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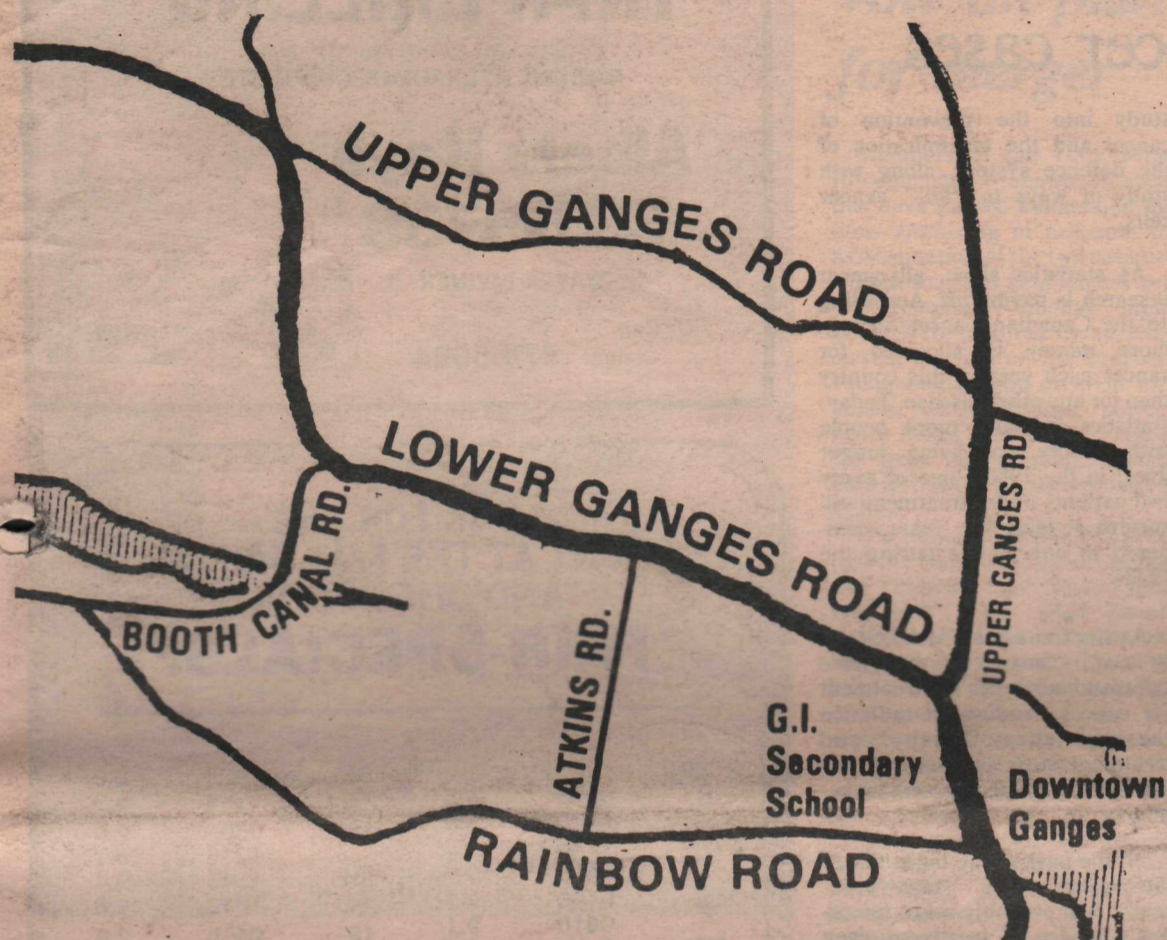
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## Terry Fox Run route

Map shows route participants will follow during this Sunday's Terry Fox Run in Ganges. After registrations at Gulf Islands Secondary School, "runners" will proceed west on Rainbow Road, turn onto Canal

Road, turn left at Lower Ganges Road, turn right onto Upper Ganges Road, travel back towards Ganges and turn right onto Rainbow Road, ending at the school grounds. Registration opens at 8:30 am.

## Incorporation rules debated

By DUNCAN MacDONNELL  
**GAMBIER ISLAND** — Islands Trust representatives last weekend voiced sharp differences of opinion over proposals outlining the legislative relationship between the Trust and incorporated areas which may be formed within its boundaries.

Meeting as a council, the 26 trustees representing 13 major islands within the Trust area debated two sets of proposals drafted in response to the possible incorporation of Ganges, on Salt Spring Island, and the whole of Bowen Island.

One set of proposals was prepared by the three general trustees — chairman Nick Gilbert (Salt Spring) and vice-chairmen Carol Martin (Hornby) and Steve Wright (South Pender) — and called for the Trust to retain a significant amount of influence over incorporated areas while their powers are being established.

The other set, presented by Bowen trustees Don Leigh and Peggy Rose, offered more autonomy for the incorporated areas.

The package drawn up by the general trustees contained seven points presented as motions to council, while those prepared by the Bowen trustees were amendments to the original motions.

After an emotionally-charged session that featured close votes on each point debated, the gener-

al trustees saw three of their proposals accepted, while the Bowen trustees had three of their points adopted.

The meeting adjourned before the final motion could be debated; it is to be put to a vote at the next Trust Council meeting, in December.

The split among council members was based on a philosophical point: whether the Trust should allow an incorporated area to be the complete master of its own fate, or whether its greater responsibility is to ensure that its provincially-legislated mandate to preserve and protect the entire Trust region is respected in an incorporated area.

Debate on that point centred on a proposal from the general trustees that incorporated areas be bound to a regional policy plan that would be drafted and adopted by the Trust before land-use planning powers were handed over.

Leading the speakers against the proposal was trustee Jim Campbell of Saturna, who suggested the Trust should step aside when an area decides to control itself.

"We can't deny them the right to make their own decisions," Campbell said. "We can't say incorporate, but don't really incorporate, by leaving land-use planning powers in other hands."

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## Organizers preparing for Terry Fox Run

With scant days remaining before the September 18 staging of the Terry Fox Run for cancer research funding, organizers of the Salt Spring Island event are still searching for volunteers willing to lend a hand.

Urgently needed are people to help out along the route by handing out water to runners, and to set up garbage cans.

The run, organized by *Driftwood*, aims to raise \$10,000 for cancer research funding, part of the \$500,000 target established for all of B.C.'s Terry Fox Runs held on the same day this weekend.

Last year's local version of the run drew 123 entrants and collected just under \$6,000 — a total that saw Salt Spring ranked as one of the most generous communities, per capita, in B.C.

While last year's fund-raising efforts concentrated on the run alone, the 1988 version will have several related activities. For

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## Funds raised by Terry Fox Run earmarked for research projects

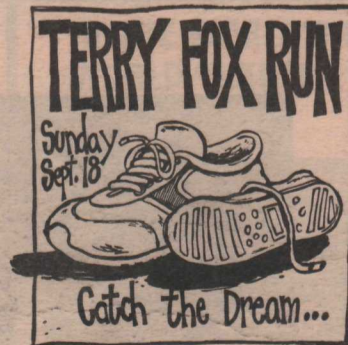
Money raised at this year's Terry Fox Run in British Columbia will be directed into three specific cancer research projects.

The projects, which received \$519,000 raised from the same event last year, have a commitment of three to five years worth of funding from the B.C. Cancer Society.

Headed up by doctors Allen and Connie Eves, one project is studying bone marrow transplants for leukemia patients. A team led by Dr. Stick Hans is looking into environmental carcinogenics. And Dr. Nelly Auersperg is leading research into the structure of cancer cells to find out how they differ from normal cells.

At the provincial Terry Fox Run headquarters in Vancouver, B.C. co-ordinator Kathy Staley says Terry Fox was specific about the types of projects to be funded by money raised, deeming them to be "high-initiative scientific research projects."

Towards that end, applications



for research funding — which can be made by anyone to the National Cancer Institute of Canada — are reviewed by 13 scientists.

The judgements are subjective, Staley says, but do not preclude any type of research.

On Salt Spring, naturopathic physician Dr. Charles Alsberg has his own ideas about what might be a beneficial area of cancer research.

"From my perspective," Alsberg says, "there always has

been and always will be cancer."

Alsberg describes two types of cancers: those caused by a personal risk factor, and those with an environmental base. He feels the former should be addressed through educational means, starting with young children, and focus not only on lifestyle factors, but also on diet.

"Dietary factors are not given enough credence," Alsberg says, noting the general acceptance of dietary causes in cardiovascular disease. Next to lung cancer, he notes, cancer of the colon has the highest rate of incidence. Factors here might be ruled out with correct dietary habits, he said.

Eating is something everyone does every day. Alsberg, who has conducted talks on diet with high school biology classes, says he has been amazed at how much interest the subject generated.

"It touches our lives every day," he says. Alsberg believes that dietary education instigated

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# Terry Fox Run organizers prepare for events

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instance, this Friday (September 16) will see students at local schools participate in runs to raise funds which their schools will donate to cancer research.

Also on the events agenda for Sunday is a sail-a-thon (not a race) organized by the sabot club at the Salt Spring Island Sailing Club, and an aerobics class staged by the Salty Sweat'rs

fitness club, to be held at the secondary school gymnasium after registrations are accepted there for the run. Admission to the aerobics class will be by pledge sheet only.

Registrations for the run itself will be taken at 8:30 am this Sunday and be followed by a warm-up at 9 am. The run will follow, covering a route along Rainbow, Canal, Lower Ganges, Upper Ganges and Fulford-

Ganges roads before turning onto Rainbow Road again and the finish line at the school grounds.

Although it is billed as a run, the event invites participants to travel the route by bicycle, skateboard or any other means. Salt Spring Island Trail Rides, for instance, is offering to take five or six people along the route by horseback, and remit the fee charged to the Terry Fox Run. (To

book a horse, call 537-5761, evenings).

After the event, refreshments will be available, supplied by Embe Bakery and Ganges Village Market.

For further information about the Terry Fox Run, or to volunteer to help with its staging, call Damaris Rumsby at *Driftwood* (537-9933) between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm on business days.

Pledge sheets and other infor-

mation is available at several businesses in Ganges and Fulford. Also offered are Terry Fox Run *Catch The Dream* tee-shirts; proceeds from sales go directly to the fund for cancer research.



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## Island doctor feels diet research could limit number of cancer cases

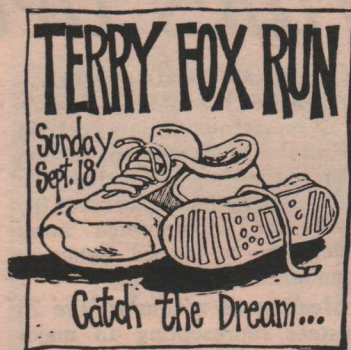
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at an early age could prevent the development of some cancers. Disease is often cumulative, developing over a period of 20 to 30 years — or, in other words, enough time to shift dietary emphasis.

While medical journals offer some study in the area of the clinical application of nutrition, Alsberg says, the actual practice of it does not seem to be filtering down. He feels addressing this aspect is one way to get to the underlying state of disease.

Alsbergs also feels there may be more room for including natural products in the treatment of disease, including cancer. A lot of information has been generated on the subject of botanical medicine in the United States and Europe, he says.

Anecdotal evidence of the healing potential of plants is common, he notes: we hear of Native tribes or individuals using a certain plant and describing its effectiveness; however, there has been little research undertaken to sub-



stantiate these stories.

As biologists will indicate, there are thousands of plants on the earth which had never been identified, let alone investigated for their medical potential. And historically, Alsberg notes, numerous medicines have been, and are, derived from plant matter.

"There is a bank of potential there," he says.

Having studied as a chemist, Alsberg says he can appreciate the "hassles" and the time- and money-consuming aspects of conducting research projects. However, he feels there is room for

study into the prevention of cancer and the maximization of the defence system, along with study of ways to "kill" cancer cells.

As statistics show, all cancer research is paying off. According to the Canadian Cancer Society, more money is allocated for cancer each year in this country than for any other disease. Today, statistics indicate, more people with cancer are living longer lives: in the 1980s, one of every two patients under treatment will survive at least five years, compared to one in five during the 1940s.

As the Canadian Cancer Society says, research studies have improved all types of treatment for cancer, leading to radiation therapy, chemotherapy, and treatment such as bone marrow transplants for people with leukemia.

"If the past is any indication," the society states, "today's research will probably make tomorrow's modes of treatment even more successful."

## Bylaw restrictions planned to clamp down on parkers

The Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission agreed Monday to amend a bylaw which will restrict use of the Centennial Park parking lot to bona-fide park users only.

Penalty for breach of the bylaw, which local RCMP have agreed to enforce, will be a court appearance and a fine of \$25 to \$300.

The step has been taken by the commission following numerous unsuccessful attempts to stop Gasoline Alley tenants and customers from using the Centennial Park parking lot.

Signs limiting use of the spaces painted earlier this summer appeared to work for a few days. However, the problem re-emerged shortly afterwards, the commission said.

The active clause of the bylaw, which is expected to be passed by the Capital Regional District (CRD) at a board meeting today (Wednesday), states that "no person shall leave a motor vehicle parked in a park at any time when that person is not in the park."

"This is no joke; it's a serious matter," said commission member John Woodward, noting the "importance and sanctity of

parks," and the right people have to adequate parking there.

If someone is seen using the parking lot and not going into the park, he will be in breach of the bylaw and will be issued a summons to appear in court. The fine for a first offence will be at least \$25.

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### Shift change

Beginning today (Wednesday), industrial crews working in Salt Spring's forests will be on early shift, meaning they must shut down by 1 pm. If there is no rain in the next four days, the fire department says, industrial activity in the woods will be completely shut down, making scenes like the one pictured above commonplace. Strollers are also advised to exercise caution in the forests; fire hazard rating currently sits at high, but it is expected to move into the extreme range shortly.

### Fair audience can take shots at 'celebrities'

Sixteen people will go for a quick swim Saturday, but their plunge into the water will not be wholly voluntary.

The 16 will be pressed into service by the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) grad class when students set up a dunk tank at the Fall Fair. The brand-new tank, built by Dale Codd and Merv Walde, will be in operation between 10 am and 6 pm.

Fairgoers will be invited to dunk a number of residents, including members of the Ganges RCMP detachment, some local teachers — including GISS principal John Wellingham — and *Driftwood* publisher Tony Richards.

Dunkees will be dropped into the tank by a tripping mechanism, activated by a well-aimed baseball. Three throws will be offered for \$1, with proceeds to the grad class.

## Premature signalling of intentions prompts confusion at intersection

A Salt Spring Island motorist has complained about a traffic situation which she feels is potentially dangerous for island drivers.

The woman said she was driving towards Ganges along Lower Ganges Road when she signalled left to turn onto Crofton Road, and proceed to Lady Minto Hospital. As she approached the

intersection, she noted a vehicle proceeding towards her from the opposite direction.

When the vehicle approaching her signalled left, she assumed the driver was turning onto Park Drive, and figured they could both safely turn left at the same time.

A near accident occurred, however, when the second vehicle

failed to make the turn: the driver was signalling to turn into Ganges Village Market, not Atkins Road.

"The man coming towards me honked loudly," the woman said, "but in fact he was in error by signalling early."

The woman said she has seen this occur twice at that particular intersection.

### Societies vote on plan for merger

Members of the Lady Minto Hospital and Greenwoods societies have passed ammended motions approving in principle the amalgamation of the two societies.

Both societies held annual general meetings Monday night. These were followed by an information meeting on the proposed amalgamation and creation of a health care services society, which heard a number of speakers from the Capital Regional District (CRD) and the ministry of health.

The ammended motions agreed that the Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society (and the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital Society) receive and accept the recommendation of the board(s) and approve in principle the amalgamation of the two societies and to form a new integrated health care society.

The motions further state that the chairmen call a general meeting of the societies in not less than 120 days to seek membership approval of that amalgamation.

The societies also agreed that prior to the next general meeting, the proposed bylaws of the integrated health care society would be circulated throughout the community for study.

The motions passed 29 (yes) to 11 (no) for the hospital society, and 29 (yes) to 12 (no) for the Greenwoods society.

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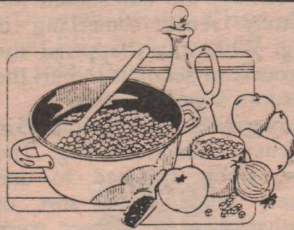
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## A better place in which to live

Perhaps we shouldn't be surprised, but it was remarkable to see such a large number of local residents nominated by their neighbours to receive Heart of Gold certificates bestowed on caring citizens by Air Canada and the community newspapers of this nation.

But even more remarkable than the amount of nominations received by *Driftwood* — a number well above the national average, by the way — was the wide range of people and groups represented in the roll-call of citizens who work tirelessly to make their community a better place in which to live.

The nominees singled out for recognition by their fellow islanders covered a full spectrum, from hard-working people espousing individual causes to active members of organizations supporting more widespread aims. They share a common trait, however — one of striving to improve the lot of people in particular or the community in general.

We should consider ourselves lucky to be blessed with such a large number of citizens so concerned about others, and not just themselves. We rarely think about it, but the wealth of community effort we enjoy is apparently far from being commonplace.

The value is recognized well enough by the Heart of Gold certificates that will soon be handed over to the nominees. Of equal note, however, is the realization that to earn a certificate, the solid contributions made by each of the nominees had to be noted by their neighbours. That can only mean the community has an appreciation for the quiet, caring work being done.

Of course, the nominees will tell you recognition for their efforts is hardly the point. True enough — but pointing to the totals never hurts from time to time, if only to remind us that we live in a community that cares, and is grateful.



## Anything is still possible

Over the past six weeks, *Driftwood* has taken great pains to encourage islanders to support the annual Terry Fox Run scheduled to be held this Sunday on Salt Spring.

We've told you about the toll cancer takes — and will take — on Canadians, about the history and hopes of the run, and about people who have been helped by developments made possible by funding for research projects. There isn't much left to say.

Except this: if the information has failed to convince you to participate, in any way, in the fund-raising effort now unfolding, please take another look. Cancer will affect three out of every five Canadians; if not you, it could be someone you love.

We hope to see you represented at one of the many activities taking place later this week on behalf of cancer research funding, as either an active participant or as a name on someone's pledge sheet. With your help, anything is possible.

## Waiting for the drops of blood to be formed

It's taken me about an hour of digressing to get to this point on the page, so you're excused if the wait has proven to be too tiring and you decide to move on.

The digressing started with the first words typed, which concerned the Trust Council meeting just concluded on Gambier Island. After that, everything went downhill, until it reached this point.

Let me explain.

The council meeting on Gambier was the last with the current crop of trustees, since several are expected to stay well clear of a nomination sheet when election time rolls around this November. That being the case, I felt it would be appropriate to devote this week's space to an assessment of the character and atmosphere of the current, about-to-be-former council.

### my word

by duncan macdonnell



But it didn't work out that way. Words have a life of their own, a way they would prefer to be assembled, and try as I might the piece kept moving away from the current council and towards a preview of the new council and what it will have to deal with.

Which is an interesting-enough topic, but pointless conjecture at this time, a full three months before the fact. Realizing what was happening, I tried to steer

the words back onto the chosen track, but only succeeded in making matters much worse.

Trying to combine the two concepts — current and future councils — required much force, and the words quite rightly refused to mesh. I was left with a messy hybrid of words and thoughts that did not blend well with each other. None of the bridges erected between the two forms could make it any better.

In my younger days, I was fortunate to have as a high school English teacher a man who is now a noted author of Canadian fiction. If nothing else, he managed to instill in me his belief that words, and strings of words, have a certain rhythm. When they are constructed incorrectly, be it according to the written rules of grammar or the unwritten rules of story-telling, the ear should immediately sense something is wrong. When that happens, the best course of action is to hurl the words into a garbage can.

And so it was with the piece on the Trust Council meeting. The words, when attached to one another, made some sort of collective sense, and there were some interesting points contained in the paragraphs — but they were not strung together in a way that made for enjoyable reading.

Too clumsy, I thought.

So, the whole effort was consigned to the garbage can, and a fresh piece of paper (or blank terminal screen) was found.

And here we are, in the middle of yet another digression. No matter; at this point, a peek down to the bottom of the page tells me there is not much room left to play with today.

In that case, I could spend the rest of this final paragraph enjoying the simple feel of the words as they fall from my fingertips and flow together, finding a rhythm to suit my ear. Failing that, I could leave you with the words of another writer — I believe it was Red Smith — who once said: "Writing is easy. You stare at a page until the blood drops from your forehead and forms words." And when they digress, you find another page.

## Opportunity

Sir,  
Some of your readers might be asking themselves why Murray Cyprus has written this last series of letters? Let me try and explain.

My wife and I came to Salt Spring some 17 years ago. As time passed we began our family, built our home and became more involved with the process and responsibility of raising and providing for our family.

Partly by choice, partly by luck, and partly out of necessity, land use became our business. For several years we had observed the changes taking place on Salt Spring without becoming involved. We learned, through that observation, that on Salt Spring, involvement in land use means opportunity for some and obstruction for others. Ironically, it's never the old-timers or long-established families that create the obstructions; they appear content to continue to accept and respect the changes whilst welcoming all the new faces.

For the past 17 years, our families have grown, our community has grown and our environment has seen some changes — we happen to believe that almost all have been for the better. With the advent of local control over land use — i.e., the Trust, the trustees, and the APC — we have witnessed a group of preserve and protect zealots take command of our island's destiny. We suggest that it is their approach to land use versus prudent management which continues to fragment our community. For allowing that, we have only ourselves to blame.

As parents and members of the community we believe that we all share in the responsibility to ensure that the potential for opportunity remains strong and vital, and even flourishes, on Salt Spring. Our desire is that the voters (and we hope that you all vote), before casting your ballots in this trust election, will ask themselves and the candidates (if there are more than one) to clarify the important issues, especially the economic issues which no doubt will eventually affect our collective ability to remain a viable growing community.

**MURRAY CYPRUS,**  
Ganges.

## Photograph

Sir,  
I am a member of the Sidney branch of the Old Age Pensioners Organization (OAPO). In 1958, some of us went to Ganges aboard the *Cy Peck* — the captain's name was Maude — to bring the charter of the OAPO to a lady named Mrs. Thacker who was in charge of the OAP meetings.

I am now past 90 and still a member of the OAPO. I'm trying to find a picture of the *Cy Peck*; the Sidney museum has nothing. I would be very grateful of any help in finding the pictures; I promise to return them.

**MRS. E. SUMPTON,**  
123 - 224 Henny Avenue,  
Sidney, B.C.

## Dramatize

Sir,  
The recent environmental disaster in St. Basil Le Grande, Quebec, dramatically demonstrates the need for an Environmental Protection Act which does what its name implies.

Canadians are becoming increasingly aware that we are in quite a mess. This is not news to those who have been active in the environmentalist movement. They have been telling us for years. It is only now that we are more willing

## letters

to listen. The problems before us are enormous, they are complex and they are terrifying but we must face them.

To date, our governments' response to these problems have been polite and ineffectual. This is most evident in dealing with the acid rain problems. Acid rain, blowing in from the U.S., is wiping out Atlantic salmon in Nova Scotia. Experts tell us that in B.C. we have less than 10 years before the same things happens here.

Canada has no co-ordinated national program in place for dealing with marine pollution as called for in the U.N.'s program recommendations. Federal scientists say spending on marine pollution has been reduced as part of the Mulroney government's restraint program.

We in the New Democratic Party understand that strong support for environmental protection means strong support for our economy, for our communities and for our future generations. A comprehensive Environmental Protection Act with sound regulations and with stiff enforcement provisions is needed now.  
**LYNN HUNTER,**  
Victoria.

## Stamps

Sir,  
At this time of the year when we on the island are busy gearing up for the Terry Fox run, I would again make an appeal for donations of cancelled stamps for the Order of the Eastern Star. Proceeds from their sale are divided equally between cancer research and cancer dressings.

I wonder if the public is aware that Eastern Star provides cancer dressings free of charge to cancer patients? At our Grand Chapter session in May of this year, a cheque for \$9,337.95 was turned in by our Foster Secretaries Association. This represents the sale of stamps for a year.

Of course it's only a drop in the bucket, but every drop helps. Please save your cancelled stamps.

To be saleable these stamps should be clipped with a quarter-inch border. Any donations would be most gratefully received, and may be left at McColl's Shell Service in Ganges, or contact Mrs. Bessie Kilgour at 653-4407 for the Fulford area, or any member will be glad to accept your donation of cancelled stamps. Eastern Star works for cancer.

**ELIZABETH L. MORGAN,**  
Ganges.

## Tactics

Sir,  
Regarding Daisy Gear's letter to *Driftwood* on August 24: Her letter brought back a thorn that has been festering in our wound.

When Centennial Park came into being, our parents, Katsuyori and Kimiko Murakami, requested to the committee in charge, that they wished to plant a Japanese Cherry tree in memory of all the pioneer Japanese who had toiled and lived on this island. They donated to the fund.

After 10 years of patiently waiting, my mother asked if their request was fulfilled. She was told that there wasn't any room and asked if she wanted her money back. Now ignoring their request, their money wasn't good enough either!

Since that time many, many more years have passed. Our beloved father has passed away. Our dear mom is getting older. I could name all the "prominent people" involved in this awful episode. But they will know who they are when they read this letter so they will remain nameless to the public but not to us! To me they are worms.

I say that it was a racial thing. At the time of our incarceration, just the Japanese part of the Central Cemetery was left uncut and in a terrible state of affairs. Dead people cannot fight back, but live Murakamis can.

So I say that denying my parents' wishes for the special tree was a dirty thing.

To those people who are unhappy about the Islands Trust:

If I informed the public of all the dirty tactics perpetuated against us by some of the past members of the Islands Trust, no one would believe us, but it all happened. It was a racial thing, as one of the past members of the Islands Trust gleefully informed us; it never would have happened if you were white, they told us. We fought back and overcame all the dirty tactics thrown our way.

So my advice to all of you who are unhappy with any situation is just don't cry, wring your hands or just write to *Driftwood*. Organize and eliminate anything that makes you unhappy. Unless you do, nothing changes! I know!  
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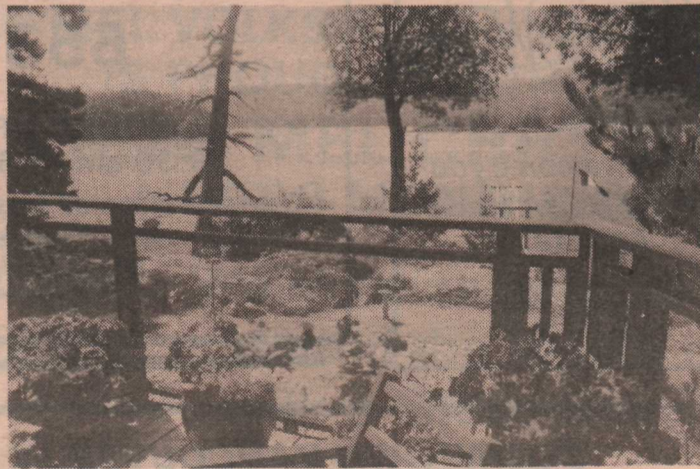
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## andrew gibson



"Our armies swore terribly in Flanders," cried Uncle Toby, "but nothing to this."

Sterne — *TRISTRAM SHANDY*

When I was about 10 something made me mad — maybe my sister, always a fan, had told some lies about me, or, even worse, some truths. I still remember my astonishment when out of my rosebud lips, and seemingly without my volition, there poured a torrent of words which at the time were considered mortally sinful, but which in today's terms would be considered almost pristine. My sister, although she repeated her "I'm gonna tell" mantra, looked at me with new respect. All regarded me in wide-eyed silence. Proud of my unexpected talent, I swelled up like a spring peeper.

That was the high point of my oaths career. I don't recall that this ability ever manifested itself again, although I suppose that lurking in my subconscious are some words which I could dredge up if in extremis — about to be guillotined, for example. Oathwise, I am still a prisoner of generations of my Scots Presbyterian forbears, who, ready to forgive minor misdemeanors like mayhem, thought that the gates of Hell opened a crack more with every cuss word.

In our transplanted Scots community near Toronto it was no longer held that Auld Cloutie's barbecue necessarily followed blasphemy, but, if not a mortal sin, swearing was eminently punishable. Quite beyond the pale were scatological or sexual crudities in the presence of females — many girls were adults before they ever heard such words, never mind understood them (since those dear dead days, of course, it has been proved that in this as in other formerly male fields, they are formidable opponents; some can make a muleskinner blush.)

### In danger of Hellfire

In other categories my parents were far less rigid than some of our neighbours — I remember once being subjected to a shrill tirade from a friend's mother because she had overheard me calling him a fool. She screamed a passage from the Bible to the effect he who did so was in danger of Hellfire. Mystified that such dire consequences could follow an obvious truth, I thereafter prudently called him an idiot.

When I exchanged the nest for a ship I ceased to be protected from the corrosive effects of rude words. My shipmates used obscenities as adjectives, adverbs, verbs and punctuation, and, deprived of their use, would have been unable to converse. I could not but admire the inventiveness of some of the expressions, but for me it was too late. When I got past damn, hell or the diety of my choice I'd shot my bolt.

The kirk elders of Midlothian were still censoring my speech, as they do to this day. To be effective, shocker words must flow, must be uttered with ingenuity, even rhythm — the poets were the great blasphemers and cursers of the Middle Ages. It can't be done with the self-consciousness that would afflict me were I so ill-advised as to try it.

That is why it's so sad to hear, as all Canada did recently, the barrenness of the invective that the Canada Post protagonists were hurling at each other behind a door bugged by grinning reporters. It was to cry. These incoherent schoolboys are going to get the mail moving? With people of this calibre as negotiators, we'd all better get FAX machines.

### Obscenities as weapons

People who use language as weapons, but who don't have natural skills, often substitute obscenities. A few years ago, in the Ottawa Valley, I had a lot of contact with lawyers. Those in the small town in which I lived were very circumspect with their language, but the rarified air of the legal suites in Ottawa was perpetually blue. I was astonished, and couldn't help blushing for the pretty young secretaries, but I soon realized that it was a stylish yuppie macho thing, of no more significance than the language of tycoons who, when they are in the wilderness moose-hunting, always sound like stevedores, while their guides sound like bishops.

If I had to advise young people (a most unlikely possibility) I would say that, yes, shock words can make a point, but a very weak one these days. True, when one's thumb has been flattened by a hammer "goodness gracious" hardly conveys the message. But I would suggest that if language is to be used aggressively, more time be spent in a careful study of invective that doesn't depend on irrelevancies. Such comments as "Why do you hate me? I've never done anything for you" or, even worse, "You have no sense of humour" are far more potent than any reference to the marital status of an opponent's mother.

I read recently of an invecteur who described Hubert Humphrey, the former vice-president of the U.S.A., as "a treacherous, brain-damaged old vulture who should be castrated." That's going too far, but consider these: "He is a man of splendid abilities, but utterly corrupt. He shines and stinks, like rotten mackerel by moonlight." (John Randolph of Roanoke), or the remark of Winston Churchill to a lady MP who had accused him in the House of being drunk: "Bessie, I'm drunk and you're ugly. Tomorrow I'll be sober, but you..."

The nadir of invective was written to Abraham Lincoln by one Peter Muggins: "God damn your god damned old hellfired god damned soul to hell god damn you and goddam your god damned family's god damned hellfired god damned soul to hell and good damnation god damn them and god damn your god damn friends to hell."

Perhaps it should be sent as negotiation resource material to the Post Office.

## Gratitude

Sir,

Words are inadequate in attempting to express our profound gratitude to so many fine people on Salt Spring Island. Your many kindnesses have helped to ease the pain of our leaving this special place:

- Thanks to the staff at Salt Spring Elementary School, CUPE Local 788 and the Salt Spring Singers for your friendship over the years, and for your lovely farewell gifts. Iona is going to miss such caring and supportive friends.

- Thanks to the Sunday School children for making such wonderful farewell cards; also to Jeff Tyson and Ilan for their great surprise party for Iona at Salt Spring Elementary. We love you all.

- Thanks to the very special people of the Achievement Centre for preparing such a delicious luncheon and to the director, the staff and the volunteers of the Community Centre for coming to share in our farewell. We look forward to hearing about your future endeavours and wish you all the very best.

- Thanks to our good friends from the south end of the island for the super desserts and the memorable evening together. You don't have so far to go to the ferry — we expect to see you often.

- Thanks to the many families and individuals who have expressed their good wishes through calls, cards, letters, gifts and greetings as we have met along the street. It makes leaving a little easier, knowing that your thoughts and prayers go with us.

- Thanks to the Burgoyne UCW for all the delightful times we've shared together and for your thoughtful farewell gifts.

- Thanks to all our friends at Ganges United Church for eight years of enthusiasm, encouragement and love. Special thanks for organizing the wonderful farewell

## more letters

party; your generous gifts will always be treasured.

- Thanks to the editor and staff of *Driftwood* for their gracious editorial and article (and for publishing this letter of thanks.)

A final word of thanks for the great people of Salt Spring Island for helping to make our time here such a unique and memorable experience. We feel sadness at leaving, but we will always be sustained by fond memories of your friendship.

God bless.  
**ALLISTER, IONA, ANDREA  
 AND IAN SKINNER,**  
 Victoria.

## Prestigious

Sir,

Congratulations to artist Lynn Demers-Hames on her successful soapstone carving entry to the prestigious annual *Birds in Art* show exhibited by the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum in Wisconsin.

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# Time to assess island's potable water reserves

The following is an update on some important topics.

**WATER:** First of all, congratulations to the North Salt Spring Waterworks District board, which has successfully obtained permission for an increase in the district's water licence. The moratorium, in place for a year, created difficulties and inconveniences for many, but it also created a climate of concern regarding the future of domestic water availability for the whole island.

We have talked about a serious attempt to assess the total potable water potential for the island. The Islands Trust is presently trying to get some idea of groundwater levels. A meeting has been suggested that would invite representatives of all the 11 island water boards to meet with Tom Gossett, chairman of the Water Preservation Society, the Islands Trustees, Mike Larmour and myself.

We would, in addition to hearing of the various problems peculiar to each water district, consider what might be done to get reasonably accurate, professional assessment of total potable water resources. This knowledge is vitally important. If it should develop that we will face a problem down the road, now is the time to start to do something about it.

**WATER PURITY:** You will all have read about the difficulty facing John Christensen at the fish plant. I felt it was most unfair to ask John to be personally responsible for purifying the water

**director's report**

**by hugh borsman**

coming out of his tap, when doing so at the source would serve everyone's purpose. I asked the CRD to intervene with Fisheries and Oceans, and it appears they would be willing to defer action provided the weekly test level is satisfactory and if there is some assurance that the Water Board has some plan for treatment at source. A meeting was arranged with the CRD and the Water Board on September 12.

As you may have read, Victoria has been having some water problems. This has led to the CRD community health committee having a look at water standards in general. MAC stands for maximum acceptable concentration. This refers to all substances which may be found in potable water that might be aesthetically objectionable — minerals and other chemical substances, and bacteria.

For bacteria, the MAC in the United States is zero; the World Health Organization also has a level of zero, but the Canadian level for bacteria, usually coliforms, is 10. The so-called explanation for this is that many communities in Canada can't meet stricter specifications. That may be so, but there is no excuse for an

area like the regional district to accept such a figure. Therefore, at the last meeting of the health committee, we recommended that the district consider imposing a stricter standard — i.e., less than two, which is the standard required by Fisheries and Oceans. It is interesting that even after a busy summer season, with many bathers, St. Mary Lake water, untreated, is less than 10 coliforms per 100 ML on many occasions.

**SOLID WASTE:** There is no recent news because the provincial ministry of environment has, so far, not informed the CRD that it accepts the new waste management plan. Until it does, we can't make any firm decisions. The public meeting which will consider our dilemma, is therefore on hold.

**MEAT INSPECTION:** I have had a further meeting with some of the sheep farmers concerning the possibility of easing the proposed requirements for meat inspection. It is most likely that the health committee will recommend to the CRD board that "gate sales" — i.e., direct sales from the farmer to the customer — should not require

inspection. So far the CRD Board has felt that inspection of meat should be mandatory if meat is being supplied to retail or wholesale establishments.

I mentioned one further possibility to the committee, and that was suggested by Dr. Bill Vanderwekken. Inspection of a flock, or single animals, might be done prior to slaughter and, according to Dr. Vanderwekken, this inspection, particularly where

there is no proper slaughter house, might well be superior to carcass inspection. I will mention it to the health committee at the next meeting, and while they may accept it, I can't speak for the board. It will be considered by committee on October 5, and by the board on October 12. If anyone wishes to speak at either meeting, please phone Ron McQuiggan at least one week in advance of the meeting.

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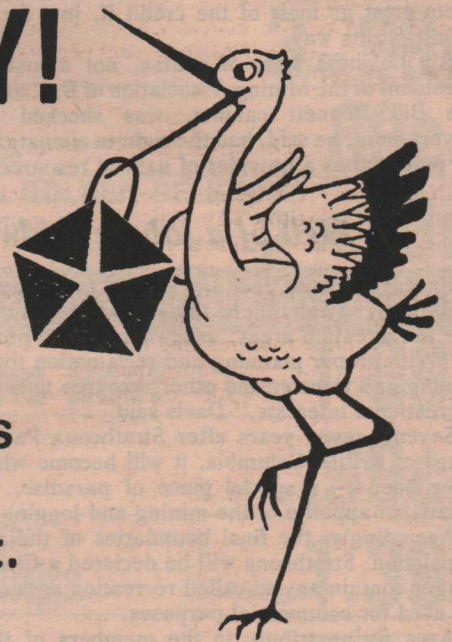
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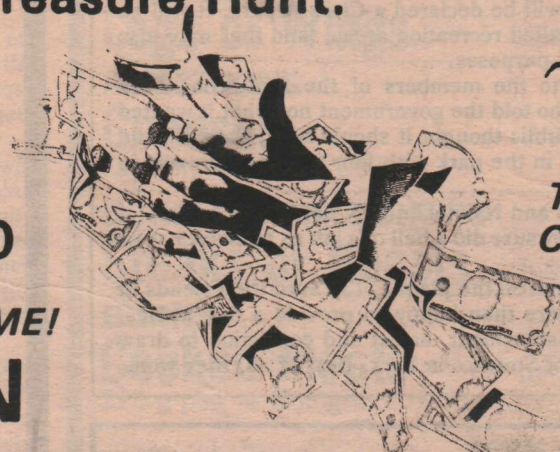
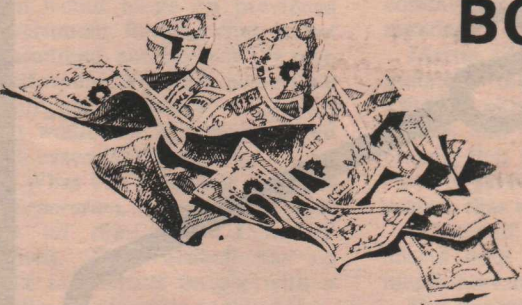
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**capital comment**

by **hubert beyer**



VICTORIA — The government's decision to declare Strathcona Park off limits to future logging and mineral exploration was about as good a piece of news as any rookie parks minister could possibly hope to announce.

Small wonder Terry Huberts looked confident, striding into the press theatre, a room in the basement of the Parliament Buildings used by cabinet ministers and opposition critics for major announcements to the media.

He wasn't even rattled when I reminded him that it was in this room that Bob Skelly botched his election chances by choking on his words and saying, "can we start again?"

But then, anyone can afford to be confident when they're about to tell British Columbians that the government has listened to the people, and listened well.

Strathcona Park with all its beautiful 2.5 million hectares, west of Courtenay on Vancouver Island, will at long last be a real, honest-to-goodness Class A park.

Until now, the term *park* has been a bit misleading. All sorts of people have been cutting down trees in the so-called park or have been digging around in its soil in search for valuable minerals. The poor thing never knew whether it was a park, a logging camp or a mine pit. Successive provincial governments did nothing to relieve it of its schizophrenia.

Strathcona Park was first marked on provincial maps in 1911. Seventy-seven years later, the Strathcona Park Advisory Committee had this to say in its report to the government:

**Time for diplomacy has passed**

"The park now embraces a reservoir that once was a lake, logged-over forest land that has not been replanted, a number of mineral claims and an operating mine, a power line right-of-way, and a boundary that defies park principles.

"The parks agency pays the park scant attention. The park is not used for recreation as it might be. There is little effort to attract visitors to the park. Far from realizing the vision of its founders, the park, in a word, is a mess."

And here is what the committee said about the government's contribution to this 77-year-old mess:

"To put its mildly, the parks agency in particular and the government in general have long since lost credibility in their dealings with the public on the issues of Strathcona Park."

That's about the strongest language used by any committee advising any government I've ever come across. These advisors obviously decided that the time for diplomacy had passed.

The four members of the advisory committee were chairman Peter Larkin, vice president, research, at the University of B.C.; Jim Rutter, executive director of the Federation of Mountain Clubs of B.C.; Frances Jones of Qualicum; and Roderick Naknakim, a lawyer and member of the Cape Mudge Band. To them must go most of the credit if, just for once, big business didn't get its way.

Big business was, of course, not amused. Tom Waterland, president of the Mining Association of B.C. and former member of the Bill Bennett cabinet, was shocked and outraged. No government, he said, had the right to alienate that much land from its potential as a provider of natural resources.

**Hell of a job as midwives**

Energy Minister Jack Davis tried to soothe the industry's hurt feelings by saying that he remained firmly committed to "multiple use in recreation areas" elsewhere in the province.

"With proper planning and reclamation there's no reason why mining and forestry and other resource uses cannot coexist with recreational interests," Davis said.

Seventy-seven years after Strathcona Park first appeared on maps of British Columbia, it will become what it always should have been — a special piece of paradise, protected from the insatiable appetite of the mining and logging industries.

Accordingly, the final boundaries of the park will be set by legislation. Strathcona will be declared a Class A park. It will no longer contain any so-called recreation areas, land that may also be used for commercial purposes.

As a fitting tribute to the members of the Strathcona Park Advisory Committee, who told the government not what it wanted to hear, but what the public thought it should hear, there should be a plaque somewhere in the park with four names engraved on it.

Larkin, Rutter, Jones and Naknakim may not be the fathers of Strathcona Park, but they sure did a hell of a job as midwives at its rebirth.

And if there's still room on the plaque, I'm sure the Friends of Strathcona would be more than happy to provide a few names. They braved ridicule, harassment, arrest and conviction to draw attention to the plight of Strathcona Park. Best of all, they won.

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I'd like to thank the craft kids for all the extra time and energy they put into this. And on their behalf I'd like to thank all the parents and friends who gave so much encouragement and help, but especially I'd like to thank our expert, Marg Cass, for showing us how to get it all together. We learned a lot and had a lot of fun doing it. See you at the fair.  
**NANCY WIGEN,**  
Fulford Harbour.

**Inconsiderate**

Sir,  
It is called noise pollution, but my name for it is gross inconsideration. Trucks with jake brakes at odd hours, motorcycles with poor or no mufflers, early morning aircraft take-offs from the harbour seem not enough. Just when we seem to be winning the battle of squealing tires and roaring automobiles during the night, we now find ourselves being awakened at 6 am all week long by the drilling of rock at Grace Point.

We thought that Saturday might bring relief and we certainly never expected it Sunday morning. I can only suppose that the reason for this type of commercial noise pollution is that the perpetrators are really anxious to make money in a hurry so that they can find themselves a nice quiet spot somewhere in this world to retire. Good luck.

Vancouver City finds it necessary now to amend it's bylaws to reduce this sort of thing. Where, oh where, is our noise bylaw?  
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# Minister rejects application of standing committee report

The idea of the Islands Trust operating as a regional district is apparently dead.

That concept, put forward in a report on the Trust and its performance prepared last year by a select standing committee of the provincial legislature, has now been ruled out by Municipal Affairs Minister Rita Johnston.

In a recent letter to the Trust, Johnston said there is "no intention to make major local government structural changes such as recommended in the select standing committee's report."

Instead, Johnston continued, she intends to introduce cabinet proposals that would improve the present form and structure of the Islands Trust to resolve concerns and achieve goals held by herself, the Trust, regional district directors "and island residents and visitors."

The select standing committee recommended a regional district structure for the Trust area to tie all the members together. The concept drew objections from regional districts and the Trust, with the Trust submitting an alternative proposal that would see it gain greater administrative and financial control of its functions.

Johnston's reply, presented to last weekend's Trust Council meeting on Gambier Island, was greeted by Trust chairman Nick Gilbert as "very heartening."

He added: "It's obviously supportive of the Trust, it's obvious the (select standing committee)



Rita Johnston

recommendations have been shelved, and it's clear future changes will be done in full consultation with the Trust and trustees."

Johnston's letter to the Trust said she has reviewed "a range of possible actions" outlined in the select standing committee report and submissions in response to that report and is now preparing to introduce key items she intends to address in amendments to the Trust Act.

In particular, ministry staff has been asked to prepare specific

policy documents on the following items:

- clarifying the object of the Trust and its application;
- the role of the Trust Fund and operational arrangements;
- procedural matters with respect to the role of the general trustees, the council and local Trust committees;
- the role of the Trust in establishing local funding levels for Trust programs, autonomy in staffing and operations, and means for determining and implementing overall planning strategies; and
- the relationship of the Trust and its responsibilities to possible municipal incorporation within the Trust area.

"While there are some major policy questions involved in pursuing these and other matters," Johnston wrote, "most of the work would address day-to-day operational questions."

As soon as her staff is able to prepare the requested documents for review, Johnston said she would ask that they work with the Trust to consider and refine any proposals made. Following that, she intends to make a formal proposal to the provincial cabinet in preparation for introducing legislative amendments to the Trust Act in the spring, 1989, session of the legislature.

"I look forward to developing policies which will meet our mutual goals for the Trust area," Johnston concluded.

## Regional plan proposal

# Role Trust plays in incorporation prompts division in trustee ranks

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Campbell went on to criticize the suggested regional policy plan as "an obstructive approach," since preparation of the plan would hinge on provincial government funding that is not guaranteed, and because the plan itself would likely take some time to prepare and adopt — a period that would see the incorporated area essentially powerless.

"What you're saying is *forget incorporation, because we'll fight you all the way*," Campbell argued. "This council has no right to obstruct people with a legitimate objective in mind."

An obviously angry Steve Wright responded by reminding council members of the Trust mandate they are sworn to uphold. While they keep saying the mandate must be respected, he said, trustees were abandoning their principles by refusing to apply restrictions that would prevent incorporated areas from ignoring the preserve and protect ethic.

Earlier, Carol Martin had said that since the provincial government has designated all of the islands to be held in trust, a local area should not have the authority to opt out of that designation.

Nick Gilbert added: "If we allow that, the Islands Trust would be like Swiss cheese, with holes here and there. It has to remain intact."

The package of proposals put forward by the general trustees, Gilbert said, "reflect an attempt to give incorporated areas maximum autonomy and control of their destiny, with an override committing them to the Trust mandate."

Martin added that the need to maintain the integrity of the Trust's objectives was paramount, and that trustees should respect that need even if it took "two or three years to develop a system that we can live with."

In the end, council appeared to accept both sides of the arguments presented.

The general trustees lost their bid to make the transfer of land-use planning powers hinge on completion of a provincially-approved, binding regional policy plan. Council adopted the alternative put forward by the Bowen trustees, which said the transfer of power should not be delayed, and that the policy plan should give only "guidance" for Official Community Plan bylaws and amendments "that relate to preservation of Trust objectives."

However, the field was later reversed when council endorsed a general trustee motion calling for a transitional process towards incorporation. It said a first step would be establishment of a "local community" responsible for delivery of local services, and would see local Trust Committees retain land-use planning and

regulation powers until a regional policy plan is complete.

It was not clear how these two apparently-contradictory decisions would be resolved.

Council also defeated a general trustee motion to have the Trust review and approve Official Community Plans for incorporated areas, and to pre-clear any proposed amendments to ensure they comply with a regional policy plan. Adopted instead was a Bowen suggestion that an incorporated area's bylaws and amendments be submitted for review only by the Trust.

Other general trustee motions adopted by council included:

- Incorporated areas would remain within the Islands Trust; the Bowen alternative said those areas would "maintain the objectives" of the Trust.
- A regional policy plan will include a schedule establishing the types of Official Community Plan amendments requiring joint approval by a municipal council and a local Trust Committee; the Bowen alternative was for referral and review.

Not dealt with was a general trustee motion to have an incorporated area appoint two members to the Trust Council to help prepare a regional policy plan. It is to be debated at the December Trust Council session, after the November elections are expected to bring several new faces to the Trust.

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## MEAT SPECIALS SEPT. 14-17

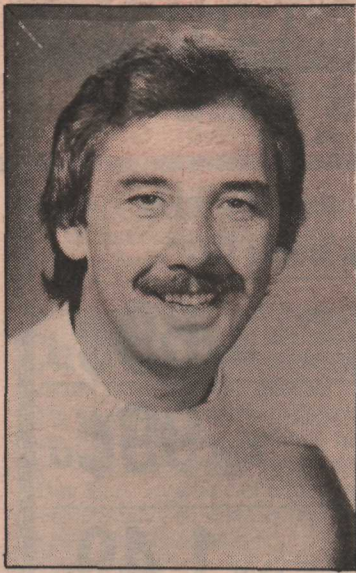
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# United Way campaign set to begin



Arvid Chalmers

Arvid Chalmers will head up the first-ever United Way canvas to be conducted on Salt Spring Island by a local committee. The campaign will get underway during the first week of October.

"Last year," Chalmers pointed out, "there was a direct mail appeal to all households on the island by the Greater Victoria United Way. That canvas was the result of the GVUW achieving representation on Salt Spring through its acceptance of the Salt Spring Community Centre as one of its agencies."

The acceptance of the Community Centre as a United Way agency resulted from the continuous effort of previous chairman Shirley Vida and her successor, Walter Swing, along with executive director Barbara Jordan-Knox and many board

members.

"It came a year after we had made our final overture to the Victoria body," Swing said.

This year Swing, who is continuing as chairman of the society, will also be vice-chairman of the annual appeal for funds. Other members of that committee are John Crofton, Tony Richards, Paul Sadler, Mike Hayes, David Williams, Tom Toynbee, Bob Akerman and Maggie Hayes.

"In the first year that we have been a member of the United Way the society has benefitted greatly," Jordan-Knox said. "Following last year's campaign and our application for a grant we received \$23,000," she said. "This is flexible money. It can be directed to any one of the 15 groups within the society if and when it is required, whereas the government grant

money is usually locked into a specific program. This year, it enabled us to hire much-needed additional staff members and equalize salaries where there had been an imbalance due to restricted funding."

The two additional staff members are office manager-secretary Kathleen McCurdy, who has taken on the task of handling much of the society's correspondence in addition to numerous other routine office jobs. The second new staff member is assistant bookkeeper, Nel Meyer.

Since the United Way has become active on Salt Spring it has eliminated the need for many former local fund drives, including that of the Red Cross. Some years ago, the Red Cross became a partner of the United Way right across Canada, and since then

their separate annual fund-raising campaigns have been melded into a single program. It has not in any way inhibited the activities of the Red Cross on the island, which has served the community through various programs for the past 40 years.

"The main thrust of this year's campaign," Chalmers said, "will be a fund-raising insert in the *Gulf Islands Driftwood* and the new Outer Islands weekly, the *Island Times*. The committee will also send personal letters of appeal to 1,100 residents of the island.

"We feel confident that we can count on the continued generosity of Salt Spring Island residents, which has always been so evident in past community campaigns to support local non-profit organizations," Chalmers concluded.

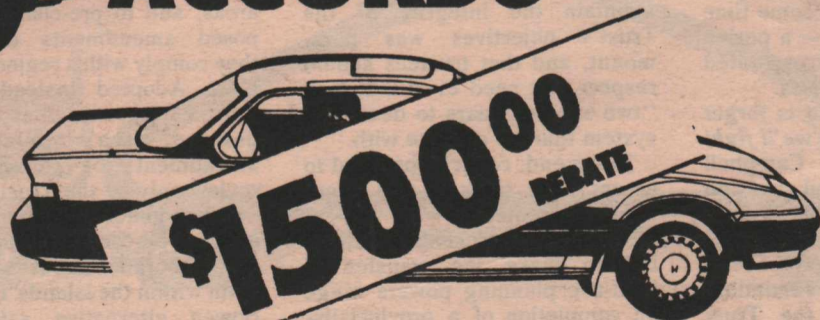
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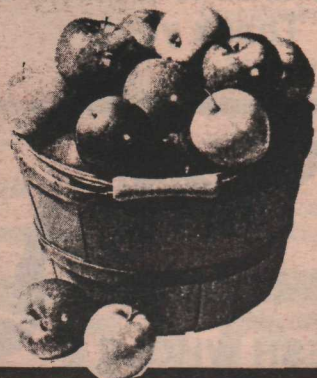
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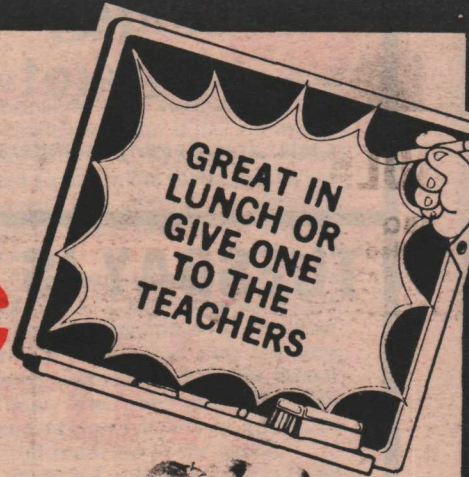


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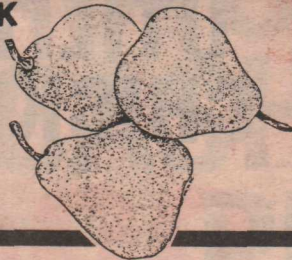


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Visitors from Vancouver, Dave Carlyle and Karin Brooks, soak up the Sunday sun and cool off in Cusheon Lake. Activity at the lake was quiet despite the sunshine, as locals get back into the autumn routine and visitors become less frequent.

## Coverage improved

The level of immunization coverage of two-year-olds in the Capital Regional District (CRD) has improved significantly, a report on the issue indicates.

Earlier this year concern was expressed to the Capital Regional Board regarding low levels of immunization coverage of pre-school children in the CRD area. In 1986 coverage in this area was substantially lower than the rest of the province.

A major effort to remedy this situation was undertaken by CRD community health nurses and clerical staff. The levels have since increased dramatically and letters of congratulations have been sent to all CRD community health workers.

In 1986, the rate of coverage for diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus shots sat at 52 per cent for the district, compared to 65 per cent in the province. Figures for 1988 show an increase to 84 per cent in the CRD, and 72 per cent in the province.

Immunization levels for polio in 1986 were 64 per cent for the district, and 77 per cent for B.C. Again, recent figures indicate an improvement: district levels have jumped to 85 per cent, compared to 73 per cent for the province.

Measles/mumps/rubella shots have increased in the CRD from 62 per cent in 1986 to 95 per cent in 1988.

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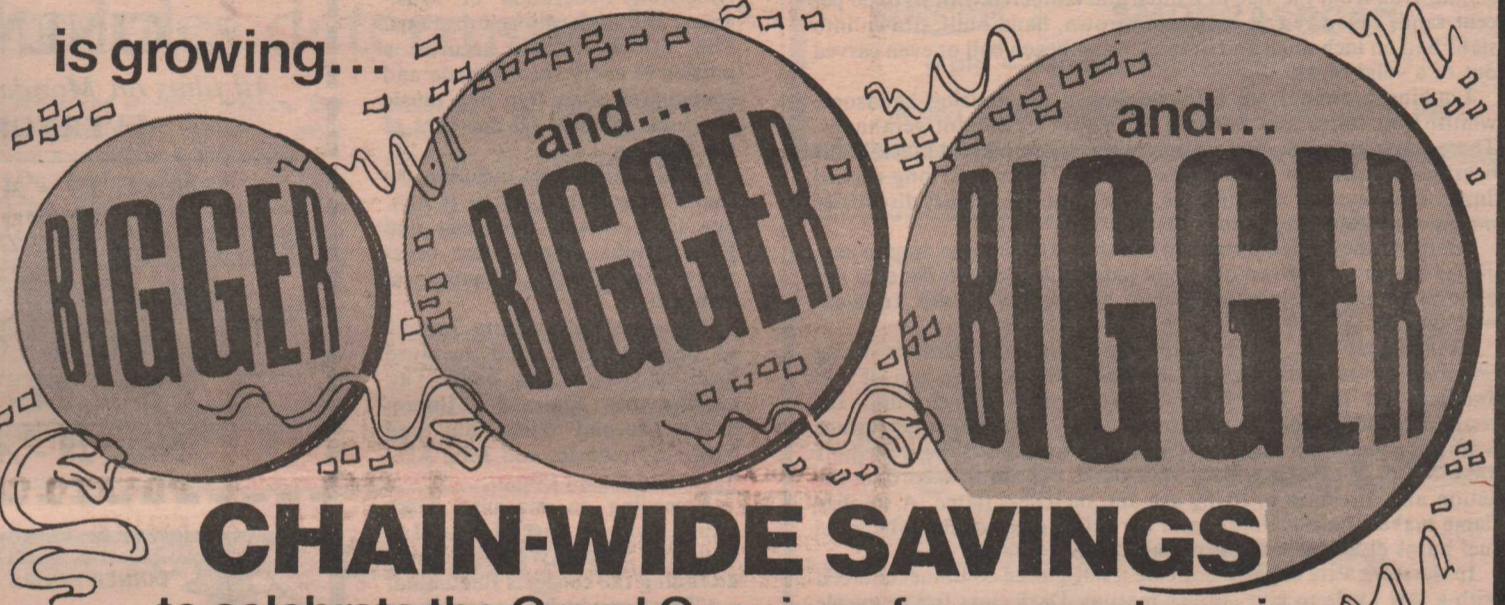
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by gary cherneff



"It's the basic things of life," my honey said to me, sitting at the breakfast table looking past a deck choked with potted flowers, herbs, strawberries, assorted salad greens and odd exotica such as bird of paradise and the windmill palm. This is in addition to the tamed jungle (or should I say desert) inside the house. Here we have a prickly pear, madagascar palm, bromeliad and weeping fig, interspersed with transient cut flowers from diverse island growers.

Being a dedicated clayworker, I could not help but mentally catalogue the diverse containers which securely house these florid and sedentary life forms. The most visually vigorous pots are, of course, the red earth containers, the terra cotta, which is ubiquitous on our planet and on our island. Earthenware, red brick colour, like the desert of Australia, contrasts handsomely with plant greens, and multi-hued displays.

On our deck we have machine-made planters stamped out in hydraulic presses or jiggered on a mechanical wheel. We have a square container, its sides press-molded into a plaster form with fluted vertical relief and incised edges. There is the coil and handbuilt strawberry pot from Mexico, two feet high with a decorative fluted rim, delicious red fruit springing from its marsupial pouches. Also handcrafted in Mexico is a large red earthen dove, flashed with charcoal and burnished with a smooth pebble to a wax shine, like a polished apple.

In this category are my own efforts to use the native clays of the island. Dug from the side of a ditch and tempered with 20 to 30 per cent sand, this clay can be wheel thrown, hand built, drawn into slabs half an inch thick and draped over a beach ball or even carved out of a solid block.

Looking around I see a thistle-shaped pot bearing handsome whitish salt stains and bursting forth with exuberant geraniums. There is my little man and woman pots — compressed block heads bearing succulents of various descriptions. The stylized long-necked ducks, cross-eyed or mischievous, squawk out imaginary discourses on the vegetable burden they bear on their backs.

Amongst these Mediterranean treasures are Chinese dragon jars, glazed amber and brown or a light jade cauldron with dancing fire breathing reptiles painted on in thick brown or white slip, knife-cut with details.

Even larger are the two-foot-high jars and planters being imported from Malaysia and Thailand. Stacked on top of one another and fired in gigantic wood-burning tunnel kilns, the resulting random colours run from a sandy beige unglazed surface with some wood ash flashing to misty orange reds. Where the pots are close to the firebox, deep rich glazes can form, recording the action and direction of flying ash and merciless flame. A smokey flame makes the clay darker and the glazes greener. But where the fuel burns clean, pale to deep ambers can result.

In the stoneware department I see a salt-glazed container combed with a saw blade to give surface texture. Dark clays fire to purple brown unevenly, medium clays to an orangy cast and white clays, greyish with an orange peel texture.

If you're in the mood for an experiment, try this: Locate a nearby clay source (ditch or beneath a field), mix 20 to 30 per cent sand with clay and pound into a flat slab. Drape it over a cloth-covered bowl or ball. Leave to dry completely, then place your pot in an unsealed tin can and place in your fireplace to see the results. Keep your project small at first and try to build the heat slowly.

**Concert program concludes**

Seven Sundays of music in Centennial Park wrapped up on Labour Day weekend with the sound of Les Four.

Visitors and islanders clapped to the beat, sang along, or just lay back on the grassy slopes surrounding the bandshell — and enjoyed the sun and the music.

The seven Sunday concerts were well received, organizers and participants say: local merchants enjoyed the music's crowd-drawing effect and visitors to Salt Spring — who made up the majority of those attending — consistently flocked to the sight.

This summer marked the second year the concerts have been staged at the Centennial Park bandshell. The event was sponsored by the Musical Performance Trust Fund (MPTF) of the American Federation of Musicians, and by local organizations. The MPTF, which secures a portion of every record made and contributes it to free live music concerts, donated 60 per cent of the funding.

Local contributors included the Community Arts Council (CAC), Sea Capers, and the Lions and Rotary clubs. Funds were organized through the Chamber of Commerce.

The concerts ran from July 17 to September 4, and involved local musicians and bands, including Les Four, Nu Impressions, Second Wind, Ray and Virginia Newman, and John Akehurst and Susan Cogan.

According to musician Gary Lundy, who is part of both Les Four and Second Wind, numbers attending the concerts fluctuated.

"There might be no one there at first," he said, "but when the music started they'd come out of boats and appear out of the woodwork."

Lundy said the concerts will most likely be featured next year, and organizers are hoping more local musicians will become involved.

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Oct. 17 - Life is a Bed of Roses  
Oct. 31 - Coup de Grace  
Nov. 14 - No Surrender  
Nov. 28 - A Good Woman

**Number changed**

People trying to reach Gulf Islands Secondary School by phone may end up talking to a telephone operator.

Coinciding with the new school year, the high school has obtained a new phone number. The old number, which is listed in the telephone directory as 537-2213, has been replaced with 537-9944.

The change has resulted from the installation of a new phone system at the school.

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# Salt Spring Speakers set to launch new communications training season

Salt Spring Speakers ITC have scheduled a demonstration meeting for Thursday, September 22, at the Harbour House Hotel.

"We've found a lot of people are interested in us, but don't know where to start," says new president Sheri Nielson. This demonstration will offer step-by-step explanations and examples of the club's program of practical public speaking experience.

"Some people jump in with both feet, and are eager to try everything

at once," says Nielson, "but most of us take it one step at a time, as our confidence increases."

The club is part of International Training in Communication, one of the world's largest non-profit educational organizations, with 1,400 clubs in 24 different countries.

Public speaking is not the club's only interest. Last year the Speakers offered workshops in speech construction, time

management and delegating authority, and featured a debate on the merits of a bridge from Salt Spring to Vancouver Island.

Club members have coached 4-H and Rotary exchange students in speaking skills, have performed at Comedy Nights and found themselves in demand for speaking to various business and professional organizations.

"We've amazed ourselves," says Nielson. "And it's a skill most people can learn."

From October through June the club will meet on the first and third Thursdays of the month at the Harbour House. Anyone interested in attending either the special demonstration meeting or a subsequent meeting as a guest should call Nielsen at 537-4154 or Sue Yardley at 653-4322 for reservations. Dinner charge is \$10.

Other members of this year's executive are Libby Jones, Anne Lyon, Sue Mouat and Dorothy Kyle.

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## Weavers, spinners

# Workshops planned by guild; meeting schedules determined

The Salt Spring Island Weavers and Spinners Guild has arranged a workshop with well-known instructor Judith McKenzie for September 29-30.

The workshop, for intermediate spinning, is one of several the guild has arranged for the last Thursday of each month, which is set aside to provide help for those learning to spin.

The guild, now in its 17th year, meets each Thursday at Mahon Hall, from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm, to

discuss and work on projects like the friendship coverlet, inkle loom weaving and spinning.

On the first Thursday of each month, the session is a business meeting followed by a show and tell display of recent work done by members.

Anyone interested in learning more about the weaving and spinning crafts is welcome at any Thursday meeting.

At present, guild members are planning their booth at this

weekend's Salt Spring Island Fall Fair. They expect to have demonstrations of spinning done by various members, as well as a display of nature-dyed wools. Tickets will be sold for a chance to win one of three hand-woven shawls offered for raffle.

Also upcoming is an October 13 discussion on sewing, tailoring and finishing hand-woven fabrics, to be led by Donna Vanderweken.

# Island residents to act as judges in competitions for B.C. writers

Two Gulf Islanders are included on the panel that will judge entries in this year's Federation of B.C. Writers literary competition.

Jane Rule of Galiano Island and Phyllis Webb of Salt Spring will join Maxine Gadd, Jeannette Armstrong, Robert Kroetsch and Leon Rook as judges for the competition, which offers first-place prizes of \$250 in six categories.

The competition invites entries

in three classes in each of the fiction and poetry categories. Classes are for established writers, emerging writers and high school students. The entrant selects the appropriate classification.

Rule will judge entries by established writers in the fiction category, while Webb will judge works by high school writers in the poetry category.

Submissions must be unpublished and limited to 2,500 words

of fiction or 10 pages of poetry. Submissions will not be returned, but copyright will remain with the author. A \$7 entry fee is charged.

Deadline for submissions is October 24, 1988. Winners will be contacted by December 3, 1988, and an awards dinner is to be held December 8, 1988.

Mail entries to: *Literary rites 2: a competition*, Federation of B.C. Writers, Box 2206 Main Post Office, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 3W2.

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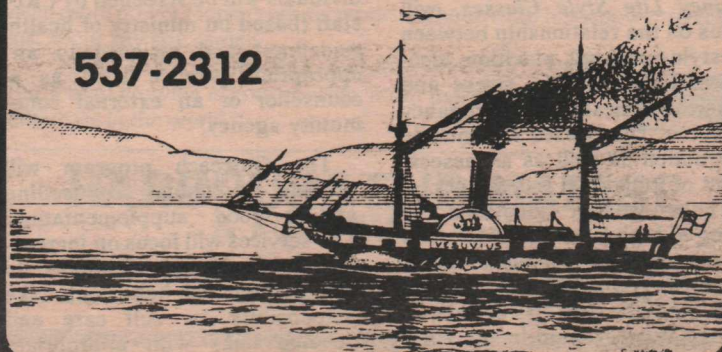
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### Words of warning

Heavy rains last Friday alleviated some of the fire district's restrictions; however, the ministry of parks is still prohibiting campfires at Ruckle Park. Local fire hazard rating sits at "high," and while incinerator burning is permitted, open fires are still prohibited.

## Help for pregnant women outlined in CRD programs

The Capital Regional District (CRD) community health committee is considering several proposals aimed at curbing problems faced by pregnant women in the CRD area.

The proposals, outlined in a staff report to the health committee and presented to CRD board members, recommend the creation of two programs early next year.

The first program, *Early Pregnancy Life Style Classes*, will focus on the relationship between lifestyle (smoking, nutrition, alcohol and drug abuse, stress and physical fitness) and pregnancy outcome. The classes will include instruction as well as an assessment of individual risk factors.

Those women identified as being at high risk will be referred to the *At Risk Pregnancy Outreach Program*. Classes will be held monthly and offered free of charge to all women in the CRD area.

The report estimates between 25 and 30 per cent of women may warrant an intensive follow-up. The *At Risk Pregnancy Outreach Program* will be co-ordinated and largely delivered by CRD community health nurses and nutritionists.

Referrals to the program may be a self referral, from a physician, community nurse, social services, inter-cultural association, etc. Following referral, individuals will be screened by CRD staff (based on ministry of health guidelines) and assigned to an appropriate service such as a counsellor or an external community agency.

The Outreach program will provide individual counselling and/or food supplementation. The services will focus on increasing the participants' ability to change their risk behaviour, take responsibility for self care and develop links with appropriate community resources.

### To fishermen

## 'Banana' grounds opened

The recent opening of the "Banana" will provide recreational fishermen with the opportunity to harvest surplus Weaver Creek sockeye and coho salmon, the federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans has announced.

The "Banana" — a portion of Georgia Strait just off the mouth

of the Fraser River — opened to anglers at midnight Friday, September 2. It will close at midnight October 31.

In a prepared statement, area manager Fred Fraser said the opening has been announced "now that conservation goals for

the weaker Chilko sockeye stocks have been realized."

Fraser also noted that retention of chinook salmon will not be permitted in the "Banana" this year, in keeping with efforts to conserve lower Georgia Strait chinook stocks.

## Salt Spring Island Jazz Society

I would like to extend a personal thanks to this year's Executives for their strong support in making the 1988 Festival a success.

**LIBBY JONES** — *Secretary* — For her great abilities and energies in co-ordinating our 3 day event.

**TERRA TEPPER** — *Treasurer* — Who kept us in the "black", and was pleased to announce a surplus which will become an Island Musical Bursary.

**GARY LUNDY** — *Vice-President* — Who gave me a great deal of personal support and co-chaired this organization of this year's Festival.

**STU SALMOND** — *Member at Large* — Who was involved in all facets of this year's Festival.

*Special thanks to others who helped out greatly:*

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Among the attractions offered at this weekend's Fall Fair on Salt Spring will be performances by Dancing Bear Story Theatre. Marc Suess and Mayana Williamson, above, will appear at the fair this Saturday afternoon.

## Fall Fair ready to handle expected influx of crowds

After more than eight months in the planning stages, the annual Salt Spring Island Fall Fair is set to go this weekend.

Some 90 island volunteers will man the games, judge the entrants and serve the food, and it is expected that more than 5,000 people will wander through the Farmers' Institute grounds to take in the weekend's activities.

While the fair will follow a format similar to that of past years, some differences will be noted. For the first time, the Farmers' Institute has decided not to bring in a midway. The absent rides will be replaced by an increased number of games for children.

A total of 12 games have been organized for kids of all ages, and will include a bean bag throw, tic-tac-toe, darts, cork gun, pop ring toss, cat throw and a fish pond. The games will offer a variety of prizes, ranging from stuffed animals to fish.

The Dancing Bear Story Theatre will also provide entertainment for young children, free of charge.

Bingo players will have the opportunity for play both Saturday and Sunday in the Rotary tent.

The annual horse show is scheduled for 8:30 am Saturday and 10 am Sunday. Livestock, on display for the weekend, must be penned by 8:30 am Saturday. Sunday will feature the pet contest at 10 am, followed by the sheepdog trials at 12:30 pm.

Exhibits, ranging from flowers to food, will be on display in the Farmers' Institute building. (All exhibits, excluding preserves and baking which must be in by 9 pm Friday, must be delivered to the institute building between 4 and 10 pm, Friday.)

Participants' palates will be satisfied by a variety of food: Saturday will see a beef barbeque, and Sunday will offer barbequed lamb. All sorts of trimmings and extras will also be available — including the traditional refreshment garden.

As institute president Paul MacKenzie notes, the Fall Fair is a "big undertaking." Organizers feel this year's rendition will be a good one.

### 'Designed use'

## Farmers' Institute hall cleared

The only problem with the Farmers' Institute building — as far as the Fall Fair is concerned — is it may not be large enough to hold all of the entries from island participants.

Speculation that the building might not comply with building codes and fire safety standards for the fair was put to rest by institute president Paul MacKenzie. While the building does not meet standards that permit "assemblies," he said, it was designed for the type of use employed at the annual Fall Fair.

The building will be used at the fair as a showcase for island produce, crafts and art. And while some 6,000 people are expected to attend the fair, spectators will wander in and out of the building, rather than

assemble there all at once.

The institute building was deemed unsafe for gatherings such as dances earlier this year, and will cost the Farmers' Institute more than \$20,000 to bring it up to standard.

Mackenzie said the institute could not make the renovations a "major priority," as the building is only needed for dances about six nights out of the year. He said the institute planned to "wait on it," completing the necessary renovations piece-by-piece as they can be afforded.

To bring the building up to fire and building code standards, its entire interior must be coated with 5/8-inch wallboard, MacKenzie said. Furthermore, a concrete wall must be taken out and an additional door installed; a

new set of stairs must be built from the upper level on the outside; and sanitary facilities must be improved.

Before assembly-type activities can be held there, MacKenzie explained, there must be four toilets for each sex. This also means increasing the size of the septic field.

Finally, parking for 400 must be created.

"The estimated \$20,000 cost is for materials," MacKenzie said. "Labour has not been included."

While the renovations are presently a long-term expense item for the organization, MacKenzie said, other groups might like to join with the institute in fundraising, thus lessening the time frame.

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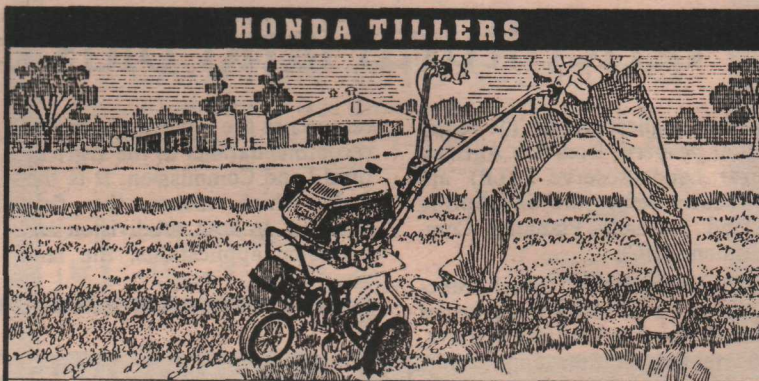
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# Logging methods, not extent, eyed as criteria

Rules to control the impact of logging on the Gulf Islands should look first at the method of logging employed, not the size of the acreage being cut.

That was the decision made last weekend by the Islands Trust when it reviewed a draft report on forestry prepared by a committee working under Salt Spring trustee Pat Byrne.

Described by Byrne as "an attempt to strike a balance between red tape and wholesale clear-cutting" of island forests, the draft report outlined seven recommendations aimed at encouraging sensitive, modest-scale logging.

The report noted that problems normally associated with clear-cut logging — i.e., the detrimental effect of scarred hillsides on aesthetics and tourism, the fire hazard posed by slash and the potential for erosion posed by heavy machinery — are not inevitable if logging follows a site-specific plan reviewed by professional foresters "who are aware of summer drought and the economic importance of tourists and retirees to the Trust islands."

The report recommended that:

- Fisheries be approached to see what regulations, if any, are needed to protect fish-bearing streams against careless logging practices. Regulations should be simple; red tape should be minimal.

- There should be no control over logging on land that is part of the Agricultural Land Reserve, or that is zoned Agricultural. People wishing to clear land for agricultural purposes should be eligible to apply for appropriate zoning.

- Private landowners should have the right to clear-cut up to 30 acres per year, to selectively log a larger area, or both.

- Anybody wishing to do more extensive logging should be re-

quired to apply for managed forest status for his land, and to prepare a suitable management plan.

- The Assessment Branch should assess management plans to ensure that logging on private lands does not cause major eyesores or environmental problems.

- Managed forests on Trust islands should not be part of a larger management unit.

- Land that now has the status of managed forest, based on management plans that fail to meet the criteria in this report, should lose their managed forest status in three years unless a conforming management plan is submitted to the Assessment Authority.

In discussing the recommendations, trustees voiced concerns over the choice of 30 acres as an allowable limit. Jim Campbell of Saturna pointed out that the limit ignores the farmer who might wish to clear a large amount of land for pasture, and places an unfair restriction on a landowner who might wish to harvest trees

to take advantage of economic conditions.

"If it's economic to sell trees in a particular year, if you have the opportunity to clear-cut and sell when the market is right, it's stupid to say the limit is 30 acres," Campbell argued. "And it's not sensible to say you can grow trees on agricultural land but you can't harvest them in accordance with proper management of your operations."

Susan Yates of Gabriola agreed, saying the figure of 30 acres was too arbitrary: "In many cases, it might be too little or too much. We should be approaching this from the point of view of the method of logging used."

Steve Wright of South Pender said the recommendations could not choose professions — i.e., agriculture — to be excluded from its provisions.

"Whether it's a faller or a farmer, the impact is the same," he said. "If we have sympathy for the farmer, we should have it for the faller."

He added: "Sure, these are restrictions, but we have to hope it's for a good cause. It's the impact we have to worry about."

In response to questions about the selection of 30 acres as a standard, Byrne said there are many legitimate reasons to cut down trees and landowners shouldn't have to apply for managed forest status to carry out a legitimate cut. "Somewhere, we have to say the amount that can be cut down without causing an impact," he said. "Thirty acres might be the wrong number."

John Money of Saturna replied: "You'll have trouble with any number you choose. You can't apply hard and fast rules. Conditions vary."

Wright then noted that the discussion was becoming too focused on logging per se. "We have to try to get a consensus on the methods of logging," he said. "This report deals with the extent of logging."

In conjunction with the forestry committee's report, trustees re-

viewed a paper prepared by John Money, which argued that good harvesting practices will ensure continued regeneration of the forests.

"It's time people recognized logging as a long-standing industry of the Gulf Islands that will continue to be an important part of the Gulf Islands economy," Money's report said, arguing that the development of the islands as a tourism and retiree mecca now poses a "far greater impact than the worst of logging."

Money added: "We need an open discussion of the best way to harvest, instead of *No Way*."

In light of Money's presentation, Glen Snook of Denman said the forestry committee's report should be withdrawn and reworked to better take logging practices into account.

Chairman Nick Gilbert agreed, after noting that the intent of the paper should be to work towards desired results without resorting to regulations.

## Task force studying private-land logging

A task force made up of representatives from various provincial government ministries is examining the effect of logging on private lands in the Gulf Islands.

Last weekend's Trust Council meeting on Gambier Island was told that the task force is looking at regulations used to control private-land logging throughout North America, and is trying to determine the extent of the problem elsewhere in B.C.

The intent of the task force is to see if any problems arising out of private-land logging are unique to the Gulf Islands, or if they are a more widespread concern. It would then presumably consider legislative responses.

Involved with the task force are representatives from the Assessment Authority, the provincial ministry of state for the coastal region, the regional development office, and the ministries of environment, forests, and municipal affairs, recreation and culture.

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## Removals sought

# Agricultural land bids considered

Four applications for the removal of property from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) are presently before the Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission (APC).

The commission, which functions as an advisory body to the Islands Trust in land use matters, has tabled all four applications until further information has been received.

One application requests removal of land from the ALR for the purpose of subdivision in the Maxwell Lake area. Another requests removal of one piece of land in exchange for inclusion of another. This application is in the Ford Lake area, and is not for the purpose of subdivision. The intention, according to APC chairman Ian Fraser, is merely to straighten out farm boundary lines.

Further ALR removals have been requested in the Fort Street and Rainbow Road areas.

Fraser indicated that the APC and the Trust are "concerned about the erosion of ALR land."

Fraser said the commission does not "look lightly" at removing a piece of land which has either agricultural, scenic or historical value.

The APC makes recommendations regarding each application to the Trust, which in turn

researches the request and makes recommendations to the Agricultural Land Commission. It is this body which makes the final decision. In both subdivision and exclusion applications, the land

commission considers the recommendations of local government; however, in exclusion requests, the applicant also has the opportunity to plead his case before the commission.

## CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT Court of Revision 1988 Voters' List

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**William M. Jordan**  
Secretary  
Capital Regional District

## NOTICE TO FALL FAIR EXHIBITORS RE: SECTION Q, PRESERVING

As several classes were omitted in the catalog, they are reprinted here.

Entries will be received until 8:30 pm Friday Sept. 16

*SPECIAL NOTE: Preserving section will be judged on Friday night. Exhibits must be placed by 8:30 pm. All entries must have wax removed. Containers should be standard sized jelly or preserving jars.*

**Class:**

1. Freezer jam, any variety.
2. Jam, any variety, with pectin.
3. Jam, any variety, without pectin.
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6. Marmalade, orange.
7. Marmalade, any other variety.
8. Conserve, any variety.
9. Antipasto.
10. Mincemeat - one jar.
11. Bottled fruit, any variety, one jar.
12. Pickles - sweet.
13. Pickles - mustard.
14. Pickles - Dill.
15. Pickles - Beet.
16. Pickles - Bread and Butter
17. Chili Sauce
18. Pickles - Zucchini
19. Pickled eggs.
20. Relish, any variety.
21. Chutney, any variety - one jar.
22. Bottled tomatoes - one jar.
23. Bottled salmon - one jar.
24. Bottled salmon smoked - one jar.
25. Ketchup
26. Salad Dressing
27. Mustard



### Slowing down

Activity in Ruckle Park was definitely "mellow" Sunday, as campers lounged on the grass and benches, or involved themselves in reading

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## Media program considered to boost support for Trust

The Islands Trust is considering a media campaign to help gain public support for its mandate and objectives.

At the September 9-10 Trust Council meeting on Gamber, the Trust's public relations committee submitted a proposal to produce a four-page, tabloid-size newsletter for distribution.

The proposed package would be produced with the help of the Western Canada Wilderness Committee and be patterned after that organization's four-page package outlining the Stein Valley issue, council was told.

The public relations committee noted it would cost between \$2,000 and about \$4,000 to cover the cost of printing and distributing the package, depending on whether a three- or four-colour product was produced, and depending on whether 50,000 or 60,000 copies were printed.

The committee was given authority to proceed with drafting the content for the paper, using the Islands Trust policy manual as a basis for written material — but not before the general trustees debated the purpose and possible effect of the project.

Committee member Steve Wright (South Pender) said the publication would be designed to

explain the purpose of the Trust to people living outside the Trust area, thus gaining wider public support for the organization. However, several trustees worried that it might end up causing problems by serving as a tourism-type brochure that would draw more visitors to the region. Trustees also wondered what the editorial viewpoint of the package would be.

Carol Martin of Hornby, who suggested the package could be distributed at ferry terminals, said it could be used to explain the Islands Trust concept to people travelling to the islands. "Tell what the Islands Trust is, what it does and why it's needed," she said. "Tell the people that if they come here, this is what we expect from them."

Bob Gee of Hornby added that a focused, public relations plan had to be formulated. "We have to get this out, but we need something more definitive," he said, adding that the public relations committee should develop its concept and return to the general trustees with a plan.

Wright replied that the focus of the publication should be an explanation of what the Trust is all about — "economic development from an environmental per-

spective" — and that it should not be distributed to "the converted" but to government agencies and people living outside the Trust area. "If it comes to a fight, we'll need their help to survive," he said.

It was suggested that the Trust might wish to send the publication only to government offices, to better develop inter-agency co-operation. However, it was then pointed out that the Trust must secure wide public support before it can hope to apply any leverage on government.

By 16 votes to eight, council agreed to let the committee continue developing the proposal, then bring it back to the December council meeting for further study.

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Its interim concerns having been met by an engineering study of its supply/demand options and the licencing by the Ministry of the Environment of the diversion of an additional 300,000 imperial gallons per day from Maxwell Lake the North Salt Spring Waterworks District hereby removes the interim moratorium which was declared on August 12, 1987 on the supply of water to uncommitted developments within and outside the District and on increases in size of any connections presently served.

By Order of The Trustees  
 North Salt Spring Waterworks District  
 September 6th, 1988

Signed,  
 Hartley R. Graham, Chairman



Julie Scott and Robert Cook

## Cook, Scott married at local resort

Julie Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Scott, and Robert Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cook of Ganges, were married August 27, 1988, at a ceremony conducted by Rev. Alistair Skinner of Ganges United Church.

The wedding was performed at the Cottage Resort, home of the groom's parents.

The bride wore a full-length gown of French lace with satin train. Red, waltz-length gowns were worn by her attendants — bridesmaids Carolyn Cook, sister of the groom; Trish Connors; Maya Hoffman and Donna Rahn. Flower girl was Jennifer Boyd, cousin of the groom.

The groom's attendants were his two brothers, Leighton and Alistair Cook; the bride's brother, Michael Scott; Todd McIntyre; and best man Peter Huser. Master of ceremonies was Pat Mack.

A love song was sung by the groom's sister-in-law, Christina Cook. Dave Begg, a long-time family friend, delivered the toast to the bride.

Following a honeymoon in Banff, the newlyweds will reside in Ontario.

## Over four-day span

# Food-handling instruction offered at island seminars

A sanitation program for food handlers is being arranged for Salt Spring Island restaurant employees and managers.

The one-day course, called *Foodsafe*, is currently available at colleges in Vancouver and Victoria. It is being brought to Salt Spring by local resident Sheri Nielson, the principal of Quanta Restaurant Systems.

The program will be offered from September 19 through 22.

Developed for industry members who want to improve their employees' knowledge of sanitation and food-borne diseases, the program "is for all people who handle food for public consumption," Nielson said.

She added: "This includes dishwashers, sales staff, cooks — everyone in the restaurant industry, as well as grocers, butchers and bakers in retail food sales, and hospital and care facility staff."

Everyone who successfully completes the course will receive a certificate and be registered with the B.C. health ministry.

The program has two levels, basic and advanced.

The basic level, designed for all employees, includes: microbiology, food-borne illnesses, personal hygiene and health, serving and dispensing, food protection and preparation, receiving and storing food safely, and dishwashing methods.

The advanced level, offered for managers and preparation staff, includes: food poisoning and food protection, facilities and equipment, housekeeping and pest control, and managing sanitary practices in a food-service operation.

For further information about the course, contact Nielson at

537-4154.

"We will be presenting this course at a reduced rate this session," she said. "We can do this because the local food handlers are supporting this seminar as a group."

In future, the course will be offered periodically through Continuing Education.

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# FALL FAIR

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## Schedule of Events

### FRIDAY, SEPT. 16

4 pm ..... Fair Building open for placing entries  
10 pm ..... All entries for indoor sections must be placed

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 17

7 am ..... Admission gates open  
8:30 am ..... Horse Show  
8:30 am All livestock must be penned  
9 am ..... Livestock judging begins  
10 am ..... Food concessions open  
10-1 ..... Car Display  
11 am .. Indoor games sections open  
Spinning demonstration & display  
Dunk Tank  
Rotary Bingo, Dancing Bear  
Noon ..... Beef BBQ opens  
Refreshment garden opens  
1 pm ... Livestock judging continues

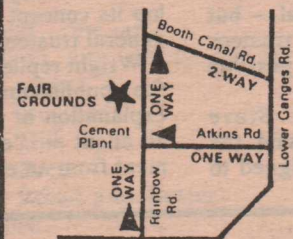
3 pm 4-H Show and Sale Pentathlon  
4 pm ..... Trophy presentations  
5 pm ..... All livestock entries must be removed  
(prize money can be collected at office)  
6 pm ..... Gates closed

### SUNDAY, SEPT. 18

9 am ..... Gates open  
10 am ..... Horse Show (Jumping)  
Dog Obedience, Pet Contest, Games, Concessions  
Indoor exhibits  
11 am ... Spinning demonstration & display  
Noon .... Refreshment garden opens  
12:30 pm ..... Sheep Dog Trials  
1 pm ..... Lamb BBQ  
3-5 pm All exhibits must be removed  
6 pm ..... Gates closed

### ONE WAY TRAFFIC:

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**your garden**

by **chris schmah**



This week finally sees the autumn routines set up and in place. The children are back in school once again, the town is starting to settle down into its off-season pace, and the few blustery days we've had have loosened all of the surplus dead fir needles and cones, sending them rolling down the roof and into the gutter. It's just another job to get to before the fall rains arrive. The days are getting noticeably shorter and the night-time temperatures are dipping, all adding to the sense that fall is almost here, but let's not give up on summer quite so quickly. The sun was still pretty intense this past week, and the persistent drought continues to tax our wells and water hoses.

As the summer comes to a close, the chores and gardening activities seem to pile up right behind all of the harvesting, canning, preserving, freezing, storing, drying, etc. But the jobs wait for no one, so here comes September's rundown of timely things to occupy your spare time, if you should ever have any.

Cleanup of your annuals and perennials will greatly enhance the appearance of the garden, help to reduce disease and insect problems, and allow the annuals to redirect their energies into producing more flowers for you before season's end. Pick off the spent blooms and seed heads, then fertilize with 20-20-20 or Mor-Bloom to reinvigorate the plants. You might also consider moving your hanging baskets and planter boxes into a sunnier position to keep them growing optimally. The shorter days and diminishing intensity of the sun justify this move.

**Good time to promote new lawns**

Refrain from giving any nitrogen-containing fertilizer to your shrubs, trees or vines at this time, but continue to give them water. For your more tender broad-leaved evergreens and deciduous shrubs slow down the waterings, but for the needled evergreens, keep up with the deep soakings. They will continue to be active through the fall and early winter, and will experience die-back and drought stress if suddenly cut off.

The latter part of September and all of October are said to be ideal times for establishing new lawns or renovating old ones, as the soil temperature is still high enough to promote rapid germination, rooting and growth, and the sustaining fall rains aren't far off. The routine involved has been covered in early articles and would take up too much space here, so we'll have to roll along over it.

As spaces fall vacant in your vegetable gardens or annual plantings, you should sow down a fall cover crop to improve the soil's organic matter content, reduce winter erosion from runoff, and to help in suppressing weed growth. For cold weather cover crops try fall rye, winter wheat, winter peas, or any combination thereof, sowing at a rate of one pound per 125 square feet. These may all be turned under next spring, when the soil is workable.

**Move tropical plants indoors**

With the nights getting cooler, it's time to start moving your tropical plants indoors, getting them quarantined in a separate room to watch out for bugs and disease problems, and to acclimatize them to lower light levels and humidity changes. To be more considerate of their feelings you should move them indoors at night and set them back out during the daytimes, for a couple of weeks if you can handle the routine. In the insect department, look for aphids, spider mites, scale insects, mealybugs, whiteflies, and woolly aphids not to mention those stealthy slugs which just hang on for the ride.

As was mentioned earlier, harvesting of fruits and vegetables is in full swing, and often we find ourselves abandoning the rows and beds without giving them a proper cleanup. Turn under or compost all spent plant materials, and seed down a cover crop as discussed before. If your garden is in a location which gets sun in the fall and winter, you might consider putting in a few brassicas such as sprouting broccoli, cauliflowers, cabbage and Brussels sprouts, along with some lettuces such as buttercrunch, endive and romaine. You can also sow out some corn salad, radishes, cress, spinach and swiss chard.

**Farming courses boosted**

Canada will soon face a serious shortage of qualified experts in all aspects of food production unless more university students enrol in agricultural sciences programs, says a University of B.C. professor.

John Richards, dean of agricultural sciences at UBC, said recently that the crunch will come in the 1990s. He has since launched an active recruiting program aimed at reversing a declining enrolment trend in the discipline.

"The agri-food business is becoming increasingly competitive and dependent on new technology, and our Canadian faculties of agriculture need to provide more graduates to support these developments," Richards said.

While the world wrestles with famines, he continued, agricultural faculties in Canada are battling an image problem that paints graduates as well-educated farmers while ignoring the range of other challenge careers available in the field.

Most people have a "romantic and fuzzy" image of agriculture, Richards said. They don't realize that farming is just one part of a complex food production industry that is dynamic, progressive and quick to adopt new technology.

"Agriculture has become much more technology-dependent," he said. "It needs experts who have a broad science background and who know how to apply techniques from fields such as biotechnology and computer science to agri-food problems."

Future demands in the industry will be high for crop production and disease control scientists, and for marketing and management experts, Richards predicts.

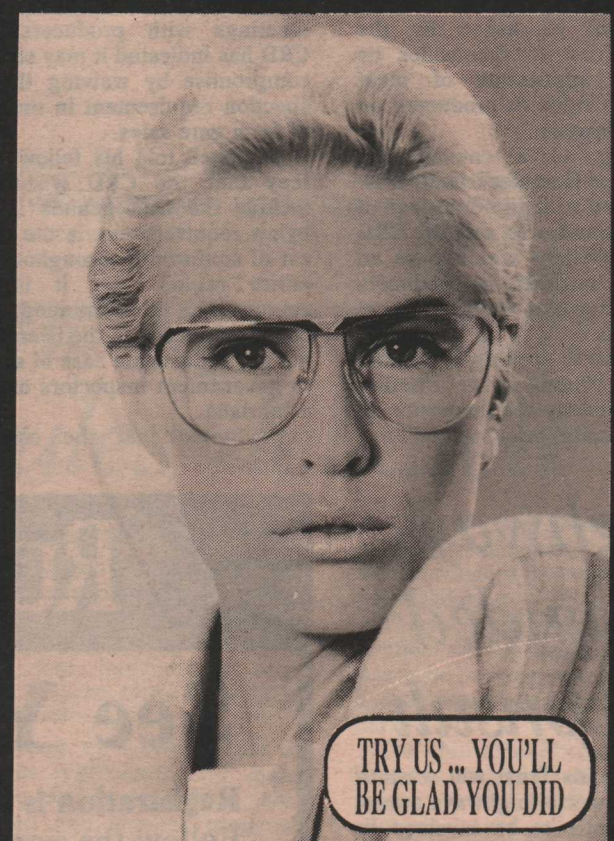
Enrolment in agricultural programs began to decline in the early 1980s, a trend Richards says reflects the negative publicity surrounding the economic welfare of Canadian farming families.

He noted that less than one in five students in the UBC program enters with a farming background.

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# Meat inspection challenged by Trust

The Capital Regional District (CRD) will be asked by the Islands Trust to reconsider its proposed application of meat inspection rules to producers on the Gulf Islands.

Meeting as a council last weekend on Gambier Island, trustees agreed with Jim Campbell of Saturna Island, who said the CRD bylaw provisions would pose an economic hardship for producers and threaten the rural nature of the islands.

The CRD is seeking to include the Gulf Islands in an existing bylaw requiring the inspection of farm animals prior to or after

slaughtering for sale. Following meetings with producers, the CRD has indicated it may strike a compromise by waiving the inspection requirement in the case of farm gate sales.

Campbell told his fellow trustees that the CRD wishes to include the Gulf Islands in the bylaw requirements, in the interest of conformity throughout the entire region. But it is not conformity, he continued, because producers on the islands do not enjoy the same ease of access to government inspectors or veterinarians.

He noted that the cost of

transporting farm animals to inspectors on lower Vancouver Island, or the cost of bringing a veterinarian to the island, would remove the profit margin that makes it possible for islanders to be producers.

"The effect of this regulation will be to make it impossible for Gulf Islands producers to produce lamb economically," Campbell said. "Their net return will be 30 to 40 per cent less than it is now."

Campbell, who raises lamb on his Saturna acreage, noted that livestock production is part of the rural character of the islands and a livelihood. "In the interests of

conformity, bureaucracy wants to kill us off," he said, adding that the measure could force some farmers to give up their lands.

Steve Wright of South Pender agreed, adding that the proposal threatens to have the same repercussions as a provincial government proposal to increase to \$5,000 the amount of income a farm must receive in order to retain its farmland status for taxation purposes. The current level is \$1,600.

Trustees adopted a motion put forward by Campbell to inform the CRD that it has failed to take into account the economic impact

its proposal will have on Gulf Islands producers. The motion asks the CRD to reconsider its compulsory meat inspection bylaw.

"It's a case of imposing standards that are not appropriate to the Gulf Islands," added Susan Yates of Gabriola Island.

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## Highways reminded to consult

The Islands Trust will re-state to the provincial highways ministry its desire to be involved in decisions affecting roads standards in the Trust area.

Meeting last weekend on Gambier, trustees deemed the step necessary after receiving a letter from highways minister Neil Vant that indicated he intends to apply ministry standards to some Trust-area roads.

Under an agreement reached between the ministry and the Trust in 1976 — and amended in the early 1980s — the standards of roads in the Trust area are lower than those elsewhere in the province. Narrower paved and cleared surfaces, and rights-of-way, were permitted to protect the rural character of the islands.

Recently, ministry officials met with the Trust Council in an attempt to bring local standards closer to those applied elsewhere in the province. Trustees rejected that attempt, saying that the province-wide standards are unsuitable for the islands.

Vant replied: "The concerns of the Trust to maintain existing island character and amenities are considered by my ministry with due regard. However, substantial population growth experienced on the Gulf Islands at this time, coupled with corresponding land development, has led to a significant impact on the need for provision of improved roads standards."

He concluded that while his ministry will attempt to maintain the roads standards mutually agreed to, his staff may have to exceed the accepted standards "where real and definable traffic volume or safety problems develop."

In such situations, however, only essential work will be undertaken, Vant said.

Jim Campbell of Saturna expressed displeasure with Vant's letter. "We have to realize that despite what we said before, (roads standards) will be left to the judgement of his staff — and the judgement we saw was a narrow, technical judgement that doesn't take local wishes or considerations into account."

Trustees adopted a motion asking the ministry to consult with the Trust in any instance where standards outlined in the existing joint agreement are to be exceeded.

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