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Street dance moved

Same fun, same goal, same community spirit — only the location has changed for the fifth annual Moby's Street Dance this Saturday.

The dance is being moved from outside Moby's to the Core Inn in Ganges.

McPhillips Avenue, from the Helios clinic to Jackson Avenue, will be closed to traffic between 4 p.m. and midnight to permit the dance to take place.

Last-minute efforts by dance volunteers and Ganges RCMP gained approval from the Ministry of Highways on Tuesday afternoon for the road closure.

Moby's is still picking up the tab but co-owner/manager Barry Edwards said the event had to be moved because of an unresolved complaint before the provincial liquor control board.

The complaint was laid by a former employee of Salt Spring Marina, who told pub staff he was 19 in order to buy off-site sales. Edwards said staff recognized the minor as a quasi-fellow employee and did not realize he was under age.

When the youth was later fired by Salt Spring Marina, he retaliated by laying a complaint before the liquor control board.

"It's the first time anything's happened to us. We have a squeaky clean record," Edwards said. But the liquor inspector has warned that another incident could lead to suspension of the pub's liquor license.

"We decided it would be too risky to invite 500 to 600 people, including young people, around Moby's for a party," Edwards said.

The dance starts at 7 p.m. and will feature Vancouver band People Playing Music. Island band Jet Set will open. There will be food available and fun for all ages, Selfridge said.

Tickets are \$10 at the door. Last year's dance raised \$5,000 for the Core Inn.



Generation gap

One of the oldest at Salt Spring's Old-Timer's Reunion meets the youngest as 92-year-old Irene Palmer gets a good look from six-month-old Michael Byron Colman. Michael's

mother, Deanie Colman (nee Byron) looks on. Island old-timers and their families gathered at the Islands Farmer's Institute Sunday to celebrate life on Salt Spring prior to 1949.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Islands Trust releases proposed DPAs today

Maps and details on development permit areas (DPAs) proposed for Salt Spring's community plan will be released today.

Trust senior planner Linda Adams stated in a news release last week that copies of the draft DPAs can be picked up at the Ganges Trust office in Grace Point Square or by phoning 537-9144 to request a copy by mail.

The DPAs are designed to protect sensitive tidal shoreline; lakes,

streams and wetlands; capture zones for community wells; areas with a high hazard for slope instability or soil erosion. Exact boundaries of each DPA are defined on a map.

Adams said normal farming activities will be exempt from the permit process, except within 10 feet of water bodies and on slopes with a high instability hazard.

Once DPAs are in place, she explained, building construction, subdivision and land alteration

that could result in significant impacts on land or water will require a permit with "conditions to ensure development is carried out in a way that protects the sensitive area. Permits cannot prevent a property from being used in the way that local zoning allows."

Public meetings on DPAs will be scheduled for the fall.

Once the DPAs are finalized after meetings, they will be combined with the rest of the draft

official community plan (OCP) and the local Trust committee will consider giving the entire document first reading. Following first reading, a public hearing will be held.

Trustees Bev Byron and David Borrowman instructed Adams to develop draft DPAs for the OCP after public input on Draft 2 indicated concern about a lack of environmental protection in the draft.

Letters demand court remains

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Letters opposing the Ganges courthouse closure are pouring in from island residents in a week-old community campaign to pressure the provincial government to keep the facility open.

As of Monday morning, five days into the campaign, more than 350 letters had been received.

Ganges RCMP Sgt. Cliff Doherty, one of the volunteers working on the campaign, said the group is extremely pleased with the community response. But, he stressed, many more letters will be needed to put enough pressure on the government to keep the courthouse open.

"Only through public pressure will the government take a second look at this," Doherty said. The government plans to close the courthouse as a cost-cutting measure. Court cases are already being referred to Duncan and, unless the government decision is reversed, the last provincial court on Salt Spring will be next Wednesday.

Doherty wants all letters opposing the courthouse closure collected by next Monday morning, when they will be presented to Saanich North and the Islands MLA Murray Coell for delivery to the provincial government.

Letters can be picked up and dropped off at Ganges Village Market, Thrifty Foods, Mouat's office, lawyer Jim Pasuta's office, the RCMP detachment, the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce, the Driftwood, McColl's Shell, Bouzouki Greek Cafe and Patterson's Store in Fulford.

A copy of the letter is also in this week's Driftwood and may be cut out, signed and dropped off or faxed to 537-2613.

While discussions with the provincial government on the issue will continue, Doherty suspects political pressure will have a greater impact. "Any success in our effort to save our courthouse is going to come from the citizens of Salt Spring," he said.

Financial backing for the campaign has been offered by Norman Elliott, who divides his

COURTHOUSE 2

THIS WEEK

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Kerry Roth



Steve Coopman



Carole Matthews

Newspaper content augmented

The first of several new columnists debuts in this week's Driftwood as part of improvements to the newspaper's editorial content.

The first of a number of changes was instituted three weeks ago when the advertising-to-editorial ratio was reduced, effectively adding four more pages for news content. Music columnist Kerry Roth also joined the paper at that time.

Since then, more time has been added to the schedules of part-time reporters Susan Lundy and Gail Sjuberg. The two, who already share editing duties, will have more time for news and feature writing. They also intend to share responsibility for a new

column on family issues.

Other new columns will range from one on environmental concerns to another on New Age topics.

Psychic medium and New Age consultant Carole Matthews begins writing The Messenger Files this week, a column that will field questions on New Age issues from readers.

Modelled on a successful program Matthews hosts on a Victoria radio station, the column will appear every two weeks.

A Salt Spring resident, Matthews attributes a near-fatal car accident 18 years ago as a turning point that contributed to a greater spiritual awareness.

That led her to explore psychic gifts and develop skills with tarot cards, psychometry and photometry. Today she provides counselling to individual clients as well as seminars on dreams, guardian angels and crystals.

Beginning in September, Salt Spring Islander Briony Penn will contribute a regular column on environmental issues. A columnist with Monday Magazine in Victoria for the past six years, Penn will write a similar column for the Driftwood every two weeks.

Also next month, Steve Coopman of Salt Spring will begin writing a monthly column on wine.

COURTHOUSE: Delays common

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time between his home on Salt Spring and a business in Vancouver. He is familiar enough with the justice system to understand how easy it is for cases to fall through the cracks.

Elliott says the community must take responsibility to protect itself by ensuring police are supported by an effective justice system based on the island. "People have to start thinking on Salt Spring Island that if they want to protect their peace and tranquillity, there has to be some teeth in the law," Elliott said.

Sitting on Doherty's desk this week along with the save-the-courthouse letters was a file detailing how long it can take to bring a case to conclusion even with a local courthouse.

An alleged assault with a baseball bat occurred March 17, 1996 at a party on Salt Spring. Police submitted a report to Crown counsel April 30, recommending an assault charge against a 17-year-old youth. The charge was sworn on May 28, 1996, and the youth pleaded not guilty. Since then:

- January 3, 1997. First trial date, the youth did not attend. A warrant for his arrest was issued January 8.
- February 10. Youth arrested by police, released by a justice of the peace to appear in court March 11 and set a trial date.
- March 11. Youth did not show up and a warrant was issued May 2 for his arrest.
- May 28. Youth arrested and released to appear in court June 10 to set a trial date.
- June 10. Accused did not

attend court so a third arrest warrant was issued June 12.

• July 4. Accused arrested by police and held in custody overnight so he could be taken before a judge in Sidney and a charge of "failing to appear" laid. Crown counsel declined to lay that charge. Accused released to appear in Sidney court August 8 for a trial.

Doherty notes the two officers who originally investigated the assault have now been

transferred to other detachments and his budget does not have the \$1,200 to bring them back. Civilian witnesses are down to one from the original three.

He also doesn't know if the trial will proceed Friday.

Such delays are common and will become more common if Salt Spring court cases are shifted to Duncan. "This exemplifies what happens on a frequent basis."

NEW WRITERS: Among the new columnists who will be writing regular articles for the Driftwood are Kerry Roth, undertaking music reviews, wine columnist Steve Coopman and New Age writer Carole Matthews.

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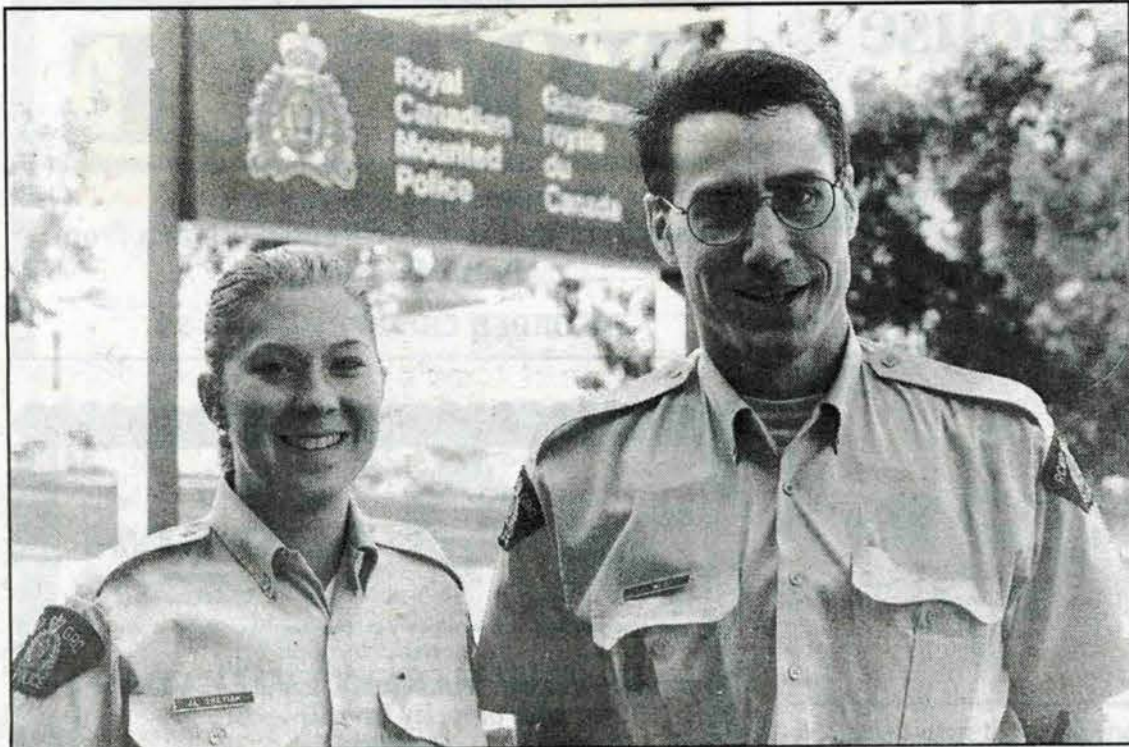
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ON PATROL: Salt Spring's newest RCMP members Jamie Tretiak and Jeff West are busy familiarizing themselves with the island and working on detachment duties. Photo by Derrick Lundy

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New RCMP officers join Salt Spring force

Two new police officers are enforcing the law on Salt Spring this summer.

Jeff West, who arrived here from Surrey earlier this season, was joined by fellow newcomer Jamie Tretiak last week.

Salt Spring is Tretiak's first posting after completing her RCMP training in Regina.

Originally from Saskatoon, Tretiak is excited to be on Salt Spring and has spent the past week meeting people and getting to know the island.

West moved here with his young family from a seven-year posting in Surrey where he worked full-time on a police bike patrol.

"He has lots of experience in how to detect and deal with crimes using a bike patrol," noted Ganges RCMP Sergeant Cliff Doherty, adding that he will be using this

experience on Salt Spring.

The addition of two police officers brings the total number of local members to eight — two more than the norm for Salt Spring.

This has occurred because RCMP Const. Joe Penney has been transferred to Nanaimo but has not yet moved. Penney's replacement, Const. Shane Savinkoff, arrived on Salt Spring from the RCMP academy in Regina last March.

Like West, Savinkoff has been busy patrolling the island by bike.

Also new in the past year is Const. Paul Seymour, a firearm specialist, who is originally from Newfoundland.

Doherty said Tretiak is here prior to an official increase in the number of allotted officers for Salt Spring — a situation he hopes will be legitimized soon.

Unconscious woman saved by local police

Ganges RCMP saved the life of an island woman who attempted to kill herself Monday afternoon.

Police responded to the call at 4:10 p.m. The woman had taken numerous pills and was in her car with a hose attached to the exhaust system.

Sgt. Cliff Doherty and Const. Shane Savinkoff located the vehicle approximately 700 metres off Atkins Road down a dirt road under the Hydro lines.

The woman, who was found inside the vehicle unconscious and having respiratory difficulties, was transported to Lady Minto Hospital via ambulance.

In other police news:

RCMP REPORT

• A motorcyclist travelling east on North End Road at about 4:25 p.m. Sunday rounded a corner by Lakeside Gardens to find a group of children standing on the roadway.

In his attempt to avoid the youngsters, the rider lost control of the motorcycle. He slid off the road over a dirt embankment, narrowly missing an eight-year-old boy standing on the roadside.

The rider sustained minor injuries and the children were badly frightened.

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Crowded SPCA cages house host of unwanted cats, kittens

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff
First in a series

There are no easy solutions to most community problems. But the chronic overpopulation and consequent suffering of cats on Salt Spring could vanish from the list if people spayed and neutered their cats and didn't "dump" unwanted cats and kittens.

Islanders might not know there is a problem unless they are bothered by wild cats in their neighbourhood or visit the "cat shed" operated by the Salt Spring branch of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA).

Last week there were 19 kittens and six adult cats in the shed: five of the adults in individual cages, plus six kittens with diarrhea problems confined together in another. Thirteen kittens had an overall larger space to eat, sleep and wrestle in, but it's still no life for an animal. One mother cat, who had five kittens of her own, ended up nursing a total of nine until she got fed up with the lot of them.

According to SPCA president Cathie Newman, there have been more than the usual number of animals needing homes this spring and summer. The Victoria SPCA often takes some of the Salt Spring overflow, but could not do it this year.

Newman says some people rationalize not spaying their female cat because they want to show their children "the miracle of birth." She feels those parents should also be prepared to show them "the miracle of death" — which is what so many of those kittens experience.

As a poster bearing a basket of kittens at the cat shed explains, "Choose one and kiss the others goodbye." From a typical basket of kittens, one will go to a good home. The fate of the rest of them will range from being dumped in the wild — where the population multiplies unchecked, fighting amongst males and diseases are rampant — to a stint in the cat shed before being euthanized.

Being involved with the SPCA can be "emotionally



BLUR OF FUR: Kittens of all colours, sizes and stripes scramble for food at the SPCA's cat shed. The local branch has more than its usual number of summertime felines needing good homes.

Photo by Gail Sjuberg

exhausting," says Newman. The hardest part is deciding which kittens or cats will be killed. If there's any sign of illness, they're the first ones to go. If they have four black kittens, two will be kept and two will be euthanized. The "cutest" ones, those most able to twirl people's heartstrings, are kept.

The positive events — like finding good homes for the cats — keep everyone going.

The Salt Spring SPCA adopted out 83 cats or kittens last year, while 35 were euthanized, and 15 of that number because of a ringworm outbreak. Twenty kittens went to Victoria, and one old cat died in the shelter. Only nine were claimed by their owners, for a total of 148.

The SPCA's budget is about \$50,000, which includes pay for full-time inspector Vivian Murrill and a weekend back-up. Last year, all except a \$1,000 Capital Regional District grant came from memberships, donations and fundraising events. There are 213 paid-up members in the Salt Spring chapter.

SPCA funds are also consumed by their spay and neuter subsidization program, which benefits people on social assistance or a limited income.

"We don't turn anybody down, but (the money) does go

fast," says Newman.

"The vet subsidizes us a great deal," she adds. "Derrick (Milton) is just wonderful."

For those who end up having kittens, Ruckle Park is a frequent dumping-off spot, and it leads to a horrible fate.

"They drop them off when they're only four or five weeks old and they can't survive."

One recent lot was anonymously left on the doorstep of the Gulf Islands Veterinary Clinic.

Other people don't seem to care if they are known to have abandoned their kittens: Newman relates how a middle school teacher took home one kitten from a box at the Saturday market. A few days later, the rest of them were left at the school.

The answer to the problem of too many kittens is straightforward. Newman cannot stress enough how important it is for people to spay or neuter their cats. Even if a family manages to find homes for all five kittens in an average litter, that's five fewer places available for the SPCA's kittens.

Homes are desperately needed now for a number of kittens and cats. Check out the SPCA's "cat of the week" feature at the Saturday market, or call inspector Murrill at 537-2123, to arrange for a meeting with the cat shed residents.

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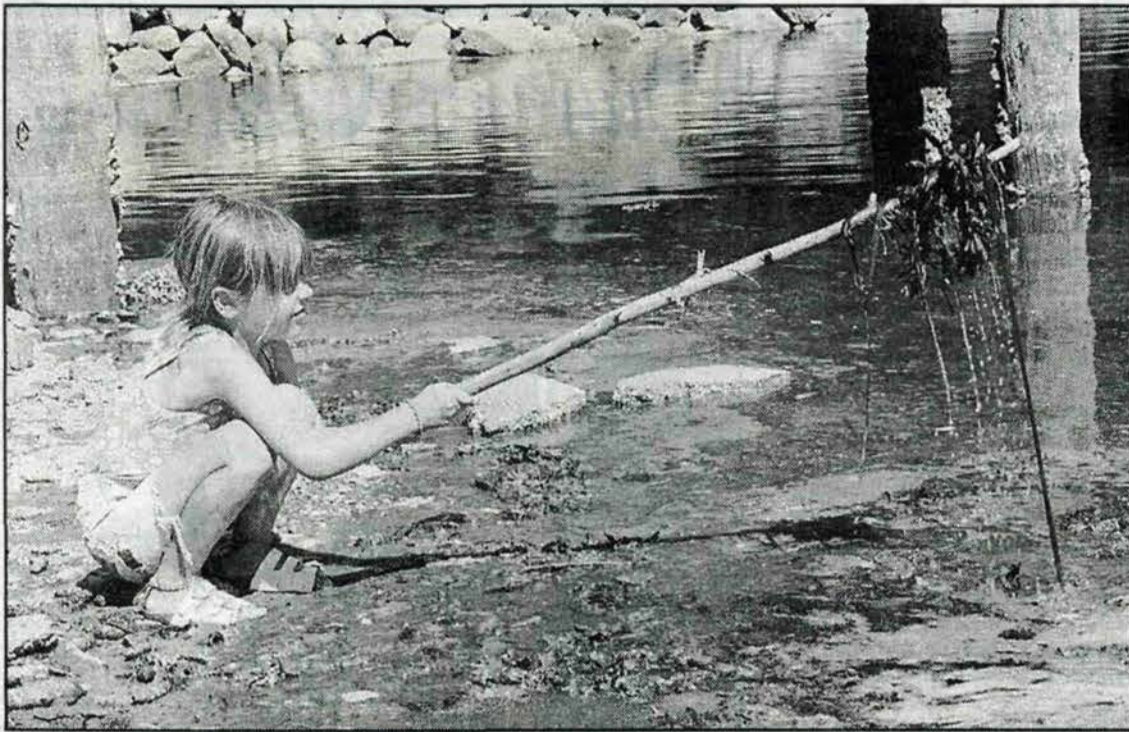
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Townsend Lloyd, age 7, of Deadman Island doesn't look impressed by the mix of scum and seaweed washed up on the beach at the

head of Ganges Harbour. An unusually prolific algae bloom is being blamed for some of the unsightly mess in the harbour.

Photo by Valerie Lennox

First responders fight policy

Ensuring Salt Spring firefighters are dispatched to more vehicle accidents will require a change in the procedure now followed by the RCMP dispatch/operations control centre in Victoria.

The current 911 policy is to only call fire departments to vehicle accidents where someone is known to be trapped inside a vehicle or fuel is leaking, according to a July 22 message from the operations control centre to Salt Spring fire chief Les Wagg.

The control centre is reluctant to change that procedure since it routes 911 calls to 29 different

fire departments and wants to use the same procedure for all calls, Wagg observed.

But Wagg is not giving up on the issue and said meetings are being arranged to put the island case for greater use of firefighters in emergencies before the dispatch centres. Approximately half of the island's 30 volunteer firefighters have completed first responder training, which means they can provide emergency first aid designed to sustain life until an ambulance crew arrives. In addition, because firefighters live and work throughout the island and can respond to emergencies

directly, they can often be at a scene before police or ambulance staff.

Wagg noted that the fire department, police and ambulance service on the island all agree that the fire department should be called to all but minor motor vehicle accidents. One example of what can happen under the current policy occurred July 12, when firefighters were not called to an accident on Musgrave Road until 15 minutes later, after police and an ambulance crew arrived and realized the Jaws of Life were required to remove the driver.

FIRE CALLS

A campfire sparked a brush fire Friday afternoon which spread over an acre before it was brought under control by Salt Spring firefighters.

Sparks from the fire ignited arbutus leaves, moss and grass. The fire occurred at approximately 3:25 p.m. in the 500 block of Horel Road, off Stewart Road.

• On July 29, firefighters were called out just before 3 p.m. to douse a burn pile on Rainbow Road which had re-ignited.

• Last Wednesday at 3:45 p.m. they were called to a truck which was "dieseling" on Cranberry Road. The engine had overheated to the point that it was still igniting gas without a spark and black smoke was pouring out of the exhaust. Pouring water down the carburetor resolved the problem.

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Fundraising reaches \$91,000 for purchase of heronry land

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

It's all for the birds. Support is pouring in to help purchase a \$235,000 12-acre property on McFadden Creek, which contains 118 great blue heron nests.

In the past six months, said Waterbird Watch Collective coordinator Nina Raginsky on Monday, \$91,000 has been raised towards buying the property, which contains the third largest heronry in the province. The collective is spearheading efforts to preserve the heronry, along with support from the Wild Bird Trust.

There has been \$11,000 raised through a unique heron "foster parent" program, \$5,000 through a raffle of a Robert Bateman print entitled Heron in Flight and a host of individual donations from both on and off-island.

"People really care," Raginsky noted. Major donations to date include \$10,000 from Birgit and Robert Bateman, \$10,000 from the Habitat Conservation Trust Fund, \$10,000 from the Land Conservancy of B.C., \$15,000 from Wildlife Habitat Canada and \$30,000 from Mountain Equipment Co-op.

An ongoing fundraising effort is the Salt Spring Roasting Company's special Great Blue Heron coffee blend. A dollar from every sale goes towards buying the heronry.

Information on the McFadden Creek heron rookery has been added to the Salt Spring Sojourn web site at <http://www.islandnet.com/salt-spring/>

On August 23, Josette Whist and Ron Aird are putting on a fundraising barn sale at Green Rose Bed & Breakfast.

Quilter Jocelyn Hocking is making an appliquéd heron quilt which will be donated to help with fundraising, Raginsky said.

Wildlife photographer Jonathan Grant is doing a slide show in Victoria September 12, with proceeds going to the heronry purchase.

And a major fundraising event is planned for the early fall: a combined art show and auction from September 27 to October 3.

"We just have tons and tons of stuff," Raginsky said. Already on the list are an original Diana Dean painting, an original Fenwick Lansdowne drawing and 25 door prizes, including an overnight stay and gourmet meal for two at Hastings House.

Underlying the campaign to save the heronry is the recent addition of B.C.'s great blue heron to Canada's Endangered Species List on April 17 and "blue listing" of the birds in B.C., indicating that their numbers are decreasing.

On Salt Spring alone, Raginsky notes two nesting sites have been

lost to development. The McFadden Creek site is the largest unprotected heronry in the province, she added.

"Every site is critical," she said. She estimates roughly half of the 8,000 to 9,000 herons found between Alaska and California can be found in the Gulf Islands.

One threat to the heron population is contamination of their feeding sites, which are usually estuaries. Raginsky notes 10 of the island's 14 estuaries are contaminated.

"The estuaries where all the key food is for them don't flush," she observed, explaining that contaminants can build up in the shallow water.

Protecting nesting sites is only part of the equation, she said. If the feeding grounds are not kept clean — from such sources of contamination as residential development near streams and boats anchored in estuaries — the herons won't survive.

She would like to see more protection for sensitive environmental sites in the next draft of the island's official community plan.

And while the McFadden Creek heronry will eventually be purchased and protected, she notes not every nesting site can be purchased.

"You can't go around and buy all these places," she said, adding that legislation to protect nesting sites and feeding grounds is also essential.

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Work on a new detachment office for the Ganges RCMP is expected to start in a week to 10 days, according to Bo Brcic, construction manager for the RCMP property management section.

The \$826,000 contract for the 6,000-square-foot facility has been awarded to Homewood Constructors Ltd. of Victoria.

The new office will be built on the corner of Lower Ganges Road and Blain Road, in front of the Legion. It is expected to be finished late this year or early in 1988.



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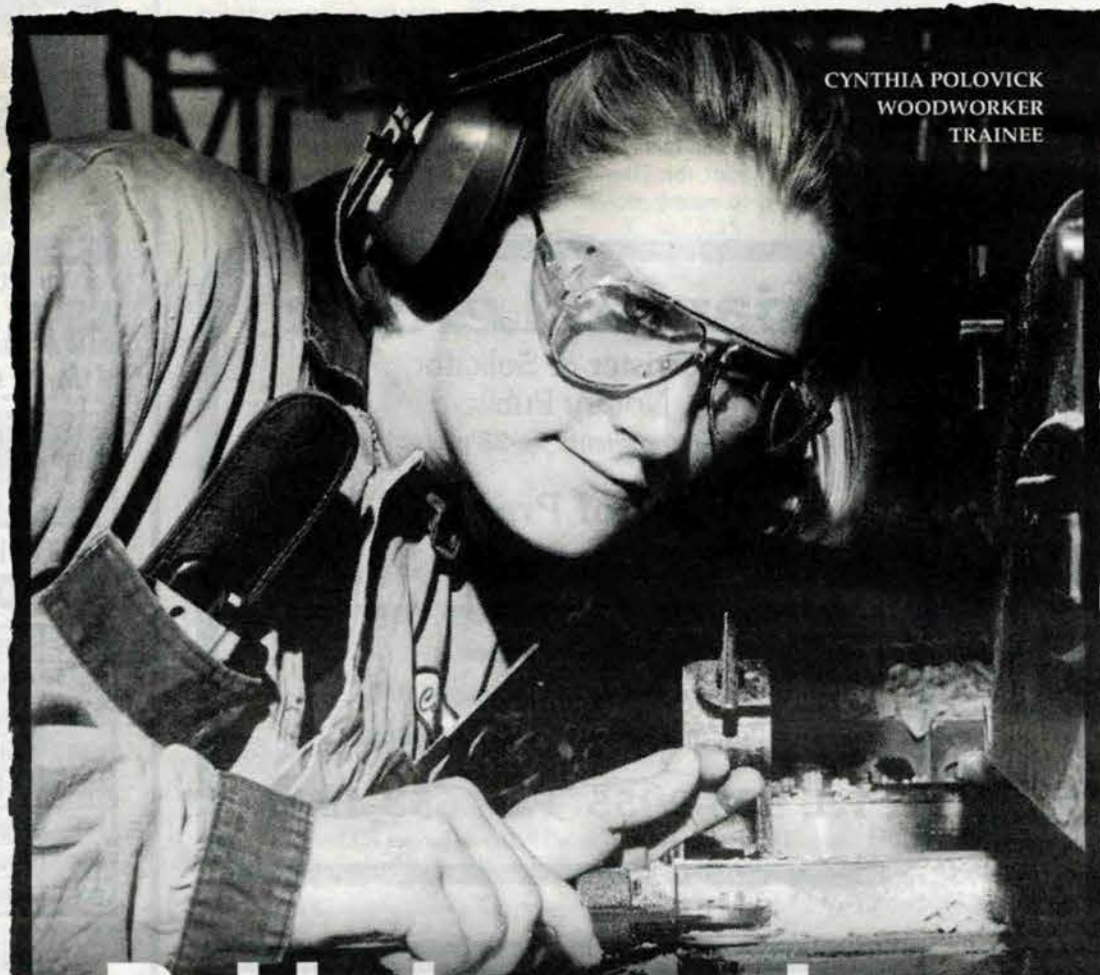
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Summer reading
Devon Metcalfe is surrounded by a group of young readers at the Ganges library on Thursday. Metcalfe is coordinating a summer reading session for children every Thursday.

Photo by Tony Richards

Alternative diversion program awaits ministry's new guidelines

A plan to create an alternative diversion program for first-time criminal offenders on Salt Spring is "patiently awaiting" guidelines from the attorney general's ministry.

Although the Community Police Advisory Committee (CPAC) was ready to launch its program earlier this summer, the plan has been put on hold while new ministry guidelines for community diversion programs are established.

The Salt Spring proposal involves a multi-step process for offenders which involves meeting with an elder-type council, victims and/or a mentor to reach an agreeable penalty or form of restitution.

CPAC had already acquired

office space and lobbied the community for support when its pace was "slowed to a crawl" by the pending ministry guidelines, said Ganges RCMP Sergeant Cliff Doherty last week.

Under a section of the Criminal Code, Doherty noted, community-based alternative disposition programs must be recognized by the attorney general's office. If such programs proceed without being recognized, he added, there is no recourse to return anyone who fails to complete the program back into the criminal system.

Because the ministry is currently preparing guidelines and setting out model programs, Doherty said, the

local CPAC is "patiently" waiting for an information package before submitting its proposal for approval.

CPAC's original proposal depended on volunteer work, Doherty noted, but under the new system, Salt Spring will be in the position to solicit ministry funding for a paid coordinator.

After the ministry has released its guidelines, communities will continue to choose their own methods of diversion, based on the models already in existence.

"So all that work is not in vain," Doherty noted: the CPAC model for Salt Spring will likely be used with only a few changes.

Storm-damaged roads under repair

Repairs to Salt Spring roads damaged last winter are under way now and will continue for the next six weeks to two months, according to Richard Harold, general manager of JJM Maintenance.

Harold said large asphalt patches are being applied on Douglas Road, Lord Mike's Road and North Beach Road, all of which suffered significant damage in last winter's post-Christmas snow and flooding.

Lines and cracks in other roads are also being fixed and new chip-seal surfaces being laid. CRF, a solution which hardens into a road service once mixed with gravel, has been brought to the island in a large tanker and is being stored in the maintenance company's gravel yard.

Neighbour Inge Zanella, who lives near the yard at Central,

noted the gravel yard is not supposed to store anything except gravel since it contains a creek which flows into St. Mary Lake.

"Everything that is dumped there, it will run into that creek and it runs right into St. Mary Lake," she observed.

The Ministry of Environment checked the site four to five years ago and determined it should not be used for anything but gravel storage.

Harold said the tanker is being stored in the gravel yard because there is no space in the JJM

Maintenance work yard. He said the CRF is being transferred into a 250-gallon tank mounted on a pick-up truck so it can be taken to where crews are working on road.

None is being dumped in the gravel yard, Harold said.

"It costs 69 cents a litre plus taxes and we sure wouldn't want to get rid of any," he remarked. "Actually, I think that stuff (CRF) is bio-degradable."

JJM also had a tanker on the island spraying water in the gravel pit and on roads to reduce dust and clean intersections.



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OPINION

Sprinkler systems: let's share the cost

When representatives of various organizations meet today to discuss the inadequate water supply in Ganges, we doubt there will be much argument over the need to upgrade the system.

The current supply is inadequate to service the firefighting sprinkler systems which are now required for public buildings. Both ArtSpring and the upper floors of the Core Inn will need sprinkler systems in order to open.

A recent test demonstrated there is not enough water to operate the sprinkler systems at either ArtSpring or the Core Inn. The test also cast doubt on the effectiveness of the sprinklers at the local high school.

But upgrading the system will cost at least \$200,000, and quite possibly more.

The awkward question is: who should pay for it?

Ganges is supplied water by the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD).

But it is also the commercial and community core for the island.

With some justification, it can be argued that each of the island's waterworks districts is expected to be self-supporting when covering its own water requirements. Certainly each sets its water rates and property tax levies independently, depending on the requirements of each system.

Perhaps because its size allows for economy of scale, NSSWD has some of the lower rates on the island. Why then, it could be asked, should those already paying for their own water systems elsewhere on Salt Spring be asked to chip in to improve that district's system?

With equal justification, it can be argued that Ganges is a special case. Hospital, high school, middle school, commercial buildings and other community facilities are all included. These are places which serve the entire island, not just those who live in the NSSWD.

So should not the entire island cover the cost to ensure these community facilities are protected with sprinkler systems?

We suggest a compromise.

Since NSSWD consumption rates are comparatively low and since upgraded lines will benefit more than the downtown core, we suggest 75-80 per cent of the cost be covered through a surcharge based on water consumption by those in the district.

That way, the institutional users who are most likely to need the enhanced water supply for sprinkler systems will also pick up more of the cost. The extra charge will have less impact on residential users, some of whom can also expect some benefit from the overall upgrading of the water system.

We suggest as well a one-time tax charge — like that levied through the CRD for ArtSpring a few years ago — on all islanders' tax bills to cover the remaining 20-25 per cent of the cost. This will recognize that all residents benefit from the facilities in the central core without making the entire island ongoing contributors to the NSSWD.

Share the burden and go for the flow. It could almost become an island philosophy.

Two opportunities to fight cancer

From head to foot, Salt Spring Islanders will have two chances to fight cancer in September and we hope they seize both.

During the fall fair on the September 20 weekend, local police, detachment staff and other brave souls will be taking a lot off the top, as they go bald in a Cops for Cancer fundraiser. In exchange for pledges towards cancer research, the police and their supporters will have their heads shaved.

They have issued a challenge to firefighters, ambulance and search and rescue people to join this new-to-the-island fundraiser.

The previous Sunday, September 14, will see the 17th annual Terry Fox Run on Salt Spring, for which volunteers put their feet on the line by offering to cover a seven-kilometre course.

As with the head-shaving, both participants and pledgers are required to help raise money for cancer research.

Last year's run drew 115 participants and raised \$5,382. A further \$1,215 was raised in a golf tournament.

Our only fear is that holding both events a week apart, at a time dominated in part by the annual fall fair, might make both less successful than they would be if held with more time between them.

Or, it could be seen as a double opportunity to help combat one of our most widespread and dreaded diseases.

We urge islanders to take the second view and to dig a little deeper to give both events head-to-toe support.



Environment cannot handle dangerous diesel emissions

By TERRY GRAHAM

The truth about diesel on Salt Spring is this: we will only ever be able to handle well-maintained heavy-duty diesel equipment.

We cannot absorb the depressingly rapid influx of light-duty diesel any more than Nepal, Istanbul (the worst), Mexico City or Europe could. In those places, the burning of oil in two-cycle engines and the widespread use of light-duty and industrial diesel has totally destroyed the air quality.

I could be wrong, maybe we have a bigger sky than those places do, and maybe sulfur trioxide, formaldehyde, butadiene (used to make synthetic rubber) and soot aren't really heavier than air. Maybe diesel's acetaldehyde (colourless solvent used to make pesticides and nerve gas) isn't that bad for us.

See, maybe we can't always look to Imperial Oil for the best? Burning diesel oil in super-high-volume pumps called automobile engines, roaming our beautiful country roads, is constantly emitting all of the above! Diesel fuel is the petroleum industry's most profitable product because it is the easiest to produce and even though Harvard medical experts know that diesel is killing 60,000 people a year in the U.S. alone, the lack of media coverage of this truth stands as a testimony to petrochemical power and influence.

The California Air Resources Board has conveyed the extreme dangers and carcinogenic, lung disease-inducing reality of burning diesel to the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD). Even though the GVRD passed these facts along to me in a 50-page report, air quality radio and TV programs still try to hang the blame on the family car, tiny piston four-cycle lawnmowers used a few times a year and wood smoke.

We can and we must expose the petroleum industry's seemingly impenetrable cover; and our blind faith in the machinery of the world that runs in large part on an intricate system of lies, has to get real.

The petro industry has really capitalized on the fact that Mr. Jones shut the garage door, left his engine



VIEW POINT

running and died, to use carbon monoxide as the prime decoy in establishing the mega-lic that diesel, its biggest money-maker, pollutes less than gasoline.

But the truth is this: carbon monoxide is colourless, odourless

and tasteless, but an unstable radical, i.e. it is hungry for oxygen; so it unites with oxygen in the blood to send carbon dioxide to a brain waiting for oxygen. Death is by suffocation, not poisoning.

We could breathe carbon monoxide in lesser quantities, like from gasoline vehicles, till our natural dyin' day and never get emphysema or lung disease as a result! But benzene does have to go.

Every year, 40,000 new residents move to the Lower Mainland, which unfortunately includes a percentage of light-duty diesel and expanded fleets of heavy-duty dumpsters and assorted other service industry diesel trucks. Yet agencies agonize over the seemingly unanswerable dilemma of soaring asthma rates among children and lung disease among the elderly. Hello!

Remember in the news three weeks ago about Toronto experiencing very poor air quality? The commentator said the problem was due to "dense clouds of smog and sulfur dioxide."

Sulfur dioxide robs an oxygen molecule from the air to become sulfur trioxide, which readily unites with any available water vapour to form battery acid, sulfuric acid, acid rain! Predictably, the media never made any educated comment on where the sulfur trioxide smog originated from — that growing nightmare armada of diesel oil-burning engines and industry smoke stacks.

Take it from a chronic asthmatic as a child; a former rebuilder of engines; a former (studied) motor oil salesman; and a serious swimmer diesel is easily the worst thing that man has ever done to himself, next to nuclear, and even nuclear is not as in your face.

Global schmoba! ... think diesel!

Terry Graham is a Salt Spring resident.

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SALT SPRING SAYS

We Asked: What are you reading this summer?



**Ann Andres
of Vancouver**

We're building a home at Whistler so we're looking at magazines to give us ideas. We read a lot of magazines & newspapers.



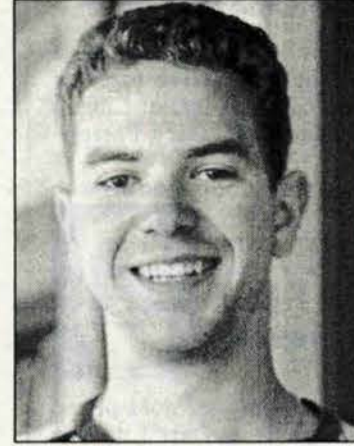
**Avril Cardwell
of Salt Spring**

Spiral Dance by Starhawk. She writes books based on witchcraft and earth chants and channelling.



**John Gilmore
of Calgary**

I'm reading *Angela's Ashes* by Frank McCourt, a Pulitzer Prize winner. (Say hi! to Amy Cassidy for me.)



**Nathan Mayr
of Vancouver**

Douglas Adams' The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy — again.



**Rozina Leel
of Salmon Arm**

My reading in the summer is just about nil. I garden and I bike & started golfing two years ago. Reading is for the winter.

Letters to the Editor

Dear slammed

I had a similar experience to Melodie Dupuis (Driftwood, July 30). I had been a customer of Fonrola for seven months when I received a huge B.C. Tel bill.

Shocked and angry, I called Fonrola to inquire about this and they informed me of slamming, which is illegal. I made an official complaint and the matter was straightened out.

Both companies explained that this can happen through computer error and our over-loaded telecommunications system. With apologies made, my phone service is back to Fonrola.

As I see it, mistakes do happen as we move into this high-tech world.

**HOLLY JOHNSON,
Salt Spring Island**

BGH numbers

Thank you to everyone who expressed concern over BGH. Your support and letters are needed.

Regretfully, I transposed the telephone numbers and fax numbers for Hon. Allan Rock and Hon. Lyle Vanclief in my letter of July 30. The correct numbers and addresses are as follows:

Honourable Allan Rock,
Minister of Health, 613-957-0200,
fax 613-952-1154.

Honourable Lyle Vanclief, 613-759-1059; fax 613-759-1081.

Letters can be sent to either minister postage free at the House of Commons, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0A6.

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**MICHELLE GRANT,
Upper Ganges Road**

Two paws up

I give two paws up for a dog pound on Salt Spring Island.

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to realize that the facilities for animals here are seriously lacking.

The SPCA doesn't have enough room. There isn't a proper facility to impound dogs and dogs that have to be put down must be transported off-island.

When I worked for the animal control department in Kamloops,

everything was under one roof except the SPCA. There was enough space to board stray and unwanted cats and there was enough room to keep impounded dogs. After a certain period of time, if dogs were not claimed or adopted out, then the veterinarian came to the animal control building to put them down and dispose of them.

The most logical situation for Salt Spring (since facts state that 1.1 dogs per day isn't enough to warrant a dog pound) is to have one building for the CRD's animal control department and the SPCA could lease part of the building to board and adopt out animals.

In addition, if the CRD feels that 1.1 dogs per day isn't enough to warrant a dog pound, then why even have 1.0 animal control officer?

The point is that Salt Spring is growing and there is a definite need for an animal control officer and a definite need for the proper facilities to conduct day-to-day operations efficiently.

There has to be a solution to this issue because it needs to be addressed. Animals' lives are at stake.

**KIM STEWART,
Happy Trails 'n Tails**

Linseed warning

We would like to warn people about using boiled linseed oil.

We discovered the hard way how dangerous it can be. We would never have thought that a clean cotton cloth used to wipe new pine boards and put overnight in a plastic bowl with the paintbrush, which was used for applying the oil to the wood, would ignite spontaneously eight hours later in the cool fresh air at 6 a.m.

It set fire to the container of oil, burned the porch and set the corner of the house on fire before the smoke alarm went off. We are very lucky that it didn't burn our house down.

We are most grateful to the volunteer firemen and fire chief who responded so quickly and efficiently. We are also very grateful for the prompt response of our insurance company, c/o Island Savings Credit Union, and the great help we received from our builder, Colin Drummond, who came in time to talk to the fire chief, assessed the damage, helped us with clean-up and arranged for the repair work. Thanks to all the other kind people who helped.

**SYD and NANCY WIGEN,
Fernwood Road**

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Islanders must co-create ways to help teens make healthy transition

By BRUCE ELKIN

The Driftwood recently documented the "problem" of rowdy teens in Centennial Park. I, too, have concerns.

Midnight last night I chased drunk kids out of the parking lot across from my Ganges home. Earlier I stopped a 16-year-old boy from spinning a 350-horsepower car in circles in the lot next to my house. However, I think it is a mistake to call this situation a "problem." Let's call it what it really is. A result.

This is a result of how we have grown our community. We changed Ganges from a quiet seaside village into a suburban mall.

The good news is that we could create a situation that pleases everyone. But not by "solving problems."

There are three main problems with problem-solving.

1. It mainly provides relief from symptoms.

Kids are like us. They like hanging out with friends. We have hundreds of places to hang out, but what is there for teens? If we run the rowdies out of Centennial Park, they'll go somewhere else. That's not solving the problem, it's just moving it. And it will show the kids we don't care. Why then should they?

Folks, these are our kids. They're not going away. Like it or not, they are part of the fabric of our community, part of the whole system. A system cannot thrive when parts of it are suffering. "Solving" the teen "problem" might bring temporary relief, but it won't change anything.

2. Problem-solving often intensifies the problem. ABS brakes, seat belts and other safety features should make us safer, right?

Wrong! Recent studies show these make drivers "feel" safer, so they take more risks. The net effect of solving the safety problem is more accidents, worse injuries. And the conservative Rand Institute reports that every time the government declares a "war on drugs," the price, and number of users and pushers, goes up!

Systems experts call these bizarre results "counter intuitive effects of naive interventions." They result from applying narrow problem-solving techniques to complex challenges. If we simply "solve the teen problem," we're likely to produce as bizarre and counter intuitive effects.

3. Not all "problems" are solvable. There are two different kinds of situations we call "problems."

The first, convergent situations,



narrow down to a single solution.

The more intelligently you study them, the more the answers converge. Ask 30 experts what the solution to a broken leg is and they will all give you the same answer. However, ask 30 experts, "What is the best way to deal with rowdy teenagers?" and you'll get 30 different answers.

Questions like this are divergent — open-ended challenges that have no correct solution. The more you try to solve them, the more the "solutions" diverge from each other. Some experts suggest increased authority and enforcement. Others argue for empathy and understanding. Eventually you end up with conflicting opposites: "Let 'em stay." vs. "Run 'em out." Freedom vs. authority.

Our logical mind wants to remove the tension between the opposites by coming down on one side or the other. But, if we come down on one side of a divergent question, the other side cries out for resolution. The tension is not resolved, just shifted. Divergent challenges call for strategies that can encompass and transcend both poles of the pair of opposites.

The kind of thinking which got us into this mess will not get us out of it. We need to focus first on what we want, rather than naively jumping to conclusions about how to proceed. We need to shift our focus from getting rid of, or relief from, what we don't want, and focus on identifying and bringing into being what we truly do want, i.e. "creating."

In traditional public processes, spokespersons for various positions gather to tell government planners what they should do. People on either side of the question demand the planners accept their "solution." But, to please all sides, planners have to compromise. They create a car with four steering wheels and no engine. No one gets what they really want. Tension between opposites is not resolved, just dampened.

Instead, I suggest an approach that results in true, cooperative and co-creative democracy.

First, we gather about 65 people from diverse quarters of the community in a room for three days. We have them search out areas of common ground upon which they can all agree. They put aside unresolved

differences and focus only on what they agree upon. Within those areas, we then have them identify results they'd truly like to bring into being. We have them envision and articulate the results clearly enough that they'd recognize them if they created them.

Next, they carefully and objectively assess where they and the community are now in relation to the vision of each result. Then, with both vision and reality clearly in mind, they draw up action plans for each result.

Finally, before everyone leaves, individuals volunteer for action teams which commit to producing specific results to the entire community.

When this process has been used in other communities, people leave committed to working with others to produce one or more of the key results identified. These "future search conferences" result in citizens working together, often alongside old enemies, to bring into being things they care about and want to see in their community.

Though sometimes spectacular results are produced, often the specific results are usually modest at first. A recreation centre is renovated. A stream restored. A play-park built for toddlers. But, the process of working with allies who were once enemies builds trust and confidence in each other and in the community's capacity to create what matters.

As trust and confidence grow, unresolved issues can be approached from a new foundation of common ground. Slowly, the community shifts from squabbling over whose solution is best to mutually identifying and co-creating what they all agree they want.

Why couldn't we do that here? Instead of fighting over which side of the divergent question, "How to deal with rowdy teens?" is correct, why couldn't we come together, search out common ground on which to stand together, then co-create mutually satisfying ways to help teens make a healthy transition to adulthood?

Working from common ground, focussed on clear visions of what we most want, we could build something together much more effectively than the "boot 'em, baby 'em or bore 'em" themes that seem to be the best problem-solving can produce.

If not us, who? If not now, when?
Bruce Elkin is a Salt Spring resident and heads Uncommon Sense Consultants.

Campbell flip-flop puts nail in coffin

VICTORIA - In the dying days of the legislative session, a political bomb went off last week, the destructive force of which may well herald the end of two careers - that of Liberal leader Gordon Campbell and his lieutenant, Gary Farrell-Collins.

The bomb was planted, activated and detonated by the Liberals under their own feet. It was one of the most blatant breaches of a promise ever made by a party and a politician.

Remember the Liberal promise to wipe out the "gold-plated pension" MLAs were used to? Campbell and his Liberals would have none of it, they kept saying.

"Being an MLA is a public service, not a career. We cannot ask others to tighten their belts if MLAs are not willing to tighten theirs," said Campbell in a 1996 Liberal Party election platform document. "We will vote to wipe out pensions for MLAs," the document went on.

During the campaign, all Liberal candidates made ample use of the pledge to scrap the MLAs' pension plan. It was a major plank in their platform.

Mind you, the plan had already been scrapped. The NDP government under former premier Mike Harcourt, in a shameless display of political expediency, killed the pension plan itself, thus taking a major initiative from the Liberals.

I would like to reiterate here my personal position on the issue. I'm with Gordon Wilson, former Liberal leader and now leader of the Progressive Democratic Alliance: "We need to say to the people of British Columbia, if you're going to pay peanuts, you're going to hire monkeys."

Simply killing the pension plan without having another, perhaps less lavish plan in place, was stupid, but hell, opportunism knocks only once. For better or worse, the pension plan existed no more.

All along, it was understood that eventually, a new plan would come into force, but the Liberals kept insisting that it wouldn't be "gold-plated." Benefits would not exceed those of people in the public service and the private sector.

And then last week, the politicians got caught with their hands deep in the cookie jar. It turned out the four parties, NDP, Liberals, Reformers and the lone Wilson, had reached a quiet agreement to give birth to a new pension plan that was far from the version the Liberals had promised.

To make matters worse, the cozy little arrangement was hidden in the "miscellaneous statutes amendment act," a house-keeping bill that might easily have gone unnoticed. Thanks to Vancouver Sun report Justine Hunter, it didn't. She spotted it and broke the story.

The first one to run for cover was Campbell. He hadn't really known about the changes, having left the all-party negotiations over what shape the new plan was to take to Farrell-Collins.

Left hung out to dry by his leader, Farrell-Collins took a swing at Campbell, saying the matter had been thoroughly discussed in the Liberal caucus. It was Campbell's word against that of Farrell-Collins.

Following a hastily convened meeting between the two, Farrell-Collins announced that if his party colleagues had had the wrong impression, he was sorry. What was really sorry was the way Farrell-Collins folded under pressure.

Two possible conclusions can be drawn: either Campbell knew about the arrangement, thereby committing the most obnoxious political flip-flop, or he didn't know about it, which would make him look pretty stupid. In either case, he has added a big nail to his political coffin.

Farrell-Collins, for long the heir-apparent to Campbell, lost all credibility when he succumbed to Campbell's pressure and became the fall guy for his leader.

All of which should please Mike de Jong, who has been very busy grooming himself to take over the Liberal leadership when Campbell bites the dust. He's one giant step closer to his goal.

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CAPITAL COMMENT

HUBERT BEYER



More letters

Ferry tales

People may recognize the title or my name as a persistent complainer about our ferry system and as a curmudgeon.

I am at my best criticizing things I know little about.

However, I am changing my spots and I would like to offer a compliment to the ferry workers.

On July 23 I was returning to Salt Spring at 6:10 p.m., a little distraught at how life goes (illness of a gallant wife). In any event I pulled into the #1 line bound for Salt Spring and then the second line filled up and the filling of #3 line was well under way. But, lo and behold, a very selfish person in a green truck pulled in behind me in lane #1. I got out of my car, feeling very irritated, and looked back at a man in his early 20s. I shook my finger at him and he pulled at his cap, scratched at his ear, looked on the truck floor for something, but never once did he dare to meet my fixed gaze.

Once all this initial male aggression was satisfied, I pulled in my horns, knowing full well that my once-prized Kung Fu lessons had lapsed over and over again. As any male would have done, I then beat my chest a few times and got back in my car. Once becalmed in my vehicle I thought — oh, no! Perhaps priority boarding or maybe his cargo

is precious, but nevertheless I still peered hard at that young fellow in my rear view.

At last and on time (almost) our line began its slow but steady drive toward the ferry, the good ship Queen of Cumberland. I watched with interest the person directing us when to my complete joy he allowed me by but stood firm in front of the offending truck. They had noticed the young driver's ill-mannered behaviour!

I drove with a huge smile on my face and took my place on the ferry. I raced (well, I am 65) back to the stern and anxiously awaited. There he was, perhaps not dead last, but certainly coming on in the last lot of cars.

My final act of savour was to go and tell a female member of the crew what I had seen and how delighted I was that the crew had put a line jumper in his proper place.
D. MADSEN,
Salt Spring

how few of us need it, but how very effective our justice system has been up until now.

Those who commit major crimes will always get their day in court no matter where it's held. But not so for lesser reprobates, those ne'er-do-wells who will by nature operate at the very outermost limit of society's tolerance. These are the guys who do wheelies and drag race on your neighbourhood street; who hang about Ganges littering, spitting and swearing; who like their radios loud and their parties to last all night. These are the recalcitrants who hammer and chainsaw and rototill whenever they jolly well choose.

With the closure of our courthouse, the chances of these bullies having a day in court and being convicted is slim indeed. The process is too long and the place too far away. Once that fact has been established, our tolerance level better go up — way, way up, because it's a sure thing the bully is going to take over.

Please support the campaign to save the Ganges courthouse. Complete the form in last week's paper and drop it in to the Driftwood as soon as possible.


DIANE HARRIS,
Ganges

Bullies

Many thanks for last week's front page feature and editorial highlighting Salt Spring's need to keep its courthouse open.

That such a small fraction of our community has ever set foot inside the courthouse does not demonstrate

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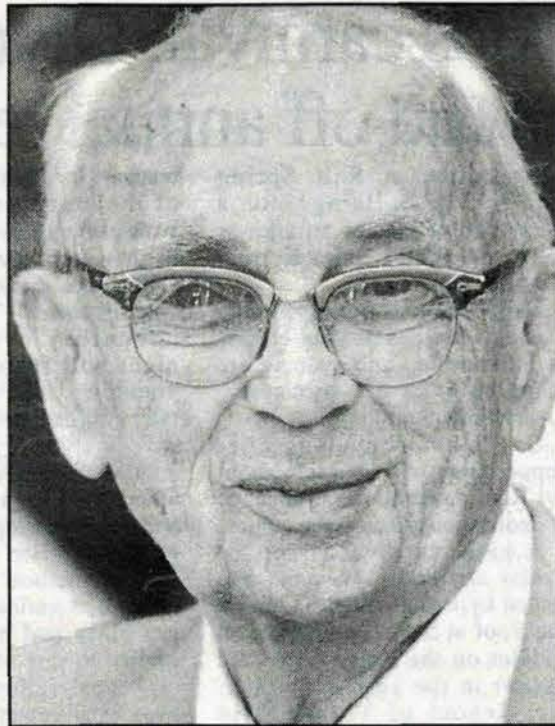
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Old-time faces

Two of the faces seen at Salt Spring's Old Timer's Reunion were 90-year-old Salt Spring resident Simone Chantelu, and Dr. Raymond Rush who, at 94, was the oldest individual at

the reunion. Rush, whose son Bob helped organize the event, now lives in a retirement home in Burnaby.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

More letters

Against cruelty

No doubt most of us have seen and read the ads in the July 2 and July 16 Driftwood pertaining to the torturing by Colgate-Palmolive of beautiful beagles by shoving poison down their throats until they die a slow, agonizing death.

Such inhumane treatment must not go without action on our part. Let us all help these innocent victims by writing and phoning Colgate toll free 1-800-268-6757 to protest these barbaric acts. These cruel tests are unnecessary and so is purchasing Colgate-Palmolive products.

RENEE KRAFT,
Salt Spring Island

Imagine

Last week I was in Vancouver and two people showed me the fancy brochures they'd received in their mailboxes.

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Just thought you'd like to know. From just another goofer — oops, I mean friendly person, casual, unstressed. Imagine.

RACHEL JACOBSON,
Salt Spring

Five-year plan

Regarding flows for sprinkler systems in downtown Ganges, it is important to note that the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) has a five-year plan for upgrading the system, including the trunk mains.

The current plan provides, in part, for the replacement of the balance of the old six-inch main on Ganges Hill, and the acquisition of land and construction of a facility to provide flows to the St. Mary system in Lower Ganges Road. Construction is subject to the availability of financing and approval of the relevant authorities.

All these projects will improve the flow capacity of the trunk main in Ganges.

MIKE LARMOUR
Manager, NSSWD

Lost Muse of Bullock Lake

She is a smooth-skinned woman with full round breasts. She comes slow as mist and goes like lightning.

No one can pin her down and when she comes she is a hot summer day. She carries the wind for words, the sky as vision, the ocean swell her rhythm.

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She flutter kicks words with her toes, floats whole sentences, com-

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Psychic consultant Carole Matthews will explore crystals and their uses, auras, guardian angels, Eastern and Western astrology, dreams, affirmations, numerology and chakras, their energy and functions. Please send your questions to The Messenger Files, Box 474, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2W1 or e-mail Matthews at cmath@islandnet.com

MESSENGER FILES

WITH CAROLE MATTHEWS



Dear Carole:

I recently received a rose quartz crystal from my sister. She says I need it in my life. I didn't want to seem dumb so I accepted it and decided to write to you for an answer. Can you help?

Kathy

Dear Kathy:

Well, don't feel dumb, many people are only lately hearing about crystals and their uses in our daily lives. I am often asked on my radio show, "What are they all about?"

I always keep things simple and I tell people that crystals, which are stones, are from the ground so therefore they are "grounded" and have many properties that can be beneficial to us.

Rose quartz is a crystal that is known to be a "mothering or nurturing" stone. I always recommend it for people who are entering new phases such as relationships and parenting.

Emotions can only benefit from carrying this crystal or wearing it as a piece of jewellery. It's an excellent gift for a new mother or father.

I always suggest that it be worn or carried on the left side of the body, as this is our feminine nurturing side.

Wear it and enjoy it. You will soon know why your sister feels that you need it. You are at a crossroads at the moment and need some tender loving care. Thank your sister for her intuition.

Carole

Dear Carole:

I was born April 27, 1947 and my husband on December 9, 1946. Our family has gone through many changes in the last four years. Will things settle down in the career area and for our children?

L and B.

Dear L and B:

Thank you for your letter. You mention problems in the last four years, but I am feeling it has been six to eight years.

In the months to follow your Aries/Taurus traits will definitely get you back on track financially and emotionally. Your partner hasn't been feeling like himself lately — you both need to get away and discuss your future needs and wants.

Careers will remain the same but you will encounter welcome changes in the job descriptions. Go with the flow, you both need positive challenges. I know you will both feel more in control by November of this year.

Try not to over-focus on past problems, your children are very adaptable and the family unit is becoming stronger and closer as each month goes by.

Trust.
Carole

Dear Carole:

I am a Taurus born May 13 and am in a relationship with a Leo born August 18.

I am curious to know what the stars have in store for us, including potential ups and downs. I am open for any advice as to what can be improved on.

Anne

Dear Anne:

Well, we have an interesting combo here! Normally each of your signs are drawn to Librans or Scorpios. Your future together can be good if you both learn to compromise and talk things out often. The Leo needs the attention you so easily give but you can't be pushed. You will revolt and he will run.

Sensitivity is a big factor here but I feel you are more of an asset to each other than an obstacle so go with it and be in the moment. It is worth it!

I often suggest the energy of crystals to my clients. A good one for you would be rose quartz and a yellow topaz for your partner. They will promote love and calmness, not to mention clarity. Enjoy.

Carole

Kids carnival, Olympics round off annual retreat

Activities at Salt Spring Centre are building into a crescendo of fun for all ages as the Community Yoga Retreat continues this week.

Daily morning Bhagavad Gita classes and yoga posture classes in the morning and evening are just some of the activities everyone is welcome to join.

On Thursday evening after supper there will be a talk about Sri Ram Ashram, the orphanage in India sponsored by the centre.

A kids' carnival is set for Friday afternoon at 3 p.m., followed by a skit called Sadhu on the Roof at 5 p.m., a take-off on Fiddler on the Roof. As he did earlier in the year with Class Act School of Theatre, Sid Filkow plays Tevya, but with a zanier plot.

After supper the popular Shungu Marimba Band will play and everyone is welcome to dance.

Yoga practices and Bhagavad Gita classes continue on Saturday morning.

At 12:30 p.m. Saturday, the Hanuman Olympics begin with a parade from each of the three

teams. The events are a mixture of the crazy and competitive with obstacle courses, races and high jump events and the Olympics conclude with the "tug of peace."

Saturday evening's talent night will feature performers young and old — impromptu talent full of delightful surprises.

Islanders are welcome to attend the Bhagavad Gita classes and evening programs for a suggested donation of \$5. Morning and afternoon yoga posture classes, at various levels, are \$8 per class and participants are invited to stay for a complimentary meal following the class. Free meal coupons are available from yoga instructors. Call the centre at 537-2326 for class schedules.

Anyone is welcome to come for a meal only. Visit Barb's Buns, Crescent Moon, Natureworks or Salt Spring Roasting Company to get \$2-off coupons for meals.

The retreat ends with Satsang with Baba Hari Dass on Sunday, August 10 from noon to 3 p.m.

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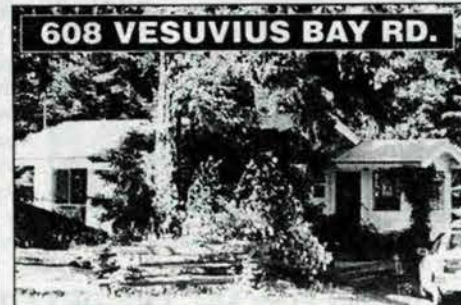


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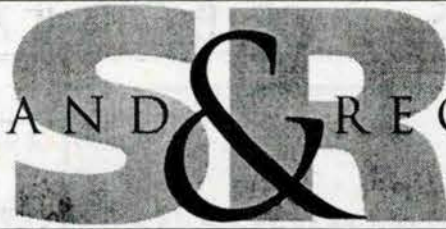


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Stingray swimmers qualify for provincial competitions

By MORGAN SAVIN
Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring Stingrays qualified for the provincial championships in a record 18 events at the Ray Newman Regional Swim Championships in Victoria's Commonwealth Pool this past weekend.

The three top swimmers in each stroke within each division represent the Vancouver Island region at the Provincial Swim Meet in Burnaby, August 12 to 17.

The Stingrays swimmers who achieved provincial status are: Andrea Brown, 50 fly (bronze); Scott Larson, 50 back (silver); Sara Mackay, 50 free (gold), 50 fly (gold); Alex McLaren, 50 back (gold), 50 fly (silver); Christina Penhale, 50 back (gold), 100 free (silver), 50 breast (gold), 100 IM (gold); and Nicola Temmel, 50 back (bronze), 100 IM (silver).

Three Stingrays relay teams also qualified for the provincials. Division 2 Girls "SS Spice" (Miranda Logan-Webb, Sara Mackay, Brett Savin, Nicola Temmel) were the gold medal winners in the 200 free relay and silver winners in the 200 medley relay.

Division 3 Girls "Soul Sisters" (Jocelyn Langdon, Melanie Moore, Christina Penhale, Laurel Temmel) were the gold medal winners in the 200 medley relay.

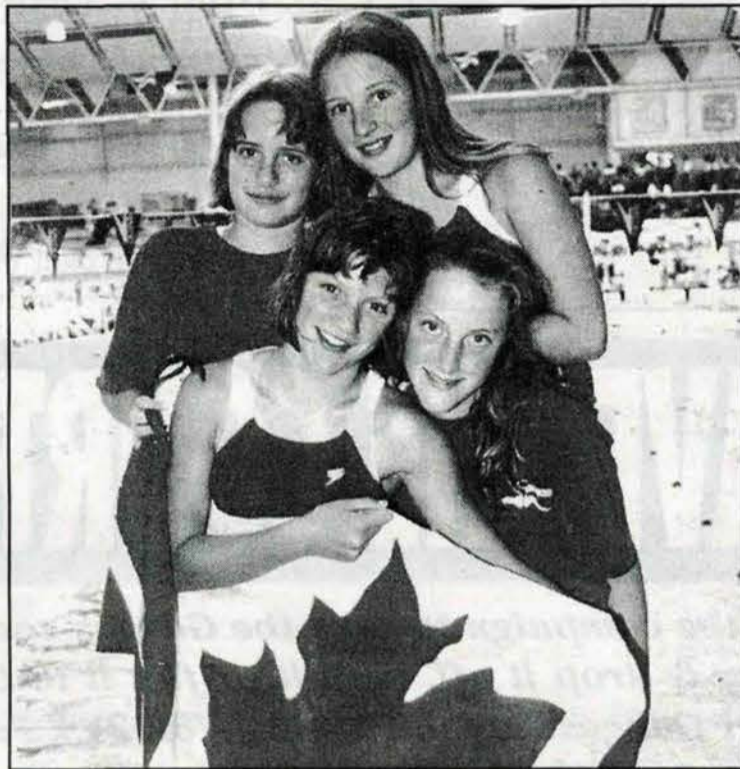
Division 3 Girls (Jocelyn Langdon, Melanie Moore, Christina Penhale, Mary Regan) were the silver medal winners in the 200 free relay.

Awesome efforts by the entire Stingrays team resulted in an amazing number of personal best times as well. Andrea Brown (50 fly, 50 free, 100 fly); Mike Campsall (100 breast, 50 fly, 50 free); Scott Larson (100 back, 100 free, 50 fly, 50 free); Tyler Larson (100 back); Dylan Logan-Webb (100 back, 100 free, 50 free); Miranda Logan-Webb (50 back, 100 free, 100 IM, 50 free); Ross Mackay (50 back, 50 free); Sara Mackay (50 back, 100 free, 50 free, 50 fly); Dave Marshall (100 breast, 50 fly, 50 free); Alex McLaren (50 back); Melanie Moore (50 breast, 50 fly); Christina Penhale (50 back, 50 breast, 100 IM); Sarah Penhale (50 back, 50 free); Mary Regan (50 breast, 50 free, 50 fly); Brett Savin (50 back, 50 breast, 50 free, 50 fly); Kip Squier (50 back); Laurel Temmel (100 IM, 50 breast, 50 free); Nicola Temmel (50 back, 100 free, 50 free, 100 IM); Meaghan Toole (50 free); Josh Vanginkel (100 free); Division 2 Girls SS Spice (200 medley relay, 200 free relay); Division 3 Girls Soul Sisters (200 medley relay); Division 3 Girls (200 free relay).

This number of personal best times indicates just how much work and excellent coaching has occurred these past two months.

For the second year in a row, Christina Penhale set a meet record in the 50-metre back, swimming an incredible 35.48 second race.

The dedication and hard work of the Stingrays team should again show strong results at the B and C Championships next weekend in Nanaimo.



STINGING SUCCESS: Gold medal winners in the 200 medley race are, from top left, Melanie Moore, Jocelyn Langdon, Nicola Temmel and Chris Penhale. The "Soul Sisters" are among the several Stingrays who qualified for the provincial swim championships at a recent meet in Victoria.

Jackie Vibe and Becky Armstrong came out on top after playing 18 holes of "irons only" last Tuesday.

Among the 32 18-hole division women on the Salt Spring golf course, Vibe had a low gross score of 86, while Armstrong's net score was 66.

Dee Hooten was low gross runner-up with a 91 score. Mary Campbell followed Armstrong's winning round with a net 67.

Irene Hawksworth had 32 putts. The return match between Glen Meadows and Salt Spring followed the irons-only field, and saw Salt Spring win with 73.5 points compared to Glen Meadows' 70.5 points.

Play-off for the Marg Johnston Cup was won by Kathy Darling, net 71, over Julie Godwin, who scored net 76.

Salt Spring's Grace Murchie and

GOLF TEES

Barni Cowan defeated a Gorge Vale team on the 12th hole in senior ladies button matches played at Royal Oak last week.

At the same event, Cedar Hill beat Marj Cade and Marie Hopkins of Salt Spring on the 16th hole.

Last Wednesday was Mary Hogg's lucky day as she won the putt pot with 14 and also had a birdie and chip-in on the #2 hole.

Thirty-three women played in the nine-hole division.

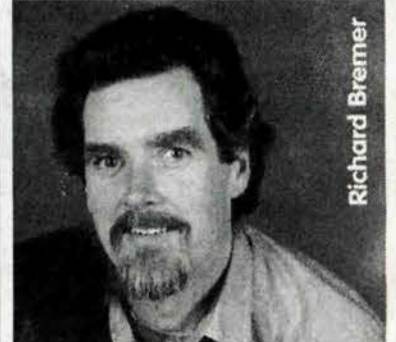
Low net winner was Vi Austin with a 35 score.

Ingrid Schinle also had a chip-in on #1, and two draws were won by Donna Flannery and Sharon Wilson.

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Hang-gliders such as this one dotted the Burgoyne Valley Saturday with quiet colour as members of the Vancouver Island Hang-gliding Association attended its 20th annual Salt Spring gathering. Each year, the gliders meet for a jump off the slopes of Mount Bruce.

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Nature programs offered

Human and natural history will be the focus of B.C. Parks' free interpretive programs offered at two Gulf Islands parks this summer.

At Salt Spring's Ruckle Provincial Park, park interpreter Doug Andrew will organize programs each Saturday and Sunday, while Gwen Ruckle hosts Farm History slide shows in the park's "big barn" every Wednesday.

Park programs are also offered each weekend at Montague Harbour Marine Park on Galiano Island.

Following is a list of programs scheduled for Ruckle Park. All events begin at the campground meeting place unless otherwise noted.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

• 7 p.m., Story Teller: Meet Andrew and enjoy some stories about our world.

• 8:30 p.m., Salmon People: Learn modern and ancient perspectives on the natural wonder of returning salmon.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

• 7 p.m., Bag Full of History: See the history of Ruckle Provincial Park strung out before you.

Farm History in the park's "big barn" begins Wednesday night at 8 p.m.

Several events at Montague Harbour are also scheduled for this Saturday and Sunday. All programs are about 45 minutes in length and start at the meeting place (near the parking lot) unless otherwise noted.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

• 12 noon, Those Mmmmmarvelous Mammals: Learn about some of the mammals found in B.C. Parks and how to identify them.

• 3-6 p.m., Nature House is open. Located in an old boathouse, this little building is jam-packed with things to see, touch and do.

• 7:30 p.m., Visit Nature's Convenience Store: Explore Gray's Peninsula and discuss the plants that live there, including some of their ethnobotanical uses.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

• 10 a.m., Ice Cream, Frozen Yogurt and Much More: Do you know what these tasty treats have in common with paint? Explore the seashore to answer this question.

• 2-5:30 p.m., Nature House is open. See above.

• 7 p.m., Wonderful World of Wildlife Trees: Take a look at the forest condominiums and some of the tenants that call them home.

HELP SAVE THE COURTHOUSE

Please support the campaign to save the Ganges courthouse. Clip & sign this letter & drop it off, mail it or fax it to the Driftwood office, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring, V8K 2V3, Fax: 537-2613.

July 30, 1997

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Premier of British Columbia

Honourable Ujjal Dosanjh
Attorney General

Honourable Murray Coell
M.L.A. Saanich/Gulf Islands

KEEP THE SALT SPRING ISLAND COURTHOUSE OPEN

I am writing to urge you to reverse your decision to close the Provincial Courthouse on Salt Spring Island.

The Courthouse on Salt Spring Island serves a population of 10,000 people. Its closure means that I will have to travel by ferry to Duncan for criminal, family and Small Claims court services. Due to the two ferry trips involved to get to and from Duncan, each round trip will take me at least four hours and cost approximately \$25.00 for ferry and gas.

I believe that closure of the Salt Spring Island Courthouse will result in:

- general inconvenience to businesses and the public resulting from time lost, and increased costs for travel to attend court or to file court documents;
- reduction in approved charges because people will not want to "get involved" as witnesses to offences if it means traveling to Duncan for trials or interviews with Crown Counsel;
- trial delays for Salt Spring Island files because the Duncan Courthouse is already fully utilized for Duncan matters;
- trial dismissals because Crown witnesses will not bother to show up for trials;
- increased police costs for travel and overtime which will equal or exceed the rent saved by the closure of the Salt Spring Island Courthouse;
- loss of police services on Salt Spring Island while R.C.M.P. officers are in Duncan for trials;
- increased costs and delays in dealing with civil and family matters because of the lack of access to the Duncan Courthouse;
- inability of the press to properly keep the Salt Spring Island community informed of what is happening in its community.

All of the above will be magnified for those people without cars, as there is no public transport from the Crofton Ferry Terminal to Duncan.

The closure of the Salt Spring Island Courthouse will cost taxpayers money, not save it, and create inefficiencies, not correct them. Please reconsider your decision and "Keep The Salt Spring Island Courthouse Open".

Sincerely,

Name: _____

Address: _____



THIS WEEK

- What to do
- Where to stay
- Arts & Crafts guide
- Where to eat

Arts, entertainment, current events & attractions

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1997 ▲ 15

WHAT'S ON

Dance

• **Street Dance '97** — Come out and support the Core Inn Youth Project at this fundraiser dance on Saturday, August 9, featuring People Playing Music and Jet Set. Barbecue from 7 to 11 p.m., dancing from 8 p.m. A non-alcoholic family event. General admission \$10, children under 12 free. Core Inn Youth Centre, 134 McPhillips Avenue.

Music

• **Music and Munch** — Free concert given by one of our outstanding local trumpeters, Dawn Hage, followed by a delicious light lunch prepared by the Anglican Caterers, available for \$4.75. Wednesday, August 6, 12:10 p.m., All Saints By-the-Sea, 110 Park Drive.

• **Moby's Marine Pub** — Wednesday Night Live hosted by Charles Wilton, 9 p.m., August 6. 124 Upper Ganges Road.

• **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Blues night with Dave Roland and Friends, with special guest Monte Nordstrom, Thursday, August 7. 121 Upper Ganges Road.

• **Salt Spring Roasting Co.** — Open stage every Friday evening starting at 8 p.m. 109 McPhillips Avenue.

• **The Tree House Cafe** — Classical guitarist Stephen Glanville plays every Friday at noon. Also, Mike Clancy, folk singer/songwriter, performs every Friday and Monday from 2 p.m. 106 Purvis Lane.

• **The Purple Parrot Restaurant** — Simone Grasky, with Gary Lundy, sings old jazz favourites, rhythm and blues and contemporary ballads on Friday and Saturday evening, August 8 and 9. 170 Fulford-Ganges Road.

• **Alfresco Restaurant** — Barrington Perry plays piano every Friday and Saturday evening starting at 6:30 p.m.

3106 Grace Point Square.

• **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Rock with Puzzle Factory on Friday and Saturday, August 8 and 9.

• **The Flying Saucer Cafe** — The Prophets are back by popular demand! Unique live acoustic reggae. Saturday, August 9, 8 to 11 p.m. \$3 cover charge. 112 Hereford Avenue.

• **Music Emporium** — Live music every Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Gasoline Alley, across from Centennial Park.

• **Concert in the Park** — Free concerts in Centennial Park will be held on Saturdays in August. Enjoy your favourite local musicians. This week: Blarney Rose — Celtic. Sponsored by the Community Arts Council.

• **Moby's Marine Pub** — Sunday Dinner Jazz with the Ray Newman and Gary Lundy Quartet, August 10, 8 p.m.

• **Music and Munch** — Free concert given by Annie Palovcik — singer and accordion player — and Arvid Chalmers on the harmonica. Songs of love, loss and inspiration. Followed by a delicious light lunch prepared by the Anglican Caterers, available for \$4.75. Wednesday, August 13, 12:10 p.m., All Saints By-the-Sea, 110 Park Drive.

Stage

• **Hysterical Society Live Filming** — Be part of the audience at the live filming of The Hysterical Society's "classics." Friday and Saturday, August 8 and 9, Activity Centre, 8 p.m. Tickets \$10 at Patterson's and et cetera.

Community TV

• **Sunday, August 10** — 5 p.m., B.C. Ferries Transportation Committee Meeting from June 18

7 p.m., Talk Around the Rock with Dave Phillips

8:30 p.m., Satsang with GangaJi

• **Wednesday, August 13** — 6 p.m., Talk Around the Rock with Dave Phillips

7:30 p.m., Satsang with GangaJi

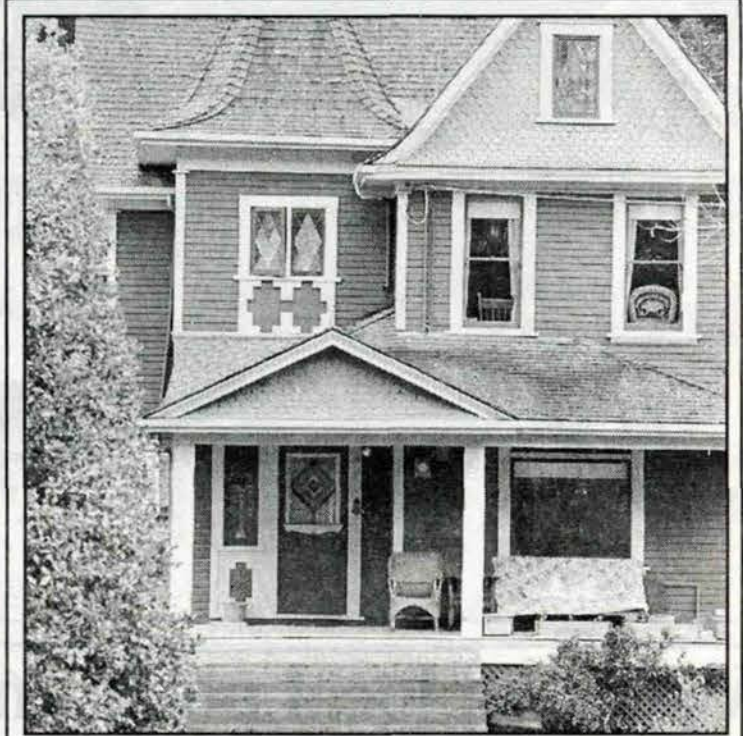
Galleries

• **Artrcraft** — Demonstration on Sunday, August 10, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Barry Tate, watercolour painting techniques. Mahon Hall.

• **Naikai Gallery** — Sale and exhibition of paintings by local watercolourist Margaret Briggs, August 1, 7 to 9 p.m., at Alfresco's Cafe. Artist in attendance, refreshments will be served. Show runs August 1 to 31, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Grace Point Square.

Grab Bag

• **Highway Cinema Travelling Film Festival** — Vintage cartoons, "soundies" (1930s music films), Chimpanzees on Reggae (Jane Goodall), Wild Wheels (very hip film about art cars). At the Flying Saucer Cafe on Friday, August 8, from 9 to 11 p.m. \$2 donation.



ATTRACTION AT RUCKLE: This heritage house at Ruckle Park is one of the many attractions the park has to offer.

Ruckle Provincial Park

This 486-hectare park at Beaver Point, on the southeast corner of Salt Spring, boasts eight kilometres of beautiful shoreline, hiking trails along the beach and in the forest, campsites and a picnic area.

The property was purchased by the provincial government in the 1970s from the Ruckle family, who continue to live on the land.

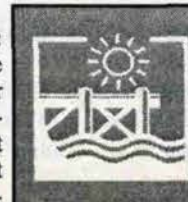
Many of the old farm buildings remain in place, including a barn, the old Ruckle homestead and outbuildings.

From the beach, one can sit and watch a variety of marine life as well as marine traffic, including vessels of the B.C. Ferry Corporation as they ply between Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen.

Go for a cruise: There are many ways of enjoying Salt Spring's marine environment and getting out on the water is one of them. From Ganges you can take a scheduled boat tour if you want to sit back, relax and enjoy the scenery. The guided tours offer historical and other information about the area.

If you're feeling a little more energetic, you can try your hand at salmon fishing, and enjoy the scenery at the same time. Sailing and other boat charters are also readily available.

A local water taxi service also runs scheduled trips on



WHAT TO SEE

Saturdays to the Outer Islands.

The Markets: You haven't seen Salt Spring until you've seen the Saturday Market at Centennial Park in Ganges. This long-established venue for vendors of arts, crafts and other goods is popular among visitors. Also check out the new Dog Star Market behind the Fulford Inn at Fulford Harbour.

Mount Maxwell Provincial Park: A 20-minute drive from Ganges takes one to the top of Mount Maxwell. Pick a clear day and enjoy fantastic views of Fulford Harbour, Burgoyne Bay, Vancouver Island and other Gulf Islands. The park offers hiking trails, a picnic area and a great place to relax.

Take a hike: Hiking trails abound on Salt Spring. A favourite for family outings is Duck Creek Park, which has a two-kilometre trail. The park is located off Sunset Drive.

Ocean kayaking: For a close look at the marine environment, nothing beats an excursion in a kayak. Salt Spring offers some prime ocean kayaking and many rental and tour agencies. Take some kayaking lessons and then enjoy a sunset paddle. The scenery looks a lot different from sea level.

TOP 10 VIDEOS

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|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Jungle 2 Jungle(-) | 6. Shine(8) |
| 2. Private Parts(7) | 7. Metro(5) |
| 3. Donnie Brasco(3) | 8. Sling Blade(2) |
| 4. Absolute Power(4) | 9. Fools Rush In(10) |
| 5. The Relic(9) | 10. Scream(-) |

(Dash (-) indicates last week's position)

COMING SOON

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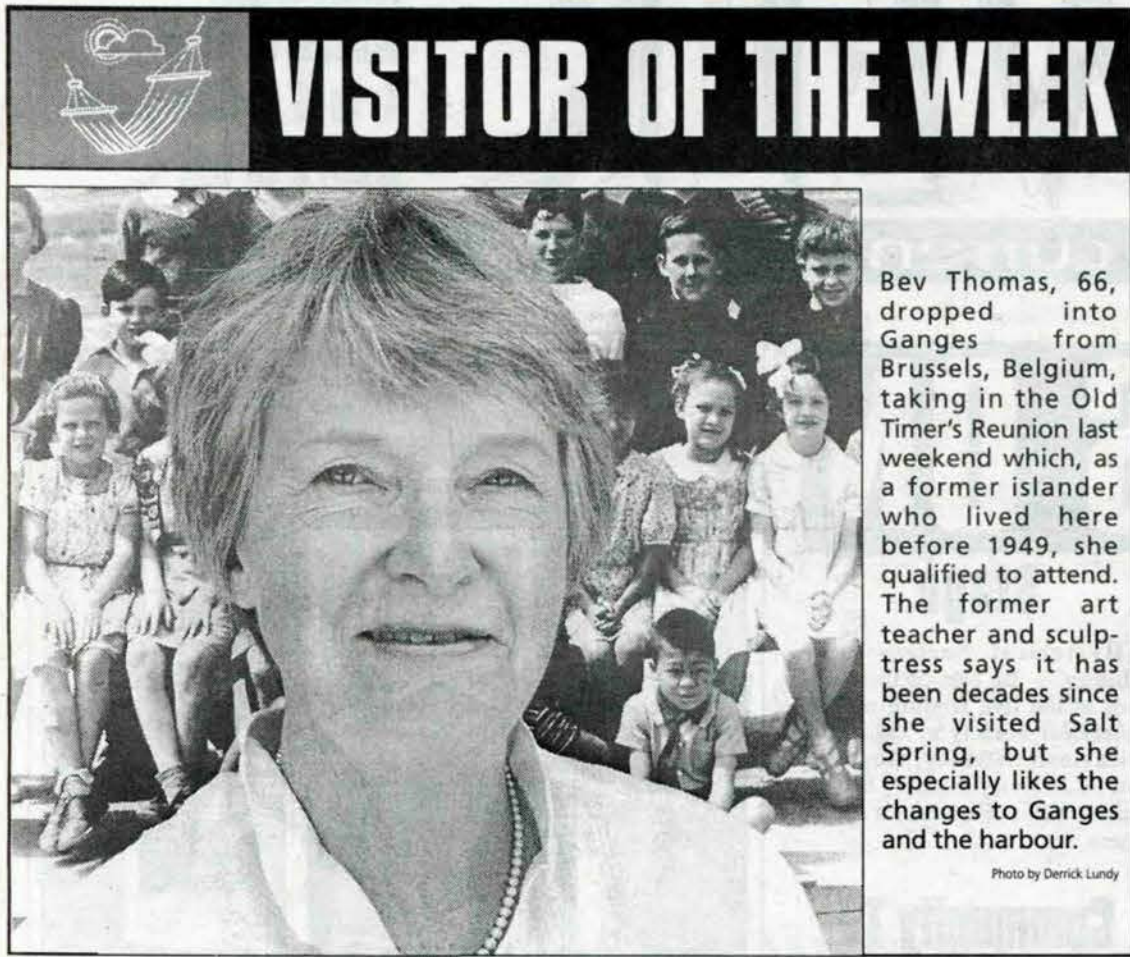
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Thursday: Mainly sunny; windy. Low 12, high 23.
Friday: Sunny; windy. Low 12, high 22 to 25.
Saturday: Sunny. Low 12, high 23 to 28.
Normal temperatures for the week: low 11, high 22.

Fair change...

Island Savings Credit Union is buying U.S. cash at the rate of 1.35 CDN*
* rate as quoted on Tuesday



VISITOR OF THE WEEK

Bev Thomas, 66, dropped into Ganges from Brussels, Belgium, taking in the Old Timer's Reunion last weekend which, as a former islander who lived here before 1949, she qualified to attend. The former art teacher and sculptress says it has been decades since she visited Salt Spring, but she especially likes the changes to Ganges and the harbour.

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And if you're travelling on a B.C. Transit bus in places like the Comox Valley, Chilliwack or Nanaimo, you might get to read Brett's *The Nightfire*, from *Poems New & Selected*; *Lost*, from *Blue Light in the Dash* by Brooks; and untitled poem from Webb's *The Vision Tree*.

Beginning last weekend, the Salt Spring writers' poems are featured in a series on buses in 26 communities outside of Vancouver and Victoria. Work of a further 16 poets are on the big-city buses.

The program is co-sponsored by B.C. Transit and the Association of Book Publishers of B.C. Coordinator Sandy Shreve says the project was designed to increase public awareness and appreciation of contemporary B.C. poetry and to celebrate Canadian books.

B.C. Transit says it has received enthusiastic comments about the poems from its Vancouver and Victoria customers, who have been riding with poetry since last summer and January, respectively.


The poems will be displayed for the next year.

Other poets in the series with Brett, Brooks and Webb are Kate Braid, Thuong Vuong-Riddick, Tim Bowling, Kevin Roberts, Ron Smith, Gregory Scofield, Winona Baker, Patrick Lane, George McWhirter, W.H. New, Charles Lillard, Dorothy Livesay and Leona Gom.

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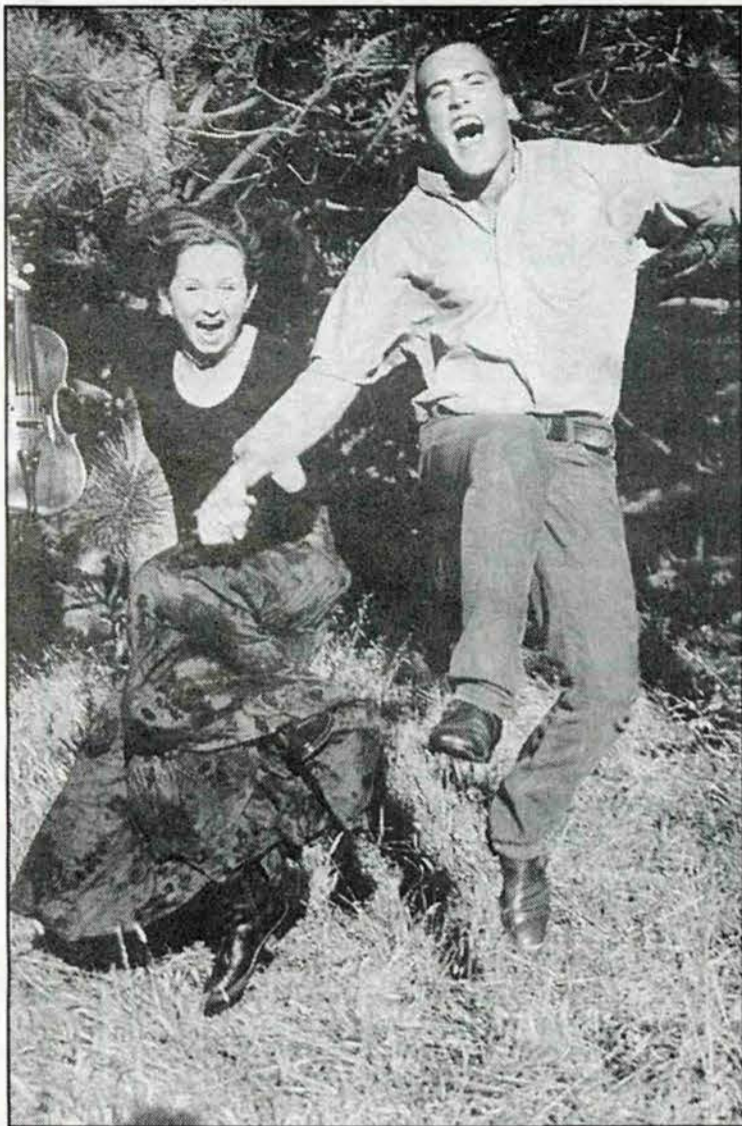
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Leaping onto the music scene
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'Versatile' fiddler joins powerful Walsh vocals

Traditional and contemporary folk music which spans the globe will be heard next Wednesday in Ganges.

Jeremy Walsh and Erynn Marshall of Victoria will bring their voices and instruments to All Saints By-the-Sea beginning at 7 p.m.

Walsh was described by Mitch Padolak, the organizer and driving force behind the Winnipeg Folk Festival, as B.C.'s best singer-songwriter. Trained on the tin whistle by some of Ireland's finest players, Walsh has performed in Canada, Ireland and the U.S.

According to Salt Spring musician Derek Duffy, Marshall is currently one of B.C.'s most versatile fiddle players with a style influenced by Irish, Shetland, Balkan and Canadian traditional music. Combined with her early classical training, says Duffy, Marshall "has developed a unique interpretative fiddle sound which is the perfect complement to Walsh's powerful vocals and music."

Joseph Blake wrote in the May 8, 1997 Victoria Times Colonist: "Walsh belts out the poetic verses with passion and craft. Marshall has the technique and taste to carve poetry from her improvisations."

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Concert admission is \$8. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at the All Saints church office.

Active P.A.S.S. play seeks memorabilia

Margaret Jardine and Lynda Jensen are searching for Second World War memorabilia and memories.

They're not really after the usual stuff — the medals or recollections of battles in Europe — but the treasures of women in volunteer groups, in service or those struggling to get by at home in Canada. It could be photographs or letters, newspaper clippings or articles of clothing.

Active P.A.S.S. (Performing Artists of Salt Spring) is presenting Canadian playwright John Murrell's play *Waiting for the Parade* at Mahon Hall on the two weekends straddling Remembrance Day. Jensen is the show's producer.

Unlike most examinations of the war years, this play focusses on five women left at home during the war, and how they survive. It explores the women's myriad feelings and experiences, including loneliness and how they deal with it.

"The tragedy of war is there, of course, but also a lot of humour and comradeship," explains Jardine, the play's director.

Three of the women in *Waiting for the Parade* are in their 30s, one is in her early 20s and the fifth is in her 50s.

Copies of the memorabilia will be used to enhance the scene at Mahon Hall, adding to an authentic 1940s atmosphere. Both Jensen and Jardine stress that materials will be handled with extreme care and respect, and that everything

possible will be laser copied by Diane Fidler of KIS Office Services. Gabrielle Jensen of Gulf Island Picture Framing is doing the mounting.

In addition to gathering tangible articles, Jensen and Jardine would like to further their understanding by talking to women about their experiences during the war years. For a scene where the women in the play are rolling bandages, for example, Jardine needs to talk to someone who has done it.

"I want it to be done right and look right."

Jardine first saw *Waiting for the Parade* in Ottawa in the '80s.

Right after seeing it, she says, "I thought, 'Aha, there's a play I'd love to get my hands on!'"

Active P.A.S.S. needs even more women, too. Auditions will soon be held for the five female parts, and Jardine hopes as many actors as possible will try out. All need to be able to carry a tune, since some singing is involved. One also needs to be able to play some 1940s popular piano melodies.

The youngest woman's role could be played by a youthful, less-experienced actor, but the other four parts are more demanding.

Anyone with memories or memorabilia or an interest in auditioning is urged to call either Jardine at 537-1390 or Jensen at 537-4168.

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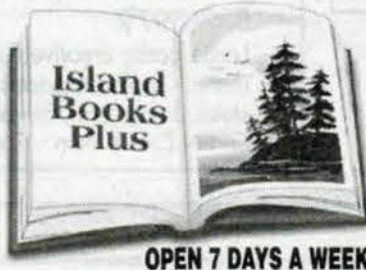
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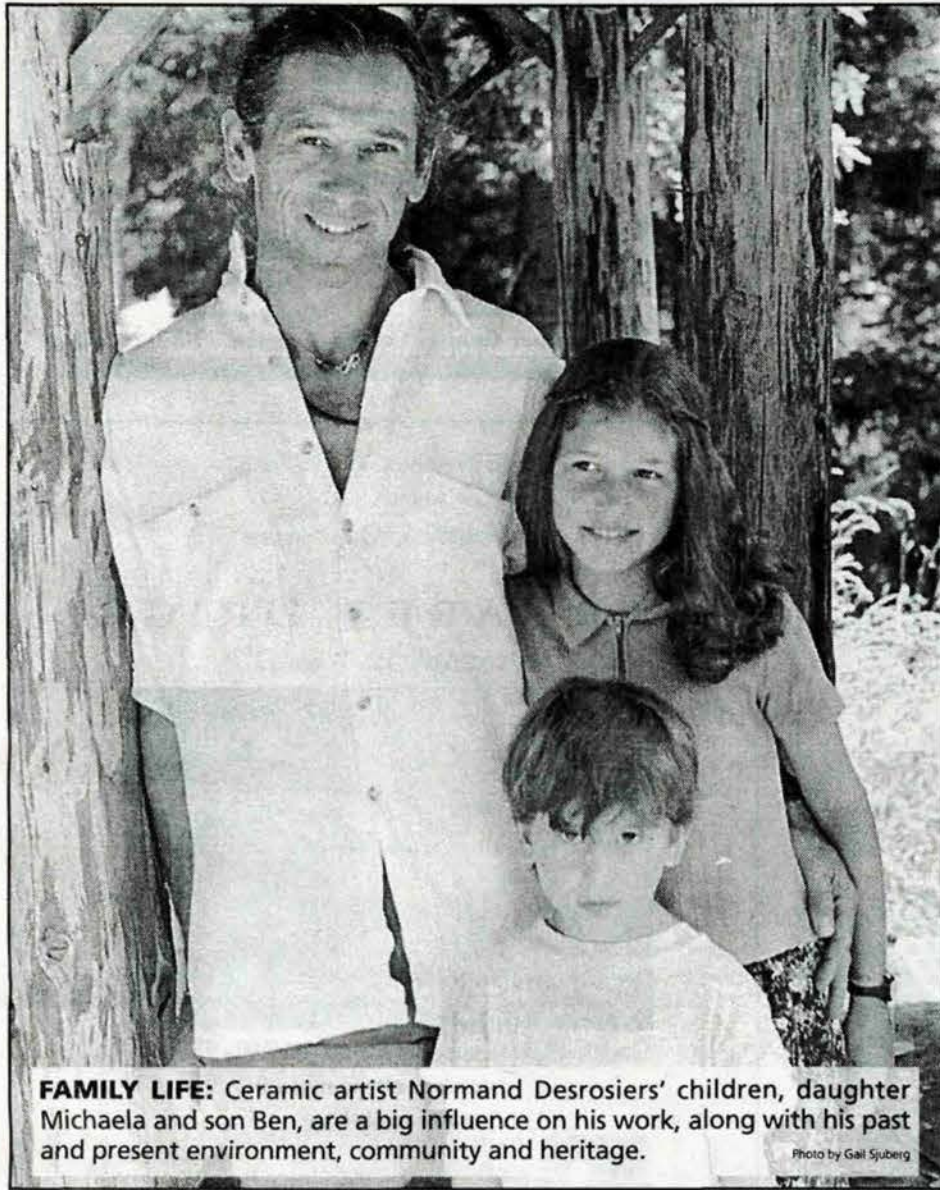
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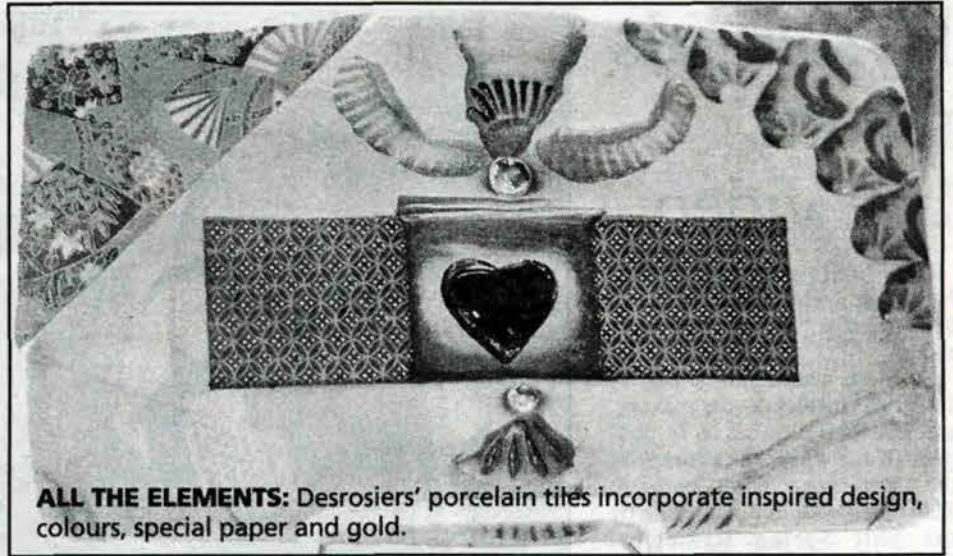
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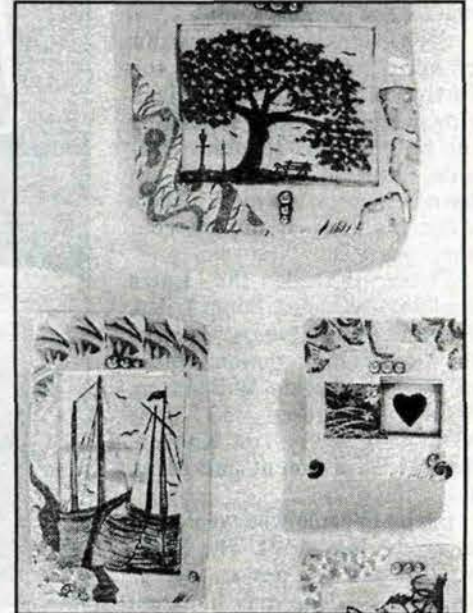
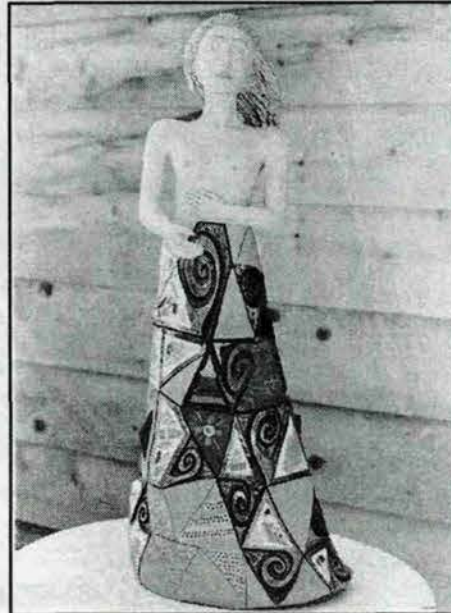


FAMILY LIFE: Ceramic artist Normand Desrosiers' children, daughter Michaela and son Ben, are a big influence on his work, along with his past and present environment, community and heritage.

Photo by Gail Spuberg



ALL THE ELEMENTS: Desrosiers' porcelain tiles incorporate inspired design, colours, special paper and gold.



CHOOSING THE CLAY PATH

"My goal is to represent (humanity) in the most honest way and to create something that will be positive in my environment ... As much as it offers me, I have to offer back."

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

Several years ago, I bought an unusual porcelain vase from what used to be Bruce Pearson's Gulf Jewels gallery on Hereford Avenue.

It was a rich brown colour, with a gold ring around the top and two diamond shapes filled with yellow, blue and gold paint which practically danced off the sides.

In one way it sang, "I want to dance and have fun!" In another breath it said, "Seriously, I will take great care of whatever I am filled with."

Pearson suggested the ceramic artist who made it, Normand Desrosiers, a relative island newcomer at the time, would make an interesting story subject.

Several years later ... Desrosiers has gone from vases to teapots to the porcelain tiles he now sells in the Saturday market, at Naikai Gallery, ArtCraft, on Granville Island in Vancouver and in Montreal. Large and striking sculpture pieces are also a newer exploration. He has lived and refined his artistry here since 1988.

Although Desrosiers works at bringing life to images on porcelain, he doesn't dwell long for long on the surface of anything else.

He dives to the heart of most subjects, to the spiritual values and connections of what really matters — family, heritage, community.

He is open to life and humanity, and is continually rewarded by that, both personally and creatively.

"What comes first for me is the spiritual values of life — it's the main motor of what I do. It's my first motivation, my first inspiration. It makes me create, and relates to who I live with and who I am around."

For Desrosiers, a deliberate humility and need to interact with all aspects of his environment seem intertwined.

"When I create, I'm not the only one involved with it. My environment is part of what I do."

Actually, Desrosiers never wanted to be an "artist," feeling it might take him too far away from the world of everyday people.

"Each individual has an importance in life," he says. It doesn't matter if they are "a shoemaker or a coffee maker — we all have the same value."

Choosing the clay path in art seemed to keep him rooted where he wanted to be. But even when he was a young man at ceramics school in Quebec, people told him he should be painting, too. So here he is painting 25 years later, but on clay.

"I've tried to paint on other materials, but it doesn't do it for me."

Clay is his steadfast medium. He expresses himself verbally and through journal writing, but the clay allows him to say things he cannot reach with words.

Desrosiers' children, Michaela, 10, and Ben, aged 4, also press deeply on his creative life, as well as in obvious ways.

"They are definitely inside my artwork," he says. "They live in my work."

Children's innocence, willingness to be vulnerable, their spontaneity and honesty are just a few of their characteristics which affect his art and life.

Both children are immensely creative, he notes. Michaela is often immersed in art projects. The studio bears Ben's signature, too, as the tile "seconds" he painted with purples, greens, yellows and more await their turn in the kiln.

Desrosiers has enjoyed teaching children through school arts programs and he hopes to offer kids' clay workshops in future.

He also feels firmly rooted in his French Canadian heritage. Desrosiers lived in Quebec until moving to Vancouver in 1984.

His cultural background "has a profound value for me," he says. "I have enormous gratitude for what my culture has given me."

One of its gifts is "a nobility and dignity of spirit in the sense of belonging to a family of human beings." Generally, he notes, French Canadians are not so individual-oriented and more importance is placed on family.

People often ask him about his political perspective, which he tries to address "in a respectful way."

"The west coast has modified my opinions, but has made me realize how important it is to have a love for the culture you have grown up in."

"I believe in difference. All of us together in difference, that's what creates all the palettes of colours of humanity."

Living in a community of artists is also important for him, both for the friendships it offers and how it infuses the island with a special character.

"I would say it's the strength of Salt Spring — more than any aspect of the island."

As an example of the support he has found here, one artist felt Desrosiers should have a studio and gave one to the grateful potter last December. It was the first winter he could continue working without freezing under simple outdoor shelters.

Island-wide, more could be done to promote Salt Spring as an arts and crafts community, he feels, and its reputation could and will likely expand in future.

He credits Saturday market tourists for sending him in the direction of the wall-hanging tiles a few years ago. They wanted to take Desrosiers' work home with them, but said his trademark teapots were too bulky to transport.

The tile idea then "grew like a weed. It's not something I planted." However, he is pleased the tile projects have proved stimulating as well as popular.

And the market ... it's a favourite place for Desrosiers, one which has been encouraging and supportive, through inter-

actions with fellow market vendors, islanders and tourists. Even if he became wildly famous with his work, Desrosiers thinks, he would still want to go to the Saturday market for the pure social enjoyment.

Technically, too, Desrosiers goes beneath the clay's surface, exposing different layers and giving the material life with a picture, illuminating 22-karat gold "pearls" or the beautifully-designed and coloured papers which cover a corner of the newer tiles. He notes the use of the papers, found with his mother in a Montreal fabric shop, hints at an "ethereal" and "interior dimension" to the tiles. It is almost puzzling how it works so unconsciously and well.

"It completes the drawing," he observes, "but at the same time refines it."

Desrosiers also loves working with porcelain — the way its fine particles "respond very honestly to what you do with it."

His latest series of about 40-50 tiles focusses on human figures; past ones have featured things like fruits, scenes, hearts. No two are the same in shape, size or design.

The tile-making process is "precise, yet spontaneous," he says. He rarely has a preconceived idea and usually ends up improvising, although many tests have been conducted with stains, images and materials.

He observes that clay's source in the earth is one reason for its close relationship to human beings, adding, "You can't hide behind it. It's very truthful and honest."

"It speaks very loud without trying to."

Rather like Desrosiers and the artwork he offers to his world.

"My goal is to represent (humanity) in the most honest way and to create something that will be positive in my environment ... As much as it offers me, I have to offer back."

Hystericals record live video

Salt Spring entertainment buffs don't often get a chance to be part of a "live studio audience."

So those wanting to be part of hysterical history in the making, and test their prowess as responders to the applause prompt at the same time, should come to The Video — a live recording by the Salt Spring Hysterical Society, on Friday or Saturday night at the Activity Centre.

If you think you just saw this comedy troupe during the Festival of the Arts, you're right. However, The Video is filming the Hystericals' absolute classics, some of which may not have been seen for years. Others were featured at the 10-year anniversary show last year.

These include the Latin Building Inspector, Pump U Up, Pregnant Man, Stumpy, Geezers, the Queen, Immigration, Queen of the Diner, Mary Williamson, Men's Group, 537/653, Vasectomy, Ferry Test Kitchen, Sexual Harassment and Mind Rot.

Besides people who want to be in on the live shoot, The Video will be fun for newer-to-the-island folks who may have not seen these skits, for those wanting to laugh all over again and for tourists who might want to know what all the fuss is about.

GSC Productions Inc., a Salt Spring-based video and audio recording company, is doing the shoot with three cameras. Besides the live performances, two others will be filmed on Thursday and Sunday. GSC owner Dave Davies says a crew of four will work on the production, and Hystericals member Reid Collins is doing the editing.

Collins is "the push" behind The Video. He feels the Hysterical Society's material is really good comedy — certainly much better than the stuff people see on TV every day — and would make a successful video.

He adds that having GSC Productions Inc. on the island has made it an affordable project. The actual video will hopefully be ready by Christmas.

The August 8-9 shows start at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 (or \$14 US, as usual, although no one has ever bitten the bait on that one), and available at et cetera, Patterson's or the door.



Knee-slapping sound

Ben Cooper and Fred Stoerig were among the musicians serving up a rousing collection of lively tunes at Salt Spring's Old Timer's Reunion held Sunday at the Islands Farmers' Institute grounds.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

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"This is a win-win program for everyone," says Tourism Minister Jan Pullinger. "Passengers are enjoying more cruise-like entertainment, the arts are gaining exposure and artists are selling their work."

B.C. Ferries receives a small commission on sales and participants receive free passage, meals, display space, plus assistance in setting up. In return, they must demonstrate their skills and answer questions throughout the day.

The program continues through September on both routes. Anyone interested in participating should contact either Angie Scriver in Nanaimo at 250-753-1261, extension 5320, or Marie Graf at extension 5303.



Pan flutist

Miguel Lema and fellow Ynka Nan band members entertain park-goers with the upbeat sounds of traditional Andean music in Centennial park on Saturday. Here Lema gently blows into a South American pan flute.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Island musician attends healing, music seminar

Salt Spring musician Barry Livingston will be one of the performers and workshop leaders at an international conference in Colorado August 14 to 17.

The fifth international Sound Colloquium focuses on therapeutic uses of music and involves both musicians and alternate health practitioners. Workshop topics include drumming, Amazon indigenous chants, resonance therapy, sacred music and symphonics.

Workshop presenters are coming from the U.S., Canada and Europe.

Livingston, a jazz composer and pianist, will facilitate composer's

forums on August 15 and 16. He will also present a concert of his original compositions.

Livingston is a founding member of the International Sound Research Roundtable and co-founder of the B.C. Sound Healing Research Collective.

As a musician, he has performed at the 1994 and 1995 du Maurier International Jazz festivals in Vancouver with his group, Barry Livingston and Emergence; organized and performed in a Jazz for Clayoquot Sound benefit in Vancouver, setting an attendance record for the venue; toured across Canada in 1991 and performed at the Banff Centre for the Arts, at the Toronto Jazz Festival and in New York city.

For the past three years he has been a frequent performer at the Glass Slipper in Vancouver.



Livingston

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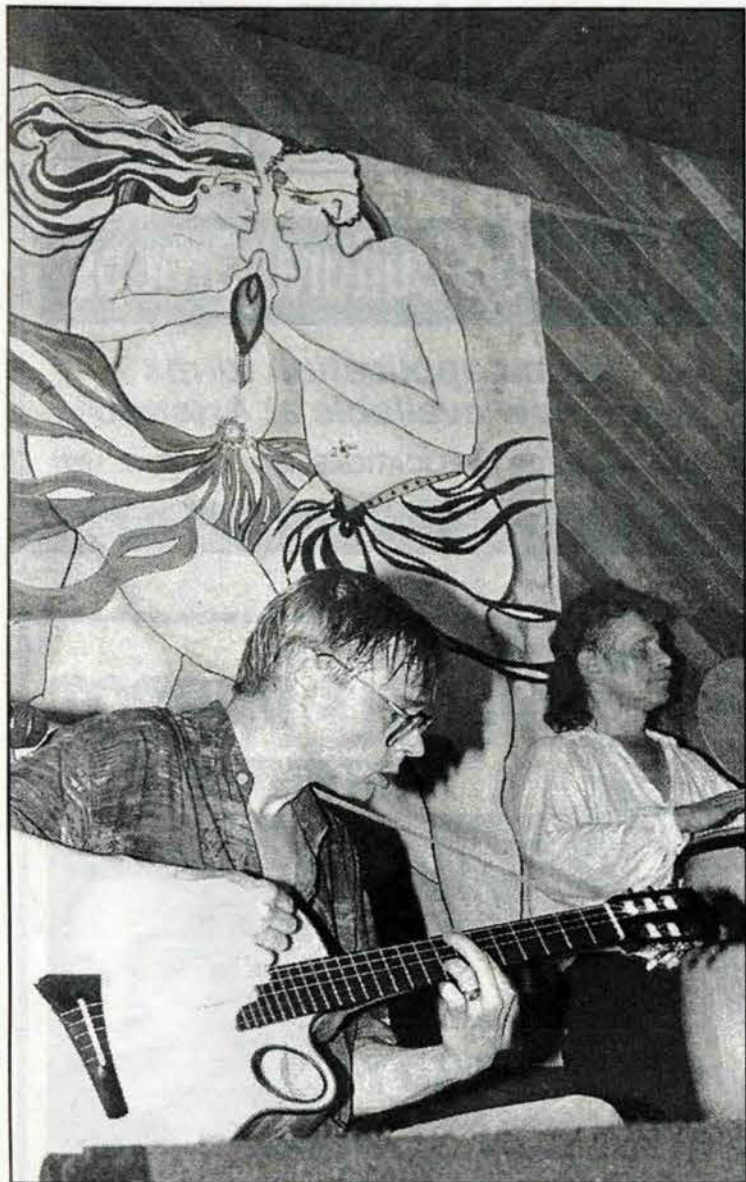
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TO THE BEAT: Dancers of ages bopped to the sound of Sunyata at Beaver Point Hall Saturday. At left, band members Jim Gawne (left) and Steve Glanville beat out the tunes in front of a June Boe painting.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

Sunyata entertains with abandon

Sunyata was a midsummer night's fantasy under the stars.

The trio of local musicians entertained an all-ages crowd with absolute abandon at Beaver Point Hall last Saturday night.

Sunyata's musical creation is a celebration of life and a perfect companion to midsummer's eve.

Salt Spring resident Steve Glanville plays the conga drums against a rich tapestry of melodious strings. Jim Gawne plays nine different instruments, including a hand-made plexi-bass which has an incredibly full-bodied tone.

Stuart Munroe's guitar expresses a gypsy passion dialogue in perfect harmony with

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all of Gawne's different sounds. Sunyata has a Spanish flavour at times and yet the sum total of the music is so much more than any one label can portray: these three musicians make music which speaks truth to the heart.

Reggae musicians strive to expand upon the heartbeat and as a reggae concert progresses there is first an acceleration and then a gradual deceleration of tempo which encourages the listener to enter a state of peaceful meditation at the end of the show. Sunyata maintains an incredibly high level of

energy throughout every song, which draws the listener toward the shaman's dance trance of ecstasy. The trio's intention is the expression of pure freedom and on this magical evening on Salt Spring they succeeded.

Gawne and Munroe released Sunyata I and II independently, and this earned them a feature spot on CBC Radio's Roots and Rhythm program. Their upcoming release Gypsy Sun Gypsy Moon was recorded at the Arizona-based Soundings of Planet studio, whose mandate is to promote peace through music. Gypsy Sun Gypsy Moon is due for release this fall and then Sunyata will tour California, Colorado, Utah and Arizona - but watch for them at the George and Dragon in Victoria before then.

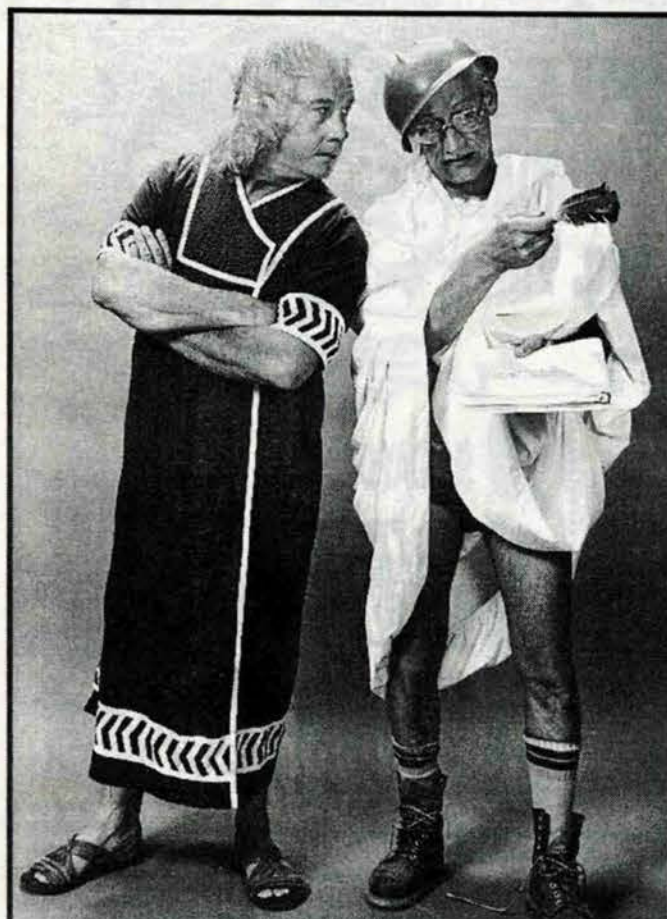
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92-year-old warms hearts (and stomachs) of neighbours

By SUSAN LUNDY
Driftwood Staff

One year ago she danced on a street corner in Dublin.

Last week she cooked a chicken dinner for the 93rd birthday of a fellow Brinkworthy resident.

And on Tuesday she spent her own birthday volunteering time in the Hospital Auxiliary's Thrift Shop.

It's hard to believe Jean Empey is 92.

"She's an inspiration to everyone," says longtime friend Elvie Hislop. "She's humorous, compassionate and we just love her."

Empey's volunteer work is well known on Salt Spring. She is a member of the Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary and the Hospital Auxiliary, and craft coordinator for the Golden Hands group.

She is also an active member of the Baptist church on Salt Spring.

Alone or needy neighbours are frequent recipients of Empey pies and cakes and, according to Legion auxiliary member Barb Bissett, "she makes cookies and takes them to the girls at the credit union."

"Anytime you ask her to do something, she's right there," Bissett adds.

A raffle at a Golden Hands flea market and bake sale scheduled for this Saturday will feature a quilt recently handcrafted by Empey, who loves to sew.

"And she'll be there with all her baking..." Hislop adds.

On Friday nights Empey welcomes patrons as they arrive at the Legion, working in a double capacity if there are raffle tickets to be sold. "She can talk anyone into buying a raffle ticket."

Born in Scotland in 1905, Empey emigrated to Canada some three years later. She moved to Salt Spring in 1957. She has two children who both live on the island — Bob Empey and Elaine MacDougald — plus eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Her husband of more than 50 years, Fay Empey, died in 1982 after the couple spent 25 years travelling from their Salt Spring-based home.

Most of her family lives within visiting distance, she says, noting that her granddaughters are almost like daughters to her.

Empey has been a member of the Hospital Auxiliary since 1984 and, although she planned to quit at age 90, she still works in the

Thrift Shop once a week.

"I worked all my life in stores," she says, noting she was formerly a manager at Eaton's. "I love meeting and talking to people — whether I know them or not."

Empey also admits to a passion for baking. When she sees someone who lives alone or doesn't cook, she enjoys taking them some of her fresh pies, cakes and cookies.

"I like to help out any of the neighbours who need something."

In addition to her compassion for others, Empey's energy and enthusiasm continues to amaze those who know her.

"She trots, she doesn't walk," Hislop says. "It's hard to keep up."

Empey still lives on her own, doing her own housework and tending her garden, "planting, weeding, wood-piling — I don't think there is anything she won't turn a hand to," Hislop says.

Indeed, she has almost finished applying a new coat of paint to her kitchen.

Dancing on a Dublin street corner is not out of character for Empey, who only gave up her driver's licence two years ago, and who plays a wicked crib game at Wednesday night cribbage events.

"She's the life of the party if she goes anywhere," says Bob Empey.

Hislop and Empey were paired up in a recent tour to Great Britain, taken by 28 Salt Spring seniors.

In Dublin the group happened upon a park where a collection of musicians was playing some "fairly peppy music."

"They (fellow tour members) were all sitting in the bus doing nothing," Empey recalls. "So I climbed out and started to dance."

The Irish tour guide joined her and soon cameras were clicking.

"I went to have a good time ... and I did," she laughs.

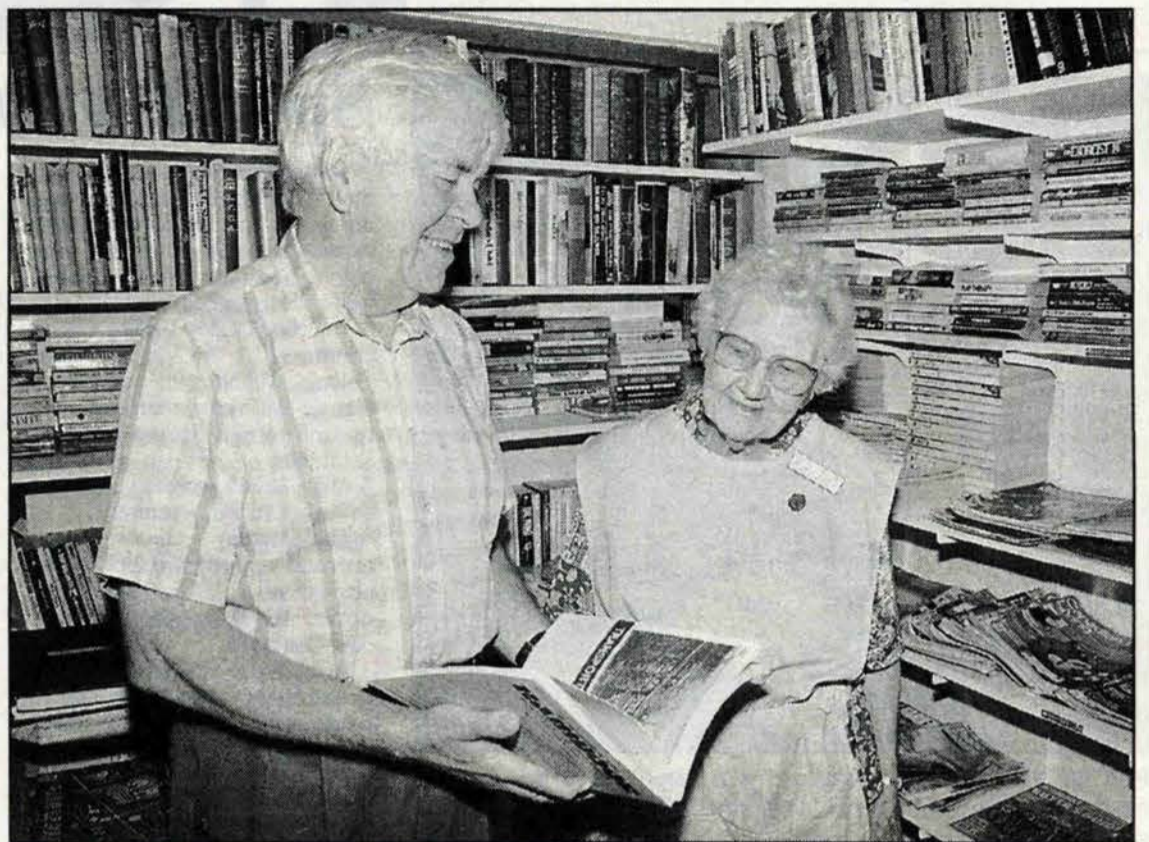
Hislop says the two traditionally took a daily glass of brandy on the Great Britain trip.

"Then we both got into the Guinness Ale. We started out gingerly ... but eventually we were drinking two with our sandwiches at noon," Hislop recalls. "We had a great time."

Although Bob Empey visits his mother almost every day "to keep an eye on her," he says, "she's in better shape than I am."

Empey doesn't feel 92: "I just enjoy people and I enjoy life."

Adds Bob Empey: "She acts young, thinks young. That's what keeps her going."



EXTRAORDINARY VOLUNTEER: 92-year-old Jean Empey, above, celebrates her birthday volunteering in the Thrift Shop's book section, giving a friendly welcome to patron Morris Walford. Below, Empey dances in the streets of Dublin with an Irish tour guide.

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PET OF THE MONTH: Edward is a sweet-natured, gentle, neutered male tabby who is seeking a good home. Anyone who can offer Edward a home should call the local SPCA at 537-2123.

Clumping litter proves dangerous to kittens

By TERRA TEPPER
Driftwood Contributor

Clumping litter appears to be a boon for busy cat owners. But a holistic technical writer recently brought to our attention that clumping litter, which is designed to absorb many times its weight in fluids, may present serious problems for kittens.

When kittens are first learning to use the litterbox, they tend to ingest a lot of litter while cleaning themselves. Once the litter is inside the kitten, the clumping type expands, forming a mass and blocking the intestines.

At the SPCA cat shed, we have changed our kitten litter to the regular kind and use the clumping litter only for the adult cats. You may wish to investigate this matter further, or discuss it with your veterinarian.

• Feline leukemia virus is now considered the #1 infectious disease causing death in domestic cats and is quickly becoming a problem on Salt Spring. The virus kills by

SPCA NEWS

attacking the immune system and leaving the cat vulnerable to a variety of secondary infections. Outdoor cats are at especially high risk of contracting this disease from other cats in the neighbourhood, but indoor cats are also at risk. There is no cure, however, the modern killed-virus vaccine has been demonstrated safe and effective. Kittens can receive their first shot as early as eight weeks of age, then a booster shot four weeks later. To maintain protection, the vaccine is included in the annual routine vaccinations.

• "Edward" is our Pet-of-the-Month, a sweet-natured, gentle neutered male tabby. And we have kittens of all shapes and sizes by the dozen, 19 to date in the cat shed and foster homes.

If you can provide a good home for a cat, please call the SPCA at 537-2123.

Special nutrition, cooking class set

Body-pampering women's weekends at Salt Spring Centre will open up to the community on three Saturdays this summer and fall, offering vegetarian cooking classes by a well-known nutrition columnist.

Catherine Collins, Healthy Choices columnist for the Victoria Times Colonist, will bring her wry sense of humour and common sense approach to food to Salt Spring Nutrition Saturdays, held as part of the Salt Spring Centre's women's weekends on August 16 and November 1.

The Saturday seminars (open to men and women) will include four nutrition sessions, a herb walk, lunch, dinner, slide show, video and hand-outs. Cost is \$95.

According to information provided by Salt Spring Centre, Collins believes people need to understand the positive effect of healthy food on the body.

"Even if people know what to eat, if they don't know how to fix good food quickly and easily, they will very soon fall back into bad eating habits."

Collins gets clients into the kitchen to discover how easy it is to turn out nourishing and tasty meals and snacks.

Lectures and classes are designed to promote a healthy body, eliminate toxins, use food as preventative medicine and promote a healthy outlook on life.

The nutritional sessions will involve numerous guest speakers who will "clarify today's most pressing health concerns."

Some speakers and topics will include:

- "Rate your Plate — a pro-active nutritional analysis" by Victoria Harrison, co-author of *Becoming Vegetarian*;
- "Culinary Attributes of Medicinal Herbs" by Carol McGrath, herbalist;
- "Fats and Oils: the Good, the Bad, and the Healthy," by Brenda Davis,

co-author of *Becoming Vegetarian*;

- Anti-oxidants and Phytochemicals: to protect against killer diseases, by Vasanto Melina, co-author of *Cooking Vegetarian*;
- What the Heck is Biotech? by Sylvia Danyluk of the Ayurvedic College Victoria.

The cooking classes will be held in conjunction with nutrition and spa weekends at the centre. Body-pampering will include massage, reflexology, ayurvedic swedan herbal steam sessions and yoga classes.

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- **ALCOHOL & DRUG PROGRAM:** Prevention & treatment service is free and confidential.
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- **COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS:** "Belly Talk" is a new group for pregnant women, which meets Monday 7:30pm in the Family Place. Come & share your hopes, fears, joys & complaints about your pregnancy & up-coming motherhood with other pregnant women. For more info call Jules Atkins at 653-4533.
- **RECYCLE DEPOT:** Open Tuesday - Saturday from 10:00am-5pm, 349 Rainbow Rd., 537-1200.
- **COMMUNITY WELLNESS PROGRAMS COORDINATOR:** Call Sharon Glover at 537-4607.
- **CLIMBING WALL HOURS:** Thurs. & Fri. 6:30 - 9:30pm / Sat. 3-6pm. Full equipment chg. \$2.50. **CLUB NIGHT:** Sunday 6:30-9:30pm.

TAKE NOTE

OF THESE DATES

AUG. 16: Fulford Day, Drummond Park, 10am-6pm

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Seniors & Alzheimers support group, Seniors for Seniors bldg. 11am
- Archery Shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm.
- Stamp Collectors all ages, Seniors For Seniors, 10am.
- Cancer Support Group, Croftonbrook 10am-12 noon (every 3rd Wed.)
- Core-Inn Committee Meetings, Core-Inn on McPhillips, 4:30-6pm.
- Special Olympics Bowling, Bowling Alley, 10am-11am.
- O.A.P.O. Loonie tea & video, Lower Central Hall, 1:30 (except 2nd Wed.)
- Therapeutic Touch practice group, Seniors for Seniors, 7pm (every 3rd Wed.)
- Drop in centre for people with mental health diagnosis, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- Music and Munch, All Saints by-the-Sea, 12:10pm.
- Sports & arts & crafts day, Core Inn Youth Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.

EVERY THURSDAY

- Salt Spring Weavers & Spinners Guild, 10:30-2pm.
- Parkinsons Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 2pm (second Thurs. of the mo.)
- Luncheon, Seniors for Seniors, 12 noon.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health diagnosis, basement of SSI Community Centre, 7pm-9pm.
- Chess Club, Seniors for Seniors Bldg., 7pm.
- Reading Club for 7-12 year olds, Library, 1:30-2:30, July 10-Aug. 14.
- Tony's Pizzeria, Core Inn, DJ and great pizza, 7-11pm.

EVERY FRIDAY

- Fulford OAP #170, bingo 2:00pm.
- Games afternoon, Seniors for Seniors, 1:30pm, Mah Jongg 12:30pm.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health diagnosis, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- Friday Feast, Core Inn Youth Centre, 6:30-8:30pm.

EVERY SATURDAY

- Book Sale, downstairs at library, 10am-12:30pm.

EVERY MONDAY

- Free blood pressure clinic, Seniors for Seniors 10-12noon (last Mon. ea. mo.)
- Adult 22 rifle shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7-9pm.
- Taoist Tai Chi, for Seniors, Lower Central Hall, 10am.
- OAPO #32 carpet bowling, Lower Central Hall, 1:30pm.
- Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10am
- Teen Sewing Club, textiles lab, Middle School 4pm-6pm.
- Life Drawing, Windfall rm., library, 1-3pm.
- French & Spanish conversation group, Seniors for Seniors, 10am-noon (not last Monday of the mo.)
- Teen Sewing Club, SSI Middle School, 4pm-6pm.
- SS Weavers & Spinner, @ Farmers' Ins. to use the library, 10:30am (every 2nd Thurs.)
- SSI Buddhist meditation group, 135 McPhillips Ave., 7:30pm.
- Special Olympics swimming, Shelby Pool, 5pm-6pm.
- Bandemonium, Meaden Hall, the Legion, 7-9pm.
- Hand gun, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm
- Carpet bowling, OAP Fulford hall, 2pm.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health diagnosis, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.

EVERY TUESDAY

- Duplicate Bridge, Meaden Hall at the Legion, 7pm.
- Seniors choir practices, Seniors for Seniors, 10:30am.
- Target Archery, Fulford Hall, 5-8pm.
- Adult small bore, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7-9pm
- Drop in centre for people with mental health diagnosis, basement of SSI Community Centre, 7pm-9pm.
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Announcements

6 DEATHS

WINDSOR: IVY AGNES, nee Parks, Born March 4, 1921 passed away July 28, 1997. She moved to Salt Spring from Coe Hill, Ontario in 1971 until 1988 when she moved back to Ontario. She was predeceased by her husband Frederick LaVerne Windsor. She leaves her loving children; Bill, Wilma, Ben and Beverly; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends. A memorial service was held on Saturday August 2, 1997 at Armstrong Funeral Home in Oshawa, Ontario.

JONES, DORA Winnifred, passed away at Saanich Peninsula Hospital on July 29, 1997 at the age of 95 years. A long time resident of Galiano Island, B.C., predeceased by her husband, James Francis, in 1986. Cremation with interment at the Galiano Cemetery. Memorial tea will be held at the Page Drive Lounge on Friday, August 8, 1997 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. First Memorial Funeral Services, 384-5512.

11 COMING EVENTS

CAROLE MATTHEWS Psychic taking appointments month of August. 537-2031. Join Carole on the Messenger Files radio show, AM 900, Saturday, 7 - 9 p.m. Call 1-888-594-8255.

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CRD-ISLANDS TRUST JOINT MEETINGS
Joint working meetings between the CRD and the Islands Trust are now held bi-monthly. Any group or individual wishing to make a presentation at one of these meetings is invited to make an appointment to be included on the agenda by contacting Pauline Brazier, Islands Trust, at 537-9144.

Smoke Free BINGO
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11 COMING EVENTS

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9pm - 1am
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Sept. 3 - Dec. 19
Mon.-Wed.-Fri.
9am - 10am
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Sept. 9 - Dec. 12
no classes on Sept. 16, 19 and Nov. 11. Make-up class Thursday Sept. 18.
5:30pm - 6:30pm
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PRE/POST NATAL
All Saints by the Sea
Sept. 16 - Oct. 21
Oct. 28 - Dec. 9
9am - 10am
Tues. & Thurs.
Pre-registration required
\$44.30

BODYWALK
Portlock Park
Sept. 28 - Oct. 12
9:30am - 11am
3 Sundays
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All Saints by the Sea
Oct. 15 - Nov. 19
6 Wednesdays
7:30pm - 8:30pm
pre-registration
\$46.23

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Salt Spring 537-2317 or 537-2270
Galiano 539-2222

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29 LOST AND FOUND

KEY FOUND near Purple Parrot Restaurant on July 30. Owner may claim at the Driftwood office.

TRAVEL ALARM clock found July 29, on McPhillips Ave. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

REWARD: STILL missing "Emma" small tabby cat with white front and tummy. Unevenly marked. Nicked left ear. From Channel Ridge area. Call 537-4739.

CANE FOUND at the intersection of Lower and Upper Ganges Road, Thursday, July 31. Owner may claim at Driftwood.

34 NOTICES/PERSONAL

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MOVING SALE, 905 North End Road, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, August 8, 9, 10. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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HUGE GARAGE Sale. Furniture, lamps, collectibles, curtains, hanging flower baskets and patio flowers, for-wilderness camping trailer, etc. Friday, Aug. 8, 2 to 5 p.m., Sat. & Sun., Aug. 9 & 10, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 420 Fulford-Ganges Rd.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 8 am - noon. 120 Price Road. Furniture, appliances, windows, toys, housewares, books, pots & pans, speakers, dryer, clothing, lamps, hide-a-bed, chairs, desks and more... All proceeds to GISS Senior Girls Volleyball Hawaii trip.

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315 CARS & TRUCKS

FOR SALE: 1984 Pontiac Firebird, 2.8L engine. \$1000 obo. Phone 537-5542.

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1973 CHEVY 1-TON Crewcab needs engine work, \$500. Two Honda 400cc motorcycles, need work, \$100 each. 537-4852.

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SHIMPO POTTER'S wheel for sale. 1978, excellent condition. \$600 obo. 537-1542.

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TRADE SCREENED garden topsoil for split cedar fence posts. 537-0717.

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1993 WESTWIND TRAVEL trailer, 20'. Completely self-contained, including microwave, TV antenna, awning, sleeps 6. Immaculate. Never been towed. Use for your building site or rental income on your property. Asking \$12,400. Phone 537-2888.

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BOLER TRAILER 13', excellent condition, heater, 3-way fridge, 12V electrical system. \$3000. Isabella Point. 653-9253.

1992 ELKHORN 9 1/2' CAMPER, Bathroom with shower, etc. Excellent condition. \$8500. 537-0176, leave message.

379 FREE/RECYCLABLES

THIS COLUMN is designed for free recyclable items only (no animals). There is no charge to place items in this column. Ads must be submitted in person at the Driftwood office (328 Lower Ganges Road) by normal deadline (Monday 2 pm.). SALT SPRING Island Recycle Depot is located at 349 Rainbow Rd. We are open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm. This service is operated by Salt Spring Island Community Services. Please call the recycle depot at 537-1200, or community services at 537-9971 for information on materials accepted for recycling.

FREE ELECTRIC stove! All parts complete. Call 537-9932 or drop by Core Inn Youth Project, 134 McPhillips Avenue. KELVINATOR side by side fridge. Working fridge, barely freezing freezer. 653-2304.

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385 WANTED

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THE GREAT Ganges Junk Co. is back in business and is now buying furniture, antiques, collectibles or what have you. Call 537-5148.

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WANTED: ARBUTUS branches, all sizes. 537-1218 or 537-0710.

WANTED: PIANO accordion, 48 base or less, good condition. Phone 653-4361, Shirley.

Real Estate

410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

ESCAPE SALT Spring winter. Beautiful one bedroom plus den 1200 sq. ft. condo on Dallas Rd., Victoria, waterfront. Ground floor, small quiet block. 250-386-3346.

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Rentals

500 APT./SUITES FOR RENT

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BY THE Ocean - New fully furnished 1 bedroom private apartment, adult oriented. Suitable for 1 or 2 people, N/S, N/P. Light, heat and cable included. \$750/mo nth. 537-9620.

CUTE, LITTLE, 2-storey suite for one. Fulford Village, self-contained, September 1st, \$400. 653-2348.

BRIGHT, SUNNY, two bedroom, spacious, town house style suite. Private courtyard, sunny deck, lawn, coin op laundry, etc. Available August 15. Call 537-5363.

510 COMMERCIAL SPACE

PRIME DOWNTOWN office space for rent at 152A Fulford Ganges Road. Presently occupied as Simon Knott Law Office. May be available with office fixtures, work stations, computer and phone systems. To view walk in 9 a.m. to noon, or call 537-5669 for appointment.

Upper Ganges Centre

- Air Conditioned Offices
Low Rates
Call Ron 537-5521

515 HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

EAGLE RIDGE cottage. Peaceful, private, modern, self-contained 1 bedroom house. 3 minutes to beach and town. \$100/night, \$500/week. Phone 537-4466.

FABULOUS COTTAGE retreat, 2 bedroom fully self-contained, all cedar, with decks, privacy, jacuzzi, fireplace, sunrises, sunsets & more. Five minutes from town, 2 minutes to lake or ocean. Daily or weekly, 3 day minimum. For reservations call Angel's Nest 537-9211.

NOOT'S COTTAGE by the Sea. Private waterfront, self-contained cottage. Available Aug. 3 - 17. Weekly rate \$595, includes breakfast. Call 537-2641. No children, no smoking.

SOUTH SALTSRING 2 bedroom, oceanfront cottage on 7 exquisite secluded acres, antiques/fireplace, sleeps 7. 2 weeks \$1475, or August 7 to September 7, \$1850, or August 7 to September 2, \$1750. \$200 security deposit (phone, cleaning). 653-4468.

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

LOVELY OLDER three-bedroom house, Fulford-Ganges Road, across from Ambulance Centre. \$1100/month includes gardening service. Call 653-4329.

2 BEDROOM OCEANFRONT with large studio, beautiful location, near Fulford Marina. Available September. \$1100/month. 653-4386.

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATHROOM, close to Ganges, quiet road, \$850/month. 1-800-969-5647.

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

NEW 2 BEDROOM, Cranberry Valley. Available September 15. Long lease. No dogs/smokers. \$875/month. 537-2119.

2 BED & DEN, 1200+ sq. ft. no-step rancher just a stone's throw from St. Mary Lake. Four year old country cottage home and 3/4 acre landscaped property are beautiful and in new condition. Don't delay, first one in will take. Lease negotiable or \$1,100 monthly. Call Lisa, 537-5727.

LOVELY VESUVIUS 3 bedroom home, quiet, well treed. N/S, N/P, N/D. Available September. \$900/month. 537-1804.

IDEAL FOR responsible single or mature couple, new house, Walker Hook Rd. non smoker, long term, \$690 plus utilities. 537-0008 or 250-344-2681.

TOP HALF of bi-level, 3 bedrooms, deck, carport, on Beddis Road, \$700. Available September 3. Call David or Susan, 604-985-9146.

ARTISTS RETREAT: exquisitely built log, post & beam (1 bdrm) loft cottage with bsmt on 5 quiet acres. Mins. to Ganges beach and Long Harbour Ferry. Wood & elec. heat. South hillside exposure, facing pastoral farm valley below. For N/S September 1, \$750/mo. 537-1433.

ST. MARY LAKE, 1 bedroom furnished cottage, September 1, \$600 + utilities. Rent reduction for property maintenance. Single, responsible, quiet person, references. 537-5681.

FULFORD HARBOUR view, 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath., 1200+ sq. ft., electric heat, air tight wood stove. Secluded 3 1/2 acres, walking distance to ferry. \$850/month. Non-smokers. Call 653-9718. Please leave a message.

2 BEDROOM, 3 STOREY house, partly furnished, on Cuscheon Lake. Available August 20 to July 15, 1998. \$775/mo. N/S. 604-987-5204 Judy or Dave

AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER, earlier by arrangement. Charming new cottage set in 5 acres. N/S, N/P, suitable for adult and/or professional couple. \$750/month + hydro. 653-4312 eves.

CHARACTER WESTCOAST-style 2 bedroom home with ocean view, Sept. 1 to June 30. Near Beddis beach. N/S, no untrained pets, not suitable for small children. References please. \$850/month. 537-9339.

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- 3br. Sunset Dr. N/S, N/P, \$850/mo.
3br. Mobile, Long Harbour wft. \$650/mo.
2br. wft. Sept. - June, \$590.
3br. view home, near Cuscheon Lake, \$1100/mo.

530 SHARED ACCOMMODATION

LARGE FURNISHED room. Private entrance and bathroom, 10 minutes from Ganges. Suitable for quiet single. September 15. \$375. 537-2796.

535 SITUATIONS WANTED

LOCAL MALE, 48, house sitter, caretaker, gardener, 10 years psych. nursing experience. Can I help you? Local references. Claude 537-8903.

HOUSESITTER AVAILABLE August 27 to January 7. Excellent local references. Sue Newman, 537-1301. This is the correct telephone number.

540 WANTED/RENTALS

WANTED FOR September 1: Small suite, cottage or house in north end for industrious woman with school age child. Excellent references. Must be reasonable rent. Call Jake, 537-5728.

FIND WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IN THE DRIFTWOOD CLASSIFIEDS

Or call 537-9933 to place an ad.

DEATHS

EVANS, SAMUEL Charles (born 1921, Wallasey, Cheshire, England) died August 4th due to cancer. He will be remembered and sadly missed by many, as well as his own loving family - wife Lee Evans, daughter Carol Evans and son-in-law Bryn King (Salt Spring Island), son, Neal Evans and daughter-in-law Peggy Evans, grandsons Max and Frank (Dundas, Ontario), daughter Peggy Evans and son-in-law Bob Fuller, grandchildren Wylie and Natalie (Victoria, BC). Sam came to Salt Spring with Lee in 1981 from Tsawwassen, BC and enjoyed active participation with Salt Spring United Church, Salt Spring Singers and the Salt Spring Community Society. As an engineer he worked in telecommunications in Portugal, Brazil and BC. After retirement Sam and Leespent 3 years as United Church overseas personnel in Tanzania, a year with a CESO UN project in Kenya and 2 years in Brazil as volunteers in community development. Join us in a service of celebration of his life Sunday, August 10th, 2 pm at the Salt Spring United Church. In lieu of flowers, donations to the BC Cancer Society or Division of World Outreach, United Church would be gratefully accepted.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

PLEASE NOTE: Too Late to Classify ads are accepted only after 2:00pm Monday and before 12:00pm Tuesday at the rate of \$10.50 for 20 words or less and 35 cents for each additional word. They are accepted on a first come first served basis and are printed only if space permits. The Driftwood cannot be responsible for errors or omissions as these ads may not be proof read because of time constraint.

TWO BEDROOM house for rent. Excellent condition. Trincomali Heights. 5 appliances. Move in immediately \$700/month. 537-1446.

SUITE FOR rent August 1. 1200 sq. ft. ground level, N/S, N/P, with W/D, utilities included. Fernwood area. \$700. per month. 537-2447.

ARTCAMP 97 only a few openings left for August 11 - 15. Sculpting, tie-dye, painting, mask making, singing and movement, swimming and games. 9 - 4 daily ages 6 - 12. \$175. Family rates. 537-1211.

LAWN SHARKS! Grass cutting and trimming, and brush cutting. Competitive, efficient. 537-0662.

RESPONSIBLE, QUIET employed young man seeking caretaking position. Will do lawn and garden maintenance in exchange for accommodation. Will take good care of your home. 537-4833.

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Some expect busy fall after quiet year in real estate

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Hot months may not be the hot time to sell homes on Salt Spring.

For the second year in a row, realtors may be looking at a busy fall, which will translate into construction industry work next spring and summer.

Windermere realtor Marshall Lindholm, who tracks Salt Spring sales, notes the numbers of inquiries about housing on Salt Spring are up although sales are still a bit sluggish. "We have more lookers than we had last year and from further afield," Lindholm said. "I think we're going to have a good fall."

The pattern this year is echoing that of last year, when sales suddenly soared in September and October after a disappointingly quiet summer. "Perhaps our new cycle in selling on Salt Spring is a fall market, not the spring and summer," Lindholm said.

Jesse James of ReMax firmly declined to enter into future speculation on real estate. "The experts are always wrong, so why should I be right," she observed. There is no way to predict the market, she added.

"Nothing's been traditional," noted Windermere owner-broker Russ Crouse. The first three months of 1997 were busier than the following three months, a reversal of the usual pattern.

Lindholm attributes the slow spring sales to uncertainty over the looming federal election. Sales slowed at the end of March, he said. Another factor has been poor weather, which he suspects has kept people from house or lot hunting.

"Fewer people slosh around and look at land in the rain," he said.

He still finds some silver lining in the clouds. For example, he notes, only a dozen homes sold in July last year but as of mid-July this year, there had been 10 sales.

The sales — particularly lot sales — from last fall put contractors to work this summer. In Channel Ridge alone, 12 lots were sold last fall and work has started on nine homes.

"It's been a busy summer for the contractors and road builders because of last year's sales," he said.

Crouse agreed. "We're a fairly significant sector of the community," he said of the real estate industry. "If we're improving,

the construction industry improves. That will bring a more stable, all-round economy to the island."

He's seeing more inquiries from further afield, particularly from Ontario and Alberta as the economies in those provinces improve. "Alberta is almost booming and Ontario is in recovery," he observed.

Homeowners who had been putting off their move to the Gulf Islands until they can sell their homes are now coming into the market, he added. The same is true of improving real estate sales in the Lower Mainland.

Pricing is crucial, real estate agents agreed.

Mary Small, principal agent for Century 21 Islands, said sales are hottest in the \$157,000 to \$249,000 price range. There have also been three or four sales in the \$350,000 to \$600,000 range, she notes.

There's lots of market choice priced between \$200,000 and \$300,000. "Prices have come down and have levelled off and sellers are a little more inclined to look at offers," Small said.

"We're finding the market is quite active, prices are very realistic," James said. She reports "realistically priced" properties are selling well, especially those under \$250,000. There's another flurry of sales at the top end of the market, she adds, but a lull in-between.

Lindholm maintains Salt Spring is still a buyer's market but he doesn't expect further price reductions.

"We've pretty much hit bottom on prices," he said. Sellers must price carefully. "At the end of the day, it's going to be price. A \$10,000 variance can be the difference between no showings and a sale in the first week."

His figures for the first six months of 1997 show 78 home sales and 21 lot sales, compared to 90 home sales and 25 lot sales for the same period in 1996.

The most action was in homes under \$200,000. Twenty-five sold, establishing an average selling price of \$175,000. In the \$200,000 to \$250,000 range, there were 11 sales establishing an average price of \$224,500.

In the mid-range of \$251,000 to \$400,000 there were two groups of seven sales each, establishing average prices of \$275,600 and \$330,800 respectively.

Four waterfront properties sold (average price \$512,000);

seven townhomes were purchased (average \$198,000); and four duplexes sold (average \$171,600).

Mobile home sales were busy with 10 units selling, establishing an average price of

\$106,000. Lindholm said units in Brinkworthy accounted for the majority of those sales. "They're cheap, relatively speaking."

Prices paid for lots ranged from \$84,000 paid for a single half-acre property to three water-

front lots at an average price of \$224,000. Five to 10-acre and 10-acre-plus lots fetched \$150,000.

Most of the action was in half to one-acre lots. Eight sold at an average price of \$87,000.



Splash party
St. Mary Lake was the spot for some wet fun this week as visiting cousins in the Healy family enjoyed the lake with their wives. The cousins were on Salt Spring visiting with Phyllis Agar.

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Alligator lizards have handy trick of shedding tails

By LINDA CANNON
Driftwood Contributor
Reptiles!

Why are many of us repelled by these creatures? Yet fascinated, too, for world-wide, a zoo's reptile exhibit will attract more visitors than any other display.

Reptiles include alligators and crocodiles, snakes, turtles and lizards. In British Columbia, we don't have the first two, but we certainly have the last three. In fact, our province has been home to 18 reptile species — nine kinds of snake, four kinds of turtle and three kinds of lizard.

Are you squirming yet? Most of us have been taught to fear and loathe the reptiles, and think them cold, clammy creatures. Reptiles are cold-blooded, but they aren't clammy. They have a leathery, horny or scaly skin which is usually cool and dry to the touch.

Like us, they're vertebrates (have backbones) and they have lungs. And they're old and suc-

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cessful, biologically speaking. The fossil record shows them to be several hundred million years older than we are.

Just a couple of hundred million years ago, when reptiles were at their most successful and dominated the earth, dinosaurs were king. And dinosaurs were — yup, you guessed it — reptiles.

Of course, dinosaurs and their kind are long gone, but some reptiles remain, reminding us that all species, including humans, are essentially fragile and can be gone in a flash. Perhaps that's why they scare us so.

Of the three lizard species found in British Columbia, only one, the alligator lizard, is found in the Gulf Islands. Alligator lizards have slender, elongated brown bodies and tails. Adults can be up to 229 mm (nine inch-

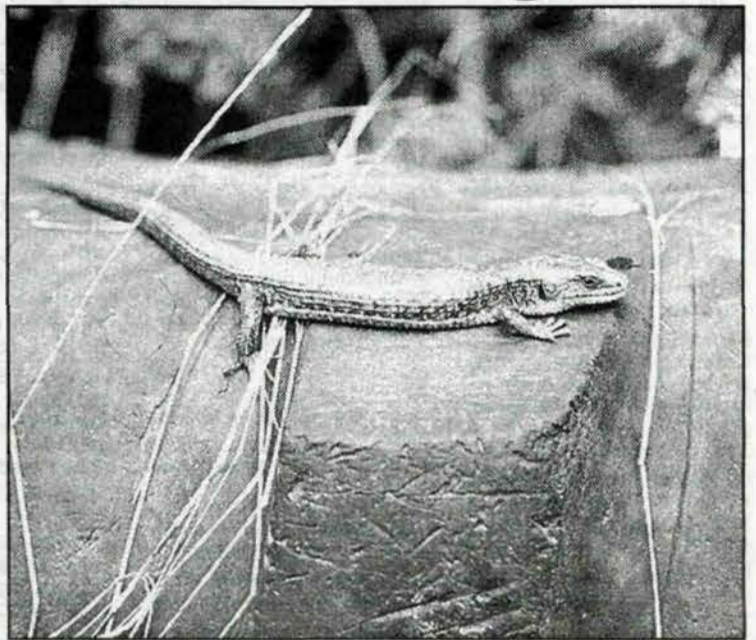
es) long. They're insect eaters and will even dine on black widow spiders.

Alligator lizards hibernate during the winter, but in summer, look for them on rocks where they can be seen soaking up the sun. You'll have to sneak up, because they're secretive and shy.

They have to be. Alligator lizards have no defence but to flee, and that may not be fast enough to escape a predator unless the lizard is very warm. So Mother Nature has given the alligator lizard a magic trick — autotomy.

Autotomy means they can shed their tail at will. It doesn't have to be actually pulled off by a predator. The lizard can leave it behind, where it may wiggle away on its own for a few minutes, thus amazing the predator to such an extent that the lizard can steal way.

Ta da! And for their next trick, they grow it back.



ONLY ONE: The alligator lizard is the only species of lizard found in the Gulf Islands.
Photo by Jonathan Grant

Society speaker interviews 'Goss' islanders

By ALISTAIR ROSS
Driftwood Contributor

John Goss was an Englishman, the possessor of a beautiful baritone voice, a concert artist of renown and a V.I.P. during the 1940s Vancouver arts scene.

A friend of English composers of the post World War I period, he included their works in his recital programs. In Vancouver, Goss established a studio on Granville Street where the students were taught, recitals were given and the social problems of the day discussed.

Why is this material being featured in a column of current Galiano news? During the early '40s, Goss brought his students to Galiano for summer workshops. They were held at "Lions," resort cottages built by Alex and Edith Scoones on east-side Galiano near Scoones (now Morning) Beach.

Last Thursday, Andrew Loveridge, president of the Gulf Islands Historical Society, hosted a late-afternoon meeting of that group at Galiano's Bellhouse Inn. Guest speaker was Robert Beckhard, here with his wife Pat from New York, interviewing people who lived on the island during those years and those from the city who had known the musician.

The Beckhards were not disappointed in their exploration of Goss' Galiano connection. Interviews were made with Scoones family members Bill and Elizabeth (Steward), with Agnes Caron, and with Rosalie Ross, whose son and daughter-in-law are summer

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residents of North Galiano.

The Beckhards began their research on Goss while studying his contemporaries. They wondered why he was so little known when he obviously was a leader in his field in his day. The son of a Midlands piano factory worker and a social activist, Goss adopted his father's political views. Educated at Ruskin College, a school for the young of working people, he was bright, good-looking and adaptable, the possessor of a fine voice. As a delegate in 1949 to a Scientific and Cultural World Peace Conference in New York, Goss was singled out

for investigation by Joseph McCarthy's Un-American Activities Committee, suspected of communist leanings. He was deported back to Canada. His world unravelled after that, the many civic positions he held in Vancouver being denied him for one reason or another. In 1950 he returned to England where he died in February of 1953.

Country wedding

Sol Ahlstram and Glenn Belhouse were wed in late June. The ceremony took place at the precise moment of the summer solstice — June 21, 7:20 a.m. Bart and Max, Tonio Bacharach's two Flemish draught horses, brought the bride to the ceremony. Friends were witnesses.

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Colourful display pays tribute to honoured island gardener

By GAIL TRAFFORD
Driftwood Correspondent

Flowers and gardens were foremost in the minds of islanders as the long weekend began.

Larry and Robyn Page, Jennifer Griffith and Jean-Luc Bertrand honoured Jean Duplessis, Saturna's volunteer public gardener, with a wine and cheese party at Saturna Lodge. Duplessis is moving to Victoria after several years of bringing public and private gardens into brilliant blossom around Saturna.

Friends and neighbours gathered at the lodge and, surrounded by a colourful display of Duplessis' talent, toasted his contribution to the island. Several public areas including the ferry dock, the triangle where Narvaez Bay Road joins East Point Road and the entrance to the fire hall have blossomed under his touch.

Donations were accepted to provide a continuing fund to maintain these gardens and for the purchase of new plants as necessary. Duplessis will undoubtedly return to the island occasionally to revisit his gardens as well as the people he compares to his plants, thriving on Saturna.

Carol Money introduced David and Diane Leeman, the new owners of Saturna Nursery, to her gardening friends on Saturday when the nursery officially changed hands. The Leemans come to Saturna from North Vancouver. They are delighted to leave behind crime, pollution and "the rat race" for a new life on Saturna. They dreamed of living in a community that cares and feel they have found their answer here.

David Leeman worked for 35 years in the construction industry but has been a passionate gardener for years. He gardened and landscaped his home in the city and was the neighbourhood expert on plants. He absolutely loves plants and now he can't believe he's going to earn a living doing something that brings him so much pleasure.

The Leemans knew for years that they wanted to move to the Gulf Islands and had visited several islands over the past few years. It was an advertisement on the Internet that drew their attention to Saturna. They subsequently visited the island

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and fell in love. Saturna gardeners came out to welcome the newcomers and look forward to a long, green relationship with the Leemans.

Baseball weekend

The Dave Jack Memorial Trophy, provided by the Saturna Lions Club, was awarded to the Saturna Oystercatchers after a weekend of tough competition.

An invitational baseball tournament organized by the Saturna Athletic Association brought the Mayne Island team and the "Bushmen" from Vancouver here for the competition.

The Athletic Association held a dance for the players and the community Saturday evening and used that opportunity to award most valuable player trophies to the top male and female players, Bob and Theresa Hunter. Door prizes were awarded courtesy of local businesses.

Sunday, as the playoffs between the Mayne team and the Oystercatchers progressed, the community gathered and enjoyed a salmon barbecue put on by the Lions Club. Competition was heightened by a donation from Oystercatcher Terry Danyliw, who put his own trophy on the line. He changed the plaque for the tournament and agreed the winning team would keep the prize. His teammates didn't let him down. The prize stays on Saturna this year. Next year? Keep practising, Oystercatchers!

Dead bat

A dead bat on my barbecue Friday morning prompted a call to Dr. Bev Greenlaw at the Magic Lake Veterinary Clinic.

She confirmed my fear that rabies does occur locally in the bat population but at a very low incidence. Bats can fly and traverse distances so they can easily carry the disease from one area to another. She recommended a quick burial for the bat

using gloves to avoid contact with any bodily fluids.

Any wild animal acting out of normal behaviour patterns, she said, may be suspect. The animal may be aggressive or overly sedate and confused depending on the stage of the disease. Be concerned of any wild animal, except deer, that is not afraid of people.

Rabies is not only very contagious but deadly. One and a half years ago a child died in Washington after being exposed to rabies. Dogs and especially cats will play with bats and so they should be vaccinated. It's not worth the risk to skip their protection and ultimately your own.

Friday evening I met up with my house guest whose path I had not crossed all day.

"Did you see the bat we killed?" she asked. "It got in the house and scared us to death. We left it on the barbecue."

So breathe a sigh of relief. The bat on the barbecue did not die of rabies. Greenlaw recommends if a bat gets in your house, open the doors and windows and encourage it to get out. However, be safe and don't touch it.



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Islands mourned loss of tourists who were attracted elsewhere

Thirty-five years ago

A whimsical obituary mourned the loss of the tourist to local businesses. According to the story, I.M. Tourist had not come for the usual visit to Salt Spring. Friends and businesspeople were anxiously awaiting Tourist's arrival when he was discovered to have succumbed to other attractions in Victoria, clutching a Tally Ho ride ticket and a pennant from the Seattle World's Fair. His wallet was empty.

School trustees decided to delay a school construction referendum until October 5, in order to allow for updating of the island voters' list. The referendum, originally slated for August 3, was on construction of a science room and auditorium-gymnasium. With the voters' list due to be updated the third week of September, trustees decided it would be fairer to wait until early October for the vote.

Thirty years ago

A four-pawed shipwrecked mariner was waiting to be reunited with his owner after being washed ashore on Wallace Island. Mrs. Upward rescued the young border collie from the waves. He was assumed to have been lost from a passing boat and was being billeted at a local kennel until the owner turned up.

R.G. Willock picked up first prize in the Salt Spring Island Rod and Gun Club annual fishing derby with a 13 pound, four ounce salmon. The ladies' prize went to Dorothy Bingham for her catch of a nine pound, 13 ounce fish.

Twenty-five years ago

Looking a bit like an invading force from King Neptune, 14 students in Don Irwin's scuba diving course lined up for a photo as they rose out of the waves to the beach. The group completed their qualifying test in waters off Collins Road.

DOWN THE YEARS

The need for a sewer system to serve Ganges was discussed at a community meeting called by the school district. Further development of the community was being hampered by the lack of sewer service while Ganges schools were being required to install new sewage disposal systems.

Chamber of Commerce members agreed to apply for a government grant in order to research future employment options on the island. Of particular concern was providing jobs for young people.

Twenty years ago

A schedule to complete the playing fields at Portlock Park was discussed at a meeting of the Portlock Park committee. The soccer field had been seeded, water had been brought to the park and work was under way to put up an inside fence around the running track and to prepare the softball diamond for seeding.

Galiano parents were asking the school board for permission to send their children to Salt Spring instead of to Mayne for junior secondary classes. The parents felt a wider range of courses was available on Salt Spring.

Salt Spring youths Bruce Cobanli and Robbie Cannon won the B.C. 16-and-under youth championship for sailing at a meet in Vancouver. The two used a four-metre flying Junior. They hoped to enter the Western Canadian finals.

Fifteen years ago

Unwary business owners were being targeted by a Toronto-based advertising company, Intra Canada Telecommunications, which was sending out notices which looked like invoices for B.C. Telephone

directory advertising. Small print on the notices explained the \$25.20 bill was for a listing in another directory presumably being published by the Toronto company.

Information was being sought on a hit-and-run accident which seriously injured a Vancouver woman cycling on the island. Dr. Nona Rowat was struck from behind while riding up Ganges Hill. She suffered seven fractures in one leg and a compression fracture of her vertebrae and was expected to be confined to a wheelchair for a year.

Ten years ago

Consultant Tom Moore of Victoria was retained by a Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce committee to complete a study into incorporation of Ganges. Much of the work for the study had been done by island volunteers but the chamber committee felt Moore's expertise would give an overview and direction for the study. Moore's \$5,000 fee could be covered by a grant from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

Five years ago

Salt Spring was in the middle of a brief media frenzy, with a segment on island gardens being aired by CBC radio and two television features being filmed on the island. CKVU was producing The Gulf Islands — The Last Paradise, while BCTV came to the island to film part of a four-part feature on recycling and the environment.

Approximately 140 islanders shared their vision of the Islands Trust area at a forum in Central Hall. Participants were asked to describe what they valued about the Trust area and how they felt the area might change, for better or for worse. The forum was part of the information being gathered by the Islands Trust to help develop its policy statement document.

Teens paint climbing wall mural

At first they were going to appeal to Salt Spring homeowners to donate tins of leftover paint.

But since Mouat's Trading Co. manager Ben Martens offered them 30 gallons of new paint, budding Core Inn artists need only brushes and rollers.


Former art therapist Tanya Deacove is facilitating a painting project involving three teens who have volunteered to participate. The project entails

painting a mural on one exterior wall of the building that houses the climbing wall at Salt Spring Community Services.


Kate Clements and sisters Anna and Candy Buckler will paint the 15 x 22-foot surface next week.

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