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Galiano prepares for garden celebration

Faint rumbling you may hear from time to time these grey January days could very well be emanating from Galiano Island as the community, headed by the indefatigable Galiano Garden Club, grinds into action to create an ambitious fund raiser for endangered Bodega Ridge.

By ALISTAIR ROSS
Driftwood Correspondent

Inspired by last year's successful Denman Island Garden Tour, Galiano is putting together an exciting project for the weekend of June 20 and 21. It includes a tour of the island's most successful gardens and a 300-seat dinner lecture on the Saturday evening at which keynote speaker, horticultural writer and lecturer Ann Lovejoy will speak about "Planning and Planting the Mixed Border."

Also on the schedule will be a "Country Festival of Gardening," centred round the

North Galiano Hall. Here, painters and photographers will display garden art and an attractive selection of unique crafts, pottery, ornaments, special plants, and horticultural books will be on sale. On going demonstrations of dried floral art making and twig furniture construction will afford gardeners a chance to both learn and buy. Water gardening products and plants will be displayed by Mike Hutchins, one of the speakers at the daily rotating seminars free to ticket holders. Other speakers will be Gulf Island wildflower expert and columnist Brenan Simpson, Elke Knechtel speaking on "Shade Gardening", Cyril Hume speaking on "A Garden by the Sea" and rhododendron expert Bill Dale.

Assorted rambles along Bodega Ridge and on the slopes of Mount Galiano will form some visitor options as will two-hour sails on the 46-foot catamaran *Great White Cloud* to the cormorant nesting grounds on the Ballingale Inlets.

Island organizations will be working to provide good country cooking for the visitors, and a special shuttle bus service will help foot passengers get around.

Organizer Emily Switzer and co-organizer Shirley Chambers anticipate 1,000 visitors per day will visit the island and judging from the enthusiastic response already received from the limited promotion in December, they will be coming from Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta, as well as from the mainland and Vancouver Island. "We shall be approaching B.C. Ferries for their assistance with extra sailings," said Switzer "just as soon as ticket sales clearly demonstrate the need. Naturally we shall encourage bus groups and car pooling and have set aside a special 100 vehicle RV campsite to act as an overflow for the two provincial park campsites at Montague Harbour and Dionysio Park."

A central accommodation registry will handle bookings for the commercial estab-

lishments as well as the billet accommodation being donated all over the island for the cause. It can be reached by calling 539-5390.

"We want to keep things flexible" explained Shirley Chambers who is also in charge of publicity for the event. "That's why we stress the option to 'come for the day - or spend the weekend away.' Our advertising will be directed to garden clubs and naturalist groups who, we believe, will appreciate our "Gardens Within a Garden" theme, and will want to respond to our ecological concerns about preserving Bodega Ridge.

All in all, a lot of dedication will be needed to bring it off successfully but judging from Galiano's track record, "the little island that could," will. For inquiries and to donate billet rooms or cottages for the night of June 20, readers are invited to call call Switzer at 539-2716 or Chambers at 539-2955.

Old building has new look

What smells like fish, tastes like pizza and looks a whole lot better than it has in years?

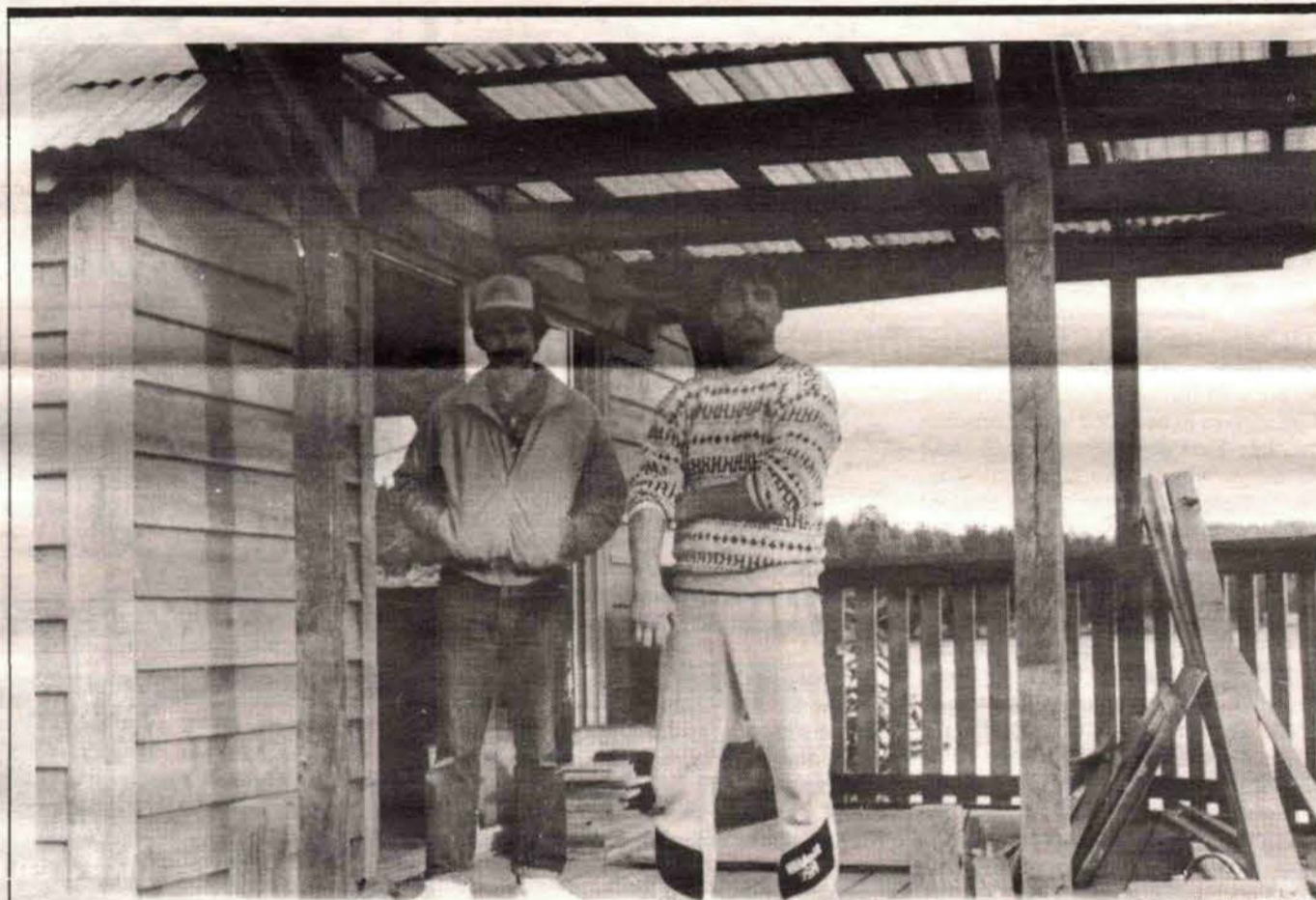
Give up? It's The Fisherie, a new sea food store and take out pizza parlour which will be opening soon in the newly-renovated, former Mobile Market store.

By JIM BLACK
Driftwood Reporter

There will actually be two businesses operating out of the building. The Fisherie, which is owned and operated by Arnie Hengstler and John Elliott, and the take out pizza parlour will be operated by Lars Jorgensen and John Fraser.

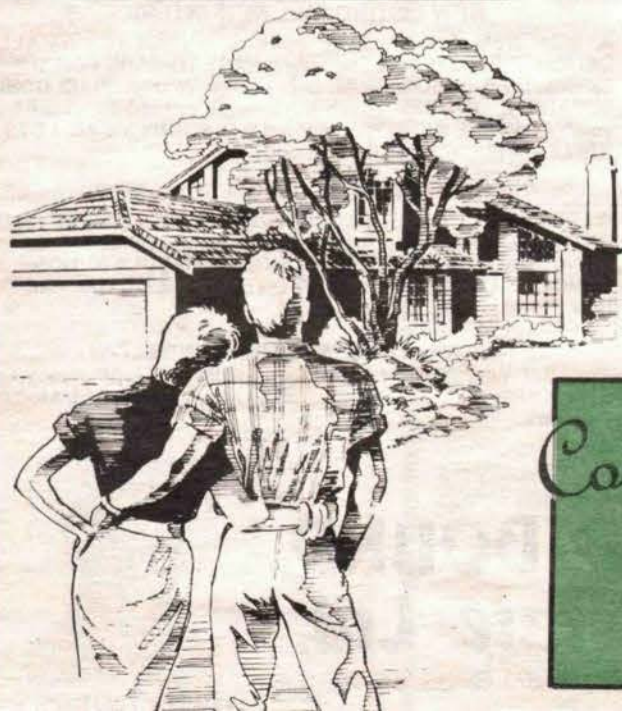
The men have been busy for the past several weeks conducting a thorough renovation of the nearly 40-year-old building. With the walkway removed from the outside of the building to allow an extra six feet for parking and new cedar siding installed on the exterior the old market has undergone quite an interesting face lift.

According to Hengstler, the pizza parlour should be opened in early February, while The Fisherie is scheduled to open at the beginning of March. When Hengstler and Elliott are not busy fixing up the store, they are seasoned fisherman, with years of experience behind them.



Driftwood photo by Jim Black

John Elliott and Arnie Hengstler take a break from former Mobile Market renovations.



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Annual meeting set for Leap Year date

North Galiano Association's 1992 annual meeting is set for Leap Year Day, February 29 at 2 p.m., at the Community Hall.

Thinking of Frederick in Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance," who because he was born on Leap Year Day at 21 was only "five and a little bit more," one North Galiano executive member suggested that by holding the meeting on that day the association would not have to go through the business of an annual meeting again until 1996. Nice as that might be for those arranging the meeting and for who feel duty bound to attend them, the others on the committee felt that the idea might not be quite legal. Certainly it could not be entertained under the group's present constitution. So the meeting will be on Saturday as it usually is, and in February as it usually is, and for this year it will also be on Leap Year Day. It is not likely to happen that way very often.

The Galiano Club has set their annual meeting for three weeks later, Saturday, March 21.

Both North and South Galiano groups are looking for volunteers to hold executive offices for the coming year.

Inside the hall

Volunteer painters have now given the North Hall's new 10 by 17 foot storage addition two coats of paint. Because the addition is attached to the east wall of the hall, three windows had to be removed to accommodate it. Consequent patching of the wall planking (1926 style) had to be attempted and re-painting of the whole east wall will be necessary.

The storage room is accessed through a double sliding door. Heated, it will become a storage area for the piano, chairs, tables, and on shelves to be added later, Christmas items, July First decorations and all those other things which a working facility requires and acquires. Messrs, Roots, Stafford and Ross were the volunteer painters.

Thrift shop's good works

Galiano Thrift Shop disbursed better than \$5,000 dollars to needy organizations and individuals during the 1991 year. Among those Galiano organizations receiving help were the Health Care Centre and the Teen Centre development at the South Hall. Off-island charities helped were the Red Cross and the Salvation Army.

President Jeanne Moore reminds islanders that the 32 member Thrift Ship workers operate their used goods shop two

days a week, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon and that they specialize in clothing, dishes and other small personal and household items.

The thrift shop is located on Burrill Road, just West of the Health Care Centre. Good quality, clean used goods can be dropped off at the shop for sale at any time by leaving them in the group's covered drop-off box located beside the shop's entrance door. The ladies appreciated all the help and support their Island friends continue to give them.

Dandelion Gallery

The Dandelion Gallery Cooperative welcomed a new member recently. Irene Maberly, whose work in watercolour and the fabric arts impressed at the recent Galiano Artists Guild Christmas show, has now joined the "dozen" artists in exhibiting her work on a regular basis. Her residence on the Island goes back many years.

Winter hours for the gallery are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday each week.

Fireman help in search

Members of South Galiano's volunteer Fire Department were called out late on the evening of Tuesday, January 14, to search for a missing man thought to be in the Bluff Park area. Some of the firemen were able to resume the search with family and friends the next day when the 19-year-old's body was found.

Islanders were saddened at the thought of the loss through death of one so young. A promise bright not to be fulfilled.

New postal couriers

After many years in the postal service and as postal couriers, the Ripey family have recently left the service. Isabell Stevens and her father, Jim Ripley, who have delivered island mail since the privatization of the postal service last spring, have given good service (with constant help of other members of the family as well), and Islanders are sorry to see them leave.

Replacing them as couriers are Dale and Maggie Lyon of Ganner Drive. The Lyons are well known for their interest in island development. Maggie, an expert dog groomer, is a friend to all the Island's canines; Dale, as assistant fire chief in the North Galiano Volunteer Fire Department, is friend to every North Galiano householder.

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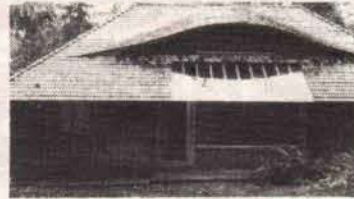
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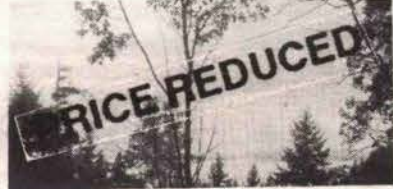


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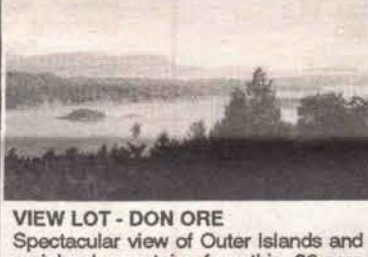
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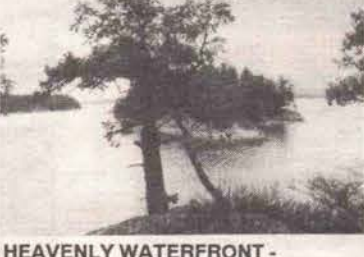
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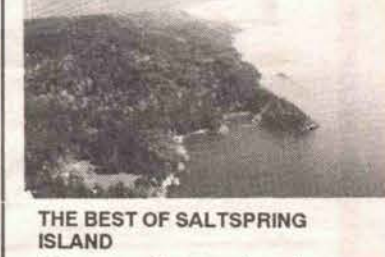
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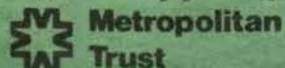


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ISLAND LIVING

Here's a new cure for news overload

*There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio
Than are dreamt of in your philosophy
Hamlet, Act 1, Scene V*

Oh, Billy boy, thou shouldst be scribbling at this hour.

Can you imagine what Shakespeare would do if he was alive in 1992? No need to rummage around in dusty historical tomes for tales of Danish, Scottish or Roman regicide. The late 20th century has enough simmering pots (and plots) to keep a Shakespeare writing with both hands, around the, er, sundial.

Think for a moment of events that transpired in the last year alone:

A jerry-built false front saloon called Meech Lake collapsed in the dirt. And Canada shivered, fractured and threatened to fall apart.

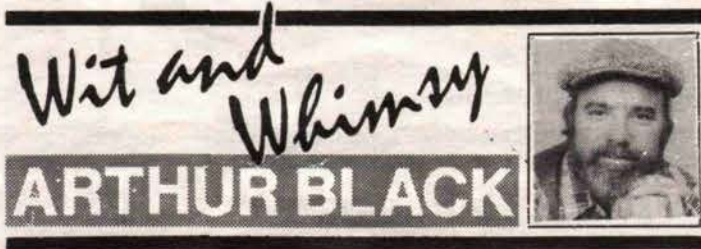
The Soviet Union *did* fall apart. What Ronald Reagan called the "Evil Empire" disappeared as if by magic. Two philosophical talismans by the name of Marx and Lenin, whose brooding visages presided over nearly a century of misery for hundreds of millions, went into the garbage chute of history.

Then there was Desert Storm, the "Mother of all wars." It turned to be shorter than the average prairie blizzard. And who can forget...

But enough. Let's face it — if Shakespeare was alive today he probably would be living in a garret with quilted walls, chewing valium like popcorn and prancing around in a dinner jacket that buttons up at the back. We've had too much history lately — a news overload.

We need a break.

Accordingly, as a public service I am



pleased to offer up my brand new information service — *INSIGNIFINEWS*. A timely round-up of actual news stories from around the world that got passed over in the heat of the past few months. All items guaranteed 100 per cent true... and utterly inconsequential.

Item One: Singapore bans chewing gum. It's official. If you visit Singapore with a couple of packs of Trident in your pocket you better declare 'em at the border. Otherwise you could find yourself spread-eagled on a customs shed floor with a gum-sniffing German shepherd standing on your sternum. The ban is a result of an eight-year study of "chewing gum pollution" by the Singapore government.

The study found that used chewing gum "has caused train disruptions as it prevents train doors from closing." Accordingly, anybody who knowingly imports chewing gum into Singapore faces a fine up to 10,000 Singapore dollars and one year in a Singapore jail.

You don't want to know what Singapore does to drunk drivers.

Item Two: In a display of UFO one-upmanship, Soviet UFOlogist Sergei Bulantsev asserts that extra-terrestrials who visit (what used to be) the USSR are "better looking" than the non-earthlings that touch down in North America from time to time.

I'd counter Mister Bulantsev's claim with the old Western cliché that beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

Especially having seen some members of the USSR women's swim team.

Item Three: The 16th Annual Spamput Championship is over and the winner is....Mark Carey of Austin, Texas, who managed to hurl 12 gooey ounces of meat-like substance (Spam) an incredible 60 feet. Mark lost out in the Spam-calling contest. That was won by a leather-lunged doctor from Dallas who hit 110 decibels with his tympanic-membrane shredding "HEEEEEEEEEERRRRRE SPAMMY, SPAMMY, SPAMMY!"

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PROVINCIAL ROUND-UP

by Hubert Beyer

Friendly pests

Osoyoos, a little town in the Okanagan, will be headquarters for squadrons of airborne forces to be deployed against the codling moth, one of the most serious insect threats to the apple industry in the world.

The ranks of the winged anti-moth brigades will be made up of the same beasts that tend to destroy the crops, but with one significant difference — they will be sterile, unable to reproduce, leading to drastic reductions, if not complete elimination of the codling moth.

The Sterile Insect Release (SIR) facility will make British Columbia "a world leader" in the use of environmentally friendly pest control methods," Agriculture Minister Bill Barlee said last week.

The sterile insect release method has been accepted control for insect pests for some years, but this will be the first time in North America that the technology is used against the codling moth.

Using the sterile insect method is expected to reduce pesticide requirements by up to 50 per cent, which is not only beneficial to the environment, but also reduces costs to fruit growers.

The Osoyoos facility will employ 20 people year-round and an additional 25 on a seasonal basis. It is expected to be in operation for the 1993 fruit growing season.

Cross-border shopping

What to do about the growing practice of British Columbians to shop in the US? Hold a public inquiry, says Lynn Stephens, Liberal economic development and small business critic.

"I'm calling on Economic Development Minister Dave Zirnelt to address the debilitating effects of US shopping in the upcoming budget," Stephens said.

How an inquiry is going to keep British Columbians from wanting to take advantage of lower prices across the border is anyone's guess. Perhaps Stephens could suggest to the government to stop trying to imbue all of us with radiant health by hammering smokers and consumers of alcoholic beverages with astronomical taxes, thereby forcing a lot of smokers and drinkers to do their shopping in the U.S.

Drilling rights sale

British Columbia's first sale of oil and gas drilling rights in 1992 brought \$9.5

million in revenue to the province, Energy and Mines Minister Anne Edwards announced last week.

"This is a positive start to the new year," said Edwards. "These sales are the precursor of exploration and new finds in the future," she added.

The January sale offered one permit, eight licences and 40 leases, covering a total of 34,523 hectares. The next sale is scheduled for February 12.

NDP blamed for layoffs

Liberal Energy and Mines critic Bob Chisholm blamed the NDP government last week for Cominco's decision to lay off 500 workers at its Trail operations.

Chisholm said the layoffs were the direct result of the new government's attempt to force more revenue out of the mining industry.

One example, he said, was the government's recent decision to not extend the moratorium on water rental fees for industry. He said Cominco's regional and municipal property tax bill, about \$9.1 million last year, would increase to \$10.5 million this year as a result of the hike in water rental fees.

Environment update

Mining and forest companies are no longer the only ones to be charged with fouling the environment. Last week San W.K. Construction Ltd. of Vancouver was charged with one count under the Waste Management Act, for having buried plaster board waste at a construction site. A trial date has been set for Feb. 3 in Vancouver provincial court.

On a different front, Environment Minister John Cashore is aiming his guns at pleasure boaters. Boaters on Mora, Shuswap and Okanagan Lakes in the southern interior of the province, will no longer be allowed to discharge sewage from vessels

into the lakes.

"Prevention of sewage pollution from pleasure boats is an important way to protect our environment. Our decision to have these water bodies designated under the new regulations is supported by many boating associations and other organizations that use these lakes," Cashore said.



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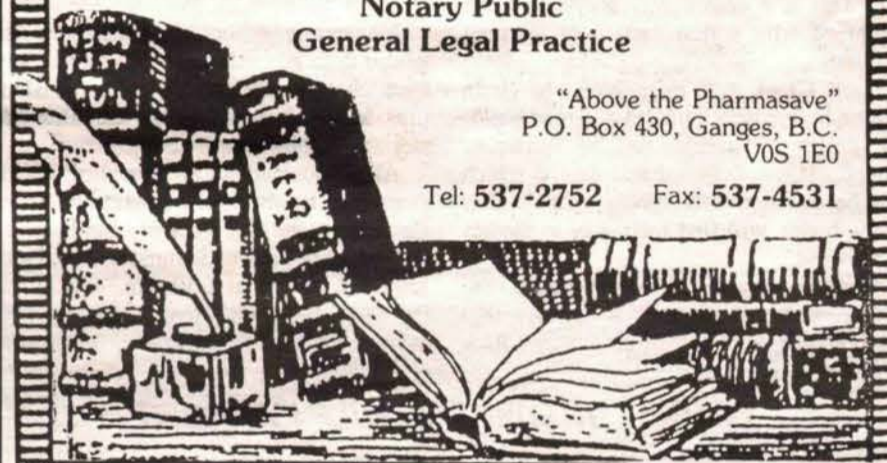
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ISLAND LIVING

SATURNA ISLAND *Scene*

Two hundred Goldstream chum eggs were delivered to Saturna School January 20 by Don Lowen, Vancouver Island education coordinator for the Salmonid Enhancement Program of Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

By GAIL TRAFFORD
Driftwood Correspondent

This is the second year the school has participated in efforts to restock Lyall Creek. Last year coho fry were raised by students.

Lowen travelled by Coast Guard vessel *Skua* from Salt Spring Island on a tour of the Outer Islands delivering salmon roe to local schools.

Under teachers' supervision, students maintain the tank, change the water, feed the fry and chart the accumulated temperature units which project the progress of the fish. This is a community service project combined with a rich variety of learning activities.

Lyall Creek was once home to chum salmon before development and road building destroyed access to the spawning grounds. It is anticipated that the fry, which will be released this spring shortly after spring break, will find their way to the sea unhindered.

If these salmon are to reproduce, the avenue upstream must be restored within the next four years before their return. Rick

Jones, Paul Deveau and Bill Douglas are spearheading an effort to create a route upstream for the salmon.

Robbie Burns

Robbie Burns night was celebrated on Saturna Saturday for the first time in several years.

Bill Molnar and Marie Mackie were among those who enjoyed their first taste of haggis.

Several of the 80 guests described the event as fantastic, colourful and well-organized.

The dancers were applauded for their excellence, especially since they had only begun practising 10 weeks ago, and the musicians were complimented profusely.

There was a general consensus that this must become an annual event.

Swimming lessons

Elementary school students have extended their appreciation to all drivers who have changed the day of their off-island trips to avoid crowding on the Thursday morning ferry.

All school students are attending weekly swimming lessons at the Panorama Leisure Centre until the first week of March.

The school leaves Saturna on the 8 a.m. ferry and returns at 2:30 p.m. This allows for a variety of educational activities such as museum tours on Vancouver Island.



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