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See you at the  
**TERRY FOX RUN**

on Sunday.

Runs at Salt Spring and Galiano will raise funds for cancer research. Details inside.

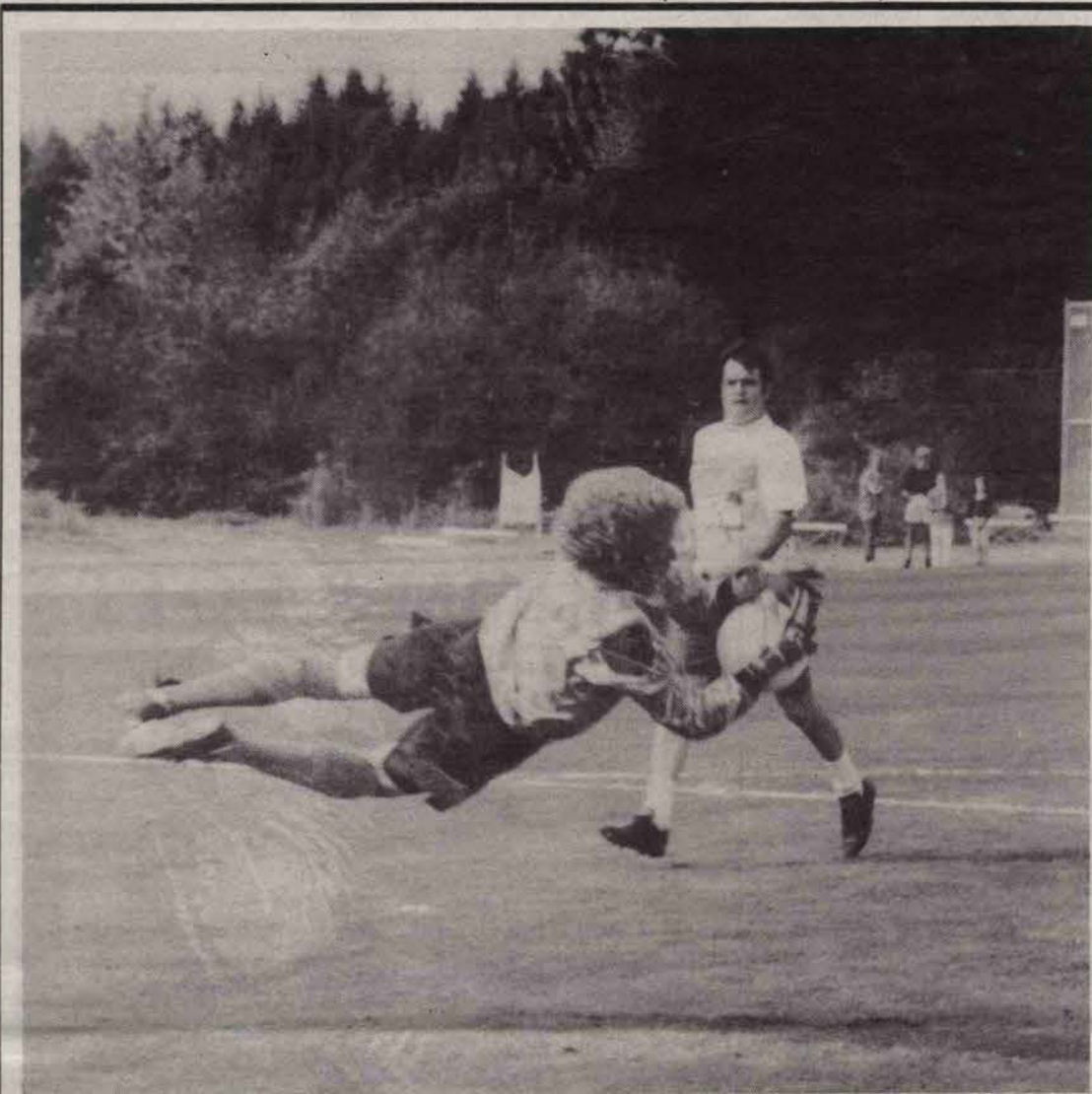


Photo by Tony Richards

**IN FLIGHT:** Salt Spring F.C. goalie Ken Marr takes flight to stop shot by Malcolm Legg during shoot-out Saturday at Portlock Park reopening. Several events and

demonstrations took place, including a volleyball match between the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Driftwood. The latter won 2-1. Details—Page C10.

## Local programs to begin soon on cable channel

Local programming could be seen on Salt Spring television sets by the end of the month, says Salt Spring Cablevision's new community programming coordinator.

Anna Klenman said in an interview this week that the fall fair may be the first local event to be taped for later broadcast on cable channel 12, currently home to the community notice board.

And while Klenman's immediate goal is to have programming that can be measured in hours per week, she looks forward to having something on the air every day by January.

Klenman comes to her new job from a 15-year career in the entertainment industry, mostly in filmmaking. She says she has the kind of experience necessary for the position.

"I have a lot of experience working on independent films with very low budgets and lots of ambition."

While she declined to offer numbers regarding her community programming budget, she

described it as "workable." For now the budget will contribute to the costs of two cameras, a tripod and an editing suite, Klenman said. She hopes that some residents with video equipment will consider sharing it with them.

Billed as Community Access Television by Salt Spring Cablevision, the new service will focus on local issues and events. Islands Trust meetings, the fall fair, Fulford Day and Sea Capers are among the activities and events that would be taped for broadcast, Klenman said.

The emphasis is on community for the new local channel, so Klenman is looking for people and groups with ideas.

"People can come to us with ideas for programming," she said, and they will be directed to various possible sources of production funding.

"We want to provide a forum for people to show their work. If the Salt Spring society for the preser-

CABLE A3

## Society wants input on use of old youth centre

Public input is being sought in deciding the future of the old youth centre building behind the Community Centre on Ganges Hill.

The Salt Spring Community Society said in a prepared statement last week that its space is being used to capacity. It would like to use the building that served as a youth centre until earlier this year as a location for some of its programs. The society proposes using the building between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., leaving it available for youth programs outside of those hours. However, it says the Student

Leadership Council has requested exclusive use of the building to function as its office space.

"Our question is: do you support our using this building for multiple purposes?"

The building, formerly the home of an alternative school district program for teens, was renovated and upgraded with volunteer and donor support for use as a youth centre early in 1992. Responses to the society's question may be sent to the Board of Directors, Salt Spring Community Society, Box 314, Ganges.

## Liona Boyd here Oct. 6

One of the world's leading classical guitarists will perform at Ganges next month.

Internationally renowned Canadian musician Liona Boyd will give a concert at the Activity Centre October 6.

The performance is a benefit for ArtSpring. Tickets are \$20, and are available at et cetera and other outlets.

## Family in red tape tangle is second in medicare limbo

Babies can be expensive. But they do not usually cost anything until they get out of the hospital.

However, that's not the case for Saul and Akiko Henson of Salt Spring Island. They have been trying to get through the red tape of Immigration and the B.C. Medical Services Plan since February of this year. They still have not sorted the problems out, and their son Sugi arrived September 3.

A similar wrangle with red tape befell Salt Spring resident Holly Menard earlier this year. She ended up with a \$34,000 bill for hospital care when her child was born, under similar circumstances.

Though modest by comparison,

the Hensons' bills are starting to come in. So far the tally is more than \$1,200, but there are still bills for a helicopter flight to Duncan and for care at Lady Minto Hospital when Akiko and Sugi returned from Duncan.

"The expectation was that Akiko would be covered by August," Saul Henson said on Monday. "But when (medical insurance notification came) it wouldn't cover Akiko until October. The baby is covered but not Akiko."

A Canadian citizen, Saul Henson was not covered by medical insurance in B.C. until last month. Akiko is a Japanese citizen who has

lived in Canada for two years. She married Saul in December 1992 and in January she applied to the department of employment and immigration for landed immigrant status.

She is still waiting, though a letter from the department dated February 2 said an answer would be forthcoming within four months.

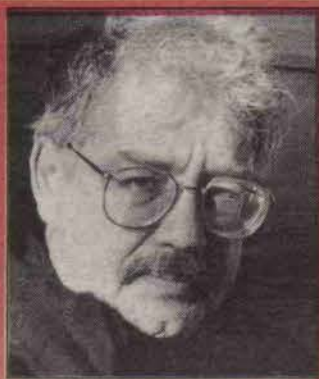
In June, both Saul and Akiko applied for coverage under the B.C. Medical Services Plan, with Akiko to be a dependent of Saul. He has received medical coverage starting August 1 but for some

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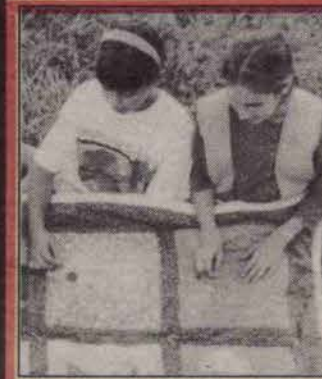
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*Lucky fairgoer will win 4-H youngster's handiwork.*

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# this week

The silly season has started with a federal election set for October 25.

Either you can drown under the onslaught or make a game of it: hold a pamphlet-collecting competition with your friends or see who can spot the most election signs during a Sunday drive!

## weather



HIGHS: 20 C (normal 19)  
LOWS: 8 C (normal 9)

PRECIPITATION: 0% for Wednesday - Friday,

OUTLOOK: Sunny skies



## of note

- Sept. 18.....African Night, Beaver Pt. Hall
- Sept. 19.....Terry Fox Run, Fernwood School

### LUNAR CYCLE: for September 1993



## lottery numbers

	DRAW DATE	NUMBERS
Lotto 6/49	Sept. 11, 1993	03-07-12-16-30-31 B44
	Sept. 8, 1993	04-21-23-29-33-40 B41
B.C./49	Sept. 11, 1993	13-17-18-30-34-48 B23
	Sept. 8, 1993	14-16-17-20-26-33 B23
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TH	1655	10.4		1340	7.9
	2300	3.8		1855	10.6
17	0535	9.8	21	0220	2.2
	1105	5.1	TU	1015	10.0
FR	1720	10.6		1445	8.5
	2345	2.9		1935	10.2
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# Terry Fox Run is scheduled for Sunday at two islands

A home-grown hero, Terry Fox, will be commemorated in the 13th annual Terry Fox Run for cancer research on Sunday.

On Salt Spring, the seven-kilometre run starts at 11 a.m. at Fernwood School. Runners and walkers are welcome to follow in the footsteps of the 21-year-old Port Coquitlam man who initiated his Marathon of Hope in April 1980 to raise money for cancer research.

Fox, who lost part of his right leg to cancer when he was 18, decided two years later to run across Canada. He started on April 12, 1980 in St. John's, Newfoundland, after training for over a year.

During the next 143 days, he ran an average of 26 miles a day. Just outside Thunder Bay, Ontario, his marathon was cut short as the cancer had spread to his lungs.

Before his death in June 1981, Fox saw the run established as an annual event and his goal of \$24.1 million — the equivalent of \$1 per Canadian — raised for cancer research. Since then, the annual run has become an international event and has continued to raise money for cancer research.

To date, the fund has raised over \$100 million.

Runners are welcome as are people willing to sponsor runners. Donations to the fund may also be made at local banks.

The Salt Spring event will begin with registration opening at 10 a.m. at the school. An aerobics warmup with Salty Sweat'rs will begin at 10:40, and the run will follow at 11. The site will close at 3 p.m.

Organizer Marilyn Marshall issued a reminder that there is no entry fee, but donations are welcome. She said the run route — on Fernwood, North End and North Beach roads — will be open only to local traffic while the run is on.

Marshall also asked that participants refrain from smoking. She said two people in last year's run lit up during the event.

There will be water stops at five points along the route, she said. T-shirts and caps will be available

for sale at the school. Marshall can be reached for further information at 537-1008.

Two other events will be held on Salt Spring to raise money for the Terry Fox Run. On Friday the Salt Spring Island Golf Club will stage

a fundraising golf tournament. On September 23 the Inn at Vesuvius will stage a trivia night, beginning at 7 p.m.

A run is also being held at Galiano Island. (For details, see Galiano Notes — C14).

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## for the record

The organizer of the "open microphone" at Centennial Park Friday evenings was not Dave Greig, as reported in last week's *Driftwood*. Student Leadership Council member Noah Pred organized the weekly event. Greig reported on the success of the event at a Parks and Recreation Commission meeting August 30.

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# Six are in running for October vote

Three candidates have filed their nomination papers in the Saanich-Gulf Islands riding in preparation for the federal election October 25. But at least three others have been nominated by their parties.

Jack Frazer of the Reform party, Andy Guest of the Natural Law party and Judith Rayburn of the National party have been declared candidates by local returning officer Barbara Craven.

Unofficially in the running are NDP incumbent Lynn Hunter, Progressive Conservative Marilyn Loveless and Liberal Alex Phillips.

Candidates must file their nomination forms by 2 p.m. September 27. The forms have to be accompanied by at least 100 signatures of people who are eligible to vote and \$1,000.

Advance polling dates are set for October 16, 18 and 19 from 12 to 8 p.m. Advance polling stations will be set up on Salt Spring Island at the Ganges United Church hall. Residents of other Gulf Islands may vote in advance on those dates and at those times at the Margaret Vaughan-Birch hall at 9697 Fourth Street in Sidney.

Voter registration cards will be sent in the mail to everyone on the

current voters' list, Craven said. The cards will be mailed next week.

Voter registration and revision can take place on Salt Spring Island for three days in October: October 7 and 8 between 10 a.m. and 9 p.m. and October 20 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Registration will be at the Ganges United Church hall.

Voters can also register at the returning officer's office in Sidney any day after September 24, between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Monday to Friday, between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday and between 12 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday.

In the last federal election in November 1988, there were 77,506 eligible voters in the riding, of whom 65,627 cast ballots (85 per cent). NDP candidate Lynn Hunter won the last race with 23,168 votes. She was followed by Progressive Conservative candidate Patrick Crofton with 21,900 votes. Liberal party candidate Katherine Clout got 11,534 votes and the Reform party candidate, Bob Slazik, got 8,165.

Independent Patrick Kelly received 216 votes; Libertarian William Butler, 214; independent Doug Christie, 172; and Communist Ernie Nott, 78.



**NEW DUMP:** Garbage dumpster lies on the road across from Fulford Inn Friday after it rolled off the deck of a trailer being hauled to the Hartland landfill. The driver was charged with carrying an escaping load, which carries a \$75 penalty. The mess was cleaned up by Gordon Cudmore with a front-end loader. Photo by Tony Richards

## RCMP file

A 73-year-old Salt Spring woman, Mary Margaret Brooks, had her expired driver's licence confiscated after she drove into the front window of Mouat's Clothing Store last Tuesday.

Brooks was parked in front of the store at about 3 p.m. when she started her car, accelerated and drove over the curb and into the front of the store. She told police she thought the car was in reverse.

In other police news:

- Swerving to avoid a deer caused an estimated \$1,500 damage to a 1985 Mustang, which landed in a ditch on Farm Court Road at 12:40 a.m. Sunday. The 17-year-old driver was charged with driving too fast for road conditions.

- Two thefts were reported by visitors to Ruckle Park, one last Wednesday and the other on Friday. More than \$300 in cash was taken from two vehicles.

Police warn visitors not to leave purses or wallets in view, even inside locked cars. Valuables should be locked up in the trunk, out of sight.

- Police are looking for information on the whereabouts of Everett Albert Johnson, 42, who was last seen September 2 at his Fairway Drive residence. Anyone with any information is asked to call the RCMP at 537-5555.

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## RED TAPE

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reason, Akiko's coverage is not effective until October 1.

As the birth of their baby was nearing, midwife Maggie Ramsey said, the Hensons decided they would have a home birth. But during labour it was necessary to move mother and child to a hospital.

So the couple have had to pay for treatment in Lady Minto Hospital, a helicopter transfer to Duncan and a stay in hospital there and additional time in Lady Minto when they returned home. And that may add up to a couple of thousand dollars before they're through.

Ramsey said she has seen this all before.

"This is quite commonplace on

the island," she said. "It's something that I see quite often in my profession."

"What could be more basic than providing care for our newest Canadian citizen? It's ridiculous that finances should be an obstacle for giving birth. In our country with socialized medicine, it always comes as a shock to me."

But Akiko has remained cheerful and hopeful throughout, friends say. She has never complained. And she said Lady Minto Hospital has done its best for her and her baby.

An account is being set up for the Akiko Fund at Island Savings Credit Union, where donations can be made to assist the family.

## CABLE

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vation of middle English can put (a tape) together, we can air it."

One of the cable firm's main concerns is that everyone be heard. "We want to let the far reaches of the community know that everyone is able to express themselves," Klenman said.

Her interest in filmmaking and broadcasting began at an early age, as her father, also a Salt Spring resident, worked in both. She studied film animation at the Emily Carr College of Art in Vancouver and studied in the film department at San Francisco State University.

Klenman and her father both worked at CKVU television in Vancouver at the time of its launch about 18 years ago.

She has worked on five feature films, and was involved in the production of 130 episodes of a soap opera aimed at teens, called *Time of Your Life*.

Klenman spent the past seven years working for a film company in Montreal.



Anna Klenman

She promises that Salt Spring's new channel will be entertaining as well as informative.

"Public input will be the backbone of our service. Accessibility has to be the bottom line . . . I want people to participate in our creative process, and I want the community to enjoy us."

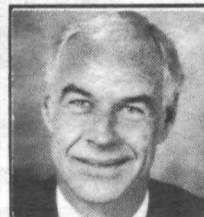
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# opinion

## Money for the arts

Given the cultural mecca in which we live, it's a sad commentary on our education system that our local secondary school should be strapped for cash when it comes to offering arts programs.

We understand the school has accepted a proposal from two private citizens that would give students an opportunity to work for music credits. There is no longer a band program at Gulf Islands Secondary, so Derrick and Wendy Milton stepped in with something of a solution.

It was typical of the Miltons to come up with a constructive idea that represented a valuable contribution to music on the island. It was they who brought us the Canadian Brass last week, and launched the community band Bandemonium. Now they are seeking to address the needs of high school music students: by taking 35 hours of music instruction during the year, and playing with Bandemonium, the student can earn a credit.

This week, parents and students are stepping in to try to restore a theatre program whose teacher, Susan Mackie, has earned a great deal of respect for her work in this area. Supporters of the program have proposed a fundraising effort to keep it going with Mackie at the helm.

Few of us — taxpayers in particular — are unaware of the enormous cost of the Canadian educational system. And a growing number are becoming concerned not only about the cost, but about the results as well. As one of the most expensive systems in the industrial world, it is difficult to advocate pumping in more funds to maintain those programs that are obviously successful.

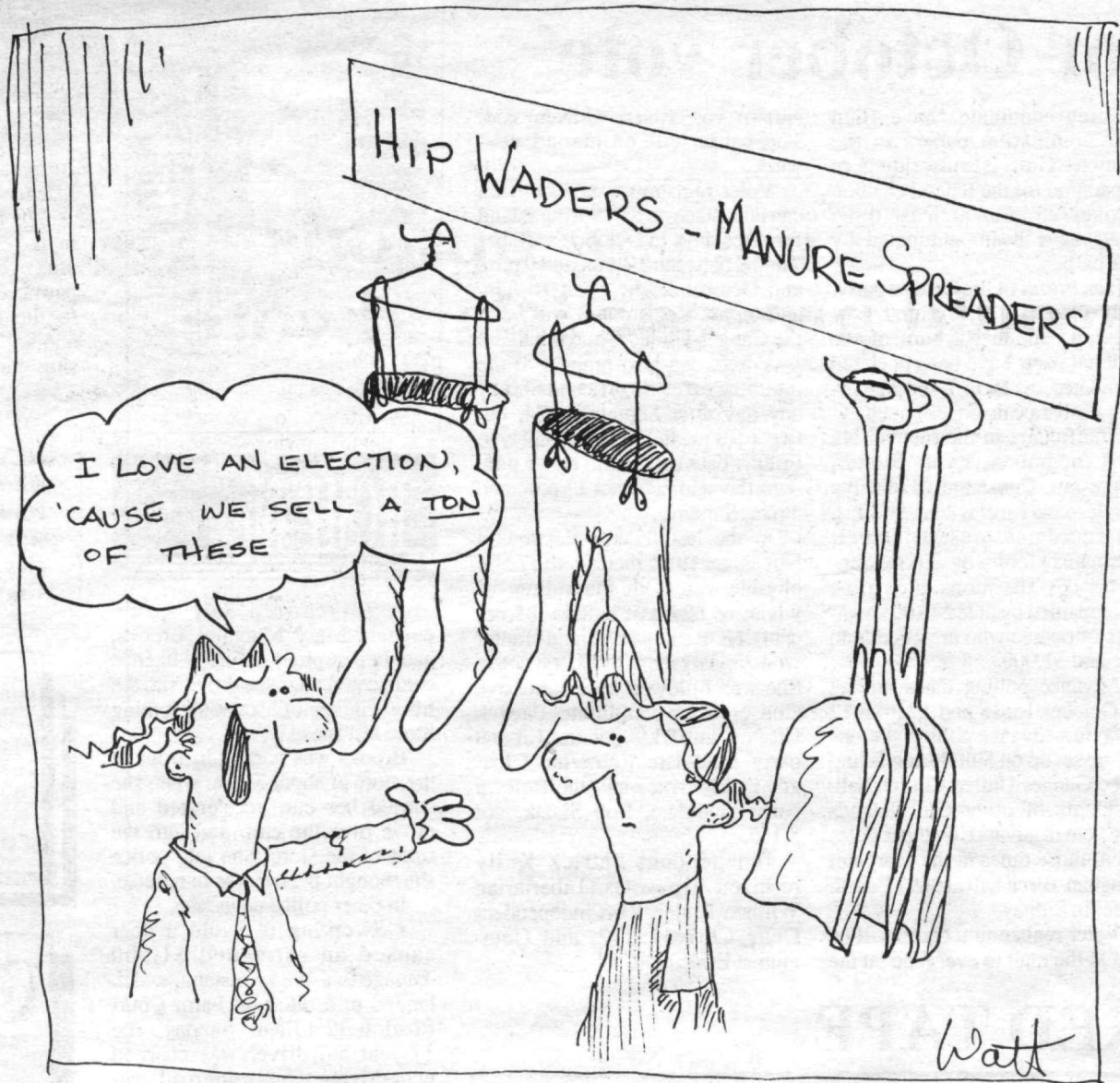
But to let them die is unthinkable. The school district must consider carefully the fundraising plan and whether it can be used to save the theatre program. In the long term, perhaps, spending priorities need an objective re-examination.

## Election time

The campaign for which Canadians have been longing is under way, now that Conservative leader Kim Campbell has consulted polls and tea leaves to determine the whim of the electorate. It is likely that by the time October 25 rolls around, it will be a very nasty and cynical whim indeed.

Politicians today have the consoling thought that the public does not have high expectations of them. But they should be aware that fanciful promises of the great rewards their election shall bring are falling on discerning ears.

Jobs are a big issue but governments' track record in creating them is dismal. So let's score one point for Kim Campbell for her reluctance to promise them. Jean Chretien loses a point for his disturbing call that we return to the good old days of reckless Liberal spending. As for the rest of the pack, no one made any significant contribution either way, so for now we'll hang on to what few points we have to give.



## Trustees' haven

If one were really desperate to get away from the bustle of downtown Ganges, the commercial, cultural and social centre of Salt Spring Island, there is only one way to go. That's south. The south end of Salt Spring — either the Beaver Point or the Isabella Point side — offers a haven from the north end's rapid pace for a number of residents.

Next week it will also provide a haven for the Islands Trust council when it meets here for the first time in three years. The 26 trustees will spend three days meeting in Beaver Point's pleasant hall, half an hour away from the centre of the island that provides nearly half of the Islands Trust's tax base.

Few people are going to spend an hour travelling to such a meeting, to drop in and have a look, as they might were the meeting in Ganges. It's possible that few people would be interested, but given the questions being raised in some quarters about Trust doings, it might have been wise to consider meeting in a more accessible location.

We don't believe the Trust council wishes to hide from curious islanders, but meeting at Beaver Point certainly does nothing to avoid such a perception.

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## salt spring says . . .

**we asked:** What are the two most important issues in the upcoming federal election?



**Lee Sigmund**

Job creation and education. I think there should be money to encourage entrepreneurship so people do not rely much on institutions.



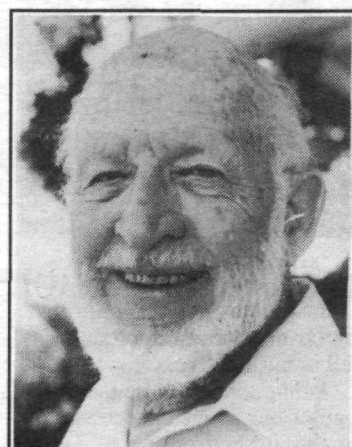
**Doug Fraser**

The deficit and jobs-without getting the deficit in hand we can't get jobs and without jobs we don't have the revenue coming in to help the unemployed.



**Kelly Stokmans**

Whether or not Kim Campbell gets kicked out or not—and the education system. We'd like that Year 2000 out.



**George Harrower**

I think the economy is going to be in the forefront of everybody's mind. I wouldn't be surprised if women's issues were second



**Chris Budeweit**

Sustainable forestry—there needs to be a review of forestry practices and whether Kim's summer job becomes a full-time gig.

### Noisy dogs

To the Editor,  
I was in complete agreement with Mel Sumner's letter of September 1 re noise pollution. However, I thought he could have included what to me is the most annoying and troublesome noise of all: the barking, whining

and howling of neighbours' dogs. These poor animals are left alone most of the day and in their loneliness shatter the peace and silence for blocks around. Is consideration for neighbours a thing of the past?

NANCY KEITH-MURRAY,  
Ganges

### New irony

To the Editor,  
Good art contains layers of meaning that evolve with time. We saw this in *H.M.S. Ganges*, ArtSpring's recent "mixed stew" of 19th century music-hall entertainment with Gilbert & Sullivan comic opera.

The humour of W.S. Gilbert's smug libretto: "In spite of all temptations to belong to other nations, he remains an Englishman," depends on the fact that no Englishman of Gilbert's time and class would have been in the least tempted to belong to another nation. This irony, though well understood by those born in pre-war Britain, may be lost on younger listeners.

We saw a new irony, however, in the ArtSpring production. On stage were several older expatriated English who had given in to the temptation to belong to another nation, and were proud to sing the new words in the finale, "We remain Canadian."

Another, more evident, sub-text to several of the performances this damp summer was the need for a roof over ArtSpring's head.

ALAN CLEWS,  
Fulford Harbour

This has been so for many years but now, thank heaven, more voters are aware of it.

The last politician one hears before voting influences the voter since there is nothing shorter than a voter's memory. This year we must all think for ourselves and listen to the candidates with a very sceptical ear. Think carefully and decide seriously. Look at the mess this country, our Canada, is in because the majority voted so many unscrupulous, greedy politicians into our governments, federal and provincial. Think independently! Don't waste your vote.

Those who refuse to use the right to vote also forfeit the right to complain at the outcome. Make your vote count. It isn't too late to save Canada from going further down the drain. Remember that, voter. It's up to us. Vote on the 25th of October.

LILLIAN HORSDAL,  
Fulford Harbour

## Fine-tuning two options would precede island vote

By DAVID BORROWMAN

The Local Government Options Study has reported that two of the six options which islanders considered earlier this year were popular enough to recommend detailed examination. The result could be a referendum on local government.

Those who took part will recall that the study provided several options, rather than presenting a single proposal for incorporation. The latter approach is customary in small B.C. communities, but has been increasingly unsuccessful, probably due to concerns over costs, but also due to fear that cash-strapped municipalities seem to promote over-development to increase their tax bases. Islanders had in any case proved uninterested in "standard" incorporation proposals in 1985 and 1988.

Salt Spring presented an additional set of issues: local government has never been tried in the Trust area.

Concern has nonetheless been growing for some years about lack of local control and accountability for decisions affecting Salt Spring. Worries over costs and development fears had led us to lose sight of important benefits of local government: a self-governed community is probably healthier and more united than one which is administered remotely by a variety of agencies, like the regional district and the highways department.

Coming up with forms of local government that would meet the need for local autonomy, while keeping costs down and respecting the Trust mandate, was a major challenge, which the options idea was designed to meet.

There were two important pieces of encouragement: The province, initially under the Social Credit government and later under the NDP, offered at least to consider new legislation creating a special type of municipality if islanders should opt for incorporation. Secondly, financial analysis done for Bowen Island, and then for Salt Spring, showed that local government costs were competitive with the rural taxes which we now pay.

Regarding the Trust, we found that the *Preserve and Protect* mandate remains almost universally popular. We also found, however, that islanders do not differentiate between the Trust mandate and the Islands Trust as an institution. Some fear that changes to local government amount to weakening the Trust. The committee, however, saw no contradiction between improved local government and effective application of the Trust mandate.



What was clear is that islanders will not consider changes without knowing the effect on the Trust. We therefore also recommended an assessment of the implications of local government for the preserve and protect

mandate of the Islands Trust.

The most popular option turned out to be number four, which would lead to a referendum on forming a special municipality for Salt Spring. It would have two important characteristics: financial constraints on both taxation and spending, to give voters a short leash on costs; and it would seek to match local authority to the preserve and protect mandate of the Islands Trust.

The second preferred option was number three, which put forward a variety of proposals for forming local government, but without incorporation. For example, it might increase the number of local trustees. Our rationale for recommending two options for further study was to leave islanders with some choices, if a referendum on option four failed.

The committee was bedeviled by low turnouts, but highly impressed with the quality of input from those who did take part. The sample on which we based our recommen-

dations was 187 people. We had difficulty knowing whether to recommend further work on the basis of this small number.

In the end we felt it was important to do so. Interest in local government is growing, and the work to date provides a substantial basis for looking further at the question.

What happens now? The report has been presented to our three locally-elected officials and to the minister of municipal affairs. Copies have gone to the Islands Trust, and the CRD. We are recommending that a new committee be appointed to oversee fine-tuning option four and option three to the point where islanders can take a decision on forming local government.

Finally, I should say that officials of the municipal affairs department have been very helpful, and achieved a happy balance between guiding the study and allowing us ample freedom to follow our own course. As for our consultant team, headed by Bill Lane, it would be hard to express adequate appreciation. I could perhaps start by saying that Bill always went the second mile.

Copies of the report are available at the Islands Trust office.

*The writer is chairman of the Local Government Options Study committee.*

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### Your letters are welcome

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 300 words or less. Letters may be edited for brevity, legality and taste.

Writers are also asked to furnish a telephone number where they may be reached during the day, and to sign their letters with their full name.

Preference will be given to letters written specifically to the editor, rather than copies or open letters.

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### Don't waste your vote

To the Editor,  
So the PM has finally set the election date. Now it's up to us, Canadian citizens, to elect a really responsible federal government.

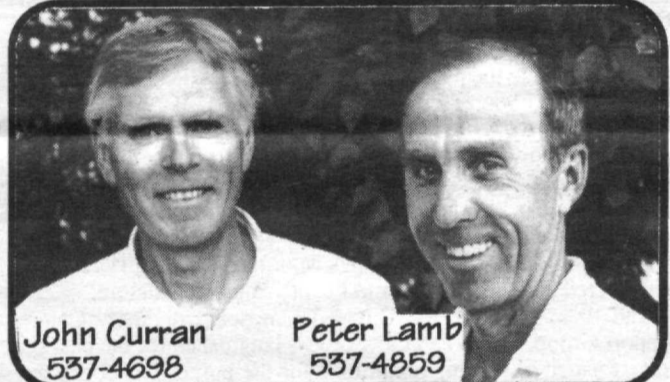
It is very distressing to hear so many say they will not vote. True, it is difficult to decide which party is the least evil but decide we must!

Five minutes after the candidate enters the House, on the hill in Ottawa, he or she seems to feel no responsibility for all the political promises made in order to win.

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## Dedicated trustees

To the Editor,  
In response to Tony Richards' "Let's promote debate." I am diving into the foray to present my views on the role of the Trust (although in rebuttal I must admit I have never noticed the lack of debating skills in this community). I support the aims of the Trust

wholeheartedly and have found those working for the Trust and the trustees, especially Bob Andrew and Diane Cragg, entirely dedicated to realizing the vision of preserving and protecting these precious islands.

For their sins they are harangued, dragged into courts, sued, accused of not doing enough and when they do something, accused of doing too much. These people are doing an enormous amount for

very little and with very little — there are few resources to go on and very few legal tools available that can protect and preserve this way of life for future generations.

There are no planning tools available for preventing the destruction of rare ecosystems like our old-growth Douglas fir or Garry oak meadows, there are no laws against the removal of soil that has taken thousands to years to build up or the destruction of minor fish spawning grounds.

There are few rules to prevent the fouling of our rivers, land and air and certainly no rules against bad taste. In the absence of rules we have nothing to stop the few that persist in ruining it for the rest.

Despite this, trustees continue to try and protect and preserve these islands for us and for future generations.

Their task is almost impossible because the mandate to preserve and protect goes against a century of thought that placed a higher priority on individual rights than responsibilities to our fellow occupants of this fragile earth. This was a luxury of an empty land with unlimited resources; we are now no longer empty and there are very limited fragments of this ecosystem left.

There must be some common body and visible local political leaders for adjudicating the conflicts and setting the examples.

At least within the existing institutional structure we have the mechanisms and processes to improve and some examples of fine leadership.

**BRIONY PENN,**  
Fulford Harbour  
P.S. Gardens play havoc on raccoons.

## Nature's way deranged

To the Editor,  
As one who has spent many years in the wilderness, Mr. John Lammers (Letters, September 1) knows what he is talking about concerning the implacable logic of Nature, and the respect that is due its laws, upon penalty of death.

Having also experienced the harsh and uncompromising rationale of Nature, I agree with him, and with all of us who think as he does . . . but only to a certain point!

Cougars maul deer, and eagles tear up mice: what could be more natural and normal than that, right? Plenty, as it turns out.

Few of us in our daily lives have had to work up sufficient reason to simply dare look Nature in the eye (it's hollow), and just refuse for a moment to abide by its unjust and brutally insane laws which, of course, purport to be the way things are, when in fact it is a way profoundly deranged an unhealthy!

But who says that ecologically omnipresent brutality should not, must not, and cannot be questioned?

## capital COMMENT

**HUBERT BEYER**



**NELSON** — There's a place in this province where the arts are flourishing far beyond what one might expect of a town its size. That place is Nelson.

Take a stroll through downtown Nelson and you'll find a store in just about every block exhibiting exquisite pottery, paintings, drawings and decorative iron work, most of it produced right there in the heart of the West Kootenays.

With a population of less than 10,000, Nelson is home to the Kootenay School of the Arts. And even more remarkable than the presence of that institution are the circumstances under which it was born and nursed to what is still not yet full maturity.

You see, twice provincial governments have tried their best to wipe out any trace of the arts in Nelson. In the interest of saving money, Victoria shut down a thriving institution. Let me take you on a journey into the past.

The year is 1958, the year in which the Nelson School of Fine Arts was formed. It offered art, music, ballet and drama. Later than year, the institution merged with the vocational school in Nelson under the name Kootenay School of Art, and for the next 17 years, the Kootenay School of Art earned an international reputation as an innovative art school.

In 1978, the art school was moved to the newly-created David Thompson University Centre, on the campus of the former Notre Dame University, which had been closed the year before. The cabinet that made the decision had an average collective education in the neighbourhood of grade 10.

If the closure of Notre Dame University was bad for Nelson, an even bigger blow was yet to come. In 1984, when restraint was the order of the day, the Bill Bennett government delivered the coup de grace: it closed David Thompson University Centre.

The arts community reeled. For several years, Nelson licked its wounds. People wondered if things would have been different had they elected a Sacred member to the provincial legislature.

And then, in 1990, the David Thompson University Centre Support Group, which had more or less languished for the past six years, formed a working committee for the purpose of opening a new Kootenay School of the Arts.

Community support exceeded all expectations and within eight months, the New Kootenay School of the Arts offered 10 courses and registered 12 students. This year, the student body grew to 296 students in 14 classes taught in two semesters by 18 professional artists.

The tuition this year was more than \$36,000. The arts school has a three-year lease on a downtown building which, with the help of volunteers, has been totally remodelled to suit the needs of a clay and sculpturing studio.

Since August last year, the arts school has raised more than \$17,000 from community sources, the Vancouver Foundation and the Imagine Fund. That money will be used to purchase additional equipment. The city of Nelson and the provincial government's cultural services branch also contributed.

Now, before you get the impression that the Kootenay School of the Arts turns out students whose basic skills won't ever put bread on their tables, listen to this: the school's mission statement is to help fill a void that is left by the decreasing production of primary products.

The Kootenay School of the Arts wants to be part of the solution that is needed to create more secondary manufacturing and value-added products.

"The area of design and craftsmanship is probably the most proven way to add value to primary products," the school said in a brief presentation earlier this year to the Kootenay Post-secondary Education and Training Review Panel.

That claim is backed up by statistics. Economic development studies done in 1990 in the Kootenay region showed that artists and craftspeople formed a workforce equivalent to 200 full-time jobs.

Mainstream arts education produces fine teachers but not working artists. By stressing studio methods of instruction, and by using working artist as instructors, the Kootenay School of the Arts provides students with practical support. The school says its program and teaching methods serve the same purpose as the classic European arts apprenticeships.

By any measure, Nelson has created something unique here, and mostly by way of volunteer work and an indomitable community spirit. Twice beaten down by a government more concerned with the bottom line than the spiritual welfare of its citizens, Nelson has risen again to fight another day.

And if someone asks you where in British Columbia the arts are alive and well, tell them in Nelson, a city blessed with natural and spiritual beauty.

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tems could soon replace the present ones by providing an absolutely new foundation for Earth's ecosystem, one in which the very principle of creature-infringement would not only be completely absent: it would also be unthinkable.  
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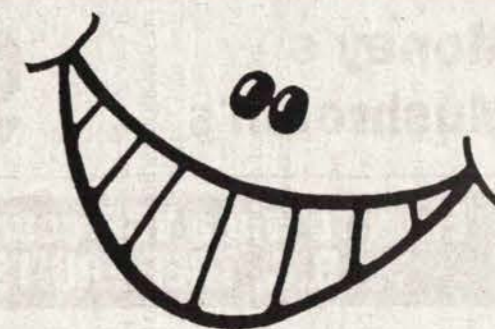
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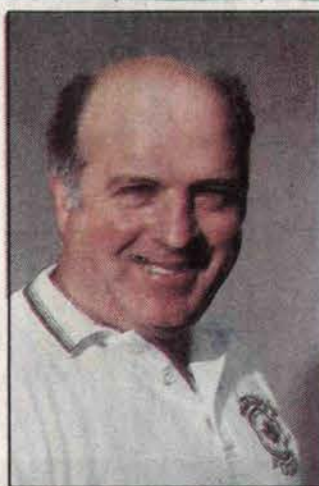
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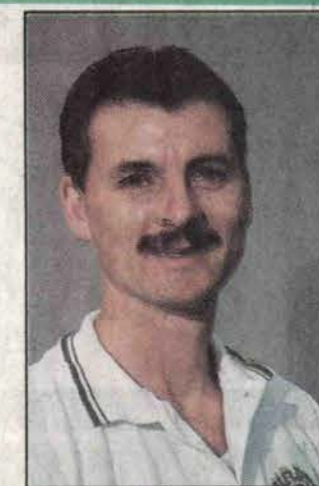
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Head Cashier



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Dressings** 375 ml. **1<sup>68</sup>**

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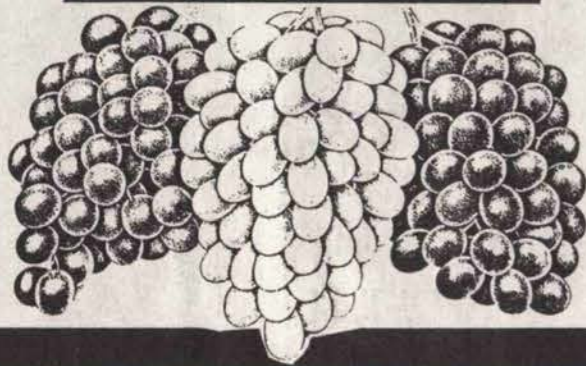
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Soup Mix 28 g.  
Cheddar Cheese  
Broccoli Soup  
Mix, 45 g. **98¢** ea.

B.C. GROWN  
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CALIFORNIA  
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**Winter  
Pansies**

**Fall Garden  
Asters** 4" pot **1<sup>58</sup>**

ONE GAL. POT  
**Azaleas** **6<sup>58</sup>**

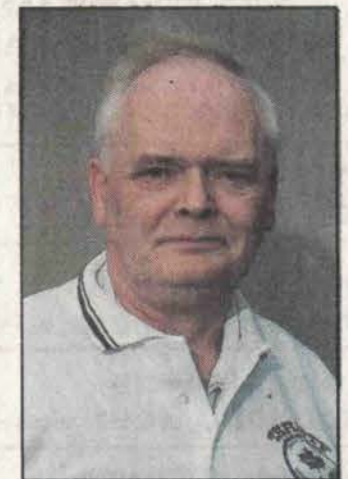
ONE GAL. POT **5<sup>48</sup>**

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**Boneless** **1<sup>88</sup>**

THRIFTY QUALITY  
**Lean** **1<sup>78</sup>**

# Winter Pansies

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Fall Garden  
Asters 4" pot **1<sup>58</sup>**

Dendrobium  
Orchid Bouquet **3<sup>98</sup>**

Party Pack  
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Asst'd 8"  
Hanging  
Tropical Plants **7<sup>58</sup>**

ONE GAL. POT  
Azaleas **6<sup>58</sup>**

ONE GAL. POT  
Juniper **5<sup>48</sup>**

6" POT  
Gloxinias **3<sup>98</sup>**

3" POT  
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Bouquet **2<sup>98</sup>**

CANADA GR. "A"

Boneless  
Baron of Beef **1<sup>88</sup>**  
Bottom Round 4.14 kg. lb.

CANADA GR. "A"  
Eye of Round  
Steak or Roast **2<sup>68</sup>**  
5.91 kg. lb.

FROZEN, BREADED  
Veal  
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Back bacon and cheese wrapped in veal 170 g.

THAWED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE  
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Pork Back Spareribs **2<sup>98</sup>**  
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350 g. pkg.

THRIFTY QUALITY

Lean  
Ground Beef **1<sup>78</sup>**  
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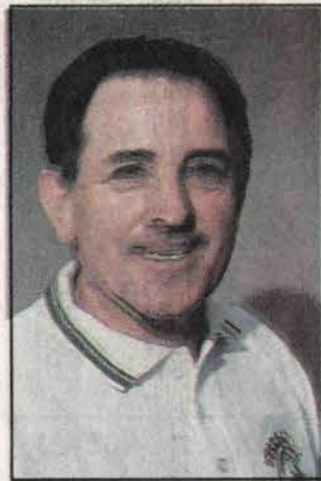
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Sausage **1<sup>48</sup>**  
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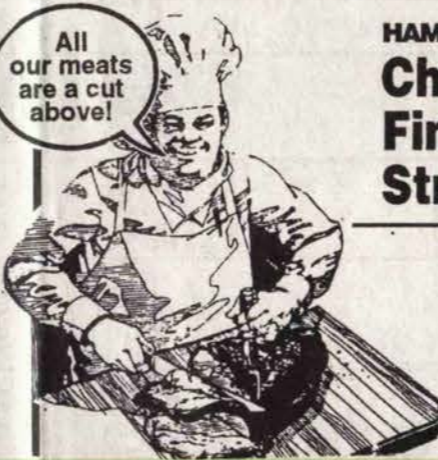
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Smoked Pork Hocks  
or Jowls **1<sup>18</sup>**  
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## Service Deli



Leah Lee  
Deli Manager

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Freybe  
Pepper Ham **1<sup>08</sup>**  
100 g.

HERB, PEPPER, COGNAC,  
COUNTRY  
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Gourmet Paté **78¢**  
100 g.

IMPORTED FROM SWITZERLAND  
RANDOM CUT  
Emmental  
or Gruyere **1<sup>68</sup>**  
100 g.

SLICED OR SHAVED  
OLYMPIC  
Montreal  
Smoked Beef **98¢**  
100 g.

RANDOM CUT, CANADIAN  
Medium  
White Cheddar **1<sup>08</sup>**  
100 g.

OLAFSON'S  
Poppy Seed  
Bagels **1<sup>98</sup>**  
pkg. of 6

CUDDY FARMS  
SLICED OR SHAVED  
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Turkey Breast

Madagascar, Savoy,  
New England or Britannia

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Weather conditions may affect fresh fish supplies.



B.C. COAST, BY THE PIECE  
Fresh Halibut **88¢**  
100 g.

B.C. COAST  
Fresh Halibut Steaks **1<sup>08</sup>**  
100 g.

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Fresh Halibut Fillets **1<sup>38</sup>**  
100 g.

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<b>Nabob Tradition Ground Coffee</b> Reg., Fine, X Fine, except decaff., 300 g. <b>1<sup>58</sup></b>	<b>Thrifty Flaked Light Tuna In Water</b> 184 g. <b>74¢</b>	<b>Sun Rype Blue Label Apple Juice</b> 1 L. <b>88¢</b>	<b>Purex Bathroom Tissue</b> 8 roll pkg. <b>2<sup>18</sup></b>
<b>Kellogg's Rice Krispies</b> 700 g. <b>3<sup>88</sup></b>	<b>Farkay Steam Fried or Chow Mein Noodles</b> 397 g. <b>1<sup>58</sup></b>	<b>E.D. Smith Jam</b> All var., 250 ml. <b>1<sup>58</sup></b>	<b>E.D. Smith No Sugar Added Fruit Spread</b> All var., 250 ml. <b>1<sup>58</sup></b>
<b>Kellogg's Muslix</b> 3 var., 450 g. <b>2<sup>88</sup></b>	<b>Golden Dragon Cooking Sauces</b> 9 var., 455 ml. <b>1<sup>98</sup></b>	<b>Realemon Lemon Juice</b> 710 ml. <b>1<sup>38</sup></b>	<b>Sunlight Dishwasher Detergent</b> 1.8 kg. <b>2<sup>98</sup></b>
<b>Quaker Minute or Quick Oats</b> 2-2.5 kg. <b>2<sup>58</sup></b>	<b>Duncan Hines Cake Mixes</b> All var., 500 g. <b>1<sup>28</sup></b>	<b>Danesborg Feta Cheese</b> 250 g. <b>3<sup>68</sup></b>	<b>Sunlight Liquid</b> Reg. or Clear, 750-950 ml. <b>1<sup>98</sup></b>
<b>Nabob Summit or Tradition Ground Decaff Coffee</b> All var., 300 g. <b>2<sup>18</sup></b>	<b>Crisco Oil</b> 1 L. <b>2<sup>38</sup></b>	<b>Italpasta Macaroni and Cheese Dinner</b> 200 g. <b>3/98¢</b>	<b>Scotties Facial Tissue</b> 150's <b>78¢</b>
<b>Nescafe Columbian, Rich Blend, or Decaff. Instant Coffee</b> 150-200 g. <b>3<sup>98</sup></b>	<b>McCormick's Cookies</b> 4 var., 400 g. <b>2<sup>38</sup></b>	<b>Sunkist Fruit Snacks</b> All var., 153 g. <b>1<sup>38</sup></b>	<b>Alcan Aluminum Foil</b> 18"x25' <b>1<sup>98</sup></b>
<b>Best Foods Mayonnaise</b> 1 L. <b>3<sup>68</sup></b>	<b>Island Farms Chocolate Milk</b> 2 L. <b>1<sup>98</sup></b>	<b>Catelli Pasta Sauce</b> 5 var., 700 ml. <b>1<sup>48</sup></b>	<b>Glad Garbage Bags</b> 10's. <b>1<sup>68</sup></b>
<b>Petrelli Olive Oil</b> 500 ml. <b>2<sup>28</sup></b>	<b>McVities Hob Nobs</b> 300 g. <b>2<sup>08</sup></b>	<b>Minute Rice</b> 700 g. <b>2<sup>18</sup></b>	<b>BOYS OR GIRLS Pampers Jumbo Diapers</b> 48, 54, 60, 64 <b>17<sup>48</sup></b>
<b>Mr. Noodle</b> All var., 85 g. <b>6/98¢</b>	<b>McVities Digestives</b> 500 g. <b>2<sup>18</sup></b>	<b>Post Sugar Crisp, Honeycomb, or Alpha Bits Cereal</b> 400-450 g. <b>2<sup>98</sup></b>	<b>MacLeans Toothpaste</b> 3 var., 75 ml. <b>78¢</b>
<b>Nalley's Canned Chili or Pasta</b> 6 var., 425 g. <b>98¢</b>	<b>Ritz Crackers</b> 5 var., 250 g. <b>1<sup>68</sup></b>	<b>Lumberjack Multi Grain Bread</b> 680 g. <b>1<sup>28</sup></b>	<b>Pricemark Light Bulbs</b> 40W, 60W, or 100W <b>68¢</b>
<b>Thrifty Mandarin Oranges</b> 284 ml. <b>88¢</b>	<b>Selected Dad's Cookies</b> 5 var., 700-800 g. <b>3<sup>38</sup></b>	<b>Wonder Homestyle White or 60% WW Bread</b> 570 g. <b>1<sup>08</sup></b>	<b>Hartz Household Flea &amp; Tick Spray</b> <b>5<sup>78</sup></b> ea.
<b>Thrifty Cut Baby Corn</b> 398 ml. <b>78¢</b>	<b>Premium Plus Soda Crackers</b> Plain or Salted, 900 g. <b>2<sup>68</sup></b>	<b>Country Good 8 Grain Bread</b> 680 g. <b>1<sup>58</sup></b>	<b>Scotties 9-Pack Facial Tissue</b> <b>5<sup>98</sup></b>

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# Changes in political scene make forecasting difficult

By FRANK RICHARDS  
Driftwood Staff

Down the straight they come, opening up into a full gallop as Kim leads out of the PMO with the Progressive Conservative colours a-flutter in the election breeze. She is followed by Jean, sporting the Liberal colours, trailing a few lengths behind. A few more lengths behind them pants Audrey, weighed down by adverse forecasts as to her chances. Reform's Manning shows good form but remains, as the race starts, an unknown to the majority of voters.

Unlikely to reach the west coast comes the Bloc Quebecois sporting the fleur-de-lys; a distant runner and another unknown factor in this race of 1993.

The election announcement came at a quiet time. Indeed, it was so quiet, you could hear a writ drop! It is not likely to remain quiet for long, as election machines and campaigns get into the running.

Which will be the winner? Some pundits have prophesied a minority Tory government. Most such are leery of making a firm forecast so early in the day. The polls will announce in good time who is going to win and how each of us plans to vote; even before we have made our minds up.

A glance back at the last election reveals all the little forgotten events of five years ago. It offers little on which to formulate a likely decision from the voters.

The Progressive Conservatives went back into power five years ago and ended up with 170 seats. In the 1984 election the PCs had 211 seats but the gloss was already tarnished.

The election gave Brian Mulroney a majority of 45 seats. Opposition was made up of 82 Liberals and 43 New Democrats.

It is notable that the NDP went into the 1988 election with 30 seats and came out with 43. Of that number, 19 were from British Columbia.

All Vancouver Island seats went NDP. This sweep was in part attributed to the advent of the Reform Party and its drawing support from Progressive Conservative voters. The Reformists elected no candidates, but were credited with swaying the overall vote.

The Reformists have pressed their case during the past five years and the party will be campaigning across the country.

A glance at the results of the last election reveals not only the surge of support in this province for the NDP, but the far swing away from traditional voting patterns in the east. The Liberal vote in Quebec was a reminder of the new trends and new thinking as that party shrunk from 17 Quebec seats to 12.

**The polls will announce who is going to win the election and how each of us plans to vote.**

There were, across Canada, 13 new ridings and most of the 282 former ridings had experienced changed boundaries.

Quebec support for the PCs saw an increase in the number of seats from 58 to 63.

The picture in Ontario, traditionally Conservative, as Quebec was Liberal, showed the PC members dropping from 67 to 47 while the Liberals ran a close second with 42 seats as against the 1984 election's 14 Liberal seats.

The Canadian scene has shifted. And not only has the traditional role of each province and each party been shattered, but the climate has changed. For decades Quebec was Liberal and Ontario was Conservative. Like clockwork. We have already seen a conservative federal representation from Quebec and a Liberal government, rather short-lived, in Ontario, as well as a swelling federal Liberal vote. We may have liked the old way better, but we weren't asked to approve the changes. They just happened.

The New Democrats were forging ahead for some years but their support is no longer the constant it was. Their successes at the 1988 polls were subsequently attributed to the influence of the Reformists in drawing votes away from the Tories rather than a sharp increase in their popularity.

Will the advent of a more wide-

ly organized Reform Party have a notable effect on the election results? And if it does, what will be the effect?

And the Bloc Quebecois? Will they take a swath through the Conservative seats which form the strongest provincial support for that party in the francophone province?

Again, in the west coast, will the Liberal success in the last provincial election have a reflection on voting patterns here?

Then, if the pundits have hit the forecasting nail on the head, and the New Democrats lose their Vancouver Island seats, which way will they go?

As the campaign progresses and the candidates come into the finishing straight will there be a clearer picture? Or will we, as usual, have to rely on the pollsters to tell us what we are going to do in order to prove them right?

And for us in the islands, will Lynn Hunter be among the New Democrats to lose the seat she took from Patrick Crofton by so close a margin five years ago? Has the picture changed?

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## District gets ready for fall elections

Gulf Islands school trustees slid under the wire Monday, passing a bylaw to conform with the new provincial election act two days before the September 15 deadline.

The board had originally been advised by the ministry of education that the bylaw could be passed September 15, so it was placed on the agenda for today's (Wednesday's) meeting.

However, ministry staff later warned the district the bylaw had to be passed before the 15th, leading to a special board meeting Monday to deal with the issue.

Secretary-treasurer Ken Starling said there have been several major changes to the Election Act. They include lowering the voting age from 19 to 18 and requiring an advance poll 10 days before the election. The new act also limits the number of votes which can be cast by non-resident property owners to one vote per property.

Campaign contributions over

\$100 and total campaign costs must be revealed and candidates are permitted in polling stations on election day only to vote. Both X's and ticks will be accepted on ballots.

Starling noted the new act also increases the penalties for election offences. For example, anyone voting twice could face a \$5,000 fine and up to one year in jail.

Those committing more serious offences could face a \$10,000 fine and up to two years in jail, he added.

To be elected on November 20 are five trustees from Salt Spring Island and one trustee each from Galiano, Mayne, North and South Pender and Saturna islands.

Nominations open October 5 and close October 15. Advance polls will be held November 10 and 17.

Islands Trust representatives will also be elected on each island, along with the two islands' directors on the Capital Regional Board.



# Election Day is on its way!

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## Will the new Elections Act affect how you exercise your right to vote?

Yes, to some extent, because the new measures will provide eligible voters with more ways to exercise their right to vote. For example, it is now possible to vote by "Special Ballot" and revision of the voters list has been extended to give more voters the opportunity to be registered.

## The Special Ballot: a new way to have your say

By allowing you to vote in advance either by mail or in person, the Special Ballot addresses voter concerns related to conflicting schedules, distance or mobility.

- If you expect that you will be unable to vote on Election Day, October 25 or at the Advance Polls, October 16, 18 and 19, you can vote by Special Ballot as of now. For more information, contact the Elections Canada office in your riding.

- Voters away from their riding can pick up the registration form entitled "Voting by Canadians away from their ridings", available at all Canada Post Corporation outlets **MAIL POSTE**.

- As for voters who are temporarily outside Canada, and Canadians who have been residing abroad for less than five years, you can play a part in helping them to exercise their right to vote. Just tell them to pick up the above registration form at any Canadian diplomatic mission abroad. Or if possible, send them one by fax. The forms can be found at all Canada Post Corporation outlets.

## An election with a difference: no enumeration\*

The voters list, compiled by Elections Canada during the enumeration for the October 1992 referendum, will be used again for this federal election. In order to update this list, the majority of Canadians will receive, within the coming weeks, a **Federal Voters List Revision Card**, as illustrated. This card confirms that your name is on the list and tells you where and when you can vote. A leaflet from Elections Canada will arrive shortly afterwards explaining what to do in order to correct any errors or omissions on this card.



\* Except in Quebec, as the one held there last October was conducted under provincial legislation.

## A reminder to all eligible voters

To exercise your right to vote, you must be a Canadian citizen, at least 18 years of age on Election Day and your name must appear on the voters list.

## Some important dates to remember

End of revision of the voters list: October 20 • Advance Polls: October 16, 18 and 19 • Election Day: October 25

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# Committee mooted to preserve island heritage

Though settlements on the Gulf Islands are little more than 130 years old, there are still some buildings to be found that go back at least to the turn of the century. But these are few and far between and are under increasing threat of disappearing altogether, so a local resident thinks something should be done.

Architect Jonathan Yardley says many other communities in the province have formed local heritage societies and committees to advise local government about preserving and protecting heritage buildings. He thinks there should be a heritage advisory committee on Salt Spring.

Yardley went to a conference of B.C. heritage societies in Quesnel in June to find out more about heritage societies and how they work.

"A lot of municipalities can get advisory committees to assist on how to look after their heritage resources," Yardley said. "It's not just getting a list of old buildings."

There are several books available showing buildings on Salt Spring that are still standing. One book, *Island Heritage Buildings* by Thomas Ovanin, shows a selection of old buildings throughout the Gulf Islands, including 49 on Salt Spring.

Yardley said the book is "the tip of the iceberg of what resources there are."

"In most communities their resources quite often are downtown: community halls, stores, churches. We still have that to a certain extent but it's disappearing rapidly."

"There are two things that make a building historic: is the building of architectural significance? Is it unique? Is it a style that is important?"

"Are there historical associations with that building? Who lived there? What happened there? How is the community involved with it?"

Yardley points to Beaver Point Hall as a prime candidate for heritage status.

"It was built by the community and is still in use by the community. There have been additions and renovations."

"It's a living history, that particular building. Architecturally it's a pretty standard community hall."

Heritage buildings are as much to do with architecture as with the buildings' relevance and meaning to the community.

"We're rapidly losing these little elements . . . in the community that give it some character."

The conference Yardley attended provided the opportunity to see how other communities were

looking at heritage buildings. Most started with a heritage planning program, which included as its main components a heritage strategy and a heritage management plan.

The heritage strategy is a means to better understand the issues facing heritage conservation and to create a clearly understood vision and set of goals, a provincial heritage conservation branch pamphlet says. The branch, part of the ministry of tourism, has provided some guidelines to local communities and regions about heritage conservation.

The heritage management plan is a detailed plan which specifies how identified heritage goals will be achieved.

"A rural community is different from an urban community," Yardley said of the ideas of a heritage strategy and management plan for Salt Spring Island.

"The number of sites is very small, remote and scattered

throughout the island. In doing a management plan you're not looking at individual buildings necessarily. You're looking at how those buildings fit into the overall community."

"There are misconceptions about management plans," he explained. "People say how the plan will affect the buildings themselves."

"It should be seen as a positive thing. There are incentives to preserve heritage buildings. There are grants to assist in renovation of private, commercial and community buildings, such as structural stabilization grants to do foundation work and re-roofing."

"If the Luigi's building were a designated (heritage) building it opens up a whole avenue of grants (for renovation)."

"The B.C. building code (table of alternative compliance methods) relaxes requirements for heritage buildings which could save thousands in making a

heritage building usable and commercially viable.

"There is an advantage to designation," he said.

"The down side is not being able to demolish a structure or substantially alter it or allow inappropriate alterations."

Since September 1991 Yardley has been trying to get the Islands Trust to initiate some kind of heritage advisory planning committee. While there is up to \$7,500

available to fund a heritage strategy and up to \$30,000 for a heritage management plan, local government has to match provincial funds.

So far there has been no commitment from the Trust for this. But Yardley is hopeful that in time — before more buildings are torn down or fall down — some kind of heritage designation and heritage advisory committee will come to Salt Spring Island.

## Meeting hears ideas

At the annual conference of B.C. heritage societies in June, representatives from around the province shared ideas about preserving and protecting heritage buildings in their communities. Following is a sample of their activities and ideas.

- Cumberland has 115 designated heritage homes and has developed walking tours of the town and organized a heritage homeowner committee.

- Kamloops has found ways of preserving old buildings by finding the right owner. The old courthouse has been preserved as a youth hostel. A coffee table book featuring heritage homes is planned.

- In Ladysmith 27 businesses took advantage of restoration grants in a main street renovation program, and 27 new businesses came into the city as a result.

- In Kelowna a historic building — the Laurel packing house — was saved from demolition and the \$50,000 budgeted for demolition was put into restoration.

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# Tories name candidate at Saturday meet

Saanich school trustee Marilyn Loveless, 49, was chosen as the Progressive Conservative candidate for Saanich-Gulf Islands Saturday at a hotly contested nomination meeting in Sidney.

Placard-waving supporters for all three nominees — Loveless, lawyer Ian Jessiman and Dr. Paul Yewchuk — gave the meeting the air of a mini-election. They were decked out with buttons, balloons, ribbons, T-shirts and baseball caps to support their candidate.

Loveless stressed her record of community service as a school

## Marilyn Loveless will challenge Lynn Hunter

trustee for 12 years and a basketball coach for 25 years plus her third-generation roots on the Saanich Peninsula. She works as an activity coordinator for seniors.

She told the crowd a new type of government was needed in Ottawa. "I'm running because I want to be part of the Kim Campbell vision of government."

Ian Jessiman cited his expertise in business and law, his contacts and his years of experience as a

Conservative supporter. The economy was the major issue in the election, he said. "Government must get out of the pockets of small business."

Former Alberta MP Paul Yewchuk touted his previous experience in government and said the most important role of an MP is to speak for his or her constituents.

More than 57 per cent of the constituency association's membership crowded into Sanscha Hall

for the meeting. An estimated 600 people attended, of whom 362 were registered to vote. Loveless scored a clear victory on the first ballot, receiving 196 votes to Jessiman's 88 and Yewchuk's 71.

Loveless promised to work hard to win back the riding for the Conservatives, who were ousted in 1988 by the New Democrats' Lynn Hunter.

"Hard work is what is going to win this campaign," she said. Im-

portant issues include the economy and jobs, she added.

Conservatives must also bring Reform Party members back into the fold, she said, noting that the Reformers have pointed out changes which need to be made.

"I think we have to keep demonstrating that we mean business when we say there is going to be change. A protest vote is not going to be of any value to this country."

Loveless lives in Saanich with her husband and three teenage sons.

## Election signs bring out painters

The signs went up and the spray cans came out — that was the experience of Reform Party candidate Jack Frazer of Salt Spring who found two of his election signs vandalized Saturday morning.

The signs had been erected Friday for the October 25 federal election.

"I suppose it is because we were the first signs up," Frazer said Monday.

However, he said there are no plans to paint over or replace the signs. "It's still readable. Maybe it will show people the mentality of some people who are around."

One other sign, on Vesuvius Bay Road, was knocked down but has been re-erected by volunteers, Frazer said.

Frazer added that many Salt Spring residents may object to the signs for aesthetic reasons.

"However, Canada is at a crucial cross-roads and our selection of representatives in this election will determine whether we proceed towards recovery," he noted.

"Even if these signs provoke only a few voters to examine the issues more carefully and consider the solutions offered by the various parties, they will have provided for a more informed electorate."

## Small boat forces ferry to reverse

A small boat which played "chicken" with the *Bowen Queen* September 3 has prompted a reminder from B.C. Ferries that its vessels have the right-of-way.

A small open boat, powered by an outboard motor and carrying at least four passengers, cut across the bow of the 5:15 p.m. sailing from Fulford Harbour. The incident occurred as the ferry was approaching Swartz Bay.

Despite a warning blast from the ferry's whistle, the boat failed to change course, forcing the ferry to reverse engines to avoid the craft.

B.C. Ferries spokesman Ed McKenzie said such incidents occur from time to time, especially over the summer and in crowded waterways like Active Pass.

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# No coincidence, says judge; man guilty of 'stalking'

Claims of coincidence and references to the small size of Salt Spring didn't keep Scott Rasmussen from being convicted last week of "stalking" his former common-law wife.

Rasmussen, 33, was found guilty in Ganges provincial court September 7 of intimidating Sharon Renton. However, Judge Wayne Smith rejected crown counsel Martha McNeely's request for a jail sentence and instead fined Rasmussen \$500 and placed him on probation until December 1994.

Renton told the court that she had lived with Rasmussen from the fall of 1991 until the fall of 1992, at which time she ended their relationship.

On December 20, 1992 a court order was issued directing Rasmussen to stay away from Renton and her 11-year-old son. However, Renton felt Rasmussen was intimidating her and, on police advice, began keeping detailed notes of incidents.

The first incident she related to the court occurred last December 30 at a Ganges restaurant, where Renton was having coffee with her son. Rasmussen walked in shortly after she arrived but left after she went to the washroom.

Later that day she met a friend in Vesuvius for lunch and, shortly after she arrived at the restaurant, Rasmussen came in and sat at the next table.

Rasmussen also showed up at the same restaurants as Renton on

January 7, on January 25, twice on January 28 and on January 31.

She also said Rasmussen called her on January 16 and asked her to meet him at a local pub, followed her January 27 when she was driving to the laundromat and placed an ad in the *Driftwood* in January to try to contact her.

Under cross-examination she said she had not noticed Rasmussen following her except for the

*She had established patterns of being in certain places and the accused was frequenting those places, counsel said.*

incident on January 27.

Defence lawyer Tybring Hemphill pointed out that Renton was trying to avoid Rasmussen yet, according to her own notes, encountered him several times in Ganges.

On several occasions, again according to Renton's testimony, Rasmussen left a restaurant almost immediately after seeing Renton there, Hemphill said.

"Salt Spring is rather a small island and it would be difficult for Mr. Rasmussen not to run into you," Hemphill added, suggesting

there are relatively few coffee shops and pubs on the island. Renton had testified that Rasmussen liked to drink, Hemphill noted.

"Given the size of Salt Spring Island and the limited number of places Mr. Rasmussen could go on Salt Spring, it is not surprising that they should run into one another," Hemphill concluded.

McNeely disagreed. "Notwithstanding it is a small area, she had established patterns of being in certain places and he was frequenting those places," she said.

In finding Rasmussen guilty, Judge Smith cited the previous relationship between Renton and Rasmussen, the phone call to Renton, the number of contacts and the times when Rasmussen chose to sit near Renton in local restaurants.

"It is way beyond coincidence in my opinion," Smith said.

McNeely asked for a jail sentence, but Hemphill argued against it, saying Rasmussen had just found a job after being on social assistance for some time and jail would jeopardize his employment.

Rasmussen is involved in a new relationship and has no further interest in Renton, Hemphill added.

Smith said he would have imposed a jail sentence if Rasmussen had made physical contact or more directly followed Renton.

However, in addition to the fine and the probation order, he also directed Rasmussen to stay away from the restaurant and pub most often frequented by Renton.

# Field damage earns fine

Damaging the newly-seeded lawn at Portlock Park in mid-April cost an 18-year-old Salt Spring man \$1,000 after he pleaded guilty to mischief in Sidney provincial court August 26.

Cyrus Vandort pleaded guilty to the charge, laid

after a vehicle was driven through a gate and on to the park, tearing up the ground.

Judge Brian MacKenzie suspended sentence, placed Vandort on probation for 12 months and ordered him to pay \$1,000 restitution.

# Slow down, judge tells driver after car collides with building

A young man who crashed his Mustang into the foundation of the new Thrifty Foods building in Ganges was fined \$150 in provincial court September 7.

"All you have to do is slow down," Judge Wayne Smith advised Brendan Bossenberry, who pleaded guilty to driving without reasonable care and attention.

Crown counsel Martha Mc-

Neely said Bossenberry lost control of his car at the corner of Lower Ganges and Purvis roads.

The vehicle slammed through a fence and struck the store foundation, doing an estimated \$800 damage.

Bossenberry said the damage to the store was covered by his insurance. However, his own car suffered \$2,000 damage, he said.

In other provincial court news, a youth who pleaded guilty to theft under \$1,000 was fined \$100.

Crown counsel McNeely said the young offender had stolen a set of coins valued at \$100 plus a small lamp valued at \$40 while attending a party April 2 in a Salt Spring home.

The youth later admitted the theft to police.



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# down through the years

## Five years ago

September 14, 1988

The rules which would govern incorporated areas within the Islands Trust's jurisdiction were dividing Trust representatives. Two sets of proposals were put before the Trust: one which would allow the Trust to retain significant influence over the incorporated area and a second which would allow more local autonomy. The proposals were drafted in response to the possible incorporation of Ganges.

Local residents were lacing up their running shoes to join in the annual Terry Fox Run, which started at Gulf Islands Secondary School. Organizers hoped to raise \$10,000 for cancer research through the event.

The issue of logging on the Gulf Islands was being examined by a task force composed of representatives from the Assessment Authority and several provincial ministries. Meanwhile, the Islands Trust received a committee report suggesting the method of logging used, not the size of the acreage cut, was the most important factor when developing rules to control logging. Controlled site-specific logging avoided scarred hillsides, danger from slash fires and erosion, committee members noted. The committee also recommended private landowners be given the right to clear-cut up to 30 acres per year and to selectively log a larger area.

## Ten years ago

September 14, 1983

Enrolment in Gulf Islands schools was up 2.4 per cent as 1,123 students returned to school. The greatest increase was at Fernwood, where enrolment climbed by 12 per cent. The board was finalizing plans for Fulford school, to be built at a cost of \$1.36 million on Southridge Road. The new school was to ease overcrowding at Salt Spring Elementary in Ganges where 451 students were enrolled. According to the ministry of education, the school was

designed for a maximum of 265 students.

A Vancouver company, Western Pacific Marine Ltd., was the successful bidder to operate a temporary passenger-only service between Vesuvius and Crofton. The temporary service was instituted after the *Vesuvius Queen* rammed the wharf August 8, causing an estimated \$500,000 damage. Western Pacific agreed to make six round trips per day, seven days per week, at a cost of \$1.85 for adult non-residents and \$1.35 for residents. B.C. Ferries was subsidizing the service by \$510 per day.

## Fifteen years ago

September 13, 1978

Municipal Affairs Minister Hugh Curtis brought a gift to the annual fall fair: a promise of \$25,000 in lottery funds to help the Salt Spring Farmers' Institute move the fair to their own property. The institute was discussing the acquisition of land for a fair site but no decision had been made. The renovations to Central Hall also received a lottery fund boost, \$5,000 presented by Curtis during the fall fair weekend. The renovated hall officially opened its doors to the public the following weekend.

A record number of entries drew a record number of visitors to the annual Salt Spring Island Fall Fair. Held on the school grounds, the event included livestock judging, produce and an exhibit of old farm machinery.

## Twenty years ago

September 13, 1973

A \$105,400 extension of the Ganges fire hall was authorized by the trustees of the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District. The job was awarded to L.S. Brown Construction of Salt Spring.

Debentures were to finance the project, so no mill rate increase was expected. The project would add equipment bays, storage and work space as well as a hose tower. Also planned was the addition of a second pumper truck to protect the growing number of homes on the island.

A new teacher at Saturna School showed up for the first day of work and then vanished, abandoning both job and teacherage. The teacher, named Swift, left without advising either the school principal or the school board.

## Twenty-five years ago

September 12, 1968

National New Democratic Party leader Tommy Douglas was chosen by the New Democrats to contest a local federal by-election. Douglas had lost his seat in a general federal election the previous June. Mladen Zorkin was chosen as the Liberal candidate. The by-election in the Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands riding was called following the death of the incumbent, Colin Cameron.

The Vesuvius ferry was back on schedule, leaving Vesuvius every hour on the hour (except midday) for the trip to Crofton. The ferry left Crofton every hour on the half-hour. An extra late sailing was scheduled for Fridays.

## Thirty years ago

September 12, 1963

Four candidates were

nominated in the Nanaimo and the Islands riding to run in the September 30 provincial election. Chosen as the Social Credit candidate was Earle C. Westwood. The Liberal candidate was Robert C. Weir, a

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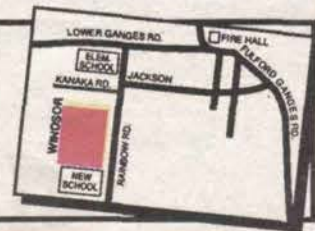


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