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## Celebration

Ghosts and goblins and community members of all ages gathered in Fouat's parking lot Monday to celebrate Hallowe'en with a bonfire.

Salt Spring Island Volunteer Fire Department staged a fireworks display and offered hot chocolate to youngsters.

## Hopefuls chasing trustee positions

A three-person race for Salt Spring's two Islands Trust positions materialized Monday when nominations closed for the November 19 election.

The campaign for two-year seats on the Trust will be waged by Irene Tranter, Nick Gilbert and John Stepaniuk.

Gilbert, the incumbent, is also chairman of the Trust Council. Stepaniuk, former highways ministry roads foreman on Salt Spring and the Outer Islands, was one of Salt Spring's first two Trust representatives. Tranter, who has an engineering background, recently sold her Parcels Unlimited and Sears catalogue business in Ganges and works as a travel agent affiliated with a Victoria firm.

Pat Byrne, who served on the Trust with Gilbert, did not seek re-election.

Tranter said Monday she decided to enter the Trust race when the recent sale of her business allowed her the time to pursue an interest in local politics. A resident of Salt Spring since 1979, she later served as a director and as vice-chairman of the local Chamber of Commerce.

She said her business background, plus a love of the outdoors, gives her a broad understanding of what Salt Spring can and does offer to residents.

Tranter added that she would like to see the Trust practice "a little more equality in its decision-making process."

On the Outer Islands, election

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## Seawalk project given green light

Construction of a \$402,000 Ganges Harbour seawalk is expected to begin within three months.

The project, first proposed in 1981, cleared its final hurdle last week when the provincial government agreed to supply a Lottery Fund grant of \$134,000 to cover one-third of the cost of the work.

The remaining funds needed to complete the seawalk will come from private and corporate contributions, a federal government employment grant and donations

### Construction to begin in January

of labour and material.

Commitments for those funds have been secured by the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce, which received the provincial government grant and is co-ordinating the seawalk project.

Chamber president Jack Cherry said the seawalk will be "the

icing on the cream of the new Ganges . . . the last piece needed to make it a truly gracious town."

Ganges lawyer Jonathan Oldroyd, who worked with Cherry to pursue funding for the project, added that the seawalk will ensure residents enjoy full and free access to the waterfront. He also noted that the project puts

into place one more piece of a continuous pedestrian corridor that will one day extend along the waterfront and continue up the linear park proposed for the full length of Ganges Creek.

"There's no question this project is really going to make that side of town," Oldroyd said.

The seawalk will extend from the site of the proposed Cy Peck monument near Fulford-Ganges and Upper Ganges roads to the recently-completed section be-

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## Federal candidates preparing for set of face-to-face meetings

By JIM BLACK

With the federal election date less than three weeks away, all eight candidates running in the Saanich-Gulf Islands constituency are busy shaking hands and kissing babies. Over the next two weeks the hopefuls will be meeting each other face-to-face at least 10 times at all-candidates meetings set up throughout the riding.

All of the candidates said their main topic of concern for the

debates would be free trade, with environmental issues being a close second.

Pat Crofton, candidate for the Progressive Conservative Party and sitting MP for the now-defunct riding of Esquimalt-Saanich, said that he wanted to ask the other candidates "point blank" what they would offer in place of free trade.

"All of the other parties are busy attacking free trade, but what alternatives are they offer-

ing?" he said. "How are they going to ensure our markets in the south and protect jobs?" Crofton went on to say that he also hoped to discuss environmental issues and financial responsibilities of government.

Liberal candidate Katherine Clout said that she also would like to talk about financial responsibility — in particular, the proposed new value-added tax. "The government has not released any

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# Trade agreement, financial policies on agenda for candidate encounters

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details on the second part of the tax reform and they won't tell us anything about this new system until after the election," she said. Clout also said that she wanted Crofton to explain the free trade deal to the constituents present at the meetings. "I don't know if Mr. Crofton has read the agreement or not, but I have and I don't think it is good for Canada," she said.

Along with that, Clout said she would like to talk about how senior citizens would be affected by free trade and how the deal will affect the environment in Canada.

Salt Spring Island resident William Buckler is the candidate running for the Libertarian Party. Williams, who has been involved with the party for the last 10 years and is running in his first federal campaign, said he sees his goal in this race as educating the public about what Libertarianism is all about.

"Libertarianism is the opposite of communism," he said. "It would allow the maximum of social freedom with a minimum of government intervention. It would give the powers back to the individual and would drastically reduce the tax burden we now face."

Buckler said he is not against the free trade deal, if it is fair. "If it is handled properly it could be the first step towards global free trade, which my party supports," he said. The Libertarian Party is the third largest party in the United States, ranked well behind the Democrats and Republicans.

Reform Party of Canada candidate Dr. Bob Slavik said his main concern is to see a return to "true democracy" and dealing with the national debt. He said that with the concentration of power in central Canada the truly democratic government has eroded away. The Reform Party, he said, stands for a more equitable system with all regions of the country equally and fairly represented.

Slavik also said that he would like to question the NDP on their reasons for not wanting property rights put into the Charter of Rights and their proposal to nationalize the banks.

"They (the NDP) are keeping fairly quiet about their defence policy as well," he said. The NDP defence policy calls for Canada to remove itself from NATO.

Ernie Knott, long-time Communist Party of Canada candidate, is campaigning in his last federal election. He said he decided to run one last time



Pat Crofton

because he was "responding to the call to stop the Conservatives and preserve Canada."

Knott continued: "The future of our country is at stake here. This is the most important election in Canada since Confederation." Closer to home, he said his concerns were with the preservation of the environment and the quality of life.

"Pat Crofton supports the Tory right wing agenda," he said. "He says he wants to do a lot to protect the environment and yet the Tories continue to cut funding and jobs for the Ministry of the Environment. I would also like to know how he expects to protect the environment by having nuclear subs roaming around our coasts."

Knott also said he would like to see more affordable housing for seniors in Victoria and surrounding areas, as well as installing proper waste treatment facilities in towns and cities to end ocean dumping of waste products.

"We also need to do more to protect our forests," said the retired logger. "Contrary to advertising on television, the forests are in terrible shape. We need

much better regeneration programs in place," he said.

New Democrat Party candidate Lynn Hunter said she thinks the tide has turned against the Progressive Conservative Party in this election. "We are all very enthused about polls," she said. "The gloves are definitely off as far as this riding is concerned and it looks like it could be that way right across the country."

Hunter said she also believes this election could be the most important one in Canadian history. "The Conservatives have charged that anyone who is against the free trade deal is fear-mongering and yet they have spent close to \$30 million dollars on free trade propaganda trying to sell it to Canadians. While they were doing this, church groups, small business associations and the Council of Canadians have been raising their own funds to tell the public the truth," she said.

Hunter said she does not understand how Pat Crofton can say he is concerned about the environment while being the chairman of the defence committee for the purchase of nuclear submarines. "Concerns for the environment and basing nuclear submarines in Esquimalt Harbour don't seem to mix too well to me," she said.

Sannich-Gulf Islands riding also has a non-affiliated candidate. Pat Kelly, of Victoria, is running in his first federal election. He said he believes his platform is unique. "I believe we should govern responsibly, with compassion," he said. A three-step program to balance the budget and reduce the national debt are also part of his campaign. He said he would focus his campaign on things he believes in, pro-life and traditional family values.

Western Canada Concept candidate, Doug Christie, of Victoria, was unavailable for comment.

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**How many switches?**

I surely started a furore when I suggested there was but one switch in an airplane because there was but one engine. And I was backed by authority! No less than Neville Shute, the Anglo-Australian novelist with an aeronautical background embracing airships and airplanes.

I heard from Harry Pickstone, who explained that each motor had two magnetos and each magneto was switched separately. He was something triumphant because he was right!

How many times have I sat in a plane running up when the flight mechanic would check for "mag drop." He would switch off each magneto in turn and check the drop in revolutions per minute as a result of the loss of each of the magnetos. For the uninitiated (like me?) the magneto served the role now played by the coil and battery in most cars.

Lawrie Neish was there to speak up for Scottish Aeronauts. He also recalled the running up and comparison of engine speed. Incidentally, that was another once-familiar term. On Royal Air Force planes, at least, the engine speed was read from the "engine speed indicator" rather than the then-popular automobile term, "rev. counter" or the then-technical and now common "tachometer."

Colin Nicholson remembered that the older "up-and-down" switches were up for *on* and down for *off*, which was the reverse of the normal British pattern, where you press down on a toggle switch to turn the lights on. He explained in a note to me that the switch shorted out the magneto to eliminate the spark. Thus when the switch went down, it was making contact.

There were other comments from other critics.

But if an expert like Shute could be wrong, why should I hang my head in shame? So far I haven't!

**In the garden**

It was a good week as good weeks go. I climbed on the roof and attacked my moss. As a matter of fact, I also had a haircut, so let's have no smart aleck comments! I wheeled a couple yards of gravel across the lot and I did quite some gardening.

In fact, I felt so good over it all that I decided to start on cutting the trees that persist in growing between me and the water, hiding that highly taxable commodity, the view.

In no length of time I had neatly dropped about five saplings. The sixth victim of the saw brought me to my senses. There was a thorn bush against my ankle and I tried to free myself while still attacking a six-inch tree. I couldn't and I looked down to find that thorns were flying and I was standing in a nest of wasps. Maybe they were bees, who knows?

I'm too cheap to buy boots and none of my family wears the dainty footwear that I settle for. When you start running and plowing through five fallen trees, do you run and switch the saw off later? Or do you abandon the damned thing and run anyway? I staggered through waist-high foliage and when I was sure there was no swarm following me I switched off the saw.

I've still got one, half-sawn sapling standing in the garden waiting for the wasps to settle down for the winter.

I also learned that there is only one switch on the magneto of my chainsaw.

**Well-named**

For many years the name of Grace Wright was familiar to readers of *Driftwood*.

It was fitting that she would write from her retirement home on Salt Spring Island because she had been a newspaper editor in her former home community in Alberta. When she lived in Canmore, she was not only engaged in the production of the local paper, but she was an acclaimed poet.

In her retirement years it was the poetry that brought her to *Driftwood*.

Grace Wright was always quiet and at times almost apologetic for suggesting that her work might merit publication. She was, of course, equally happy that it had appeared in print.

She was well-named; she had a gentle grace which was probably the inspiration of her work.

She was one of the first contributors I met when I came to Ganges 22 years ago and one of the most faithful in the ensuing years.

Last week, at the age of 87, she died in Lady Minto Hospital

**Three  
vie for  
Trust**

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races will take place on three islands — Galiano, North Pender and Saturna — while incumbents were returned by acclamation on Mayne and South Pender Islands.

Back for terms with the Trust are Mayne's Louis Vallee and Marie Elliott, and South Pender's Stephen Wright and Elaine Jacobson. Wright is one of the Trust's two vice-chairmen.

Perhaps the largest surprise when nominations closed was the absence of Jim Campbell's name among the candidates from Saturna. Campbell, a regional district and school board veteran who was one of the Trust Council's more outspoken members, did not seek re-election.

John Money, Campbell's fellow Saturna trustee, will seek another term. Joining him in the chase for two seats on that island are Vern Beaumont, Jon Guy and Harvey Janszen.

The largest field of candidates is on Galiano, where incumbents Donald Macdonald and Arthur Woods are joined by Diane Cragg, Margaret Griffiths and Michael Sharp.

On North Pender, a three-way hunt for two seats will see incumbent Doreen York joined by Bob George and Horst Klein. Incumbent Peter Campbell declined to seek another term.

**Meeting set  
for island's  
candidates**

An all-candidates meeting for Salt Spring's school board and Island Trust hopefuls has been arranged by the Community Planning Association.

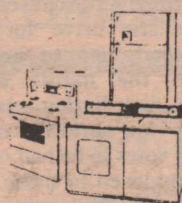
The meeting is set for next Thursday (November 10) at 7:30 pm in the Activity Centre of Salt Spring Elementary School.

Association chairman Syd Wigen said the meeting will be moderated by Gordon Sloan, and the format will see school board candidates presented first, followed by Trust candidates.

Candidates will address the meeting, then be open to questions from the floor.

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**Five seek board seats**

Five candidates are in the hunt for two Salt Spring Island seats on the Gulf Islands School District's board of trustees.

Nominations closed Monday with incumbents Bert Beitel and board chairman David Eyles joined in the race by Margaret Morris, Murray Shoolbraid and Charles Bazzard.

On the Outer Islands, meanwhile, no challengers arose for the seats for Galiano and Pender islands. Margaret Howell was acclaimed to another term as the Galiano representative, as was Joy Ridley on Pender.

Ballots for the school board election will be cast November 19.

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## Pulp mill issue demands action

If media reports of Bruce Strachan's reluctance to clamp down on pulp mill pollutants are accurate, the provincial environment minister is showing a sad lack of determination to tackle an obvious problem.

The minister has turned down a request from a coalition of consumer, environmental and labour groups to introduce legislation to "eliminate the discharge of persistent, chronic toxins . . . from B.C. pulp and paper mills," saying more studies are needed to determine the technical merit of claims of environmental harm being done by those discharges.

We find the minister's rationale curious, given the number of reputable studies done in Canada and elsewhere which show dioxins and other potentially harmful substances are being discharged into the environment by pulp mills.

At Crofton, across the water from Salt Spring, those discharges have been linked to an alarming crash in the birth rate of Great Blue Herons and to the discovery of high levels of dioxins in shellfish harvested in the area. Some Crofton residents have even questioned the role the mill's effluent has played in health problems suffered by family members.

True, the precise effect of these contaminants on the health of human beings has yet to be pinned down, but even the minister admits there is "no question we are dealing with very toxic substances." if nothing else, the potential for long-term ill effects is such that some measure of restraint in the amount of material being discharged is called for, particularly when media accounts tell us many of the mills are, in fact,

exceeding the amount of contaminants they are legally permitted to dump into the environment. We do not expect the environment minister to force the immediate elimination of any discharge of those contaminants, or even to require the mill operators to instantly adhere to revised emission

standards they may be technically unable to meet overnight. But we do expect an acknowledgement that some strategy is needed to face a potentially large problem, and that buying time by waiting for the results of yet another study is hardly the level of leadership this issue demands.

## Courting of voters missing some local spark

An odd sense of unfocused reality seems to hang over the current federal election campaign. Mentally reviewing the 10 or so federal and provincial races I've covered as a journalist, this one easily ranks as the most low-key in memory.

Let me qualify the above: what we're discussing here today is the local manifestation of the drive towards our national day of reckoning, not the Canada-wide dog and pony show involving the three leaders.

On Salt Spring, you'd hardly know a federal campaign is underway. The official openings of a few offices, a sprouting of the odd party placard, the Dr. Bob audio canvasser and a telephone

**my word**

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**by duncan macdonnell**

call from my enumerator are the only indications I've had, to date, that something is going on out there. It gets worse. Of the 10 times the eight candidates will publicly square off against each other between now and November 21, only one of those pugilistic encounters will take place here on Salt Spring. It's enough to make me weep for the closed-circuit

television rights. Speculating on the cause of this somnambulist drive for voter approval leads me to an easy conclusion: the nature of the population distribution places a necessarily low priority on the numbers of votes to be had on Salt Spring as opposed to those found on the Saanich Peninsula, hence the relative absence of candidates — and the accompanying elector-

al fervour — in our midst. Everyone's off scouting the 'burbs. That's only part of the equation, however. The other aspect is the physical nature of the riding itself. Although it's nowhere near as scattered as one of those far-flung areas with four trees, three horses and one human being per 10 square miles, Saanich-Gulf Islands does suffer from a slight sense of dislocation. You can't press all the available flesh, each and every day, when your potential voters are scattered across six major islands and a heavily-populated peninsula — and when ferry schedules habitually make it difficult to get from here to there and back again in a

single day. I can't blame anyone who wants to avoid a daily slosh and churn on the M. V. Quinsam. Given those difficulties, the local scarcity of electoral hopefuls is not the fault of the candidates. And to be fair, we should note that most of them have made the effort to visit the rock (some, like Pat Crofton and Lynn Hunter, before the election was even called) and none appeared to be treating the visits as stopping points between races for ferry connections. Still the lack of a local spark to the national campaign is a bit disconcerting. But maybe I shouldn't complain. It might be far worse to be discovered and ardently courted.

## Campaign

Sir,  
Our annual poppy campaign this year is now underway and our street canvass will start on Saturday, October 29, through to November 10.

Poppy funds are held in trust for veterans, their widows and dependants who are in need.

May we again appeal to the residents of the island to support our poppy campaign as in past years; and also to join us at the Cenotaph on November 11.

STEVE WAWRYK,  
Ganges.

## Rebuttal

Sir,  
Murray Cyprus has written a series of letters to *Driftwood*, obviously designed to discredit me at election time. I hesitate to respond to such material, but unfortunately the author is also printing "facts" about the Trust that are pure fantasy. Anyone who takes the trouble to attend Trust meetings on Salt Spring, or picks up a copy of the Trust Act, will know that.

- The General Trust is made up of the chairman and two vice-chairmen, as elected by the Trust Council of all 26 trustees.

- Each island deals with land-use decisions in open meetings on the island; such decisions are not made by the Council.

- Other "facts" that need correcting:

- All members of the Trust, including myself, have dedicated the past two years to a thorough review of the Trust system, and passed on our extensive recommendations for change to the minister of municipal affairs, and to the standing committee of the legislature that studied the Trust last year.

- I have also been a member of the committee studying incorporation for Ganges for the past two years.

Cyprus' comments lead me to believe that he has not bothered to read the extensive *Driftwood* reports of both issues.

- I have supported the open process of consultation that we have undertaken with the new owners of uninhabited James Island. I have supported the dedication of park land and public access to much of the island, which is to remain in a natural state. I gave the same encouragement to MacMillan-Bloedel, and made every effort to work out a proposal with them. Like James Island, to date we never received a written proposal to take to the public.

- Several hours before it completed the sale of its Salt Spring lands, MB verbally asked Pat Byrne and myself to support a proposal to quadruple their permitted density (from about 250 to 1,002 density units) and put that density in the Stewart Road area, above the Stowell and Weston lakes watersheds.

The potential impact to that area was potentially horrendous, and we would have been poor representatives if we committed ourselves to support such a deal without due public process (environmental analysis, public hearing prior to rezoning.) The Community Plan itself would have required changes to accommodate this proposal.

- MB never offered us the large remainder lands. They tentatively offered some watershed lands and

## letters

trail corridors. Under direct questioning they would not commit to donate the balance; it was obviously an item to be negotiated, for what price we will never know.

It is not surprising that Mr. Cyprus is taking swipes at the Trust. We have rather different goals. His goal is to make a profit by cutting down trees. Our goal is to preserve and protect our forests for everyone to enjoy. The idea of the Trust making its income by logging is ludicrous. The incentive would be to cut more trees to pay our expenses, and the mandate to preserve would quickly go out the window.

We are supporting a demonstration woodlot on Crown Land, to help landowners understand forestry techniques based on a system of sensitive eco-system management.

People are sometimes quick to criticise the Trust, based on rumour or misunderstanding. Please don't hesitate to call your trustees, and give us a chance to explain our actions. We may convince you that our actions are reasonable and defensible. If we don't then let fly the criticism.

NICK GILBERT,  
Ganges.

## Fully evolved

Sir,  
Claims that Gaia is being raped (*Driftwood*, October 12) can only evoke, in the already terribly frightened human psyche, more fear and guilt, without which an ecologically ravaging mentality would be impossible.

Rape always implies unwillingness, and Gaia, as far as I can see, is plenty willing. She is not suffering; neither does she resent our attacks upon her, which she perceives as the sorry games of children gone mad from lack of tenderness toward one another, and eminently toward her.

Improbable as this may seem, that is the conclusion I have reached after doing the obvious: asking the Lady herself. More than anything else, it seems this is what Gaia herself wants us to know with absolute certainty, because in that certainty is her well-being and our own survival assured, despite what our dismayed senses tell us about the unbelievable damage that is being done to her.

If people seek to heal themselves through means which consider the

whole person, why think that an eco-therapeutic approach which considers the whole Earth may not work for her as well?

Deeply perceptive ancient Greeks named Earth *Gaia* after their god of all living things, because they realized that the ground they walked on is the embodiment of an extremely advanced soul. In our century, mainstream biologists who have charted the rhythms of Earth's planetary metabolism have been faced for some time with the inescapable, if perplexing, conclusion that Earth is a breathing, living entity who draws unto herself all observable life-forms within our solar system.

Her green, ochre and blue fragrant curved form is, to our eyes, as large a visible expression of spiritual mastery as is the immensity of our need for the knowledge and wisdom which alone can extricate us from the impasse we are wedging ourselves into with such bewildering sophistication.

As a path of service benefiting her advanced state, it is my understanding that Gaia has joyously and deliberately undertaken to assist life-forms less evolved than herself — that includes us — in their own evolutive ascent. This is done with complete awareness of the challenges she would face in her central role as the planetary matrix of creatures so prone to cosmic mischief. Consequently, she is not sacrificing herself for our sake; sacrifice being a concept foreign to her, since it involves violence at its core.

Gaia bears us goodwill, and she knows exactly what ails her and how to heal herself. But if she is to fulfil her magnificent purpose, the return of her loveliness must be as a result of our determination to apply our personal and collective energies to being kind to her.

Since Gaia experiences no pain and sees no need to doubt her continuation for a few aeons yet, her only concern is to see us as

quickly as is compassionately possible through this difficult phase of our evolution, as individuals and as a people, that she may at last witness our radiant well-being — which is her gift to us, as we place ourselves in a position to receive it.

After all, what is a spiritual master but a fully evolved being who has permanently moved beyond the inflicting and the experiencing of pain through the discovery of unlimited access to the love we all seek, and who would apply that love to the all-consuming task of setting others free.

FRANCOIS JAUBERT,  
Beaver Point.

## Child safety

Sir,  
Saturday morning, October 22, at approximately 12:30 pm, after

doing my shopping and proceeding to my car, I could not believe my eyes — on one side of me a mother had left her baby about four months old in her car unattended while she did who knows what.

Then, on the other side, a very lovable two-year-old was also left unattended in a car. At two a child is very curious and he or she was hanging out of the window and almost fell out.

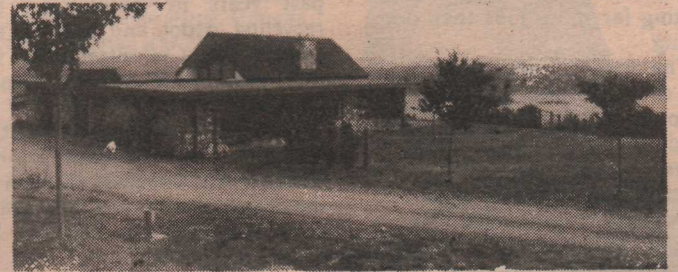
I ask you: is it that much trouble to take the time and take your baby out of its car seat — is it that much trouble to take your two-year-old out of the car and let it hang on to your hand while you go about your business.

Children are only little for a short while and time goes so quickly. Take time out for your children; show them you love and care for them. Take them with you.

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SHIRLEY BOURASSA,  
Ganges.

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## Destructive

Sir,  
One day these Gulf Islands of British Columbia will be national parks or special protected areas of Canada or Canadian heritage zones or some such designation that indicates their unique qualities.

In the meantime, more and more of us are joining activist groups like the Sierra Club, Greenpeace and the Island Watch Society; we intend to fight the destruction of the earth's environment both locally and globally with all our strength.

Some of the old industrial-agricultural practices are now seen to be outmoded, mainly on ecological grounds but also economically and aesthetically:

- Clear-cut logging (sustainable logging will always be needed as long as people value wood products);

- Monoculture farming (uses too much water, fossil fuel and pesticides and herbicides); and

- Mining.

Mining is one of the most environmentally destructive industrial practices on the planet; Buckminster Fuller, in his last book *Critical Paths*, states that recycling of metals would serve all the earth's real needs while creating far more jobs than does mining.

Why doesn't Falconbridge look into diversification or conversion to a more sustainable business that could help ensure a healthier future for us all? Why not investigate environmentally-sound activities that might not make a few people rich in the short term but could provide decent incomes and working conditions over the long haul?

Perhaps a new generation of politicians will even help such businesses to survive by giving them the "perks" that now go to older, non-sustainable technologies.

VIRGINIA NEWMAN,  
RAY NEWMAN,  
Ganges.

## Work done

Sir,  
Well, it's about time. The replacement of the outfield fence at the Fulford ballfield has finally been completed. The Salt Spring Softball Association extends heartfelt thanks to the following people for their voluntary contributions:

Advertising sales — Beth Strarrup, Pat Jacquest; fence construction — Terry Stringer, Greg Stringer, Mike McCormick, Steve Weatherby, Stew Rimmer, Chuck Alsberg, Wayne Taylor; fence painting — Brian Little, Kevin Marks.

As well, the softball association wishes to thank Windsor Plywood, Mark Hughes Tractor Service, and Kevin Marks Painting and Decorating for their involvement with the project and for the great deals on goods and services. A special thank you is due to Terry Stringer who took on much of the co-ordination of the project. (Apologies to anyone whose name might have been left off the above list.)

And thank you also to all the Salt Spring businesses and individuals who leased advertising space on the new fence and made the project possible. (You can put

your signs up now, or you can wait until spring to mount the signs on the plywood panels. The beginning of the two-year lease will be the spring of 1989. The painted plywood sheets have the name of the appropriate advertiser chalked on each panel.) Some advertising space is still available and can be leased by contacting Pat Jacquest at 537-9981.

There is still some work which has not been accomplished: the extension of the fence for Fulford 2, building of the dugouts at Fulford 2, sandblasting and painting the backstops, etc. We are challenging some of the individuals and teams who have not participated so far (Ladies' teams, can you hear me?) to become involved.

SHILO ZYLBERGOLD,  
Salt Spring Softball  
Association.

## Classification

Sir,  
I really appreciate the efforts made by the Community Society Recycle Committee, both over past years in maintaining the recycling depot and now in the current study of alternatives for the present Blackburn Road landfill.

My only objection to the proposals suggested in the October 19 letter in *Driftwood* (hidden in the real estate section) is that the disposal service should be considered as a utility such as Hydro, rather than an essential service. The outcome of this classification change would be that those who generate the garbage would pay for disposal according to amount created, rather than "the expense ... borne by the whole community."

This policy would force people to consider the volume they generate when deciding between cloth or disposable diapers, for instance.

GARY GAGNE,  
Ganges.



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Classified Section.

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Gulf Islands  
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### Better way

Sir,  
Congratulations to the Island Watch Society for organizing such an excellent public forum on our options for improved local government.

For those who attended Saturday's sessions, the reward is a much deeper and broader understanding of the political and organizational implications of what is bound to be a much-discussed issue in the coming weeks and months.

Unfortunately, we did not learn much more about the Ganges Advisory Group's latest thinking and plans for incorporation of the inner core of Ganges. There were, however, strong indications that significant differences of opinion already exist about GAG's process and intent. Given the likelihood that polarization is possible on this issue, it is hoped that GAG will take steps open to it to ensure that the genuine concerns of all Salt Spring Islanders will be respected.

Let us hope, also, that this will not be another case where the legal rights of an interest group are used to fly in the face of the public interest.

For my part, I am persuaded that it may not be necessary to recreate the wheel, after all. My impression of the views expressed by the excellent panelists present was that we should strengthen what we already have, financially and politically; that supporting administrative mechanisms could be added to existing organizational structures to accelerate day-to-day business and allow those whose mandate it is to "preserve

and protect" to take the broader view.

We should not, I think, forget that islands are not huge mainland boroughs. We should not adopt so-called "solutions" from unlike areas. It seems almost ridiculous that GAG should seek to separate itself politically from the rest of Salt Spring Island.

Hasn't the Island Watch Society pointed out, now, that there is a better way to self-determination — one that involves us all, not just a few, in a democratic process?  
LOWELL HICKS,  
Ganges.

## No panic

Sir,  
Free Trade — what's the panic? We've got 80 per cent free trade already. The remaining 20 per cent is our border that protects the east-west flow called Canada.

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RIENTS VAN GOUDOVER,  
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## Format

Sir,  
At a previous election I had the privilege of being a scrutineer. Watching the counting I was dismayed at the large number of *spoiled ballots*.

Ballots must be marked with an X by the pencil provided in the booth. No other pen, pencil or marker may be used.

You must not write *any* words on your ballot; "yes" or "no" does not count and that ballot is spoiled.

A check mark rather than an X negates your vote.

Both strokes of the X must be distinct and within the square provided. Even a small mark over the edge will spoil your vote. A sloppy X, looking similar to an "etc." sign, is not permissible.

Vote for the candidate of your choice, but make sure your vote counts.

**M. KAUFMAN,**  
Ganges.

## Hairstyles

Sir,  
My voting intentions should be crystal clear to anyone.

I'm voting Conservative this time around, that's why I'm marking my ballot for the Reform Party.

Last time I voted socialist — not intentionally, mind you. It's just that they were calling themselves Conservatives at the time.

Anyway, as a thinking person and after weighing all the pros and cons of the Meech Lake Accord, the Trade Agreement, the federal deficit and Canada's immigration policy I've decided I can't bring myself to vote for a prime minister whose coiffure outdoes that of his wife.

**KENNETH C. GARNER,**  
Vancouver.

## Updates

Sir,  
Islanders will soon receive a pamphlet on pollution solutions, researched by members of local groups and illustrated by local artists. It will pin down the problems and solutions to environmental issues.

The pamphlet is being mailed to 1,800 English and 350 French groups in the Canadian Environment Network for the purpose of raising awareness of what we as consumers can do, and to influence politicians before the election.

The pamphlet is meant to offer common sense solutions: some of the issues are pretty challenging.

As you are probably aware, the environment has become the number one election issue in national polls, yet the party leaders spent a total of maybe one and a half minutes discussing it during their recent three-hour debate!

The Pulp Pollution Coalition just held a press conference in Vancouver to coincide with the three day meeting of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association. The coalition pointed out that 2.5 million cubic metres of effluents are released from the 21 B.C. pulp mills every day, and that none of the 11 coastal mills in B.C. provides adequate treatment of these wastes before discharging them directly into our coastal waters.

Spokesman Boyanowsky, a director of the Steelhead Society of B.C., said: "Studies are fine, but responsible corporate citizenship requires immediate action to eliminate organochlorines from pulp mills. Pulp profits are at record levels, so now is the time for companies to act."

Renate Kroesa from Greenpeace displayed juice containers, diapers and coffee filters and magazines she recently brought back from Sweden, a country

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which plans to be completely dioxin-free in a year.

She said: "There is no reason our Canadian companies couldn't produce organochlorine-free products for the Canadian and world market for healthy paper products."

Ada Brown of the Consumers Association said: "We want the pulp industry to know that there is a potentially huge market for organochlorine-free paper products."

**SUE HISCOCKS,**  
Ganges.

## Thank you

Sir,  
The Salt Spring Island Pre-School would like to offer its belated but very warm thanks to everyone who supported us through the purchase of raffle tickets for our handmade quilt and lamb.

The draw was made at the Fall Fair and the quilt was won by Marg Haddow. The lamb was won by Wendy McDonald of Victoria.

Special thanks to Susan McNair of Sooz Fabric Store who displayed the quilt in her store throughout the summer and who assisted in the sale of raffle tickets. All proceeds of the raffle are being used to purchase equipment for the pre-school.

**LINDA ADAMS,**  
Ganges.

## Creativity

Sir,  
I saw a cartoon recently which portrayed a girl and boy walking past a school as the girl said: "Today I learned not to sing or talk when I feel like it, and to sit still, spell 'cat' and count to 10 when I don't feel like it."

This cartoon communicates the source of much malaise in our society today. The drop-out syndrome in our schools, alcohol and drug abuse, vandalism, welfare state apathy, workaholicism, rape and child abuse are all symptoms of this fundamental disease. There is no single "cause," but we do need to examine how we are propagating these problems.

Our schools — which should be supporting people in developing personal flexibility, creativity and autonomy — turn out sanitized, twisted, frustrated, addicted misfits, torn apart by conflicting tensions, lacking motivation, dependent on others for approval, and frequently suicidal.

The school system accomplishes this not through any ill will on the part of teachers or administrators, but because of the fundamental, ridiculous premise that students must be made to conform to the school system, rather than the school system conforming to the needs of students. The result is a wave of destructive anarchy and frustrated addiction. We attack the symptoms, but since we fail to

appreciate causes, our actions are like band-aids holding together a rapidly deteriorating carcass.

There have been improvements in the school system in recent years, but not enough to keep up with the times. The key word here is not "permissiveness," which some people find distasteful, but *consideration* of the needs of individuals in an evolving society.

One of our most basic needs is to feel what is right for us. When this need is repressed in any way, such as by compulsory rote learning, we endanger our ability to say *no* when someone touches us in a way that we don't like, or offers us a substance which we don't want to take. The reason for this is simple: we are led to believe that we don't have the right to say *no*. This generates endless resentment, and conscious and unconscious defiance and sabotage, as Freud demonstrated very clearly.

We continually harp about the need to crack down on substance abuse, but we are a nation of addicts. Some addictions are socially acceptable, while others are not, but no amount of scapegoating is going to make our addictions disappear. For lasting relief, look deeper.

Only a fundamental change in our society, towards greater fulfilment and satisfaction for everyone, will solve this problem; without such a change, we are headed down the tube. Which brings us back to the education system.

Here are some suggestions from a recent Explorers' Think Tank of the Greater Victoria school board: "the end of grades, classrooms, and nine-to-three school days is looming; emphasis on learning for all ages at different times of the day in a myriad of subjects in unstructured learning centres will likely replace them."

"Education is becoming a life-long experience as people keep re-entering school to hone skills and add new ones. That means schools have to adapt to receive students other than children, and at flexible hours. The emphasis has to be a change from teaching by rote, such as multiplication tables, to instilling a desire to learn at different levels."

A recent article on *The Magical Child* goes even farther: "It is a short step from the point of realizing that children deserve a degree of respect for what they are as children to realizing that some of their own 'self teaching' methods are more effective than teaching methods imposed on them by the school system."

We all have an innate drive to learn new things in an enjoyable

way, which is exhibited by every child who is allowed to find his or her balance in a loving atmosphere. If this drive is not

frustrated, as in the cartoon described at the beginning of this letter, motivation is ample and each one of us has the potential to be a genius. Can you imagine what can be accomplished by a society based on creative genius?

**SEAMAS MANLY,**  
Ganges, B.C.

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# Total elimination of toxins an unreasonable aim

By DIETRICH LUTH

This writer had the pleasure of attending the 1988 environmental conference of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association, held in Vancouver from October 25 to 27.

The conference dealt mainly with the problems of understanding the formation of deadly toxins such as dioxins, furans, phenols and other organo-chlorines. It was also concerned with the problems of detoxifying effluents and air discharges, and reported on the progress made in those areas since the international pulp bleaching conference held in Florida in June.

Things are moving rapidly in pollution diagnosis and control, although not as fast as the public would like. It serves neither the industry nor the public for expectations, in areas of pollution control like dioxins, to be raised beyond a realistically attainable level.

Although an article on the conference in the October 27 Vancouver *Sun* gives the impression, in part, that a solution in dioxin pollution is a reasonable expectation, such is not the case. At best, we can hope for a reduction in the effluents and paper products — but not their total elimination.

For instance, a switch from bleached to unbleached paper products could reduce dioxin contamination by two-thirds, but the last one-third will be hard to remove and may well have to be lived with for some time to come — even if all chlorine bleaching is eliminated and new oil-based defoamers used. This is a problem common to contaminant control, when such poisons have a multiplicity of sources.

This writer felt suitably humbled by the extreme complexity of the analytical picture, by the difficulty of proving along what pathways the contaminants are travelling, and by the process of establishing how they are generated in the first place.

So, let's not look for quick solutions. Let's set realistic goals for ourselves, because there are some, and because there are as many other pollutants besides dioxins and furans that we must also beware of.

Along with the pollutants, we

must examine our lifestyles and the philosophy behind them, including the marketing philosophy of the industry. If Peter Wrist is quoted correctly in the *Sun* article, as saying that "the Canadian industry produces what the market wants," he is talking tripe.

You may as well say the consumer has no choice but to buy what is there. If that means three times as many dioxins in his morning cup of coffee as is otherwise possible, then the statement is a cop-out.

The same holds true for milk cartons and all other paper products, because water leaches the bleach residues out. Hopefully, a

## Two charges laid for driving while impaired

Two men face separate charges of impaired driving after local police apprehended them October 22.

A New Westminster man was charged after police stopped him in a routine vehicle check on North End Road at approximately 6 pm.

Close to six hours later, police apprehended a local man near the Harbour House Hotel. A subsequent breathalyzer test resulted in an impaired driving charge being laid.

Both men are scheduled to appear in Ganges provincial court December 13.

In other police matters, local RCMP are investigating a hit and run accident in the Harbour House parking lot during the night of October 29.

The incident, reported by Daryl Little, occurred between 11 pm and 1 am and caused approximately \$250 in damage to Little's vehicle.

Police are continuing their investigation into a report of wilful damage to a local riding ring.

Lyn Denton, operator of the Stewart Road horse riding ring, told police someone drove through the gate and around the ring, tearing up the earth and damaging jump apparatus.

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time will come when no producer can hide behind such an abstraction as the marketplace.

There are other areas where improvements by the industry are possible. One of them is to avoid running machinery and production processes beyond their design capacity.

This point was clearly stated in the one-day seminar on chemi-thermo-mechanical pulping pro-

cesses, and in the attendant discussion of sludge treatment and detoxification.

Some of these processes, especially biological ones, break down or are severely stressed when production is pushed or exceeds the design limits of the system. In other cases, treatment processes are not installed because the mill in question is only marginally profitable and can use its lack of profitability as a plea for environmental foot-dragging.

Notwithstanding the delinquent cases where anything from bad design to the exceeding of design limits to just plain dumb ways of operating the treatment

systems, there are many instances where the systems work well and the firms are to be commended for having them installed.

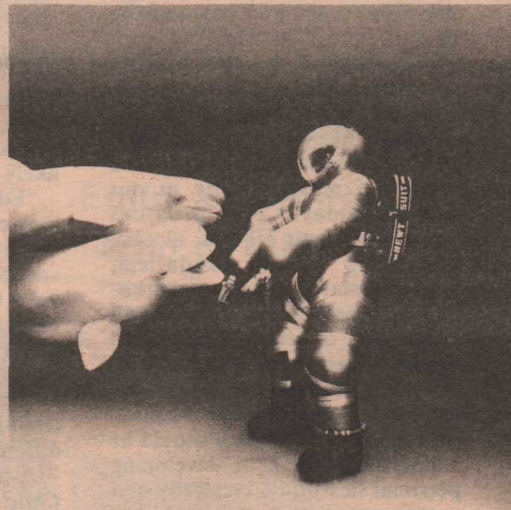
The Crofton activated sludge system on its chemi-thermo-mechanical pulping system is such an example. In comparison to some of the other systems under review at the seminar, it looked very good. It is also the most expensive form of treatment.

Ganges resident Dietrich Luth is a member of the local chapter of the Sierra Club.

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## Checkpoints clamping down on Salt Spring's motorists

Members of the Duncan highway patrol travelled to Salt Spring Island last week, handing out 32 tickets and an additional 30 traffic notices.

The intensive, day-long crack-down on Salt Spring drivers and vehicles coincides with a local thrust to get violators to change their driving habits. Ganges RCMP issued a total of 115 tickets in October.

The most frequent ticket handed out locally by the Duncan highway patrol was for seat-belt

violations. The fine for not wearing a seat belt is \$35.

The 30 traffic notices were issued to individuals driving defective vehicles.

The 115 charges laid in the last month by local RCMP covered infractions like speeding, disobeying stop signs and speeding in a school zone.

Local police expect to have a vehicle inspector on the island towards the end of November. While the date has not been set, RCMP will announce it shortly.

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# Playground group finalizes proposal

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Larger children can swing to great heights on one swing set and toddlers can either play on another set, designed especially for them, slip down the mound slide or jump on the spring apparatus.

Plans for the new Centennial Park playground, designed by Parents for Playgrounds, has met with approval from all sides, and construction is scheduled to get underway in the next few weeks.

Group spokesman Sheila Sayer said the new, scaled-down version of the playground, which will feature a play ship among other facilities, meets safety requirements as well as concerns raised by the Park and Recreation Commission.

"It's a great concept," she said.

The plan, which has received approval in principle plus \$2,000 from the Park and Recreation Commission, has been scaled down to avoid removal of any trees and allow for a continued harbour view from the playground area. The new plan does not separate the playground from the rest of the park through use of a ground cover, as was originally intended.

Once completed, the playground will feature a nine-foot high by 18-foot long play ship. The area around the play ship (20 by 30 feet) will be dug out and filled with pea gravel, to prevent injury from any falls off the ship. The ship will be constructed

around a wheelhouse base, and offer a spiral slide, cargo climbing net, portholes at the bottom, ramps and a play deck. A galley and table area is planned for inside the wheel house to allow for "dramatic play."

The playground plan also calls for a mound or hill slide, toddler swing set, and spring ride for younger children. The present swing set will be relocated within the playground for continued use, and the glider horse will remain where it is now.

Excavation of the play ship and two swing set areas (to allow for pea gravel installation) will be the first step undertaken by Parents for Playgrounds. All the group is waiting for, Sayer said, is confirmation of access to one of two potential wheelhouses.

Once the excavation is completed, the group will have the swings relocated and work towards completing the plan as money becomes available.

Sayer said the group presently has enough money to move the swing set, build the mound slide and set up the toddler swings. Other items, such as the spiral slide on the play ship (which alone will cost \$2,000) and the spring ride apparatus, will be added to the playground at a later date.

Approximately 30 people form the core of the Parents for Playground group. Sayer hopes others in the community — i.e., parents and grandparents — will volunteer labour or materials towards creation of the playground. She said a work bee will be arranged in Centennial Park once a wheelhouse has been obtained.



Remember, remember,  
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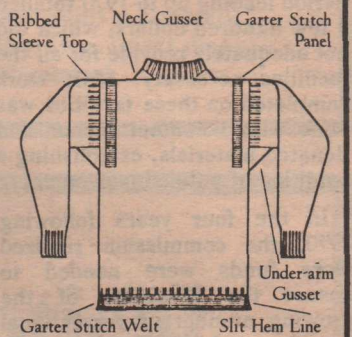


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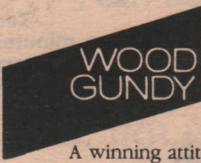
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# Recreational commission seeks budget increase

By SUSAN DICKER

The Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission has come a long way since its birth in 1961, when it "assisted in the formation" of recreational programs and operated on a \$300 budget.

Today the commission is responsible for several island parks and co-ordinates and operates numerous recreational programs. Administratively, it is broken down into committees responsible for sports, fields, Mahon Hall, Centennial Park, park and trail accesses, and the provision of grants. In 1988, the commission worked with a budget that exceeded \$100,000.

As the commission looks to fulfill a mandate of "constructing, equipping, operating and maintaining recreational facilities," as well as "organizing and conducting recreational programs" in a quickly-growing community, it will ask taxpayers in November to provide an additional \$48,000 for next year's budget.

Local taxpayers will vote on a proposed 1.5 mil increase for parks and recreation in a referendum to be held November 19.

The commission, established as the SSI Recreation Commission on February 9, 1961, took responsibility for assisting in the formation of programs such as swimming lessons, tennis, children's golf lessons, ladies softball and roller hockey. It looked after beach access and took some responsibility for Centennial Park. Peter Arnell Park was established as a tribute to Peter Arnell, who had served "enthusiastically" on the commission.

The annual budgets in the period leading up to 1970 totalled a few hundred dollars, which did not adequately provide for all the facilities necessary. Most work completed on these facilities was done with volunteer labour and donated materials, establishing a tradition of public involvement.

In the four years following 1970, the commission realized more funds were needed to ensure the "viability of the growing number of recreational programs." In 1971, the commission requested and received additional funds through an 0.1 mil

## November referendum to decide funding question

grant. The annual budget increased from \$300 to \$3,000 and then grew to about \$12,000 by 1974.

The commission acquired responsibilities for the school fields, Portlock Park, Drummond Park and the Fulford playing fields, and assistance was given to the Trail and Nature Club, the Equestrian Riding Club, Girl Guides, Public Library Association, Community Arts Council and the Sailing Club.

The commission's expanded budget led to an increase in management tasks, including a need for formal reports on facilities maintenance and development. The various committees were thus established.

Towards the end of this period,

**"Annual budgets have not allowed the commission to take on new responsibilities."**

the commission requested a further 0.5 mil allocation to cover a new trail system (provided through a government grant), among other items.

The annual budget for 1975 was approximately \$24,000. This amount increased progressively to the 1979 budget, which totalled close to \$59,000.

During these four years, the commission spent considerable time investigating a proposed recreation complex for the island. In 1977 the commission became subordinated to the Capital Regional District (CRD) and was reborn as the SSI Parks and Recreation Commission.

The CRD acquired control over Portlock Park through the provision of a one-time 2.5 mil grant which amounted to \$66,000 and provided for development of the

park. Mahon Hall was acquired on a lease basis in 1979.

In the four years following 1980, the commission's annual budget increased to \$68,000.

The proposal for a recreation centre was defeated in 1980. A proposal to develop the 40-acre parkland along Cusheon Lake was abandoned in 1981, raised again in 1983 and abandoned in 1984.

The commission considered building a swimming pool as an alternative to the larger complex; however, the proposal was defeated in referendum last year. The commission also studied in detail the establishment of a full-time recreation director: something it hopes to implement should the public approve the increased tax rate in the November referendum.

A plan for improvements to Centennial Park was reviewed and approved in 1985. Much of the work was completed through volunteer labour in 1986, and under the provincial government's Job-Trac program in 1987-88. A new lease to the CRD in the mid-1980s allowed for continuance of the Farmers' Market in Centennial Park.

Aquisitions in the early 1980s included Harrison Park, which was obtained and cleared in 1983, and two acres in Fulford on which tennis courts were built.

The commission's total tax revenue for 1985 was \$68,360. For 1988 the budget was set at \$93,530. In spite of the increases in available funds, the commission still cannot meet its growing responsibilities.

As noted by Glenn Woodley — who served on the commission for 15 years and retired from it in 1986 — funding in the commission's earlier years allowed for growth and development. More recently, however, annual budgets have not allowed the commission to take on new responsibilities. Instead, it has been kept busy attempting to fund its present facilities and programs,

and in the last year has not even been able to do that.

Woodley noted that the traditional use of volunteer labour is no longer viable, due to constant growth. For example, he said, when only 20 children took swimming lessons, it was easy for a parent to collect the fees and handle registration. The situation

has changed now that over 200 children register for the same programs.

Woodley believes the increased funding is "very much needed."

If the commission's bid for additional funds is approved by the community, the group intends to employ a program director, meet its responsibilities in the operation and maintenance of properties and equipment, develop further programs and acquire parkland and fields for community use.

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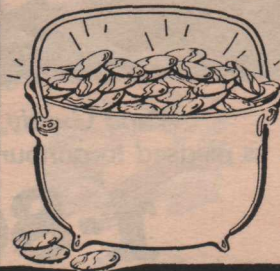
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Dal Seymour, Cynthia Jaster

## Ex-island resident married in Burnaby

On July 2, 1988, Dal Seymour and Cynthia (*nee* Jaster) were married in Burnaby. A former Salt Spring resident, Dal is the son of Ron and Barbara Seymour, who still live on the island.

The ceremony was conducted at the couple's home church, Calvary Community Church in Burnaby.

The bride wore a long white satin gown with short puffy sleeves. There was lace work with sequins and pearls to complement the look with a long ruffled train.

Her three attendants wore accenting pink satin dresses and the flower girl was in white lace and pink bows.

The groom was dressed in a black tuxedo and tails, as were the groomsmen and ring-bearer, who also had pink bow ties and cummerbunds.

Following the wedding, a reception was held at the Trendell Lounge at St. John's Shaughnessy Church in Vancouver.

After a honeymoon on Vancouver Island, the couple settled in Burnaby.

# Salt Spring group attends hospital auxiliaries meeting

Eleven members of the Auxiliary to Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital travelled to Port Alberni recently to participate in a B.C. Association of Hospital Auxiliaries conference.

The event, hosted by the Auxiliary to the West Coast Hospital, took place October 13.

The trip began October 12 with an extensive tour of Port Alberni, followed by a wine and cheese party.

The conference began the next morning with a welcome from the Mayor of Port Alberni. Convenor Maureen McKinnon conducted a short business meeting and introduced BCHA president Dorothy Cheyne, who spoke on good and bad leadership qualities.

Retiring area representative Elsie McGillivry spoke about her travels and experiences in the area. Christine Konig was elected area representative for the coming year.

Following a coffee break, Eleanor Garner presented a humorous account of her early experience as the first Registered Nurse hired at the somewhat primitive hospital in 1932. Garner celebrated her 80th birthday at the conference.

Next on the agenda were Nita Jack and Sharon Fedirchuck who both stressed the role of auxiliaries in sharing and caring.

After a well-received luncheon, plastic surgeon Dr. Richard Warren, gave a "vivid" talk, complete with pictures, on the strides taken in his profession. He noted that sometimes, even the simplest of operations can change the lives of patients.

Government counsellor Don Cochrane gave a "dynamic" speech on the subject of counselling alcoholic teenagers and drug addicts. He said present methods

will have to be reversed, and pressure placed on addicts to help themselves in more positive ways.

The conference adjourned and Gulf Islands members made their way back in time to catch the 5:30 pm ferry home from Crofton.

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## Morgan, Warman top field at annual bridge luncheon

The IODE held its annual bridge luncheon on Friday, October 21, in the hall of St. George's Church. Tables were decorated with fall flowers, fruits and vegetables. Tastes were catered to with dishes of salads, quiches, meat, fish and assorted casseroles. A variety of desserts and coffee ended the meal, which was prepared and donated by IODE members.

The games began at 1 pm. Bridge tables were full. For a tense moment, partners eyed

each other, then bids were underway. Betty Lou Morgan and Pat Warman topped the rounds with a score of 3,660; Dorothy Robertson and Dorothy McCann had 1,500; Marg Frattinger and Kay Booth were third with 990.

To cap the affair, a cake made by Margaret Howell was offered in a draw. It was won by Margery Bennett.

The next IODE meeting will be held November 4 at 2 pm in the United Church Hall. Remembrance Day participation will be on the agenda.

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Lori Lynne MacKinnon, Trevor John Tamboline

## Afternoon wedding joins MacKinnon, Tamboline

In a ceremony held August 27, 1988, at Ryerson United Church in Vancouver, Lori Lynne MacKinnon and Trevor John Tamboline were joined in matrimony.

The bride is the daughter of Helen MacKinnon and Norman MacKinnon of Vancouver, while the groom is the son of Marilyn and Philip Tamboline of North End Road on Salt Spring.

The afternoon ceremony was conducted by Rev. Ivan Cumming. The bride wore a Victorian-style, full-length silk and satin gown featuring antique crystal beads and sequins on the bodice and a full-length train.

The bride's attendants, wearing orchid purple tea-length dresses, were her sisters, Mrs. Cheryl Allen and Mrs. Heather Wright, and friends Sandy MacAfee, Carol Roney and Marcie Lambert.

The groom's attendants, dressed in black double-breasted tuxedos and purple bow ties, were friends Tom Tranter, Glenn Sollitt, Arnie Hengstler, Bruce Hume and Derek Walker.

Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the Ramada Renaissance in Vancouver, where approximately 130 guests were hosted.

Following a honeymoon in Hawaii, the newlyweds settled in Vancouver.

# Baha'i group picks delegate to 1989 national convention

The election of a delegate from the local Baha'i community to the Baha'i national convention was held recently at the Community Centre on Salt Spring.

Baha'is from Sidney, North and Central Saanich, Paquachin Reservation and Galiano, Pender, Saturna and Salt Spring islands elected Zabilhollah Rahmation of Central Saanich to be their representative at the Canadian national

convention to be held in Quebec in April, 1989.

Delegates to that convention will have the responsibility of electing the nine members of the National Spiritual Assembly, the administrative body of the Baha'i faith in Canada.

Those nine members, in turn, will join with the elected members of national assemblies from all over the world when they meet

in Haifa, the seat of the World Order of Baha'u'llah, to elect the nine members of the Universal House of Justice, the supreme administrative body.

"Thus, with their vote local Baha'is participated in a democratic system of government which was instituted by the founders of the Baha'i faith and is a major characteristic of their world order," the group said.

## Golfers wind up season

By ANN LOUISE McALLISTER

On Tuesday, October 26, the two ladies' groups — nine and 18 holes — shared a golf scramble which was their final organized golf event of the 1988 season.

Winners, with scores of 47.75, were Connie Broadbent, Alice Brown, Ruth Grant and Leona Ealde. Runners-up, with 49.25, were Barbara McGuire, Lois Popkin-Clurman, Vivian Storr and Mona Coulter.

Ladies celebrated the close of the season with a luncheon following their game. It was agreed that those wishing to continue playing will meet at the golf club at 10 am on Tuesdays.

On October 27, the men played the last of their games scheduled for the 1988 season. Low net honours went to Tom Butt at 64, followed by Reg Winstone at 66, Walt Turnbull at 67, and Nester Wilkie and Bill Bills at 68. Jack Dosco and Glenn Hewitson finished at 71, and Mac Mouat posted a score of 72.

Play will continue each Thursday as long as the weather will allow. Sign-up sheets will be posted on Tuesday for the next week's draw.



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**country gourmet**

by john edwards



See, even now the distant chimneys are smoking  
And down the mountain's walls the fleeting shadows run  
So come with me and spend the night  
Upon a bed of mellow leaves,  
We'll feast on chestnuts and scarlet apples,  
New wine and an abundance of cheese.

Without cheese the world would be incomplete, bland and predictable. France would not exist. J.L. Kraft would have gone into real estate and Stevenson's Ben Gunn wouldn't have gone mad.

The history of cheese is probably as old as is our domestication of cattle, sheep and goats. The Celts and the Romans also made cheese from the drained curds of surplus milk. Many fermented cheeses, like the English Cheshire and the French Brie, had classical precedents, as do our herbed cheeses.

In Europe, where local culinary traditions persist, and indeed make money for farmers who promote the individual tastes of their products to the rest of the envious, homogenized world, the number of kinds of cheeses, like wines, is legion.

Larousse, whose interest in food is somewhat limited by the boundaries of modern Gaul, boasts that 400 different kinds of cheese are made in France alone. I don't doubt it for a moment and I intend to nibble as many of them as possible before my time is up in the kitchen.

**Praised for its qualities**

The fact is, however, that similar claims can be made for Italy and Greece, whose written culinary histories extend back to the time when France had not yet been invented by Julius Caesar.

But even Pliny, an Italian to the end of his nose, has to admit, reluctantly, the excellence of cheeses from what eventually became a region of France.

"In the city of Rome where the worth of all goods produced by all races in the Provinces is judged at first hand, the cheese held in greatest esteem is made by the villages of La Lozere and Gevaudan in the district of Nismes."

In the old days food writers also praised cheese for its salubrious qualities and they usually gave as proof the example of Zoroaster, the prophet, who lived in the desert for 20 years without suffering from old age because he ate cheese steeped in vinegar and thyme!

Everyone has a favourite cheese. Some of mine are Switzerland's well-mannered Gruyeres, Canada's ubiquitous and reliable Cheddars, England's Old Etonian Stiltons, Holland's sturdy, Calvinist Goudas, France's soft and yielding Camemberts and Italy's tremendous Gorgonzolas.

In our cookery, cheese is a double blessing. In addition to the provocative and lively tastes which cheeses possess on their own, they also have the ability to enhance the flavours of ordinary vegetables, fish and meats and to make them better than they might otherwise be.

**A sleepy cod fillet**

A herbed cheese sauce will wake up a sleepy cod fillet with alacrity and a Wensleydale and chive sauce poured over steamed broccoli commands attention from all but the most jaded and cynical refugees from McDonald's.

One of my favourite ways to use two different kinds in the same dish is to make scalloped potatoes with alternating layers of herbed cheddar and farmer's white. Garnish the top with a layer of sliced mushrooms and leeks. Marvellous!

A bottle of indifferent wine taken with a fistful of noble cheese will taste much better than it should, as many lovers have found out. Perhaps those famous lines in the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam need an extra phrase.

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An exciting way to serve cheese is as an hors-d'oeuvre, with, of course, a glass of wine. The balance of tastes in the following recipe between the honey, the herbs, and the fish-pickle, is quite remarkable.

**HONEYED CHEESE HORS-D'OEUVRES**

- 1 C Edam, Gouda, Farmer's or Wensleydale
- 2 T clear honey
- 2 T fish-pickle
- 1/2 t ground pepper

Sweeten the coarsely-grated cheese with honey. Season with fish-pickle and pepper. Chill and serve on squares of crisp bread or crackers.

**FISH-PICKLE**

- 3 ounces, drained and washed, canned tuna or salmon, or unsalted sardines, or anchovies
- 1 T white wine
- 1 T white wine vinegar
- 1 T olive oil
- 1 small clove of garlic, crushed
- 1/4 t black pepper
- 3 t parsley
- 1/2 t rosemary
- 1/4 t sage
- 2 t onion, finely chopped
- 1 mint leaf, finely chopped
- pinch of basil

Combine all the ingredients in a mixing bowl. Store the fish-pickle in the refrigerator. Use as a seasoning with fish and meat dishes and as an hors-d'oeuvres spread on crackers or toast fingers.

**'World Vision' extends thanks for donations from Salt Spring**

World Vision associate Norman Collet has extended a thank you to the many Salt Spring Islanders who have contributed to the World Vision "Love-Loaf" campaign.

nickles, dimes and quarters dropped into the Love-Loaf collection boxes really add up . . . an average of over \$100 each month."

World Vision Thanksgiving campaign is aiding victims of flooding in Bangladesh.

Collett also extended thanks to Breadwinners, Embe, Fernwood Store, The Haircutting Place, The Trading Company, Topsy's, Village Cobbler and Ganges Village Market for allowing the Love-Loaves to sit by the tills.

"Your contributions over the past eight months have been terrific," Collett said. "All those

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**bridge report**

Gulf Islands Bridge Club winners on October 24 were:

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• (EAST-WEST) Bunny Jordan and Helen Shandro; Isabelle Richardson and Jean Herring; Lois Popkin-Curman and Peter Jacquest.

Winners on October 25 were:

• (NORTH-SOUTH) Isabelle Richardson and Helen Shandro; Blanche Paborsa and Peter Jacquest; Jim Bradford and Conhor Hunt.

• (EAST-WEST) Pat and Clarence Warman; Fred Struve and Jim Burford; Irene Hawksworth and Gordon Hutton.



**Campaign**

Legion member Edie Gear pins poppy to lapel of Ingrid Castro's jacket. Poppy distribution is part of Remembrance Day Poppy Campaign. Funds raised in the campaign go toward various Legion-sponsored activities.

**Fulford students to assist Hurricane Gilbert victims**

Fulford Elementary School students are staging a benefit concert to help their counterparts on a small island off Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula.

During Hurricane Gilbert, a 20-foot-high wave struck six-mile-long Isla Mujeres, which is almost all lowland. Villagers in the north of the island were evacuated to high ground and later saw most of their buildings and fishing boats destroyed or extensively damaged.

Fulford School's Parents Group later contacted the Mexican consulate and the Red Cross in Mexico City to find out what was most needed on Isla Mujeres. Funds for new roofs have been supplied, but school and hospital supplies were lost, they were told.

Money collected at the November 5 benefit planned for Fulford School will be used to buy supplies and send them, through the Red Cross, to Isla Mujeres.

Residents of the Mexican island receive their livelihood

from tourism and fishing — two industries severely damaged by the hurricane. However, reconstruction is proceeding, and power and water supplies have just been restored, the Parents Group has learned.

Fulford students are now preparing decorations for the gymnasium — including a pinata — in preparation for the November 5 benefit, which will feature entertainer Fran Avni. Kindergarten students are learning a song to sing with Avni, a well-seasoned performer, singer-songwriter and producer whose latest album, *Artichokes and Brussel Sprouts*, has received high praise from the CBC.

The kindergartens on Isla Mujeres are called Tlaloc and Maria Enriqueta Camerio y Roa. They need puzzles, crayons and all manner of kindergarten supplies.

The Fulford School benefit will also feature burritos and bargain-priced home-baked goods after the concert has been completed. Start time is 3 pm.

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# OAPO marks years

By HILDA GRAHAM

Members of Ganges Branch 32 of the OAPO celebrated the organization's 30th anniversary on October 12 with a potluck luncheon at Central Hall. Approximately 75 people attended.

The celebration started with grace, said by Margaret Cunningham. After a delightful lunch, Mabel Holtby made introductions, assisted by Joan Hayward, a member since 1960. Mrs. Hayward was made a life member in 1975 and is an active member of the Central Hall committee.

Dorothy Sloan read a poem about getting old.

Mable Clark, 89, spoke on the games, the fun times and ideas members had for raising money in the 1970s. Ninety-year-old Ethel Claibourne described a mock wedding staged in 1969, when she and her late husband Sidney were the bride and groom.

Walter Bridgen, modelling his Pearly Jacket with 1,227 hand-sewn pearl buttons, told an amusing story about putting up stovepipes.

Eva St. Onge, 97, read a poem she wrote in 1936 while living in Alaska, where she and her husband had a trap line.

Gladys Slingsby read a poem about the trials and tribulations of being a tourist.

Hilda Graham read excerpts from a scrapbook about the beginnings of Branch 32. She also read a poem by the late Elsie Thacker, who was secretary-treasurer and past-president of the group for over 20 years.

Joan Hayward played a game members used to play in the 1960s called *sock it to me*.

Walter Clarke and Dave McRoberts (a life member) were honoured for a job well done over the many years of setting up the hall and providing any other help needed.

Gladys Harper thanked everyone for coming and helping to make the anniversary such a happy occasion. Cy Sloan — vice-president — was master of ceremonies for the event.

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# Fieldmouse Gallery show features Town artworks



Watercolours featuring domestic and wild "Country Impressions" by local artist Adrien Town will be displayed at the Fieldmouse Gallery for the next two weeks.

The show marks two firsts for the Salt Spring Island artist. Town, who is well-known for her oil paintings, will be showing a selection of watercolours for the first time. The two-week event is also Town's first showing of animal paintings.

In her creations, Town said she has attempted to capture the "feeling" and the "essence" of her animal subjects. The paintings are impressionistic, not detailed like a photographic image, she said.

Town's collection, which includes paintings of an owl, eagle, peacock, horses and chickens, range in size and price. Her smaller, five-by-seven inch paintings typically sell for \$25 to \$30. Full-size paintings go for up to \$400.

Town will be painting daily at the show between 1 and 3 pm. She will be available to answer questions and provide demonstrations at that time.

The show, which opened yesterday (November 1) with refreshments, will run until November 14. The Fieldmouse Gallery is located at 185 Arbutus Road (Southey Point) and open between the hours of 10 am and 3 pm.



Adrien Town with sample of work

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There is no doubt about it. When it comes to music, the capacity for understanding what is really going on has never been placed within my comfortable arms' length. As a child our family possessed no musical instruments and I can recall the derision my father heaped on others for wasteful indulgence in acoustical pursuits.

In spite of this he enjoyed certain recorded classical piano concertos and male operatic arias, usually of the more vigorous machismo or even romantic style.

My musical education, like his and probably like most of us, is modest and self taught. Gradually, over the years, I have collected unusual recordings and the odd play-thing. The most recent acquisition is a used Yamaha electric piano, aboard which my 11-year-old daughter is beginning her first "real" music lessons. Peering over her shoulder has so far taught me where middle C is, where to place my hands and how to play *Yankee Doodle*.

I have an abiding, dilettantish curiosity about music which leads me to write down the credits for interesting musical pieces I hear on the radio, with the hope of one day stumbling upon the same in some record store.

It was this same interest which, a few months ago, led me to purchase an intriguing plastic envelope containing the current issue of *Musicworks*, *The Canadian Journal of Sound Exploration*.

**Exotic things with sound**

Accompanying each journal is a cassette tape, which is about as aggravating as those books in the bookstore which are wrapped in plastic with no display copy to inspect. So I bit the bullet and bought it on spec.

The short of it is that there are people out there who are doing wonderful exotic things with sound to which we have only the most remote access through unconventional publications such as this, and almost non-existent access through conventional media.

The text of the journal attempts to explain the *raison d'etre* of each recording, without which the listener in some cases could be consigned to permanent residence in a fog bank. In other cases, the material is perfectly accessible in an immediate sense.

One of the latter is a piece by Andrew Timar who is a composer and musician who has an ongoing concern with the music of non-western and non-human cultures. His work for *Gamelan Degung* (a bell-toned Javanese percussion instrument) displays "deconstructivist mapping of style, cultural traditions and direct quotes". You can read this as a "vigilant reaction against over-control and a "positive technique for affronting every normal and comfortable habit of thought."

This sounds raunchy but in fact the music on the tape is a lyrical

**In short, pilfered sounds**

and sometimes meditative borrowing from Javanese and Sudanese reference material. It is a transcultural fusion of musical ideas, utilizing among other things a melodic motif from John Cage's *Bacchanale* and Bach's 6th *Brandenburg Concerto*."

The piece is titled *Palimpsest*, referring to parchment which has been written upon twice, the original having been rubbed out. Timar "layers Euro-American stylistic elements on top of features found in Sudanese Gamelan Degung."

The tape also includes recorded found sounds by Andrew Timar of crickets and grasshoppers, and a very obtuse recording by Gordon Monahan for which he provides a detailed explanation.

Three people each swing a speaker around in a circle in a large room. Monahan dubs this helicopter style music and there's lots more to say about it but not today, folks.

The most interesting new word is "Plunderphonia", defined as a state of saturation of musical "data reconfigured cross-referentially". In short, pilfered sounds. There's lots of interesting reading on all sorts of music from jazz to folk to bizarre. You can get this publication at the Vancouver Art Gallery Shop or from the Music Gallery, 1087 Queen Street West, Toronto M6J 1H3. It's \$8.75 an issue.

**Singing session planned**

Tuned Air, Salt Spring's new community choir, is presenting a workshop on "the care and use of your voice."

Staged with the co-operation of the B.C. Choral Federation and assisted by the Community Arts Council, the workshop is to be held at Mahon Hall on Sunday, November 13, from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

Workshop fees are \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for students.

Organizers say that while the workshop is of particular interest to all singers, it will be useful as well for teachers and students of drama and public speaking.

The workshop is to be conducted by Bruce Pullan, a well-known Canadian tenor who is currently the music director of the Vancouver Bach Choir and chairman of the music department of the University of Western Washington.

Pullan has for several years worked in association with the voice clinic at Vancouver General Hospital.

Born in England, Pullan attended the Choral School of Kings College, Cambridge, under tutor Sir David Willcocks. After establishing a career as a singer in London, he emigrated to Canada in 1974 and quickly established an enviable reputation both in recital and concert appearances.

Organizers note: "Pullan teaches with a rare warmth and clarity and sense of humour that puts even the most nervous novice at ease."

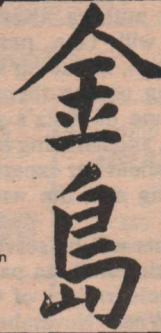
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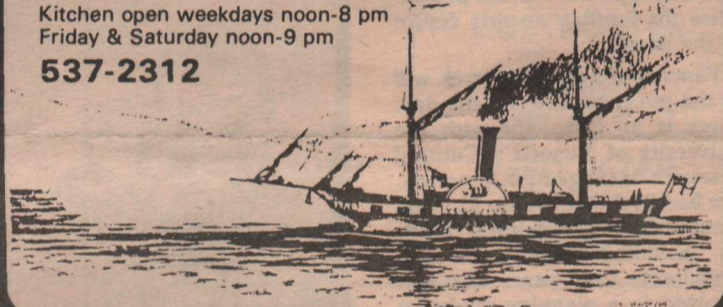
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# Young authors' workshop set for Beaver Point Hall

Welwyn Wilton Katz, an award-winning Canadian author of books for children, will visit Salt Spring on November 19 to attend a conference for young authors.

The conference is sponsored by the Gulf Islands Teachers-Librarians' Association and is open to young people (between 11 and 14 years of age) on the Gulf Islands. It will be held at the Beaver Point Hall between 12:30 pm and 3:30 pm.

Students from the Outer Islands will be brought to the conference by water taxi, organizers note. Arrangements can be made through teacher-librarians.

The conference has a \$5 registration fee.

The young authors attending the session will take part in various activities, including some drama, writing on the theme of *False Face* (one of Katz's most recent books), and listening to the author speak about her experiences with writing and the writing process.

Refreshments will be served. Katz is touring B.C. as part of the national celebrations of Children's Book Week (November 12 to 19), and is sponsored by the touring office of the Canada Council. She has written several books for young people, including

*Witchery Hill, Sun God, Moon With* — and *False Face*, which won first prize in an international fiction contest in 1987.

*False Face* concerns a false face mask of Indian origin found by two young people at critical times in both of their lives, which exerts an uncanny power unless neutralized by the two protagonists.

Katz's most recent work, published this fall, is *Third Magic*.

A previous conference for young authors, sponsored by the same group and held in the fall of 1986 with author Mary-Ellen Lang Collura, was filled to capacity and well received by local young writers.

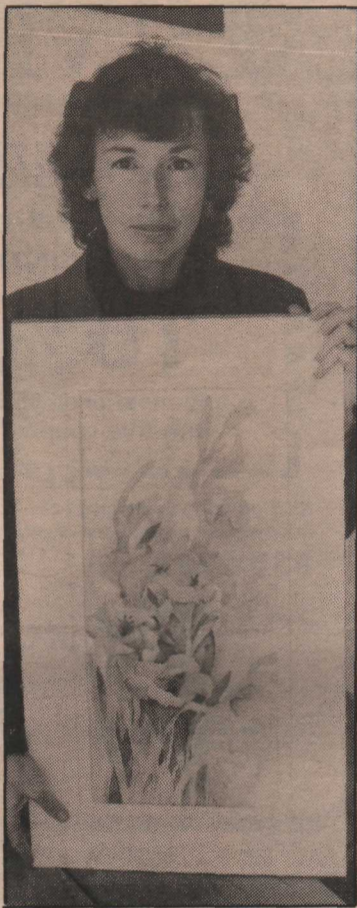
## Meeting to discuss arts centre

An information seminar on Resource Management program, the arts on Salt Spring is being staged November 5 by the Community Arts Council.

The one-day workshop, set for Off Centre Stage from 10 am to 4 pm, is designed to discuss possibilities for funding an arts centre on the island.

Vancouver's Brenda Berck will be the guest speaker for the day. Berck is an instructor with the University of Victoria's Cultural Resource Management program. Her background includes 12 years spent dealing with cultural facilities, including seven years as a consultant. Last year, she was involved in a planning study for the cultural centre in Richmond.

Organizers say the day should also be of interest to groups searching for ways to raise funds for a facility. Everyone is welcome. For information, call 537-9606.



Judi Borbas

## Painters ready for show, sale

Members of the Painters Guild will present creations marked by versatility and variety at the pre-Christmas Guild sale at Mahon Hall from November 18 to 20.

Among pieces offered for Christmas giving, will be the "delicate" artwork of international porcelain artist and instructor May Cross. After teaching for several years in Ontario, and watching three of her students become accomplished artists, Cross now works locally, creating porcelain art and exploring acrylic painting.

Newcomer Judi Borbas, who works in watercolours, extends a family tradition of artists. Trained in both Eastern Canada and California, she produces paintings described as "jewels of colour."

Some of Doreen Giles' line drawings and watercolour wash pieces reflect a Gulf Islands flavour, while others capture scenes from her extensive travels. A collaboration between Giles and her husband Don has resulted in Christmas glass artforms, which will also be for sale at the show.

Alongside the work of these artists will be the more familiar works of Chris Pattinson, Marguerite Pearce, Jack Avison, Giselle Harstall and Migs Edward — to name only a few of the artists working on paintings.

In the meantime, two Painters Guild artists are having shows prior to the sale. Adrien Town will be at the Fieldmouse Wildlife Gallery until November 14, and Margaret Threfall will be at Vancouver's Metro Theatre to November 5.

## Fabric Guild members slate November show

Members of the fabric guild on Salt Spring Island are busy weaving and sewing a multitude of colours into various patterns in preparation for their first show.

The fabric guild and "friends" are scheduled to show and sell their wares on November 18, 19 and 20 in The Inn studio (formerly La Fontanna). The event will coincide with the annual Christmas art and craft show at Mahon Hall.

A group of about eight fabric artists is organizing the show and contributing "high quality, professional" pieces in a variety of materials such as silks, cottons and wool. The artwork, using mostly natural fabrics, will include fabric toys, children's clothing, night dresses . . . "and anything you can imagine," said fabric artist Lynda Wilcox. Many of the items represent new lines, recently created by the artists.

Fabric guild "friends" will contribute glass blown, turned wood and fused glass products as well as pottery and jewelry pieces.

Wilcox said the group arranged for their show to coincide with the Mahon Hall showing, in order to allow off-islander purchasers the opportunity to visit both events on the same day.

While many local fabric artists have participated in the annual summer Artcraft show and sale, the November weekend marks the guild's first showing on its own.

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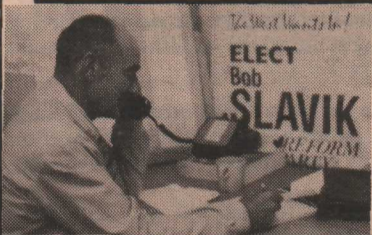
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# Girls' soccer team continues to improve

By STRICK AUST

**Salt Spring 1, Gordon Head 0**  
Last Saturday saw the first win of the season by the newly-reorganized Salt Spring Sting girls soccer team. Although now in its third season, the team is on a rebuilding program after sending all their older players to the Salt Spring women's team and taking on a half dozen new players to fill those positions.

Last year those older girls played many of the key positions on the team and now the younger girls are having to take up the slack. It has taken four or five games to happen, but happen it has.

Maru Binkley, new to the team this year, has steadily improved to the point where she is a constant, visible influence in either the back wall or the midfield. Cheryl Tyson, another newcomer, has filled a big hole as the team's striker, creating havoc in the opponents' back wall. Jessie Maron has carried on from where she left off last year, as a settling and controlling midfielder, but this year with more hustle and commitment.

Dana Hohmann, always a good winger, has added a new wrinkle with her strong midfield play, and contributed greatly to Saturday's win with that new talent.

Two players who have always

been called on to perform under pressure, and always have, are the team's keeper, Stacy Proctor, and their sweeper, Michelle Beitel. Without their contribution over the past four or five games, in keeping the scores down, the team would not have had the confidence to continue to believe in themselves, and this was true again on Saturday, as they kept Gordon Head off the scoreboard and allowed the Sting their win.

And a write-up on the game could not be done without mentioning Caitlin Hayes. Caitlin has been improving in her position as corner back over the team's history, but last Saturday's game

was definitely her finest hour, as she was totally unbeatable, breaking up drive after drive by the Gordon Head Team.

Jody Bradley continues to frustrate opposing forwards, continually out-hustling them to the ball, and newcomers Sandrine Contant and Tracy Cunningham grow stronger with every game.

Saturday was the first game played for Sara Pike and Irene Lam, and even over the course of one game, they showed marked improvement. The other two members of the team, Cathy Akerman and Amy Twa, both members of last year's team, continue to add continuity and

stability to the reorganized Sting team.

Saturday's game-winning goal was the result of a perfectly-executed corner kick, as Michelle Beitel chipped a ball into the 18-yard box, where it bounced once. The next time it hit the ground, it was in the back of the net, as Jessie Maron ran forward and placed it there with a perfectly-executed half-volley kick.

The team has worked hard to this point in the season; they lost their first few games, then they tied and then they won, and the knowledge that they can win when they work hard will stay with them throughout the season.

## down the gutter

By JULIE BEDFORD

Here are the top scores since the beginning of the season.

Week one — Terry Jenkins, 878 (286, 291, 301); Ken Collins, 835 (337, 197, 301); Julie Bedford, 750 (188, 315, 247); Sid Fraser, 737 (235, 236, 266); Bill Baker, 307; Maddy Cooper, 337.

Bowlers of the week, T. Jenkins and J. Bedford.

Week two — Terry Jenkins, 872 (283, 324, 265); Don Perkins, 739 (298, 195, 246); Ken Collins, 713 (206, 271, 206); Lisa Jorgenson, 760; Gordon Thorne, 705 (254, 244, 207).

Bowlers of the week, T. Jenkins and L. Jorgenson.

Week three — Terry Jenkins, 829 (245, 290, 294); Deanna Marleau, 786 (218, 273, 295); Julie Bedford, 746 (211, 234, 301); Deanna Marleau, 730; Lois Codd, 715 (306, 182, 227); Sheila Lucas, 703 (237, 266, 200).

Bowlers of the week, T. Jenkins and D. Marleau.

All averages are or should be established now. So, as of November, most pins over average goes into effect. For the new bowlers, this means the person who bowls the most pins over average for the week will win \$10. Post your own pins over on paper provided under the locker key board.

Week five — Terry Jenkins, 1052 (337, 332, 393); Ken Collins, 740 (208, 296, 236); Julie Bedford, 735 (221, 239, 275); Lisa Jorgenson, 729 (214, 309, 206); R. Hopper, 303; Margo Robinson, 337, 695; Albert Kaye, 303.

## GOLF LADIES

Week one — Scores over 600, Tash Hewitson, 685; Ruby Webster, 652.

## 200 GAMES

Ruby Webster, 293; Tash Hewitson, 244, 222, 219; Lorraine Foller, 230; Ann Monro, 233.

Week two — games over 200, Lorraine Foller, 225; Tash Hewitson, 217; Kay Booth, 205.

Week three — games over 200, Libby Noble, 241, 213; Babs Ross, 217; Tash Hewitson, 224; Ruby Webster, 207; Marie Hopkins, 269; Marg Frattinger, 209.

Friday afternoon (October 14): Gene Graham, 246, 606; Nellie Herbert, 243; Jim Jeffries, 223; Ed Allan, 218; Vic Dodds, 209, 202; Dick Young, 206; Gene Graham, 211, 203; Nellie Herbert, 208; Jim Jeffries, 203.

If I have missed anyone I am sorry. If you have bowled a high score, please be responsible for putting your own score on the clipboard behind the counter, then I will be able to submit it.

# Selects show poise in well-earned win

Salt Spring Selects 2, Lakehill 1  
By MALCOLM LEGG

So often a Selects' victory has been highlighted by fine individual play or some spectacular goals, but last weekend saw a full team effort lead the local squad to a 2-1 victory over Lakehill.

In particular, the play of the Selects defensive unit was outstanding, as they played a near-perfect game to anchor a solid win.

The defensive side of soccer would appear boring in comparison to lots of goals, but to the purist, the cohesion and understanding needed to play

good defensive soccer are just as exciting.

The back four of Tony Marshall, Mark Nordine, Chris Mullen and Rod Shoolbraid put on a textbook display of defending that rarely allowed Lakehill the opportunity for any quality chances.

They mastered the airways with great heading, showed excellent poise when under pressure and, when they did slip up, there was always another defender to cover. It really was great stuff.

Combined with this was the steady play of Chad Little, who

worked with the back four like an outlet man one second and a sweeper the next.

In fact, the defences' only miscue in the game was a poor pass-back to Little that Lakehill intercepted to tie the game 1-1 just prior to the half.

The Selects' attack struggled all game, especially with Juda Shugar and Charlie Hume away, but in the end scored enough goals to get the win. A lot of this was due to the tireless work of Justin Scott and Colin Walde in the mid-field.

Andrew Aust scored the opening goal as he took a pass from Corbin Scott, made a nifty little move around a defender and drifted an 18-yarder home. The winner came after B.J. Severs was fouled by the goalie and Corbin Scott scored on the penalty shot.

With the defence in excellent form at this stage of the season, and with Hume and Shugar back in the lineup next week, the Selects should be ready for their arch-rivals, Cowichan, this Sunday at Portlock Park.

# Ajacs forge win against well-matched opponent

AJACS 3, PENINSULA 1

Quick, powerful offensive thrusts in the first half by Ajacs found holes in the Peninsula defence. A goal by Aiden Morris, who later set up a marker by Tom Hood, gave the local side a 2-0 lead at the half.

Peninsula fought back in the second half to control over the midfield and produce several good scoring opportunities, only to be robbed by the outstanding effort of Ajacs' keeper Andrew Coster.

Peninsula was also unable to get many good, clean shots away, thanks to the tenacious Ajacs

defence.

Coster had no chance at all when Peninsula finally put a score on the board, cutting the Ajacs lead to a single goal.

Although both teams were tired by this point and end-to-end play continued, Ajacs finally rallied on an excellent goal by Tom Hood — his second of the match — to confirm the win.

The game was close, as befits a meeting between two well-matched, enthusiastic rivals. The final score fails to show the thin margin between the two teams.



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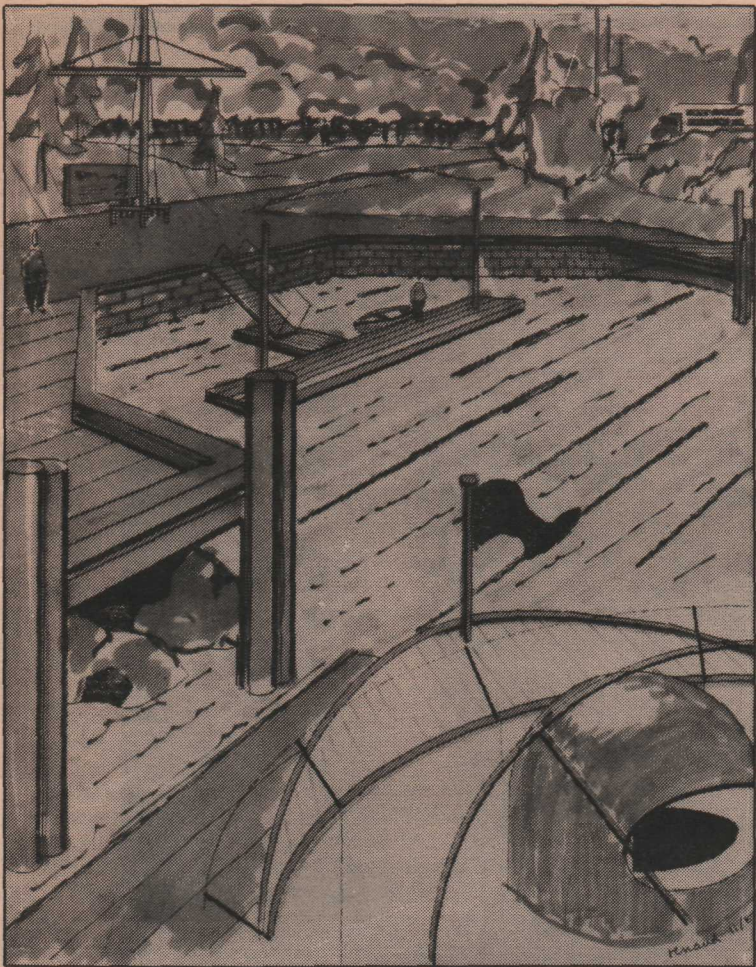
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Architect Ken Renaud's drawing shows dinghy dock portion of harbour seawalk project.

## Lotteries grant launches harbour seawalk project

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hind Mouat's Trading. It will include a dinghy dock and quarter-acre park across from the Ship's Anchor Inn.

(Creation of the *Cy Peck* monument is not included in the walkway project. A memorial for the *Cy Peck*, an historic ferry serving the Gulf Islands, has received a commitment for about \$8,000 in funding from the province but is waiting for local contributions before work can proceed. It is likely that the seawalk will be completed as a prelude to a *Cy Peck* monument.)

When completed, the seawalk project would be linked with walkways extending around Grace Point and past Centennial Park to Gasoline Alley.

Cherry said work on the seawalk should begin at the end of next January and be completed by the end of June. Overseeing the project will be the responsibility of Cherry and Spencer Marr, the same two people who coordinated the island's successful Job-Trac program in late 1987 and early 1988.

The gap between receipt of the Lottery Fund grant and the projected start-up date reflects the waiting time expected before all required permits are in place, and before confirmation of a federal government employment grant is secured.

Oldroyd said only technical and legal details remain to be handled before permits are awarded. No problems are expected in the process, he said, noting that receipt of the Lottery Fund grant means Victoria has already given unofficial endorsement of the project.

Likewise, no problems are expected in the approval process for the federal government employment grant. Oldroyd said the same grant was offered before, and is now waiting for federal officials to confirm that sufficient funds are available in their budget for the coming fiscal year.

The federal government grant

would be for \$70,000 and include \$60,000 for labour costs for a crew of 12 people for four or five months, plus \$10,000 for capital costs. Corporate donations will total \$15,000 while donations of labour and material are budgeted at \$10,600.

Private contributions to the project total \$172,296 and will be borne by upland owners. The figure is based on the actual cost of building the section of walkway behind Mouat's Trading, plus the cost of pilings.

The seawalk concept has been endorsed in the Official Community Plan for Salt Spring and has received consent from the upland owners, including the provincial highways ministry. It has also been endorsed by the Capital Regional District, local parks and recreation commission, MP Jim Manly and MLAs Terry Huberts and Mel Couvelier.

In its application for a Lottery Fund grant, the Chamber of Commerce said the seawalk project "is seen to be a complement to the tourist-based economy of Ganges, while serving the pedestrian needs of the local island community, integrating the village and preserving the sites of the waterfront to the members of the public forever." It adds that the project would "put Ganges on the map as a marine destination."

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## Youngsters impressive on the field

By SYD WIGEN

Three exciting Intra Island Soccer League contests were featured in play last Saturday's junior division games at Portlock Park.

The Eagles, inspired by Matthew Cecil's playmaking, flew to a 3-1 win over Wildcats, whose 'keeper, Willy Egeland, saw plenty of action and was forced to make many fine saves. Shane Roland scored a hat-trick for the Panthers, who used a strong team effort to defeat the Firebirds. Demons potted three against the Cougars, with the second goal coming on a wild, bouncing ball. Tristian for the Cougars showed lots of hustle, and Jonathan was kept busy in goal.

Two of the senior Intra Island teams, United and Stingers, travelled to Galiano, so only four games were played at Portlock. Hawks, improving with every match, held Rangers to a 3-1 score. Hawks found the scoreboard when Morgan took a pass from the ever-hustling Sasha and fired a shot that took down the goal posts on its way into the net. Arsenal outscored Sharks 3-0, with Kerry Martin placing two for the winners. Jeremy Miller played a spirited game for Sharks in what was really a close game. Stars also go to Danny on defence and Andrew up front.

Fury controlled the field for most of their game, using precision passing and a balanced team effort en route to a 3-0 win over Dundee. Sonnen and Crystal on defence and Michael McNair in goal thwarted much of the Fury attack.

Best match of the morning featured the Lazars and Hornets, two well-balanced and determined teams. Lazars scored twice in the first two minutes. Hornets then buzzed back to notch one, and were later robbed at the goalmouth by Patrick Chester. A late Lazars goal made the final 3-1. For the Lazars, Jessie Anderson, just up from the junior ranks, was outstanding.

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## Akerman, Styles pace Slugs to hockey victory

The Salt Spring Slugs hockey team won its first game of the season last week in the competitive Fuller Lake Hockey League. Slugs defeated the Hornets 10-7 behind a four-goal performance by Pat Akerman.

Gary Styles added three goals for the Slugs, and single markers came from Paul Sinclair, Dave Moulton and Todd McIntyre.

On Sunday, Slugs dropped a 4-2 decision to the Ladysmith Travellers. Pat Akerman and Larry Wendel replied for the Slugs.

The Slugs, who now hold a season record of one win and four losses, next play on Sunday at noon at the Fuller Lake Arena in Chemainus.

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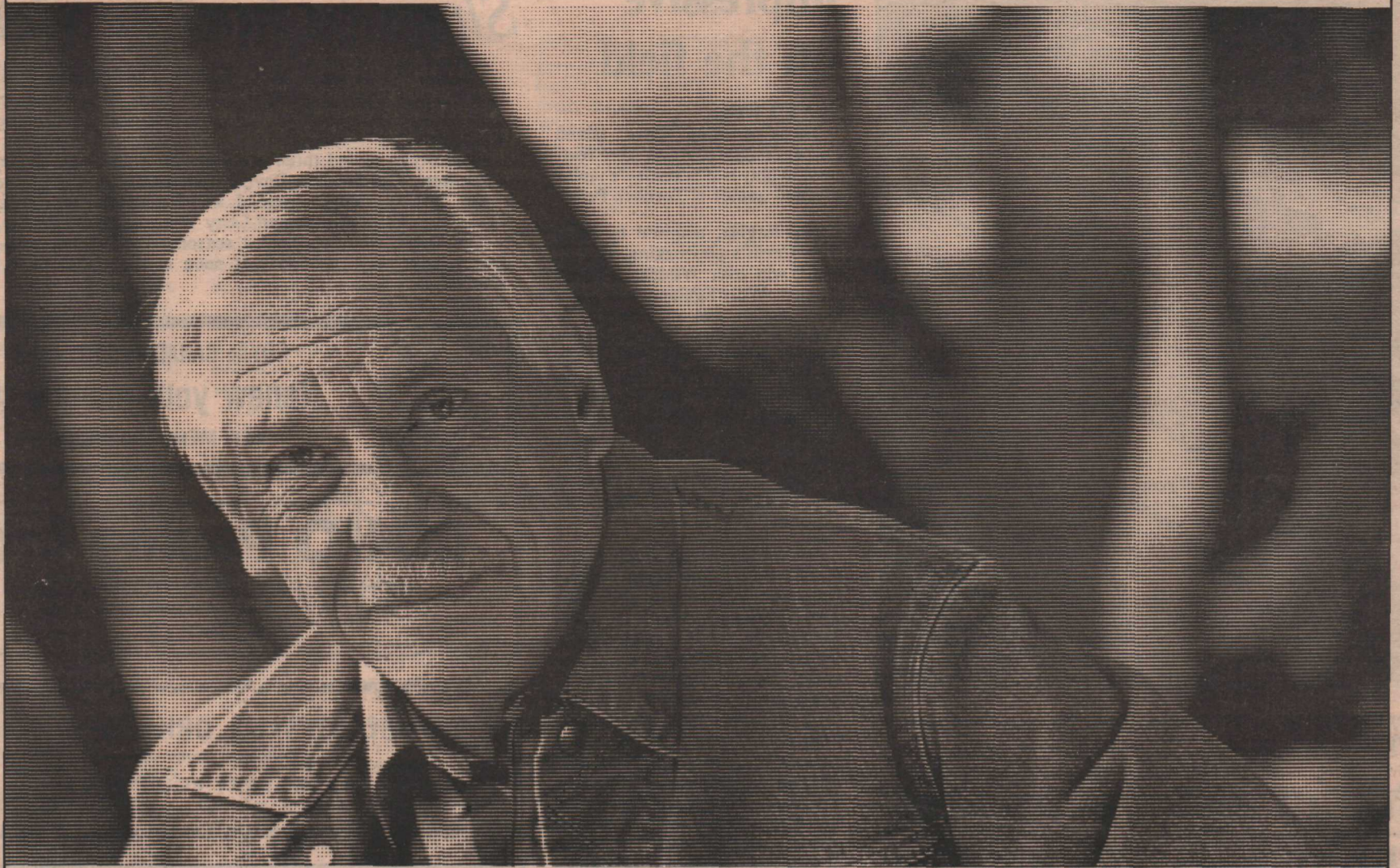
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by **hubert beyer**



VICTORIA — More than a week has gone by since Social Credit delegates gave their leader a new lease on his political life, and the Zalm hasn't said anything inflammatory, silly, irrational or plain dumb.

The only thing that got the premier a little choked up was the book containing some of his more memorable quotes. The authors, he thought, had received a Canada Council grant for their efforts, and that, he said, was silly, irrational and plain dumb.

As it turned out, the authors hadn't lined up at the Canada Council trough. Maybe, they said, the publisher got a grant; they didn't. Well, as political storms in teacups go, this one wasn't even a breeze.

The book is a forgettable contribution to the world of literature, even political literature, which, I guess, is why I forgot the title and the authors' names.

So, here we are, in the second week of Vander Zalm's renaissance, no damage done, nobody particularly upset, the premier's new image still pristine and undefiled.

For some time, Opposition Leader Mike Harcourt had two fervent wishes. The first one came true in Penticton; the convention gave the Sacred leader a vote of confidence. The second wish can only be granted by Vander Zalm himself. Harcourt is hoping with all his heart that the old and familiar Vander Zalm will, sooner or later, come back to the surface.

**No outrageous comments**

Nothing would more assure an NDP victory in the next election than the return of the old Bill Vander Zalm, the one many British Columbians counted on for their weekly fix of loathing. Unfortunately for Harcourt, the premier seems to have developed a taste for staying out of trouble.

Harcourt, by the way, isn't the only one who is disappointed with the new Vander Zalm. A lot of media types don't like the improved version of the premier any more than the opposition leader does. The scrums just aren't what they used to be. The man has become downright unco-operative when it comes to eliciting outrageous comments on any topic.

Ah, but there are at least a hundred or so weeks to go before the premier will have to put his new and improved image to the test. That's 700 days, filled with opportunities to screw up. Hope for Mikey and the media springs eternal.

That's also 700 days of trepidation, anxiety and fear by those who have been working on the premier's new image and those who bought the package at the convention.

There are still some other players in the game, but it's a little unclear what they are hoping for. Take Grace McCarthy, Brian Smith and Stephen Rogers. Take the dissident Sacred constituency officials from the Vancouver area who tried, albeit in an amateurish way, to oust Vander Zalm.

**Stuck with him now**

It would be naive to believe that all these people are suddenly happy with their leader. McCarthy's comments following the convention's vote of confidence in Vander Zalm may have been conciliatory, but I'll bet you Tories to Rhinos that her personal confidence in the premier is no greater than it was the day she resigned from cabinet.

Smith will never forget the number his namesake, Bud Smith, and successor in the attorney general's job did on him in connection with the abortion clinic surveillance scandal. He is unlikely to have changed his opinion of Vander Zalm.

Rogers said during the leadership race he couldn't work with Vander Zalm, then did, and then was drummed out of cabinet. No love lost there, either. As for the dissident party officials, they feared Vander Zalm would lose the next election, and I venture to guess they still do.

Notwithstanding their opinion of the premier, however, they are stuck with him now. As it turns out, they never had a plan in place to get rid of Vander Zalm, and they don't have one now.

Some Sacreds still believe that Vander Zalm will not lead the party into the next election. They believe that he will either resign or be replaced sometime before the next election. I wouldn't bet on it. Not any more.

Vander Zalm these days looks as smug as the cat that swallowed the canary. He knows he pulled off a good political coup at the Penticton convention. He knows his new image may do the trick. He's not about to do voluntarily what a handful of dissident party officials couldn't do to him. And if they couldn't get rid of him when his popularity was at its lowest, they certainly won't be able to do it if the image improvement works.

**Foundation continues tradition of compassion**

Salt Spring Island has a long history of citizens who have banded together in times of need, to get the job done. For example, the first roads on the island were built by the settlers using their horses and oxen to carve the roads out of the wilderness. Later, these same people volunteered their time and money to help construct the schools and churches, many of which are still in use today.

Between the two world wars, when island residents were hard-pressed for money, residents formed their own hospital plan to provide medical needs for every family on the island for only \$5 a year.

Around the same time these same citizens built the elementary school in Ganges using largely volunteer labour and donated materials. In Fulford, their tenacious efforts rebuilt the Fulford Hall after the two occasions when it burned to the ground.

It was the spirit of these people which also inspired the late John C. Lees to promote a foundation to be identified with the island people. When Lees died in 1984, he left a portion of his estate to be used to establish a foundation whose funds would be used to promote charitable purposes within Salt Spring Island, or for the benefit of its residents.

The purposes include the relief of hardship, the advancement of education and purposes beneficial to the community as a whole, relating to recreational, cultural, artistic, intellectual, religious and health care programs and facilities.

The foundation, called the Salt Spring Foundation, is intended to provide "seed money" to help non-profit societies to initiate programs, projects or research which these organizations themselves will be able to sustain on a continuing basis.

The foundation will operate as a perpetual endowment that will administer two types of funds — an open fund which will accept any size of donation or bequest, and a closed fund that will accept donations or bequests in the amount of \$5,000 dollars or more.

The income from the open fund will be dispersed towards the general purposes of the foundation, while the closed fund will be

dispersed in accordance with the donor's wishes. All donations are tax deductible under the Income Tax Act.

The foundation is operated under the supervision of a board of trustees. All of them are residents of Salt Spring, and serve a voluntary four-year term.

It is the intention of the Salt Spring Island Foundation to use only the interest collected from either the open or closed fund. In this way all the money received from donors will continue to provide benefit each year in near-perpetuity.

Any individual, families or groups interested in the details of the foundation, or how funds may be gifted or bequeathed, may obtain the information from their legal or financial counsellors or by writing to Box 8, Ganges B.C. V0S 1E0.

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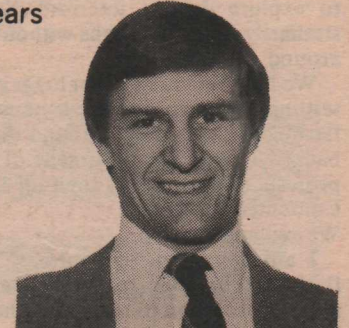
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**andrew gibson**



AP — Giant lizards have no taste for humans, says the curator of the National Zoo. The three-metre flesheaters of Indonesia have an undeserved reputation. Although they feed on deer and pigs and attack wild horses they usually draw the line at human beings, he said. Only in one case was the dragon actually seen to eat a tourist. Therefore there is no need to panic, for the Komodo is among the calmest of lizards, and shares some traits with the family dog.

I blame myself for what happened to Myrtle. I should have known what she had in mind. A wonderful woman, but headstrong. And restless. I guess running Bushmaster Guard Dogs on Salt Spring wasn't a challenge anymore, not even after we went into Siberian wolfhounds. And when she got the brochures telling her about the Komodo dragons there was no holding her.

"Elmer," she said, "that's it. We can get into the big time with these lizards. I can see the ads now: 'Dissatisfied with dobermans? Get a Bushmaster security dragon and relax.'"

"Hold on, Myrtle," I said. "They're not called dragons for nothing. Who needs a 10-foot blow torch?"

"Don't be such a wimp. Maybe they got bad breath. Anyway, it says right here that they're just like pussy cats or something. Now shut up and get the atlas out. Look at this! It says they lay hundreds of eggs. Boy, if I can just get my hands on a clutch of them we can hatch 'em and train 'em as security dragons from day one."

Looking back, I should have picked up the alarm bells right then, but it wouldn't have done any good. When Myrtle got an idea, you couldn't move it with dynamite, especially if there was money in it.

**Bells began to ring**

She spent the next day in the lizard section of the library. "Elmer," she said when she walked in the door, "call up the travel agent. I want the next flight — and don't look at me like that. Leave the brains to me — you just got muscles. With these Komodos we'll corner the yuppie security market. How's this for a jingle:

'To be safe when you jog, don't rely on a dog.

Don't be a dodo, buy a Bushmaster Komodo!'

I drove her to the airport. She just had a little bag with her safari suit, an umbrella, a flashlight and some empty egg cartons. She said she'd be back in a few days, and for me to buy an incubator.

About a week later I got a letter from her. "Dear Elmer," it said, "I'm at the Magic Dragon Guesthouse here on Komodo, along with a bunch of longhairs with PhDs in lizards. We went out today and saw a few dragons. They're BEAUTIFUL. We saw one run down a wild horse — he shucked it like an ear of corn. I wanted to pet it, but they wouldn't let me out of the armoured car ... isn't that silly? Everybody knows they're just like poodles, like the curator said. But I know where a bunch of them hang out, and they tell me this is their egg time. Be sure and have that incubator ready."

When I didn't hear from her for a couple of weeks I sent a letter to the guesthouse. I just got this back today:

Komodo Island, October 2, 1988

Elmer Bushmaster, Esq.  
Salt Spring Island

Esteemed Canadian friend and resident of sister island:

Greetings from The Island of Contented Dragons! It regrets us a thousand times that we are not now privileged by your gracious wife, who has left with unexpected. Her lively manners and hilarious conversations about life on Salt Springs kept us stitched.

**Not stressful to flee**

It was not observed that she was stressful to flee, although you would have more than us awareness of marital discord. But we suspicion that she was very whelmed by the beauty of Komodo, as other visitors who want to drop out of sight. Her bed was not deranged hence her exiting was unobservant.

Your thoughts that our dragons are mixed are repulsed. The allegation disproof from the curator of the National Zoo is contained, with the expertly statement that the herewith lizards are calm to turpitude and share treats with your familiar pets.

We have feeling for insurance problem agent lacking corpus delicti, but curators word consequents that nobody is permissioned to explore dragon interiors. Such rare wonders are protected statuarly against humans without knowing that dragons draw a line around persons.

We have retention of her luggage until her joyful returning or your settling account disclosed herewith. A deplorably conditioned flashlight and umbrella found distanced from the guest house are backed to you for sentiment of your absent bride. With sincere protests of our eagerly inviting Salt Springs to visit our 'Island of Contented Dragons,'

We remain, etc.

I am desolated, of course. I have had the umbrella and the flashlight shredded, teeth marks and all, and put in a lovely urn. It is some consolation to remember that she often said that she wanted to be remembered as one who brought happiness to living creatures.

I think that there is one calm faraway lizard who would agree that she succeeded.

**Federal, provincial governments asked to correct access woes**

The federal and provincial governments are being asked to correct what the Islands Trust says is a denial of the right of public access to Musgrave Landing.

The landing, in the southwest corner of Salt Spring, is the home of a subdivision and two wharves — one built to serve the subdivision, the other operated by the federal government's small craft harbours branch.

The federal government wharf was recently classified as derelict and the connection between it and the shore removed. Small craft harbours says no decision has been made on whether the wharf will be upgraded to standard, and no money for such work has been allocated.

In a letter sent recently to federal and provincial government agencies — including Fisheries Minister Tom Siddon and MLA Terry Huberts, the provincial minister of state for the region — the Trust says elimination of land access from the federal government wharf is proving to be a hardship to boaters who visit Musgrave Landing. The wharf built for the subdivision is only partially built and is posted as off limits to anyone but property owners, of which there are few.

The Trust noted in its letter that when a lease was granted by the province for the area where the private wharf is located, it warned that such a move would restrict public access to the landing by taking up most of the area available for anchorage.

It added: "The private marina sits empty, year after year, and

the public is denied access to the private facility." The Trust also noted that denial of access to the private wharf, coupled with removal of land access from the federal wharf, means boaters can no longer get ashore.

The Trust is asking the provincial government to restrict the size of the area leased for the private wharf, "as it is not being

used." It also asks that the federal government allocate sufficient funds to repair its wharf "and make it functional."

Those moves, it indicated, would answer public concerns that "continue to be expressed as countless boaters are finding that their traditional access to this safe and peaceful harbour is being increasingly denied."

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**CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT BY-LAW NO. 1663**

**A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 91 AS AMENDED BY BY-LAWS NO. 120 AND 188, THE "SALT SPRING ISLAND RECREATION SPECIFIED AREA ESTABLISHMENT BY-LAW 1971"**

WHEREAS by Supplementary Letters Patent issued on the 3rd day of October, 1975, the Regional Board of the Capital Regional District was granted the power to undertake community recreational programming within the electoral areas of Langford, Sooke, View Royal, Salt Spring Island and Outer Gulf Islands, as participating member municipalities;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board is empowered with respect to that part of the Regional District not within a City, District, Town or Village to undertake any work or service under the provisions of Part XVI of the "Municipal Act";

AND WHEREAS By-law No. 91 provides for the establishment of a specified area for the purpose of providing recreational programmes, equipment and facilities to the Community of Salt Spring Island;

AND WHEREAS By-law No. 91 as amended by By-laws No. 120 and 188 specified that the special levy shall not exceed a tax rate of \$.108 per thousand dollars of assessment;

AND WHEREAS the levy for recreational programmes should be increased to meet the current costs;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Capital Regional District in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 91 as amended by By-laws No. 120 and 188 be further amended by striking out the tax rate of \$.108 per thousand dollars of assessment and substituting a tax rate of \$.258 per thousand dollars of assessment.
2. This By-law may be cited for all purposes as "Salt Spring Island Recreation Specified Area Establishment By-law No. 91, Amendment By-law No. 3, 1988."

Take notice that the above is a true copy of a proposed by-law on which the vote of the electors of Salt Spring Island Electoral Area will be taken at:

Salt Spring Elementary School  
Central Community Hall  
Fulford Harbour Community Hall

on the 19th day of November, 1988, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. and that the Advance Poll will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 14th, 15th and 16th days of November, 1988, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at:

School District No. 64 Board Offices  
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524 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C.

and that Thomas F. Moore has been appointed Returning Officer for the purpose of taking and recording the vote of electors.

DATED at Victoria, British Columbia, this 27th day of October, 1988.

W. M. JORDAN,  
Secretary

**NOTICE TO ELECTORS**

The financial impact of this referendum question on a residential property valued at \$100,000 would be to raise the maximum levy from \$10.80 to a new maximum annual levy of \$25.80 for community recreation purposes.

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