

form. She also has the alchemy to verbally transform complex matters into simple ones that we, the people, can understand.

Because of this knowledgeable (and, if I may be allowed to add, very personable) instructor, we had the most rewarding of outings.

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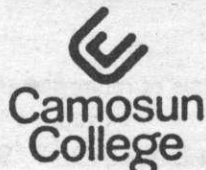
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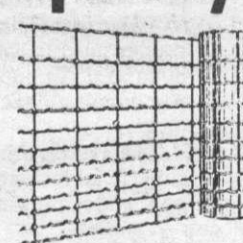
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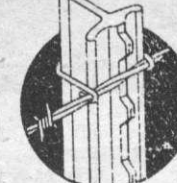
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Astrologer to appear in Ganges

Curious about astrology? Want to find out what a real astrologer does, and the services these people offer?

Gulf Islands residents will have the opportunity to learn more about the ancient study of astrology this Sunday (November 23) at 7:30 pm, when local astrologer Joann Grey gives a talk at Off Centre Stage.

Grey, a professional astrologer with 18 years of experience and study in the field, plans to complete the astrological birth charts of such famous people as Bill Vander Zalm, Queen Elizabeth I and Mick Jagger and show the audience how these people's horoscopes have influenced their characters and perceptions.

"I hope to be entertaining," she said in an interview with *Driftwood* on Thursday.

Grey, who uses a computer to complete the mathematical calculations needed to determine the positions of the stars and planets at the time of an individual's birth, said last week she decided to speak at Off Centre Stage because she wants to clear up some common misconceptions about astrology.

"Astrology has fallen into disrepute lately," she noted, "probably because there are a lot of charlatans and frauds out there. But it was highly respected at one time. Astrologers cast the charts of kings and countries, and they'd live and die by them."

Grey said that the word astrology means 'language of the stars.' Like all archaic languages, she stated, it is difficult for people to interpret and understand.

"It's an incredibly complex subject," she said. "A lot has been lost. But it (astrology) was revived in the mid-1960s, and is now going through a renaissance."

Grey first became interested in astrology as a teenager. Yet 18 years later, she says she's still learning.

"That's one of the reasons why I chose astrology," she said, "because you never have to retire, and you never stop learning."

"My first teacher was in her 70s. At that time, she'd been practicing for 50 years."

"I've been studying for 18 years," she said, laughing, "and I'm still a baby astrologer."



Society bringing in a baroque ensemble

The second performance in the Salt Spring Concert Society's winter program will feature *Ciacona*, a baroque chamber ensemble.

The concert will be held November 23 at Ganges United Church, beginning at 2 pm. Admission is by sponsor's ticket or \$5 at the door, \$2 for students.

Organizers say *Ciacona* is Western Canada's foremost ensemble specializing in baroque music performed on period instruments.

The ensemble features four members, all prominent performers and teachers of early music for several years, who joined forces in 1984 to explore the chamber repertoire of the 17th and 18th centuries.

Their concerts present master works by many of the great names in music history — Bach, Handel, Vivaldi and Rameau — plus rarely-heard gems by less-famous but still-remarkable composers of that era.

Members of *Ciacona* include: • Karen Rustad, recorder. After beginning her musical training as an oboist in England, Rustad moved to Canada in 1974 and has since become well-established as a virtuoso performer.

Besides frequent solo and chamber music concerts for the Vancouver Society for Early Music, she has been featured as a recorder soloist with the CBC Vancouver orchestra and the Vancouver Cantata Singers.

• John Sawyer, baroque violin and viola da gamba. An associate professor in the school of music at UBC, where he teaches music history and directs the Collegium Musicum ensembles, Sawyer is a founding director of the Vancouver Early Music program and teaches string instruments at its workshops. Sawyer also acts in an advisory capacity for the Vancouver Society for Early Music.

• Diane Berthelsdorf, baroque cello. A native of Portland, Oregon, Berthelsdorf did graduate work in Massachusetts and played in the Aspen Music Festival Orchestra for several years before moving to Vancouver, in 1975, to join the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra.

• Doreen Oke, harpsichord. Oke teaches harpsichord at UBC, Douglas College, Capilano College and at the annual Vancouver Early Music and Dance workshop. She has performed with all of Vancouver's professional orchestras and choirs, and has given solo recitals in the Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, B.C. and Washington State.

Members of Ciacona baroque chamber ensemble will perform at the Ganges United Church on Sunday at 2 pm. Concert is sponsored by Salt Spring Concert Society.

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Dancing, anyone?

A fund-raising dance originally scheduled for Ganges in mid-October will be held this Saturday, November 22.

Salt Spring's *Coalition for Aid to Nicaragua* will welcome back — "for the first time ever" — the sounds of Charlie Murphy, Jane Sieber and their band, *Rumours of the Big Wave*.

Murphy, Sieber and percussionist Steve Jones have performed on Salt Spring before (last January). This time, they return with a five-piece band.

The dance, to be held in Mahon Hall, will get underway at 8 pm. Tickets are \$6 general, \$5 for

low-income people and available at *et cetera* and Video Ranch.

What to expect at the dance? According to one reviewer, Charlie Murphy and friends take us "on a completely arresting musical journey ... that mixes synthesizers and congas, cello and guitars, third-world influenced styles and techno-rock that makes the most compelling and danceable music around today."

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Workshops were enlightening

Reminiscing about time at gallery

By GARY CHERNEFF

Sometimes there is so much going on in the art world in and around Salt Spring that I become a little gagged at the thought of cramming it into one little column.

Last week, I spoke of Joan Stanley-Baker's book on Japanese Art. And this now gives me the opportunity to reminisce about my experience at the Victoria Art Gallery while she was the inaugural curator of their Asian Arts Collection.

Her presence there was masked by a vigorous campaign to make the collection accessible and understandable to the population of that city. As well as the many publications that were initiated during her tenure, practical

art seen

the tutelage of this master, who spoke little English but who knew how to encourage and when to deflate willful egos.

Joan Stanley-Baker was one of the few participants who already had training in Chinese calligraphy, so the more fluid expressive Japanese style became an object of great interest to her.

Her book, in fact, deals with how Japan assimilated the styles and techniques of China, Korea and maybe even Persia. She explores how artistic elements are regionalized when they enter an area which has cultural stability and political strength. The entrenched, prevailing attitudes of the population towards their environment — often encoded and ritualized in religious practice — led to a "nationalization" of foreign styles in art. The book says "the religious practice of the early Japanese was based on a profound sense of awe for natural manifestations such as sun, water, trees, rocks, sound and silence."

One can't help but contemplate how we in British Columbia relate to our surroundings and how this influences our cultural activities. In a conversation with Jeannie Kamins, who is currently showing at Off Centre Stage, she expressed her conviction that artists are profoundly directed by their environment. This Vancouver artist, who is originally from Los Angeles, also expresses her political stance in the work she presents to us. Besides domestic scenes of considerable humour, she portrays her friends and heroes.

Two recognized celebrities are

Gary Crystal of the Vancouver Folk Festival and Co-op Radio, and singer-songwriter Connie Kaldor. Kamins believes that art should have content to make that connection with the viewer.

Her work may be of particular interest to fibre artists. She uses pieced-together fabric to construct images in a realistic vein. Quilting, marquetry in fabric and collage are all terms which might be used to describe the multi-media techniques she uses. In some instances, faces are painted in, providing a startling depth to an otherwise flat composition. Her best works, in my view, are the paper pieces which again use collage but have had this technique

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integrated with free figurative drawing where the quality of the line lends a more expressive flavour.

The show will be on until November 29, when Kamins will return to do a stand-up comedy night as Grace McCarthy, along with other featured performances, at Off Centre Stage.

Also in the coming event to see is Laurie Clarke's one-woman performance at the Community Centre of *The Day I Sat With Jesus on the Sundeck and a Wind Came Up and Blew my Kimono Open and He Saw My Breasts*. It's on November 21, 22, and 23 at 8 pm. See you there.

'My recollections are of two joyful days a week spent in the gallery being exhilarated by the power of expression...'

workshops were organized in a variety of aspects of Asian art. One of these was particularly memorable for me because it marked the beginning of my enthusiasm for painting.

The workshop was given by Kan Makiko, a Japanese master calligrapher, who was highly esteemed in her own country as one of the few women practitioners to reach such a high level of skill and artistry.

My recollections are of two joyful days a week spent in the gallery being exhilarated by the power of expression which could be transmitted by brush and ink caressing paper. We were mostly all novices to this esoteric art, but the time flew by for all of us under

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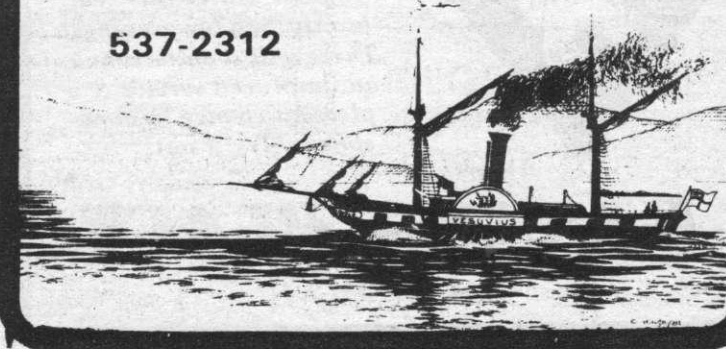
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Writers' session gets good reviews

Organizers of the young writers' conference held November 8 in Beaver Point Hall are pleased with the response they received from local children.

Susan Underwood, a teacher-librarian at Fulford Elementary School and one of the conference's organizers, said Thursday that 49 children — many of them from the Outer Islands — gave up their Saturday to hear an author speak on writing and discuss some of their own stories.

"Any time you have almost 50 kids giving up their Saturday afternoon, that's really something," she said. "We could have taken more (children) too, but we had to cut off registration, and some didn't get their registrations in time. But they were really committed."

A total of 10 teachers participated in the conference as well. Groups of children between the ages of 10 and 14 sat with an adult to discuss their compositions.

Underwood said it wasn't only organizers who were pleased with the conference. The children apparently enjoyed it, too.

"We had them all fill out an evaluation, and they all said they'd like to do it again," she noted. "We had questions on it like: *What did you like best? Would you do it again? How would you rate each session?*"

Underwood said conference participants turned in a wide variety of compositions.

"The group I was in was a Grades Six and Seven group," she explained. "We had some children's stories, a fairy tale, a satire on a fairy tale. There was quite a bit of poetry, too."

"There was some really good work there, too," she continued. "Judging from some of it, I wouldn't be surprised if some of the children become professional writers when they are older."

According to Underwood, the presence of author Mary-Ellen Lang Collura also helped make the young writers' conference a success.

Lang Collura is a prize-winning author and English teacher from Parksville. Her first book, *Winners*, was the 1985 winner of the IODE award.

At the conference, Lang Collura showed those in attendance how one page progressed through the writing and editing process, from first draft to typeset page. She also gave children some pointers on character development, realism and research.

"Mary Ellen brought so much to it," the Fulford teacher-librarian said. "She looked at all the kids' work. She didn't read it all, but she read a lot of it. She commented on it, too. I know the



Fulford teacher Susan Underwood (centre) listens to students' stories with Alison Jason

(left) and Rita Phillips at the recent young writers' conference in Beaver Point Hall. Underwood

and other organizers were pleased with the turnout.

kids were just floating on air. 'She (Lang Collura) says I'm a poet,' one would say. 'She says I'm a natural storyteller,' said another.

"I know one of the kids had a book of poems. She (Lang Collura) read them all, and then, when she made her comments, said which one she liked best."

Underwood noted that she had read Lang Collura's book to her class. The children really enjoyed it, she said, so meeting the woman and having her take an interest in their work was a special thrill.

Underwood said the conference was so successful, its organizers have already started thinking about next year's event.

The young writers' conference was sponsored by the Gulf Islands Teacher-Librarian Association. School District 64 (Gulf Islands) provided some financial support to the conference by paying Lang Collura's fees.

The children were charged \$5 each to help pay the costs of bringing Lang Collura to Salt Spring Island and of some materials for the conference.

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Students review novels

Book Festival Week underway

Although a week-long national Children's Book Festival celebration officially ends this Saturday, November 22, Salt Spring Island students intend to promote the reading spirit over the full school year.

Local participation in Book Festival Week began seven days early, with a November 8 Young Author's conference held at Beaver Point Hall (see adjoining article) and will continue past the cut-off date. The island will wrap up the event on November 30, when Fernwood School students conclude their month-long 'reading blitz.'

Students at Fulford Elementary and Gulf Islands Secondary schools, meanwhile, are looking to extend the 'week' well into December — they've compiled lists of books they recommend as Christmas stocking-stuffers.

The Fernwood School 'reading blitz' began November 3, when students were encouraged to do some recreational reading at home. Parents sign a calendar square indicating that the child has read, or been read to, and the squares are collected and charted at the school. Each group of 10 squares represents one 'book' added to a 'bookshelf.'

The school says the emphasis of the blitz is on reading for fun, and notes that even Kindergarten and Grade One students can participate, by being read to by parents.

A book swap was held in the middle of the month, to allow everyone a chance at new reading material. At the end of the blitz, each class will present a new book to the school library and each pupil will be given a bookmark.

As a bonus, primary students will be visited this Thursday (November 20) by author Ted

Staunton, who will entertain the children with song, stories and readings from his books, *Simon's Surprise* and *Maggie and Me*.

At Fulford Elementary, meanwhile, students in the Grade Seven class compiled a list of titles by respected Canadian authors, pin-pointing books they —

'A book swap was held in the middle of the month.'

and their teacher-librarian — felt should be read. Mini-reviews of those books are as follows:

• *Don't Care High*, by Gordon Korman. Student Brandi MacKinnon described this as an excellent book. It's about "a school named after a guy who built a sewer. What will they think of next? This

book is a classic example of the strange, wild and weird things teenagers do."

• *Jasmin*, by Jan Truss. Candice Walde said she "loved" this book "because it felt as though I was right there and I could picture the setting easily. Jasmin is failing Grade Six and her whole life is screwed up. She can't do anything right. She tries to overcome her problems by running away, but soon finds that running away won't help. And she *does* have talent. This book will leave you amazed."

• *Julie*, by Cora Taylor. Students Tali-ona Hamel and Jessie Maron say this is "a great young adult's book, based on a young girl who has to cope with a special 'gift.' People won't accept her gift, especially when she saw things that other people think she really didn't, and she told stories about them. *Julie* is an adventurous, sad story. A great novel."

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Recommended books for young readers

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- *The Root Cellar*, by Janet Lunn. Maggie Hallam says the book is exciting and tells about history. "The girl in the story is dumped off at her aunt's ancient house when her parents are killed. None of her other relatives will take her. Then she discovers a root cellar that takes her back in time. What will happen when she steps into the old root cellar? What will be her fate?"
- *Underground to Canada*, by Barbara Smucker. Student Seth Shugar writes that the book concerns four slaves trying to escape to Canada. "They go through many hardships and many bursts of excitement. This novel is well-written, and a great book to read."
- Gulf Islands Secondary School, meanwhile, compiled two lists of books recommended as Christmas stocking-stuffers. One list includes five highly-regarded Canadian novels for young adults; the other covers five novels that the American Library Association felt were among the best young adult titles for 1985.
- The first list is:
 - *Pirate Rock*, by David Walker. A novel of adventure about two brothers whose curiosity entangles them in a web of kidnapping and espionage. Suggested for ages 12 to 15 years.
 - *Lost in the Barrens*, by Farley Mowat. The story of two teenagers, one white and the other a Cree, lost in the wilderness a thousand miles north of Winnipeg. Suggested for ages 11 to 14 years.
 - *Hold Fast*, by Kevin Major. Set

in Newfoundland, *Hold Fast* tells of newly-orphaned Michael, who must leave his village for the city, where life proves oppressive and sends him on the road. Suggested for ages 12 to 15 years.

- *The Tomorrow City*, by Monica Hughes. A science fiction novel about a city run by a computer which has been programmed to create the perfect urban environment. Suggested for ages 12 to 15 years.

- *Honour Bound*, by Mary and John Downie. This is the saga of a United Empire Loyalist family which flees Philadelphia after the American Revolution. Suggested for ages 13 years and up.

The titles suggested by the American Library Association are:

- *The Moves Make The Man*, by Bruce Brook. The story of a friendship between a black basketball player and a white baseball player.
- *One Way to Ansonia*, by Judie Angell. It is the early 1900s. Rose and her siblings emigrate from Russia and must survive in their new homeland.
- *Wart, Son of Toad*, by Alden R. Carter. Steve, better known as Wart, is the son of the most-disliked teacher in the school. As if that wasn't bad enough, father and son are forever in conflict.
- *On The Edge*, by Gillian Cross. Tug, the son of a well-known journalist, is captured by terrorists.
- *Annie John*, by Jamaica Kincaid. Annie is a child of the Caribbean. She changes from a happy youngster to a defiant teenager as she separates herself from her mother.

Islanders responding well to Tools for Peace drive

By ANDREW GIBSON

The 1986 Tools For Peace drive has been underway for many weeks now, and we can report that islanders have responded with their usual generosity. But since the Nicaraguans are in greater danger now than ever before, we hope our response will be increased correspondingly.

Last year, the nationwide shipment was worth about \$1.75 million, a considerable achievement. Per capita, about 75 cents worth of tools, blankets, medical and other peaceful supplies was sent — an effort magnified, of course, by the embargo imposed by the USA, which has made these vital goods unobtainable or scarce.

It could be depressing to compare this with the \$100 million voted to the contras by the US Congress, and a great deal more than that in covert funds aimed at making the tiny country cry 'uncle.' That's about \$200 to deprive each Nicaraguan of the fruits of the bloody revolution that only seven years ago ended the monstrous Somoza dictatorship. How can they withstand such an assault?

But such balance-sheet comparisons aren't valid when a people is fighting for its independence — America's own 1776 struggle against the British, and her ill-starred assault on Vietnam two centuries later, prove Orwell's saying: "No bomb that ever burst shatters the crystal spirit."

The Nicaraguans can take heart for another reason. Most of us remember a time, just a few short

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years ago, when America was the hope and the example for all peoples struggling to free themselves. What she is doing now in Central America is aberrant — unworthy of her — and surely it will pass.

The final material collection will be by November 29th, because the goods are to be in Vancouver by December 7, but the parallel collection of cash or cheques will continue, of course. If you haven't already done so, here's how to help:

These are the priority items: school supplies; basic tools such as, but not limited to, hammers, saws, shovels and files; rubber boots; medical supplies (gauze, antiseptic adhesive); and blankets.

It would be impossible to list all of the items desperately needed — for instance, there are a lot of people who, because of the war, now need crutches or wheelchairs. But it is important to ensure that

goods are in new or nearly new condition. Some tools may need spares; calculators should be solar-powered or have spare batteries.

There are contribution boxes at *et cetera*, Gulfstream, Windsor Plywood and Foxglove for your goods, and these merchants have also generously offered discounts on Tools for Peace goods bought in their stores. At KIS, there is a box for blankets, much needed by the hundreds of thousands of refugees, especially in the highlands. If your goods need to be picked up, call one of the numbers given below.

Cheques should be made out to *Tools for Peace* or, if \$25 or over and a charitable donation receipt is required, to *Inter Pares — Tools for Peace*. These can be mailed to Box 1500, Ganges, handed in at the display at the Saturday market, or at any of the functions organized by Tools for Peace.

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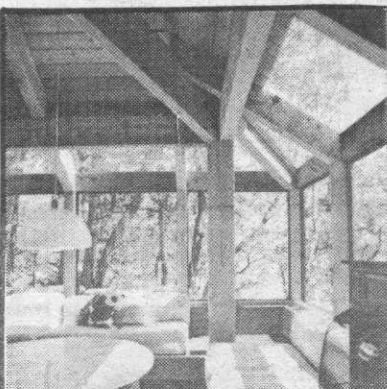
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Six Gulf Islands residents named to courts of revision

The provincial government has appointed six Gulf Islands residents to sit as two Courts of Revision for the region.

One court will include Dr. Ralph Chapman, F. Jones and Mrs. E. Moebes, all of Pender Island. Dr. Chapman will act as chairman.

The second court will be comprised of Salt Spring residents John Pothecary, Frank Richards and George Heinekey. Pothecary will serve as chairman.

Courts of Revision sit to hear appeals filed by property owners against the assessed value of their properties. That value, determined by the provincial government, is used to calculate property taxes paid by the owner.

Local residents named to Courts of Revision are not otherwise involved in property assessments. The are chosen because the province believes they can provide an accurate and unbiased view of property values in their areas.

Decisions handed down by Courts of Revision can be ap-

pealed to a higher panel composed of professional arbitrators — usually lawyers, financiers or real estate experts. Its decision is final.

A noteworthy change in tax assessment practices this year will eliminate offshore installations — i.e., docks and floats — from assessments. That means the calculation of a property

owner's taxes will not take those improvements into account. Off-shore installations would normally be valued at about \$1,000.

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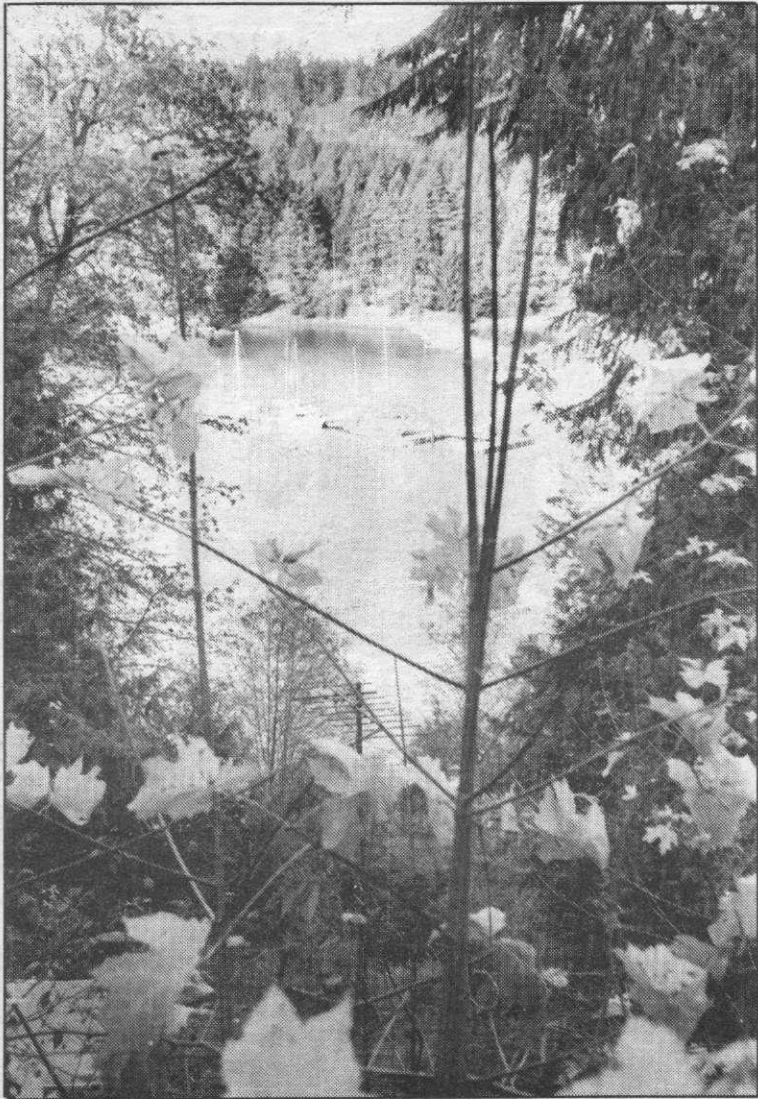
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bridge winners

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• (North-South) Chuck Beasley and Don Nemeth; Jack Godwin and Anne McConnell; Mary Clements and Helen Shandro; George Lampier and Norm McConnell.

• (East-West) Alan Steward and Archie McMillan; Phyllis Henderson and Shirley Love; Vivian Storr and Marion Ashmore; Kay Sinclair and Flo McMillan.

Tuesday night winners were:
• (North-South) Bud Keech and Gordon Parsons; Don Nemeth and Chuck Beasley; Lorna and Peter Pentz; Mollie Hardie and Helen Shandro.

• (East-West) Irene Hawksworth and Gordon Hutton; Anne and Norm McConnell; Mona Coulter and John Sarginson; Shirley Love and Marion Ashmore.



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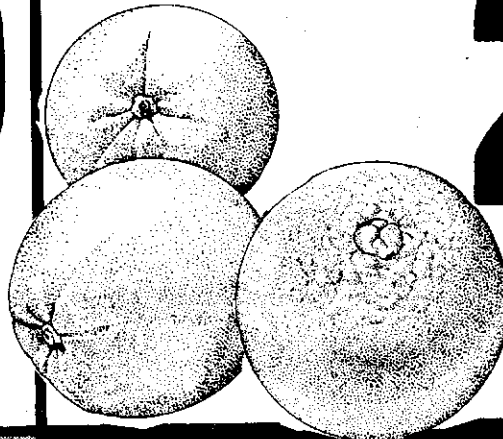
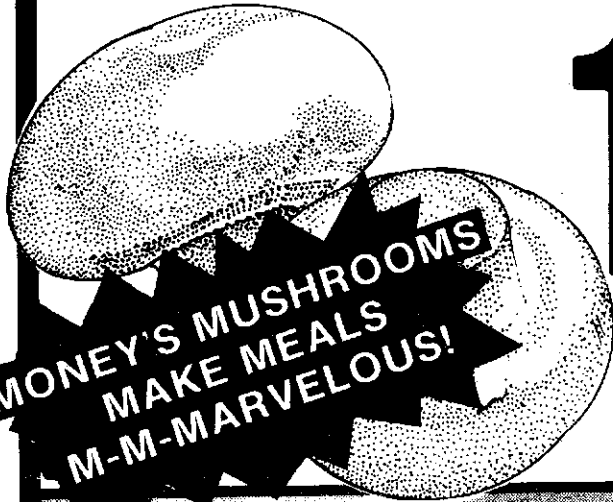
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