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## MacMillan-Bloedel property sale completed

The largest land deal in Salt Spring history was completed last Thursday when MacMillan-Bloedel transferred ownership of its 4,800 acres of island property to Salt Spring Lands Ltd.

The island realty company, in turn, is selling the properties to local buyers. Mel Topping of Salt Spring Lands said Monday there are between 30 and 33 individual parcels involved, that about nine local buyers are already in line to purchase blocks, and that a good portion of the acreage would remain in the realty company's hands at present.

The deal with Salt Spring

### Forest company transfers title to 4,800 island acres

Lands, covering seven large blocks of forest land in the central and southern portions of the island, had been in the discussion stage since the spring, MB properties manager Gary Kadatz said Monday.

Lengthy negotiations, coupled with the complexities of transferring the "30-odd" titles, kept the sale from closing until New Year's Eve.

Kadatz added that he found it a

pleasure to work out the purchase with Salt Spring Lands, calling Topping "a prince of a guy to deal with."

Topping, meanwhile, agreed that the logistics involved in making the deal were tremendous, which contributed directly to the length of time needed to reach an agreement.

"It was very complicated," he said. "The negotiations and just putting it together so it would

work took a lot of time. We were out of the picture for a while, then we worked away in the background..."

The individual parcels range in size from a low of 74 acres to a high of 320 acres, Topping said. All of the properties re-sold to date have been to local residents — "neighbours and island landholders" — and Topping sees no reason why that would change in future.

"A lot of our concern was that this would be good for the island. It's all local people," he said.

MB's island holdings were first placed on the block in mid-1985 when the company decided the parcels were too scattered for effective forest management.

Kadatz said he greeted completion of the sale to Salt Spring Lands with a mixture of relief and delight. "I'm delighted that MacMillan-Bloedel had the opportunity to sell the parcels," he said. "And it's a relief to have them sold, because now we can turn our attention to managing our other properties."

## Forest management problems eliminated

A long-term forest management problem was solved for MacMillan-Bloedel when the company sold its acreage on Salt Spring Island.

The deal, finalized late last week, saw MB transfer title to its 4,800 acres of local holdings to local realty company Salt Spring Lands Ltd. In return, the company is thought to have received about \$3.5 million — but, more important to MB, it disposed of a property it had been trying to sell since 1985.

"The money is beside the point," MB lands manager Gary Kadatz said last week. "The basis

for us putting the properties on the market is they are unsuitable for continued forest management. (By selling), we got out from under a forest management problem of a long-term nature."

MB's Salt Spring properties were contained in seven parcels concentrated in the central and southern portions of the island. In 1985, the company decided the lands were too scattered for effective forest management and offered them for sale, with the provision that the acreage was to be sold as one unit, and not as separate parcels.

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## Trust plans assessment of properties

Salt Spring's Islands Trust Committee is disappointed and concerned by the sale of MacMillan-Bloedel's local properties to private interests.

Trustee Nick Gilbert said the disappointment stems from a failure to work out a deal with the forest company to concentrate development on one or more of the seven blocks of land, freeing up the remainder for community use.

The concern, meanwhile, is that with the 4,800 acres of MB land now in private hands, the Trust may soon face several development proposals.

"My disappointment is that after working for almost three years to get a settlement with MB, it's all come to naught," Gilbert said.

The Trust had hoped to take most or all of the allowable development densities on the MB lands and cluster them on one

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# Land sale leaves Trust concerned

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 large parcel, thereby giving the forest company a highly marketable piece of land and the community an opportunity to preserve the remaining parcels in their current state. When those discussions broke down, MB sold the parcels to private interests.

With the lands now sold, Gilbert said the task facing the Trust is to analyze each of the parcels and prepare itself for any development and rezoning proposals which may be made. He and fellow Salt Spring trustee Pat Byrne expect to spend the new few weeks discussing the parcels with Trust planner Dave Morris and members of the local Advisory Planning Commission.

Discussion of potential uses — and trade-offs — for the lands will be more complicated now than if MB still held ownership of all seven blocks, Gilbert agreed. Whereas the Trust could once negotiate with only one party, it must now deal with several individual landowners, making an overall scheme difficult to work out.

"There is less likelihood now of transferring densities from one parcel to another," Gilbert said, "because now we have to look at each one independently."

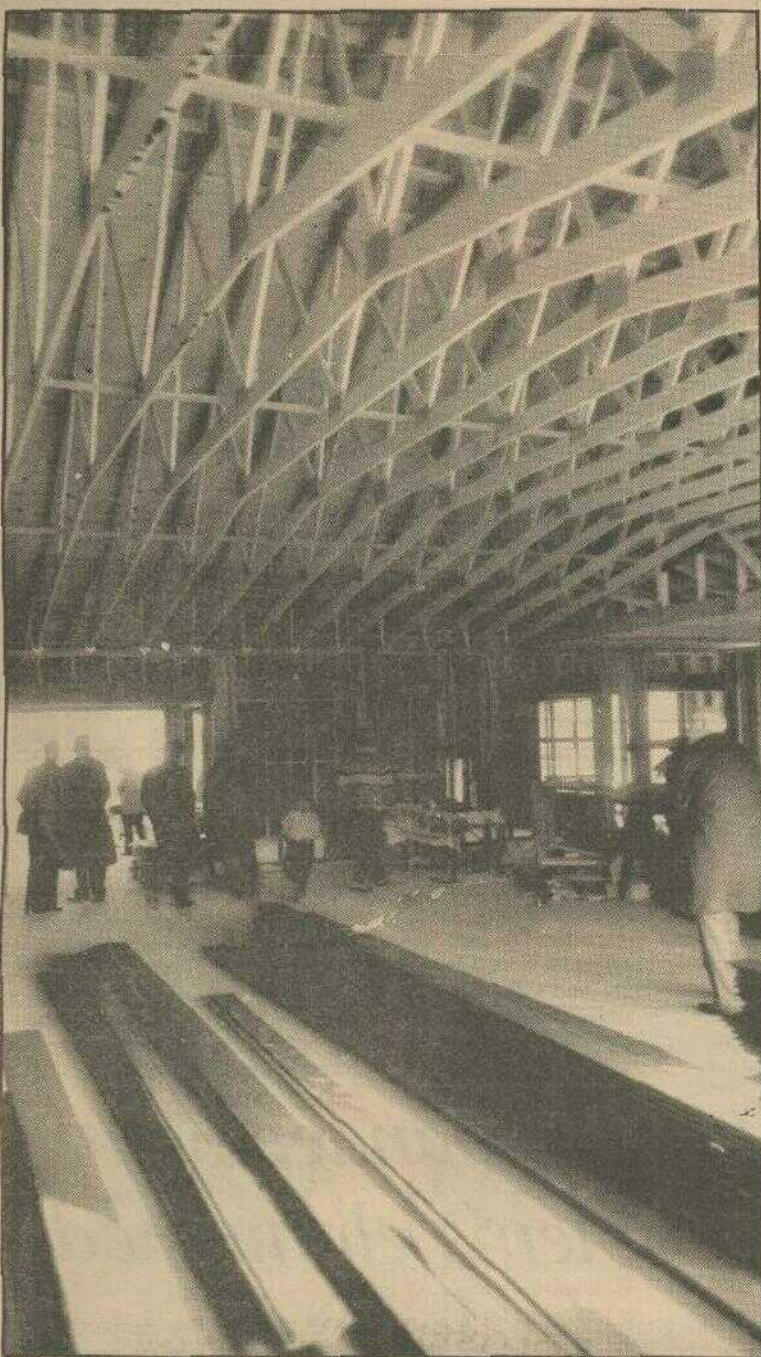
A related complication arising out of the sale is its impact on Trust hopes for an integrated network of hiking trails on the island. The Trust's discussions with MB had included the possibility of acquiring easements for that network — but now, instead of negotiating with one owner, it would have to deal with several.

"There is still some possibility of give and take there," Gilbert said. "If some owners want to develop smaller lots, it (trail easements) is something that could be examined in light of

what they are willing to give up in the way of trails."

Another concern is tree-cutting. Gilbert said that if any of the new owners engage in "wholesale tree-cutting," he expects the public will become "incensed" and property owners would place in jeopardy any proposals they have for those lands.

"So, I would caution the new owners to be careful," Gilbert said. He added that he was especially concerned about a small stand of old-growth trees on a block of land near Cusheon Cove. The trees were left intact when the land was originally logged, he said, and are now part of an historic trail network.



## Progress report

Royal Canadian Legion held an open house last weekend at the Blain Road site of its new hall. Building, still under construction, will replace Legion's long-time Hereford Avenue home with more spacious structure. Work is expected to be finished by late spring.

## B.C. Tel seeks change for rate group, charges

B.C. Tel is requesting higher rates for its 539 exchange in the Gulf Islands.

The request, made in early December to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC), is to move the Gulf Islands exchange up one step in B.C. Tel's rate classification table.

The exchange has been classified as Rate Group 3 since 1975, when its total telephone count was 1,757, B.C. Tel said. The count has since exceeded the upper limits of the rate group, the company added in asking that the exchange be upgraded to Rate Group 4.

Monthly charges for rate groups three and four, with the latter in parentheses, are as follows:

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Fulford area is popular winter gathering spot for birds—and for islanders who regularly stop by the beach to watch or feed groups like these swans. For more on local birds and interest in them, turn to page 23.

## Land sales leave forest company 'free to manage other properties'

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Several unsuccessful purchase bids were entertained by MB in the following two years, and the Islands Trust eventually became involved when the question of possible development of the lands was raised. The Trust created a new zone — uplands and forests — to cover the properties and discussed with MB the possibility of transferring most or all of the potential development densities to one block while leaving the remaining parcels for community use. Those negotiations never reached fruition, however.

The company's Salt Spring holdings were not the only ones MB has sold recently because of long-term forest management concerns. Kadatz said that in

September, MB disposed of 7,500 acres it held in Empire Valley, just west of the Fraser River and north of Hope.

"We decided that, like the Salt Spring properties, the Empire Valley holdings didn't figure logically in our long-term timber management plans," Kadatz said. "If we had difficulty managing our land on Salt Spring, you can imagine what it would be like in Empire Valley."

In addition, in the past two years the company has sold off about five small blocks of forest land on Galiano Island. Those sales, totalling about 200 acres, were also made because the properties were considered unsuitable for the company's long-term forest management plans.

Just last week, MB also completed sale of its Saltery Bay property on Galiano to local resident Peter Klau, who picked up his option to finalize the deal by December 31. Klau had been considering construction of a marina on the site.

Its recent list of sales do not mean MB has embarked on a wholesale disposal of properties, however. "They indicate a recognition that certain properties don't figure in our long-term holdings because they are difficult to manage," Kadatz said. "At the same time, we're always open to buying land. But you're never lucky enough to sell an unsuitable piece of land at the same time you're buying one that is suitable."

## Crown land for sale

One property on the Gulf Islands is among 1,550 blocks of land being offered for sale by the provincial government and its Crown corporations.

B.C. lands ministry representative Ken Baker said the local parcel is a 1.26-hectare B.C. Hydro property on Upper Ganges Road on Salt Spring Island, being offered for \$25,000.

Baker said there is little Crown land on the Gulf Islands and, at this time, none of it is for sale.

The 1,550 province-owned parcels of land up for sale have a total estimated value of about \$100 million. They include pro-

perties classified for agricultural, commercial, recreational, industrial and residential use.

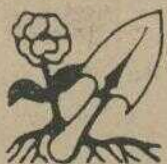
The lands are listed in the third edition of the *Crown Land Marketing Catalogue*, which is being distributed to ministry of forests and lands offices, government agents, real estate boards and public libraries. Copies are also available at the Queen's Printer Bookstore in Victoria for \$6.

The ministry says about \$17 million worth of public lands have been sold since the catalogue was introduced in 1986.

The ministry intends to publish the catalogue on a quarterly basis.

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## Was a different result possible?

The most intriguing aspect of the sale of MacMillan-Bloedel's Salt Spring Island properties is not what will be, but what might have been.

Titles to the properties, contained in seven blocks covering 4,800 acres, were transferred late last week to an island realty company, which in turn has re-sold the land to other local, private interests.

Before the agreement was reached, however, there was at least a fair chance that a different outcome was possible — one that would have seen the community assume ownership of a large portion of the MB lands.

Since early last year, the local Islands Trust Committee and MB had been considering transferring to one block of land the development density rights covering most or all of the MB properties. In return, the Trust would presumably have acquired ownership of most or all of the remaining parcels.

Since those negotiations never moved beyond the discussion stage, we will never know what its price tag would have been — that is, how much density would have been applied to how many acres. Suffice to say MB would have had to seek a level high enough to make the developable plot of land worth as much on the open market as its full 4,800 acres. And that, in turn, would have meant a density level well past current Trust ceilings.

Being unaware of the full scope of the density transfer proposal makes it impossible to know if the Trust could or should have struck a deal. But if we look at the other end of the equation — at the potential return to the community — we can hazard a few guesses about what the arrangement might have been worth.

If the main chip MB had to place on the table was transfer of ownership of large tracts of land to the community, islanders would have received a unique heritage — acres and acres of land



presumably to be left in its natural state, held and developed as park. How much is a jewel like that worth?

Would it have been worth a high-density development complete with nagging concerns about population growth and strains on the current level of services? It might have been, if we view the possible development as something that could have been slowly phased in and used as a measuring stick for expansion elsewhere on Salt Spring — a control, if you like — and if we consider that the new reality is the potential for random development on all of the seven blocks since sold to private owners.

For the community, the Trust would have gained a priceless treasure. For itself, it would have traded the development proposal brush fires it now expects for a neat and compact land-use package that, while large-scale, might have been manageable.

Of course, the speculation is pointless now. The MB acreage has been broken up and placed in several pairs of private hands, and any opportunity the community had to acquire those properties is long gone. All we can do now is wonder about what might have been, and whether those long-term benefits would have been great enough to prompt more serious discussions.

## Low standards promise best resolution result

New Year's Eve came and went with little or no fanfare in our house. Curled up in front of the fireplace with a good book, I didn't notice the year had passed until about 12:30 am. I celebrated by going to sleep.

No, I'm not usually that quiet or unenthusiastic about important dates or events. It's just that a hectic December pace had prevented me from preparing a list of New Year's resolutions to give the Eve the significance it so richly deserves. With no sense of urgency attached to the date and time — nothing to shoot for or at, if you will — the ticking of the

clock was easily ignored.

Which is too bad, in a way, because I've always enjoyed success with my resolutions. I can't really remember ever having failed to fulfill a single stated aim or objective made at the end of one year and in force for the next.

Mind you, it helps that I never aim too high. Why set yourself up for a disappointment by attempting a major pledge, I've always felt, when you can go for a whole swarm of small resolutions?

For instance, one New Year's back in the late 1970s, I promised myself I would not eat food from a McDonald's restaurant for an

### my word

by  
Duncan MacDonnell

entire year. I was able to keep that resolution for four years — which was how long it took before I moved into a town that actually had a McDonald's.

A few years later, I promised myself I would stay away from silly television sit-coms for an

entire 12 months. Not having a television set, it wasn't too hard.

But don't get the idea that all these resolutions are easy to keep. Last year, for example, after much hooting and howling around the Driftwood office about how often photographs of my two dogs just happened to appear in print, I pledged that a full year would pass before their mugs again graced these pages. It was tough, but it's since been over one full year since that pledge was made.

Boy, that suddenly reminded me how much fun this exercise can be. So let's turn the clock

back a few days: I'll pretend it's New Year's Eve all over again and come up with a suitable resolution to help carry me through the next 12 months. And I'll try to make it moderately difficult.

(Long, long pause . . .)  
Okay, here goes. I hereby pledge that I will not write anything at all about major league baseball in this column space until at least January 4, 1989.

But if you call me at the office any time after the launch of spring training (it's only about six weeks away), I'll tell you what I would have written.

# Frontiers of age continue to recede—in the mind

By ANDREW GIBSON

It is fortunate that the word *old* has such an elastic meaning. When I was 10, to be 15 was to be ancient, and anybody over that age was of a different species. When I was 20, to be 30 was to be on a downhill skid, physically and morally (hence the saying *Never trust anybody over 30*). That age having arrived I felt that I had at least 10 years of flaming youth left.

The frontier has kept on receding, until now I realize that 60-year-olds are mere striplings, and that at 70 I may possibly be in my prime. I have no doubt that, should I reach 90, 100 will seem barely mature. My hero is now the man who, upon reaching that age, and being asked to make a wish as he blew out the candle(s), hoped that he would end his days by being shot by a jealous husband.

It has now become clear to me that people don't age — they mature, like gorgonzola cheese. I will rephrase that. They improve, like a fine wine. Some are at their best when corked.

It is really wonderful how much wisdom comes with the years. Many a person, dismissed in youth as an idiot, is accepted as a sage by learning to say nothing at all.

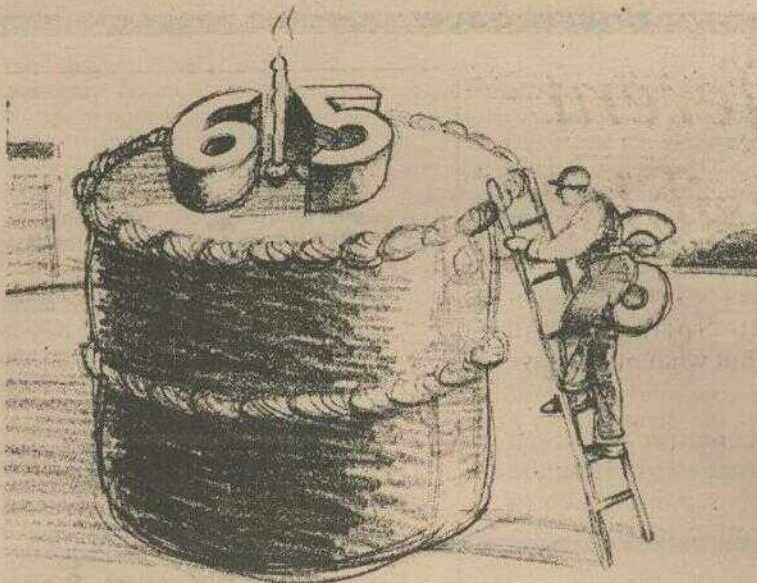
Of course persons who are ... ripe ... should be deferred to. On the subway or on buses a young person who does not immediately

## People don't age; they mature like cheese . . . or wine

give his or her seat to even a hale and hearty senior should be dragged out and given a good tongue-lashing. But this must not be overdone. There is an unfortunate tendency in certain restaurants to treat older persons as if they are lovable. I think that there are special schools to teach hostesses saccharine smiling and indulgent hovering. "Is everything

must not permit the years to intimidate us. The best defense is a spirited offense, as suggested in the

following quotation, written particularly for those of the feminine persuasion:



*'They don't even make good mirrors like they used to.'*

all right?" they coo, dentures clacking with emotion. I have heard that they sometimes even add *dear*. There must be responses which stop short of mayhem.

As the years advance people may lose muscle tone, but they can make up for this by being sneaky. These are the years to learn karate, and how to split firewood by hand-smiting it and yelling *Banzai!* We

*I have noticed that everything is farther away than it used to be. It is even twice as far to the corner and a hill has been added.*

*I have given up running for the bus; it leaves earlier than it used to.*

*It seems that they are making stairs steeper than in the old days. And have you noticed the smaller print that is now used in the newspapers?*

*There is no sense asking anyone to read out loud any more, as everyone speaks in such a low voice they can hardly be heard.*

*The material in dresses is so skimpy now, especially around the hips and waist, that it is almost impossible to reach one's shoelaces. And the sizes don't run the way they used to — the 12s and 14s are so much smaller.*

*Even people are changing. They are so much younger than they used to be when I was their age. On the other hand, people of my age are so much older than I am.*

*I ran into an old classmate the other day and she had aged so much that she didn't recognize me.*

*I got to thinking about the poor dear while I was combing my hair in the morning and in so doing I glanced at my own reflection. Really now, they don't even make good mirrors like they used to! Way to go!*

## letters

### Thank you

Sir,  
We would like to send a big thank you to Tom Gossett for all the nice holly he gave us permission to cut for the Thrift Shop, Greenwoods and the hospital. Best wishes from the Ladies Auxiliary of Lady Minto Hospital. **JOAN BUCKLEY,**  
Ganges.

### Island treat

Sir,  
Deciding to treat ourselves to a New Year's Eve feast after spending several chilly days camping and working on our lot, we looked for a reasonably-priced special to suit the occasion.

First of all, we scrubbed ourselves squeaky-clean in our very own bathtub at the Seabreeze Motel — a further treat after our camping days and intermittent sojourns to "Mrs. Clean's" showers.

Rosy and glowing, we ventured out in the frosty evening to a favourite dining spot. There, we were pampered and fed in the grandest style. After a tasty shrimp cocktail, the feature of the evening was delivered piping hot to our table. Not only did the Chateaubriand taste fantastic, its presentation with five accompanying veggies and tiny potatoes was a delight to the eye. Any gourmet would have to agree that this entree was as elegant as you could find in the best hotel dining room.

A dessert of fresh fruit cocktail with orange sorbet was the perfect ending to an outstanding dining experience.

What a pity more people did not discover this unexpected pleasure. Where, you may ask? None other

than your own Kanaka Place. Oh well — there's always New Year's 1988!  
**BUD and BRENDA BOWES,**  
White Rock.

### Also for sale

Sir,  
In the December 30 edition of *Driftwood*, Virginia Newman recommended the book *What Can I Do?* by Elizabeth Woodward, for anyone interested in the peace movement.

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### Microcosm

Sir,  
I have always considered the so-called development of Ganges and its power politics a microcosm of the big world of capital. And now the most cynical and petty manoeuvre in the game; the use of trees and flowers to thwart the expressed will of the voters. After Graceland, our own mini-

Versailles. But have they left enough space for a few bronze statues commemorating the heroes of profit who conceived the noble plan? Or would that only be an invitation for the seagulls to do their thing?

**PHYLLIS WEBB,**  
Ganges.

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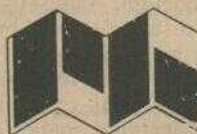


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*From logging plan advocates*

# Stein Valley comments spark heated response

VICTORIA — Few columns I've written in recent months triggered a greater response than a piece I did on the proposed logging of the Stein Valley west of Lytton.

The first inkling that I'd stepped on some tender tootsies came when a publisher called me, saying he'd had some people breathing fire on him. Could I talk to them and listen to their point of view?

Next I got a phone call from Chris O'Connor, woodlands manager for Lytton Lumber Ltd., the company proposing to log part of the valley. Predictably, O'Connor disagreed with a lot of what I had said.

While all this was going on, letters to the editor began appearing in some of the papers that had run the original column. The letters were penned by O'Connor and by W.A. Cook, president of the Stein River Development Coalition. I was on the phone to O'Connor for more than an hour and, yes, he had some good points, but also some (in my opinion) not so good points.

Before going into the details of the pro-logging argument, I'd just like to point out that all the letters, all the phone calls and all the material sent to me have one thing in common. They try to discredit any and all opponents of the logging proposal as either uninformed, misguided or downright dumb preservationists who refuse to listen to reason.

This strategy of attacking the credibility of environmentalist groups has been fairly successful in a number of U.S. ecological disputes, and its appearance in this particular controversy is no accident. The proponents of the scheme have hired a chap from south of the border who specializes in fighting battles with environmentalists. The concerted reaction to my piece was part of that strategy.

Now to some of the points both Chris O'Connor and the Stein River Development Coalition made.

The coalition says the preservationists and "outside activists" have only their own interests at heart and care little about the impact their activities will have on the people and communities of the Fraser Canyon which would be affected by the logging proposal.

## capital comment

by  
**Hubert Beyer**

"We ask the question: who is policing the preservationists? Certainly not Mr. Beyer."

Certainly not. Policing isn't my job. Pointing out what I perceive to be potential problems is. And indiscriminate logging of ecologically-sensitive areas has resulted in problems in the past.

The question is: if the proposal goes ahead, will Lytton Lumber or B.C. Forest Products give due recognition to the sensitive nature of the Stein Valley? And that's where O'Connor was of much more help than the coalition.

*'According to the proposal, only nine per cent of the valley's watershed area would be logged over a 30-year period, leaving 91 per cent untouched and giving new growth ample time to develop.'*

Not only did he agree that parts of the valley needed, indeed, to be treated with special care and that his company was willing to exercise that care, he also admitted that the industry as a whole had not always been responsive to the need for environmental sensitivity.

O'Connor pointed out that, according to the proposal, only

nine per cent of the valley's watershed area would be logged over a 30-year period, leaving 91 per cent untouched and giving new growth ample time to develop. Good point, although opponents of the plan compare it to cutting the smile out of the Mona Lisa.

O'Connor also stressed that B.C. Forest Products was not guilty of ecological rape in any of its projects. I checked and couldn't come up with any proof to the contrary, and unless someone out there has something to say, I'll give O'Connor another point.

The third point O'Connor made was that an estimated 1.2 million cubic metres of timber in the valley has been under attack by the pine beetle for the past 10 years. The only way to effectively deal with that problem, he says, is to cut out the infested timber. Had BCFP gone in to harvest the infested timber 10 years ago, it could have kept an entire mill busy all that time, he says. Another one to O'Connor.

Then he walked on thin ice. The local Indian Band, he said, isn't

really all that interested in the part of the valley to be logged. They're only interested in land claims, not the cultural significance of the Stein, he added, pointing out that only about 28 members of the Lytton Band attended last summer's Stein Festival. To measure concern for cultural heritage by the attendance at a festival is no argument. That one goes to me, Chris.

O'Connor makes a good case for multiple use of land, but I need hardly point out that multiple use only works if each single use is given equal importance in the

scheme. Many a multiple use forest area has ended up being used mostly by the forest industry to the detriment of other uses such as wildlife and recreation.

I have no doubt that the plan to log part of the Stein will go ahead, protestations from the environmentalists notwithstanding. What will count in the end is whether or not B.C. Forest Products will be a good corporate citizen and live up to its obligations to not only profit from but also protect the land it holds in trust.

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# Trust proposal 'has some merit'

Driftwood coverage of the reactions of our Regional Directors to the Trust Regional District proposal leaves no doubt where they stand: solidly against. At first glance their stance seemed to offer the potential for healthy debate. Upon more careful scrutiny, however, I had to ask myself why they are so vehemently opposed before there's been a chance to study the proposal and why they are looking for faults only? Surely the report has some merit?

I would agree with Dr. Borsman that the seven regional districts in the Trust area have served the islands well, in many cases. They may have the benefit of good staff and able politicians. But surely a

*'Certainly the public should have the opportunity to debate before the recommendations are declared an absolute disaster.'*

new district could provide the same?

The General Trustees, in their submission to the standing committee, recommended that servicing be left with the districts. With this we have no argument. However, we are now confronted with a substantial report and recommendations from a standing committee of the legislature, which suggests regional district status. Will it work? Has it merit? Until we get more solid information we just don't know. The report itself has little supporting information. It contains many assumptions, statements and recommendations with which I disagree.

Vern Roddick expresses shock that the report wasn't anti-Trust. His reaction must be more wishful thinking than realistic. After all, the fact that the Trust has strong popular support was once again confirmed at the summer hearings, and acknowledged by chairman Mercier in *Driftwood* some months ago.

Mercier and his committee listened to and read some 624 submissions. One hopes that their recommendations acknowledge that public input. Certainly the public should have the opportunity to debate before those recommendations are declared an "absolute disaster" (Borsman).

What are the motives of the directors when they take this position? Vern Roddick is only too clear: "Let's get rid of the preserve and protect mandate." Mr. Roddick apparently isn't interested in the costs and benefits of a new regional district; he simply wants to get rid of the Trust. He will be joined by Dr.

## trust report

by nick gilbert

Borsman to study the standing committee's report so that "we will assess what we will lose in convenience and efficiency." (Borsman).

Our directors will study the report, on the strong assumption that there will be a loss, with the intent of finding such a loss. They apparently will not be looking for gains of any kind. Sadly, they are prepared to sponsor a public "information" meeting to pass on their selective findings.

Contrary to Dr. Borsman's statement that the Trust representatives are enjoying a "general euphoria," we have reacted to the report with "cautious optimism" (Gilbert) and have asked a lot of questions, to which we hope to find answers. Rather than taking a stand pro or con the recommendations, we hope to embark on a process of debate, both among ourselves at an emergency council meeting later this week, and in the public forum.

Mr. Roddick's contention that the standing committee was to "ask" whether the people support the Islands Trust is completely erroneous. Every Trust property owner was sent a notice of the committee's four objectives last summer, and they are repeated in the new report. The committee was to inquire into: the object (mandate) of the Trust; government structure including representation; provision of local government services; and the Islands Trust Fund. The report deals with these matters.

Dr. Borsman informs us that 26

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trustees, two from each island, would have one vote each, thus overwhelming Salt Spring's two directors. The report makes no such recommendation, but suggests that the present Trust system should be left in place until the proposed regional district legislation is adopted, then be reconsidered.

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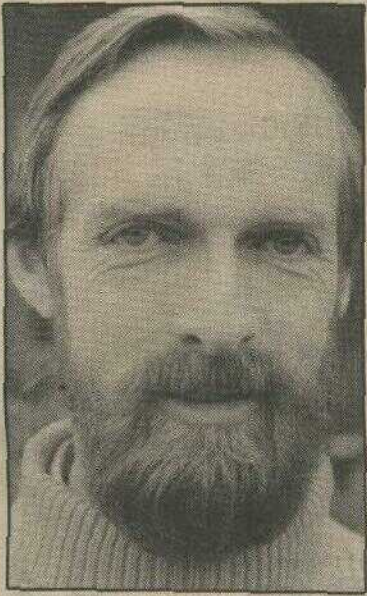
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# 'Review report findings deserving of full study'



Nick Gilbert

From Page 7

The Municipal Affairs staff report offers the alternative of a "rep-by-pop" weighted vote system, but points out that the proposed regional district legislation gives the weighted vote a reduced role.

In any case, under the present system, we have one regional director voting on a largely urban board, with the votes heavily weighted against Salt Spring and the Outer Islands. An Islands Trust regional board would be comprised entirely of islanders who understand islands, and Salt Spring would have two directors, the Outer Islands perhaps 10, or a total of 12 out of 26, instead of three out of 36 — a considerable improvement in all ways over the present modus operandi.

Why Dr. Borsman would assert that Salt Spring would "get very little, if anything", for its contribution to the new regional

## Not dismissed out of hand

district, is quite bewildering. There is no information to substantiate this claim. Such attempts to induce fear are contrary to the principles of reasoned community debate.

The report recommends a transition period for transferring services to the new district. It emphasizes the use of a proposed "local community" concept that allows for much greater local autonomy for matters of local service delivery. The staff report points out that "the seven regional hospital districts in the trust area would remain intact." Hospitals would not be controlled by what Dr. Borsman refers to as "a small fledgling Islands Trust regional district."

The new regional district would have a population similar to three

other districts, and a tax base greater than eight other districts. This "fledgling" may be ready to fly.

I am disappointed that Dr. Borsman didn't expand further on the fact that services can be contracted out, often to other districts having the staff and expertise. In other words, an Islands Trust regional district would very likely choose to use the expertise of existing districts, until such time as it had the necessary population base to extend its staff. Once again, there is no cause to be alarmist, as there is no need for immediate change or added cost.

The Mercier report purports to point the way to the provision of more efficient government at a reasonable cost. It attempts to

resolve the problem of overlapping jurisdictions, and to provide for greater local autonomy.

The standing committee, and Municipal Affairs Minister Rita Johnston, will await public response before initiating the drafting of legislation establishing the new district.

I have asked municipal affairs staff to provide more information about costs, broken down in an understandable format. We will share any information that we obtain with the public, and allow people to make up their own minds.

I challenge the regional directors to abandon their scare tactics, and join with the Trust in an honest attempt to get good information to their islands' electorate, in a jointly-sponsored series of public meetings. Perhaps trustees, directors, and public can unite in a common reaction to the standing committee's proposals.

## To discuss review report

# Emergency Trust meeting called

A special meeting of the Islands Trust has been called for this weekend in Sidney.

The meeting, involving representatives from the 13 major islands which make up the Trust, is being held to discuss a recently-released provincial government review of the Trust and its mandate.

The review, prepared by an all-party legislative committee under the chairmanship of MLA David Mercier (SC, Burnaby-Edmonds), recommends that the Trust be restructured along the lines of a regional district. It proposes expanded powers for the local government body, including eventual assumption of control for services now provided by regional districts. At present, the Trust is limited to a land-use and planning role.

Trust chairman Nick Gilbert, one of the body's two Salt Spring representatives, has welcomed the proposals outlined in the review report. The Trust's 26 elected representatives — two from each island — have not met as a single body since the report was released in mid-December, however, and will apparently use this weekend's get-together to discuss the document in detail and draft a unified response to its proposals.

The review committee has handed its report to Municipal Affairs Minister Rita Johnston, who will decide which portions will find their way into draft legislation. While it was initially expected that changes to the

Trust might be outlined in a bill presented to the legislative assembly as soon as its next sitting — in March — Johnston has since said that she will wait for public comment before proceeding any further.

Two local elected representatives to the Capital Regional District (CRD) have accepted Johnston's call for comment. Salt Spring Island director Dr. Hugh

Borsman, and Vern Roddick, the Pender Island resident representing the Outer Islands, are members of a CRD committee investigating the economic and service provision ramifications of regional district status for the Trust. Both have questioned whether the new body would be able to maintain the current standard of services provided to the islands, and whether the arrangement

makes financial sense.

Restructuring the Trust into a regional district would see its member islands excluded from the boundaries of seven current regional districts and formed into a single entity. Mercier's rationale for the move was that the Trust islands have more in common with each other than they do with the regional districts they are now contained within.

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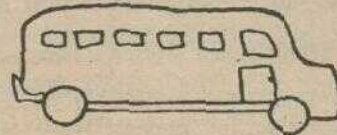
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As spectator bundles up fur coat against chilly temperatures, Fulford Harbour's Sid Wigen prepares to enter waters (top left). Entrants lined up (top right) for dash into waves, which was quickly followed by retreat to the sand. At left is one of the many costumed participants in the event.

January 1 swim

## Islanders take plunge to welcome new year

Twenty-three islanders launched the New Year last Friday by plunging into the cold waters of Vesuvius Bay.

The field of entrants for the annual event jumped into the 46-degree (F) water in front of a thick crowd of spectators decked out in toques, warm gloves and heavy coats. Although most of the swimmers managed only a perfunctory dip beneath the waves, a few hardy souls took to the water like ducks and stayed in long enough to give their skin colour a crimson tint.

Youngest entrant in the dip was nine-year-old Kristi Scotvold, while Nancy and Sid Wigen of Fulford Harbour shared the nod for most senior swimmer. In the 'best costume' category, 'Joe and Jill Jellyfish' edged out 'Captain Vesuvius' for top honour.

The event began at 11 am on January 1 and was concluded by about 11:20 am. Following their exposure to the frigid waters of the bay, many of the entrants retired to the nearby Vesuvius Inn for some warm cheer.



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# PUBLIC NOTICE ROYAL COMMISSION ON EDUCATION

(Public Inquiries Act, R.S.B.C. 1960, Chapter 315)

Barry M. Sullivan, Q.C.

has been appointed as Commissioner with a general mandate to review education in the province of British Columbia, kindergarten to grade 12.

Public hearings will be held at:

Gulf Islands, Monday January 25 - 9:55 a.m.  
On Board the Ferry from Tsawwassen

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Salt Spring Elementary School, Rainbow Road/Lower Ganges Road

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The Commissioner will receive written briefs and verbal submissions from individuals and organizations.

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## Members of Baha'i Faith outline statement on peace

*Editor's note: With this issue of Driftwood, Salt Spring Island members of the Baha'i faith have launched a 26-part series of advertisement articles outlining the international group's 'statement of peace to the peoples of the world.' Following is a background article explaining that statement:*

"Peace is not only possible but inevitable." That quotation can be found in the opening paragraph of the Baha'i Faith's *Statement on Peace*.

Statements about peace abound: everyone has a solution. So who are the Baha'is and what is their perspective on peace?

Historically, Salt Spring Island has attracted people pioneering in new ways of thinking. Cliff and Catherine Huxtable were two such people when they moved here from Toronto in 1959.

At first, Cliff couldn't find work in the teaching profession so he cut wood and burned brush to make a living. In time, he became principal of the Saturna Island school, then a teacher at Salt Spring Elementary-Secondary, then assistant superintendent of the school district.

Catherine Huxtable, meanwhile, suffered from muscular dystrophy and was confined to a wheelchair. Despite her handicap, she gave birth to a son, Gavin — named after Gavin Mouat, who had assisted the young couple on their arrival on Salt Spring.

The Huxtubles were also pioneers of the Baha'i faith and during their six-year stay on the island laid the foundation for today's active group.

Baha'is are members of an international community who believe that the prophet Baha'u'llah is the messenger of God in this age. Baha'u'llah was born to the Iranian nobility in 1817 but later suffered 40 years of imprisonment and persecution in Iran, Iraq and Turkey before spending his final years in the Holy Land.

Throughout his turbulent life — he died in 1892 — Baha'u'llah found time to write works which would fill over 100 volumes. It is from these writings that the Baha'i *Statement on Peace* has evolved.

The *Statement* was authored at the Universal House of Justice in Haifa, Israel, the administrative centre of the faith, whose function

is to develop new plans, laws and institutions to guide the Baha'i community. However, the Universal House had addressed all peoples of the world in its *Peace Statement*. Baha'is are to deliver the message to the world.

The Baha'i *Statement* acknowledges that we are living in a time in history when world peace will be established within the framework of a unified, spiritually-enlightened new world order. Embodied in this order are principles which were established by Baha'u'llah in the 1800s.

Included are: oneness of God; oneness of religion; oneness of mankind; equality of men and women; world government; universal language; harmony of science and religion; and individual search for truth.

Since 1985, the Baha'i *Statement on Peace* has been presented to over 168 heads of state and millions of people around the globe. Some world leaders have already responded to the statement, requesting that the Universal House of Justice facilitate an international conference for the purpose of consulting on the peace process.

— Article contributed.

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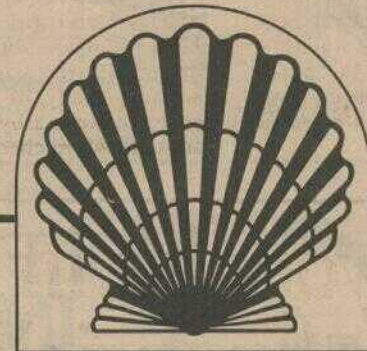
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Ganges RCMP report several incidents of break-and-enter and theft over the holiday period.

In one case, a quantity of jewelry was stolen from a Harrison Avenue home.

Debbie Davies reported the theft December 29. The jewelry's value exceeded \$5,000 and police have not yet determined how entry to the house was made.

On December 28, Jennifer Lee of Fulford-Ganges Road reported

# Break-and-enters reported

an illegal entry to her apartment. Candy and food were taken. Police believe access to the apartment may have been gained through an unsecured door.

Galiano resident Jack Read reported the theft of video equipment from his home on December 31. The stolen property was

valued at over \$2,000 and police are unsure how thieves entered the house.

Rann Emmerson also reported a theft over the Christmas season. A gas can and a quantity of gasoline were stolen from his Carlin Road home.

An assault charge has been laid in connection with an incident at a New Year's Eve party early January 1. Because juveniles are involved, police are not yet releasing the name of the individual charged.

A juvenile male has been charged with driving too fast for

road conditions after losing control of his vehicle on Upper Ganges Road, near the Hastings House. The incident took place December 30 and local RCMP were called after the vehicle landed in a ditch.

Police are attempting to locate Chris Gillette regarding an urgent family matter. Gillette, who is said to live locally on a boat, is requested to contact the RCMP immediately.

## 'If they laugh, they're not going to hit me'

# Providing laughter for his readers is intention of Driftwood columnist

"I like to make people laugh," says newly-hired *Driftwood* columnist Andrew Gibson. "It's a defence mechanism, really. If they laugh, they're not going to hit me."

Laughter is a common reaction to Gibson's renderings. Some of his columns deal with less-serious issues, such as his fear of blundering into a women's washroom, while others will touch on current events — free trade, for example. "Light-hearted" is Gibson's description of his work.

He finds Salt Spring Island inspiring, believing its occupants to be some of the "most interesting" people in Canada.

In an autobiographical statement, Gibson writes: "I arrived in the traditional way, being born. On the night of December 20, 1919, a new star blazed in the Toronto skies. Because of a scarcity of wise men my birth was delayed for two days, by which time the star had disappeared.

"I was a dreamy, introspective child, misunderstood by my teachers, all of whom developed powerful muscles on their strapping arms. One of them had a moustache. I remember her particularly."

At 17, Gibson ran away to sea. Perhaps, he says, he read too many sea stories. Or perhaps his imagination was fired up by several trips on the Toronto Centre Island ferries. In any event, he landed in Britain and joined a steamer as an apprentice.

"In spite of brutal captains and chronic poverty, I persevered," he writes, insisting he supported himself by smuggling copies of *Ulysses* and *Lady Chatterley's Lover* to British school girls. "By the time the war broke out in 1939 I had bought my first sextant, in the mistaken belief it came in a plain brown wrapper."

During the war, three of his five ships were torpedoed. "Most of my ships sunk," he says. "But I was never on them. I was very lucky."

By the end of the war, through "diligence, ability and a catastrophic manpower shortage," Gibson was master mariner. "There remained, however, the challenge of getting a driver's license, so I left the sea forever."

After the war, and after having seen few trees in the past years, Gibson says he had a strong urge to get buried in the wilderness. With his wife Betty and the \$200 "lavished on returning sailors by a grateful nation," Gibson moved to Northern Ontario. "There (they) built a hunting and fishing camp, catering to well-heeled sportsmen and the odd one who wasn't a heel."



Andrew Gibson

The Gibsons next move was back to Toronto, this in time for their daughter to become "moulded by the great Ontario educational system." In 1956 Gibson became a certified land surveyor. His work took them from Ontario to California to British Columbia and then back to Ontario in 1972. "But we couldn't forget Salt Spring, which we had visited in the late 1960s when we got into the wrong line up at Tsawwassen," Gibson writes.

The Gibsons maintained the "world's most distant summer cottage" on Salt Spring, finally making it their home at the beginning of 1985.

The Gibsons have two children — a son in Alberta and a daughter in White Rock — and three grandchildren.

Gibson has previously written for weekly newspapers in the Ottawa Valley. He says he intends to live happily ever after on Salt Spring.

## Jail term handed down in sexual assault case

A former Salt Spring Island man was sentenced last month to a 60-day jail term after pleading guilty in Sidney provincial court to a charge of sexual assault.

Gordon George was also ordered to serve a two-year-term of probation.

The court was told the charge was laid after the 24-year-old entered a Salt Spring Island home late one night after many hours of drinking. He removed his clothes and got into bed with a sleeping 14-year-old girl, whom he proceeded to caress. When the girl awoke and screamed, George escaped, leaving his garments scattered around the room.

The court learned that George and his wife became separated because of the incident, but have since reconciled.

According to defence counsel Mayland McKimm, George has no recollection of the episode: his level of intoxication was such that a blackout occurred. He said George is undergoing treatment for a severe alcohol problem.

A probation officer's report suggested probation and alcohol counselling would be a sufficient sentence. Judge R.E. Hudson disagreed, however, handing down the 60-day jail sentence. Terms of the two-year probation order include alcohol treatment.

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Students settle into water taxi seats for run to Salt Spring

## Pupils travel to Kain show

By CASEY O'CONNOR  
PENDER ISLANDS — Thirty-five students from Pender Island School travelled to Victoria over the Christmas holidays to see Karen Kain in *Snow White* as part of a newly-instituted enrichment program designed by instructor Angela Verriour.

"The program is designed to benefit all students," says Verriour, "while providing special programs for gifted students."

The *PULL-OUT* gifted program runs from four to six weeks and allows students the opportunity to explore such disciplines as creative writing, drama and research skills.

Students in Grades Seven and Eight have begun production of the Pender Island School's first magazine, *The Pender Blender*, with the first issue due off the press by the final week in January. Students are producing the magazine using the school's computer system and desktop editing software.

## Islanders' dependence on boats hasn't changed over the decades

By CASEY O'CONNOR  
PENDER ISLANDS—I watched a maple leaf today—golden brown—float across the bay. Watching a bit longer than usual, trying to see it green, I remembered a recent conversation with Art Pender.

We were discussing self-sufficiency and Septembers on South Pender when you could take a bite out of fall, sinking your teeth into an apple, cool and yellow and crisp; the days when Spalding Road was awash, cobblestone and asphalt covered with poplar and maple floating down on grey gusts to form whispering waves of yellow gold.

"We used to manage," recalled Art. "I was just a kid and was picking apples at the Higgs place. Well—I fell and broke my leg and was on my back at the base of the tree, a bit stunned. The fellow I was with worked for my grandfather, Arthur Spalding, and without missing a beat began breaking up apple boxes and put a splint on my leg.

"He saddled the horses and hitched up the wagon... placing me in the wagon on my back with my legs propped up over the side. He then carted me over to our

house in the Spalding Valley. Mom saw us coming and screamed when she saw two feet sticking up—thought I was dead, you know.

"From there Jerry Parken came over with his truck and took me to Bedwell Harbour where he kept his boat. They put me on the cabin top—lashed me down and threw a bit of canvas over me. The way we bounced and rolled on the way to Sidney I figured they were down below drinking. We did make it to Sidney where I was picked up by ambulance and taken to the hospital in Victoria. It was quite an adventure."

"I guess some things stay the same," smiled Jack Hughes as I recounted Art Pender's story. Since 1978 Jack and his dad, Bill Hughes, have operated Gulf

Islands Water Taxi, plying the channels and passages bridging the Outer Islands with Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland.

"We don't lash people to cabin tops in 1988... but the problems are much the same," Hughes grinned like a proud father. "We've had three babies born aboard our boats—one on Boxing Day in 1984. We handle all medical evacuations on 24-hour call through the Provincial Ambulance Service (595-9911)."

The Hughes have eight vessels moored at the government dock in Ganges Harbour and from their base carry pilots and longshoremen to and from deep-water vessels in Plumper Sound and Cowichan Bay. In 1987, Gulf

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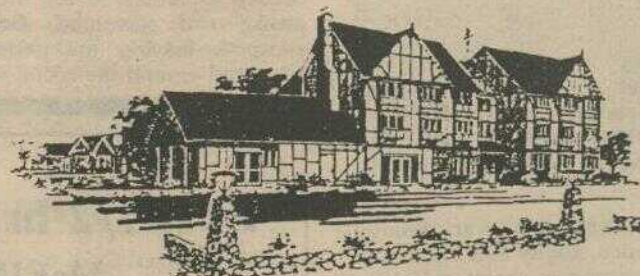


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# Water taxi provides vital link among islands

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Islands Water Taxi won a five-year contract to carry 70 Outer Islands school children between Pender, Mayne, Saturna, Galiano and their schools on Salt Spring and Mayne.

"This sounds crazy, I know," said Sandra Klein, "but the thing I like best about this job is the kooky schedule."

It was Monday morning—the first of the new year and a bit past 7 am. A full moon floated above the docks at Port Washington while the new day's sun remained just the far side of 31 stifled yawns as Pender Island students boarded the new and shiny *Scholarship* for the first journey of the year to secondary school classes on Salt Spring.

"It's like driving a school bus. The kids are the same," Klein smiled.

"What about the stereo, Sandy?" queried Toby Watson from a seat near the rear of the boat.

"It will be installed by the end of the week."

Sandra Klein holds a 40-ton small craft master's licence and has worked for Gulf Islands Water Taxi for seven years, ferrying school kids and others through the postcard waterways of British Columbia's Gulf Islands.

Halfway into Ganges Harbour, *Scholarship's* radio came alive. "*Scholarship* . . . this is *Mistaya III*. I've hit a submerged log. I'm a mile west of Active Pass and my prop is bent."

"*Mistaya* . . . I can't manage both runs this morning. Call Jack back in Ganges; he can come out in one of the other boats." Sandra Klein placed the radio microphone back into its holder. "Not quite a school bus run . . . but the kids take it for granted."

Art Pender's adventure took place almost 60 years ago—a little more than a decade after William Ustick Pender of Cornwall washed ashore on South Pender on Christmas Eve of 1911.

"It's still an adventure," says Jack Hughes. "Where else can you go to work and travel alongside whales and sea lions while bald eagles soar above you?"

And when patterns develop and summer drags on? "During our drought this past summer an elderly lady called and wanted the water taxi to deliver 1,000 gallons of water to her home in Mobrae on Salt Spring," recalls Hughes.

The past year saw Gulf Islands Water Taxi carry students to school and pilots and longshoremen to their ships, and while the Crofton ferry was out of service, water taxis made six sailings per day for 133 days. Future plans call for a commuter service between the Outer Islands and downtown Ganges in the summer of 1988.

In 1791, the schooner *Horcasitas*, under orders from Francisco-Eliza, anchored in San Antonio Harbour (Bedwell) on South Pender. In 1851, John Tod, a member of Council of Government of the Vancouver Island colony, purchased a large tract of land on South Pender and became the island's first landowner, commuting by sail and canoe from Victoria.

And in 1902 Howard and Stanley Harris brought the *Pearl* into Shingle Bay on North Pender. The 30-foot vessel, built in New Westminster, was the first power boat to arrive on Pender.

In the eight-plus decades since the Harris motored into Shingle Bay, much of the world has changed—but a large part of what was and is special remains in the Gulf Islands.



Sandra Klein and Gulf Islands Water Taxi's newest vessel, *Scholarship*

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By FLORENCE DODWELL

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of some of our leaders, our own financial management in these troubled times, and the upbringing and education of our children. Vague generalities, yes, but within lie many points to ponder. However, with the spirit of optimism, a very healthy, happy and successful 1988 to you all!

**Church Notices**

Because of the new ferry

schedule commencing January 10, church service will begin at 10:30 am.

On January 10, Rev. John Moorhouse will lead an Anglican Service, and on January 17, Margaret Edgar will conduct a Lay Service.

Rev. Hugh Hunter (United) will take the January 24 service, and on January 31, Michael Sharp will conduct the Lay Service.

The Annual Vestry meeting will be held February 1 at 2 pm.

**Rain**

An abnormally low 24 inches of rain fell on South Galiano during 1987. Only five per cent of this total fell between June 1 and September 30, creating problems for residents who rely on rainwater

collection systems (to service their fair-weather guests). A classic case of supply and demand being out of

phase. Galiano was drier than Victoria in 1987 and we note that Victoria's summer drought broke a 73-year record. Readings at

Whaler Bay show a general decline for annual rainfall in recent years: 1982, 52 inches; 1983, 62 inches; 1984, 44 inches; 1985, 31 inches; 1986, 33 inches; and 1987, 24 inches. *Who can predict what is in store for 1988?*

# Traditional greeting marks New Year's

By ALISTAIR ROSS

**NORTH GALIANO**—It was just before dark. The sinking sun coloured the winter sky behind Vancouver Island and the smaller islands of the channel. In the big house on the point the Christmas lights glowed. Wood smoke issued from the chimney and people could be seen moving about. A lone canoeist paddled by, his form reflected in the quiet water.

This was New Year's Eve 1987, a picture-postcard scene, but only one of the ever-changing views we have enjoyed throughout the year. In our busy lives we tend to take for granted the beauties and amenities of our island. Holiday time gives us the chance to slow down, to enjoy our surroundings and to realize again how fortunate we are. We can take time to stop and remember those who have made life easier for us (the shopkeepers, the road workers and the ferry workers), we can acknowledge all those volunteers who manage our community services (our church, community halls, parks, fire departments and ambulance services, and waste disposal) and we can rejoice in the inventiveness of all those other volunteers who organize our activities, be it sports, social or cultural. We can rejoice in our memories of 1987, its joys and its sorrows.

**Seeing the Old Year Out**

The New Year's holiday always brings an influx of visitors to North Galiano. Most brought in the New Year quietly at home, but a few ventured to the North Hall where, after a potluck supper and dancing, they greeted the New Year in the traditional way with crazy hats and noise-makers amid a shower of balloons. The highlight of the evening was the dancing of *Triumph*, a simple Scottish country dance. Almost everyone participated—experi-

enced and otherwise—and the laughter was at times louder than the music.

**Coming Events**

North Galiano resident Maureen Carruthers resumes her yoga classes on Monday, January 11. There will be classes on Mondays from 5 to 6 pm for those who need individual attention and from 6:30 to 8:30 pm for Level Two students; on Wednesday from 4 to 6 pm, for those who want more gentle work; and from 6:30 to 8:30 pm for limber beginners and Level One students. Phone Maureen at 9-5071 for further information.

Scottish Country Dancing begins once again at the North Hall on Tuesday, January 12, at 7:30 pm. Teachers Monica Roots and Alistair Ross are in charge of the proceedings. Everyone welcome.

A class for beginners will commence at Sutil Lodge in Montague Harbour very shortly. Phone Monica (9-5078) re day and time.

The ever-popular Burns Supper is scheduled for the North Galiano Hall on Saturday, February 6. Tickets will be available later this week. Phone Dorothy Ross (9-2294) to make arrangements for ticket pick-up.

**Meeting**

At South Galiano Hall next Saturday, January 9 at 1 pm, Bob Nixon, managing editor of *Forest Planning Canada*, will speak on alternatives to clear-cut logging. Everyone is welcome to come and listen to Bob and join in a discussion later.

Following the talk, those who want to explore further the options to clear-cutting on Galiano are invited to stay and pursue some of the ideas in more depth.

The meeting is sponsored by Galiano's Clear-Cut Alternatives group.

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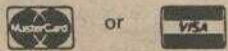
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Gold necklace at Portlock Park. 537-9239 to identify. 1

## Lost

Wire hub cap on Beddis Rd. or on Blackburn or Cranberry Rd. Reward. 537-5417. 1

Reward of photographic services offered for return of print drier, enlarging lenses, easel, which went missing from my vehicle Dec. 31. Call 537-9360. 1

## Births

Daniel, Shayla and Layla have a little brother, Russ, born January 3. Donna and Tim wish to thank Maggie, Gil, Dr. Graham and Marg for their share in welcoming him. 1

Hoag McColl. Janet and St. welcome a brother for John Michael. Noah Alexander, born Dec. 17, 1987. 9 lbs. 9 ozs. Proud grandparents are Pat & Bill Hoag of Oakville, Ontario. Many thanks to Heather Martin and Jan Macphail for their care and support. 1

Nicola, Joshua, Justin, Chelsea and Regan proudly announce the arrival of their baby brother. Parents Ken and Jill Byron would like to extend their warm and sincere thanks to Dr. Jarman and the excellent nursing staff at Lady Minto Hospital. 1

## Card of Thanks

We would like to thank Dr. Wren, Dr. Macintyre, Dr. Buchan, Dr. Graham, nurses and staff for their excellent care during my stay. Also, thanks to family and friends for their support. Thanks again for getting me out on time. Bon Voyage. Lisbeth & Sidney Jones

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IN MEMORY/IN HONOUR In B.C. & Yukon the Canadian Cancer Society supports research, education and patient services. Mail gifts to Salt Spring Island Unit, Box 1147, Ganges, B.C. V0S 1E0. Please include name of person being honoured or name of deceased and where to send cards. 52-tfn



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**Community Services**

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Alanon afternoon/evening meetings. Call 537-2317, 653-4288. 42-tfn

**Notices**

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**School District #64 (GULF ISLANDS)**

There will be a regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees held in the School Board Room, Wednesday, January 13, 1988. Meeting will commence at 1 pm. Public welcome. 1

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**UNIVERSITY DAY**

FRIDAY, JAN. 15, 1988 Reps from U.Vic, UBC, SFU, BCIT, Camosun College and the Armed Forces will be at GULF ISLANDS SECONDARY SCHOOL General Presentation - 10:30 am. Personal Interviews - 12:15 - 2:30 pm. EVERYONE WELCOME For information, call Marg Sitton, 537-2213. 1-2

**G.I.S.S. Parents Advisory Meeting COUNTERATTACK**

"Dealing with Alcohol and Drugs" - Monday, January 11, 7:30 pm. Salt Spring Elementary Library. 1

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SALT SPRING ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY Tuesday, January 12 - 2 pm. Central Hall SPEAKER: BEVIS WALTERS TOPIC: Gov. Douglas' trip from Victoria to Newcastle Island in 1852. 1

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**Coming Events**



SALT SPRING PLAYERS

**New Year Potluck Special SATURDAY, JAN. 9**

7 pm. St. George's Hall, Ganges. Renew or join the membership. Do your thing with skits, etc. Info. on spring productions. Everyone welcome. 1

F.S.N.A. Federal Superannuates National Association. Annual luncheon for all retired Canadian Federal Government employees, R.C.M.P., civil servants and armed forces with their spouses, January 14, 1988. 12 noon at Cowichan Bay "Inn on the Water". For more info., call 537-2282. 1

Cinema Club is alive and well for '88. Your first film is Peppermint Frieden. Monday, January 11, 8 pm. at Central Hall. See you at the movies.

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**Ganges United Church** Hereford Ave., Ganges Worship Service 10 am with Sunday School for Nursery to 15 years MINISTER: Rev. A.N. Skinner 537-5812 537-9343

**Anglican Parish Salt Spring Island** St. Mark's, Central Holy Eucharist 8 am Matins 11:15 am St. George's, Ganges Holy Eucharist 9:15 with Sunday School St. Mary's, Fulford Holy Eucharist 11:15 Weekday Eucharist: St. Mark's 10 am Tues. St. George's - 5:15 pm Thursdays Rev. James Koester Parish Office: 537-2171

**Catholic Church Salt Spring Island** Fulford - 9 am Ganges - 10:30 am Saturdays - Ganges, 5 pm Rev. Fr. P.A. Bergin

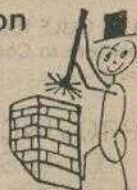
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**Salt Spring Island Baptist Church** Admiral Hall 506 Lower Ganges Rd. SUNDAY - Family Service 10:30 with Sunday School Evening Fellowship 7:00 TUESDAY - Family Night 6:30 THURSDAY - Ladies' Home Bible Study 9:30 PASTOR: Rev. Brian Joyce 537-2222

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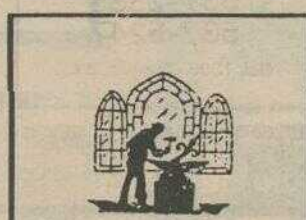
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# Despite frost, soil will accept planting of bulbs

The New Year has arrived and brought with it some bright sunny weather, cold and wintry, but so cheery and fresh. Perhaps we'll be lucky and escape any heavy snowfalls in the months ahead, and be content with the heavy hoar frosts we've had. In the open areas, frosts have finally done in the annuals and hardened the ground, bringing some garden work to a halt and allowing some other chores to be undertaken. Even though it is so cold, the sunshine makes working outside both possible and pleasurable.

In areas where the soil is protected by heavy mulching or is under cover of trees and shrubs, the soil is still thawed and workable enough to permit the planting of the last bulbs. Tulips will do just great if planted out early this month, and due to the mild fall we've experienced, the other narcissi, hyacinths, anemones etc. can also still be planted out. Their blooming may be delayed by a couple of weeks, but they will do well regardless, and go on to lead healthy, productive lives in the garden.

I see the noses of snowdrops, scillas, chionodoxa, and some

daffodils poking up out of the soil in sunny, sheltered spots. They have built-in frost protection, so don't fuss over them lest you should damage their succulent, somewhat brittle stems and leaves.

Your indoor bulbs which have been prepared for forcing, and up until now have been kept in a cold dark spot, should be almost fully rooted by now. If the roots are showing at the drainage holes and if you want to get them to bloom as soon as possible, then move the pots into a warmer spot that has bright — but not direct — light for a few days, and then, after this adjustment period, give them as much sun as is available and keep them cool.

Warm night-time temperatures and low light levels are the causes of tall, leggy growth and stems too weak to support the flowers. This is especially true with paperwhites, so keep them cool and sunny for best results. After blooming all of the bulbs excepting the paperwhites can go out into the garden (after the frost has passed) to settle in and bloom again in future years.

When the ground thaws again, you can plant out roses, fruit trees,

## your garden

by  
**Chris Schmah**

flowering trees and shade trees, as they are still actively callusing and developing new roots. Use bonemeal when planting and give them a couple of buckets of water to help settle the soil around the roots.

Dormant season spraying with lime sulphur and dormant oil can be started this month, provided the weather conditions are right.

Don't spray on a day when rain is imminent as the spray has to dry on the stems in order to stay in place and be effective. Also the day should be above 40 degrees F. so that the dormant oil will remain emulsified and not plug up your sprayer. Use protective clothing, avoid eye or skin contact and spray when there is little or no wind to avoid drift. Read the label and follow instructions, especially as they deal with formulations, ratios

and what not to spray, such as not spraying apricots with lime sulphur (or severe damage may occur).

Whenever it suits you, pruning can commence on your fruit trees, grapes, kiwi vines, small fruit bushes, flowering and ornamental trees. Avoid pruning any trees or shrubs that are spring bloomers, as you will be merely cutting off the blooms you would otherwise have the opportunity to enjoy. Hold off with your main rose pruning also, as new growth may be stimulated, only to be subsequently killed off by a hard, late-winter, early-spring frost. Do, however remember to spray those roses this month with a lime sulphur solution to help control fungi, other diseases and some insects.

Out in the vegetable garden, you can turn the soil in your raised beds, box beds, and well-drained sections where the earth is workable, and then topdress with manures, seaweed or other organic matter you have on hand. Follow with an application of dolomite lime to bring up the pH, if needed.

For the intrepid veggie gardener, a first sowing of broad beans, and the earliest of early peas

may be planted when the soil thaws and starts to warm up. Indoors, some of the seeds that are slow to germinate and grow may be started later this month, but for the vast majority of your seeds, procrastination will pay off, as they don't like to be left too long before planting out in spring.

While the weather is good, do a thorough cleanup of annual and perennial areas, apply topdressings and lime if needed. If your pools still have ice on them and the cold spell continues for much longer, try to remove some of it to allow for gas exchanges and to ensure the continued good health of your fish. Take some time to enjoy the shrubs and trees that are blooming out in your garden at this time of year, and cut a few branches or stems for decoration and display indoors.

Well, that about covers the list of things to do in January — besides taking the time to daydream and plan your seed selections, garden layouts and landscape plans for the coming growing season. This is, after all, great weather for being an armchair gardener. Until next week, happy gardening.

## School District granted funding for 'Pacific Rim Initiatives' plan

The Gulf Islands is one of 59 B.C. school districts to have projects approved in the first phase of the government's Pacific Rim Initiatives Fund.

The province has approved 59 of 79 project proposals, calling for total funding of about \$350,000. Another \$500,000 will be allocated in the 1988-89 school year.

The Gulf Island Secondary School's three-pronged proposal originally requested over \$22,000 in funding. It will receive \$3,500.

"Things are definitely moving ahead on the Pacific Initiative," district schools superintendent Mike Marshall said last week.

The local proposal looked at implementing three programs. The first, described as curriculum enhancement, aimed to improve Grades Eight and Nine social studies in the area of Pacific Studies. At the Grade 10 level, it planned to implement 15 to 20 hours of study, emphasizing geographical, industrial and political aspects of Australia, New Zealand, Malaya, Hong Kong, China, Taiwan, and Vietnam.

The cost of obtaining video

materials, films, library books and maps for this program was estimated at \$5,000.

The second aspect of the proposal looked at combining Social Studies 11 and Computer 11 to use telecommunications to connect with a school in the Pacific Rim. The twinning in each country, it was proposed, could be facilitated through Canadian embassies.

Drafters of the plan believed it would encourage classroom dialogue, and student and Rotary Club exchanges. They estimated \$1751.75 would be necessary to start up the computer program, and an additional \$6,000 needed to fund a student exchange.

The third prong of the application proposed a one-year exchange of a Gulf Islands teacher with one in, say, Hong Kong. This, it was estimated, would cost in the area of \$10,000.

The \$3,500 allocated to the Gulf Islands school district is to be directed at "social studies enhancement" and the "twinning program."

A letter from the ministry of

education, received by Marshall, says the proposed teacher and student exchanges duplicate other programs in the Pacific Initiative. Money for these will be granted elsewhere.

According to Marshall, some \$77,000 has been granted to the Vancouver Island-Gulf Islands school districts towards student exchange programs. Funding for a teacher exchange has not yet been identified; however the program may be in the works.

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Ducks congregating at Fulford Harbour were among the local birds—and species—counted recently by volunteers involved in province-wide bird census.

*140 residents take part*

## Islanders brave foul weather to record local bird population

A dramatic increase in one bird species, a decline in another and some unusual sightings highlighted the 10th annual bird count on Salt Spring Island.

Over 140 islanders braved constant rain and wet snow to count 15,656 birds in 92 different species.

Organizer Christine Wooldridge said it was difficult to determine the significance of increases and decreases of bird numbers in a one-day count since factors such as weather and fishing conditions can affect the totals. She noted, however, that some interesting information did emerge.

For example, in 1977 — the first year the count took place on the island — 84 Towhee were spotted. By last year the number had risen to 276, and in 1987 the figure jumped to 509.

The reasons for this could be varied, Wooldridge says, but it probably coincides with the availability of food. More people could be placing bird feeders out, or planting more "interesting things" in their gardens.

The numbers arrived at in the count can be affected by several circumstances, Wooldridge points out. The number of people counting, for example, may lead to some variations. While this is not a major problem because organizers are careful to assure all parts of the island are covered, it can lead to some differences.

Weather is another factor. Extremely poor weather may dissuade counters from spending a lot of time walking; their count may depend more on those birds seen from windows.

Last year, Wooldridge recalls, the day was so dark the volunteers had trouble spotting some birds. They could hear chirping under bushes, but could not find the source.

One statistic that became apparent in this year's count — the



Christine Wooldridge turns her binoculars on trees in hopes of finding birds to count.

decline of the western grebe — has not been tainted by one of the factors, however. The island is recognized as home to the highest number of this species in the province. In 1986, 5,132 western grebe were counted. This year, that number dropped to 946. Because the species has not been spotted in its typical numbers all winter, Wooldridge knows it is not a problem of the one-day count.

Usually, she says, they can be seen like a black blanket at the end of Booth Canal and across the narrows.

"One year is not enough to say there is definitely something wrong," Wooldridge says. Should the trend continue, however, the decreased population could mean some sort of toxin is getting into the birds' food chain.

One unusual sighting that occurred in this year's count was a pair of tundra swans. Seventeen mute swans — the same number as last year — were counted in Fulford Harbour. Tundra swans, however, have never been spotted on the island before: they typically live much further north in the Arctic Circle. Wooldridge says the tundra swan can easily be distinguished from the more common variety. Mute swans swim with wings puffed up like sails and have bumps on their beaks. The tundras swim with their wings down and have no such bump.

Other unusual sightings were two osprey found hunting over St. Mary Lake. Wooldridge says they have a nest near the Long Harbour ferry terminal.

One bird species, the American coot has gone from 143 sightings in 1977 to one in 1985, and zero in the past two years. Wooldridge does not feel this means there is a major decline in the species. The American coot prefers fresh water to salt, and many island lakes are frozen at this time of year. Also, 1977 may have been a warm winter, she says.

Other numbers that emerged from this year's count include

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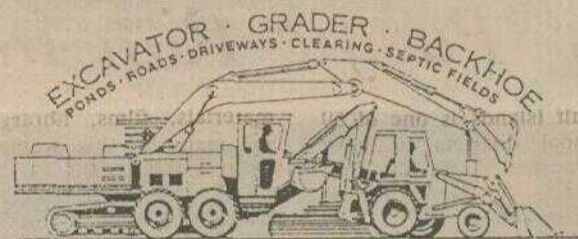
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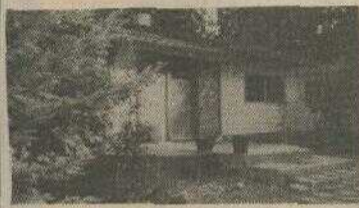
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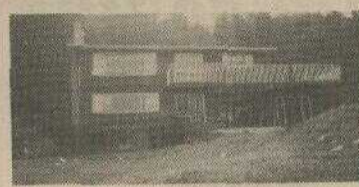
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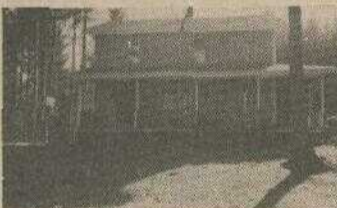
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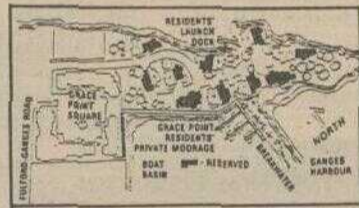
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- to determine the approximate size of the province's wintering population;
- to identify the wintering areas; and
- to acquire information useful in understanding population trends.

The survey is supported by the World Wildlife Fund (Canada) and the B.C. ministry of environment and parks. It is organized by local volunteers.

The number of bald eagles counted in the province last year totalled 4,552. Of that number, 256 were spotted in the southern Gulf Islands: 85

on Mayne Island, 69 on Galiano, 37 on Salt Spring, 27 on Saturna, 20 on North Pender, and 18 on South Pender.

The areas recording the highest number of eagles in the province were the Fraser Valley (1,161), Squamish (952), Cowichan Valley (411), Bella Coola (398), and the Comox-Courtenay area (335).

Each volunteer eagle-seeker is equipped with a map and provided with an area to survey. The route taken is recorded on the map, while results are compiled on a survey sheet. Co-ordinators also look for additional information such as unusual food items and behaviour.

Last year 36 Gulf Islanders participated in the count, and a similar number is expected to turn out this year.

# Salt Spring tallies birds

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2,140 ducks of 14 varieties; 879 gulls of seven different types; 2,822 crows; 1,015 chestnut backed chickadees; 859 robins; 2065 juncos; 299 sparrows of six varieties.

One of the interesting facts that

becomes apparent by the count, Wooldrige says, is the consistency of some species. Numbers of birds that are here the whole time, such as the blue heron and kingfisher, remain consistent each year within two or three members.

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### VESUVIUS BAY HOME



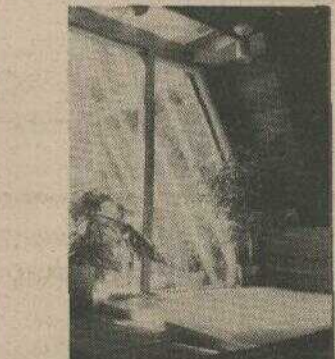
**AND NOW THE PRICE IS REDUCED \$10,000!** There's lots of potential with this older 4 BR. seaview home in the Vesuvius Bay area. You'll be amazed at how much room there is here. Please let me show you around inside. And now the adjoining lot is for sale too! \$69,500 MLS.

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Comfortable 2 BR. home conveniently close Ganges. Excellent southern exposure and views plus an ocean seaview of Ganges Harbour. Large sundecks front and back ensure all day enjoyment. The 1/2 acre property has several fruit trees and a large garden shed. \$79,500 MLS.

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One of the most outstanding views on Saltspring. A well constructed driveway has been roughed in and winds through the nicely treed parcel then breaks out onto a large level rocky bench. The view from here is stunning - in the foreground are the lakes and valleys of Saltspring, in the midground are the Outer Islands and their interconnecting waterways and in the background are the North Shore Mountains around to Mt. Baker and beyond. At night the lights of all the mainland cities and towns. \$59,000 MLS.



### DEAD END ROAD



This lovely restored farmhouse enjoys peaceful surroundings and a bountiful garden on 5.30 acres. It includes a mature orchard, chicken run, fenced gardens and excellent water. Balance of property is in a natural state. The beach is right across the street and the views are across Captain's Pass to Mount Baker. Asking \$135,000 MLS. Phone HENRI for more details.

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For a Saltspring "Getaway" - 0.65 acre gently sloping and private within easy walking distance of ferry. Driveway is in. Building site cleared, all ready for your camper, tent or cabin. Asking \$16,900 - or bring an offer! Please call HENRI for further information.

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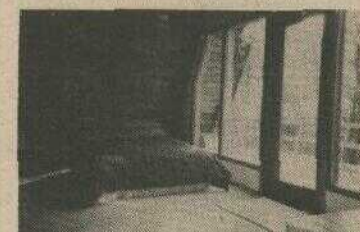
This immaculate 2 BR. plus den home has great privacy in its treed setting which backs onto a park. The large sunroom is an excellent place to relax after a workout on the badminton court or putting in the greenhouse. \$58,500 MLS.

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Exciting, fully renovated home with views to Active Pass. Secluded 1 acre lot with inground pool. \$95,000.

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## Twenty-five years ago

• An amendment to the Canada Shipping Act introduced new boating regulations for those vessels "propelled solely by oars or paddles."

Those boats under 18 feet in length were obligated to include one bailer, and one approved lifejacket or life-saving cushion for each passenger. Those vessels over 18 feet in length must also have the bailer and a small-vessel-approved lifejacket for passengers.

• The *Driftwood* welcomed Mrs. Elsie Worthington to its editorial staff. Mrs. Worthington was to handle news events on North Salt Spring. She joined reporter Bea Hamilton, who posted news from the Fulford area.

• Two of the B.C. Toll Ferry Authority's local vessels were in line for name changes.

The *Motor Princess* — then serving the Outer Islands after many years on the Fulford-Swartz Bay run — would be renamed the *Pender Queen*. The *Delta Princess*, an "unloved stranger" to Salt Spring, was to be renamed the *Salt Spring Queen*.

• A classified ad offered a 50-pound sack of winter carrots for four cents a pound. An enamel wood stove in "good condition," was for sale for \$25.

## down through the years

### Twenty years ago

• The first Gulf Islands baby of 1968 was born to Mary Wilson of Galiano Island. The seven-pound, five-ounce baby boy arrived at 6:30 am New Year's Day at Lady Minto Hospital.

• A second outbreak of flag theft was reported on Salt Spring Island. The missing flags were large provincial and Dominion types, stolen from Centennial Park.

The first incident took place the previous summer, when a group of naval cadets stole the same flags. The local RCMP recovered them shortly after.

• Robert Akerman reported the loss of at least one sheep from his Fulford farm. He said two dogs have been worrying his animals for some time, and he had recently found one dead ewe.

• In 'Auto Court,' fines handed down to drivers were less steep than today's charges. One motorist was fined \$1 for having a broken tail light, while another

was fined \$15 for driving with an inadequate muffler.

### Fifteen years ago

• Tenders for the construction of new school facilities, mainly on Salt Spring, proved far beyond the maximum estimated prices.

Tenders were opened early in January for the construction of a new secondary school and complete renovation of the elementary school. The total estimate was approximately 10 per cent above the architect's projected costs.

• Former dairyman George Heinekey spent time assessing food prices in two of Victoria's supermarkets. He priced randomly selected items in a Safeway store and Super-Valu. On average, he said, items in the city cost nine cents more than they did in Ganges.

• A Galiano resident was named vice-president of the Bank of British Columbia.

Galiano Islander Peter Darling was instrumental in opening the bank's San Francisco branch. He had lived on Galiano for five

## with driftwood

years, commuting to Vancouver for work.

• Real Estate ads offered a three-bedroom, waterfront home with acreage for \$58,500. A serviced building lot in Ganges was going for \$6,000 and one acre of wooded, serviced land near the golf course was for sale at \$6,900.

### Ten years ago

• The Islands Trust took over land-use control from the Capital Regional District (CRD). This meant the Trust would now receive applications for zoning changes and amendments to planning bylaws. The highways ministry would be the approving authority in respect to subdivision plans.

Trust chairman Marc Holmes said that under the new legislation the Trust would be required to handle all uncompleted applications and other business from the first phase onwards.

This meant those applications only partially processed — including requests for rezoning by Spencer Marr, Betty Galt, James Stewart and the Salt Spring

Sailing Club — would now have to be reconsidered.

• Salt Spring Island fire chief Kelly Hanke left the island to assume duties as a lecturer in fire-fighting at the University of British Columbia.

Hanke had taken over as fire chief from David Smith several years before. They had not yet found a replacement, and fire-fighter Les Wagg was the only full-time member on staff.

• The Salt Spring Island School Band, comprising 40 students, was preparing for a bigger-than-usual field trip in Easter. The musicians were to give concerts in Portland, Sacramento, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

• The first baby born at Lady Minto Hospital in 1978 arrived January 5 at 10:05 am. The baby girl, Lisa-Marie, was born to Gale and Greg Molnar of Ganges. Several Mayne Island organizations donated a bathtub-full of gifts in honour of 1978's first baby.

### Five Years Ago

• *Driftwood* regrets it cannot locate newspaper files for the first three months of 1983. Proper recording of the *Five Years Ago* section will resume in March.

# Wartime Air Force veterans plan fifth Canadian reunion

In 1984, over 4,400 wartime aircrew members from all parts of the world gathered in Winnipeg to be reunited with old friends, some for the first time in 40 years.

The record attendance at that Commonwealth Wartime Aircrew Reunion may be exceeded in 1988, however. With nine months to go, some 1,400 veterans have already registered to attend the gathering in Winnipeg.

According to Salt Spring Island resident Jim Burford, those numbers could include up to 40 "airforce types" living in the Gulf Islands. Because the reunion is a word-of-mouth affair, however, many do not even know the reunion takes place.

The 1988 reunion is number five in a series founded by the Wartime Pilots and Observers in 1970. Burford did not hear about the event until just prior to the 1984 reunion.

The reunion is scheduled for September 14 through 18 in the Winnipeg Convention Centre. If the last one is any indication, Burford says, people from all over the Commonwealth should be attending. In 1984 Burford was reunited with three New Zealanders from his old outfit who he had not seen since the war. He

ran into people he knew overseas but never expected to see in Winnipeg. There were veterans from the United States, Australia and South Africa.

At the main dinner (seating 4,464 in one room) Burford says 40 people, including Chiefs of Air Staffs and the Governor General, sat at the head table alone.

"There was a lot of brass from all over the world," he says.

Those attending have the opportunity to flip through indexes and determine whether an old friend is also there, and where he is staying.

The 1988 reunion intends to honour the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan, and

organizers are seeking the names of those involved in its operation. Organizers also expect a member of the Royal Family to attend.

The program will feature an air show, placing greater emphasis on the modern fighter bombers of NATO, but including displays of the Spitfire, Hurricane, Mosquito and possibly the Lancaster. The Snowbirds will also perform.

The reunion will feature a ladies program and special squadron or association events. The registration fee is \$115 for a single, \$230 for a double, plus \$50 for hotel reservation. Anyone interested in obtaining a registration form should contact Burford at 537-5903.

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## bridge report

Gulf Islands Bridge Club winners on December 21 were: Dorothy Tate and Anne McConnell; Patti May Lawson and Conhor Hunt; Gordon Hutton and Fred Struve; Mona Coulter and Marion Ashmore.

On December 22, winners were: Anne and Norm McConnell; Wim and Ima Krayenhoff; Patti May Lawson and Fred Struve.

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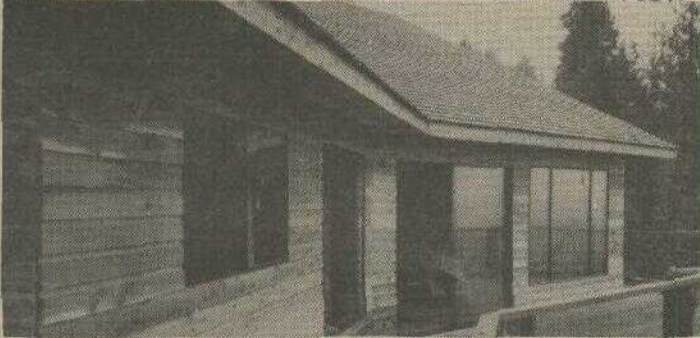
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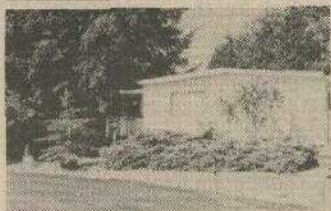
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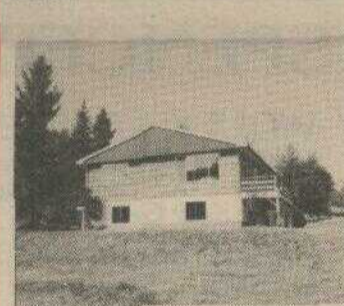
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