

### Storm causes ferry service disruption

Ferry travel to and from Otter Bay on North Pender Island was disrupted last week when an anchor chain broke, causing a float to overturn.

The incident marked the second time in three weeks a float overturned at the terminal.

According to B.C. Ferry Corporation spokesman Erin Caldwell, strong westerly winds, combined with a broken anchor chain, set the float into a rocking motion. It flipped over at approximately 8:15 am on December 13.

Caldwell said there was no ship at the dock when the float overturned, and therefore no damage to equipment was sustained.

A total of four floats (two on each side of the terminal) help slide ships into the dock. Because they float, they move up and down with the tide and remain at the same level as the ship. The floats are anchored by chains, which have enough slack to allow for their motion.

The broken chain was described as a "mechanical" failure.

The smaller, more manoeuvrable *M.V. Bowen Queen* contin-

### Damaged dock prohibits ship movements

ued to dock at the Otter Bay terminal throughout the day. The captain of the *M.V. Queen of Tsawwassen*, however, chose not to attempt the stop in his midday run.

Passengers bound for Otter Bay transferred at Village Bay on Mayne Island and arrived at Pender some 45 minutes late, Caldwell said.

Although the float had not yet

been corrected, the *Queen of Tsawwassen* did dock at Otter Bay on schedule at 4:35 pm. The Captain decided to make the stop because winds had died down by that time.

Crews and equipment began working to right the overturned float after the 3:15 pm sailing from Otter Bay had departed. The float was returned to its correct position by 8 pm, Caldwell said.

A different float overturned at the same terminal on November 22. Again, high winds are said to have contributed to the incident.

The ferry corporation said that although the floats have overturned twice in a short period, the incident is not a common one. Caldwell said terminal agent Bob Anderson, who has worked for the corporation since 1969, has never seen it happen at Otter Bay before.



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#### Damaris Rumsby ANNOUNCEMENT

Driftwood Publishing Ltd. is pleased to announce that Damaris Rumsby has been appointed to the advertising sales department. Damaris has been employed in the company's front office for the past year, where her duties included co-ordinating last September's Terry Fox Run. She will be responsible for advertising sales in all three Driftwood publications, the Gulf Islands Driftwood, the Island Times and Second Impressions magazine.

**capital comment**

by *hubert beyer*



VICTORIA — You always have a choice. You can be cynical about Christmas, detest the crass commercialism with which our merchant class has usurped this day and say *bah, humbug* — or you can be a child again and see the wonder.

All you have to do is let your memories go back far enough and you'll again smell the freshly-baked cake, and feel the wonderful excitement of those far-away childhood Christmases.

Commercialism for its own sake may be bad, but the bearing of gifts is not. Ever since man first found love and compassion in his heart, he has given expression to those emotions by bestowing gifts on others.

The most beautiful Christmas gift I can remember was a small bag of potatoes. The year was 1945. I was 10 years old. The guns in Europe had been silent for six months, but the agony was far from over. Europe was a vast killing field, and everywhere people were trying desperately to restore some semblance of order to their lives, which had been so terribly shattered.

Christmas, 1945, saw mother and me living in Duesseldorf, once a thriving and beautiful city of 700,000. A mere 30,000 people inhabited what was left of my home town. We lived like rats in make-shift shelters in the cellars of the houses that had been blown away by years of air raids.

**Only brother was missing**

Dad, who had been stationed in northern Norway, had been captured by the British and was not to be released for several more months. My only brother, who had been drafted at age 15 and sent to the Russian front in the dying throes of Nazi Germany, was missing.

Mother and I were barely surviving on the meagre rations of those horrible post-war times. For months, our daily diet consisted of a couple of slices of dry bread and some soup which we managed to get from the kitchen of a nearby hospital.

We had something of a Christmas tree that year — a three-foot tall weed that could be found growing out of the ruins all around us. The only decoration was some ribbons of coloured paper. There were to be no presents on that Christmas, 1945. The gift of life would have to suffice.

In the afternoon of Christmas Eve, mother and I trooped off to the hospital to scrounge some soup. When we came back, we found a bag of potatoes by the door to our underground living quarters. It must have been about five pounds of precious food.

We ate like kings that night. There were real potatoes in the soup. And lots of them. With sincere apologies to the fine dining establishments I have had the pleasure of visiting in my later years, none could ever come close to presenting me with a meal like the one mother and I ate on Christmas Eve, 1945.

**Generous, anonymous donor**

We never found out who the generous donor was. I have been quite satisfied to regard the appearance of those five pounds of potatoes as a Christmas miracle.

Memories of that long-ago Christmas have never left me. When my own children were young and eagerly awaiting Christmas, I would think back to that night. I would remember my mother crying with happiness over the anonymous gift of five pounds of potatoes.

I would count my blessings and pray for the day when no mother anywhere would have to be grateful for being able to give her child a bowl of miserably thin soup with a few potatoes in it.

It's now 43 years later. The children are grown up. My white beard and hair would make me a reasonable facsimile for a Santa Claus at any shopping centre. And four grandchildren are looking forward to Christmas with great excitement.

You bet there will be a certain participation in the commercial aspect of Christmas in our family. Reasonable wishes will be miraculously fulfilled. Children's eyes will shine and their hearts will be gladdened.

There will be a huge turkey served at a festive table. There will be a beautifully-decorated Christmas tree in our house. And the children and grandchildren will come over to celebrate Christmas with us. There will be good food and good cheer in the Beyer home this Christmas, 1988.

**Legacy of a nightmare**

And sometime during the evening, I will probably think back to those dark and terrible days that were the legacy of a nightmare my country had inflicted on the world.

I will think of the millions who perished, never to see another Christmas. I will think of the agony of all the mothers who, in a world of plenty, must see their children starve to death.

I will probably tell my grandchildren about my own Christmas miracle and be grateful that they are granted more than mere survival. And I will also think of a belated gift we received in the spring of the following year. My brother came home, safe and sound.

So, if the commercialism of Christmas gets you down, think back. Somewhere in your childhood memories, there is something, I'm sure, that will restore your belief in the real meaning of Christmas.

**Employees ratify new agreement**

Members of the B.C. Ferry and Marine Workers Union have voted in favor of a new two year contract, effective November 1.

Results of the mail-in ballot were tallied December 13.

Union president Lee Cochran says he is pleased his membership voted in favor of the contract, and that there was no disruption to the travelling public.

The collective agreement provides for a five per cent increase in each year of the two-year term. It also establishes a pre-retirement bank where employees have the option to put unused vacation and overtime into a bank to use for early retirement.

The union and the B.C. Ferry Corporation will also explore the possibility of providing day-care facilities for employees on corporation property.

The contract also includes enhancement to vacations, shift premiums, group life and a dental package.

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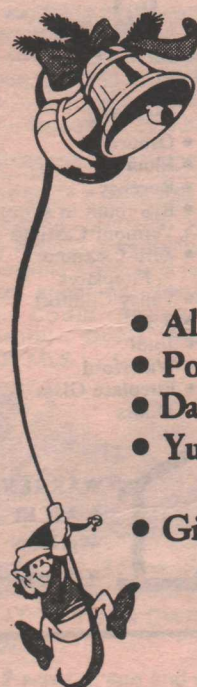


**From Andrew & Anthony**



**Amy and Michael Friesen**

To Salt Spring's new residents, the Friesen family—Amy, Michael and parents Brian and Esther—a big welcome, from grandparents and new island friends.



Orders are now being taken for  
**Traditional Christmas Baked Goods**

...all made without chemicals, preservatives, stabilizers or emulsifiers and using only 100% creamery butter.

This year's Christmas menu includes:

- Almond Stollen
- Poppy Seed Stollen
- Dark Christmas Fruit Cake
- Yule Logs—chocolate, hazelnut, vanilla
- Gingerbread Houses
- Christmas Petits Fours Sec (Tea Cookies)
- Cranberry Mousse Cake
- Kiwi & Cranberry Flans
- Gingerbread People
- Peanut Brittle

Last orders will be taken Dec. 22/88 at 6 pm, and must be picked up by 6 pm Christmas Eve.

**Sweet Arts Patisserie-Cafe**

537-4127

With Fuller Lake Hockey League action adjourning for Christmas and New Year's celebrations, the second half of the Slug season starts on January 7 when they meet the Saltair Pub Flyers.

The league is idle but not the Slugs. An exhibition matchup on Sunday featured the Slugs and the touring Sidney Selects. The Selects roster was hit with the Klima-Probert syndrome on Saturday

# Slugs dumped in shootout

night and was reduced to six skaters and a goalie for the game on Sunday.

The first two periods saw the Slugs squander numerous opportunities to put the game out of reach, as the Selects kept fighting back to keep the game close. In the third period the Salt

Spring club scored three quick goals and looked like it was going to run away with the game.

But with the Slugs pinching to keep the puck in the Selects' zone, they gave up too many three-on-one chances, resulting in a 9-7 Selects lead with just minutes left on the clock.

In the dying seconds of the game a Slug forward fell on the puck in the crease to prevent a goal and the Selects were awarded a penalty shot. Cam McLean notched his third goal on the shot. Final result was Selects 10, Slugs 7.

**Notes from the Trail:**  
After a game in which 17 goals

are scored, the less said about the defensive side of the game the better. On the positive side, it was nice to see Al "Rookie" Cook find the back of the net.

**Attention Hockey Players:**  
Salt Spring Shiny Hockey at Fuller Lake on Saturday, December 31. If you are interested in playing, phone Peter Huser at 537-5247 or Paul Sinclair at 537-5070 to place your name on the list.

## Final soccer action framed in sunshine

By SYD WIGEN

The fall Inter-Island Soccer League season drew to a close last Saturday at Portlock Park with a surprisingly large turnout of players and fans. Clear skies, a firm but frosty field and a warm sun combined to make it a beautiful day for soccer.

In the junior division, Firebirds and Demons met in an exciting contest featuring wide-open play and much-improved passing. Jamie scored once in each half to give Firebirds a 2-0 win. Dan Kinnear was excellent in goal.

Too shorthanded to field individual teams, Eagles and Panthers combined to take on the Wildcats and Cougars. By approximate count, 24 players were charging about the field, creating a scene that looked for all the world like recess at school. The only score of the game came from the Wildcats, on a wild scramble in front of the net. Jonathan McDonald of the Cougars made some key saves to preserve the shutout.

In the senior division, Dundee won its first game of the season with a great team effort against United. Richard Ingle scored a hat trick to pace the 3-0 win, and goalie Dusty Carlson made some key saves. Peter Bagi played an alert two-way game at the half for United.

Stingers and Arsenal were exceedingly well matched and played to a scoreless tie. Arsenal's Bryden Hyder moved the ball well at midfield, and Jiva Morris was strong on the attack in defensive play. Stingers came close on breakaways and, in the first half, bounced one shot off

the goal post.

Hornets scored two early goals against Rangers, the second by Ryan Smith on an alert recovery of a goal kick. In the second half Rangers played everyone up and succeeded in keeping the strong Hornets bottled up in their own end. Anthony Rico scored for the Rangers on a combination play. In the final minutes, the team came close to tying the game with a shot that just cleared the crossbar.

The remaining two senior games were played at 11 am, allowing three of the Arsenal players to help the Hawks field a team. The result was a well-played contest with the Sharks, wide open and with lots of shots at both ends of the field. Both goalies played well, with Hawks coming out ahead on the final score.

Fury came out flying against the Lazars, putting their opponents under great pressure. One three-man break came close to scoring, and Patrick in goal made a number of difficult saves. Against the run of the play, Lazars broke through and Eric Baker put a shot home — the only score of the game.

Fury maintained a strong defence, with Josh Clark driving long balls out of his end and Thomas starring at midfield. Both teams were alert in going for the ball and, for the players and parents, the game was a crowd-pleasing end to the fall season.

The new season starts January 7 at Portlock Park, with all teams seeing action. Galiano's Otters make their first visit on January 14.

## Support the Trust's "NO!" to the fish farm proposal!

At the public meeting on December 9 there was strong and overwhelming opposition to a proposed fish farm south of Musgrave Landing.

It was reassuring support for property rights in general and specifically for owners who don't take kindly to the idea of a large, ugly, noisy, industrial installation being plunked down right in front of them without so much as a "by-your-leave"!

Here's what one fellow said about fish farms at a public meeting November 24/86 at Sechelt:

*"Being a manufacturer of pens ... like those pens are ugly—even if I make them myself, they are ugly ... Nobody in their right mind would place pens in front of people's cottages, summer cottages, or houses, or other uses—sports fishermen, boaters, whatever. There must be regulation so that pens, or the farms can be placed away and out of sight . . . Yes, of course you have to do that."* (testimony recorded at the Gillespie hearings)

Well, thankfully, on December 9, the Islands Trust said "NO" to a fish farm at Musgrave, and unanimously, too!

But we can't leave it at that! The Ministry of Lands and Forests makes the final ruling, and Government has ignored the Trust before! In view of the Ombudsman's report just released, it would be outrageous if the government refused to follow the Trust's recommendations on this particular proposed fish farm application.

Please write urging support for the Trust's decision, to:

Ministry of Crown Lands (formerly Lands and Forests)  
851 Yates Street, Victoria, V8W 3E7  
Attn: Mr. W. Hubbard

We also suggest sending copies

to: Editor, the *Gulf Islands Driftwood*, Ganges

and to: Hon. Mel Couvelier, MLA  
and to: Hon. Terry Huberts, MLA  
both at: 2388 Beacon Avenue  
Sidney V8L 1X3

& to us: R. and S. Makaroff  
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In addition to a backhoe the tenderer must provide a suitable dump truck for removing excavated material from the job site and collecting bedding material and trucking it to the job site. An hourly rate for the truck and driver must be included in the quotation.

The successful tenderer will be expected on occasion to stay on the job after regular working hours to complete work which cannot be left overnight. He will also be expected to respond to emergency calls during the normal working day and at times other than the regular working day.

Written bids must be submitted no later than December 31st, 1988, and sent to:

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Capital Regional District  
Engineering Operations Division  
524 Yates St., P.O. Drawer 1000  
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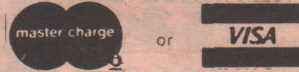
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### Births 005

DON AND SHERI Hickman are pleased to announce the arrival of their granddaughter, Stormey Rhiannon, 9 lbs, born to Sonya, and grandson, Aaron David 8 lbs. 8 oz. born to Ted and Angela. That's all for this year! 1

TOM & MIMI Gossett are proud to announce we are grandparents to Myrriah Ann Gossett, 8 lbs. 3 oz., daughter of Walt & Sherry, Nov. 30, 1988. 1

### In Memoriam 011

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### Cards of Thanks 014

**S.S.I. FIRE DEPT.**

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Season's Greetings to one and all!

TO DRs. NESTMAN, McIntyre Jarman, Head Nurse Marg and Carol, Claire, Vonnice, Min, Lorretta, Marg, Iris, Connie, Gillian, Phyllis, Jeanne, Janet, Gail as well as Monica and Win. Thank you for the wonderful care. Merry Christmas to all from Sam and Jay Bourdin. 1

### Marriages 020

BRUCE & COLLEEN ROBINSON are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter

**SUSAN  
CHARTERS**  
(nee Robinson)  
TO  
**CHARLES  
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SEASON'S GREETINGS and Best Wishes for a Blessed Holiday Season and New Year. Special thanks to my family whose love and support throughout this year has given me great courage to continue with my fight against cancer. Many thanks to my relatives, friends, the Royal Canadian Legion — and the various individuals and service clubs who all donated so generously and supported my trip to the Mayo Clinic this past year. I will always be grateful to all of you. God bless you all. Darlene Byron Kopp, Cynthia, Tanya & Chrissie, Box 1067, Chemainus, B.C. VOR 1K0 1

CHAINSAW THROWER: Can you teach me to hit moving targets? Will trade skills. Box 781, Ganges. 1

### Community Services 026

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FAMILIES OF Schizophrenics meet informally in homes for mutual support and exchange of information. Phone 537-9237 or 537-2765. 46-tfn

### Lost & Found 029

SPCA has found young adult male tabby, long haired cat in Old-Scott, Welbury Bay area. 537-2123 1

LOST: gold bracelet in Ganges Village Dec. 10. Finder please call 537-2629 1

LOST: Leather tool pouch containing screwdrivers, screws, chisel, etc. Reward for return. Last seen Long Harbour, Leisure Lane area, between Tues afternoon & Wednesday evening. Ph. 537-4247 1

### Lost & Found 029

LOST: German Shepherd, neutered male, named "Chester". Seen last Friday North End Rd/Epron Rd. Ph. 537-2558 1

LOST: Hub cap off 1988 Toyota Corolla between Petro-Can & North Beach Rd. 537-9352 1

### Notices 032

Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me.



Merry Christmas from SSI VOICE OF WOMEN

### Serving Swartz Bay

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WINNERS OF the Order of the Eastern Star draw held Dec. 13 were Cindy Allen — gingerbread castle and Wendy Knoblauch — A-frame. Many thanks to Ganges Village Market for allowing us to sell tickets on their premises. 1

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in memory of Roy, Gladys & Cliff Lee Burgoyne United Church Sat. Dec. 24th — 2 pm Relatives & friends invited 1

### GRANTS

The S.S.I. Parks & Recreation Commission is now accepting grant applications from local groups for 1989.

Please call Linda Stafford at 537-4558 for further information or for a grant form.

Deadline: Jan. 29, 1989 51-2

### Family Christmas Portraits

done in your own living room when everyone comes home for the holidays. My studio is open every day this month, phone day or evening. BARKER PHOTO STUDIO 537-2217 Member Prof. Photographers of Canada 51-2

### PEACE VIGIL

0400 am - 0600 am Saturday December 31st, Salt Spring Centre, Blackburn Road EVERYONE WELCOME 51-2

### Christmas Gift Idea Silk Plants

Islander Drapery Mouats Mall 10-3 Mon-Sat.

### Coming Events 035

AT THE FIELDMOUSE GALLERY Dec. 21 & 22, 24 thru 26

### "Nature's Gifts"

A display of original paintings & coloured pencil drawings by Margaret Little, Fulford Harbour & "A Covey of Partridge"

Original paintings executed from life by Victoria's Rosemary Partridge (You can get your pear tree at the Fraser's Thimble Farm next door).

The Fieldmouse Wildlife Gallery 185 Arbutus Road (Southerly Point) Salt Spring Island Gallery hours: Saturdays, Sundays & holidays 11 am to 3 pm or by appointment 537-2835 1



Support Your Lung Association

**Coming Events 035**

**ALTERNATIVE HEALING FAIR** at the Community Centre, Dec. 28, 29 & 30. Featuring reflexology, polarity, crystal work, trance channelling, dreambody work, massage, hypnosis, bio-kinesiology consulting & much more!  
 Dec. 28: Open forum. Peruse the various techniques. Short introductory sessions. \$5 - \$10  
 Dec. 28 & 29: workshops and private sessions.  
 Gift certificates available at Health Food Store, et cetera & Captain's Cupboard.  
 Phone Rosalie at 653-9576 or Corinne at 537-5064 for information and appointments. 1

**OFF CENTRE STAGE**  
 IN THE GALLERY:  
**"CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD"**

Show and Sale of CHILEAN ARPILLERAS Plus  
 An Exhibit of Art by Students of The Gulf Island Schools  
 Dec. 13 to Dec. 19 and  
 Dec. 27 to Dec. 30  
 Off Centre Stage will be closed Dec. 20 to 26  
 Best Wishes to You and Yours for a joyous Holiday Season, Peace & Creativity in the New Year

**Legals 038**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF**

**COLIN PATRICK DOWLING, DECEASED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of COLIN PATRICK DOWLING, deceased of 104 Peregrine Way, Ganges, British Columbia, are required to send their claims to the Executor of the Estate at 320 - 560 Johnson Street, Victoria, British Columbia, V8W 3C6, on or before the 23rd day of December, 1988, after which time the Executor will distribute the assets of the Estate having regard only to the claims of which notice has then been given.

WILLIAM MORRIS HITCH, Executor.  
 MacIsaac, Clark & Company, Solicitors 48-4

**Help Wanted 055**

**Alcohol & Drug Counsellor**

The S.S.I. Community Society requires an experienced Alcohol & Drug Counsellor to provide counselling services to S.S., Mayne, Pender, Galiano & Saturna Islands. Individual will be based on Salt Spring Island & will travel to the other islands. This is a full time position involving treatment, prevention, education & consultation. A Masters degree in the helping professions and drug & alcohol counselling experience is required. Please submit resumes to: The Director S.S.I. Comm. Society Box 1106, Ganges by Jan. 3. 1

**SALT SPRING Island Homemakers' Service** requires homemakers who would like to work on a part-time basis. Please call 537-9955 between 9 am - 12 noon for further information. 51-2

**Help Wanted 055**

**WAITRESS POSITIONS** now available, day shift only, experience preferred, not essential. Apply in person to Dagwoods Cafe 51-tfn

**LOCAL LONG TERM Care Agency** requires mature, experienced bookkeeper/office clerk to work on a .6 basis (approx. 26 hours/week) Please submit resume, outlining previous bookkeeping experience, to: Dept. Y, Driftwood, Box 250, Ganges, B.C. VOS 1E0, by January 2. 51-2

**EXPERIENCED COOK** required 30 hours per week, day shifts only. Please apply in person at Dagwood's Cafe, Upper Ganges Centre. 48-tfn

**GOLDEN ISLAND Restaurant** requires dishwasher, apply in person between 1 & 2 pm tfn

**MATURE, LOVING care** for two year old 5 mornings a week. Please call 537-9728. 50-3

**Work Wanted 060**

**CUSTOM SEWING**, mending and alterations. Call Patricia at 537-2645 51-3

**JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER** cabinet maker available, additions, reno's, new construction. Very reasonable, lots of references. Call Chester 537-4346. Leave message. 49-3

**SCRUBBERS housecleaning** service has spaces available for small homes. Bi-weekly service is ideal for the single working person or couple. 537-9669

**A VERY Merry Christmas and Happy New Year** from Shaun Adams and crew to all our renovation and construction customers. It's been fun and rewarding to meet such a wide variety of challenges! We will be helped out in the New Year with any project large or small, from grand mansion to a quick repair. Shaun Adams 537-4079 51-2

**Automobiles 105**

1978 VOLVO 145 station wagon, automatic, AM/FM stereo, 1 owner, new radials, low K's, \$5,200 obo. 537-2879 49-3

1985 SUBARU GL, 4 door, 5 speed, 60,000 km — highway driven, excellent condition. \$8,700 obo. 537-2812 or 537-9695 50-3

1983 TOYOTA 4 wheel drive long bed pick-up, new radials, recent paint, \$7,000 obo. 537-5323 50-3

74 MG MIDGET \$2,000. '80 Mustang 2 door \$2,500. '77 Honda 750 cc motorcycle \$600. 653-9258 50-3

81 TOYOTA P.U. long box, 27,000 km. Two new tires. Excellent shape, \$4,500. Call Sky 537-4383 51-3

1973 DODGE window van 318, V8, auto, insulated, panelled, good body, many new parts, cassette deck/booster. \$850 obo. 537-9713

1975 CHEV. NOVA, 4 door, green, auto, 6 cyl, runs OK \$650. 537-2626 1

1969 MUSTANG, recent rebuilt 302 engine. Needs body & TLC, \$1,100. Phone 537-2626 1

77 DODGE window van, V8, P.S., P.B., runs OK, but needs some work. \$950 obo. 537-2066 1

HONDA ACCORD snow tires & wheels. Brand new. \$195. 537-2370 49-3

1962 BELAIR, 50,000 original miles, nice shape, new tires, auto., 6 cyl., 235 cu. in. \$1900. 537-2324.

**Recreational Vehicles 115**

**TRIANGLE R.V. Centre** offers excellent highway exposure for your consignment vehicle. Also, parts, service, propane, sani-station, and 24-hour car & R.V. Wash. Your complete R.V. Centre. Triangle Homes Ltd., Sidney. Your first R.V. Centre off the ferry. 656-1122. DL5916. 44-tfn

**Boats & Marine 120**

MARTIN 242 "Turtle Soup" 1988 overall points trophy winner. \$12,750 obo. Call 653-9269 49-3

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**YES, WE ARE STILL IN BUSINESS!**  
**Deluxe Contracting**  
 SAWMILL & LUMBER  
 Offering a complete line of cedar lumber and siding including channel S4S, t & G.  
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**Crafts 130**

**ORDER EARLY** for your Christmas table centrepiece, doorswag wreaths or other floral arrangements. Call Sherrill at Highland Designs 653-4224 48-4

**Farm Equipment 135**

**GALIANO ISLAND MF-135** diesel tractor with loader, diamond harrows, 5' rotary cutter, \$5,000 obo. Utility trailer \$400 obo. 5 hp - 26" Turf Til roto tiller \$350 obo. Phone 1-263-3864 after 6:00 pm 48-3

**Livestock 140**

2 REGISTERED Highland cows \$500 each. Purebred Suffolk ewes, proven breeders, good flock history, due to lamb March 1, \$125 each. 653-9465 51-3

**Pets 145**

PICK OF the litter, very, very small male puppy, 9 wks, miniature Dachshund cross, \$125. 537-9466 1

**Food Products 150**

**Salt Spring Nature works**  
 For those last minute gift items & stocking stuffers S.S. Natureworks 537-2325



**MOBILE MARKET HAPPY CHRISTMAS**  
 CLOSED DEC. 25 thru 27th  
 OPEN WED thru SAT 49-6

4 CEILING mount fluorescent fixtures 4 - 4' no lenses. \$40. 537-5105 1

**Food Products 150**



**THE GROCERY STORE WITH A DIFFERENCE**

**NOW:**  
 The freshest veggies to complement your Christmas Dinner.

Open each day 9:30 - 6 pm  
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LYNN & ZOE  
 653-4420



**Restaurant Fulford Harbour**  
 will be closed  
 Dec. 24 to Jan 2nd inclusive.

We would like to wish everybody a very Merry Christmas & a peaceful, healthy & happy New Year!  
 Rod & Bo 1

**RABBIT MEAT** for sale. Fryer rabbit \$2.50 per pound. 240 Musgrave Rd. 653-9585 49-3

**Fresh Prawns & Crab**

SATURDAY MORNINGS

GOVERNMENT DOCK,

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 Follow the signs  
 Crab orders only:  
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**Miscellaneous For Sale 165**



**FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GIVING C.D.'s**  
 From \$9.99 & up  
**CASSETTES**  
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 Also records, videos, posters  
**G.I. VIDEO & MUSIC**  
 537-2012  
 Mouat's Mall  
 10:30-5:00 Mon-Sat 48-4

A PICTURE in every room? Yes! A new one every month? Why not?! Come in and see our wide selection of wall calendars for 1989 ... et cetera, books and stationery. 537-5115 49-3

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**NOW OPEN HOBBIES & GIFTS**  
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 Gift Wrapping Available. 49-6

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**CHURCH NOTICES**  
 Christmas, 1988

**Community Gospel Chapel**  
 Drake Rd., Ganges  
 Worship Service 10:30 am  
 Sundays with Sunday School classes for the children.  
 Evening Service 7:30  
 Bible Study & Prayer Thursday 7:30 pm  
**PASTOR:**  
 Rev. S.F. Hildebrandt  
 537-5757 537-2622

**Anglican Parish Salt Spring Island**

**December 24:**  
 St. Mary's, Fulford Harbour  
 6:30 pm: Carols  
 7:00 pm: Holy Eucharist  
 St. George's, Ganges  
 8:30 pm: Carols  
 9:00 pm: Holy Eucharist  
 St. Mark's, Central  
 11:00 pm: Holy Eucharist

**Christmas Day:**  
 St. George's Ganges  
 10:30 am: Holy Eucharist  
**Rev. James Koester**  
 Parish Office: 537-2171

**Catholic Church Salt Spring Island**

**Christmas Eve at Our Lady of Grace:**  
 Solemn Mass 8 pm;  
 celebrant Fr. Derek Byrne  
 Midnight Mass 12 sharp  
 celebrant Fr. P.A. Bergin  
 Christmas Hymns 11:30 pm  
**CHRISTMAS DAY:**  
 Our Lady of Grace, Ganges: 10 am  
 Fulford Harbour, St. Paul's: 9 am  
**NEW YEAR'S EVE:**  
 Sat. 5 pm  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY:**  
 St. Paul's - 9 am  
 Our Lady of Grace 10:30

Rev. Fr. P.A. Bergin

**Salt Spring Island Baptist Church**

Admiral Hall  
 506 Lower Ganges Rd.  
**SUNDAY:** 10:30 Family Worship with Sunday School; 7 pm Evening Fellowship  
**TUESDAY** Youth Group  
**WED. & THURS.** Evening home bible studies.  
**THURSDAY—Ladies'** home bible study, 9:30 am  
**THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON—**  
 Christmas Eve candlelight service, 7 pm  
**Christmas Day 10:30 am—**  
 Christmas Day worship  
**Rev. Brian Joyce**  
 537-2222

**Salt Spring Pentecostal Assembly CENTRAL HALL**

**"Put Christ back in Christmas"**—join us for a Special Service 10:30 am Christmas Day. Also join us for a carol sing & walk at 3 pm Christmas Day. Meet at Ganges Village market parking lot.  
 For more info call 537-4143  
**Pastor: Jim Caruso**  
 Affiliated with P.A.O.C.

**Ganges United Church**

Hereford Ave., Ganges  
 Church School & Adult Education - 9:30 am  
 Worship Service 10:30  
**Sat., Dec. 24:** 10 pm - Candlelight Service of Carols & Readings  
**Dec. 25:** 10:30 am - Family Service  
**MINISTER:**  
 Rev. Dale Perkins  
 537-5812

**Miscellaneous For Sale 165**

Christmas cargo containers from India, Nepal, Tibet, arriving and on sale above Pharnasave Dec. 15, 16, 17. Antiques, collectables and more. An entirely new collection of Jacob's Creations. Yantra's antique brass, statues. Amazing gifts. Shop for treasures and gifts from around the world. 48-3

LONG HAIRED silver-grey wolf rug 9x10, very good condition \$1,500 or best offer. Wool for Cowichan type sweaters. Reg. \$7.50 skein selling for \$5.00. Phone 653-9560 50-3

1 HP air compressor, new, \$295; bath tub with taps, good condition \$95. Ph. 653-9589. 50-3

**Christmas Gift Idea**

**Silk Plants**

**Islander Drapery**  
 Mouat's Mall  
 10 - 3 Mon - Sat 50-2

CEDAR WOOD carvings, several life size Grizzly Bear Cubs, also limited number of Eagles, available through December. 653-9403 Terry McKinnon - Canadian Chain Saw Carver. 50-2

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NIC & TONI at Buy & Save Store want to wish you a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year! We thank you all for your patronage during these past years! We will remain closed for a vacation till Feb. 1st, 1989. Buy & Save, 9818 4th St., Sidney. 50-2

TWO SINGLE water bed mattresses with heaters \$75 each obo. 537-2292 50-3

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BINOCULARS - 7x50 Tasco, new 1988, never been used, \$90 obo. Phone 537-2269 49-3

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Contract rates available

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**GULF ISLAND APPLIANCE & REFRIGERATION REPAIRS**  
 Mon.-Fri. 8:30 - 4:30  
 Geoff Leason  
**537-9243** 44-tfn

### Autobody Repairs 309

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### Automotive Repairs 310

**Saltspring Esso COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIRS**  
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 ● All types of repairs  
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 9 am to 5 pm. 44-tfn

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 Open 7 days a week  
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 \* Facials \* Eyelash Tinting  
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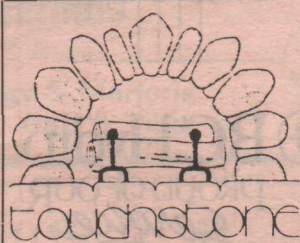
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# down the years

## Twenty five years ago

Ganges resident Mrs. L.A. Bittancourt reported the burning out of an electric light bulb that has been in continuous use in her home since power was installed on the island by Nanaimo Utilities Company in 1931. Another bulb of the same vintage is still giving good service in the family clothes cupboard.

Power was off on Salt Spring Island for four hours on Monday. The cause of the outage was a cable failure between Crofton and the island. Power was restored by transferring the load to a second cable. Repairs are to begin immediately on the damaged cable.

The Gulf Islands Joint Committee unanimously agreed to seek improved ferry service between the Outer Islands and Salt Spring Island. The B.C. Ferry Authority will be approached at once to request that a more direct service to and from Salt Spring be restored. Most affected by the present awkward situation are Pender and Saturna islands.

## Twenty years ago

Do-it-yourself telephone service was outlined last week to the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce.

A member of the chamber explained that winter weather last year brought down a telephone pole near his home and he wanted to make a call. So out into the woods he went, selected a tree and felled it.

With despatch, he cleaned it up, transported it to the roadside and then put the new pole up, climbed it and replaced the fallen wires.

He then hurried home to make his call. The climax of the self-serve telephone service was when he sent the telephone company a bill for \$100 for his services.

He had not realized how many staff the company employed until he received letters from all of them, he said.

The telephone company still had the last word. They never paid the bill.

## Fifteen years ago

Fire levelled the home of Alan Haszard on the old Montague Road on Galiano Island early Sunday morning.

Mr. Haszard was awakened by the fire and had to run through the flames to get to the telephone to call the fire department. In the process he received burns to his arms.

He took the early ferry next morning to Vancouver to receive treatment to his burns. All of his personal belongings were lost in the blaze.

Education financing in British Columbia is working under a cloud of great secrecy, charged Gulf Islands School Board chairman Charles Baltzer.

Referring to the tax hike demanded by the provincial government next year, Baltzer told his

colleagues that he cannot explain the increase to anyone on the street because the department of education has explained nothing. "We can't tell anyone what's happening," he said. "We don't know."

The chairman was referring to the boost in school taxes for 1974, from 22.38 mills to 35.7.

The CARE Tree on Pender Island is already glowing with Christmas gifts.

The tree overlooks Navy Channel on the property of Mr. and Mrs. George Pearson. Each gift received on behalf of CARE is acknowledged with a light on the tree. The fund this year already stands at more than \$2,000 and is ahead of last year's total.

## Ten years ago

Saturna Island's Jim Campbell has completed his six-year term as chairman of the CRD.

On Wednesday of last week Campbell handed over the gavel to Alderman Murray Glazier, of Victoria.

Campbell, who will still sit as director for the Outer Islands, declined a nomination as acting-chairman, assuring the board that they would be hearing his voice during the coming year.

There will be no moving into Fernwood School during the Christmas holidays. There is still electrical work to be finished, the board learned last week, and the project is crowding too tightly into Christmas.

Secretary-treasurer Wilf Peck figured last week that there remained at least two more weeks work at the school.

Looking realistically, it is an early January moving date, he told trustees of the Gulf Islands School District.

## Five years ago

New ferry fares announced by the B.C. Ferry Corporation will mean an average increase of 27 per cent on Gulf Islands routes.

Along with the fare hikes, which take effect January 1, free inter-island travel will be discontinued, as will residents' fares.

Elimination of special residents' rates means that islanders traveling to Vancouver Island will pay 36 per cent more for a car and driver. The passenger fare is up 47 per cent.

There will be no smoking allowed when the Gulf Islands board of school trustees gathers for meetings.

The trustees approved a motion presented last Wednesday by Mayrie trustee Jeannine Dodds, to prohibit smoking at school board or committee meetings. The motion passed with only Bert Beitel and John Zacharias voting against the measure.

## with driftwood

Zacharias joined a press gallery member in making frequent trips to the hallway after the vote was taken. In the past, similiar motions to do away with tobacco smoke in the board room had met with little success. Of the nine current trustees, only the representative from Pender Island indulges in the nicotine habit.

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Well, here we are in December, entering the home stretch. 1988 is about to be trussed up and slung into the ash can of history and that makes me panicky. I'm not ready to retire this year yet. Too much unfinished business.

It's not just the 10 pounds I swore I'd lose or the books I vowed to read. It's all these newspaper stories I collected over the past eleven months. Little items that would appear in the paper and make you think "Holy Smoke! Isn't that incredible?"

I'd cut the story out and wait to see what happened next. Nothing happened. The story was never mentioned again.

Which leaves me with a large and mostly useless collection of stories I wish I'd heard the end of. Stories like, well, the giant worm of Canterbury for instance. A wildlife park in southeast England has what's left of quite possibly a world record earthworm. A camera crew from the Guinness Book of Records was filming all 1.98 metres of the worm when it croaked and began to break up. "But the head section lived" explained Park Boss Alan Breeze inexplicably, "and I have placed it into a heated tank with some high-quality earth in the hope that it will grow again."

That's the last I ever read about the giant Canterbury worm. Guess I'll have to wait for the Stephen King movie.

**Never heard another word**

Then there was that scientific experiment in New Zealand. China shop proprietor Grant Burnett said he was tired of wondering what a bull in a china shop would actually do. "He will find out on June 16th," says the newspaper clipping "with a borrowed Hereford weighing about one tonne."

Did the bull trash the joing or tiptoe through without so much as rattling the Wedgwood? Search me. Never heard or read another word about the affair.

Pity. I was looking forward to a series of follow up experiments such as Taking A Bull By The Horns, Placing Cats On Hot Tin Roofs and Catching Tigers By Their Tails.

There was another unfinished news story somewhat closer to home — from the lobby of Vancouver's Four Seasons Hotel as a matter of fact, where, if you happened to be passing through during the last election campaign, you might have seen a beet-faced hotel manager screaming into a telephone. He was chasing down the Prime Minister's campaign entourage which had checked out of the Four Seasons minutes earlier. The manager's problem? Well the folks with the PM had checked out more than their bags it seems. Missing were 31 fluffy guest bathrobes — you know, the expensive ones, with the hotel logo on the pocket? (Brian and Mila, I hasten to add, were above suspicion in this cheesy caper. The culprits appear to be the scurvy media jackals travelling with the PM's party.)

How about it? Did the embarrassed hacks and flacks cough up their purloined bathrobes or did the hotel have to bill them? Did the thieves pay? Did their cheques bounce? Beats me. There was no follow up story.

Which is not surprising when you consider that the folks who write follow up stories might well have had a err... divested interest, so to speak.

Let me finish with my favourite unfinished story of 1988. It involves a hard-luck chappie by the name of Sir Ranulph Twisleton-Wykeham-Fiennes. Yes, that is his real name. Sir Ranulph is a throwback to the old Lawrence of Arabia school of adventurism. A former officer of the British Commandos, Sir Ranulph is always haring off somewhere to climb a mountain or shoot some rapids or hack his way through a spot of jungle. Last winter he announced plans to hike 425 miles across our Arctic to the North Pole.

He didn't make it. Only managed 45 miles, before the expedition had to be aborted. All because of a urine sample. On what turned out to be the last day of the expedition Sir Ranulph was doing his duty into a glass vial. The temperature was -56° Celcius. Sir Ranulph had mitts on, making the operation somewhat clumsier than usual. "I must have touched the side" explained Sir Ranulph, stiff upper-lippedly, "which led to an unfortunate frost-nip situation."

Sir Ranulph may yet make it into the 1988 record books. As the only human to take a more disastrous urine test than Ben Johnson.

**Placing fingers in fish tank provides lesson for student**

A piranha isn't your everyday classroom pet. But the tropical fish can be educational, even lovable. That is, until it's provoked.

Six-year-old Mark Sloan found that out the hard way recently when he stuck his finger into the piranha's 20-gallon tank in a Fulford Elementary School classroom and received a nip on his finger.

Val Laing, a teacher at Fulford School, says the fish was the last survivor of a trio chosen and purchased by the Grade Seven class two years ago as classroom pets.

Two perished over the summer after leaping out of the tank, says Laing. She says the fish, measuring 1.5 inches long, had never caused anyone harm. "When I cleaned the tank I stuck my hand right in."

The mishap took place during a recent basketball tournament. Laing says the Salt Spring Elementary student should not have wandered into the classroom unsupervised.

Laing says piranhas behave differently in packs but in small numbers are quite harmless.

"It's like having a guinea pig. If you stick your hand into its cage you'd expect to be bit."

**IODE raises project funds with auction**

The Ganges chapter of the IODE held its last regular meeting of 1988 on December 9 at the United Church Hall.

Joyce Parsons chaired the meeting, which drew many members and invited guests.

A Christmas auction was conducted by Ann Leigh-Spencer with much hilarity. A Yuletide tea was later enjoyed by participants, who praised one another for the creative crafts hand-made by members and donated for auction.

Having bid on everything and become laden with successes, Olive Mouat was declared the member with the most varied purchases.

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# Alternative healing methods showcased at three-day fair

An alternative healing fair, exploring various arts offered locally and off-island, will be held in Ganges December 28-30.

Organizers say the event, set to be held in the Community Centre, will bring together practitioners in a wide spectrum of disciplines and techniques. Their hope is the fair will lead to increased public awareness of the methods available, and to networking by people involved with those methods.

The first day of the fair — Wednesday, December 28 — is open to the public and will see practitioners answer questions about their techniques and philosophies. Short introductory sessions, costing between \$5 and \$10, will also be offered.

Days two and three are scheduled for workshops and in-depth, private sessions. Workshop fees will be \$5 to \$10, while private sessions are to cost \$40.

(Appointments may be booked on day one or in advance by calling 537-2113. Gift certificates will be available at the Health Food Store, *et cetera* and Captain's Cupboard.)

Among the practitioners attending the fair will be:

- Vitthale Clair, a north-end resident who treats stress-related illnesses through foot reflexology, Hatha Yoga, polarity, hypnosis and therapeutic touch.
- Seamus Manly, a former islander now living in Victoria, who offers information concerning medicinal plants and herbal remedies. He also brings a treatment called polarity energy balancing, which combines deep and light touch with visualization, breathing and other methods of relaxation.
- Diane Halyk from Denman Island and Ted Salmon from Lasqueti Island, who use healing crystals and spiritual power tools — including a magna-frame, which is constructed from a grid of magnets, crystals and pyramid forms and is used to balance and harmonize the body's energy field.
- Stan Tomandl of Victoria and islander Anne Jacob use therapies like dream analysis, body work, emotional releasing, relationship counselling, career planning, shamanism, trance work and channeling.
- Salt Spring's Rosalie Miles, will

bring her universal oracle: a system of charted body energy centres or chakra patterns, combined with I Ching, tarot and astrology to give insight into current emotional, mental and spiritual balances.

• Corrine Cordoni Greenbaum, another Salt Spring resident, will introduce bio-kinesiology, which alters body energy flows.

• Adrian Loney of Salt Spring, who has worked with massage for many years and will demonstrate

various treatment techniques and their effects.

• Salt Spring's Courtney Guthrie, who will host the fair, has been involved with dreambody work and teaches yoga.

Also at the fair will be Wayne Adams of Victoria, a sculptor who works exclusively with old ivory. He will display various pieces of his work and talk about the integral power of the forms he creates.



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## your garden

by chris schmah



As this is the last article before Christmas, it finds most of us searching for the last of the gifts, trimmings and festive season paraphernalia, but even as the pace approaches a frantic state, the fulfilment of the rituals is deeply enjoyable. The tree is up and most of the gifts are in the house, hidden in caches, awaiting their appointment with the wrap and ribbon. The outgoing parcels have been taken to the post office and exchanged for the incoming gifts, and everything is starting to fall into place.

Once all of the "nuts and berries" have been gathered, and the egg nog has been fortified, I always feel as if it's time to hibernate or withdraw to the comfort of home and enjoy it all; the warmth of the Christmas season really comes to life.

Before I get lost in the fun stuff, I realize that I'm still in the frantic state, and have a few gifts and stocking stuffers to find. I've come across several things which might make great choices for your special someone who's keen on gardening.

### And your back stays healthy

First off, of course, there are lots of excellent books — both informative, practical books and beautiful, photo-filled coffee table selections. Good how-to manuals are offered by Ortho and Sunset series books, as well as the excellent Simon and Schuster publications. They cover topics such as pruning, pest identification and control, landscaping, roses, decks and patios, and a whole range of other interests. For the hardback books the selections are wide and varied, all full of richly coloured photographs which fill your head with images of just how beautiful your garden will look next year.

The great thing about books for the gardener is that you don't have to weed them, they never die, and your back stays healthy; great armchair sport.

The various offerings of deck pots and planters make great, long-lasting gifts, and they are appreciated for their taste and accent which they add to the garden. Cast concrete garden ornaments such as Japanese lanterns and bird baths are always well-received, as are the statues and statuettes of Oriental or European influence. Pound for pound they are one of the best values but a bit tough to wrap and put under the tree without drawing attention.

Around town there are lots of items which carry floral or garden motifs or influences. From paintings and sketches of landscapes or garden themes to sculptures for both house and garden, the great artists of the Islands have much to offer. Jewellery of floral theme or influence also makes an excellent choice.

### A tool for every hand

Elsewhere, mugs and pots, wallhangings and fabric arts draw on the world of plants for inspiration, and all make welcome gifts for gardeners. Even bedsheets, spreads and tablecloths, brightly coloured with floral motifs make great gifts.

For the more practical, hands on person, gardening gloves are always handy, and the wide range of small tools make a good accompanying gift. From the lifetime cast aluminum tools, to the very well made grubbing and cultivating tools made on Salt Spring, there's a tool for every hand. Larger gardening tools and wheelbarrows usually only work well if the need is there, as unlike ties, you can't just stuff the surplus in the bottom drawer.

Bulbs, seeds, fertilizers and functional stuff is most often best covered by a gift certificate, but a plant, shrub or tree can often be personally selected and hidden out in the shed for a few days. While I have on occasion supplied a yard or two of bark mulch, soil or manure, and while it is always appreciated by the gardener-recipient, it tends to make a real mess under the tree and smell the room up. Maybe a certificate or well-timed delivery would be better.

For really extravagant tastes you might consider a trip to tour the gardens of Europe or Polynesia or maybe just a round trip ticket to tour Butchart Gardens.

I have no doubt omitted a few gift selections here, but as I still have a few gifts to procure, I have to hit the road, but before I go, I'd like to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and all the best for the Festive Season.



### House drawn

Dr. Hugh Borsman, Salt Spring's representative to the Capital Regional District, last week drew winning tickets in raffle for doll house sponsored by local branch of the Save The Children Fund of B.C. Jean

Knight (right) notes the raffle sold 220 tickets and raised \$69.50 for the fund. The house was won by Carol Walde, while Arlene Dashwood took second prize, a doll.

### Playground project set for launch

Work began yesterday (Tuesday) to prepare a Centennial Park site for the installation of new playground equipment.

This week's work will ready the ground for the project, which will involve building and putting into place a model boat and several related features.

In the process, the swings now installed in Centennial Park are to be dug up and relocated closer to the eastern side of the park. Also to be done is excavation work for what will become an area for smaller children.

Some of the existing playground equipment — installed initially by the Salt Spring Island Lions Club — is to be removed entirely from the park and relocated at Fulford and Fernwood elementary schools. Ticketed for transfer to date are the climbing dome and the twirlaround ride.

The project is being carried out by Parents For Playgrounds, with financial assistance to date from Sea Capers, the Gulf Islands NDP Club and the local Parks and Recreation Commission.

Parents For Playgrounds member Debbie Magnusson said work on the "feature playship" is to begin early in the new year, and that fund-raising efforts will likewise start shortly.

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# Former Galiano postmaster served in both World Wars

Donald Arthur New, a veteran of Vimy Ridge and long-time resident of Galiano Island, passed away December 10 at Lady Minto Hospital in Ganges.

New, the postmaster on Galiano for 32 years before his retirement, took part in the significant World War One campaign in France that put Canada on the map as a world power. He also served his country in the Second World War.

New arrived in Canada in August, 1913, from his native England. After the outbreak of the Great War in 1914 he signed up with the 72nd Battalion (The Seaforth Highlanders of Vancouver), later switching to the Corps of Engineers and stringing wires and hooking up field phones on

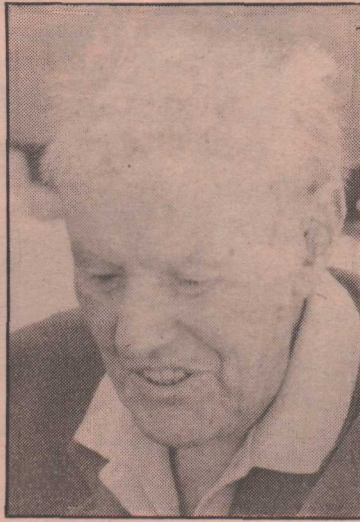
the battlefield.

New served in the Second World War with the Royal Canadian Air Force.

The Galiano resident was active in many Gulf Islands community organizations. He was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion and a former president of the B.C. Historical Federation.

He was predeceased by his wife, Nanette, in March 1988 and survived by his sister, Ida, at Ganges; son and daughter-in-law David and Gwyneth; sister-in-law Eva New; four grandsons; several relatives in England and many friends.

Funeral services were held at St. Margaret's of Scotland Anglican Church on Galiano Island, with Reverend James Koester officiating.



Donald New

# Professional group recognizes islander

A resident of Salt Spring Island was recently awarded certificate status by the Canadian College of Health Service Executives (CCHSE).

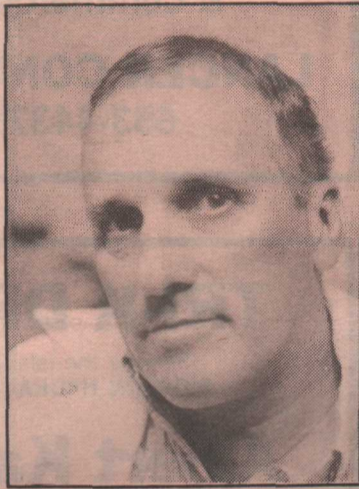
Peter McAllister, administrator of the Victoria Cancer Clinic, received the honor on November 15, 1988.

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Peter McAllister

## bridge report

Gulf Islands Bridge Club winners on December 12 were:

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- (EAST-WEST) Don Nemeth and Noel Foles; Alan Steward and Kay Sinclair; Althea Morrisette and Corinne Forster; Blanche Poborsa and Norm McConnell; Kay Javorski and Mildred Gurney.

Tuesday night winners were:

- (NORTH-SOUTH) Conhor Hunt and Jim Bradford; Bunny Jordan and Molly Frenette; Julie and Jack Godwin.

- (EAST-WEST) Blanche Poborsa and Peter Jacquest; Mike Testart and Noel Fowles; Lois Johnson and Patti-May Lawson.



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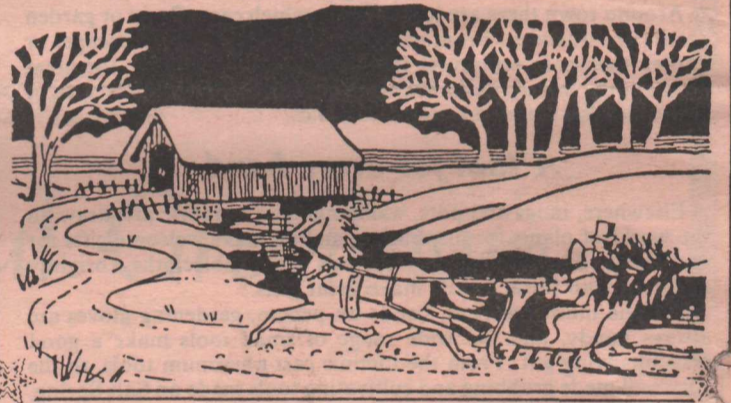
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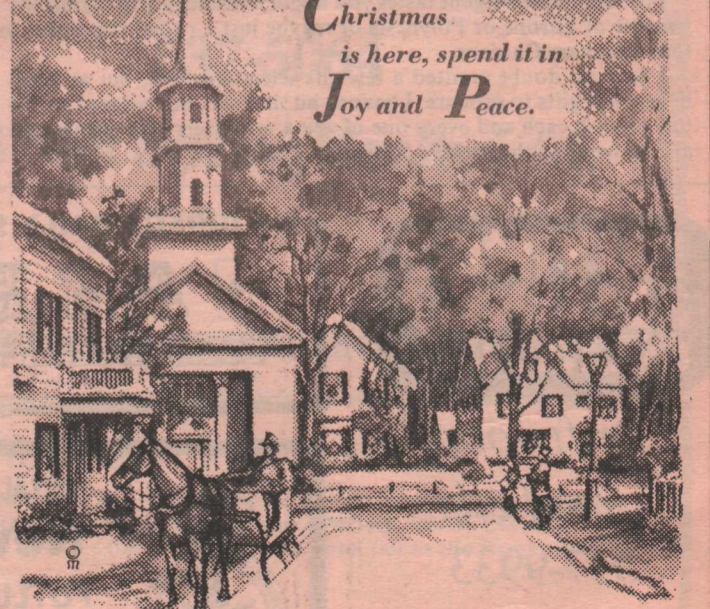
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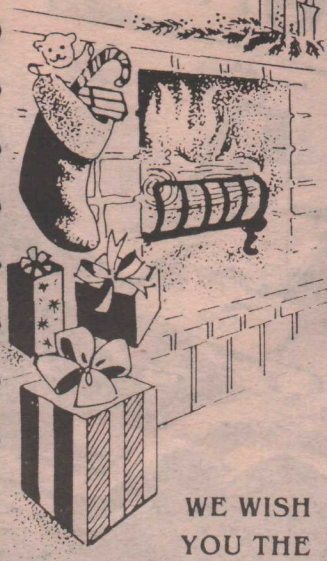
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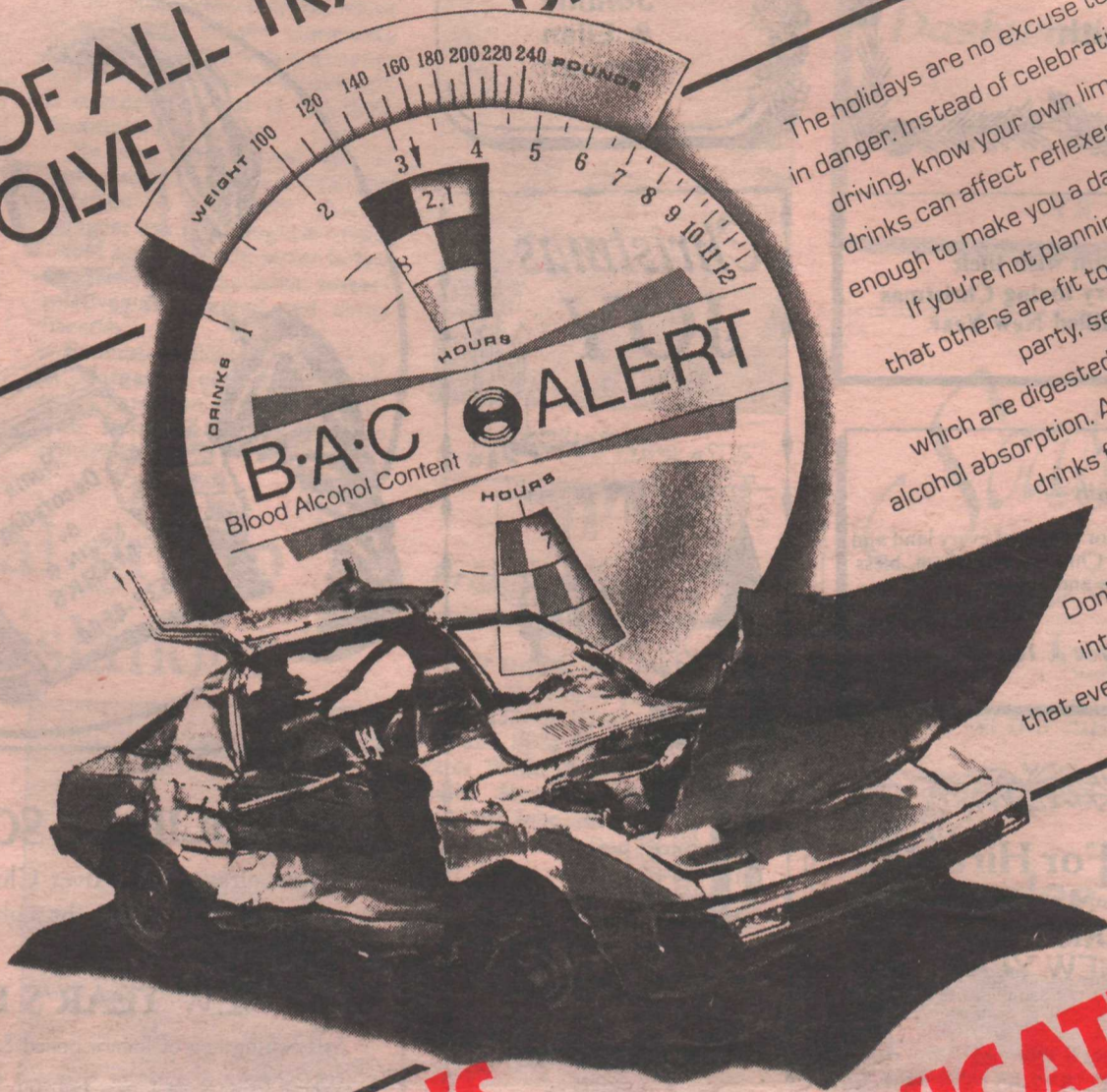


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