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Forest company adjusts cut plan

MacMillan-Bloedel last week announced modifications in its winter logging plan for Galiano Island.

At a meeting held September 12 with island representatives, MacMillan-Bloedel distributed a press release listing plan changes made "to accommodate the wishes of local residents and minimize the impact on our logger and his employees."

The main change involves cutting smaller patches and distributing operations over a larger area.

The company will increase the number of areas to be logged, from three sites to nine; leave a strip of trees as a visual barrier, where practical, when logging approaches a public road or waterfront; and limit the size of the areas to be cut, with one exception, to between 17 and 27 acres. The lone exception is a 99-acre alder stand in the east-central portion of the island.

Attending the September 12 meeting were Bruce Francis and Jack Lavis of MB's Cowichan Woodlands Division, members of Galiano's Clear Cut Alternatives group, Islands Trust representative Donald Macdonald, and Brian Kingsfield of the provincial office of regional development, under Terry Huberts.

In the MB release, Francis is quoted as saying his company's move was made in response to requests from Clear Cut Alternatives to limit the size, scope and visual impact of its logging operations. MB owns 56 per cent of Galiano Island and each year harvests about 25,000 cubic metres of wood on the island.

"Not only have we tried to address concerns about the visual impact, but we have adjusted our plan to incorporate smaller logging areas and dispersed the operation over a wider area," Francis wrote.

While the steps are short-term, he continued, the company will hold further meetings with Gali-

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Islanders pass Terry Fox Run goal; fund headed towards \$18,000 mark

In what organizers are calling an overwhelming display of generosity, Salt Spring residents raised close to \$17,000 in weekend and related activities on behalf of cancer research.

The total, which is still growing, easily exceeds the official local goal of \$10,000.

The bulk of the money — just over \$14,000 — was raised in Sunday's Terry Fox Run, which drew close to 150 participants for a 10-kilometre trek around Ganges.

"I'm overwhelmed by the reaction," run co-ordinator Damaris Rumsby said Monday. "If my arms were big enough, I'd wrap them around Salt Spring and give it a great big hug."

Added Driftwood publisher Tony Richards, whose newspaper sponsored the events: "I'm proud to be part of a community that can be so generous with a project such as this. We saw 150 people come together on Sunday to participate, but when you consider the people who pledged money

as well, we had most of the island involved."

He added that the success of the event was attributable to the dedication and determination of co-ordinator Rumsby, "who took on the project as more than part of her job — she lived the Terry Fox Run for three months, personifying the generous spirit of this community."

Both Richards and Rumsby noted that Salt Spring's total compares favourably with the \$19,000 raised in Victoria last

weekend.

The breakdown in local fundraising is as follows:

- Included in the run count of approximately \$14,300 is the total collected in mini-runs staged by the island's four schools: \$106.85 from Fernwood Elementary, \$384.58 from Gulf Islands Secondary School; \$500-plus (and counting) from Fulford Elementary, and \$240.20 from Salt Spring Elementary.

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A winner

There were lots of winners at the Salt Spring Island Fall Fair held this weekend. In the 4-H category, Adrian Hingston proudly displays the bundle of fluff which is really a Reserve Grand Champion Angora rabbit. Adrian also won a Grand Champion rosette for his New Zealand Doe.

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Services withdrawn by government employees

A strike by 27,000 provincial government employees will affect a wide range of islanders — not just those who were caught short when the Ganges liquor store was closed by a picket line erected Saturday.

Islanders involved in real estate transfers, expected to appear in court, looking for court settlements, and waiting for Island Trust action will find their proceedings in limbo until the full-scale job action — launched Monday — is settled.

"It's going to cause a lot of personal hardship," said one local lawyer, Jim Pasuta.

One of the major areas affected

is the transfer of property, Pasuta said. With the government lands title office in Victoria closed, conveyance documents will be piling up.

When real estate sales are made, a call to completion date — the date when the money and property changes hands — is registered. With the lands title office closed, these documents cannot be completed. It means vendors and purchasers whose call to completion date occurs during the government employees' union strike will be faced with a dead halt in proceedings.

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Tourist policy questionnaire sparks debate

The value of an Islands Trust position paper on tourism was questioned when trustees met last week as a council on Gambier Island.

Trustees had voted last March to proceed with development of a position paper that would balance tourism industry needs against desires to protect natural amenities. An internal questionnaire which followed was to form the basis for discussions in early 1989 with tourism industry representatives on the islands, and then to a position paper.

Results from the questionnaire have yet to be tabulated, and discussion on the position paper was not supposed to be on the agenda of last week's Trust Council meeting. However, questions about whether the Trust should work towards developing general or specific guidelines for tourism prompted Saturna Island's John Money to bring the issue to the table.

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Pedal power

Cyclists toured Salt Spring last Saturday to raise funds for B.C. Lung Association. Page A23.

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Jarrood Booth (centre) snips ribbon outside Activity Centre, marking start of Sunday's Terry Fox Run in Ganges. Fund-raiser on behalf of cancer research drew about 150 participants.

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Terry Fox Run, related fund-raisers collect 'overwhelming' contributions

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- The Salt Spring Island branch of the Royal Canadian Legion has so far collected about \$675 in contributions and donations from members. The total is still growing.
- Carolyn Hickman of Salt Spring Trail Rides contributed another \$119 in fees turned over from people who rented horses to cover the run in four-legged style.
- A sail-a-thon organized by Simon and Louise Henson contributed an additional \$300. Taking part were 10 members of the Fulford Laser Club, Salt Spring Sailing Club Juniors and Salt Spring Sailing Club.
- Sales of Terry Fox *Catch The Dream* tee-shirts inject another \$1,725 to the total.

Organizers are not sure how high the final figure will be, since contributions were still coming in late Monday. However, they say it could reach \$18,000 and possibly more.

Last year's Terry Fox Run on Salt Spring, by comparison, collected just under \$6,000.

Sunday's run was the highlight of fund-raising efforts. Beginning in the Activity Centre of Salt Spring Elementary School with registrations at 8:30 am, the event saw a warm-up session conducted by Salty Sweat's before a ribbon at the start line was snipped by seven-year-old Jarrod Booth, a Ganges resident and member of "Terry's Team" who

recently recovered from a bout with cancer.

Run participants were encouraged to travel the route in any manner they wished. Along with the entrants on horseback, the field included Fulford's Shilo Zylbergold, who dribbled a basketball over the 10 kilometres; Don Harrison of Ganges Village Market, who pulled a wagon carrying Polly Tremblay, organizer of one of the school runs; and cancer victim Darlene Kopp, whose wheelchair was pushed by members of the Salt Spring branch of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Top pledge-gatherer was coordinator Damaris Rumsby, whose efforts collected about \$1,800. Also topping the \$1,000 mark in pledges was Patricia Brown of the Fulford Inn, whose total was over \$1,100.

Rumsby reminds participants that the deadline for collecting pledged dollars is October 21. Monies should be deposited by then to special accounts at either the Bank of Montreal or Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce branches in Ganges.

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Chris Marks takes turn pushing wheelchair-bound Darlene Byron along Terry Fox Run route. Local members of Royal Canadian Legion supported the participation of Byron, who has been diagnosed as having cancer.

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Winning effort

With the help of *Jet*, Wayne Roberts gathers the sheep and prepares to guide them into the stalls at Sunday's Sheep Dog Trials. Roberts, who ran a second dog, *Spot*, posted the best time at the Fall Fair event, taking home the Bill Evans trophy. A total of six entries competed in the trials; trophy for the best local dog went to Mike Byron.

Finance minister explains

Farm tax status change 'supports Trust objectives'

The finance ministry disagrees with the Islands Trust view of the impact a change in farm tax status criteria will have on agriculture.

The Trust had written Finance Minister Mel Couvelier to express fears about a ministry proposal to increase to \$5,000 from \$1,600 the amount of revenue a farm requires to maintain its farm tax status. Couvelier replied to the recent Gambier council meeting that, while he appreciated the Trust's concerns, he felt the change would support — and not conflict with — the goals of the Trust.

The ministry is reviewing the proposed increase in minimum revenue requirements to decide if farm sales are "the most appropriate basis for farm classification." If the answer is yes, Couvelier said, it would review which sales level to use as a yardstick.

Couvelier's letter explained how the \$5,000 figure was first established:

"A review of the agricultural standards (necessary to benefit for farm tax status) was carried out in our preparations for the government's most recent budget," he wrote. "The review showed that, with respect to production from farms with sales under \$5,000, provincial and municipal taxpayers were contributing 50 cents for every dollar of sales. As a result, nearly \$9 million in public funds was being used to support farm production amounting to less than two per cent of British Columbia's total agricultural output."

He continued: "We also found there were numerous instances where the tax benefit exceeded the value of all agricultural production from the land."

While the Trust had argued in its letter to Couvelier that the proposed increase in revenue requirements would increase economic hardship for farmers and cause some farmland to be subdivided because owners could not meet the added tax load, Couvelier disagreed.

"In my view, the changes support, rather than conflict, with the goals of the Trust," he wrote. "I take this view because there is substantial evidence that the benefits given to owners of farmland, and the relatively easy

entrance requirements for these benefits, have combined to create a market for small, tax-sheltered farm units.

"This has encouraged the subdivision of viable farms into 10-acre units which are then used well below their capability as farmland.

"Consequently, the existing

policy encourages the subdivision of farmland and detracts from the long-term viability of the agricultural industry," Couvelier wrote.

The minister added that it is necessary to periodically review the requirements set down to establish farm tax status.

Council had no comment on the letter.

Coliform count causes closure of Booth Canal

All of Booth Canal area has been closed to shellfish harvesting due to unacceptable levels of fecal coliform found in littleneck clams.

Rudy Chiang, sanitary shellfish co-ordinator with the fish inspection branch in Vancouver, said recent results from littleneck clam samples show the fecal coliform level to be 3,500 parts per 100 grams of meat. Acceptable levels are no more than 230 parts per 100 grams of meat.

The department of the environment, which has undertaken shellfish testing for a number of years in areas where shellfish harvesting occurs, does not know what caused the increase in the fecal coliform count. Chiang said the department will conduct further investigations into the situation.

Chiang also noted that testing done to shellfish does not indicate whether water quality in the area is unacceptable. In other words, while the area has been closed to shellfish harvesting, activities such as swimming have not been prohibited. As Chiang noted, acceptable levels for shellfish are much more stringent than for other uses.

Closure to the outside areas of Booth Canal brings it in line with the inside parts of the Canal, which have been closed for some time, Chiang said.



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Run success testament to Salt Spring

At this writing, the unofficial tally from this year's Terry Fox Run events on Salt Spring Island is at least \$15,000 — a total well above the official local target of \$10,000 and almost triple the near-\$6,000 collected here for cancer research funding in 1987.

Once again, islanders have demonstrated that their generosity is matched only by their willingness to unite behind a worthy and common cause. The success of this year's events is directly attributable to the unselfish nature of the average Salt Spring citizen.

Credit for that success of the fund-raising campaign must go, most of all, to the people who sweated through the runs and related activities, and to those who sponsored each and every effort. It was their willingness to take part, to dig deep into their pockets, that made the day.

Equally worthy of note is the amount of pure, hard work put in by the diverse group of organizers and volunteers who did such a masterful job of co-ordinating and staging the fund-raising drive. Their long hours of dedicated effort set the stage for success.

The most inspiring aspect of this year's events, however, was the obvious growth in enthusiasm and participation since last year's Terry Fox Run events were staged here, for the first time in some long while.

While we can be allowed some measure of pride for the extent of this year's community effort, all of us know that the battle against cancer is not a one-shot affair. In that light, the noticeable increase in the ranks of those more than willing to share the fight is a good sign for next year's event, and for the ones that will surely follow until the dream of



Terry Fox — that some day, the hurting will stop — is finally realized.

Whether the increased effort was attributable to greater awareness of the ravages of cancer, to a conscious effort to muster more troops, or to a widespread public desire to share the dream of

Terry Fox, is a moot point. What matters is that islanders not only responded with an amazing show of generosity, but that they have indicated a willingness to continue and build upon the local campaign.

For that, we can only say Thank You.


Subtle indicators point to preparations for fall

From the mounds of healthy produce displayed at the fall fair to the gloomy wall of mist that brought the island a shot of much-needed rainfall and a dose of cooler temperatures, the signs of autumn were everywhere last weekend.

Bounty from the earth, and a return to the conditions that replenish its ability to produce, are natural indicators of the change in seasons. Like the shedding of deep-green summer coats by our trees, they occur slowly and are noted only when they have finally arrived.

Not so the habits of the human race. We make abrupt shifts from season to season, our senses attuned more to calendars than to the internal clock of pure instinct.

my word
.....
by duncan macdonnell



If it's September, it's time to haul out the woollen socks and clear a backyard corner for the stacking of this year's supply of winter wood.

The separate living organism of government has a marked feel for these periods of transition, too. During the summer, I could not help but notice the lighter edge to the swarm of news releases crossing my desk from Victoria

and Ottawa and points in between: there was a "good time" feel to the announcements, as if no one agency wished to break the spell of a careless summer day by offering anything requiring deep thought or analysis.

(My favourite? The one about the federal government minister opening a gift shop in some forgettable location. A slow news day, indeed.)

That, too, seemed to change last week. A marked increase in the serious nature of the pronouncements was aptly underlined by the sudden arrival of a bulky package from Ottawa. Inside the envelope were maps, regulations and page upon page of fine print concerning the proper handling of a federal election. Can bleak winter days be far away?

Perhaps elsewhere, but not on these islands. In the next few months, we will have our elections, we will find more opportunity to concentrate on the day-to-day issues affecting our lives, and we will undoubtedly be stimulated by the need to attend to these practicalities. But it's different

here, I think, because the reality never seems to intrude on the first concern, the pace of our lives.

The luxury of island living is that we have more time and reason to note and care about the natural and man-made indicators announcing shifts in seasons; we might even be more comfortable with the changes, because heightened awareness means they do not come upon us so abruptly.

That, anyway, is the quiet perspective from this desk in this part of Canada. After a playful summer, it's finally September, and time to prepare for fall and winter. Happily, we don't have to hurry.

Inaccurate

Sir,
As a long-time reader of *Driftwood* and part-time resident of Saturna, I was shocked by Joseph Cocker's August 31 cartoon. Ostensibly a comment on the strike by members of the Union of Postal Communications Employees, it used misspelled words on picket signs to convey the notion that postal workers cannot read and write.

This cartoon paints an unfair and inaccurate picture of postal workers and union members in general, implying that if you belong to a union, you are poorly-educated or illiterate. That's certainly news to the nearly four million Canadians who belong to unions and who have everything from no formal education to graduate degrees.

If offending union members weren't enough, the cartoon is also an insult to the millions of Canadians whose difficulties with reading and writing make them functionally illiterate. At a time when illiteracy is recognized as a serious social problem by educators and governments alike I can't think of a more inappropriate and insensitive message. It's more than a little ironic that I am writing this letter on September 8, which has been declared International Literacy Day by the United Nations.

Mr. Cocker should make a public apology: to union members, illiterate Canadians and to all *Driftwood* readers. And I hope that in future, *Driftwood* will not publish Mr. Cocker's cartoons if they display similar bad taste. *Driftwood* readers deserve better!
JOHN FRYER,
Ottawa.

Parking

Sir,
The Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission wishes to inform the public of our position with respect to our side of the parking lot between the Park and Gasoline Alley.

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Commercial parking clearly is not for the recreation and enjoyment of the public. The commission welcomes the use of our parking lot for bona fide park users for as long as they wish daily, so long as they are present in the park; however, we want the public to know that this is not a public parking lot — it is a "park" parking lot and therefore not to be used as a place to park a vehicle to do business or to go shopping.

An amendment has been passed by the CRD to bylaw 1453 which, among other things, says "no person shall leave a motor vehicle parked in a park at any time when that person is not present in the park." This bylaw has been examined by the RCMP, who will assist in enforcement.

It is regrettable that we have had to pass a bylaw in order to control our parking lot. For over a year, the commission has been trying by numerous letters, meetings, and signs to remedy the situation, but without success.

letters

Commencing October 1, 1988, and thereafter, enforcement of this bylaw will take place; bona fide park users should have no fear, so long as they are present in the park.
PHIL HUME,
Chairman,
Ganges.

Shortfalls

Sir,
Too bad Brian Mulroney and his supporters have given up on Canada and its people. A developed country our size should be less foreign owned, not more. Canada is 40 per cent foreign-owned; figures for similar countries are three or four per cent.

A developed country the size of Canada should have a low-mileage five-seater car that is designed, produced and sold for our Canadian market and its special needs. Japan, Sweden and Italy do.

A developed country the size of Canada should produce well-designed, handsome furniture for both our own use and for export, instead of selling raw logs and/or 2 x 4s to the world. Sweden does.

A developed country the size of Canada should continue to supply its own people with 70 percent of their needs, instead of making it easier for huge companies to swallow up our smaller, regional producers. Small Canadian firms created 820,500 jobs from 1978 to 1985. Large goods-producing industries suffered a decline of 208,000 jobs during that same period.

The 1990s will see oil and gas prices start to rise as production slows down; easily-accessible oil is running out at the same time that we are experiencing the greenhouse effect (carbon dioxide in the atmosphere from burning fossil fuels.) Shipping costs will cause the price of exports to rise.

So, fellow Canadians, to borrow the one-liner from Tim Williamson's cartoon, if you liked the Wayne Gretzky deal, you'll love free trade."
VIRGINIA NEWMAN,
Ganges.

Aid needed

Sir,
After thoroughly enjoying the Fall Fair Saturday we switched on the *Reggae Show* and heard first-hand reports of the devastation of Jamaica by the most severe storm in modern history, hurricane Gilbert. In the late 1970s, we had

spent six months there, working on a Jamaican ship, and over the years I have been in close proximity to several hurricanes so it is easy to visualize the destruction wrought on that lovely, troubled island. One half a million people are homeless, four out of five houses are damaged, whole villages are flattened, 85 per cent of crops are destroyed and (in the rural areas) there will be no electricity for months.

The five major Canadian banks and the Canadian Red Cross have agreed to accept tax-deductible donations made out to "The Jamaican Hurricane Relief Fund," and the Red Cross will ensure that all money will be spent on emergency relief. In addition, medicine, canned goods, blankets, clothes (especially children's clothes), and other basic necessities are urgently needed and will be shipped free of charge by Air Canada.

The drop-off points for supplies are at Jamaican businesses in Vancouver and we have the addresses for anyone wishing to donate. Surely we can spread some of our bountiful harvest and carefree good fortune to our sisters and brothers of the Caribbean.
RICK AND JULIETTE LAING,
Ganges.

Devastation

Sir,
I have just returned from trying to rehabilitate over 700,000 hectares of land that has been clear-cut in the past 10 years in Prince George and areas to the north of that city.

My main concern is whether I am really doing any good. For with the free trade agreement we have no assurances that the silviculture industry will flourish as it should. The demands of the U.S. market are so high that once it is in process, our trees will be completely depleted in 10 years — even with the fact that the silviculture industry is growing. And replanted trees will not be of as good quality as the naturals.

Standing in the middle of B.C.'s supernatural nature, you could walk for an average of 30 miles in either direction and not see a tree, and that's not to mention that wildlife is almost non-existent on clear-cut ground.

From space, it's the biggest scar on earth, including the rainforest in Brazil. The area that's been cut is roughly the equivalent of Vancouver to Prince George — a 12-hour drive in a straight line. Where do we expect the wildlife to go? Controls on clear-cuts are long overdue.

One expert has mentioned that two men can log 650 acres selectively and the forest and wildlife remain intact indefinitely. It's cheaper, too, because all your logging roads are set in just once. This diminishes the cost of road building and lessens the cost of machinery in use.

In conclusion, I would like to see controls in place so that the devastation that has happened will be dealt with and never happen again.

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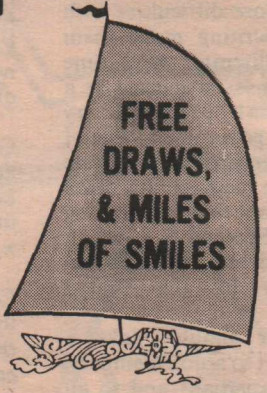
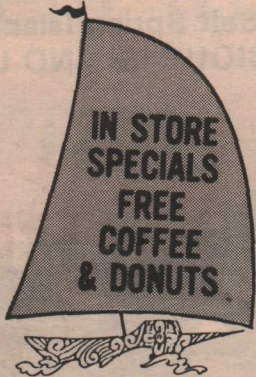
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Health Care Society formation given go-ahead

Representatives of the Capital Regional District (CRD) and the ministry of health have expressed approval of a move in the Gulf Islands to form a health care services society.

At a recent meeting in Ganges which voiced approval for the concept, however, some local residents expressed concern over several aspects of its formation.

Formation of the Health Care Services Society, which is based on a merger of the Greenwoods and Lady Minto boards of directors, was proposed several months ago on the recommendation of a study conducted by the CRD hospital and health planning commission into health care in the Gulf Islands.

Following the annual general meetings of the Greenwoods and Lady Minto societies on September 12, an information meeting on the proposal took place. The meeting heard a number of comments, and was followed by motions from each society to approve in principle the merger of the two boards.

Murray Halkett, one of the prime CRD researchers into the Gulf Islands health care study, told the meeting the merger would allow "a united group... providing leadership for other areas."

Halkett said the concept of a new society evolved from the study: it was not an original plan for the islands. Advantages of the merged boards and a subsequent global budget, he said, include the operation of a larger budget, and the opportunity to allocate resources to areas where they are needed most, rather than to a prescribed area.

He said the new society would not "take over" other service groups on the islands, but offer support (eventually financial) to those organizations. As an example, Halkett said he believes mental health facilities are lacking in the CRD region: "A united society," he said, "could stand out and say we want something done."

Dr. Perry Kendall, the CRD's chief medical officer, told the meeting the pattern of and the access to health care across the country has to change as the population ages. He said health care must be co-operative rather than competitive, and to meet this goal health care needs a community base.

Representatives from the ministry of health said the ministry would not be an obstacle if the societies chose to amalgamate and would, in fact, work closely with the boards to smooth out any problems. The ministry of health, they noted, supports "local initiatives" in principle.

Comments and questions from the floor expressed a number of concerns held by some individuals. The status of employees emerged as one concern. As it stands now, employees of Greenwoods (for example) cannot join the Greenwoods society as voting members. They can, however, join the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital Society as voting members.

Should the boards merge, no employees of either body would

be able to vote in the combined society. (Spouses or other family members could join, however.) These employees would not be disenfranchised, it was explained: they just would not be enfranchised.

Another question addressed the issue of the increased work-

load of the merged-body board members, who are already busy with just one organization to deal with. In response to this question, it was noted that the community had only one board until five or six years ago. As well, much larger institutions, in Victoria for example, are run by the same

number of board members as in the Gulf Islands.

Questions regarding funding, staffing concerns and other transitional problems, would be dealt with in detail in the upcoming months, it was explained. The meeting was looking only for a motion of "approval in principle"

to the merger. If approved, came one comment, the work begins, not ends. The steering committee would be seeking recommendations and submissions from all parts of the community.

The motions passed 29 to 11 in the hospital vote, and 29 to 12 in the Greenwoods vote.

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Scouts seeking volunteers to help with local movement

Salt Spring Island's scouting movement needs adult volunteers to act as leaders for the youngsters expected to register tomorrow (Thursday) for a new season of activities.

Gerry Parrott, chairman of the group committee which oversees the local scouting movement, said Friday he expects the registration session to sign up between 20 and 25 Beavers, 20 Cubs and 10 to 15 Scouts. Except for the Beavers, who are split into Ganges and Fulford contingents, the groups are based in Ganges.

For those groups of children, Parrott continued, he estimates the local movement will need nine or 10 adult leaders. To date, he has four adults committed to this year's program. Last year there were two Cub leaders, three Scout leaders, and two leaders for each Beaver group.

The ideal ration of leaders to youngsters is two adults per company, including one adult leader for every six boys. For Beavers, the ration is one adult for every five boys.

Being a leader is "a lot of work," admits Gerry's wife, Dawn, who serves as vice-chairman of the group committee. "But it's a lot of fun, and there is a tremendous personal reward from working with the kids — a reward you can't put a value to."

Gerry Parrott said his main goal this year is to try to encourage the direct involvement of parents with children enrolled in the program.

"It's good for the parents to go through it with their kids," he said, adding that leadership positions are available to mothers as well as fathers.

Should someone feel ill-prepared to handle the role, Gerry continued, the national office has training courses avail-



Gerry Parrot (left) leads scouting troop

ble free of charge, and the local office has no compunction about making use of those courses.

Gerry Parrott explained that the main reason he wants to see parents become involved with their children is "the wish to be iron-clad sure that the people with the kids are trustworthy and of a reputable character."

He added: "There's a real concern today any time you hand over 20 little kids to someone you don't know."

Candidates for troop leadership positions are screened by a process of interviews and the checking of references.

The local organization will also strive this year to offer more outdoor programs to local youngsters. Gerry Parrott noted that Ross McLeod of Mansell Farms has made available a portion of his property, which will

see use as an overnight campground.

Registration for Cubs, Scouts and Beavers takes place tomorrow (Thursday) at the activity centre of Salt Spring Elementary School, beginning at 7:30 pm. Cost is \$35 per child, to a maximum of \$70 per family. Financial assistance is available to parents in need.

Over the coming months, Beavers will meet once a week after school, for one hour, from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Cubs will meet one night a week, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm, and Scouts will meet one night a week, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. For Beavers and Cubs, their programs end about May; Scouts continue through the summer with outdoor activities.

For further information, contact Gerry or Dawn Parrott at 537-4447.

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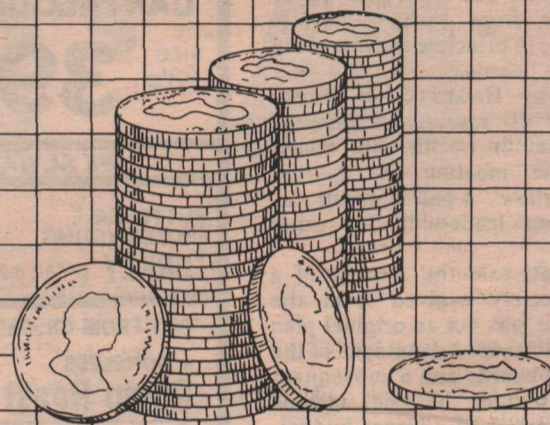
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Of all seasonal changes, the arrival (or should I say gradual transition) to autumn is a profound swing where we often find ourselves reflecting on the past glory days of summer. It's a time for fall fairs, harvest dances, and the rituals of closing down the cottage for the year.

The cooler temperatures and showers we've been getting over the past week have taken the stress off many plants, as well as gardeners, and it's coming around to the fall planting season. While it's been said so many times before, the saying bears repeating: "Fall is for planting."

Seasonal choices for planting now include clematis, winter heathers, broadleaved evergreens, and other deciduous shrubs. Once we have had a killing frost, and much of the foliage has been dropped, field digging will commence, then bare-root and balled-and-burlapped trees and shrubs will be available for planting too.

Winter pansies and violas are now ready for planting out, and if given a rich soil or planter mix, in a sunny position, these little characters will carry on blooming from now right on through to next May or June when the heat knocks them down. Fertilize them once a month with 20-20-20 or some other balanced soluble plant food, and pinch out leggy growth to keep the plants compact. These cheery fellows come in a whole range of colours and grow well in baskets, planters, window boxes, and flower beds.

Treat the same as any brassicas

Wallflowers and Brompton stocks should also be set out into flower beds and rockeries this fall, for a richly fragrant, colourful show next spring. They like a sunny or partially-shaded location in well-drained soil and should have their growing tips pinched out once they reach four to six inches in height. Since wallflowers are brassicas, and are susceptible to clubroot fungus too, you should incorporate a handful of lime into each planting hole, mixing it in well. The Golden Bedder, Orange Bedder and Scarlet Bedder varieties are shorter plants and work well in rockeries or planters.

Ornamental kale and cabbages in shades of purples and whites make all-season shows if planted out soon. Treat them the same as you would any other brassica plant, and fertilize them monthly with 20-20-20 or a suitable equivalent.

This is a good month for dividing your peonies or planting new ones. Plant the eyes (divisions of root crowns) in a sunny location, one inch below the soil surface, in a well-drained soil which is rich in organic matter. Add in several shovelfuls of rotted manure, working it in to a depth of 18 inches, but take care to keep the manure from directly contacting the sensitive roots and crowns. Mix in a handful of bonemeal at planting time to encourage future blooming success.

Reap benefits of effort

Your overcrowded bearded irises and dwarf rockery irises should be lifted and separated with a sharp knife or pruners. The divisions should then be planted out, set one inch deep, into a rich soil with four ounces of bonemeal mixed into each square yard of soil surface. Trim the leaves back to six inches and water them in well to settle the soil around the roots.

This is a good time for planting out flowering biennials such as Forget-me-nots (*Myosotis*) which are good in moist or wet soils, and English daisies (*Bellis*) which produce large white, pink or red blooms when planted in heavy soils, lawn margins, flower beds and full sun or partial shade. Primulas may also be planted out this fall, and overcrowded existing plants should be lifted, rinsed clean and then the healthy crowns should be separated with a sharp knife. Replant them into rich soil with a tablespoon of bonemeal mixed into each planting hole. This dividing and replanting with better spacing and fertilizing will usually bring the plants back into healthy vigour and full bloom, but other possible causes of diminished or absence of bloom are insufficient sunlight, lack of water, compacted poor soil, or heavy attacks by root weevils and vine weevils.

'Open house' to supply details of proposed park playground

The public is invited to attend a meeting in the Centennial Park playground next Monday.

The September 26 meeting, which will include members of Parents for Playgrounds and the local Parks and Recreation Commission, will discuss in detail plans for a new playground in the Ganges-centre park.

Parents for Playgrounds representative Debbie Magnusson spoke to the commission at last week's meeting. She requested approval for the group's plan to confine the area in some way, as well as for provision of \$2,000 to pay for a ground cover. Magnusson also addressed several concerns raised at the last commission meeting, when she was not present.

At the previous meeting, commission members expressed concern that the playground group had contacted Play Tech — an outside company — when it had been agreed costs would be kept within the community. As Magnusson explained, the correspondence with Play Tech occurred free of charge. The local group sent their plans to the design company to secure a final safety check. They are still waiting to have those plans returned.

Some commission members also noted concern over the group's "confinement scheme," suggesting it would break the flow of the park.

The purpose of confining the area, Magnusson explained, is to keep the ground cover (pea gravel) within the playground area. The group hoped to confine the area with something such as old telephone poles laid on their sides. This would keep the pea gravel in, provide extra play (balancing games) for children, and give adults a place to sit.

Magnusson provided other confinement possibilities, including a reinforced "scooping-out" of the area.

Parents for Playgrounds chose pea gravel for the ground cover because of its cushion-effect. Depth of the ground cover would average six inches (three to four inches in most areas and up to 12 inches under swings, etc.), creating the need for approximately 100 cubic yards.

If the pea gravel can be deposited at the park directly from delivery barge, rather than

from a sales outlet, cost of the gravel will drop from \$25 to \$20 per yard. The group is hoping the commission will give the go-ahead soon, so it can place its order in time for October delivery.

Commission chairman Phil Hume noted the playground is the

focus of the park. He estimated it gets 50 per cent of the usage, if not more. "I think it's good to improve the area."

The Monday meeting will commence at 7 pm: anyone wishing input into the playground proposals should plan to attend.

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Arson suspected

Police continue investigation of blaze

Local RCMP are continuing their investigation into a suspected case of arson on Salt Spring Island.

Ganges police have identified some suspects and eliminated another in their search for the cause of a house fire on Park Drive last week.

The blaze, which occurred September 9 at approximately 7:20 pm, gutted two rooms and caused heat and smoke damage to the

remainder of a house owned by Margaret Cates.

Police are still looking for the owner of a pick-up truck who was forced to brake for a pedestrian on Park Drive just prior to the blaze (approximately 7:20). Police hope to locate the driver, who they believe may have information useful to their investigation.

Local RCMP caught four impaired drivers over the past eight days. Three will face charges.

RCMP Sergeant Larry Wendel said one driver was charged with impaired driving following a minor motor vehicle accident. The others were stopped in routine checks.

Wendel said local RCMP will be setting up roadblocks on the island to combat drinking and driving offences, as well as other driving infractions.

The roadchecks will not be part of the national CounterAttack program, but will be set up on the

local detachment's own initiative.

Aside from checking for signs of driver impairment, police officers will look for motor vehicle defects and proper use of seatbelts.

Local police are reminding island motorists to slow down and drive with caution in the rainy weather.

Sergeant Larry Wendel said recent rainfall has resulted in a rash of minor accidents.

Blood-alcohol analysis question highlights impaired driving case

A 67-year-old Ganges man was found guilty in Ganges provincial court of driving with a blood-alcohol level over the legal limit, even after a breathalyzer analyst said the reading should not have been that high.

Appearing before Judge R.E. Hudson on September 13, Steven Wawryk of Roland Road was fined \$300 and had his licence suspended for three months.

The charge was laid after Wawryk was pulled over at a Christmas CounterAttack roadblock on Salt Spring last December. The Duncan police officer on duty, Constable Hedderson, suspected Wawryk was impaired and handed him a 24-hour driving suspension. Wawryk, convinced he was not impaired, offered to take a breathalyzer test in order to eliminate the 24-hour suspension.

Hedderson testified he told Wawryk the results from the breathalyzer test could be held against him.

Wawryk was taken to the local RCMP detachment where he underwent a test: results indicated Wawryk's blood-alcohol reading was 0.10; the legal limit is 0.08.

Wawryk told the court he had two ounces of rye whiskey with dinner, at about 6 pm. After dinner, he said, he went to the Legion, where he drank a further six glasses of beer. He was stopped by police at approximately 11:23 pm, and underwent his first breathalyzer test at 12:03 am.

A breathalyzer analyst from Vancouver told the court that with

that amount of alcohol he consumed, Wawryk should not have produced such a high reading.

The analysis, however, was based on "consistent" drinking. In handing down the sentence, Judge Hudson did not feel there

was enough evidence to assume Wawryk drank consistently throughout the evening, rather than drinking several beer in succession near the end of the night, which would have resulted in a higher reading.

Trust office disrupted by ministerial shifting

The Islands Trust office in Victoria is a state of flux, trustees were told at their September 9-10 council meeting on Gambier.

Trust manager Cynthia Hawksworth said ministerial shuffling recently saw the Trust occupy three different offices in a three-week span. The movements left some mail missing, and at one point led to the temporary loss of vice-chairman Steve Wright's desk.

Hawksworth also noted that the Trust office has lost a number of personnel, meaning positions had to be immediately filled and new staff given on-the-job training.

"Because of that, there have been errors made," she said. "I apologize for that. We're trying our best, but we've been living out of boxes for a month."



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Season launches new challenge for local soccer side

Victoria Royal Elks 3, Salt Spring F.C. 3

By ALAN WEBB

Long before this game was ever played I had decided that this initial write-up for the 1988-89 season should be a eulogy for Captain Lance Lomax. Not a eulogy in the usual death-sense of the word, but a eulogy in the high praise or laudatory sense of the word. You see, Lance was supposed to retire after this game (he was transferred to Texada Island) but fortunately, through a very complicated series of circumstances (Lomax clause?) Lance seems to be able to stay for this season. Maybe. We don't know for sure.

However, whatever Lance's status with FC, I think it's important that Lance's contribution to Salt Spring soccer be chronicled.

First of all there would be no men's team on Salt Spring if it were not for Lance. He came to the island three years ago and decided, after the more informed opinions of Malcolm Legg and myself, that Salt Spring could support a men's team. Working tirelessly, he organized the first Eric Springford Challenge Cup. This tournament was designed to test the waters, so to speak, of the local commitment to men's soccer. The tidal wave of interest, and the success of the tournament, convinced us to enter a men's team in the Victoria Men's Soccer League.

The first year of FC was an unqualified success. Lance himself scored most of our goals as we won the league and were promoted to Division Four.

Last year Lance commuted from the Rupert (yes that's right, the nice Rupert) and switched roles to bolster our defence as we won Division Four, and promotion to Division Three.

Up until now, Salt Spring FC has been a reasonably uncomplicated team to play for. We believed in having fun first, and if we happened to win too, well, that's great. Happily we managed to win nearly every game. If one is going to play a sport hoping to have fun, winning is an important consideration. We were ecstatic. Not just because we won nearly every week, but because we did it almost incidentally. We had fun first, and won second. That was Lance's influence, and that's the way this game, or any game, should be played.

That brings us to Sunday and the crossroads for Salt Spring FC. We have progressed to the point where a more serious approach to the game would almost certainly win us promotion to the Second Division. Lofty heights indeed. The question is, what will be sacrificed to attain this goal? A goal that is clearly in sight, but one

that may be reached through sacrificing the very principles this team was founded on.

This team has the potential in the next few years, with the addition of three or four of the graduating junior Selects, of winning through to the First Division. The prospects of this team reaching the highest plateau in men's amateur soccer would be a credit not only to the team, but to the community it represents.

At this juncture, when FC stands on the threshold, or precipice, of greater things, a choice must be made; win advancement at all costs, or make our way to the top through the cumulative efforts of every player in the best tradition of Lance Lomax soccer. The final decision may be Lance's vision, and thus reflect the finest traditions of the game.

As far as this week went, we did quite well. David Toynbee opened the scoring after collecting a perfect flick-on from Marty Legg, and beating the goal-keeper first with one of his deft moves, and then a defender with his accurate shot.

The second goal resulted from a Darren Strong back-pass to Tony Legg, who chipped the ball over an out-positioned goalkeeper and into the net.

Salt Spring led 3-0 after Carlo Legg converted his own rebound on a penalty kick after Marty was fouled in the box.

Elks pulled one back before the half on a free kick from 20 yards.

In the second half Elks carried the play, for the most part, and scored the two goals needed to equalize by relying on Salt Spring fullbacks to deflect balls into their own net. The equalizer came with less than 10 minutes to play.

FC made use of those last 10 minutes, though, creating what should have been three sure goals, only to lack the final touch near the goal-line.

All in all, it was not an auspicious start to Division Three, but a performance that can be improved upon in many respects. This promise leads one to suspect that FC is in store for another successful season and, hopefully, another rung up the ladder for Lance's team.



Trekking

The majority of over 100 "trekkers" push their way up Lee's Hill on Salt Spring, as the annual fund-raising trek visited here Saturday. Cyclists travelled from all over the province to participate in the three-day event, which raised funds for the B.C. Lung Association.

Salt Spring's club golf titles at stake in play

By ANN LOUISE McALLISTER

On September 13, the final round of the ladies' club championship for the Wilson Cup was played. Ladies' champion for 1988 is Irene Hawksworth, who had a three-game gross score of 276.

Runner-up in the low gross category was Jean Hopkins, who finished with a score of 286, one better than the 287 posted by third-place finisher Mona Coulter.

Club low net winner for 1988 was Gerry Alexander, who won for the second time by posting a score of 212. After a sudden-death playoff between Kas Black and Jean Cunningham, Black took second place and Cunningham finished third.

Competition for the Legion Cup, a low gross trophy, was completed by the ladies on September 14. Winner was Barbara Nemeth and runner-up was Vi Austin. Low net honours for the two days went to Vi Austin.

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Forest company adjusts cut plan

MacMillan-Bloedel last week announced modifications in its winter logging plan for Galiano Island.

At a meeting held September 12 with island representatives, MacMillan-Bloedel distributed a press release listing plan changes made "to accommodate the wishes of local residents and minimize the impact on our logger and his employees."

The main change involves cutting smaller patches and distributing operations over a larger area.

The company will increase the number of areas to be logged, from three sites to nine; leave a strip of trees as a visual barrier, where practical, when logging approaches a public road or waterfront; and limit the size of the areas to be cut, with one exception, to between 17 and 27 acres. The lone exception is a 99-acre alder stand in the east-central portion of the island.

Attending the September 12 meeting were Bruce Francis and Jack Lavis of MB's Cowichan Woodlands Division, members of Galiano's Clear Cut Alternatives group, Islands Trust representative Donald Macdonald, and Brian Kingsfield of the provincial office of regional development, under Terry Hu-berth.

In the MB release, Francis is quoted as saying his company's move was made in response to requests from Clear Cut Alternatives to limit the size, scope and visual impact of its logging operations. MB owns 56 per cent of Galiano Island and each year harvests about 25,000 cubic metres of wood on the island.

"Not only have we tried to address concerns about the visual impact, but we have adjusted our plan to incorporate smaller logging areas and dispersed the operation over a wider area," Francis wrote.

While the steps are short-term, he continued, the company will hold further meetings with Gali-

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Islanders pass Terry Fox Run goal; fund headed towards \$18,000 mark

In what organizers are calling an overwhelming display of generosity, Salt Spring residents raised close to \$17,000 in weekend and related activities on behalf of cancer research.

The total, which is still growing, easily exceeds the official local goal of \$10,000.

The bulk of the money — just over \$14,000 — was raised in Sunday's Terry Fox Run, which drew close to 150 participants for a 10-kilometre trek around Ganges.

"I'm overwhelmed by the reaction," run co-ordinator Damaris Rumsby said Monday. "If my arms were big enough, I'd wrap them around Salt Spring and give it a great big hug."

Added *Driftwood* publisher Tony Richards, whose newspaper sponsored the events: "I'm proud to be part of a community that can be so generous with a project such as this. We saw 150 people come together on Sunday to participate, but when you consider the people who pledged money

as well, we had most of the island involved."

He added that the success of the event was attributable to the dedication and determination of co-ordinator Rumsby, "who took on the project as more than part of her job — she lived the Terry Fox Run for three months, personifying the generous spirit of this community."

Both Richards and Rumsby noted that Salt Spring's total compares favourably with the \$19,000 raised in Victoria last

weekend.

The breakdown in local fund-raising is as follows:

- Included in the run count of approximately \$14,300 is the total collected in mini-runs staged by the island's four schools: \$106.85 from Fernwood Elementary, \$384.58 from Gulf Islands Secondary School; \$500-plus (and counting) from Fulford Elementary, and \$240.20 from Salt Spring Elementary.

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A winner

There were lots of winners at the Salt Spring Island Fall Fair held this weekend. In the 4-H category, Adrian Hingston proudly displays the bundle of fluff which is really a Reserve Grand Champion Angora rabbit. Adrian also won a Grand Champion rosette for his New Zealand Doe.

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Services withdrawn by government employees

A strike by 27,000 provincial government employees will affect a wide range of islanders — not just those who were caught short when the Ganges liquor store was closed by a picket line erected Saturday.

Islanders involved in real estate transfers, expected to appear in court, looking for court settlements, and waiting for Island Trust action will find their proceedings in limbo until the full-scale job action — launched Monday — is settled.

"It's going to cause a lot of personal hardship," said one local lawyer, Jim Pasuta.

One of the major areas affected

is the transfer of property, Pasuta said. With the government lands title office in Victoria closed, conveyance documents will be piling up.

When real estate sales are made, a call to completion date — the date when the money and property changes hands — is registered. With the lands title office closed, these documents cannot be completed. It means vendors and purchasers whose call to completion date occurs during the government employees' union strike will be faced with a dead halt in proceedings.

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Tourist policy questionnaire sparks debate

The value of an Islands Trust position paper on tourism was questioned when trustees met last week as a council on Gambier Island.

Trustees had voted last March to proceed with development of a position paper that would balance tourism industry needs against desires to protect natural amenities. An internal questionnaire which followed was to form the basis for discussions in early 1989 with tourism industry representatives on the islands, and then to a position paper.

Results from the questionnaire have yet to be tabulated, and discussion on the position paper was not supposed to be on the agenda of last week's Trust Council meeting. However, questions about whether the Trust should work towards developing general or specific guidelines for tourism prompted Saturna Island's John Money to bring the issue to the table.

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