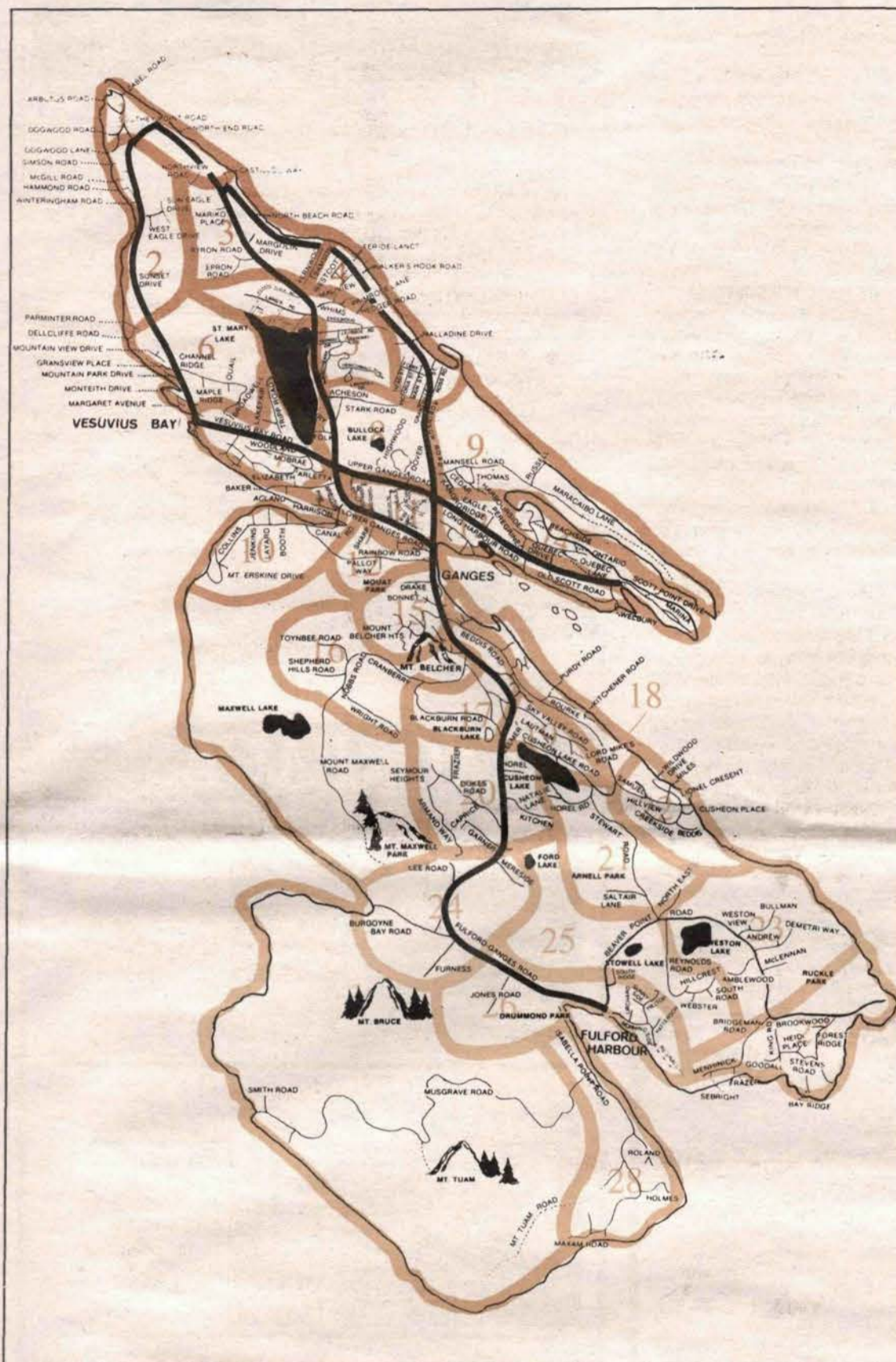


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THE ROUTES: Twenty-eight routes have been mapped out by organizers of Saturday's Salt Spring clean-up. Islanders who wish to help clean up their own neighbourhood should

identify the area on the map and give the number to organizers. Information can be obtained from the Parks and Recreation office at 537-4448.

Clean-up set for Saturday with food, music to follow

By TONY RICHARDS
Driftwood Staff

The prospect of spending three hours on a sunny long weekend picking up roadside garbage doesn't have a great deal of appeal. But Saturday's Salt Spring clean-up promises to offer rather more than just retrieving old candy-bar wrappers and discarded cigarette packages.

Organizers see it as a community event that will bring islanders together for a common purpose. And the purpose includes food and entertainment.

David Marshall of the Student Leadership Council says a barbecue and live music at the

Farmers' Institute will follow the clean-up. The day will culminate with a dance.

But prior to enjoying the music there's work to be done. Pep rallies will be held from 9 till 9:30 a.m. at the Farmers' Institute and at Drum-

mond Park. Route maps will be handed out at that time to the various teams, as will garbage bags and gloves.

Marshall emphasized the importance of attending a pep rally to make sure everyone gets on a team.

Clean-up and barbecue schedule

Saturday, Sept. 4

9-9:30 a.m.	Pep rallies, Drummond Park & Farmers' Institute grounds
9:30-12:30 p.m.	Garbage pickup
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Garbage drop-off, Farmers' Institute
1:30-6 p.m.	Barbecue and entertainment, Farmers' Institute
7-11 p.m.	Dance, Farmers' Institute

Reiki an energy, says local master

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

Salt Spring Island, if anywhere, is a place where the non-traditional is traditional. In education, in business and especially in health, there is a diversity here that would be hard to find in many larger communities. And so it is hardly surprising that reiki is being offered from a small cottage off Cusheon Lake.

"(Reiki) is not a religion. It's not a dogma. It's an energy," Santosh Dezouche said. Dezouche is a reiki master who moved to Salt Spring in the spring and will be offering courses in reiki this month.

"To me, reiki is a happening, a multi-dimensional happening, when we really come into a place of quiet inside ourselves.

"It is in that moment that everything happens. It's in that quiet space that everything's possible," she said. "Reiki brings us to this space. This has been my experience."

For the last 10 years, Dezouche has travelled around the world learning from others and teaching reiki.

"In early 1983 I met a man in Vancouver who was a reiki master," she said. "I wanted to get into some kind of meditation that had to do with the physical form, not just a mantra.

"I experienced the energy of his treatments. It was like coming home to me. It brought with it the energy of peace. It brought with it the feeling of home.

"It was a tool for me to use for my own healing."

A Christian monk and theologian in Japan, Dr. Mikao Usui, discovered reiki at the end of the last century while meditating on a mountaintop. During a fast which lasted 21 days and nights, he was taught a series of healing symbols in a vision. The healing technique of reiki is based on the use of those symbols.

He was also told that if he was going to heal people, he had to teach people. And reiki has ever since been taught and practised together. Reiki has since spread from Japan all over the world. Dezouche has taught in India, Italy and Australia as well as in North America.

"It's a process of clarity and healing," she said. "I've learned to listen to my body and my consciousness."

When people first start reiki, they learn certain hand positions, she said. Hand positions are used in conjunction with various energy centres around the body. There are three energy centres above the head, two below the feet, both hands and seven others spread over



Santosh Dezouche

the body.

"These symbols which have been passed on . . . I place these symbols in the energy field of the person," Dezouche said. "It creates a shift in the energy. It shifts the consciousness and a new experience starts to happen. These symbols are like an alchemy and they change the energy.

"You have the keyhole. I have the key," she said. "I place the key in the keyhole."

But reiki is a two-way healing process.

"In reiki there has to be permission, the readiness to receive and willingness to be in the space to receive," she said. "If your consciousness does not want you to receive you won't receive."

In the first level course, participants are initiated and learn to transmit energy. In the second level participants receive three symbols: the empowering symbol, the mental healing symbol and the long distance healing symbol.

"There isn't really anything to teach," Dezouche said. "You learn about these hand positions. These hand positions are to me a focus for something else to happen.

"We are a consciousness that is always going in and out of balance. We are coming eventually to the point of balance.

"I take (participants) into themselves so they can have the experience themselves. That brings them into a place where they can start to listen."

Dezouche said Salt Spring is a place that is diverse and receptive. She has witnessed compassion, tolerance and understanding in the last six months. That has encouraged her to offer courses in reiki.

An introductory evening is scheduled for Thursday to learn what reiki is and to ask questions. A first level course will be offered September 12, 13 and 14 and a level two course September 22, 23 and 24.

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Interviews find men ready to redefine male selves

By **CHERIE GEAUVREAU**
Driftwood Contributor
Second of four parts

There is a great silence in our community. This silence surrounds the issue of violence and abuse against women. With media reports detailing the latest statistics of domestic and social brutality everything is summarized, categorized and numbered. Behind the numbers are the women who have spoken out and told their stories. Women are finding their voices and their personal silence is being broken.

These women cross all social and cultural boundaries and over the last 25 years have by sheer numbers transformed the unspeakable into words. Many of these women now feel it is time to confront another, more profound silence.

In recent weeks I've talked to several Salt Spring men about their feelings and views regarding feminism, male-female violence, child abuse, gender stereotypes, male frustration, guilt and defensiveness. These conversations revealed to me how profoundly silenced some men feel around these issues.

With the onslaught of government-funded studies and reports and the horrific realities they reflect, a lot of men do not know how to respond or what to take responsibility for. These men do not beat their partners or rape their children and are appalled at those who do. And yet some are defensive.

They feel that they are being painted with the same broad brush and that there is no room for them to manoeuvre in the black and white world of gender politics.

The male has been taught to aggress and compete in order to achieve. A friend of mine states that a lot of men are struggling with just the "violence of overwork." The dynamics of aggression and competition leave some men living in a "state of continuous fear and insecurity. We have no advocates, no protectors amongst ourselves."

Others pointed out that male-to-male violence is a very serious societal concern. Men are killing each other in record numbers. "The root of male violence stems from feelings of powerlessness and vulnerability."

Men feel terrified of each other. "Images of violence are so pervasive and intrusive that a man's sense of values is undermined. We have to regain a moral high ground."

"Along with women gaining independence and individuality outside of their proscribed roles, men have to do the same." And: "On the one hand we are pressured into the roles of aggressors and on the other hand we are told that all oppressors and that part of our anatomy is intrinsically a weapon."

Many of the men I spoke to have been involved in men's groups. When asked to describe their experiences these observations came to light. "A lot of men come to groups because their lives are falling apart . . . getting divorced, or losing a job. They come to tell their stories and receive support." Another sees these groups as a redefining process. "The men's movement was primarily a defensive reaction. We needed to value the positive aspects of our maleness."

Another man sees these groups differently. "These groups are fine as far as they go. A lot of guys mistake activism for positive masculinity and disdain personal therapy. Drumming is great but it does not help to address the issue of violence against women or each other."

When asked how they view gender and family roles, this is what I heard. "It's all about who has the power in the relationship. Men need to control the source of their emotional survival... women. This kind of emotional dependence leads to fear, fear leads to a feeling

of powerlessness, and this leads to aggression and the need to control. It all comes down to the self."

And, "Men don't know how to be a woman's friend. We make too many tacit, unconscious assumptions about women. Everything is sexualized. How do we relate as individuals when we've been indoctrinated to believe that women can only be seen as mothers, sisters or potential bed/marriage partners?"

Another commented that he sees "a future where male violence can be dissipated by the sharing of guilt, by saying to each other that we are all responsible for the world we live in."

Lofty goals. But I did get a very strong sense in talking to these men that they feel trapped and isolated in the male stereotype. And they feel silenced by what they view as radical feminist analysis. Where can they go from there?

"Personal honesty is paramount," says one man. "We need to speak the truth to ourselves and each other and respond on a human level. We need to stop overriding our basic instinct to nurture each other."

All the men I spoke to were glad to share their views with me. The general impression I received was that they are ready to move from a defensive position in gender roles into a genuine place of change and redefinition of their male selves. Perhaps it is time we all created a space for this dialogue to begin.

The writer is production coordinator of a research project being conducted by Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence and Abuse.

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- SEPT. 2: SSI Weavers & Spinners General Meeting, United Church, 10:30am.
- TO SEPT. 3 Terry Fox Run-Swim-a-thon, Shelby Pool, Mon-Fri. 7-8am & daily 7:30-8 p.m.
- SEPT. 3: Meaden Hall, beef dinner, Royal Canadian Legion, 6pm, members & guests.
- SEPT. 6: Monday Duplicate Bridge, Meaden Hall, 12 noon.
- SEPT. 9 Weekly luncheons will resume. Seniors for Seniors, 11:30/12:30
- SEPT. 10: Linda Miller & Nathan Curry, Beaver Pt. Hall, 8pm.
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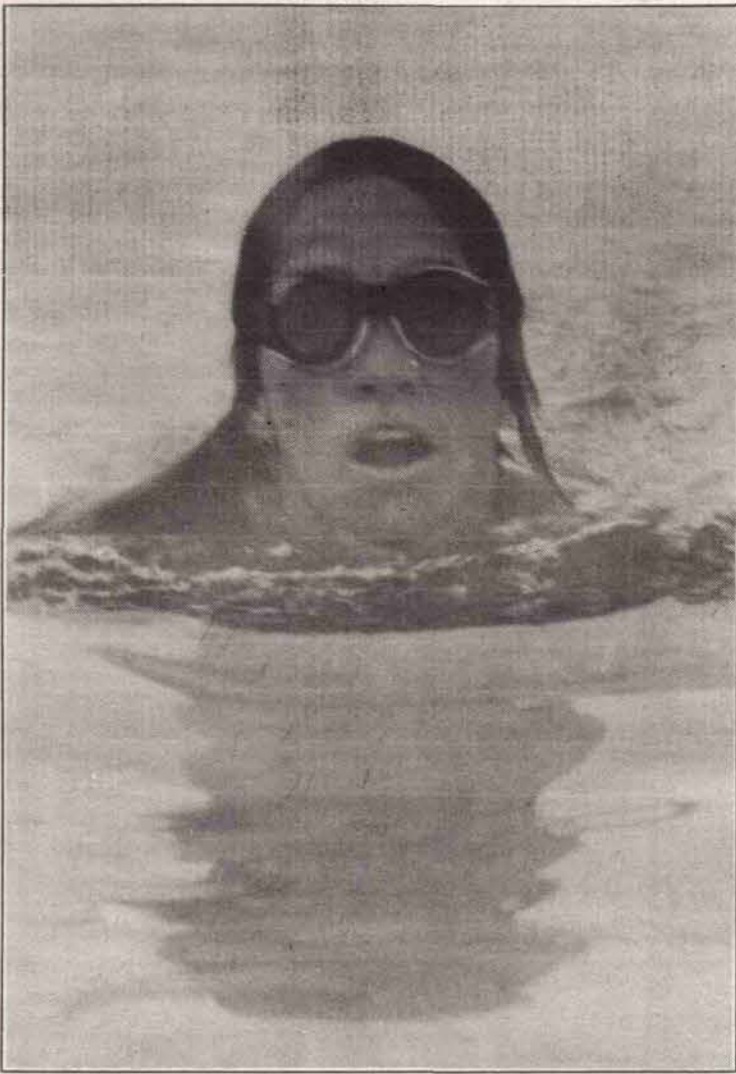
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The annual Terry Fox Run is not just for those who enjoy walking or running.

A number of Salt Spring swimmers have been busy doing laps at Shelby Pool recently, as part of a Terry Fox swimathon. Like participants in the run itself, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 19, they have collected pledges of donations from fellow residents.

This year's run will be the 13th, and will take place in 120 communities in B.C. and the Yukon.

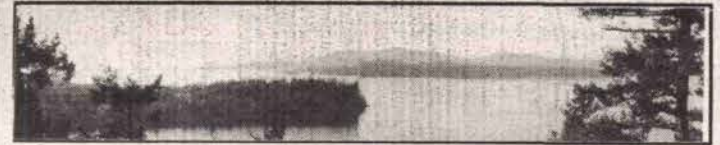
Local organizer is Marilyn Marshall, who is making preparations for a run that begins at Fernwood School.

Pledge sheets are available at many local outlets.

MORNING SWIM: Salt Spring swimmer Sue Jolliffe does laps every morning at Shelby Pool, but this past week there's been an additional purpose to the exercise. She is one of several island swimmers doing a swimathon in conjunction with the forthcoming Terry Fox Run.

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Brad Magnus receives special acclaim in Vienna

Doors continue to open for Salt Spring Island dancer Brad Magnus following performances at a special educators' conference this summer in Vienna, Austria.

Recovering from the "overwhelming" experience has taken several weeks for Magnus and his parents, Ethel and John, who accompanied the 21-year-old to Europe. Meanwhile, offers for future appearances are being considered.

Arrangements are under way for Magnus to travel to Tucson, Arizona, in October for an assessment session with Barbara Mettler who is known as "the mother of creative dance." Now in her 80s, Mettler taught Magnus' current instructor, Connie Fry of Victoria.

After viewing a video of Magnus, she issued an invitation for him to come to her home to take one-on-one classes with her. During the week he is in Arizona, Mettler, who usually does not take new students, will set some plans for Magnus' dance future.

Offers to perform at other conferences have been received from the United States, Germany and Poland. One offer includes a two-week Sunshine Fair train tour of Europe as part of the planned entertainment. In addition, Ethel has been advised to have her joint presentation published. She was one of the speakers at the conference that attracted delegates from 45 different countries. Husband John participated as well, offering his comments in German.

Next year is the United Nations' Year of the Family and a woman from Tanzania is in charge of a special project to commemorate the year. She felt the Magnus presentation would be an effective part of the project.

Small glitches were not allowed to affect Brad Magnus' contribution to the conference — differences in electrical requirements, inadequate sound system and lack of practice room. When the gymnasium was not opened for his first appearance, he danced in the rotunda of the building.

His next performance was very dramatic, coming at the end of his mother and father's presentation. Without their knowledge, he finished his number by leaping four and a half feet off the stage to the front of the audience where he remained motionless after landing.

"It was very dramatic," Ethel explained, "and the audience rose

Island dancer considers invitations to perform

as one in a standing ovation. We were not expecting the ending and neither was anyone else."

Her presentation was one of many sessions, up to eight at a time, that were going in four or five locations at a university site.

Brad Magnus received several gifts, including a gold, eagle-shaped pin from Indonesia along with a pen and an embroidered heart-shaped wall hanging. After his early performances, he was invited to be part of the conference closing ceremonies which recog-

nized all the people who had helped with the conference.

A split-level dance floor offered a challenge to Magnus as he had not had a chance to practise on it prior to performing. However, he did not let it deter him from another audience-pleasing performance. "He has the eye of a dancer," his mother was told.

Special guest at the closing ceremonies was professional singer, dancer and dance teacher Carole Alston-Bakowsky who has lived in Austria for the past 14

years. She was not part of the conference but had been invited to sing at the final event.

After watching Magnus dance, Alston-Bakowsky told the audience: "without any consideration of exceptionality, Brad has a unique gift." She congratulated his parents for encouraging him to pursue his love of dance.

"She didn't have to say anything," said Ethel Magnus. "She could have sung her song and gone on her way. What she said was so meaningful because it was unex-

pected and unsolicited."

Now the family is considering the implications of Brad's future, looking at offers, following up on getting the presentation paper published as well as finalizing details of a book Ethel has written about life with Brad. It is a big task.

"We've been in a lull since coming home because it was quite overwhelming," Ethel explained. "We start thinking about it again and it all comes back, all those overwhelming thoughts."

But as she and her family always have done in the past, they will deal with it: "One day at a time things come together."

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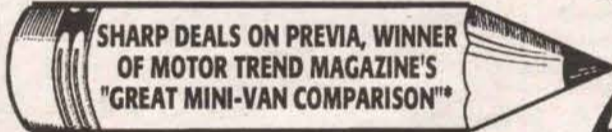
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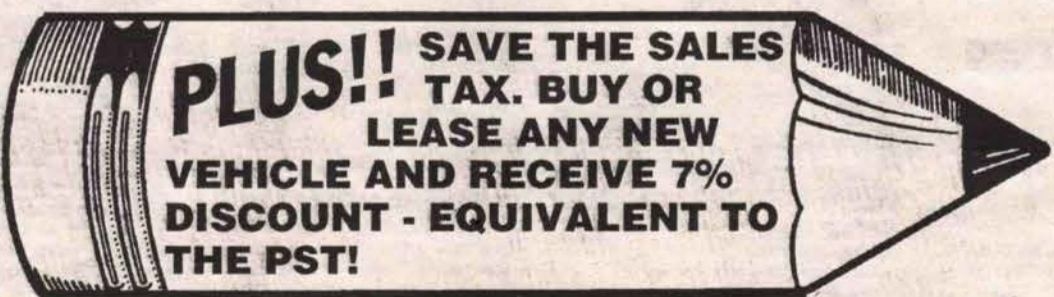
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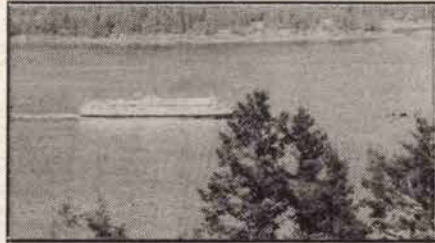
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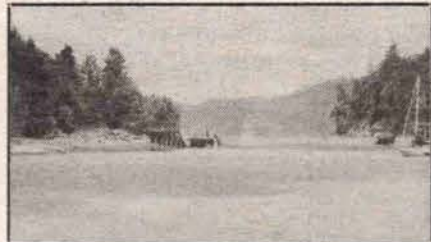
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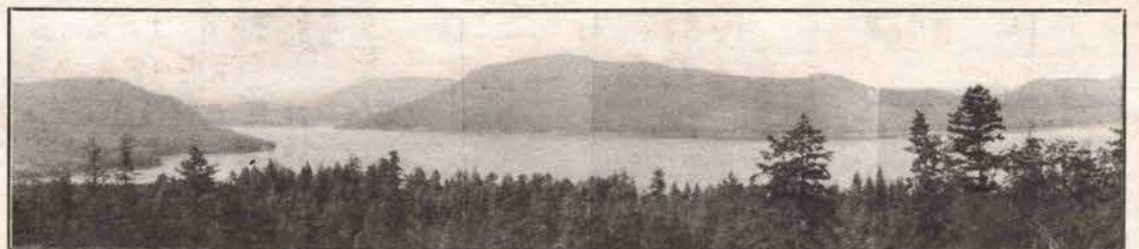
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★ horoscope ★

ARIES (March 21 to April 19): Cows figure prominently. Milkshakes and steaks will be frequent on the menu this week for island Arians. Nature walks and long talks with friends from Vancouver are in store this weekend, especially if friends are married. Make a point to find out if children are in tow. Failure to do so will catch you off guard.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): Dinners are abnormally abnormal, especially Thursday and Sunday. Be prepared to throw routine out the window and eat on the run, if at all. The strain on your digestive system will be great, but Tauran stores of fat are greater. Books and newspapers consume your spare time this week, so get a box of cookies in to go with those quiet evenings.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20): Younger twins are starting to fuss and fume about approaching school — but fret not! The classes you want with the friends you want will all fall into place. Older twins may spend more time this week painting or gardening before winter weather makes these more difficult. Roses appear on the doorstep and they are not from a relative.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22): Chocolate and classical music are in store for Cancerians. An elementary school friend you haven't seen for 45 years greets you at an island cafe and tells you he studied piano with Chopin and Elvis at the bottom of lake Titicaca. Tell him you're doing fine, and leave by the back door. Out of the blue — or because of guilt — your partner will surprise you with your honeymoon dinner: Belgian chocolates and champagne. Don't ask, just eat.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22): Let-

ters and numbers get juggled up in the minds of lions. Save the lottery money for next week. Check letter addresses twice as mistakes are bound to occur. A special television broadcast about a sitcom from your youth makes you cancel a dinner date with a long-standing friend. Explain yourself well or you may never get another invitation again.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sep. 23): Sales tempt Virgos to buy summer clothing by the bagful. Though neighbours scoff, deep down you know a fine Indian summer is in store. Kelp enters your life, even if you are not a waterfront property owner. Make good use of it. Thursday and Tuesday are significant days at work, but don't drink the coffee.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Libras have a very strange week ahead. An annoying caller will continue to bother Libras by calling every five minutes to report something they have seen. Take heart — the person just has too much spare time. A weekend move could be the cause of back pain, so remember to lift with the legs.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): Pay attention to all signs this week. Ferry boarding signs are especially important for safety. Be wary of what could be perceived as a sign from a higher power — always think before you jump. A new interest in parachuting, hang-gliding, or scuba diving will provide Scorpios with excitement.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): A homeless friend lands upon your doorstep this week seek-

ing shelter. But it's only for a day. A strange package in the mail offers the chance for a warm vacation so practise your Spanish. Icy-cold drinks are on this week, with margaritas topping the list.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): A week filled with meetings highlights your agenda. A meeting with the lawyer, the hairdresser, and a neighbour for coffee are always important. A ticket for discarding items out the truck window causes a strain on your wallet.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 18): Dining out is popular with Aquarians this week. Whether it be hot dogs, pizza, or maybe even ice cream, all cravings will be satisfied, without messing the kitchen. A stint in the woods with friends causes some stress for Aquarians when the law comes into the picture.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20): Friday is the perfect night for singing, dancing or just speaking your mind. A captive audience is the ideal type, but those in Centennial Park will do just as well. A new venture begins to take shape Monday, but be prepared for long hard hours as there is still a way to go.

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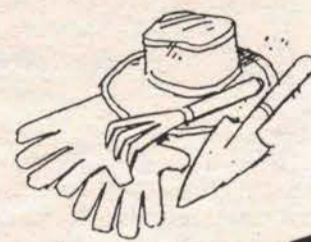
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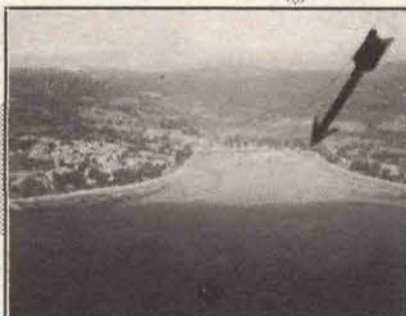
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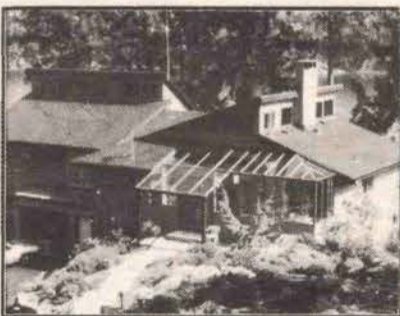
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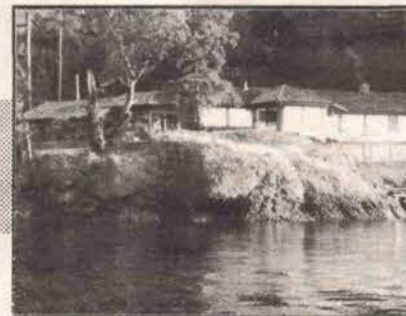
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Hydro wants ideas on banners

Responding to a growing number of requests for downtown Ganges banner space is posing a dilemma for B.C. Hydro.

For many years organizers of community events have used banners across Lower Ganges Road near the Tides Inn to help promote their activities. B.C. Hydro has assumed the responsibility for erecting and removing the banners as a public service.

But district manager John Langston says more and more groups are requesting the service. Requests are coming in as often as once or twice a week during the summer, he said.

Hydro's problem is the amount of time involved looking after the banners, and deciding which ones should go up. Langston said it has always been stipulated that the groups putting up banners be non-profit, and that their events be community-oriented. But sometimes it's difficult to decide if they meet the requirements.

"What's worthy and what isn't?" Langston asked.

Some events, he added, border on being commercial.

The cost to Hydro of putting up and taking down a banner is \$200, Langston said.

One possible solution under consideration is to erect two poles and rig them so groups could erect their own banners. B.C. Hydro would provide and erect the poles, Langston said.

But they would have to be located in a place where a banner could not come into contact with high-voltage power lines, yet still be readily visible to a large number of passing traffic.

Another option would be to limit the number of banners and have a local organization, such as the Chamber of Commerce, decide which groups could use the service.

Langston can be reached at 537-9966.

Poles not for posters, —Hydro

Utility poles are not a substitute for bulletin boards, a B.C. Hydro spokesman said Friday.

District manager John Langston said crews cleaned posters off poles on Salt Spring Island in mid-August, for safety reasons. He said a growing number of posters were appearing on poles, something which usually only occurs around election time.

Workers Compensation Board regulations state that signs of any kind are not to be placed on poles. Langston said there were two reasons for the regulation. If a lineman's spur catches on a tack or nail, it could kick out and cause the lineman to fall.

Secondly, if a lineman should fall he would cling to the pole with a bear hug. Tacks or nails would cause severe lacerations as the lineman slid down the pole.

Langston said there was also a secondary concern about the appearance of utility poles plastered with posters.

"It really looks tacky."

Langston said 90 per cent of work on poles is done by climbing them. Trucks equipped with hydraulic buckets are used for other purposes.

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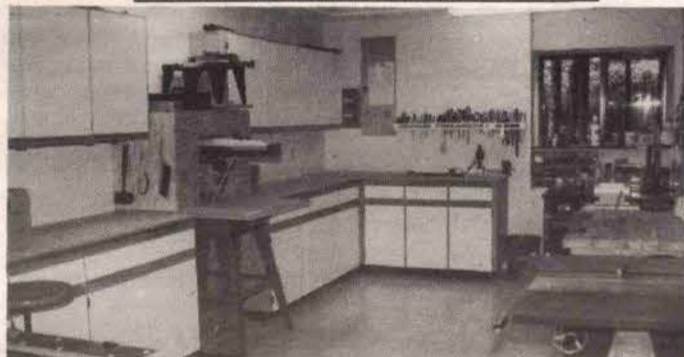
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War bride, Canadian farmer celebrate 50 years together

By NIKKI ZERR
Driftwood Staff

Getting married during the second world war meant hardship for many newlyweds. But for a woman to marry a man from another country and then move with him to his home land after the war was difficult indeed.

For Cynthia and Robert Davidson, however, theirs was such a marriage and it reached its 50th year Saturday.

Cynthia was an English war bride. She met Robert at a dance in her native England while he was stationed there with the third regiment of the Canadian army.

Robert went to France on D-Day, and shortly after he left, Cynthia gave birth to their first daughter, Donna. He didn't see his new daughter until he returned seven months later.

During the time Robert was gone, Cynthia lived at home with her mother and two sisters, who helped her with the new baby.

"It was pretty scary through the war; we could see the German planes come over and we never could have a crack of light at all," Cynthia said, recalling the black-out.

"If the Germans came over and saw any lights at all then they would drop bombs. The idea was to keep everything black so they were not sure if they were over a town, or where they were."

After the war the Davidsons moved to Canada. Robert returned home from the fighting in September 1945, and Cynthia joined him at their new home the following July.

'I didn't have a clue what I was coming to in this country. It was all so different.'

"I didn't have a clue what I was coming to in this country. It was all so different," Cynthia remembered. "So before I left I told my mother I was going to leave Donna (their first daughter) behind. She was just two, and I said if I leave her with you then I will have to come back and get her, so I will get back to England all right that way."

But Cynthia's mother did not agree with that plan, and Donna went with her mother to Canada. As it was, it took 16 years before Cynthia returned to England.

"My mother was really upset," she said of her leaving England. "I must have broken their hearts because I still remember seeing them at the gate . . . They had all spoiled Donna so much because she was the only little one around there. But, you married a guy, so you had to go where he lived."

"She chased me long enough," Robert joked.

Cynthia came to Canada aboard the *Queen Mary* to Quebec "and then we took the train across Canada . . . it was so dusty and dirty and you couldn't open a window at all for all the soot coming in."

Cynthia and Robert moved to Olds, Alberta, where they spent the next part of their life farming on what had been Robert's father's farm. The early days were quite a different experience for Cynthia.

"My relatives had knit Donna these little . . . sweaters, and I didn't know what a washing machine was — I had never used a washing machine in England; you either sent stuff to the laundry or washed by hand — and I said to (Robert) what do I do with these clothes? He



A GOLDEN YEAR: Salt Spring Island residents Robert and Cynthia Davidson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last week. Photo by Nikki Zerr

said just throw them all in the machine. Well, her sweaters came out about the size of a doll's.

"The highlight of the farming, I think, was getting dressed up on a Saturday afternoon to go to town for groceries."

Like many other farming families, the Davidsons had their share of hard times. But they pulled through and in the process had five children. Today they have nine grandchildren.

"I enjoyed the farm; it was certainly different and it took me a few years to get used to it," Cynthia said, "especially at Christmas time. I used to get so homesick because Bob would be there with his mom and dad and his brothers and sisters and all their families around the table . . ."

As the children grew up and had families of their own it became easier, but Christmases were hard.

" . . . there just wasn't the money in those days to go places or do things," she said.

Almost 23 years ago the Davidsons left the farm for Salt Spring Island.

Robert explained that he was determined he was going to live in British Columbia. After spending some time working in the Okanagan when he was younger, he had decided this province was where he was going to stay.

While visiting some friends on the island they found the house they were soon to call home. Twenty minutes before they caught the ferry to leave, they put a down payment on it.

Following the move, Robert took a job delivering mail and stayed with it for 11 and a half years. He started out with rural route two then took over rural route one, which was everything north of Ganges. In those days mail was delivered six days a week, he said.

Like so many other long-time island residents the Davidsons have watched the island grow. When they first arrived, the population was just over 2,000. They were told never to be in a rush because nobody else was.

"You didn't have to worry about running over pedestrians," Robert said of their early days here.

Through all their years in Alberta and British Columbia, one thing has kept the Davidsons together — patience. Both agree that patience is the secret to their 50-year marriage.

When they were married people stayed together because of the children, Cynthia said. "You

figured you would work around things and work things out for your family whereas now, if they don't get along that's it, get a divorce and go."

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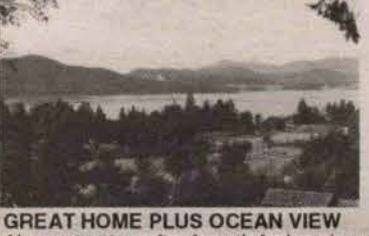
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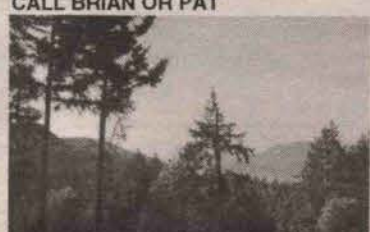
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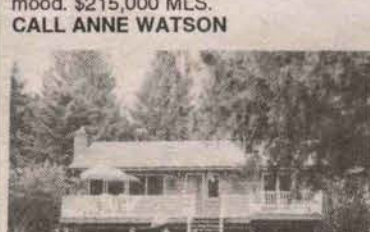
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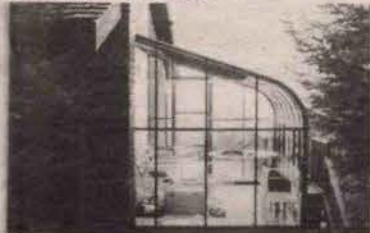
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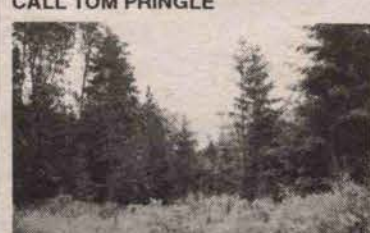
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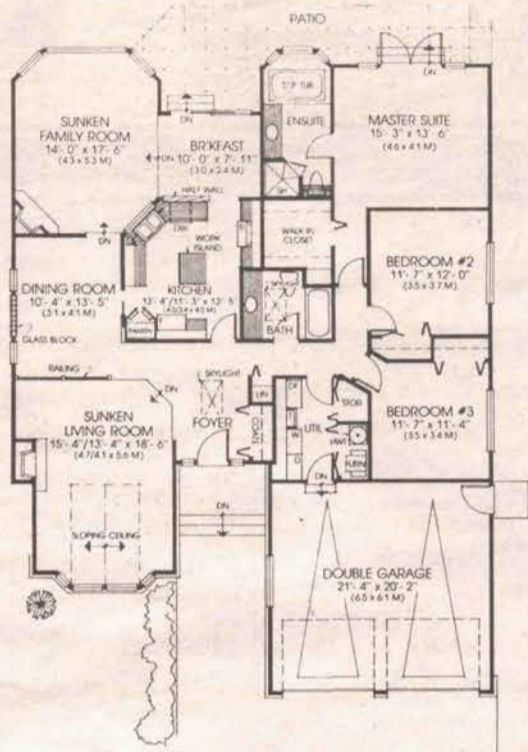
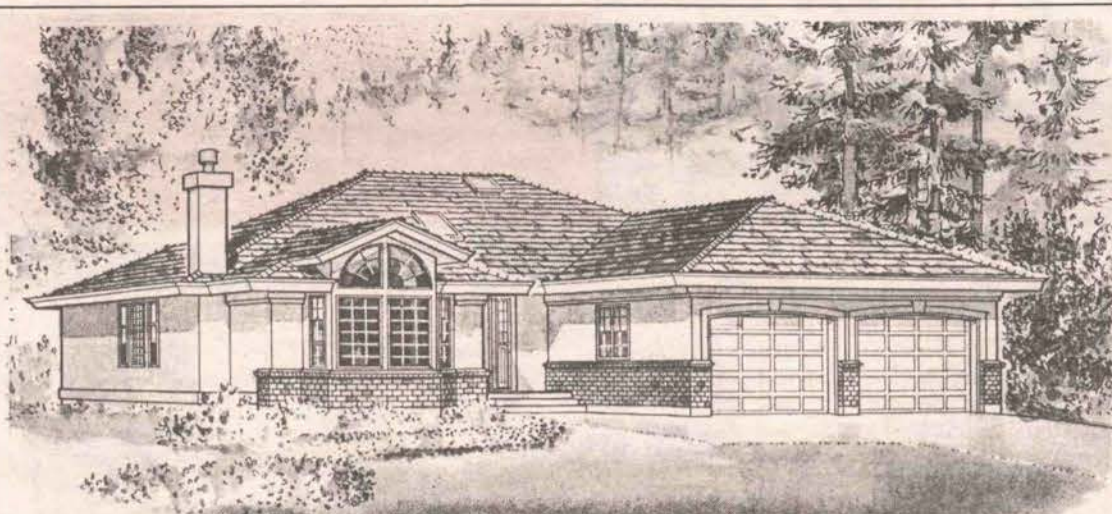


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A corner window over the

double sinks overlooks the family room from the gourmet style kitchen.

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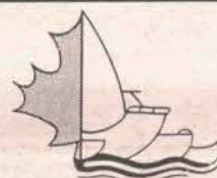
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Get out the Geritol: here come the Old Boys

By MALCOLM LEGG
Driftwood Contributor

The Old Boys of Salt Spring Island, commonly known as the Geritol Gang, creak back into action this weekend in the Castaways Invitational Tourney in Victoria.

For the old Geezers this is a true test of their age and endurance as the team must play three games in two days — and that is only the preliminary round!

Of course, all these games mean that Pharmasave stock will jump in value once again as the lads are busy buying A535, Myoflex, Geritol and support hose. Also,

soccer kicks

rumour has it that tournament officials will have oxygen tanks handy at each game (we might need it just for the warm-up).

The Old Boys will play Saturday at 11:30 versus North Shore Rangers, at 3:15 versus Periklis and Sunday, at 10:15, versus Castaways. Should the lads win two they would make the semi-finals (if enough of them can still walk

properly. (Mind you, many cannot walk properly on a normal day).

Salt Spring hopes to get most of its highly touted line-up out for the games, although several faces will be missing this season. Gone are: "The Flying Finn," Finn Ronne; one of the twin peaks, Gerard Zentner; two irreplaceable strikers in Ian Cameron and Rob Watson; our tireless mid-fielder Steve Harmer; and of course, the ever-loved Ingwer Nagel.

Even with these losses the team will be a contender (of course the next question is contend for what?), with the likes of Tim Stirrup, Andrew Mai and Henry Braak all looking for the more relaxing position of tending goal.

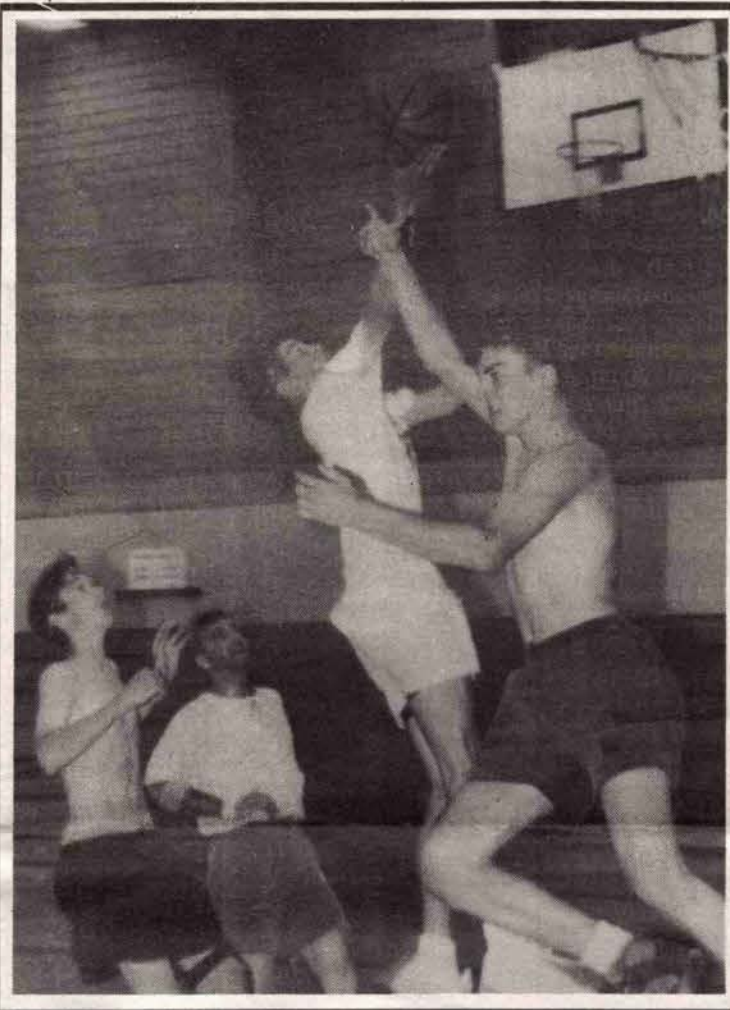
Our defence looks capable with this writer, Graham "Sourness" Tweedle, Cal Mackay, Bill Lea, Gary McNutt and possibly Paul Sinclair all back.

In mid-field "the Codger" Pearson and Jack Braak will anchor a lot of new tonnage in Darryl Lister, Tony Clair and Steven Legg.

Up front the team will try to add speed to match Tony Finlay, Geoff

Fishleigh, Alvaro Sanchez, Tony Alonso and Rich Lopuchinsky, but a tailwind might be the only solution.

This hardened group of soccer fanatics, with a smattering of Victoria "ringers" should see the Old Boys carry Salt Spring's soccer torch and hopefully it won't flicker out in the first five minutes of the tournament.



UP, UP, AND AWAY: Up and coming junior basketball players at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) battle it out in a warm-up match last Monday. GISS players plan to begin fundraising games against the RCMP in September. From left are Ryan Smith, John Callas, Jordie Koski, and Harrison Jason.

Photo by Nikki Zerr

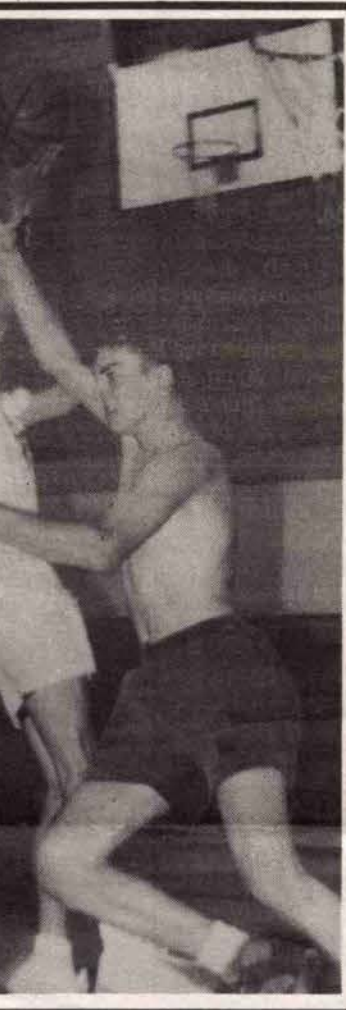
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IN TRAINING: Helen Spencer watches as Willy Egeland heads the ball during practice at Portlock Park Saturday. The two are among 300 Salt Spring youths who will be playing soccer this season.

Photo by Tony Richards

Coach training offered by correspondence

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

So many kids are eager to get involved in playing soccer each weekend on Salt Spring, but there are not so many parents who are anxious to get involved in coaching. Yet you cannot have one without the other.

But according to Salt Spring recreation programmer Ross Huff, learning to coach is easy.

"We've been providing the courses for a number of years," Huff said. "They were sporadically and poorly attended because you had to give up the weekend to do them."

No longer.

National coaching certification program theory courses can now be taken by correspondence, he said, so people can complete them at their own speed. Technical courses still require personal instruction, but these can be arranged in one day on the island when there are numbers to warrant it.

There are three levels of theoretical courses and three levels of technical courses in the national program. The level one theory course would be adequate to start coaching, Huff said, and could be easily completed within a month. A technical one course could be provided at a later date.

"(The courses) will give the coach a better basis for the sport and give the participants a better understanding of the sport," Huff said. "We are trying to standardize coaching throughout the country."

Generally as the children age, the coaches go up with them, Huff said. At the higher levels of the sport, provincial A and B, coaches

must be certified. So local soccer associations are encouraging parents to get involved and get certified sooner than later.

Soccer players look forward to Portlock field reopening

Salt Spring Island youth soccer is about to kick off the 1993/94 season. And after a year without the use of the home field at Portlock Park, the youth soccer association is really looking forward to playing on the newly renovated field.

"Portlock Park is our main field," says association chair Terry Stringer.

"One of the things I've always enjoyed about soccer is Saturday morning on the sidelines at Portlock Park. All the parents drinking coffee and getting together."

Last year more than 300 boys and girls aged five to 19 took part in youth soccer on nearly 30 teams.

The five and six-year-olds and seven and eight-year-olds play mini-soccer. They play on a smaller field with smaller goals and a smaller ball. Teams are smaller too — around six or seven players — so each child gets more experience and confidence with the ball and playing the game.

Nine and 10-year-olds play on a slightly larger field than the younger players.

Boys and girls aged 11 to 19 play on a full-sized field, 11 to a side. They are also part of the lower island league which includes teams from Sooke to Saanich and from Victoria to Duncan.

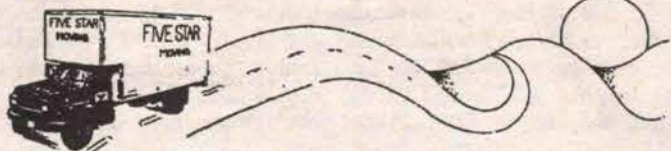
Practices are usually after school on school fields at Fulford, Fernwood and in Ganges, Stringer said. The association tries to get teams made up locally so kids do not have to travel from one end of the island to the other for practice.

At its recent election of officers, Sue Spencer was appointed vice-chair and referee co-ordinator; Mike Byron, secretary; Wanda Langdon, treasurer and registrar; Graham Tweddle and Gil Bard, senior co-ordinators; Richard Hannah, intermediate co-ordinator; and Ron Schroeder and Phil Ritson, junior co-ordinators.

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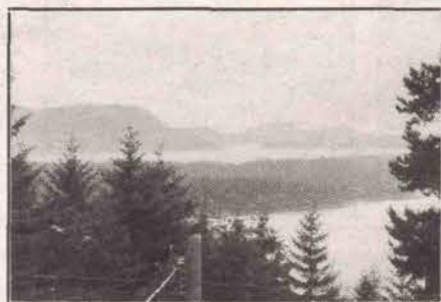
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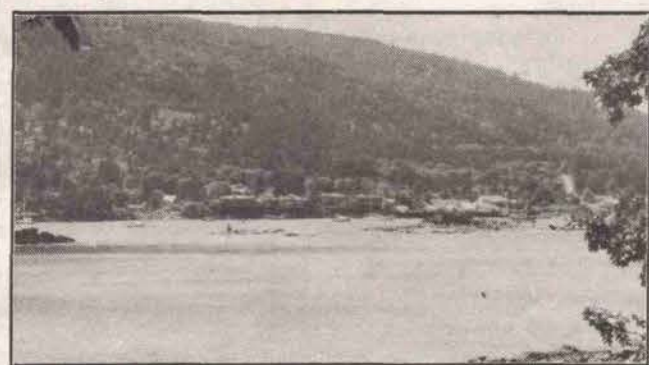
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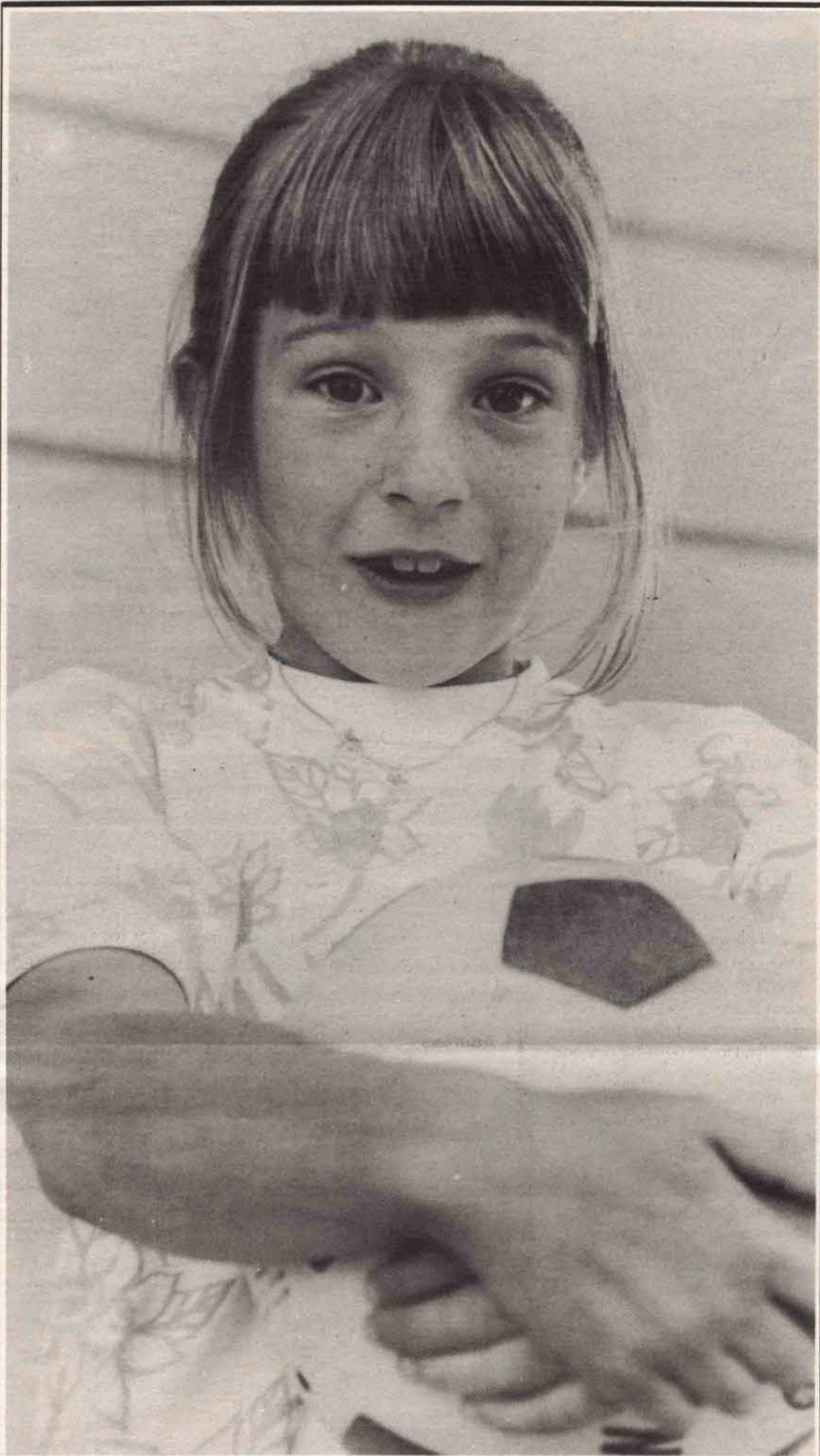


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READY TO PLAY: What do youth soccer and Michael Jackson have in common? Jocelyn Langdon, who likes them both. Jocelyn and brother Chris were among a

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How were islands formed? By Paul Bunyan, of course!

By TOM HENRY

According to geologists, the Gulf Islands are a result of thousands of years of work by the forces of water, ice, and volcanic upheaval. According to loggers' legend, however, they are the result of three weeks' work by the most famous of woodsmen, Paul Bunyan.

As any old-timer can tell you, Paul was the greatest logger who ever felled a tree. He could cut down whole forests with a single swipe of his double-bladed axe and comb his hair with a Swede saw. He measured 12 feet, 14 inches tall and weighed 888 lbs. — naked.

Paul's companion in the woods was Babe, an enormous bull ox with a horn spread of (depending on the account) 42 axe handles and one plug of Star tobacco, or 42 axe handles and two plugs of Star tobacco. Babe's feet were so big an iron mine had to be opened each time he was shod and he ate so much that he produced 160 feet of manure every night. When Paul was walking behind Babe he often used binoculars to see what the front of the animal was doing.

Paul and Babe started logging on the east coast, and they and their crews had some strange adventures, including an encounter with a river that flowed in circles and a popcorn storm. (Thinking the popcorn was snow, some of Paul's dumber loggers almost froze to death.) On another occasion, in Iowa, when Paul's camp ran out of food he placed an enormous mirror on the ground and lured hundreds of migrating ducks into a trap.

But it was on the Pacific coast that Paul faced his biggest challenges. He originally came west because Babe was ill and his

The timber in those days really was big, and it often took five or six men looking eight hours to see to the top of a single tree. Fallers would die of old age before they finished a cut and the next generation would have to finish it off.

bookkeeper, Johnny Inkslinger, had prescribed milk of the western whale as a cure. The milking turned out to be a fiasco (someone kicked over that pail) but by that time Paul had had a look at the regions' first-

growth firs and cedars and decided to stay.

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Paul's west coast camp, in the Skagit Valley, was the biggest in the world. There were a 1,000 bunkhouses, each so high that the men in the upper tiers parachuted to the floor each morning. The cookhouse covered so many acres that the crew were given "starter" meals when they first went in so they could make it to the tables. Meals were organized by a cook who rode around the kitchen on a motorcycle and they were cooked on a 25-block-long griddle greased by Swedish figure skaters with hams tied to their feet. It took flunkies wearing roller skates a full day to go around just one table.

When Paul's Gulf Island adventure took place historians are not

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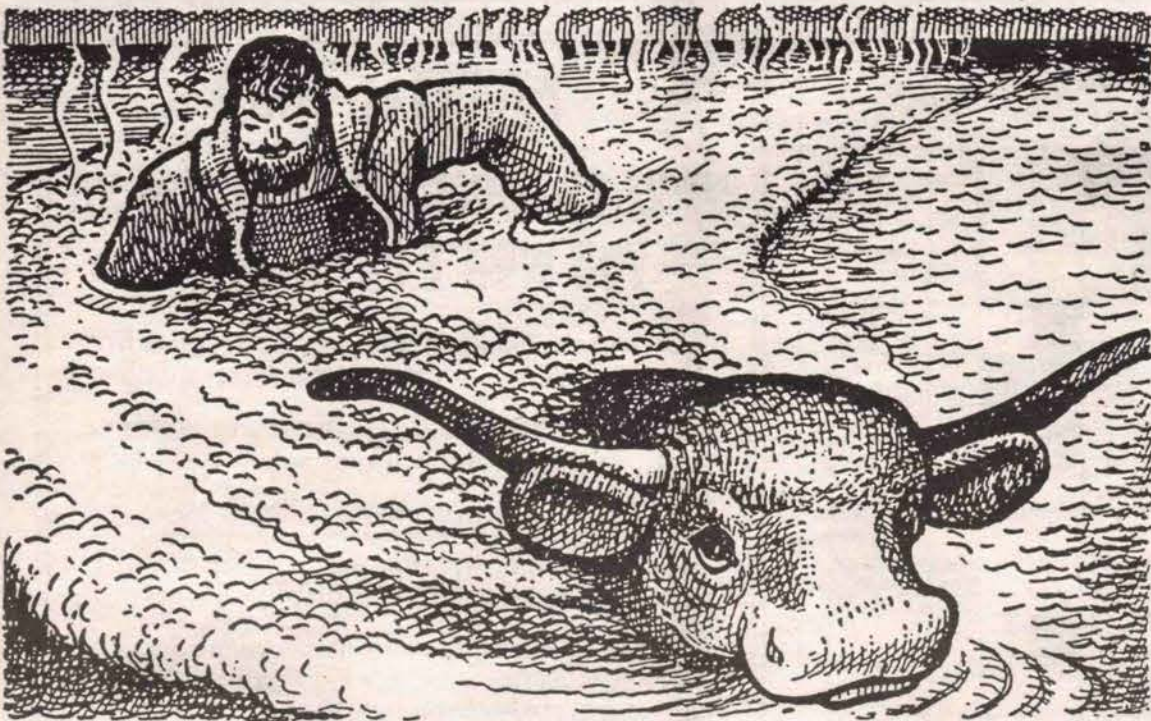


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sure; they know it was sometime between the Winter of the Blue Snow (when temperatures reached 24 below zero) and the Spring That the Rains Came Up From China (when the Big Fog carried off so many of his men). What they do know is that it was not the happiest of his adventures.

Paul was sitting on a stump in his Skagit camp one day, combing his beard with a pine tree and admiring his new claim, when a Seattle businessman named Peter Puget came to him with an offer. He would pay Paul \$5 million to dig a deep sea port for the city. (Vancouver Island was part of the mainland at the time.) Paul agreed, albeit reluctantly, and immediately commissioned all the steel mills in Pittsburg to build a giant plough. The plough arrived, Babe was hooked up, and digging commenced. Soon the dirt began to pile up, creating what is known as Mt. Baker today.

Still the project wasn't moving quickly enough for Paul. So he and Babe went to Alaska and dragged back a glacier (creating the Inside Passage) and finished the job. From start to finish the excavation had taken three weeks.

But it was when Paul went to

collect his \$5 million that he really ran into trouble. First Peter Puget said there weren't any waves and that he wouldn't pay Paul until there were. Paul said waves weren't mentioned in the contract. Then Puget said there weren't any tides. He said the sound needed

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tides. Paul said tides were there all right, they just ran so slick that Puget didn't notice them.

Still Puget hemmed and hawed. Lawyers were called in. Finally Paul's patience ran out and he started heaving Bunyan-sized shovelfuls of dirt back in the sound. That did it. Puget saw his deep-water channel disappearing and paid Paul on the spot. Paul returned to his camp, but the mounds remain today as the Gulf and San Juan Islands.

The waters of the newly created Puget Sound and Georgia Strait

were fine for shipping, but too cold for Paul's men to wash their clothes. So later Paul kicked out the Strait of Juan de Fuca, swam a few circles in the Pacific, and got the El Nino going. His men washed their clothes in the warm current for years, until other nations started complaining about all the salt and foam and they had to stop.

The Puget Sound excavation contract completed, Paul finally got back to doing what he loved best — logging. But according to old-timers he never did take to logging here like he did in the east. Some say it was the fact that his back was to the Pacific, and he knew the last of the continent's timber was before him. Others say it was Babe's illness, which dragged both man and animal into a depression so deep that the sun didn't... but that's yet another Bunyan story.


One thing all the old-timers do agree on, however, is that the legend of Paul Bunyan, and the bull that goes with it, will live on until the last big tree comes crashing down.

Tom Henry is currently working on a social history of logging for Harbour Publishing. He lives in Metchosin.

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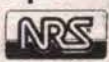
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By GAIL TRAFFORD
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Summer is drawing to a close and a busy weekend is planned by islanders. The Parents Advisory Council is holding another book sale at the Saturday market. Proceeds will go to the scholarship fund. The market is located at the Community Hall and runs from 10:30 until 2 p.m.

The Volunteer Fire Department is holding an open house Saturday beginning at 1 p.m. They will offer free fire extinguisher inspections and demonstrations, as well as a recharge service.

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John Edwards of Comosun College is offering a course in contemporary Canadian literature at Salt Spring Elementary this fall. If enough Saturna residents are interested it may be possible to form a telenetworking group so local residents may attend sessions on Saturna.

The telenetworking method may include a study group with a radio hookup to the Salt Spring class for interactive communication. Another alternative is that Edwards could come to Saturna biweekly for sessions with the island students. The details will be worked out when local people give some indication of their interest.

The course which would be of specific interest to readers covers the 20th century philosophical, historical, geographical development of Canadian literature.

Jeanne Crerar would be happy to answer any questions about the Saturna group. She can be reached at 539-2167.

The Saturna free school held a reunion last weekend for students and staff who attended the school from 1968 to 1971. The guest list also included a group of friends who had once lived in the community of Mudslide, many of whom have Saturna connections.

A lamb was roasted Saturna-style and a large kitchen tent covered a banquet of salads and goodies. Guests were treated to water sports, badminton, volleyball, and horseshoes followed by an evening dance.

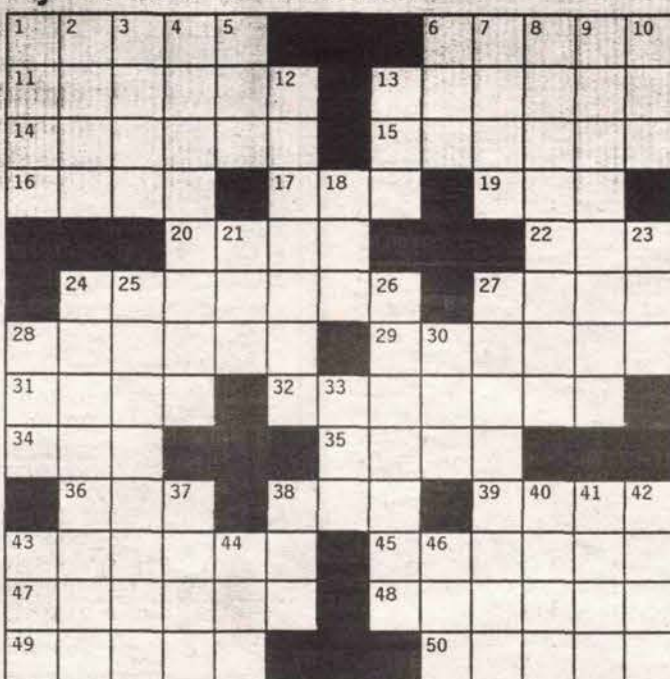
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With another school year beginning next week, ICBC and police around the province are reminding motorists to drive with care when around youngsters heading to school.

During the first days of school children are often nervous and excited, causing them to forget to practise pedestrian safety. Motorists need to be aware of this and take extra precautions when near schools by slowing down and being prepared for the unpredictable.

With school back in session, the 30 kmh speed limit in school zones — which are marked by signs tagged with the lower speed — is once more in effect from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on days when school is in session.

Canadian Criss Cross by Walter D. Feener

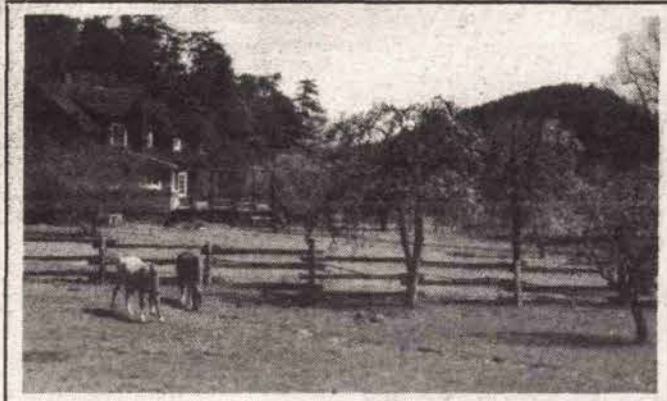


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A. Bylaw No. 83 - "North Pender Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 83, 1993"

In general terms the purpose of Bylaw No. 83 is to repeal "Official Community Plan (North Pender Island), Bylaw 1975" and replace it with a new Official Community Plan under the authority of the *Municipal Act*. The Plan will provide guidance in all future land use decisions on North Pender Island.

The Plan Bylaw consists of six schedules. Schedule A is the policy document which contains a general statement of broad objectives and policies respecting the form and character of existing and proposed land use and servicing requirements in the area covered by the plan. The *Municipal Act* specifies what matters must be discussed in statements and designated on a map and include, but are not restricted to, the type and location of residential, agricultural, commercial, industrial and public services uses. Policies for home based business, open space public recreation and future parks, forestry and resources are included. Community services such as transportation, water supply and sewage disposal are also addressed. In addition, the policy document provides for subsequent amendments to the Plan to provide development permit designations and areas for temporary commercial and industrial use.

Schedules B through F are maps. Schedule B shows land status, including Crown land and land in the Agricultural Land Reserve. Schedule C shows water resources, including watershed areas, improvement districts and water license areas. Schedule D shows environmental resources such as marine resources, fisheries activities and sensitive natural areas. Schedule E is a map of heritage buildings and sites. Schedule F shows existing and potential parks and trail routes.

A copy of the proposed Bylaw and relevant background documents, may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C., between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm, Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, from Wednesday, September 1, 1993 and up to and including Friday, September 17, 1993.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 957(2)(a)(v) of the *Municipal Act*, an additional copy of the proposed Bylaw may be inspected at the Library and on Local Public Notice Boards on North Pender Island, B.C. Copies will also be available at local general stores and from the Local Trustees.

Written submissions may be delivered to:

- the office of the Islands Trust at 1627 Fort St., Victoria, B.C., V8R 1H8, prior to 4:30pm, Sept. 17, 1993; or
- after 4:30pm, Sept. 17, 1993 to the Trust Committee at the Public Hearing.

Gordon McIntosh
Secretary

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CONTEST WINNER: Erika Tamboline of Mayne Island receives award for the poem she entered in the Legion's annual poster and literary contest. Making the presentation are, at left, A. Izzard, president of the Gulf Islands branch, and W. Klages, south Vancouver Island zone contest committee chairman. Erika won the intermediate prize for her entry.

New park set to open

The first regional park in the Gulf Islands will open September 18.

Mount Norman Regional Park on South Pender Island encompasses more than 100 hectares of mixed woodland and old-growth forest.

The park's official opening will take place at 1:30 p.m. September 18 at the Ainslee Point entrance. Members of the Capital Regional District (CRD) parks committee will welcome the public, and CRD parks staff will lead a hike to the summit.

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Actor-writer, local musicians present concerts at two halls

By ALISTAIR ROSS
Driftwood Correspondent

The Top Ten Thousand of all Time, a play by actor-writer Ron Reed, was more than a one-man show. Prior to performances at both the south and north halls, audiences were treated to a concert by guitarists Brad Prevedoros and Paul Teel.

Working well together, the two artists offered six selections, two of them from recordings made by Prevedoros. One of the other selections was particularly designed to show off the virtuosity of bass guitarist Teel. The audience was most appreciative of the two artists and their music.

Reed's play began almost before the applause for the musicians died down and the audience found themselves in a radio studio along with the apparent sole survivor of a worldwide disaster. Recordings ranging in content all the way from Gregorian chant to rock and roll were in the studio, and since discovered there by our hero and amateur D.J., had been played nightly in an all-night show he produced, searching always for companionship.

It was the voice of another human being he sought, and the assurance that he was not entirely alone in the world as his worst fears suggested. Reed's was an affecting performance. His director was Scott Hafso, also a playwright and composer, and currently working at the Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle.

Reed is the artistic director of Vancouver's Pacific Theatre Company production of *Talley's Folly*. A playwright, he has seen productions of his plays mounted not only in Vancouver, but also in Edmonton, Seattle, Detroit and Pittsburg.

A resident's problem

It is understood here that new standards are to be set by the Island's Trust for seafront lots. According to the policy statement, seafront lots must, henceforth, be a minimum of three acres and have no less than 200 feet of waterfront. A resident of South Galiano who lives in an old established area where lot sizes tend to be smaller — there are many in North Galiano as well (some not so old) — wonders fearfully what his chances of rebuilding would be under the new rules should his house accidentally burn down.

Would he be allowed to rebuild his home or would he, because his lot size did not fit in the proposed minimum size, be forced to sell his

galiano notes

holding at a price reduced in value because it could no longer be built upon. Who, he wonders, would purchase such property, or would it be snapped up as park land by the Trust itself? He'd like an answer, and so would a lot of other seafront landowners.

Variety at Garden Club meetings

Despite the indifferent weather we have had here this summer, the Garden Club showbench displays of flowers and vegetables were most impressive at both the July and August meetings. At the August meeting there were many dahlias and potted geraniums and fuchsias. Excellent vegetables were also on display. At the July meeting two "fives" were given by the judges, one for a pelargonium in full flower and the second for some well matched garden peas.

Speaker at the July meeting was Galiano's Risa Smith; her topic, integrated pest management. Identification of the pest, monitoring its activities, treatment of the problem using the control least toxic to humans and animals, and then noting the effects of this treatment are all necessary to an effective program according to the speaker.

Smith's slides of many of the insects she spoke of were taken in her Galiano garden, so are common to most other gardens on the island. Taken under magnification some were quite beautiful, others because they are largely unrecognizable to us because of their small size, appeared strange in appearance. Some would be right at home in the "house of horrors" at the P.N.E.

At the August meeting Cyril Hume of Sidney paid the Garden Club a return visit — he has been guest speaker and tour guide for the club on various occasions. His topic this time was an account of a visit to France he made a year or so ago, and a description with slides of two French gardens he visited while there.

One of these gardens specialized in roses of every kind and colour, and the other was the recently restored private garden of French impressionist painter Claude Monet. Hume's slides of the painter's garden — and of his canvases — showed the relationship of one to the other. The artist

found inspiration for his paintings in his lily ponds and flower beds, the flower beds as seen today echo the colours to be seen in the paintings.

Fall harvest flower and vegetable show

The Galiano Garden Club's Fall Harvest Flower and Vegetable Show will be held in the South Hall on Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. There is no admission charge. Refreshments will be available. Show catalogues have been available for pick-up at local stores for some time. Participation is not exclusive to Garden Club members but is open to all Islanders.

In addition to display areas for flowers and vegetables there will be sections for fruit, jams, jellies and pickles, plus one for home baking. Ed and Bev Yeomans are coordinating the show; phone them at 539-9909 for further information.

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