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## Taking the air

Mary Koroscil (left) and Maggie Warbey view artwork at the opening of the Community Arts Council's *Windborne* display. Theme of the exhibit—currently on display at Mahon Hall—is "windborne" creations. An auction of the artworks is scheduled for April 1.

## Incorporation pluses, minuses to be outlined

A report on the potential incorporation of Ganges indicates the move would be financially feasible for the community -- but says that unless a number of services and regulatory powers can be placed under the municipality's jurisdiction, it would affect only a few areas of local concern.

"One of the basic operations of local government," says the report, "is the coupling of servicing powers with the power to regulate land-use control."

The report on local government, commissioned by a committee studying the incorporation of

Ganges, will be a part of three information sessions held for people who own or lease land in the Ganges area. The first of these meetings was scheduled to take place yesterday, March 28, as Driftwood went to press.

The report notes that services in Ganges are presently under the jurisdiction of several regulatory powers.

Water is provided to the community by the North Salt Spring Waterworks District. If incorporation takes place, the report suggests there may be "some merit

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## Arrivals herald spring

The arrival of spring was confirmed on Salt Spring last week by the sighting of two feathered friends.

At 7:50 am last Tuesday, Audrey Brabandt of Beddis Road spotted four swallows. On the same day, William Toulmin of Mt. Belcher reported the return of hummingbirds.

## Regional District taxes up

Taxes are on the rise again in the Capital Regional District.

The 1989 CRD budget, which was adopted by the regional board at its March 22 meeting, means taxes will rise an average of five per cent this year.

The overall budget totalled \$60.51 million this year, up nearly \$8 million over last year -- a 15.18 per cent increase overall.

Meanwhile, due to increases in provincial grants, user fees and other income sources, this year's CRD revenues will be up \$1.37 million -- a 5.01 per cent increase over the 1988 level.

In total, the requisitions to property owners total \$28.83 million, compared with \$27.46 million in 1988.

The cost of the largest individual component of the budget, community health services, is up by nearly 28 per cent over 1988.

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## 'Trust study needed before ferry system changes made'

By DAVID FRASER

There should be no major decisions about changing the B.C. Ferries service to the Gulf Islands until an Islands Trust study has been completed.

That is but one recommendation agreed on by a transportation committee of Southern Gulf Island trustees at a meeting earlier this month.

The Islands Trust is concerned with recommendations contained in a recent transportation planning overview done by the Delcan consulting firm for the provincial government, specifically plans to reduce ferry service between the Gulf Islands and Tsawwassen.

Other proposals outlined in the report include closing the Long Harbour terminal on Salt Spring Island, relocating the Fulford ferry terminal to Isabella Point, establishing a fixed link -- ship or bridge -- between Mayne and Saturna islands and instituting dif-

ferent ships and routes in the Gulf Islands.

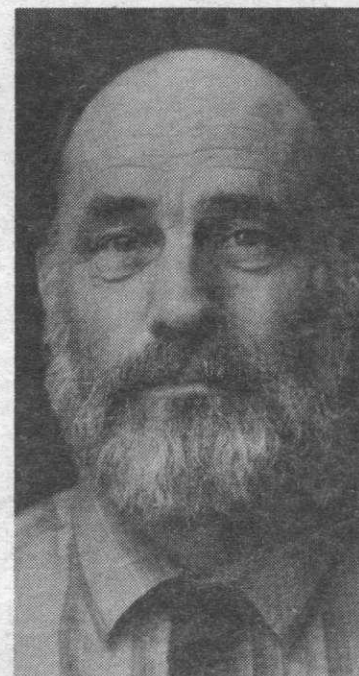
The moves, which would make Swartz Bay the focus of the regional ferry system, are defended in the consultant's report as measures needed to help cut the annual \$16 million deficit rung up by the ferry system in the region.

It also aims to outline ways in which the province can upgrade transportation systems to meet projected needs to the year 2000.

Most Trust members have agreed that ferry service is okay the way it is, although inter-island service could be improved. They complain that the Trust was not consulted for the consultant's study.

The Trust has hired Julia Atkins, a planner from Salt Spring Island, as a consultant for to study transportation requirements for the Southern Gulf Islands.

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Bob George



### Now flying

Randy Hanna and his amphibian airplane (capable of landing on both ground and water) will be a frequent sight around the Gulf Islands this summer, as the pilot charts out his unique plane. "Bird of Paradise" is the only plane of its type on the West Coast.

## Incorporation report to be cited at meetings called for residents

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found in negotiating with trustees for the transfer of the portion of the distribution system within the municipality from the Water District to the municipality."

In the area of sewage disposal, the study states: "If the people of Ganges decide that the community should incorporate as a municipality, the sewer services, with the exception of the facilities in the mobile home park (not within the Regional District sewer collection district), should be conveyed to the new corporation at the time of incorporation."

Fire services in Ganges are provided by the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District. "If incorporation did take place," says the report, "the Fire Protection District would continue as before and would requisition sufficient funds from the municipality to meet the costs of service and, in turn, the municipality would levy a rate within the incorporated area sufficient to recover the costs as is presently done by the Surveyor of Taxes."

In the area of road services and maintenance, jurisdiction over and responsibility for would be assumed by Council, should the community incorporate.

The study says CRD and Islands Trust regulations will apply to Ganges as long as the community remains unincorporated. Should the community become a village municipality, "all or any regulatory powers of local government under the Municipal Act may be exercised." The report also says an incorporated Ganges would have to have some autonomy in areas of land use.

In the area of the Official Community Plan, the report suggests: "Part of the Islands Trust plan (would) be made the Community Plan of the municipality and amendments to the plan (would) be referred to the Islands Trust for recommendation before they were adopted by Council . . . Once the land use control is under the jurisdiction of a municipality, Council may contract with the Islands Trust, the Capital Regional District . . . to handle the ongoing related administrative duties."

Regarding zoning, the study suggests the authority to enact zoning bylaws should also be transferred to the municipality.

Subdivision regulations should also be transferred to the municipality's jurisdiction; "Council can then amend or repeal the regulations as required."

Provided that suitable arrangements for local control of land use can be made, the report indicates, the incorporated municipality of Ganges would be eligible for the following grants:

1. A road maintenance program involving an annual grant for the five years following incorporation. Estimated cost is \$108,000 per year for five years. The actual amount designated by the ministry of highways and transportation is \$43,000.

2. Newly incorporated areas receive a one-time per capita grant of \$150 per person, paid over three years.

3. Grants in lieu of taxation are available on developed federal and provincial holdings. The grant usually equals the amount normally paid for taxation.

4. Revenue Sharing Act grants are also available and payable yearly. They will however vary from year to year in direct relation to the amount of Provincial Revenues. For the current year, this grant would amount to \$40,000 as a basic administrative grant, and a further \$27,621 would be provided, based on "population, assessment, expenditure."

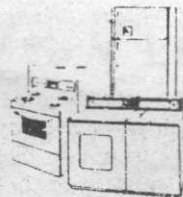
5. Sewer, water and planning grants would be available upon application, and monetary assistance would be provided for

The report also discusses taxation. If the community were to incorporate, Council would establish tax rates to recover sufficient revenue to operate the municipality. The study provides examples of approximate 1988 tax costs on an \$80,000 home and a \$100,000 home, in an incorporated Ganges and in unincorporated Ganges.

The figures, based on residences outside the sewer area and calculated less the home owner's grant, indicate those paying taxes on an \$80,000 home would have paid approximately \$118.66 more in an incorporated Ganges. Those living in an \$100,000 home, would have paid an additional \$148.33.

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Harbours End, Ganges

## Company withdraws fish farm application

Regent Sea Foods Ltd. of Vancouver said last week it has officially withdrawn its application to establish a fish farm operation on Prevost Island.

Company president David Munday told *Driftwood* the decision to withdraw was made following a meeting with the upland owners in the area.

"We discovered that the area that we were looking at turned out to be a herring spawning ground," Munday said. "Herring spawning areas are far and few between so it would be in the best interests of everyone if we withdrew the application."

Munday added that his company, which already operates a fish farm in Sansum Narrows between Salt Spring and Vancouver islands, is still looking for another site in the southern Gulf Islands.

"To be economically viable we need to have another farm, so we are continuing to look for a suitable site," he said.

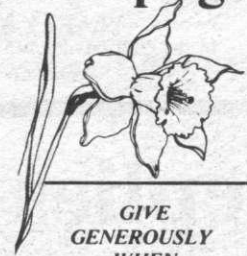
Munday said that his company's Prevost Island plans had progressed to the point where a management plan had been filed with the provincial government. The operation would have required a rezoning of the proposed site by the Islands Trust.

Bill Hubbard, a Ministry of Crown Lands official, confirmed that Regent Sea Foods had verbally withdraw its application. "We have not as yet received word in writing from them, but we expect it at any time," he said.

Hubbard said the ministry had issued Regent Sea Foods a one-year investigative permit to study the Ellen Bay area of Prevost Is-

land, where they were hoping to establish the fish farm.

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## Postcard arrives -- nine years later

By JIM BLACK

Neither rain nor sleet nor dark of night can stop the post office from making its appointed rounds . . . but time is something else. When Roy and Josie Campbell of Salt Spring decided to take a three-month holiday to points east in their newly acquired motorhome, they thought it might be nice to send a postcard of St. Pierre and Miquelon to friends looking after their home on the island.

They mailed the post card from Shoal Harbour, Newfoundland, about 100 miles from St. John's, as soon as they got off the ferry from the French islands and back into Canada.

After mailing the card with proper postage attached, they promptly continued on their sight-seeing tour of the province, and didn't give it another thought.

After their return home, some time later, they went about their normal business, with still no sign of the misplaced mail. Over time the card was forgotten by everyone concerned.

Forgotten, that is until some postie somewhere in the country found it and put it back on track. And so it arrived last week -- nine years, less a day later.

The postage markings clearly show it was stamped on August 15, 1980, in Newfoundland. It arrived at the Campbell home on March 17, 1989. A mere 3,286 days to go from coast to coast across Canada.

Working that out in a ratio of miles covered per day means that the card thundered over hill and dale at an astounding pace of approximately 1.2 miles per day.

When asked why he thought it took so long for the postcard to get here, Joseph Campbell chuckled and said he was "completely buffaloed."

"I guess it was just one of those things," he said. "My wife and I always correlate the miles per day it takes a piece of mail to arrive when something comes in late, but this one takes the cake," he mused.

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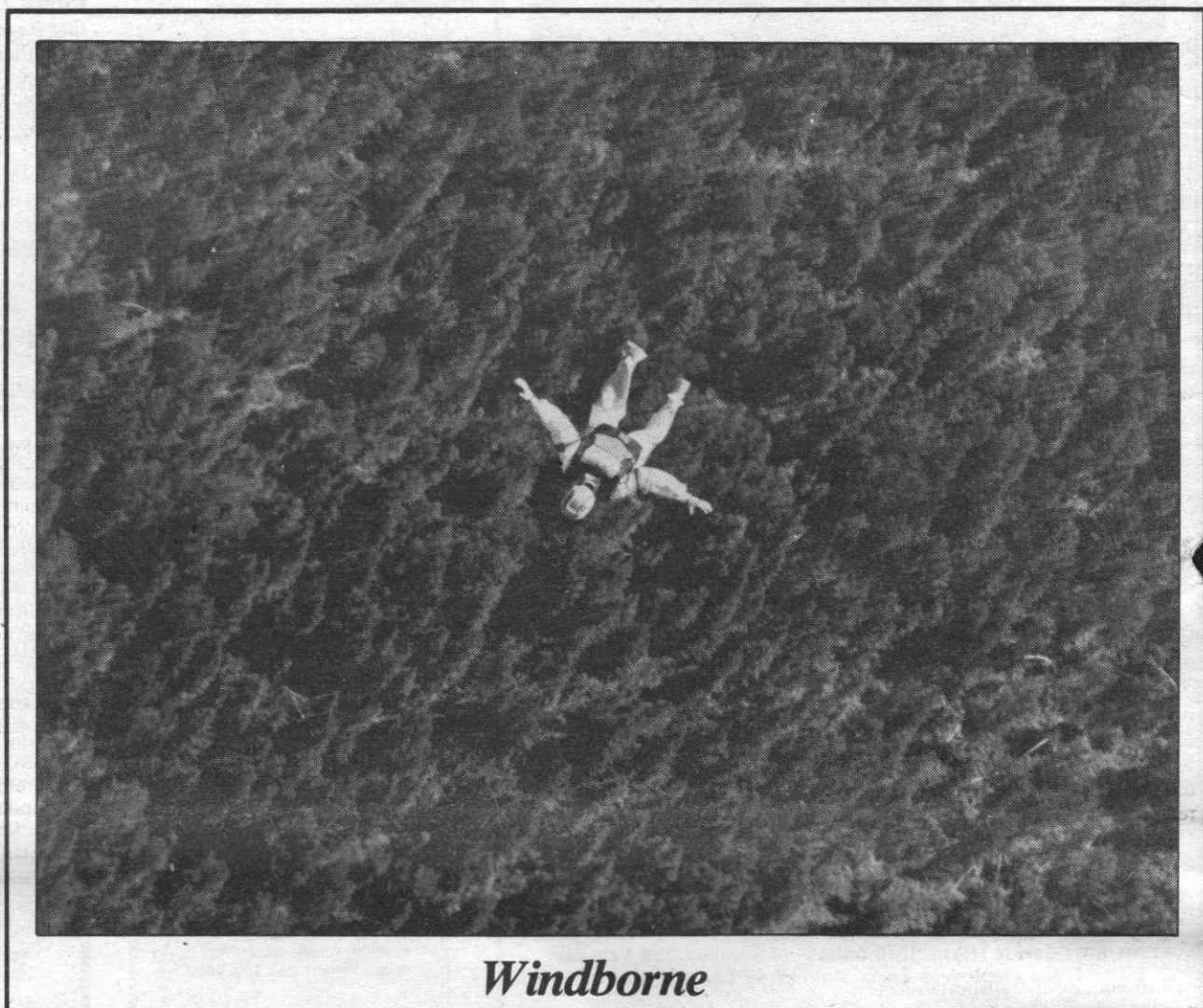
## Replies needed to points posed by committee

When Salt Spring residents gather this Monday night to discuss local input into the regional transportation planning process launched in early January, it is essential that they respond to the key questions posed.

The regional committee, set to report to the provincial government before July, has asked local areas to provide data on the following: existing transportation system deficiencies or problems; major areas of traffic congestion and system deterioration; anticipated growth in system demands based on economic, demographic and land-use growth; improvements needed to address system deficiencies; estimated costs and impacts of improvements; long-term regional goals and objectives; and the benefits of implementing system changes outlined in a consultant's report to the province.

The regional committee is also asking local areas to verify that changes proposed by the consultant are consistent with their long-term regional goals and objectives, to analyze tradeoffs between improvement alternatives, and to provide guidance on the time frame in which issues will be addressed.

To be sure, the above is a complex set of questions that cannot be adequately answered within the limited response time given to islanders. Undoubtedly, that's why the task force struck locally by the Community Planning Association has put forward a general statement linking its position to policies drafted by the Islands Trust, and calling for further study.



Windborne

At the same time, many of the items on the list are straight-forward and can be answered at this time. The road and ferry system congestion witnessed this past holiday weekend, for instance, is an obvious indication of weaknesses in the system that should be duly noted and passed along to the committee. Other problems, like parking problems at Fulford, are equally obvious.

The point is that we have been invited to take part

in a process that will determine the future of our transportation network. The clock is ticking on that process, and no amount of calls for further studies will adjust that timetable for our benefit.

If we want the regional committee to respect our points and our position, we should respect theirs. And that starts with responding to the questions they have posed, as well as we can at this time.


## Newer technology allowing ice sheets to recede

The first newspaper to employ my services -- in a capacity other than paperboy -- was a small-town daily owned by a magnate whose idea of modern technology would have won him instant acceptance in a colony of Luddites.

How bad was it? Well, as late as the mid-1970s the newspaper refused to supply photographers with 35-millimetre equipment, believing that the technology was far from proven even after, oh, 10 or 30 years. Instead, the picture hounds were forced to lug around a 4 X 5 frame, single-shot Speed Graflex.

There was only one bright spot to working in that time warp. Employees could watch reruns of *The Front Page* on late-night TV and identify every piece of equipment shown on the small screen.

*my word*  
.....  
by duncan macdonnell



A person who enters the field today would not be so, uummmm, fortunate. In the past 15 years, more and more newspapers have embraced offset printing instead of the hot-lead process, phototypesetters instead of linotype equipment, facsimile machines and portable laptop computers instead of telephone calls to the rewrite desk, tape recorders instead of notebooks, and PCs in-

stead of typewriters. It's enough to make me feel as if I started out in the Ice Age.

The sheets of ice are receding quickly, however. Here at *Driftwood*, we've spent the past week quivering on the threshold of a brighter future, made possible by our embracing of the latest in publishing technology.

And so far, we've managed to survive to tell the tale.

Last week, we installed a laser printer and a couple of advanced computer stations to take the place of the phototypesetter and the Dark Ages terminals we've been labouring with in the salt mine. Part of last week's edition, and most of this one, was produced with the new equipment.

The fault with the older machinery was not that it had been surpassed by other technologies, but that its speed of operation had simply become too slow to meet our constantly-growing demands. It meant we were facing a weekly production bottleneck that cramped operations in every other department.

The new stuff, on the other hand, should allow us to produce cleaner and higher-quality type -- and in a fraction of the time we

were forced to spend working with the now-retired machinery. That, in turn, should lead to improvements in the graphic look, feel and content of the newspaper itself.

Should. I say that because bugs seem to turn up whenever and wherever new systems replace the old. The past week has been no different for us here at *Driftwood*. Enough said on that note.

Suffice it to say we're still in the midst of learning the technical capabilities of the new equipment -- and the human limits of working with same -- so right now is not the time to ask what the system will and won't do. When the answer arrives, you'll see it in print each week.

In the meantime, here's to Ice Ages and modern times.

## Discussion

*Editor's note: The following is an open letter to Pat James, chairman of the Ganges Incorporation Study Committee, filed with this newspaper for publication.*

We request that your committee meet with our society to clarify your position on many aspects of the incorporation issue. We have examined problems that exist in local government, and the many unique options that are available as solutions.

The incorporation of Ganges, dividing the community from the island for terms of local decision-making, was one of the least acceptable options by our studies to date. We do not believe that the future of Ganges can be viewed separated from the future of Salt Spring Island as a whole.

We invite you to explain to us how your concepts will benefit the majority of islanders, not just a select few within the "corporation boundaries."

As we obviously share many common concerns on the future of our home, we anticipate a prompt response.

**KATHY SCARFO,**  
Vice-chairman  
Island Watch Society.

## Welcome

I would like to commend a new organization here, *Seniors for Seniors*.

Organized late last summer, they already have earned the thanks of many seniors who no longer drive off the island. The members who still drive stand ready to take non-drivers to medical and other appointments in Victoria, Sidney, or other places.

The members also have arranged small but much appreciated services, such as brief daily telephone calls; a weekly call to enquire if transportation is needed for appointments; pick up and delivery for the library, post office and catalogue orders; someone to give relief to the care-giver in the family for a few hours of free time; someone to take a senior to visit a friend shut-in or in the hospital; someone to bring a friend to see you; someone to "go along" now and then out to eat, shopping, or just for a drive.

All very wonderful for oldsters who no longer drive. And many other small services.

The organization has acquired a room, number 205, in the Upper Ganges Centre. The telephone number is 537-4604.

*Seniors for Seniors* is headed by Mike Beach, and the executive is Molly Frenette, Madge Kimball, Mary Toynbee and Mae George.

A very welcome addition to the community.

**CLARE W. FARRELL,**  
Ganges.

## For people

We are alarmed by the decision of the Parks and Recreation Commission to evict the *Frying Scotsman* from Centennial Park.

Scotty Wilson did as much good for Centennial Park and

## letters

Ganges as a goodwill ambassador and purveyor of quality than the members of the Parks and Recreation Committee have done collectively.

It has long been known that the architects of the new Ganges have been trying to find a way to rid the park of the midweek parasites whom the downtown business people so often cited as unfair competition. The truth of the matter is more like there is no substitute for quality and it was impossible to compete with a product as good as Scotty's.

The current builders of this renewed park are working from a drafted plan that a few people are telling them a park should be. It looks nice enough and functions okay, but without the heart-warming friendliness of people like the Wilsons it will become just another roadside attraction.

The commission could never kick the *Frying Scotsman* out while Scotty was alive, because Scotty had the moral advantage on them. Scotty belonged in the park more than they did.

As members of the community we can now only bear our part of the same this unelected body has caused toward the memory of a man such as Scotty Wilson. We are sure a man with a heart as big as Scotty's would find a way to forgive them, but we never will.

Our only pleasure is seeing Scotty best them once again. By renegeing on their deal after Scotty's gone reveals them as the gutless wonders they really are. People make the park.

This unelected body does not have the legal right to overrule the decision of the voters.

**PETER RICE, DOROTHY COPELAND-RICE,**  
Ganges.

## Transfer power

*Editor's note: The following is an open letter to Rita Johnston, the minister of municipal affairs, filed with this newspaper for publication.*

The Islands Trust Act Review hearings which you initiated in 1987 articulated a very clear concern from Salt Spring Islanders for the strengthening of the Islands Trust. We have been encouraged in recent months by press reports that you will be introducing legislation to strengthen the Trust mandate. We commend that intention.

We would ask that in that legislation you give particular consideration for placing under the authority of the Islands Trust the responsibility presently vested in the department of highways for the approval of subdivisions on the islands.

Certain immediate advantages would accrue to the Gulf Islands by this transfer of responsibility. Among these, the Trust would have the ability to negotiate with developers alternative options for portions of land in subdivisions set aside for parks, and through this to be able to develop connecting links in the systems of trails between parks and services.

Also, it would provide for improvement in designating road right-of-ways in keeping with the goals set forth in the Community Plans.

We recognize that the transfer of subdivision approval authority to the Islands Trust would have to be accompanied by a budget allocation that would allow this mandate to be fulfilled. Quite possibly this change would be cost-effective. We recognize also that the Trust would need to consult with the department of highways, and other agencies.

Such a move would provide the Trust most sensibly with a closer overview of development -- an integral part of the planning process. It is worthy of note that the Islands Trust is one of the few organizations in the province that has authority for land-use planning, but does not have approving or disapproving authority for subdivision.

**SYDNEY O. WIGEN,**  
Chairman  
Community Planning  
Association.

## Endorsed

I am writing to inform your readers that the following resolution was unanimously passed at our last general meeting:

"The Sierra Club of Salt Spring Island is opposed to the incorporation of Ganges and supports continued jurisdiction of the Islands Trust in all planning and environmental matters for the whole island, including Ganges."

**BOB TWAITES,**  
Ganges.

## Mining trees

*Editor's note: The following is an open letter to Dave Parker, Minister of Forests, filed with this newspaper for publication.*

This is a letter to protest the continuing mining of B.C.'s forest heritage. We feel it is no longer politically expedient for any government to condone widespread clear-cutting activities in our forests.

The British Columbia government could lead the way to sustainable use of our forests and a believable reforestation program.

We do support selective logging in that this method recognizes the forest ecosystem as a whole; conserves essential top soil, and does not disrupt the bacterial and fungal growths so necessary for continuity in a healthy system. What your Ministry needs to support are logging practices that encourage a healthy, self-regenerating forest.

The current clear-cutting methods require repeated expensive tree-planting operations that often fail, with the accompanying thinning and fertilizing procedures that cannot imitate the natural balance necessary for a continuing forest. Continuation of these practices will leave us with exhausted and depleted soil that is subject to erosion and will not support healthy trees.

We support, small, local logging company husbandry of our forests and forest soils. We do not support large multi-national glitzy campaigns of public reassurance while we see evidence of large scale waste and destruction of forest habitat.

It's your move, Mr. Parker.  
**GRANT and WENDY WICKLAND,**  
Fulford Harbour.

## Be there

Salt Spring Island gets one chance to respond to the provincial government's transportation study, known as the Delcan Report.

Public input into this process is essential. So whether you want a bridge, an airport, one ferry a week, or horses instead of cars, let's hear your views.

Be at the public meeting at the Salt Spring Elementary Activity Centre on Monday, April 3 at 7:30 pm.

**D.W. EVANISHEN,**  
Salt Spring Island  
Transportation Committee.

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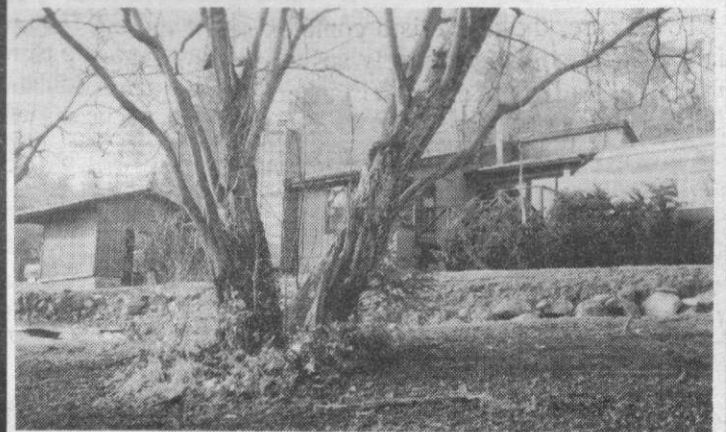
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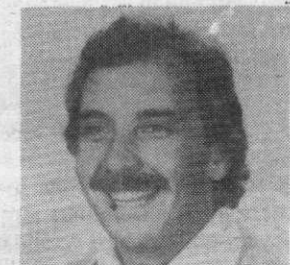
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**VICTORIA** -- One really begins to wonder whether Forest Minister Dave Parker knows what he's doing.

Right in the middle of the most wrenching public debate about the future of British Columbia's timber resources, Parker has called for public input into the review of the province's Crown range management program.

Not that there's anything wrong with public participation in shaping government policies. In fact, it's very admirable. The problem here is that Parker apparently wants to change Crown range policies in isolation from other Crown land uses, notably the harvesting of timber resources.

The public hearings Parker has been holding with regard to the province's tree farm licence program should have made it clear to the minister that the public wants a complete review of all matters that impact on the management of Crown land. Such a review spells **R-O-Y-A-L C-O-M-M-I-S-S-I-O-N**.

No matter where the minister took his road show, the public demanded a Royal Commission. Even some forest industry representatives indicated they weren't opposed to a Royal Commission inquiry. That's very understandable. The industry has of late been subjected to unprecedented public scrutiny and needs new goal posts -- that is, policies which allow forest companies to operate in a less-hostile environment.

Parker, who isn't given to accept criticism with a smile, came to attention when one former Socred cabinet minister showed up at the Parksville hearing and gave a few examples of what's wrong with the government's forest policies.

**No more trees to harvest**

Cyril Shelford was minister of agriculture in the W.A.C. Bennett government. He also was chairman of the legislature's select standing committee on forestry from 1962 to 1968. In addition to that, Shelford is widely regarded as the most honourable politician who ever sat in the legislature.

Shelford said sustained yield, the theory according to which we will never run out of trees, is a myth. In less than 16 years, he predicted, we'll have no more trees to harvest on the coast. In the Interior, he said, the prospects weren't much better.

Shelford also nailed the forest industry to the wall for not having lived up to the original commitments they made in return for receiving virtually unlimited authority over Crown land under the tree farm licence program.

"They were to supply a conversion plant (secondary manufacturing plant such as a pulp mill or lumber mill) forever with wood to maintain a community, not to be closed and taken elsewhere or exported. This important feature was carefully forgotten," Shelford said.

"They were to carry out all silviculture themselves with no cost to the taxpayer. This, too, was soon forgotten," he said.

The public hearings also made it clear that any Royal Commission inquiry should not be limited to the forest industry per se, that it must include the entire spectrum of the use of public lands.

**Commission absolutely necessary**

Fred Marshall, forestry instructor at Selkirk College in Castlegar and a professional forester himself, says a Royal Commission is absolutely necessary. He says the terms of reference should be as broad as possible and should, aside from forestry, include wildlife management, recreation and parks use, range management, fishery and agriculture, as well as mining where it impacts on parks.

A Royal Commission, says Marshall, should concern itself as much with environmental concerns as with economic questions. Treating any public land use in isolation of the others would only serve to continue the patchwork of policies we have now.

Yet, while the public is clamouring for a Royal Commission inquiry, Parker releases a "discussion paper" on the government's range management program.

The program is administered by the B.C. Forest Service which, in itself, is an indication of how closely range management is linked to the province's forest resources.

To give you an indication of the range management program's scope, here are some figures. At present, there are 2,254 grazing and hay-cutting permits in effect, covering a total of 8.3 million hectares of Crown land.

The grazing tenures also support a variety of uses other than grazing, including timber production, wildlife and recreation, another good reason why any changes in the range management program shouldn't be considered in isolation.

And just in case the government is looking for someone to head a Royal Commission, how about Cyril Shelford? There would be few, if any, objections to his appointment.

**Islanders talk with forest firm**

By **DAVID FRASER**

**GALIANO ISLAND** -- MacMillan Bloedel came to talk about development but Clear Cut Alternatives (CCA) came for a different reason.

"We were there to discuss the maintenance and preservation of the forest environment and respect for the rural community," says Galiano's Ken Millard of a March 20 meeting held in Victoria with representatives from the island, MacMillan Bloedel and the provincial government.

Millard, a representative with CCA, which represents the Galiano community on the tri-partite council aiming to resolve local logging issues, says there was not a whole lot accomplished at the meeting.

Millard says MacMillan Bloedel's purpose in calling the meeting was to introduce two developers it is considering hiring for the 7,700 acres of land the company owns on the island.

Millard says Vancouver's In-trawest Properties and the Design Workshop from Aspen, Colorado, which have backgrounds designing ski resorts and shopping centres, were not well prepared for the discussions.

"They hadn't even seen our community plan," he noted.

Millard says that for one-and-a-half years the CCA has discussed the scale of logging or development on the island, issues which were ignored at the Monday meeting.

"They (MB) have essentially logged one side of the island. If they want to talk changes in zoning we have the mechanism in place in the form of the Islands Trust."

Millard says another meeting of the council has not yet been scheduled although he is hopeful it will meet in the near future.

In the meantime the CCA is arranging for a study to be done by a private consultant, dealing with sustainable development for the island's forest lands.

The Sustainable development research project for the community of Galiano will be done by Gary Runka, a private consultant from Burnaby.

"Basically we want to come up with a series of options that the community can consider for the use of its lands," says Millard.

The study will be made available to the tri-partite council. "It will take into account that the owners of the land (MB) should realize a reasonable return on their investment," Millard said.

"But it is essential to have (the study) if we're to sit down on equitable terms with MacMillan Bloedel in order to function effectively."

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# Islands Trust study group prepares ferries submission

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"Access to the islands is so important an issue that the community must be consulted," says Mayne Island Trust representative Louis Vallee. "Access is really the key to development on the islands."

The Trust is concerned that the Ministry of Transportation and Highways has only looked at the economics and not the social and environmental implications of changing the present ferry system. They point out that many Outer Gulf Islanders now go to Sidney for commercial and retail services because of reduced service to Salt Spring.

But there is an institutional link because school and health services are on Salt Spring.

The Trust also points out that ease of access from Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen will influence the type and number of tourists coming to the Gulf Islands.

North Pender Island Trust representative Bob George says the Southern Gulf Islands has deteriorated as an historic community with the erosion of inter-island ferry service over the years. "We're being shoved aside. Many visitors are appalled at what's going on here," George says.

He points out that young people from the Outer Gulf Islands can socialize at high school on Salt Spring but once they graduate this sense of community crumbles.

"Transportation is the greatest threat to the lifestyle of the Gulf Islands," says Gordon Wallace, a past Trust representative for North Pender Island.

Wallace fears the proposed ferry changes could create a populace of commuters and would fuel development, whittling away the rural character and unspoiled beauty of the islands. "Ferry service should just be adequate and no more," Wallace says.



Doreen York

The provincial government's recently-formed transportation task forces for each of B.C.'s economic zones which will be charged with providing input on transportation planning. Port Alberni Mayor Gillian Trumper is chairman of the task force for the Vancouver Island/Coast region, which will have technical support from the Ministry of Transportation and Highways officials and from transportation agencies.

To assist the task force in completing its regional plan, letters inviting submissions and public presentations have been sent to municipalities, regional districts, commercial and industrial users, chambers of commerce, resource companies and transportation agencies.

Because of insufficient time to conduct a proper study with community input the Southern Gulf Islands Trustees have demanded that no major decisions on ferry connections be made until their study is completed, at least 12 to 18 months.

The Trustees have asked that the report be based on existing Island Trust policy and that health, education, recreation, culture and lifestyle connections should dictate ferry system decisions.

"It is the Trust's view that service should follow and not anticipate demand," says Doreen York, a Trust representative for North Pender.

Further, the report should stress the need for the ferry system to encourage a population which resides on the islands and becomes involved in island life and economy.

A Task Force public meeting is scheduled for April 11 in Saanich, location to be announced.

The Task Force's regional plan, ranking short and long term projects in order of priority, will be forwarded to Ministry of Highways for review and co-ordination with the other regional plans in relation to the overall needs of the province.

## Higher taxes contained in CRD budget

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This year, it is budgeted for \$13.94 million.

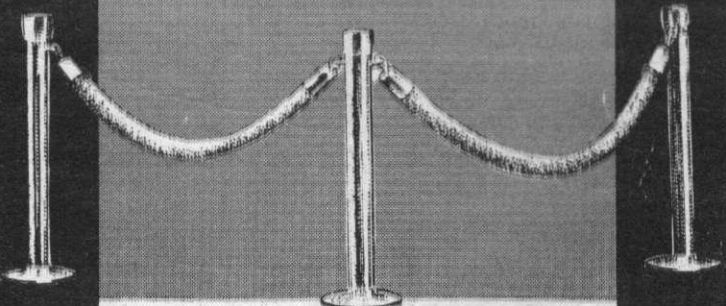
The local share of the 1989 health costs raised through property taxes is up by \$107,990 -- or 5.15 per cent from the \$2.09 million levied last year.

The overall 1989 CRD budget is actually a composite of nearly 100 individual budgets and includes \$8.41 million in municipal debt service charges by the municipal finance authority, compared with the 1988 total budget of \$52.53 million which included \$8.23 million in municipal debt service charges.

Anyone wishing copies of the 1989 CRD budget (bylaw number 1709) may obtain them free of charge from the CRD's finance department at 524 Yates Street in Victoria, or by phoning 388-4421.

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## Construction ready to begin on Ganges housing project

Construction started this week on yet another housing development on Salt Spring.

Work is to begin immediately on the 40-unit townhouse development in Ganges, which held its sod-turning ceremony last Wednesday.

The 4.5-acre development, called Ros Common Estates, is located between Pioneer Village and Croftonbrook. Ros Common is the name of a town and county in Ireland where the ancestors of the former property owner, Dorothy Crofton, hailed from.

Phase one of the project, involving five townhouses, is expected to be completed by mid-summer, says local real estate agent Wilf Bangert of Pemberton-Holmes.

"Once completed we will have 28 single-storey and 12 two-storey

townhouses," he said. "Each unit contains two bedrooms, two bathrooms and a large dining room."

Construction is to be overseen by Bay Construction of Victoria, but the actual work is being done by tradesmen from Salt Spring.

"Bay Construction will just have a project manager on site," said Bangert. "All the actual hands-on work will be done by locals. We wanted to try to keep as much of the money generated from the construction here on island."

There are to be two access routes to the new development. A road is to be built next to Pioneer Village to handle some of the traffic, while the other access will be off of Corbett Road.

Price ranges for the townhouses will start at ap-

proximately \$130,000 for the single-storey and \$145,000 for the two-storey townhouses.

Bangert said he expects the properties to sell fairly quickly. "Every one of these townhouses will have an excellent view of Ganges Harbour. The real estate market on the island is very good, so we expect they will sell pretty quickly," he said.

It is expected to take more than a year to complete the project, Bangert noted.

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# Foster parents 'should not have to play such important assistance role'

By SUSAN DICKER

Third of Three Parts

The Salt Spring Island Community Centre sees at least a dozen new cases of child abuse every year on this island.

The degrees of abuse vary from emotional neglect -- which can be difficult to identify -- to physical and sexual abuse. At the root of these situations can lay a lack of parenting skills, alcohol or substance addiction, and usually some form of a "dysfunctional family."

The Community Centre is pleased with the turnout of islanders interested in learning foster parenting skills, as the need to temporarily house victims of abuse has become crucial. (More than 12 people are currently attending a three-session information series on foster parenting. A spokesperson at the Community Centre said a number of phone calls from other interested individuals have also been received.)

But Community Centre director Barbara Jordan-Knox says that ideally, foster parents should not have to play such an important role in aiding problematic family situations.

"The government doesn't tend to fund preventative measures," she says. "It looks at intervening at the end point . . . foster parents are an end point -- it would be nice if we didn't need them."

Of the three most common types of abuse -- sexual, physical and emotional neglect -- sexual abuse gives the greatest cause for removing a family member from the household. Often, this is the child.

In this situation, foster parents offer the child a stable, safe and supportive atmosphere. They provide a "normal" family environment, establishing "regular expectations and standard rules for people living together," Jordan-Knox says.

A child who discloses the fact he or she has been a victim of sexual abuse is left in a tender emotional state, often dealing with intense feelings of guilt. Not only does the child have to come to



Barbara Jordan-Knox

terms with the fact he or she is not at fault, but must also deal with the imminent disruption and potential breakdown of the family unit.

In the circumstance of a female child who has been abused by a male parent or step-parent, for example, the mother can respond in one of two ways: she can clearly support the child, helping her ab-

**"The government doesn't tend to fund preventative measures. It looks at intervening at the end point."**

solve her feelings of guilt, or she can respond ambivalently, making it more difficult for the youngster to cope. In the latter circumstance, the mother is often fearful of the consequences (emotional and financial) of a family breakdown.

A foster home offers stability, as the child deals with his or her feelings, and as the family deals with the disruption.

Physical abuse, Jordan-Knox

says, frequently involves alcohol or substance abuse, necessitating the removal of a child until the parent can obtain counselling. Placing a child in a foster home assures him or her of a safe environment.

The root of physical abuse can be a lack of parenting skills, where parents form unrealistic expectations of a child.

"Put a person under extreme stress," Jordan-Knox says, such as someone experiencing financial and marital difficulties, who does not have a support system and who turns to alcohol as an escape, "and it can take just one more thing until (he or she) will lash out. We all get angry at times . . . the important approach to take with child abuse is not to assume the people are bad, but that they need help."

It is in this area Jordan-Knox believes abuse could be prevented and the need for foster parents reduced.

In most cases, she says, there are degrees of abuse: physical abuse frequently begins with unconscious neglect, ultimately erupting into violence. Preventative intervention, Jordan-Knox says, can help a parent recognize the problem as it unfolds and offer an "optional response."

Jordan-Knox hopes a parent peer counselling program, currently in its formative stages on the Gulf Islands, will lead to a "parents in crisis network," which will give parents access to information and feedback through a telephone network.

There are many parents, who will never come to a formal agency for counselling, Jordan-Knox


says; however they would be willing to plug into a telephone network, where confidentiality is assured. A peer counselling network, such as this, would offer parents an "optional response," where a phone call could replace an incident of abuse.

"People need to develop an attitude that it is alright to seek help. Everybody goes through bad times . . . (counselling) can help a person find a way to sort out his or her choices."


The current situation is frustrating, Jordan-Knox says: the

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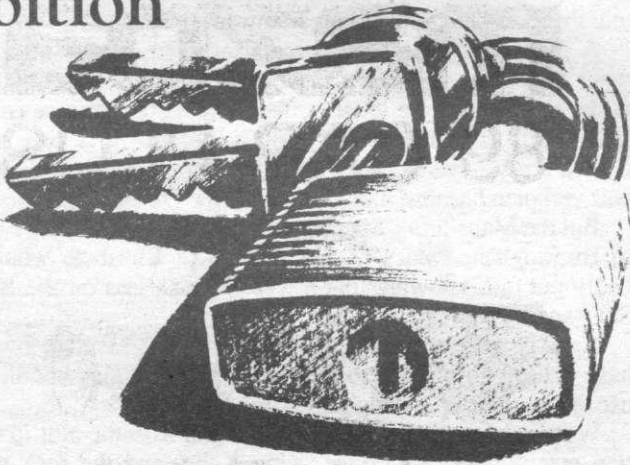
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Some Spaniards play it safe and "load up" on extra names -- such as Don Alfonso de Borbon y Borbon, the great-great-grandson of Carlos III. Don Alfonso died in 1934 -- possibly crushed by weight of his own birth certificate, which contained 94 Christian names.

Black, Arthur, Raymond doesn't cut it in Spanish circles. A lot of nations take a proprietorial interest in the naming of their citizens. Until 1970, the names of all French children had to be chosen from an approved list at the Ministry of the Interior. In Russia, the name "Melor" has enjoyed the official nod of approval for over half a century. It's an acronym of Marx, Engels, Lenin, October Revolution.

Cuba, on the other hand is moving in the other direction. The government there recently issued a decree announcing that Cuban babies will henceforth have short, simple names, easy to pronounce and not likely to cause embarrassment to the child.

Good news, no doubt, for the recently-born Cuban twins whose mother had tried to name Biela and Propela. "Propela" means "propeller," while "biela" is Spanish for "connecting rod."

**Pretty well anything goes**

Americans too, have certain rules about what people may and may not call their children. You would assume that pretty well anything goes in a country which gives the official nod to "Dweezil" and "Moon Unit" (the real names of rock star Frank Zappa's kids) -- but that's not the case. It took Ellen Cooperman three years of difficult and expensive litigation to convince the judges to allow her to shed her name and all the oppressive male chauvinist baggage that went with it.

She finally won. Send your congratulatory telegrams to Ellen Cooperman, New York, New York.

Mister Michael Herbert Dengler, on the other hand, was less fortunate. The Minnesota State Court unsympathetically quashed his attempt to change his name to, as his lawyer so poetically described it, "one that symbolizes his interrelationship with society and reflects his personal and philosophical identity." Mister Dengler wanted to change his name to "1069."

You would think that Great Britain, that mighty cradle of free speech, would let its citizenry name its kids just about anything they liked, but Audrey and Hugh Manwaring-Spencer have discovered differently.

**It might tick off the Queen**

Recently the Manwaring-Spencers, who live on the Isle of Skye, had a daughter. The parents dutifully notified the British Registrar of Births what they wished to name their child. To wit: Princess Dulcima Rosetta Manwaring-Spencer.

A few months later the parents received a letter informing them that their daughter's name was illegal. "Based upon an Order in Council" the letter huffed, "the name Princess is not a recognized forename in this country because it is part of the Crown's royal prerogative." In other words, the name *Princess* was verboten because it might tick off the Queen.

But the Manwaring-Spencers are a doughty tribe. They wrote to Buckingham Palace asking if, in fact, Elizabeth would be badly put out, knowing that a wee Scottish lass on the Isle of Skye answered to the name Princess.

A royal aide wrote back: "You may rest assured that you have caused no offence to the Queen and you may continue to use the word as your daughter's Christian name."

Wonderful news for Princess Dulcima Rosetta. Not to mention entertainers like Prince, King Kong, and the rock group Queen. And if anybody comes across the hero of that old Gene Chandler rock and roll classic, tell him it's alright.

The Duke of Earl can come out of hiding.

# Need for foster parents, homes expected to continue on island

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Community Centre can identify people who are at the "start" of a potentially abusive situation, and offer them counselling, there is no guarantee they will seek help, however.

The third category of abuse -- emotional neglect -- is the most difficult to identify, and creates the most difficult situation to remove a child from.

"There are no visible scars in cases of emotional neglect," Jordan-Knox says. "The scars are psychological."

Victims of emotional neglect are often made out to be scapegoats -- blamed for everything wrong in the family, undermined, ignored, and told they are

"no good."

"They end up feeling so negative about themselves, they can't function positively. Their self-esteem needs to be improved; they need to feel they can take control, move in a positive direction and be independent," Jordan-Knox says.

While "neglect" is one of the six situations allowing a social worker to apprehend a child from his natural parents, it can be difficult to prove.

Parents whose children are apprehended for foster care, often experience a great deal of shame. It should be stressed that because a child is in foster care, it does not mean he or she has been a victim of abuse.

In some cases, parents will turn

to the ministry of social services and housing and request their child be taken into foster care for a temporary period of time, while they cope with problems of their own.

In other instances, alternate living arrangements might be made for a child from a stable, positive family, who has entered a period of extreme rebellion, rejecting the support system offered by his or her parents.

And, while Jordan-Knox believes some situations could be dealt with through preventative intervention, the need for foster parents and loving, stable homes will continue. At the rate of approximately one new incidence of abuse on Salt Spring each month, the need here is a vital one.

## Building values on increase

The dollar value of building permits issued in February on Salt Spring Island showed an increase over the total for the same month of 1988.

The figures, compiled and released by the Capital Regional District (CRD), also show that year-to-date figures have dropped substantially, thanks to lessened activity in January.

In February, 1989, the CRD issued 10 residential building permits and three commercial building permits on Salt Spring. The projects carried a total value of \$452,780.

A year earlier, the CRD issued five residential and three commercial permits for work worth a total of \$382,099.

The residential permits issued in February, 1989, involved six single-family dwellings and four mobile homes.

Year-to-date figures show a substantial decrease in the first two months of this year, compared to January and February of 1988. By the end of February, 1988, the CRD had issued \$3.047 million in permits. Total for the same period this year is \$1.54 million.

Year-to-date totals for 1989 involve permits for 16 single-family dwellings, two duplexes,

six mobile homes and one moved dwelling. The CRD has issued a total of four permits for commercial buildings.

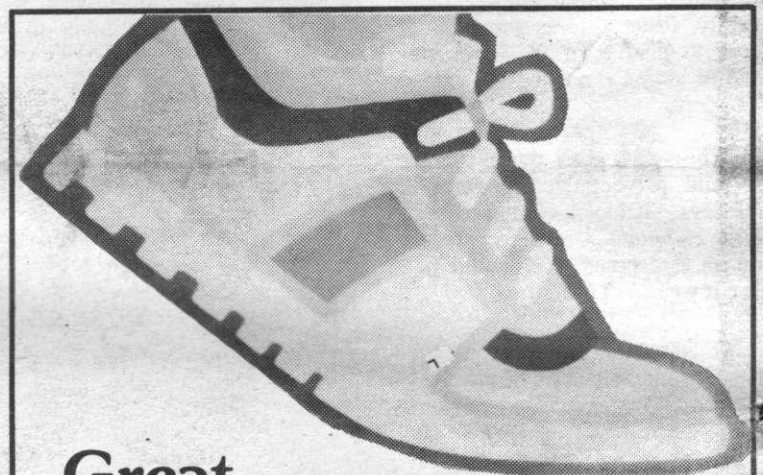
In January and February 1988, permits were issued for eight single-family dwellings, 21 multiple-family dwellings, one mobile home and seven commercial buildings.

On the Outer Gulf Islands, building activity continues to climb, with a year-to-date building permit total of \$962,016 in 1989, compared to \$424,196 in the first two months of last year.

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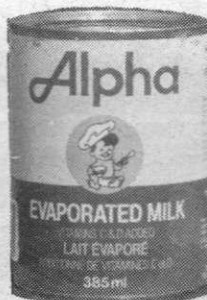
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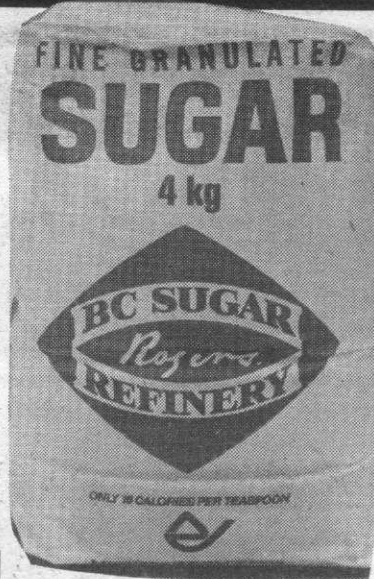
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- 300 g pkg.

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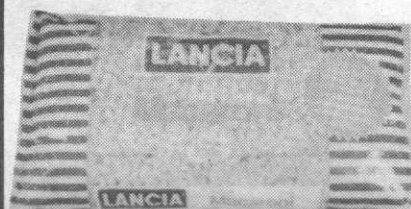
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**TUNA**

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184 g tin



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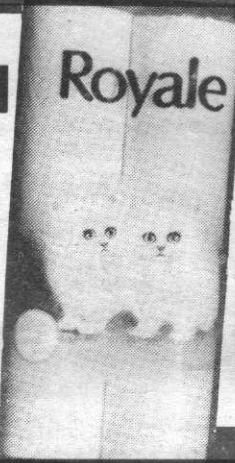
142 ml tin **1 46**

CLOVER LEAF  
**SMOKED OYSTERS**

104 g tin **1 28**

ROYALE 2-PLY  
**BATHROOM TISSUE**

**2 98**  
8-roll  
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**PAPER TOWELS**

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BULLY BATHROOM  
**BOWL CLEANER**

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**MIX & MATCH**

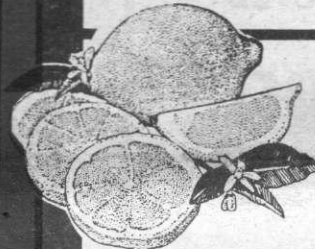
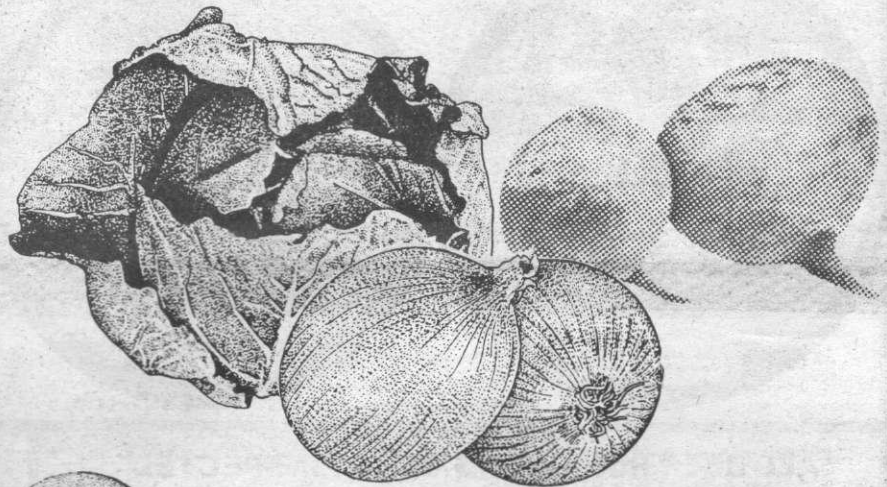
- Medium Onions
- Green Cabbage
- Rutabaga Turnips

50 lb. case  
**12.50**

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50 lb. case  
**12.50**

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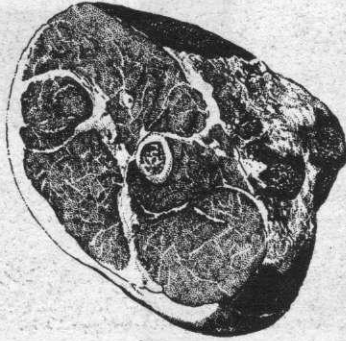
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lb.  
5.27 kg

FRESH  
**SPLIT  
FRYERS**  
**1 49**  
lb.  
3.29 kg

ACADIAN  
**SMOKED  
KIPPERS**  
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lb.

FROZEN

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100 g

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Turkey **88¢**  
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# Environmental awareness demonstrated by students

By DAVID FRASER

MAYNE ISLAND -- Did you know that an animal species disappears from tropical rain forests daily? Or that log booms are environmentally dangerous?

Did you know washing your hair in well water can cause it to fall out? Or that shellfish harvesting at Montague Harbour is worse than at Sturdies Bay because Montague is more polluted?

These provocative issues and more were the focus of last Thursday's first-ever science fair at Mayne Island School, which featured exhibits by students from kindergarten to Grade 9.

Visitors saw an impressive array of exhibits showing man's destructive impact on our environment.

We learned about the greenhouse effect -- the heating up of the earth's atmosphere due to air pollution -- and how it can be reduced by cutting down on fossil fuels, styrofoam products and aerosol cans.

The fair was the brainchild of Mayne science teacher Ian Cocker.

Students in Grades 8 and 9 from Galiano, Saturna and Mayne contributed exhibits centering on the environmental theme, which were later judged for scientific thought, creative ability, dramatic value, skill and written summary.

The exhibits were generally excellent. The students' verbal presentations to the judges showed a keen awareness of environmental issues.

Cocker says he hopes the fair will become an annual event.

It took Isabel Jarvis of Galiano Island to give a likely explanation why the balding process may be hastened by washing hair in well water.

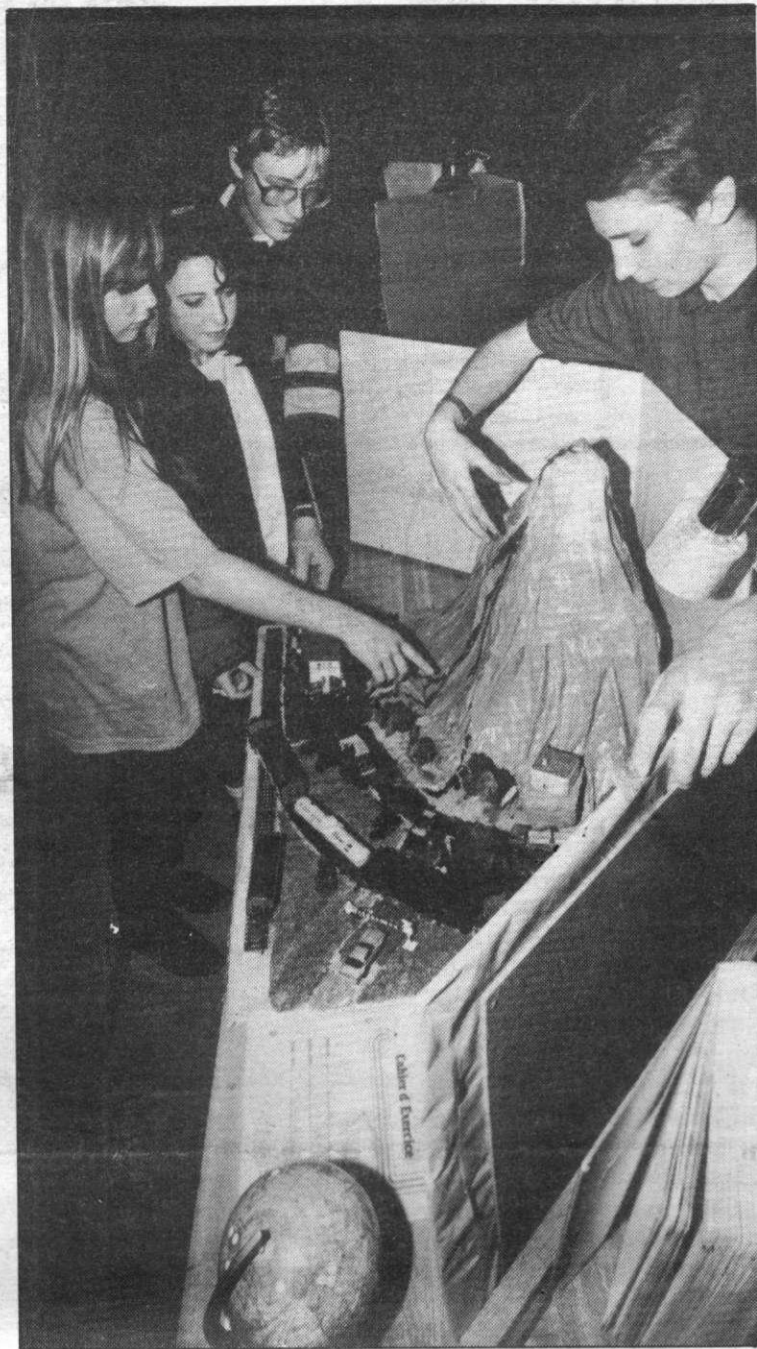
Isabel's science project was on acid rain in the Georgia Strait area.

Although our air has small traces of pollution it is preferable to wash one's hair in rainwater, she says, because the high mineral content of well water makes hair fall out.

There were well-crafted models showing how selective logging is preferable to clear-cutting, and the value of keeping septic tanks away from wells.

Galiano's Jessica Brooks had an interesting study linking a decline in organisms in Sturdies and Whaler's Bay to logging practices and log booms around Galiano.

Other outstanding exhibits included Tabatha Krieb's display on



Science fair boosts environmental awareness. Grade 9 Mayne Island student James Laughlin explains model showing precautions to take when living around active volcanoes, one of many displays at first science fair held at Mayne School. Looking on are (l-r): Sarah Brooks of Galiano, and Mayne's Adrienne Richards and Clint Davidson.

the effects of smoking; Fran Jobling's "Solar Still" method of gathering water; and Yarah Hooley's presentation on how to prevent further destruction of tropical rain forests -- "write governments urging them to take action and support the World Wildlife Fund," she said.



## ART AUCTION

Saturday, Apr. 1 — 7:30 pm  
Mahon Hall

Including works by Edwards, Town, Cherneff, Perkins, O'Brien, Thompson, etc. — and an original acrylic by Bateman.

Auctioneers: Arvid Chalmers & Michael Hayes

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## Events & Activities

Friday, Mar. 31 ..... SMORGASBORD 6 pm, \$8  
Saturday, Apr. 1 ..... 1st BIRTHDAY BASH  
& Potluck Supper 6 pm  
Sunday, Apr. 2 ..... DARTS vs Brass Bell, Crofton  
Club open 11 am-6 pm.

MEAT DRAWS every Saturday, 3-5:30 pm.  
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## CONTINUING EDUCATION

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INFORMATION? REGISTRATION? IDEAS?  
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Basic Woodwork Shop  
Children's Music Appreciation/Group Piano

Pre-teens Apr. 4 Teens Apr. 5 Adults Apr. 4

Babysitting - Fernwood Apr. 4 - Ganges Apr. 17  
How to Talk so Kids Will Listen  
Fulford Apr. 3 Fernwood May 16

More Basic Survival Cooking Apr. 24  
More Microwave Cooking May 11  
Savory Japanese Cooking Apr. 6  
Service & Sales for Restaurant Personnel  
at Luigi's - Apr. 9

IBM MS DOS Apr. 12  
MacPlus Spreadsheet & Data Base Apr. 11  
Computer Lab Drop-in Wednesdays  
GISS Computer Lab, 7-9 pm, until Apr. 26

Video Scripting Apr. 15 Poetry Reading Apr. 16  
SCUBA Apr. 9-23

'Learn to Cope' for Stroke Victims Apr. 5-26  
Red Cross Emergency 1st Aid Apr. 8  
Learn to Drive Apr. 24

Gary Cherneff's 'Introduction to Pottery'  
Victoria von Kane Modelling School Apr. 29-30  
Whale Watching? Trip to Long Beach - May 16-17-18



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## Annual General Meeting

Thursday, April 13, 1989

7:30 pm Mahon Hall

**artseen**

by gary cherneff



Well, here she be, an amalgamated concretion and celebration of all that is lovely and fun in the minds of women and men.

I'm talking about *Windborne*, which launched its prow into the sea of Ganges this past Friday night at Mahon Hall.

An exhibition of extroverted and introverted homage to atmospheric imagery, *Windborne* is more than just an annual art show and auction sponsored by the Community Arts Council.

The Salt Spring Festival of the Arts Society has joined the CAC this year to kick off a fund-raising program directed towards creating a permanent, year-round arts centre on the island. *Windborne* is the rallying point -- a theme show which, like a new art centre, brings diverse minds together to share our special ways of seeing and interpreting the world around us, a democratic forum of sorts.

And what diversity there is -- young and old, professional, amateur and novice have all contributed their inspirations.

Leading the fund-raiser in prominence will be an original painting donated by Salt Spring's own Robert Bateman, which don't let the gravity of that generous gift monopolize your attention. Each item in the show is an equally valued contribution towards the goal. Let's take a walk through Mahon Hall.

**As light and fragile as gossamer**

First thing that grabs you as you enter is an exquisite, magical kite by Carola Heydemann. Of sculpted and painted papers, fibre and feathers, it appears as light and fragile as gossamer gauze floating on an updraft. Fulford Elementary School has also caught that breeze with their *Round the World* hot air balloons of multi-hued translucent buoyancy.

For and a half year old Flo Willerton has perhaps one of the most endearing entries. Her simple and delightful drawing is accompanied by an explanatory poem which says *Birds on the rooftop, but I don't know why, maybe he's finding some seed in the sky.*

As long as we're on the subject of birds, I am sure you won't miss Bruce Comba's large folk-inspired carved *Blue Heron Sculpture*. Equally inspiring but less conspicuous is the quilted *Black and Red Duck* by Shirley M. Smith.

There's lots of fun and poking fun in the show. Particularly notable here is a decanter of Bullock Lake wind -- a winter wind captured at the moment of its transformation into spring wind.

Did you ever want to recognize abnormal tactical airstreams as you're sailing in the bay. *Instant Wind Forecasting* (donated by *et cetera*) will aid all serious sailors but is not authored by the same Alan Watts who soared to new heights on *Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds*.

Yes, the pseudo-scientific community (alchemists association) is obviously "coming out" in *Windborne*. Gunstone Technologies' clever plan, titled *Wind Wick Water Well* instructs us in a unique scheme to extract succulent moisture from solitary cumulus clouds.

**Proves to us that whales can fly**

Just about every medium has a representative in the show. From pottery wind chimes to blown glass bubble and woven and pierced fabric kites. There are many fine watercolours including works by Joan Angus, Alan Edwards, Adrien Town and Judith Forbes. There's an Aeolian Harp by Illyd Perkins, and Leonard Wallbank proves to us that whales can fly with his brass and wood *Whalevane*.

By now your mouth is watering with curiosity and you're getting anxious to know how the auction works. Here's the scoop. First there's the silent auction. When you go to preview the show you can actually place a bid on any of the items listed in this category. You can bid up until 9:30 pm on Saturday, April 1. On that evening there will also be a live auction of items reserved especially for that occasion.

Mahon Hall will be open every day from 11 am to 5 pm in order for you to update your bid. My informants tell me that the rivalry is heating up, so this Saturday night at Mahon Hall looks like the place to be.

While you're checking out *Windborne*, take an extra little detour to savour the exhibition by Gulf Islands Secondary School art students at Off Centre Stage. Hours are 1 am to 4 pm. You will be delighted with the skill and dexterity of this energetic school art program.

**Guitarist schedules singalong**

Entertainer Lia Argo will sing and play mantras and mood lifters at a family-style singalong set for Friday, March 31, at Off Centre Stage.

The guitarist has performed at festivals and events throughout the Pacific Northwest, as a concert and dance band vocalist, street musician and strolling minstrel.

Argo's favourite musical events are those that see everyone join in the fun. Children and the young-at-heart enjoy her simple heartsongs.

The singalong is set to begin at Off Centre Stage at 7 pm this Friday. Tickets are \$6 and \$4. Children are \$1.

**Gallery sets exhibition about birds**

*Partridge in April*, an exhibition of new work by Victoria's Rosemary Partridge, opens April 1 at the Field Mouse Wildlife Gallery.

The works are birds drawn from life using a unique scrap-board technique. The artist will be in attendance on opening day, April 1. The show will last one month.

Continuing on display only is *The Remarkable Animals of Fritz Hug*.

The gallery, at Southey Point, is open daily from 2 pm to 6 pm.

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# Continuing Education office offers special interest courses

Special interest programs for youngsters and adults are being arranged this spring by the Salt Spring Island Continuing Education office.

The courses are being held in addition to the office's regularly-scheduled program of dance, drama, Feldenkrais, tai chi, oil and water painting, woodworking, Spanish and Signed English.

The special interest courses include a new class at Fernwood for pre-teens interested in jazz-style jazz techniques. It will be held on Wednesday afternoons.

Also at Fernwood is the Vancouver Island Safety Council's baby-sitting course, beginning on April 4. A second session begins April 17 at Salt Spring Elementary School.

In addition, two sessions of *How To Talk SO Kids Will Listen; How To Listen So Kids Will Talk* are planned; the Fulford program begins April 13, while the Fernwood program will start May 16.

Four special foods courses are available this spring: *More Basic Survival Cooking for Men* begins April 24; *Savory Japanese Cook-* with Keiko Taylor runs for Thursdays, on April 6 and 13; *More Microwave Cookery*, with popular instructor-writer Susan Calder, will run May 11; and *Service and Sales for Restaurant Personnel*, a new course this season, will take place on Sunday, April 9, from 9 am to 12 noon at The Inn.

The latter program should prove especially useful to young people hoping to get their first job in the restaurant industry this summer; however, anyone is welcome to attend. The course is co-sponsored with Luigi's.

*Learning to Cope*, presented by Ariadne Sawyer and Barry Wells, is designed to offer advice, comfort and encouragement for victims of strokes and their families and friends.

Wells, a well-known Salt Spring resident, suffered a severe stroke many years ago and was told by doctors that he had little chance of recovery. Today, with Sawyer's help, he is ready to publish his book, *The Journey Back*. The course will help others take the same journey.



Victoria von Kane

SCUBA diving is another of the special courses being offered this spring. The PADI program will be given over three Sundays, with classroom instruction offered in the morning and students donning wetsuits for afternoon training.

Also included on the program agenda is *Video Editing* with a well-known and widely-published expert. Randy Thomas will take you through the steps of getting an idea, developing a story line and going into the field, video camera in hand. He will use the recently-televised programs of his own voyages as a starting point. The course is set for April 15.

for writers is *Poetry: A Can of Words*, to be held at Off Centre Stage on April 16. Arranged in conjunction with National Book Festival Week, the event is billed as an afternoon of poetry as read by local writers.

The remaining schedule for April includes two specialized -- and frequently-requested -- computer programs: *IBM MS-DOS* is for those who have or are thinking about getting an IBM PC; *Mac Plus Spreadsheet and Data Base* will give a boost into this software for people who have some experience with the Mac Plus.

*Learn to Drive*, offered in cooperation with the Cowichan School of Driving, starts April 24, and the Red Cross emergency first aid course will be offered again beginning April 8.

Two special courses later this spring are Gary Cherneff's *Introduction to Pottery Making*, to be taught in the artist's studio, and the Victoria von Kane Modelling School for girls aged 11 to 17 years, offered April 29 and 30.

"These two courses have limited enrolments, so register early to avoid disappointment," says Maggie Warbey, the Community Education co-ordinator.

Also on tap is a trip for whale watching at Long Beach, planned for May. Check the *Travel* column next week for further details.

For information or to register for any of the above, call 537-2822 between 10:30 am and 2:30 pm, Mondays to Thursdays.





**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 92**

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# Don't regard plastic goods as easily-disposable items

By PETER PENTZ  
Fourth of Five Parts

Environmentalists tend to dislike and despise plastics as dangerous and wasteful. As they are produced in enormous quantities and find their way into almost every part of our daily lives it seems sensible to look carefully at these chemicals to decide what harm they do and how we could prevent it.

We can begin by recognizing that there are many very different kinds of the big molecules chemists call *polymers* and which we lump together as *plastics*. Most of them (including nylon, polyethylene, polystyrene, and PVC) are *thermoplastics*: these can be repeatedly liquefied by heat, moulded into desired shapes (including films) and solidified by cooling (like candle-wax and many common metals). This matters, because it means they can easily be recycled, just as glass and metals can.

The *thermoset* plastics (like the *melamine* ware we use for picnics) cannot be re-melted and re-shaped. They exist because they are better than any other materials for a multitude of useful jobs. Without them we would have no durable plywood for housing, no furniture made with waste wood (shavings and sawdust bonded into particle board), to mention only these obvious examples.

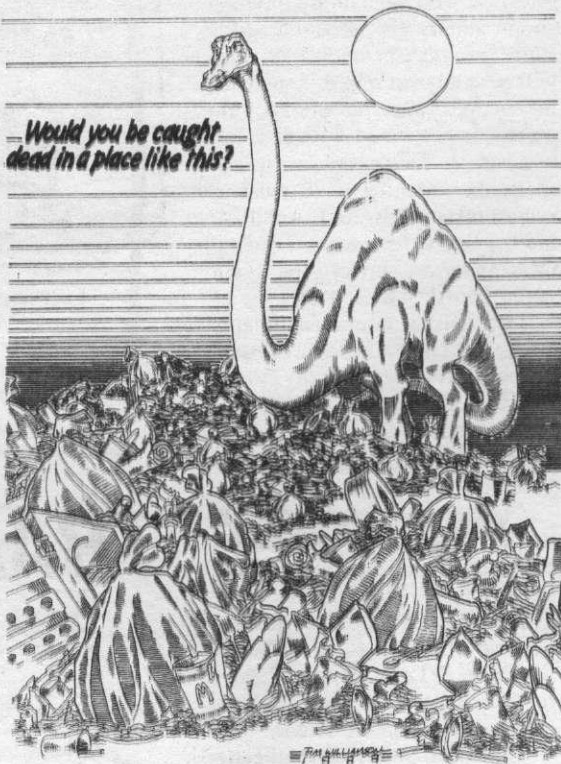
Where do the raw materials for these plastics come from? All common plastics contain carbon, combined in varying ways with atoms of a few other elements, chiefly hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, and in some cases chlorine (PVC is polyvinyl chloride).

For convenience and cheapness (as measured by our short-run economics) we get the carbon and hydrogen from fossil fuels, especially natural gas -- i.e., from plants that solar energy created millions of years ago.

In theory we could "grow" the basic raw materials for plastics. We may have to, when fossil fuels are eventually exhausted. Methane gas from sewage or other anaerobic composting processes and carbon monoxide from steam over hot charcoal, for instance, could replace natural gas as building blocks for chemical synthesis of plastics. The ultimate raw-material limits to plastics manufacture are set by solar energy and the complex factors that control plant growth.

Are there toxic hazards in making plastics, and subsequently moulding them? Few, in fact; and most if not all of these can be avoided by proper safety practices. Making chemicals is only complex cooking. A kitchen can be dangerous too. Workers in the plastics industry suffer in health only through faulty engineering, individual carelessness, or cutting corners to boost output.

Do the finished plastic products harm humans? Directly, not at all. They may be ugly, or unnecessary, or in some way inferior to more expensive materials for certain uses; but the occasional tragic suffocation of



In the U.S., and recently also in Canada, a substantial industry is developing which relies entirely on the collection of discarded plastic packaging and other articles for its feed-stock. These commercial re-cyclers use quite elaborate and expensive machines for sorting, cleaning and re-processing plastic garbage. Their operations are profitable only when they have assured supplies of discarded plastics from a large community. Some food stores are now equipped with machines that pay out cash for empty plastic containers.

Many people are concerned about the real harm that has been done (to other creatures) by discarded plastic bags, foamed mouldings like polystyrene (*Styrofoam*) cups and meat- or egg-trays, and by expanded plastic insulation boards -- especially because these are all so stable in most environments that they may take a hundred years to decompose.

As a band-aid operation some modified plastic films have been put on the market which can be broken down either by bright sunlight or by soil organisms. Bags made from these photo-degradable or biodegradable films can be discarded with somewhat less damage to other animals, and to that extent are an improvement to be welcomed, at least briefly.

In addition to some practical defects, however, these degradable plastics still leave the essential problem untouched: they are intended to be discarded, become part of the huge solid waste headache. What we can and must do instead is stop wasting, and recycle.

Our language is part of our problem: we talk of trash, garbage, rubbish, waste, when we should be recognizing that all of it is useful raw material, and none should be "wasted."

The environmental problem is presented by people, not by plastics. It is a problem of human behaviour, of social organization. The technical aspects are elementary, insignificant. If we can cease behaving as litter-bugs we can safely continue making and using most plastics, in moderate quantities, as far into the future as presently matters.

So what action can a small island community take? Awareness of the problem is needed first; then organizing collection of plastics, in the same way (but with more funds) as we now collect glass, paper and metals; and finally, putting pressure on appropriate local or provincial government bodies to set up re-cycling facilities, whether for private profit or as co-operative community ventures.

An effective method of stimulating slow-moving officialdom is to fill their offices with large, well-packaged bales of old plastics carrying polite requests for prompt recycling...

*Peter Pentz is a retired chemical engineer now living on Salt Spring Island.*

**"We should be recognizing that all of it is useful raw material, and none should be wasted."**

a baby with its head in a plastic bag is probably the worst they do to us. For birds, other land animals and the denizens of the oceans, however, plastics can be a serious menace. Since it is only man's careless and wasteful habits that put useful plastics in the wrong places -- in ditches, drains, rubbish-dumps, rivers, lakes and the sea -- the problem lies in our behaviour, not in the plastic materials themselves.

It is true that some (but by no means all) plastics can emit toxic chemicals when subjected to excessive heat without enough oxygen to burn them completely. This process of *pyrolysis*, which occurs all too frequently in land-fill fires and backyard burning of garden wastes, can produce some very nasty poisons, including the dioxins we have recently learned to fear. Incineration, even when done with utmost care, is not the way to dispose of unwanted plastics.

Those last four words are at the core of such problem as plastics present: no plastics should be regarded as unwanted, nor in need of disposal. It took precious resources to make them, and after they have served their first use they should, like glass, be re-cycled, re-used. All plastics without exception can be re-cycled.

With thermoplastics, the largest sector as we have seen, this is relatively simple, particularly if the different varieties are segregated. Even the moulded thermoset plastics can be (and are) ground and used as inert fillers, in clothing and elsewhere.

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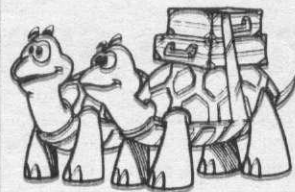
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# Inverted yield curve historically heralds recession

By RICK SALES and PETER ROBSON

The inverted yield curve is once again newsworthy. And for good reason -- it historically heralds a recession.

Our research indicates there have been five recessions in the U.S. during the last three decades. Each was preceded by a jump in short-term interest rates to levels higher than long-term rates.

Short-term rates have risen in Canada to a point where they exceed long-term rates. More recently this became the case in the U.S.

What is an inverted yield curve? To answer that let's look at a normal yield curve.

A normal curve consists of a gradual rising of interest rates from the short (one to three years), through the medium (five to ten years), to the longer term (10 to 20 years).

Short-term interest rates are historically lower than long-term rates, due to the uncertainty of time. For example, if inflation



rises during the term to maturity, interest rates will increase and bond prices will decline. To compensate for this risk, higher incremental rates of return are demanded by the lender the further out in time that he commits his money.

Conversely, when a yield curve is inverted, short-term rates are higher than long-term rates. It generally results from an attempt by monetary authorities to slow an economy which is perceived to be overheated.

Investors are encouraged to put more funds into short term investments such as treasury bills to take

advantage of high, virtually risk-free, rates of return. This diverts money from stocks and longer term bonds, cooling any speculative fever in those markets.

Higher short-term interest rates also discourage borrowing. Consumers spend less. As the demand for goods and services declines, economic activity slows.

However, this is a potentially dangerous situation. Fine-tuning of the economy in the past has sometimes resulted in economic overkill and, five times in the last three decades -- a recession.

Where do we stand? For our purposes the U.S., being the driving economic force in North America, should be examined.

In the U.S. the yield curve is only modestly inverted. And there have been a few occurrences in past expansions when the yield curve has flattened or briefly inverted, before short-term interest rates fell and no recession materialized.

The key is budget deficits!

If the U.S. and Canada can offer some concrete commitment toward deficit reduction, their currencies will strengthen and interest rates will drop. If they don't, interest rates will likely rise further creating a potentially dangerous situation. We put more credence in the first alternative

and expect economic activity to slow but not abort. This will reinforce a trend to lower inflation and interest rates.

Rick Sales and Peter Robson are money managers with the Vancouver-based investment dealer Odium Brown Ltd.

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## School tuition charges eligible for tax credit

By RON PARK

Were you upset when you had to pay your tuition fees last year? Now that it's tax time, don't you wish the fees had been higher so you had more to claim?

That's because your tuition fees are eligible for a tax credit provided they exceed \$100 and are paid to a recognized educational institution.

If you are attending a recognized institution outside Canada, the tuition fee credit is still available, as long as you are in attendance at the school for at least 13 weeks.

Did you receive a scholarship, bursary or bursary to go to university this year? If you did, the first \$500 is tax-free. That means if you get a \$1,000 scholarship, you would only report \$500 as taxable income.

Don't forget that if you changed residences to attend university, you may be able to deduct expenses if you have moved at least 40 km. But you can only deduct those moving costs from wages, scholarships, or research grants earned at the university location.

And similarly, if you move to take a summer job, you can deduct the moving expenses from the income you earn at that summer job.

Research grants are fully taxable. But you may deduct expenses such as books, travelling expenses, or equipment rental related to the research grants. Keep receipts for all your costs to substantiate these expenses.

Full-time students may also claim a tax credit of \$10 per month for each whole or part month spent at a designated educational institution. Don't forget to get a validated T2202 form from your school to file with your return.

With a little luck it may be possible to reduce your taxable income to zero. It's fairly easy if you follow all the tips outlined in this column.

Ron Park is executive vice-president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of B.C.



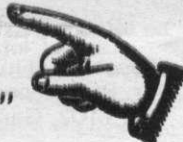
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The Task Force's function is to develop and recommend to the provincial government a comprehensive strategy and long-term transportation plan for the region.

Community input is sought through written submissions and public hearings. Individuals, groups and businesses are invited to write or make oral submissions directly to the Task Force outlining ideas, concerns and recommendations on the regional transportation issues.

Written submissions can be presented at the public meetings or they can be mailed to the Regional Transportation

Task Force, c/o Mr. Jim Cameron, Regional Development Liaison Officer, 13 Victoria Crescent, Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5B9, or phone 755-2206.

Those wishing to make a public presentation to the Task Force should contact Jim Cameron to arrange a time. Times will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Presentations should be no more than 15 minutes. Deadline for submissions is April 15th, 1989.

In order to cover all of the Vancouver Island/Coast Region, the Task Force has been split into two groups; one to cover the Northern portion of the Region, the other to cover the Southern portion.

All meetings are from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., except Bella Bella/Bella Coola.

### PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

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Tuesday, April 11th, 1989		Friday, April 14th, 1989	
Courtenay	Westerly Hotel	Port Alberni	Barclay Hotel
Saanich	North Saanich Municipal Hall	Bella Bella	United Church Hall 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday April 12th, 1989		Bella Coola	Bay Motor Inn 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
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## Examine ways to receive income

Dear Bruce,

I am not looking forward to the cheque I am having to write again this year to the Receiver General. It's an annual event I could live without.

I am retired, after working hard all my life, and it irks me to have to continue paying so much income tax on such a modest income (especially when you consider how they spend it). My income consists of Canada Pension and Old Age Pension, as well as a small company pension and the interest I earn on my GICs (approximately \$10,000 per year). My accountant keeps suggesting I should look to dividends and capital gains for tax relief. Could you please explain how these are taxed and the best way to generate dividends and capital gains?

L.C.

Dear L.C.

Your dilemma is all too common. It is a well-known fact that most of us do pay far more income tax than necessary, simply because we don't understand our tax-saving options.

Basically, there are really three different ways of receiving investment income.

### Most taxable form of investment income

Interest is the most taxable of all investment income; in fact, starting this year, the \$1,000 interest exemption is being deleted and you must pay tax on every dollar you earn in interest income.

Unfortunately, the most popular and conventional types of investments pay interest (term deposits, GICs, mortgages, Canada Savings Bonds), which is why so many of us pay so much more in income tax than we really should. Consequently, at an average tax rate of say, 37 per cent, you will pay \$370 in income tax for every \$1,000 you earn in interest.

Dividends are another popular method of receiving investment income. Dividends are paid by the corporations in which you invest. Providing these are Canadian companies, the dividends are eligible for the dividend tax credit, an incentive the federal government gives you to invest in the Canadian corporate economy. As a result of the dividend tax credit you would only have to pay about \$230 in income tax on \$1,000 of dividend income this year.

Capital gains is the third and by far the most tax preferred method of receiving investment income.

### Represents growth in value

Capital gains represent the growth in value of a corporation. If you were to buy shares in, say, the Royal Bank, and the bank has a profitable year, the share price would increase to reflect these earnings. You would see the value of your shares increase; this increase is called a capital gain.

The federal government has provided every Canadian with a significant incentive to invest for capital gains. Each of us is allowed to make up to \$100,000 in capital gains during our lifetime and pay NO TAX WHATSOEVER.

Surprisingly, few people are really aware of this tax-free method of generating income, and even fewer have structured their investments to take advantage of it.

Bruce Foerster is a senior financial advisor with England Securities Ltd.

# Credit Union announces equity-sharing campaign

Figures concerning a new Equity-Bonus share plan will be released April 6 by Islands Savings Credit Union.

Ray Bush, chief executive officer of the financial institution, said last week the plan will put a minimum of \$700,000 back into the accounts of members -- and strengthen the credit union's capital base.

"The program is quite simple," Bush said. "The more business you do -- including mortgages, loans and deposits -- the greater your reward."

The Equity-Bonus share plan is similar to bonus point plans used by major airlines, except that the redemptions have a cash value and the credit union's objectives are different.

"The airlines use it as a marketing device and I am not denying it is not going to have a similar appeal," Bush said. "However, the primary objectives when the members adopted this plan in 1988 was to return credit union profits to those members who earned them, and also provide us with a good capital base," Bush said.

Until recently, credit unions have only had one source of capital -- retained earnings. Changes in legislation now allow credit unions to capitalize like a trust company or a bank, by selling shares. In Island Savings' case, unlike that of many credit unions, it will issue the shares to members as a reward for patronage, instead of selling them.

"If we are better capitalized," Bush said, "we can compete even more effectively, and it allows us to continue to be more innovative than the competition."



When the 1988 financial report from the auditors is given at the credit union's April 6 annual meeting, it will include the final figure to be included in the share plan. Members will receive their shares with their March statement.

Island Savings Credit Union has four branches, nine insurance offices and three real estate offices, plus 25,000 members on southern Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands.

He continued: "Island Savings has had a good year and it is not necessary for us to sell shares at this time."

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# Concentrate energy sector emphasis on major, independent oil producers

By DONALD W. DONY

Oil prices were relatively firm in late February, when we had thought that seasonal forces might have begun to weaken them. The benchmark U.S. crude has stayed in the \$17.50 to \$18.50 per barrel area, while OPEC crude has held in the \$15 to \$15.50 per barrel range.

Admittedly, this price is still some distance from OPEC's formal price target of \$18.00 per barrel, but its present position is substantially improved over the \$11 to \$12 range it occupied at the end of September and early October 1988.

So, how stands the situation for oil prices in the upcoming spring?

"Prices are likely to move a bit lower, but a big drop is not in the cards" would be our view. Uncertainties to be resolved would include the following:

**WORLD OIL DEMAND:** It is now generally recognized that surging economies in many countries (particularly the Far East) lifted 1988 consumption of petroleum to higher levels than are generally forecast at the start of the year. We look for oil demand to rise about 1.75 per cent this year, well down from 1988's growth rate of 2.3 per cent.

We guess that quarter-to-quarter comparisons will be strongest in the first period of 1989, trailing out off in the last half. Thus, demand may not be as supportive of crude oil pricing in 1989 as it was in 1988.

**OPEC CHEATING:** The Organization's quota is 18.5 million barrels per day. Overproduction at the moment appears to be about 800,000 barrels per day. If this overproduction persists then OPEC will eventually justify these larger production numbers.

**RELATIVELY HIGH INVENTORIES:** Some oil industry observers now question whether OPEC did overproduce relative to demand in the fourth quarter. If OPEC did, they ask, then where are the excess inventories today?

We think that they are on the water heading toward us or in



waterborne storage vessels still awaiting delivery and that the "tide of oil" will eventually make itself felt in early spring as consumption in the industrial countries begins to slow seasonally.

First quarter demand for OPEC oil may average 21 million barrels

**"(Oil) prices are likely to move a bit lower, but a big drop is not in the cards."**

per day. However, second quarter numbers could fall to seasonal norms that the oil companies would not (we think) support at present pricing levels. We would bank on lower prices, not lower output, as the preferred means to bring OPEC supply in closer alignment with over the next six months.

So, where do these factors bring us in evaluating the attractiveness of oil shares? We are working along the lines of the assumptions set out as follows.

1) Oil prices will likely come

down in the spring by about \$1 to \$2 per barrel.

2) OPEC's general adherence to a quota system will come under pressure over the next nine months, with members watching Kuwait and Iraq for any indication of a break in production discipline. If either country falters for a period of several months, this could easily touch off another inter-OPEC struggle for market share, bringing prices down to \$10 per barrel in a third-time general collapse.

3) Most of the major oil companies appear fairly priced today on their fundamentals. We anticipate only a gradual improvement in oil prices at or just below the rate of inflation over the next two years. This would imply something less than double-digit earnings gains for the industry majors as a group in 1989 and 1990.

Thus, with respect to share values in the energy sector, we would concentrate on major and/or independent oil companies with particular strengths in U.S. refining of unleaded gasolines, U.S. and Canadian natural gas production. And on companies with an asset base that appears to be valued by the market at well below replacement cost.

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# Fines, suspensions given out for impaired driving charges

A Ganges man has been fined \$600 and prohibited from driving for 12 months after pleading guilty in Ganges provincial court to a charge of impaired driving.

John Wayne Anderson, 23, of Fulford-Ganges Road, was charged last summer after Ganges RCMP clocked a vehicle travelling 80 kilometres an hour in a 50 kmh zone.

Police followed the vehicle to the Harbour House Hotel parking lot, where Anderson was found to be the driver. RCMP formed the opinion that the accused's ability to drive was impaired.

Anderson was read his rights and taken to the local detachment to provide a breath sample.

The Crown noted that Anderson was previously convicted of impaired driving in October, 1986.

Barry Mah Ming, counsel for the defence, told the court Anderson was celebrating the birth of his child at the time the offence occurred.

In handing down a sentence, Judge Metzger noted the short time span between the impaired driving charge and Anderson's previous conviction.

A \$300 fine and a six-month driving suspension were given to a Salt Spring man found guilty March 15 of having care and control of an automobile while impaired.

Ronald J. Anderson, 43, of Dukes Road, pleaded not guilty to the offence, which occurred October 22.

RCMP Const. Chris Bomford told the court he and Const. Brian Brack were standing on the east side of the Harbour House Hotel parking lot at 11:50 pm that night when they saw a group of males leave the pub. They watched the accused get into the driver's seat of a vehicle, start the engine and turn on the headlights.

Const. Bomford said the accused staggered as he walked to the vehicle.

Anderson was asked to undertake several sobriety tests, then read his rights and taken to the local detachment to provide a breath sample.

Anderson, who defended himself, told the court he did not intend to drive the car: a sober member of the group was going to drive. He said the car was an "old beater," which he had to start by putting two wires together.

Under cross-examination, Crown Counsel Derek Lister suggested to Anderson that if his sober friend was planning to drive, he would have waited outside the vehicle instead of taking a seat inside. He also noted the accused had put the vehicle's headlights on.

Judge Metzger found Anderson guilty as charged.

A 16-year-old who defended himself in Ganges provincial court, has been found guilty of driving a motorcycle without insurance. He was fined \$50.

RCMP Const. Gary Styles told the court he saw the youth (who cannot be identified, under the terms of the Young Offenders Act) operating the motorcycle on North Beach Road, near the Fernwood dock, last January 21.

He said the youth could not produce insurance papers.

The 16-year-old told the court he had driven up a trail from the beach and was driving on the grassy shoulder of North Beach Road. He noted he was not driving on the pavement.

Judge Metzger pointed out, however, that the shoulder is considered part of the highway. He found the youth guilty as charged, but considered the circumstances, the accused's age and his difficulty in paying the fine before handing down the sentence.

Salt Spring Islander Pierre Bosnell was found not guilty of a motor vehicle offence when he appeared in Ganges provincial court on March 15.

Const. Wally Beatty of the Duncan Highway Patrol told the court he checked Bosnell's vehicle for defects at a December 12 roadblock, and ordered the vehicle checked by a Motor Vehicle Inspector Chaplin on December 21.

Const. Beatty said he told the accused that failing to attend the inspection would result in a \$500 fine.

The RCMP officer said he was at the inspection site on December 21 and Bosnell did not appear.

Bosnell told the court his vehicle was in the shop, undergoing repairs, on December 21.

Judge Metzger said he was satisfied the accused had complied with the intent of the legislation by voluntarily taking the vehicle off the road.

## Police investigating spate of break-ins

Local RCMP are investigating a break, enter and theft to the New Deli Cafe, which occurred during the night of March 15.

The culprit, who broke a side window to enter the Grace Point restaurant, made off with approximately \$500 in merchandise. (The theft involved an estimated \$300 in liquor and \$200 worth of food.)

Police are continuing their investigation into the matter.

Two break and enter offences occurred during the night of March 17 -- one at a residence and one at a Fulford Harbour store.

Culprits entered a Mt. Erskine Drive home by sliding open a small window. Although nothing was taken from the home, contents were spread throughout the house, causing approximately \$300 in damages.

In a second incident the same night, Fulford News was entered and between \$400 and \$500 in cigarettes and magazines stolen.

Police are continuing their investigation into both matters.

A 36-year-old Ganges man has been charged with impaired driving and refusing to provide a breath sample, following a motor vehicle accident on March 14.

The accident, in which the driver of the second vehicle suffered minor injuries, occurred at 10:33 pm on Upper Ganges Road.

Approximately \$2,500 in

damages was sustained by the two vehicles.

An early grad party was dispersed Thursday night after the fire department was called to extinguish a bonfire set in the middle of a cul-de-sac.

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# Bylaw officers to take aim at unsightly island properties

Owners or occupiers of messy properties must clean up their act - or the Capital Regional District (CRD) will hire someone to do the job, then send along a bill.

A dozen Outer Gulf Islands households have recently been warned by CRD bylaw enforcement officers acting on complaints from the public about untidy properties in their neighbourhoods.

Tim Storm is one of two bylaw enforcement officers with the CRD enforcement office based in Langford. He says there has been an unsightly premises bylaw since 1977 but enforcement has only been stepped up in the past two years.

"We don't see it as cracking down. We see it as the proper enforcement of the bylaw. If we receive a complaint we feel every taxpayer is entitled to our service."

The most commonly enforced section of the bylaw (Section 2) reads: "no owner or occupier of real property will allow the said real property to become or to remain untidy or unsightly."

Another section is aimed at people who throw rubbish into open spaces and woods or allow it to collect around their residences.

Storm and Chris Shepherd oversee a vast area stretching from Port Renfrew to the Gulf Islands, excluding the incorporated areas of Victoria and Saanich. They also enforce building bylaws and, starting April 1, bylaws governing the deposit and removal of soil. Storm says complaints about rotting food are referred to the Ministry of Health.

"We take a large number of files to court but we're fair about it," says Storm. "We give them full disclosure of how the bylaw works and they're given an adequate chance to comply."

He says violators are usually given two warnings before further action is taken.

"I don't like what's happening on the island," says Bob George, North Pender representative with the Islands Trust.

George is a strong proponent of individual rights. He says more and more rules are examples of the urban way of life encroaching on the island way of life.

George says some property owners like himself enjoy old cars. But he admits some property-owners have pushed their luck by ignoring warnings about messy yards for years.

# Possession of unregistered gun earns court fine for Galiano man

A Galiano Island man was found guilty in Ganges provincial court March 15 on a charge of possessing an unregistered, restricted weapon.

Mark Miller Matthews, 44, of Porlier Pass Road, pleaded not guilty to the charge and was fined \$100. The defence argued the accused honestly believed the gun was still registered in his name.

The trial began with RCMP Const. Trevor Turner testifying he learned from a "confidential, reliable source" that Matthews had the gun. A registration check did not turn up Matthew's name; Turner obtained a search warrant and he and RCMP Const. Stephane Caron travelled to Matthew's Galiano home last March 15.

The two police officers found a 22-calibre pistol under the bed in the master bedroom. It was loaded, containing four live rounds. The weapon was seized and placed in the RCMP exhibit locker until last week's trial in Ganges.

Const. Turner told the court he had placed one round in the handgun earlier in the day and fired it at the Salt Spring Rod and Gun Club. He said the pistol was in good working order, and capable of causing serious damage.

Const. Turner also told the court he returned to Matthews' home on April 30 to obtain a statement. In the statement - which was presented in a *voir dire* (a "trial within a trial") and later admitted as evidence - Matthews

said he purchased the gun in 1978 and underwent registration procedures.

In 1979, Matthews was prohibited from having the gun in his possession for a period of two years, due to a "dangerous use" conviction. He shipped the gun to his brother in Campbell River and when it was returned to him he did not realize it had to be re-registered.

Judge Metzger denied a defence submission which suggested the search warrant should be squashed because police said the residence belonged to Matthews, when actually they searched a home belonging to Peter Rabatich.

The judge said Matthews agreed it was his residence when police attended the Porlier Pass home.

Matthews told the court he purchased the gun as a member of the Galiano Rod and Gun Club. He said he did not know his brother had registered the gun, and thought his initial registration was

still effective. Matthews said he has been unable to find the original registration, but had at no time surrendered it.

Under cross-examination, Matthews said it was not his bed the gun was found under - he lives in a trailer on the same property. He also agreed he knew gun rules were strict in that he needed a transport permit to carry the weapon to the gun club.

The defence said the accused had not been charged with failing to produce the registration, but for not possessing it.

Judge Metzger, however, said he had no proof that Matthews has the registration. He said the accused has had one full year to find it.

Crown counsel Derek Lister said: "If my learned friend's argument has any merit, there would be total chaos out there."

Judge Metzger suggested Matthews had been "wilfully blind" and "if (he) wants to own a handgun, (he) has to know the law."


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# Salt Spring vessel oldest ship in ferries fleet

By DAVE FRASER

A B.C. Ferries vessel serving Salt Spring Island marks its 40th birthday this year, making it the oldest ship in the province's fleet.

The *Salt Spring Queen* was built in Esquimalt in 1949 and named the *Delta Princess* until its purchase by B.C. Ferries in 1961. B.C. Ferries also acquired a sister ship, the *Vesuvius Queen*, built in Victoria in 1950.

The *Salt Spring Queen* and *Vesuvius Queen* first saw service crossing the Fraser River before the construction of the Deas Island tunnel.

The *Salt Spring Queen*, now serving the Crofton-to-Vesuvius run, has also linked Salt Spring and Swartz Bay, and the Inner Gulf Islands.

Regular ferry service to the Gulf Islands began in 1930 with the purchase of the *Island Princess* — later named the *Cy Peck* — from Canadian Pacific by Victoria newspaper publisher Sam Matson, who gave Captain George Maude the task of running the new company.

In 1951, a group of investors headed by Salt Spring businessman Gavin Mouat took over the company. Four years later, they convinced B.C. Premier W.A.C. Bennett to subsidize the company.

In September, 1961, the *Salt Spring Queen* and *Vesuvius Queen*, along with two other ferries which later proved too small for service, were purchased by the province from the Gulf Islands Navigation Company. Cost was \$249,823.

B.C. Ferries information officer Pat Stephens says the private Gulf Islands ferries were sold because they had been operating in the red, as were runs between Horseshoe Bay and Nanaimo, and Bowen Island and the Sunshine Coast.

Stephens says Premier W.A.C. Bennett formed the provincial ferry service when a seamen's strike in the late 1950s threaten to shut down all shipping to the island.

In 1960, terminals at Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen were built and the fleet's first two vessels — the Motor Vessels *Sidney* and *Tsawwassen* — were put into operation.

In its years of operation on the islands, the *Salt Spring Queen* has produced many memories for the people who crewed the ship.

Retired skipper Les Mollet says the *Salty*, as the vessel was affectionately known by its crew, handled very well with its four screws — two at each end — although it was slower to maneuver than more modern ferries, which have props that can swivel 360 degrees.

As it was designed for river use, the *Salty* had a shallow draft of only four feet. Consequently, in choppy weather, cars could get quite wet, Mollet said.

"Driftwood was terrible on propellers. Floating logs could drift right into the bow props," he explained.

Mollet recalls sailing the *Salty* through some nasty stretches as he rounded Beaver Point on route to Swartz Bay.

"The weather has changed. You don't see the south-easterly gales that used to blow four or five days at a time."

Mollet also recalls seeing the road washed out from the Fulford ferry dock to the Fulford Inn, where "there were boom sticks on the hotel steps."



Birthday boat docking at Vesuvius wharf

The *Salty* was a bit tricky to steer, he adds. "You had to be right on the bit to concentrate. A lot of fellas let it wander. Then it was quite a job to get it back on course."

Edward Lacey, who skippered Gulf Islands ferries from 1945 until his retirement in 1986, agrees that the *Salty* was a tricky ship to handle. "The hull design was like a saucer. There was little sense of direction to the hull itself.

"And in stormy weather it was a little wet for cars. It didn't take much of a rough sea for the water to slop over the deck."

Mollet says Fulford Harbour, where he and Lacey have lived all of their lives, could get quite windy at times. The older vessels needed a lot of speed to steer, says Mollet. "The new ones can laugh at the wind."

On one run early in the 1960s Mollet had his hands full when a gale smashed the *Salty's* steering near the entrance to Swartz Bay. Mollet switched the steering from hydraulic to manual and maneuvered into the shelter of Pierce Island until help arrived.

Lacey says the *Salty* had sufficient power to plough through all kinds of weather yet perform economically. Many of the more modern ships are pushed too hard, he adds.

Nevertheless, there were a few times when the little craft missed a run or two due to inclement weather. "But it was only a matter of two or three hours when it was really bad," says Lacey.

Able Seaman Ray Fraser remembers working on the *Salt Spring Queen* when Fulford Harbour froze up in January, 1969. The *Salty* was carefully maneuvered in and out of a channel through the foot-thick ice to load and unload. "You could have gotten off and walked on the ice faster," says Fraser, a native Salt Spring Islander who has worked on Gulf Islands ferries since 1959.

But the *Salty*, with its steel hull, stood up well to that severe winter. When she went in for her yearly refit that year, maintenance workers were surprised to find her hull had been scraped clean of barnacles by the ice.

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