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Men in custody after attack

Three men are being held in custody following a brutal home invasion, sexual assault and robbery on Salt Spring last week.

The victims were a 22-year-old island man and his 27-year-old female partner.

The men, all from Maple Ridge, broke into a Reid Road home between 3 and 3:30 a.m. last Wednesday. They were apprehended four hours later by Duncan RCMP as they travelled off the Howe Sound Queen at Crofton.

Salt Spring RCMP Sergeant Paul Darbyshire said Monday that police believe the situation is drug-related.

"This is totally unusual — something like this may not happen here again for 20 years," he said. "This is a drug thing and has nothing to do with our peaceful existence here."

The RCMP believes the event was drug-related because they found a small marijuana grow operation at the victims' home. The three men were found in possession of marijuana believed to be from the Reid Road home.

Darbyshire applauded the fact the men were caught so quickly, and noted that the crew aboard the Howe Sound Queen advised police of their presence on the ferry.

"They were in custody by 8 (a.m.)," he said.

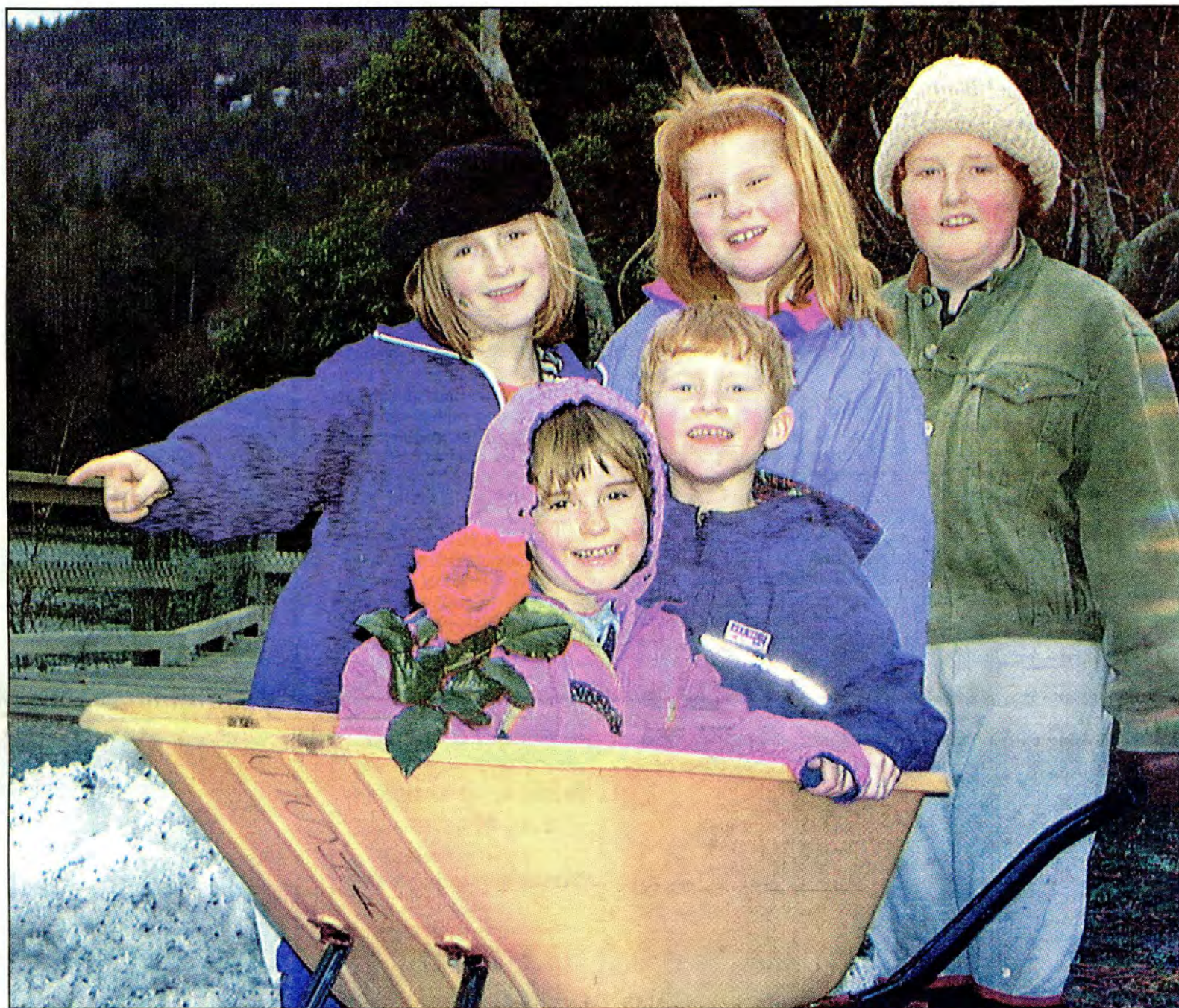
The three men — Cecil Henry Jones, 22, Kevin James Jones, 20,

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'Dipfest' on Friday

New Year's Day's ice-water dipfest will have a new MC when Valdy presides over the Polar Bear Swim at Vesuvius Bay.

The day's events get under way at 11 a.m. with a pancake breakfast. Gooseflesh production starts at noon as swimmers take to the water.



Christmas cousins

Five cousins spotted enjoying the tiny remainder of snow in Centennial Park on Monday were, from left, Halley Fulford,

Lulu Fulford (holding a rose), Pierce Hart, Paige Hart and Ezra Fulford, gripping the wheelbarrow.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Reflecting on a year to remember: 1998

January

• A year before B.C. Ferries workers disrupted the 1998 holiday season with job action, newly appointed corporation vice-president Glen Brown met with the Driftwood and promised solutions to make ferry users happy by making the system more efficient and cutting company losses.

• As of January 1, island women were given the choice of delivering their babies at home,

with the costs of a midwife covered by provincial medical insurance.

• An initial payment on the McFadden Creek Heronry secured the 12.5-acre site for preservation as the third-largest heron colony on the west coast. The \$235,000 purchase price would be paid off over four years.

• A suspicious package sent to a Salt Spring man by his

LOOKING BACK 2

'Party crashers' launched

Party-goers beware: you may be gripped by the long arm of the law following this week's launch of a new Salt Spring Crime Prevention Association program.

Called "party crashers," the program begins today (Wednesday) with the distribution of form letter found in this issue of the Driftwood.

The letters should be signed by all members of participating households and returned to the local RCMP detachment.

In the event of a loud party or public disturbance at the home, the letter gives police the authority to enter without a warrant and enforce relevant acts such as Capital Regional District noise bylaws and the Liquor Control Act.

According to Salt Spring RCMP Sgt. Paul Darbyshire, a similar program in Kamloops "led to a marked decrease in parties."

Darbyshire stressed that it is not only parents of teens who should sign the letter. A group of youths on Salt Spring once broke into a vacant house and started a party there.

All those who want their homes protected from out-of-hand parties should fill out and sign the forms.

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estranged wife was detonated by a visiting RCMP Explosives Unit. After the excitement, the cops found no dangerous substance in the box.

- A growing concern over noise by Ganges Harbour floatplanes helped launch a campaign for quieter planes — specifically the use of three-bladed propellers.
- With Fulford's ferry terminal closed for repairs, Salt Spring's link with the rest of the world was threatened when a semi-trailer ripped up the apron at Long Harbour's loading dock and shut down all sailings. That left the Vesuvius-Crofton link as the only way to get on and off the island.

February

- Both Fulford and Long Harbour ferry terminals came back into service after three weeks of near-isolation for islanders.
- Voluble and vocal local resident Marilyn Marshall was arrested and charged with assault after an altercation with a Fernwood Elementary School student.
- The local school district got its first taste of what was to become a painful financial crisis when the district was forecast to end the fiscal year \$900,000 in debt. The findings would leave the district bankrupt with no real idea about solutions, according to superintendent Andrew Duncan. Despite the crisis, Saturna Island's five-student school would stay open.
- A watchdog advisory committee started to lobby the B.C. Ferry Corporation for an outside audit in the hunt to find ways to staunch the flow of red ink on the company's books.
- Emily Burrows marked her 107th birthday at Lady Minto Hospital. Originally from the U.K., Burrows celebrated with friends and her favourite indulgence — chocolate.

March

- Seven rural Gulf Island doctors started withholding some medical services to protest the province's refusal to pay for their on-call time.
- The Islands Trust decided that a tax increase for the upcoming fiscal year was not in the books. The Trust figured it would not pass on its \$28,000 deficit to the public.
- ArtSpring got bad news with a final rejection for its request for a federal-provincial grant.

Nevertheless, enough donations were found in the community to open the facility by the end of the year.

- A 5.6 out of 10 rating in academic results placed GISS 173rd out of 256 schools province-wide.
- Salt Spring's official community plan was finalized by the Local Trust Committee.
- After a bureaucratic battle lasting months, Salt Spring got its courthouse back.
- The local RCMP detachment moved to its new digs on Lower Ganges Road.
- An anonymous donation of \$20,000 to the Core Inn allowed the youth centre to hire program coordinator Meredith Fawcett.

April

- Coast Hotels agreed to manage the Salt Spring Island Resort on Bullock Lake when, and if, it was ever completed.
- The local school district got its second piece of bad financial news for the year when a budget audit forecast the district's deficit to rise as high \$1.5 million in 1999.
- After three years of meetings, the Southern Gulf Islands Ferry Advisory Committee was feeling fed up with the lack of progress by B.C. Ferries to improve efficiency and cut costs.
- An informal survey revealed strong interest on Salt Spring for creating a local radio station.
- RCMP auxiliary members withdrew their services following a decision by the B.C. Attorney General to take away their guns.
- GISS students Robin Bardon, Jennie Rittberg and Sarah Wilkin took awards for best computer animation and best comedy at a Vancouver video festival. The event was staged by the Gulf Islands Film and Television School.
- A long-standing feud between the Central Community Hall Society and its biggest tenant, Cinema Central, came to a head over a dispute about whether the cinema's chairs scratched the hall floor.

May

- ArtSpring's Funding to the Finish campaign got a kick-start with a gala event and a \$50,000 cheque. A Calgary couple pledged the money, following a slate of entertainment staged at the unfinished arts centre.
- A projected \$1.4 million

deficit could bankrupt the Gulf Islands School District, leading to bounced cheques by March, 1999 unless the province intervened.

- That was the prediction made by superintendent of schools Andrew Duncan, who expected the cash-flow "glitch" would occur in October or November.
- Twenty-year-old Sidharth Ramchandra Pandey died after he was caught in a bush fire on the Fulford-Ganges Road property of his father, Dr. Raam Pandey. The cause of the fire and the sequence of events that followed remained a mystery.
- Dean Drinkwater was hailed as a hero after he jumped into the frigid waters of Ganges Harbour to rescue Vera Kononoff, who was trapped under a dinghy.

June

- ArtSpring went over the top. Boosted by a \$195,000 federal-provincial infrastructure grant and two \$50,000 donations, the month-long Funding to the Finish campaign wrapped up with its \$375,000 target met and exceeded by a further \$20,000.
- Superintendent of schools Andrew Duncan said he would not seek renewal of his contract when it expired in August, 1999. He cited the stress of his job as a major contributing factor in his decision.
- A Cobble Hill woman was exhausted and hungry after spending several hours lost on Mount Tuam. Salt Spring emergency crews — which had spent the morning practising search and rescue skills in a mock scenario — tasted the real thing as they

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and Justin Aaron Phillips, 25 — have so far been charged with sexual assault, break and enter, forcible confinement and robbery on Salt Spring. Duncan RCMP have charged them with possession of a restricted weapon in a vehicle and possession of marijuana.

The three men appeared in

Duncan court later on Wednesday. They were scheduled to appear at a show-cause hearing in Victoria as the Driftwood went to press on Tuesday. The hearing would determine whether or not they would remain in custody or be released on bail pending further court proceedings.

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Police say the sub box can easily be identified — it has a black felt cover with a Plexiglas window.

The car, left unlocked, was parked in the owner's Maliview Drive driveway at the time of the theft.

RCMP FILE

In other police news:

- An 18-year-old island resident has been charged with driving while prohibited.

People found guilty of this offence are automatically given a seven-day jail sentence.

- One Salt Spring driver was

issued a 24-hour driving suspension following an RCMP CounterAttack road check in the week prior to Christmas.

Police stopped approximately 100 vehicles on Fulford-Ganges Road, issuing the suspension and seizing a small quantity of liquor.

Two 24-hour driving suspensions have been issued in the past two weeks.

Police say the road checks will continue throughout the holiday season.

CrimeStoppers and RCMP want help solving Cusheon Lake break, enter, theft

Salt Spring RCMP and CrimeStoppers want the community's help in solving a break, enter and theft at an island home.

Sometime between October 22 and November 1, 1998 one or more people broke into a house in the 300 block of Cusheon Lake Road.

Various items were taken from the house, including a black Panasonic microwave oven and two unique speakers. The speakers,

which feature the name "Venturi" painted in two-inch white letters, do not have grill cloth.

Also stolen were: a brown marble egg on a gold plate; a 20-centimetre-long (eight-inch) brass box with a wooden latch; black wrought iron candlestick holders; two oval, bronze mirrors; 14 CDs of various artists in a black plastic storage container; an orange Black and Decker circular saw; a black and brown designer bed comforter

with the word "Fendi" written all over it; one Panasonic two-line answering machine; one 18.9-litre water jug; and a pair of scissors.

Anyone with information regarding this crime or the whereabouts of any of these items should call CrimeStoppers at 386-TIPS, or the toll-free number at 1-800-222-8477.

Callers to CrimeStoppers remain anonymous and are eligible for cash rewards.

Artist dismayed by theft of intricate Celtic mandala

A Salt Spring Island artist had her Christmas season marred by the theft of a valuable piece of art from a local gallery.

Carolyn Campbell said a hand-crafted Celtic mandala, which took her over four months to create, was pocketed by a thief just a few days before Christmas.

The mandala was selling on consignment for \$300.

"I'm still sort of numb about

it," Campbell said.

Created on Russian linen, the circular mandala is about six inches in diameter. The body is burgundy with Celtic knotting all the way through. It also has orange, yellow, blue and gold woven through it.

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combed the mountain looking for her.

She was eventually found in a vehicle driving down the mountain. She had stumbled across a residence on Hope Hill and the homeowner volunteered to take her to Fulford.

• Lori Renaud and Mike Lane were recovering from a head-on collision on Lower Ganges Road. The two suffered broken bones, gashes, bruising and the loss of their border collie, which died in the crash.

July

• An education ministry efficiency advisory team report made official what local school district officials had been saying for years: The district had a structural funding problem.

• Suspended Mayne Island school teacher Ian Cocker was found guilty of sexual misconduct by a B.C. College of Teachers disciplinary hearing.

Cocker was convicted in March 1996 of sexually assaulting three former students and sentenced to 14 months in jail by a provincial court judge. However, the criminal charges were overturned by the B.C. Court of Appeal, which decided Cocker's right to a trial "within a reasonable amount of time" had been violated.

The college panel had not yet determined Cocker's penalty.

• ArtSpring's construction manager Bob Jankura pegged November 1 as building completion date for the island's art centre. He predicted ArtSpring would be staging Christmas shows in the newly-completed building.

• Victims and offenders were happy with a new Salt Spring-based community diversion program. A total of six young offenders had so far been diverted from the court system.

August

• The Ministry of Municipal Affairs approved funding for a Salt Spring incorporation feasibility study.

The ministry agreed to provide funds for a professional consultant to complete a detailed report on the costs and implications of incorporating the islands. Municipal Affairs wanted the incorporation vote to take place in spring 1999, but local trustees felt the time would be too tight.

• Salt Spring's volunteer library decided to seek financial support from the tax base and asked for the required support from CRD director Kellie Booth. Booth said she did not favour adding an additional tax burden to residents and hoped to favourably lobby the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for funding.

• Longtime island resident George Lamont was killed in a motorcycle accident in

Shawnigan Lake.

• Maria Maslovat was appealing to the Islands Trust to help her find a way to keep low-rent units open on the former Y-camp property for her eight tenants despite a September 30 shut-down order from Trust bylaw enforcement officers.

• Salt Spring resident Joy Newton was struck and killed by a car as she walked across a crosswalk on Marine Drive in Vancouver. Her daughter, Patty Clerkson, sustained a severe break in her leg.

September

• More than 600 people had signed a petition seeking regulations to require aircraft to fly at a higher altitude when crossing the Gulf Islands. The main concern behind the petition was excessive noise from aircraft.

• An exceptionally dry August which continued the year's arid trend pushed the fire hazard to high in September. No open fires were allowed and work in the woods was shut down.

• A whopping \$13,500 had been tallied from the Terry Fox Run fundraising events September 13, with more expected in the following month. More than 350 people participated.

• Salt Spring Fall Fair attendance was estimated at 7,500. As well, some 2,040 cobs of corn were consumed, 75 salmon were barbecued and 1,614 entries of all types were judged.

• After a September 28 meeting between Education Minister Paul Ramsey and officials from the Gulf Islands School District, held to discuss the district's ballooning deficit, Ramsey gave the school board until October 31 to present a two-year plan to balance its budget. Trying to meet Ramsey's demand consumed board members, administrators, staff and parents until mid-December.

October

• "Bridge" financing was promised to the library association by CRD director Kellie Booth if its board agreed to develop a comprehensive library services plan. The \$12,000 in CRD money would be matched by the provincial government for the 1999 year, easing the library's financial woes.

• Salt Spring RCMP officers chose to work on-call hours without pay following an announcement of cutbacks in provincial RCMP services.

• About 300 Gulf Islanders, including high school students portraying the ghosts of a predicted future "ghost school," rallied at the school board office to protest Education Minister Paul Ramsey's ultimatum and the district's funding problems.

• Cougar sightings continued to both fascinate and worry Salt Spring residents. Local animal control officer Wolfgang

Brunnwieser said he could receive up to six calls a week and then none for two weeks. Beth and Bill McDonald's Salt Spring Way property had been visited a few times by one of the big cats.

• Hallowe'en on Salt Spring offered several ways to celebrate: with a Samba du Soleil-led lantern parade, the Spook House at Mahon Hall, Fun Fest at Fernwood School, and fireworks and bonfires in Ganges and Fulford courtesy of local firefighters.

November

• While parents throughout the Gulf Islands tried to preserve their school board and minimize program cuts, those at Fernwood and Phoenix schools were fighting a proposed cost-saving layoff that would have resulted in wholesale class shuffling in January. However, later in the month the board and local teachers came up with a solution that would maintain the status quo.

In other budget crisis developments, the school board refused to adopt the report of consultant Wayne Desharnais, presented November 19, which suggested two possible ways for the board to balance its budget. One option required closure of Saturna and Galiano schools, which was vehemently protested by parents from those islands.

• Salt Spring Transportation Committee members were set to take a firm stand to maintain ferry service between Long Harbour and the mainland, and urged the ferry corporation to adopt 13 "standards" for the service.

• Salt Spring Island Village Resort went into receivership due to pressure from several lien holders, including a handful of Salt Spring businesses. However, Vancouver-based developer Brian Hauff said he would seek further financing for the project.

• A Regency Express Cessna Caravan plane crashed into Mount Tuam just after midnight November 23. The plane was carrying Globe and Mail newspapers from Vancouver to Victoria when it struck trees and careened 200 metres through the bush before coming to a stop just below the mountain's visual navigation tower. The pilot, John Reppen, 27, of North Vancouver, and co-pilot Jason Todd, 29, of Surrey, were believed to have been killed instantly.

December

• About 300 Gulf Islanders rallied on the steps of the legislature at "high noon" December 4 to demand adequate funding for education in the school district. On December 10 the school board and Education Minister Paul Ramsey struck an agreement which allowed the board extraordinary access to some funding sources, resulting in a balanced budget by June 2001.

• ArtSpring held its opening party December 5 and 6. Events included a huge art show, near-non-stop entertainment on the theatre stage and community carol singing. Almost 2,000 people were estimated to have visited the arts centre on the weekend. Dampening the celebration was the December 2 death of Bob Jankura, 51, of cancer. Jankura, of Dawn Wind Construction Management, was the project's contractor since 1994.

• The B.C. Ferry and Marine Workers Union filed 72-hour strike notice December 7, after the Labour Relations Board issued a landmark decision defining some sailings as "essential" in the event of a strike. While a strike did not take place, ferry workers worked to rule and shut down food services on some runs.

• After 33 years with the Canadian Imperial Bank of

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Hoofing it
Sam and Max Hutchingson enjoy a wet walk on Churchill Beach at high tide. The youngsters were burning off some energy on Boxing Day.
Photo by Derrick Lundy

Strike threat empties resorts

The words "ferry strike" were like a kiss of death for at least one Salt Spring resort which is usually full during the Christmas holidays. Jim Loiselle of Salty Springs Spa Resort said before Christmas that some people cancelled reservations when a ferry strike became a possibility.

"Usually we're full solid for a good two-week period," said Loiselle, adding that the holiday business creates a small but welcome mid-winter boost.

Pauline Porter of Cusheon Lake Resort saw a similar trend, with some cancellations and fewer reservations than normal. As of last week they had only one booking for New Year's Eve — and that's very unusual for here."

St. Mary Lake Resort and the Harbour House Hotel also reported quiet periods but did not know why that was the case.

Paul Gravett, spokesman for the accommodations group of the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce, made a few phone calls to see if the danger of a ferry strike had had an effect on seasonal business. Two long-established accommodation businesses told him bookings were down significantly, but their operators were not sure if the ferry dispute was the cause.

Talks between the B.C. Ferry Corporation and the B.C. Ferry and Marine Workers Union are expected to resume again next week. The union has announced it will not take job action that disrupts sailings during December.



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CRD spends smoking bylaw grant on existing enforcement officers

The Capital Regional District (CRD) will not hire additional enforcement officers for a new anti-smoking bylaw that kicks in New Year's Day.

Enforcement will be handled through additional funding for the 30 existing officers in the CRD, and that cash is coming from an outside grant of \$8,000 to \$9,000.

CRD officials say they see no need to blow the new law's execution out of proportion.

"Look, this region is well ahead of the pack with respect to health. I really can't see any problem with compliance," said Dr. Richard Stanwick, the CRD's medical officer.

"I've heard the rumours about (millions of dollars) being spent to catch every smoker. All I can say is

don't insult my intelligence about (bylaw officers) running around with pepper spray."

That means the same CRD personnel that check on septic fields and restaurant kitchens will make random visits to bars, checking on possible infractions.

"The goal is to make sure enforcement is fair and equitable across the board," said Stanwick. "There's always going to be some non-compliance, but they constitute the minority."

"We really don't expect mass civil disobedience."


Stanwick would not speculate on when Salt Spring can expect its first visits from the anti-smoking patrol.

The bylaw prohibits smoking in restaurants and bars.



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The vessel had broken down early in the evening and sent out a distress call. The coast guard covered most of the inlet before locating the boat. There were no injuries.

Fire department looking into suspicious car fire

At approximately the same time that three off-island men were involved in a Reid Road home invasion (see story page 1), the Salt Spring Fire Department was called to the 300 block of Booth Canal Road to deal with a suspicious car fire.

When firefighters arrived at about 3:40 a.m., a small pickup truck that had been sitting in a ditch for at least two days was totally engulfed in flames. The department did not speculate on the cause but said the blaze was under investigation.

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Hunter, Ava-Helena Heath, Droughen Moseley and Emma Bishop. All were born between October 1 and November 4, and delivered by island midwife Maggie Ramsey and Julia Atkins.

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Birch tree at the root of folklore

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The wood of fallen trees will rot away, leaving only the shell of bark. Birch trees self sow and their leaves are some of the first to appear in spring.

There are probably more than 50 species growing in the north temperate and Arctic regions and it is a favourite topic of folklore in Northern Europe.

The birch represents youth and energy. In the Druidic Tree Alphabet, it is the first letter, Beth, which is also the term for the first month of their year.

The Siberian Shaman initiations included a ritual scouring with birch rods. These Siberians also collected the scarlet white-spotted magic mushrooms which thrived in the birch groves. After ingesting them they would climb to the top of a birch tree and cut nine notches in its crown.

Rural English people, according to old folk ballads, thought souls returning from the dead wore branches picked from birch trees believed to be growing around the pearly gates. The branches were to hide them from the winds of Earth, which would stop them from their purpose.

You may have noticed that Medieval art often represented ghosts as people clothed in birch branches. Birch switches were thought to chase away the evil in the wrongdoer. The custom of "birching" or ceremonious flogging was used in Britain and all over Europe and central Asia. This custom was carried out on the Isle of Mann well into the 1900s.

Ironically it was also believed the witches made their flying broomsticks out of birch. Colonists in New England thought a birch grove guarded house and the surrounding lands.

The Norse weren't the only peo-

ple who felt birch protected them from thunder and lightning, believing it was sacred to Thor. The Dakota Sioux burn birch bark to discourage thunder spirits. Some Germans believe a bough on the roof protects the building from lightning strikes.

The Altaic Shamans were cleansed by jumping through a birch hoop, and had to be able to climb the "world tree," which was a birch pole. These shaman, as well as those from the Magyar and Tatyar tribes, use a birch hoop to "shape-shift" — change from man to animal and back again.

Here on the west coast our only native birch is the water birch (*Betula occidentalis*). It is also named the red or black birch. Mountain sheep and goats eat its foliage. It grows as both a shrub and a small tree. The bark is shiny reddish brown, smooth with horizontal lines, and it doesn't peel.

We also have three white birch growing in B.C. The northwestern white birch (*Betula papyrifera*), which grows to heights of 60 feet, is found mainly in the Kootenays. The bark ranges from creamy white to light orange in some of the oldest trees. Young trees can be the same colour as water birch and are hard to distinguish.

Western white birch (*Betula papyrifera commutata*) are found on Vancouver Island (Saanich Peninsula mainly), the Fraser Valley and all along the coast. These trees are much taller, growing over 100 feet with a 16-inch diameter. The bark also ranges from white to light orange, but it peels.

Last but not least is the Alaska white birch (*Betula papyrifera humilis*). This is the smallest tree, reaching a maximum of 30 feet. The bark varies from red to white.

It grows in northern B.C. and Alaska.

Tip: My octogenarian gardener friend gave me a quick way to make manure soup. (You should see how green his lawn is where he has used it!) Just take all those morning glories or any weeds you don't want to put into your compost and throw them in a plastic bucket instead. Cover the weeds with water and let sit overnight or longer. In the morning your soup can be used to fertilize and the sodden mess at the bottom is now ready for your compost.

Trivia: The *Saponaria officinalis* or "Bouncing Bet" contains saponin in its roots and leaves, which lathers in water. Barmaids (called Bet or Betsy in olde England) used branches from this plant to clean the beer bottles.

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Reasons to celebrate, challenges to meet

As the holiday season draws to an end, there's no reason to stop celebrating. If the exchange differential between the Canadian and American dollars remains where it is during the coming year, we have every reason to celebrate.

In 1998 we have experienced one of the strongest tourist seasons in years. Americans came to Canada in large numbers to take advantage of the strength their currency now enjoys. That strength has also worked in our favour keeping more Canadians at home.

Instead of taking a potentially expensive holiday south of the border, Canadians have been holidaying closer to home, choosing destinations like the Gulf Islands.

This all adds up to a healthy economy when you compare our situation with that of the province as a whole. Granted, neither real estate nor construction have been strong for some time. But they don't drive our economy. Tourism does.

And there are other reasons to celebrate:

- the completion of ArtSpring is a huge achievement and one that heralds great things for the arts on Salt Spring;
- the Salt Spring Trust Committee functions with a level of efficiency and harmony that far exceeds anything we've seen in years;
- voters will soon get a chance to have their say on a recreation centre, a facility that taxpayers are more likely to support today than they were in previous years;
- and a growing selection of on-island goods and services spells fewer reasons to travel to Vancouver Island, taking money out of the local economy.

Having said all that, we would be remiss if we neglected to make mention of the challenges that also lie ahead.

Transportation has been and always will be one of the most important issues we face. While we enjoy a superb floatplane service to the Mainland, the same cannot be said of the ferries.

The B.C. Ferry Corporation is at a crossroads: inadequate financial support from government, an aging fleet and a union that is reluctant to accept staffing reductions are obstacles that stand directly in the way of efficiency.

Working in the corporation's favour is public representation through a stakeholder group that is making the case to government for increased funding. Stakeholders have also been organized to assist B.C. Ferries with long-range planning, a team approach that is essential if the service is going to meet the needs of islanders.

But the process has taken far too long. The parties involved must resolve to complete the plan in 1999.

And it must be a plan that will put the necessary facilities and schedules in place to guarantee that ferries will run on time and meet traffic demands at a reasonable cost to the traveller.

Another challenge will be addressing the matter of improving local government. An incorporation study will likely present an option that Salt Spring Islanders will have to vote on next fall.

But first, islanders are going to have to acquaint themselves with how government functions now.

Too few people understand how the Islands Trust works, and too many people are unaware of the respective responsibilities of the Trust and the Capital Regional District.

Deciding on incorporation will require that voters take some time to understand how things work today and what improvements incorporation might bring — and at what cost.

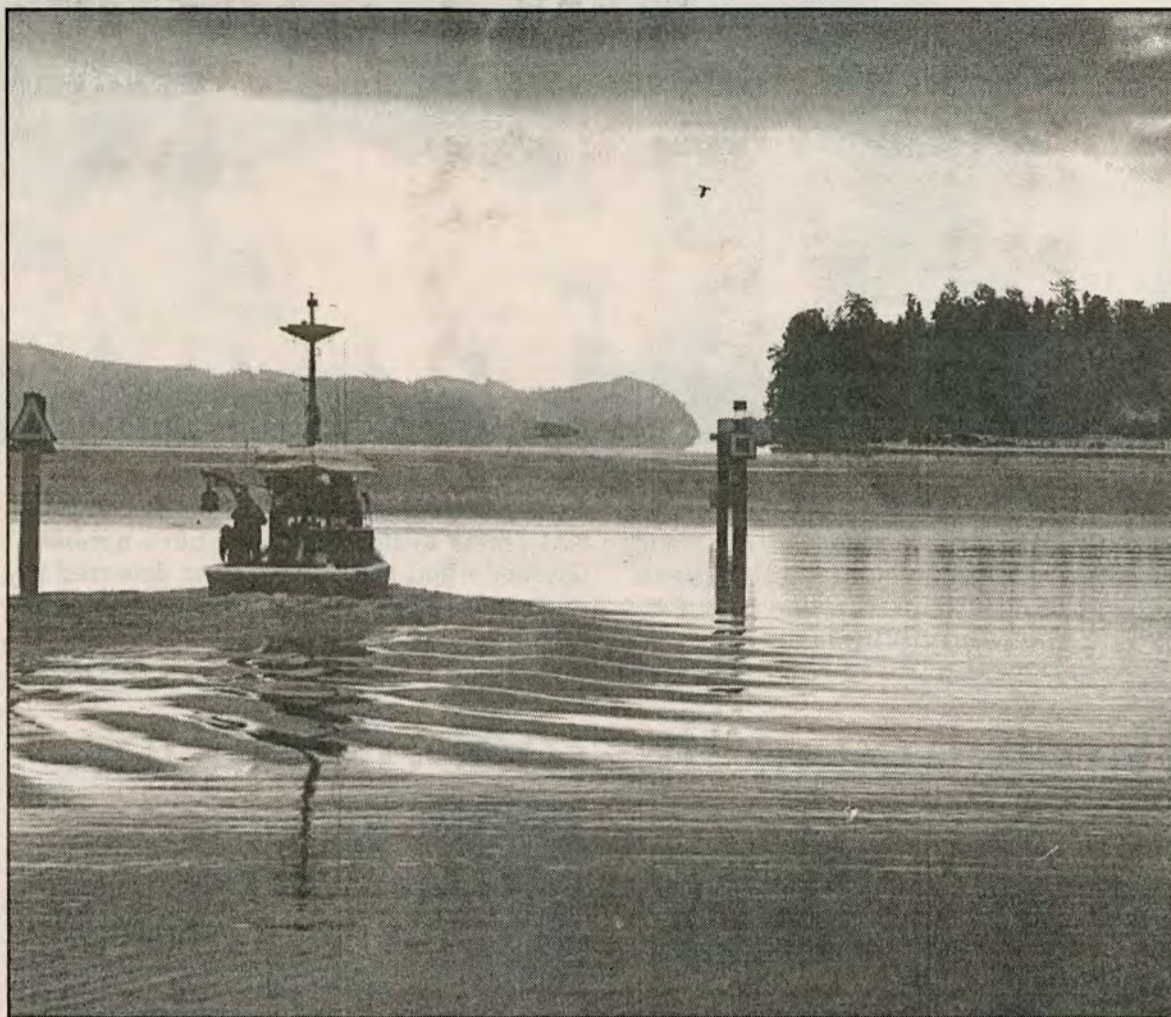
We would be delighted to allow a week to pass without raising education funding but alas, we cannot do so yet.

We can be reassured by the measure of interest parents have taken in the financial operations of the school district in recent months. However, such interest will continue to be essential as long as the provincial government chooses to defer the core problem — insufficient funding.

At the end of this very long tunnel is stability in the school system. We've been too long without it.

Our list could go on: there are more reasons to celebrate, and other challenges lie ahead. But those, we submit, are the most important — with one exception: this is still a great place to live.

We wish all our readers a happy, peaceful and prosperous new year.



Early morning in Ganges Harbour

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Some New Year's resolutions offered to the Driftwood

By CLAIRE HEFFERNAN

This past October I spent several weeks with friends touring Nova Scotia. I came home to about 100 pounds of green tomatoes, one lean and hungry husband, and a mountain range of bills, correspondence, pleas for donations, magazines, newspapers and ... four Driftwoods.

Heaven only knows what had occurred on Salt Spring during my absence. Fall fair wrap-up, dog maulings and Connie Kaldor to name a few. But nothing got my attention like editor Tony Richards' viewpoint "CBC's lack of professionalism worse than Black's involvement."

My first thought was, "What on earth has CBC Radio host Arthur Black been doing!" Upon further reading I discovered that Tony was chastising the CBC for reporting on David Black's proclamation ordering his 54 newspaper editors to refrain from writing anything favourable about the Nisga'a Agreement.

It is difficult to fathom how a newspaper editor could defend Mr. Black's position and get away with it. But I only saw one letter (sandwiched in between the dog vs. sheep debate) taking Tony to task on the matter of editorial freedom.

Surely there has to be some sort of ethic or guidelines in the newspaper industry to ensure that personal opinion does not overrule unbiased reporting and/or in-depth analysis on the issues of the day.

While Driftwood readers were digesting the implications of their editor/publisher admitting that under certain circumstances he would "exert some control over the opinions expressed" and that he "quite enjoys the power," I was sitting on a beach overlooking the Atlantic ocean, 5,000 kilometres on the other side of the continent sipping a cup of coffee and leafing through a copy of the Halifax Herald.

I can't say that there is much that sets this Halifax daily apart from many of the other major newspa-



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pers. But in a box on the editorial page I noticed a short statement that I thought at the time to be rather outstanding. I kept that section of the paper in the event that I would have to draw upon those

words of wisdom when I felt our community newspaper had overstepped the bounds of professional ethics.

"It is my wish that the Halifax Herald and the Evening Mail shall be conducted as public utilities for all the people and absolutely independent and fearless, offering no unkind or unjust criticism, treating opponents fairly on all questions, giving vigorous and hearty support to movements for public good." Senator William Dennis (1856-1920) publisher of the Halifax Herald and the Evening Mail.

I can't imagine the challenge and stress of having to produce a weekly newspaper, but there's always room for improvement. Here are some Driftwood New Year's resolutions to contemplate for 1999.

"Surely there has to be some sort of ethic or guidelines in the newspaper industry to ensure personal opinion does not overrule unbiased reporting."

1. Ask the public to participate in developing guidelines for the Driftwood.

2. Some newspapers have a volunteer community board who meet regularly to discuss issues and events, provide suggestions to editors and publish a column. It could be the most interesting volunteer job on Salt Spring!

3. The letters to the editor are in a class of their own. However, the really awful ones are just boring and uninformative. Yawn ... a waste of paper.

4. Always err on the side of caution before publishing a story that is certain to inflict psychological and emotional damage on individuals and families involved.

5. The Gulf Islands are home to a very diverse cross-section of readers. I'm certain there is an audience out there which would really enjoy reading articles with more depth and content. The result may even be an increase in circulation.

The writer is a Salt Spring resident.

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SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What was your best New Year's Eve party?



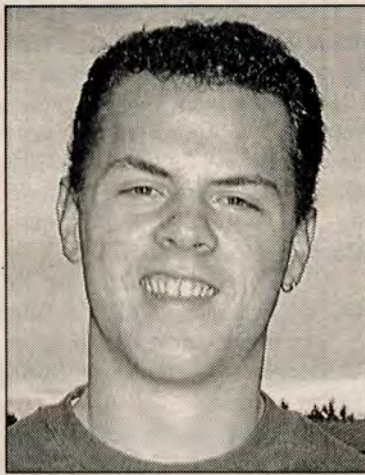
Tracy Rae

In Thailand — a hot secluded beach, just me, no people, no hassle. Happy, happy.



Bert McCann

At the neighbours' so I could walk home.



Chris Jason

When I did a bunch of crazy hallucinogens at a private party and danced until the wee hours of the morning.



John Quesnel

Partying and enjoying friends' company.



Lynda Barlow

I was living in the country in Ontario. We had a pond, so we had a skating party. There were people in the house playing guitar, socializing and dancing. A wonderful night.

Letters to the Editor

Rescued

On the day of the big snowfall last week, the steep hill at the beginning of Mansell Road was jammed with cars unable to get up the icy surface.

A young man named Jasper Verville came to our rescue by shovelling dirt out of the ditch onto the hill. It was a long, exhausting job but it enabled us all to get up the hill.

For older people it is very welcome to find young people willing to help us out.

DAVID MUNDY,
Mariner's Lane

Micro-climates

Well, when I saw the weather report in the December 23 Driftwood I just had to throw in my two-bits' worth.

What some people don't realize is that temperature readings on Salt

Spring vary from place to place. For instance, a reading taken from a more inland location will differ from one recorded right beside the ocean. Topography plays a role in our climate as well. Distance from the salt water and elevation will affect readings. Also, gardens that are in valleys are frost collectors. Cold air is like water, it will flow down hill and settle in the lowest area.

Being an experimental gardener and having a garden full of subtropical plants, I follow the weather patterns and temperatures religiously. It sounds crazy but I've placed several minimum and maximum thermometers at various locations of my yard. Temperatures can vary a mere 100 yards away from one location to another.

There are several weather observers I keep in contact with on Salt Spring when weather turns

funny. I like to compare. You wouldn't believe how much it varies. These are amateur weather observers, except for one. What I can say is that my coldest temperature reading on a glass (min and max) thermometer was 19 degrees F. or approximately -7 C. The coldest official temperature recorded for Salt Spring was -9.5 C. in one of the colder areas of our island.

The temperature reading at one of the mildest areas of the island was only -5.5 C. This is unofficial, of course.

By all means I don't consider any of these temperature readings that cold by my standard. As far as I'm concerned, the plants I grow "know best" how cold it has been.

At temperatures way down in the teens, my Tasmanian tree fern fronds are goners; the Trachycarpus palm fronds turn dark green and fold inward. The tree fern looks

good except for snow damage to the fronds.

We received eight inches of the white stuff. At one of the mildest areas on our island, certain marginal plants can be grown that just don't seem to make it where I'm at. A couple of degrees of frost make a big difference in the survival of some species of subtropical plants.

Oh! As for bananas, they should be root hardy to at least -20 C. It would be interesting to see a report on local temperatures taken in different areas of Salt Spring during the next cold snap or heat wave.

It's a great way to compare and find those elusive micro-climates.

(BANANA) JOE CLEMENTE,
North End Road

Parents resign

An open letter to some island parents:

Without commenting on the

validity of having computers in every classroom for every student and thus incurring more capital costs with dubious benefits, I would suggest that every parent who brought their child into the confrontation with the Minister of Education, either by taking them to the legislature or however else they were asked to become involved, should resign as a parent.

I find it absolutely pathetic not only that you are unable to provide properly for your children, but that you should bring them into battle with you. Makes me want to throw up. Perhaps you could have formed a touchy-feely rights group. That would have made it OK, right?

Hey, why not just spend more "quality time" with them. Hang out with teenagers and their friends. You'll find you have a lot in common. Maybe you could all hang out at the rink you chose not to build instead of the fancy school you built . . . oops, makes me want to throw up.

PETER CRASHLEY,
Fulford-Ganges Road

MORE LETTERS 10

A glorious rip-roaring Messiah

By JANE FORNER

Believing that art sometimes lies in good intentions, I'm a champion of amateur music and theatre.

Imperfect, flawed performances have sometimes moved me to tears through the sheer conviction and love of the performers — again confirming my belief that if something is worth doing, it's worth doing badly. One such experience was Handel's Messiah in the Caribbean.

In December, I should have been sailing from Barbados to the island of Bequai in the Grenadines. With a four-month leave from work in Toronto, I decided to ship my beloved 30-foot yacht to Barbados, then sail the Caribbean and Atlantic back to Ontario.

In late November, I watched uneasily as the freighter Joanna headed out to sea, my boat on deck like an elegant bird perched on the back of a rhinoceros. Two weeks later, I flew to Bridgetown for the scheduled December 10 arrival and checked into a wonderful hotel for the couple days' wait.

December 10: No freighter. The shipping company wasn't sure where she was but knew she wasn't far from Halifax. A few days later, I moved to a less expensive but nice hotel, sat alone on the beach and stared



balefully at every freighter on the horizon, willing it to be the Joanna. I was mistaken for a writer of romantic fiction.

December 15: Delayed, they said. Somewhere off Cape Hatteras. I discovered the local green coconut juice and made pleading phone calls to my broker in Toronto, accusing him of withholding information, inferring a probable insurance scam. I was mistaken for an heiress with a large portfolio.

December 20: They reckoned she was off Miami in a hurricane. I moved to a cheap pension and poured gin into the coconut juice. While the tourists around me basked and swam in holiday abandon, I grew morose and worried myself into a frenzy. I was mistaken for an accountant on vacation.

December 24: They were sure she would arrive soon, very soon, and would I lay off the people at the port authority? Convinced my four-month sabbatical would be spent in litigation on dry land, I searched around for some way to celebrate Christmas in Barbados. Not surprisingly, on this very

British island, I found a performance of the Messiah in Bridgetown.

The church was packed with about 700 excited people, all of whom seemed to know the music by heart.

The orchestra, latter-day Handelian, filed in: four violins, one viola, two cellos, acoustic and electric bass, trumpet, saxophone, electronic keyboard, drum kit and pipe organ. The attempt to tune this melange was an exercise in Christian good will. The four soloists, choir and conductor arrived and, undaunted either by resources or the stifling heat, began the performance.

The opening Sinfonia was done with great tenderness and yearning, whether toward godliness or intonation I cannot be sure. This was followed by the recitative and air, Ev'ry Valley Shall Be Exalted. And exalted it was.

The tenor sang with that straight-out conviction the best of amateurs have. And so it went.

The pipe organ, victim of the damp, salt air of the Caribbean, was out of tune in all directions but pumped away like a steam-engine hauling box cars of clanking bits and parts up a steep grade. The world's greatest oratorio wobbled and ricocheted its way through Handel's mag-

nificent musical scenery, carrying all of us as willing and enthusiastic passengers. Bits and pieces fell by the wayside as the performance gained momentum.

And enthusiastic we were. It was, after all, a sing-along Messiah. The Bejans sang along, not just with the choir, but with the soloists as well, a helpful addition at times. Even if the soprano couldn't reach the high notes, someone in the audience was bound to.

By the time we reached the Hallelujah Chorus, everyone was ready to rip. I thought the walls would come down. I thought, as well, I would never hear a better performance. In truth, I haven't. It was a glorious, grand, rattly, puffing, larger-than-life experience sung, not in praise of art, but in praise of God. Georg Frederick must have been proud.

No, I didn't go back to the pension after the performance to find a message saying my ship had come in and all was well.

However, if you'd been in the Caribbean later that winter, you might have seen a boat headed north under full sail and heard one happy voice at full volume: Al-le-lu-jah, Al-le-lu-uuuuu-jah!

Jane Forner is an avid sailor now living on Salt Spring, and executive director of ArtSpring.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

Did you see something you liked or disliked in this week's paper? Write your comments below and send them to us by mail at The Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3, or by fax to 250-537-2613. Please include your name and phone number.

A unique way to reduce poverty

VICTORIA — Canada's governments — federal, provincial and territorial — have come up with a unique way to fight poverty: redefine it.

For some time now, our esteemed representatives at all senior levels have been quietly working on a plan to lower the level by which poverty is measured in Canada. If and when implemented, the new scheme will reduce the number of poor in our country by about 30 per cent.

The great thing about this measure is that it won't cost taxpayers a nickel. Mind you, it also won't put a nickel more into the pockets of the poor. In fact, those who have very little now will end up having even less.

Here's how it will work: The most commonly used definition of poverty — Statistics Canada's low-income cutoffs (LICO) — is to be replaced with a new Market Basket Measure (MBM) of poverty.

Under that scheme, a family of two adults and two children wouldn't be poor if it had sufficient income to eat nutritious meals, as defined by Health Canada; buy clothing for work and social occasions; and rent a median-cost, three-bedroom apartment.

In addition, this family would have left over the equivalent of 60 per cent of its combined food and clothing budgets to cover other necessary expenditures for personal care, household needs, furniture, telephone service, public transportation, recreation and school supplies.

The MBM would take into consideration the variations in the cost of living in different parts of Canada.

The provinces want to use the new measure to set welfare rates and Ottawa would apply it to its child tax benefit program.

Our governments have for long been embarrassed by the level of poverty in what is by most standards a nation of plenty.

And they've been unable to create the jobs that would reduce the poverty level.

By redefining that level, at least it doesn't look so bad to the world. It also will soothe the conscience of those who have got more than enough.

On the books, Canada's poverty level would drop to 12 percent from 17 percent. Overnight, governments would be able to claim that Canada has 1.5 million fewer poor people.

Ottawa would have the additional benefit of being able to reduce by 50 per cent its commitment to eliminate child poverty by 2000 to \$3.3 billion from \$6.6 billion.

Of all the cynical programs I have seen governments introduce, this one smells to high heaven. By the means of creative accounting, our governments will set adrift 1.5 million people who are now poor.

Not surprisingly, the measure was warmly welcomed by the National Post, the new right-wing national flagship of Conrad Black's newspaper empire.

"Finally a step forward in the war against poverty," the Post opined, adding that governments shouldn't stop there.

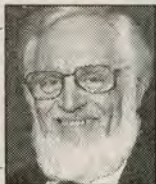
There was no justification, the newspaper said in an editorial, for including a clothing and recreation allowance in the Market Basket Measure.

The Vancouver-based Fraser Institute was equally miffed. With its generous housing, clothing and recreation allowances, the new poverty indicator was "a social comfort index, not a basic needs index," said the institute's head, Michael Walker.

Well, I'm not surprised. The power brokers of business and politics who run this country remain true to their principles: I'm all right, Jack, and to hell with everyone else.

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More letters

What price?

It has recently come to my attention that a new Internet service is being offered to islanders.

For those who use this type of service, the option of choice is newsworthy. The new un-staffed telephone connection is offered by a mainland B.C. company through a local "agent."

All fees paid to this new ISP will go straight to a bank account in Vancouver and will not be re-introduced into the Salt Spring Island economy.

New (certainly lower) Internet connectivity rates are sure to be an angle of approach in marketing to islanders, some of whom have until now felt that they were bearing the brunt of higher-than-city communications charges.

But is this the case? Imagen will no doubt be forced to match these rates while continuing to "absorb" the cost of bringing an electrical signal to our island, something that has a price attached to it, much greater than that paid by similar service providers in the city.

B.C. Tel charges compound the expense. To import, maintain and

deliver a good quality Internet connection to the Gulf Islands is a challenge that is met on a daily basis by a staff of seven fellow islanders.

Providing this service to the community allows them to help support their families and other island businesses.

The connectivity provided by Imagen has in turn permitted several marginally-employed islanders to work from home and successfully generate income from remote sources.

At this time of choice, let us be reminded that Imagen Communications, owned by a member of our community, with children in our schools, was the instrument that brought us this valued service when no one else would.

All islanders are encouraged to ask themselves the following question when presented with new choices in communications' service. Not "What is the price of this new service?" But rather, "What is the cost to our community?"

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2	2	CBC	6:30 News	CBC Playground		Playgrd	Dressup	Playgrd	Raccoons	Midday		Pamela Wallin		E.N.G.		Various Urban P			
4	4	KOMO	F Roses Parade		Live Regis & Kathie		The View / F Football		News	Charles	All My Children		Life to Live / F Football		General Hospital		Northwest Afternoon		
5	11	KNOW	Various	T-Tubbies	Various	Various	Various	Various	Constitut.	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various		
7	6	CHEK	6:30 Canada AM		The People's Court		PriceRight/FSndMusic		CityLine		News		CHEK House		Various F Munsch		Various Inside Ed.		
8	8	BCTV	7:10 Canada AM		Hollyw'dS.		Ch. Heart		Various	Various	Highlander: Series		News		Various F Munsch		The Roseanne Show		
9	9	KCTS	Arthur	Barney	Arthur	SesameSt./Palooza!		Various	Various	Noddy	Various	Rainbow	Various	Various	Various	Wimzie	Various		
11	27	KIRO	CBS Morning / Parade		Sally Jesse Raphael		Various	C.Roses	Various	F.J. Mills	Various	B & B	As the World Turns		The Guiding Light		Montel Williams		
12	24	KVOS	Sc'byDoo	Ducktales	Match G.	Paid Prog.	MollyDodd	Hard Copy	Sally Jesse Raphael		Jenny Jones		Maury Povich Show		Donny and Marie		Howie Mandel Show		
13	13	CKVU	Various	Carebears	100 Huntley Street		It's a New Day		Various	Dinner?	Mechanic	Ready Not	Bynon		Gen.Hosp./ W/Vision		DaysLives / B.Window		
14	7	VTV	F Gabereau		Live Regis & Kathie		The View		Gabereau		Camilla Scott		Dini Petty		Leeza Gibbons Show		Montel Williams		
15	21	TSN	Sportsdesk / F Football		Various	Various	Workout	Various	Various	Various	Various	Motoring	WWFRaw / F Football		TH Bloopers/Various		Off Recrd Sptsdsk		
16	5	KING	F Roses Parade		M. Stewart		Sunset Beach		Days of Our Lives		News		AnotherWorld/Boitano		Leeza Gibbons Show		The Roseanne Show		
20	23	KSTW	Who Boss	Three's Co	Cosby	Cheers	Various	TH F Paid	In Heat of Night		The People's Court		NwsRadio	The Nanny	Extra	Various	Tex Avery	Poke'Mon	
21		YTV	Bobby's	Rupert	Various	Various	Various	Various	Ban.PJs	Dudley D.	Dragons	B.Bunny	C. Couch	Various	Various	Rupert	Uh Oh!	Poke'Mon	
23	10	SRC	Variées	Lingo	Le Midi	Variées	Cinéma	ME J V Hist	Vraie vie / Le menu		..Oumzie	Variées	Variées	Variées	Variées	Variées	Variées	Variées	
30		TNN	Off Air		Club Dance / F Dallas		Crook&Chase / Dallas		Dallas		CreativeLiving / Dallas		Waltons / F Dallas		Country Hits / F Dallas		Crook&Chase / Dallas		
31	20	A&E	Murder She Wrote		Northern Exposure		Law & Order		Various		QuincyM.E./Law & O.		Equalizer / F Law & O.		She Wrote / Law & O.		NorthExp. / Law & O.		
33		SHOW	Adrenaline Junkies		Degrassi	Degrassi	A Country Practice		Various		Water Rats		B Stallion	Katts Dog	Tarzan	Bradbury	Party of Five		
34	25	KCPQ	Various	Dudley R.	Little House Prairie		Judge Joe	Judge Joe	Forgive	JudgeJoe	Various	Match G.	Various Movies				Various		
38	16	TLC	Pappyland	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Bob Vila	
39		DISC	Travelers / Exp. World		@discovery.ca		Various	Parks	Various	TH Trails	WildDisc./ Exp. World	Various	Inq Mind	Various	Movie M.	Power Hour			
43		HIST	Combat		Rat Patrol	20th Cent.	Various		TU Turning Points		Various	Yesterday	WishMeLuck/Warfare		Combat		Various Rat Patrol		
44		LIFE	Various	Images	Living	Crafts	Dinner?	Various	M. Stewart	Living	Crafts	Jennings	Renovator	Workshop	Extra	Images	Various	Various	
51		NET	S.Central	S.Central	Various	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	Various	S.Central	Various	Various	RI Action	Various	F FigSkate	MTH Skiing	TU Skiing	Various	

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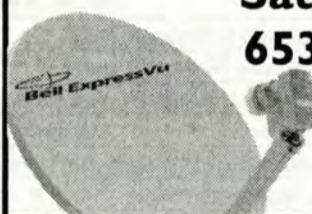
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2	2	CBC	Road to Avonlea	Jonovision	Simpsons	Broadcast One		Martini & Underhill		FigSkate World Professional Championships			The National		News	Movie		
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO News		News	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Dharma & 2 Guys...	Drew C.	Line?	20/20 Wednesday		News	:35 News		
5	11	KNOW	Kratt's C.	Magic Bs	English	Japanese	Climb International		Harvest	Cats & Dogs		:10 In Search of the Dragon			The Human Race			
7	6	CHEK	David Letterman		News	News	News	Love. C.	Hollyw'dS.	Canadian Heroes		C.Bloom	Encore! E!	W-FIVE		News	:40 Club 54	
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey Show		News	Canada	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Life Remembers		Total Recall (1990) Arnold Schwarzenegger.			News	News Spt		
9	9	KCTS	Kratt's C.	Wishbone	Arthur	Business	News	Bill Nye	TrueColor	Great Performances					Wrld News			
11	27	KIRO	Inside Ed.	Hard Copy	KIRO News		News	News	E.T.	Real TV	Life Remembers		Kennedy Center Honors		News	Letterman		
12	24	KVOS	Lois, Clark Superman	Fr.Prince	Roseanne	The Nanny/Home I.		Touched By An Angel		Star Trek: Voyager		Star Trek: DSN		First Wave	Cheers	M.A.S.H.		
13	13	CKVU	Rosie O'Donnell	The Young & Restless		News		E.T.	Simpsons	Rugged Gold Jill Eikenberry.			Desolation Bound		SportPage News			
14	7	VTV	Ellen	Friends	News	DrwCarey	News	Palisade	Frasier	Friends	Love Boat: Next Wave	Drew C.	Line?	Law & Order	News	Ooh La La		
15	21	TSN	Hockey	Gallagher	Hockey Canada vs Czech Republic				Sportsdesk			WCW Nitro			Sportsdesk			
16	5	KING	Oprah Winfrey Show	KING News		News	News	Magazine	Hollyw'dS.	Dateline NBC		3rd Rock	Encore! E!	Law & Order	News	:35 Tonight		
20	23	KSTW	CADream	Saved Bell	Home I.	The Nanny	Home I.	M.A.S.H.	Frasier	Seinfeld	Legacy		Star Trek: Voyager		M.A.S.H.	Cheers	Frasier	NwsRadio
21		YTV	Doug	Animan.	Rugrats	Pinky	New Addams Family		Brats Neb.	S. Raiders	Beasties	Gsebmps	Addams	BreakHigh	Student	Odyssey	Ocean Girl	Af. Dark
23	10	SRC	Voyages Gulliver		L'Écuyer		Revue nationale		Jour/Point	Ce soir	Sports/:25 Le déclin de l'empire américain			:35 Off Air				
30		TNN	Club Dance		The Dukes of Hazzard		Dallas		The Waltons		Prime Time Country			Country Music '98		Dallas		
31	20	A&E	Law & Order		Biography		American Justice		Sherlock Holmes		Law & Order		Biography		American Justice		Sherlock Holmes Myst	
33		SHOW	Forever Knight		Counterstrike		Matrix		Frantic (1988) Betty Buckley.			The Tenant (1976) Roman Polanski.						
34	25	KCPQ	Spiderman	Spiderman	Judge J.	Judge J.	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Simpsons	Magicians's Code		Magicians's Code		Reports	Mad You	:05 Star Trek: DSN	
38	16	TLC	Human Experience		Extreme Machines		Ultimate Aircraft		G-Force to Oblivion		Extreme Machines		Ultimate Aircraft		G-Force to Oblivion		Bob Vila	Bob Vila
39		DISC	@discovery.ca		Profiles of Nature		Wings		Oceans of Mystery		@discovery.ca		Profiles of Nature		Oceans of Mystery			
43		HIST	20th Cent.		Yesterday	Ecce Homo		Nostradamus (1994) Tchéký Karyo.		Yesterday		Nostradamus (1994) Tchéký Karyo.		Yesterday				
44		LIFE	Tourist	Gr'nthmb	Outback	J. Hanna	M. Stewart	Foodess.	Burt Wolf	Dinner?	Outback	Homes	M. Stewart	Trendspot.	Lifestyles Rich Fam	Extra	Dinner?	
51		NET	Edge	Snowbrd	Snowbrd	F.League	S.Central	Last Word	Goin' Deep	Rewind		Soccer Chelsea vs Manchester EPL			S.Central	S.Central	Last Word	

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4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO News	News	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Vengeance Unlimited	Naked Gun 33 1/3: The Final Insult		News	NewYear's					
5	11	KNOW	Kratt's C.	Magic Bs	Destinos	Destinos	Inside Italy	C. Rider	M.Animals	Tribute to the Music of Bob Dylan		:10 Investigate Tarzan						
7	6	CHEK	David Letterman	News	News	News	Love. C.	Hollyw'dS.	Ally McBeal	Double Exposure	E.R.	News	:40 Club 54					
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey Show	News	Canada	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Dumb & Dumber (1994) Jim Carrey.		E.R.	News	News Spt					
9	9	KCTS	3: Dancing	Ballroom Dancing	News	News	Russell	Live From Lincoln Center	Steve Allen Birthday		Cinci. Pops Holiday							
11	27	KIRO	Inside Ed.	Hard Copy	KIRO News	News	News	E.T.	Real TV	Promised Land	Diagnosis Murder	Diagnosis Murder	News	Letterman				
12	24	KVOS	Lois, Clark Superman	Fr.Prince	Roseanne	The Nanny	Home I.	Touched By An Angel	Hercules: Legendary	Xena: Princess	Seinfeld	Mad You	Cheers	M.A.S.H.				
13	13	CKVU	Rosie O'Donnell	Toughest Break	News	News	E.T.	Simpsons	Friends	Jesse	Frasier	Frasier	Traders	SportPage	News			
14	7	VTV	Ellen	Friends	News	DrwCarey	Hockey Vancouver vs Philadelphia NHL		Vancouver News	Double Exposure	Comedy N	Bullard						
15	21	TSN	2:30 Hockey Canada vs USA		Football Texas Tech vs Ole Miss NCAA		Sprtsdsk	Snow Trax	NHLPA	Fishing	Sportsdesk							
16	5	KING	Oprah Winfrey Show	KING News	News	News	Magazine	Hollyw'dS.	Friends	Jesse	Frasier	Veronica	E.R.	News	New Year			
20	23	KSTW	CADream	Saved Bell	Home I.	The Nanny	Home I.	M.A.S.H.	Frasier	Seinfeld	Legacy	Great Pets	Great Pets	M.A.S.H.	Cheers	Frasier	NwsRadio	
21		YTV	Doug	Animan.	Rugrats	Pinky	Addams	Stickin' A	Boy World	Hercules	Charlie B.	Gsebmps	Addams	BreakHigh	Student	Warp	Ocean Girl	Af. Dark
23	10	SRC	Voyages Gulliver	Riverdance	revue intern'l	Téléjournal/Point	Bye Bye 98	:05 Entre deux plages (1988) Bette Midler.	:20 Off Air									
30		TNN	Club Dance	The Dukes of Hazzard	Dallas	The Waltons	Alabama for the Record	Law & Order	Biography	Sherlock Holmes Myst								
31	20	A&E	Law & Order	Biography	Sherlock Holmes	Law & Order	Biography	Sherlock Holmes Myst										
33		SHOW	Forever Knight	Destiny Ridge	Lonesome Dove	Panic in Needle Park (1971) Al Pacino.	:20 Bad Lieutenant (1992) Harvey Keitel.	:20 Bad Lieutenant										
34	25	KCPQ	P Rangers	P Rangers	Judge J.	Judge J.	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Simpsons	Wild Police Videos	FOX Files Magazine	Reports	Mad You	New Year's Eve			
38	16	TLC	Human Experience	Air Disasters	Crash Science	Crash Science	Crash Science	Crash Science	Crash Test	Crash Course	Crash							
39		DISC	@discovery.ca	Hid. Wrld.	Trails	Movie M.	Horses	Men At Work	@discovery.ca	Hid. Wrld.	Trails	Movie M.	Horses	Men At Work				
43		HIST	20th Cent.	Yesterday	Lawrence of Arabia (1962) Peter O'Toole.		Lawrence of Arabia (1962) Peter O'Toole.											
44		LIFE	Homes	Homes	Nat. Geo.	Inferno	M. Stewart	Tourist	Lighten Up	Dinner?	Nat. Geo.	Tourist	M. Stewart	Gr'nthmb	Lifestyles Rich Fam	Extra	Dinner?	
51		NET	3:3Snwbrd	Edge	Rinkside	S.Central	Hockey Philadelphia vs Vancouver NHL		S.Central	Hardcore Football	S.Central	S.Central	S.Central	Last Word				

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4	4	KOMO	1:30 Football NCAA	:25P.Game	:45 Football Ohio vs Texas NCAA	Dog Tags	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	News	:35 News						
5	11	KNOW	Kratt's C.	Magic Bs	Destinations	Heartbeat	Herbs	Wine	Classic Theatre	V Dibley	Night Sw.	J. R. R. T.					
7	6	CHEK	David Letterman	News	News	News	Love. C.	Hollyw'dS.	Dumb & Dumber (1994) Jim Carrey.		Nikita	News	:40 Club 54				
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey Show	News	Canada	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Kids Say	Candid C.	Highlander: Series	Nash Bridges	News	News Spt			
9	9	KCTS	3:35 Great Perform.	Hobhouse	Business	News	Russell	Dan. Kaye	Movie	Wash. Wk /	:35 Great Perform.	:05 Suspicion (1941) Cary Grant.	:45 News				
11	27	KIRO	Inside Ed.	Hard Copy	KIRO News	News	News	E.T.	Real TV	Kids Say	Candid C.	JAG	Nash Bridges	News	Letterman		
12	24	KVOS	Lois, Clark Superman	Fr.Prince	Roseanne	The Nanny	Home I.	Touched By An Angel	Cabaret (1972) Liza Minnelli.		Mad You	Cheers	M.A.S.H.				
13	13	CKVU	Rosie O'Donnell	The Young & Restless	News	News	E.T.	Simpsons	Dawson's Creek	Millennium	Millennium Pt. 2 of 2	SportPage	News				
14	7	VTV	Sister Act (1992) Whoopi Goldberg.		News	Frasier	Friends	Underhill & Martini	Comedy Now	Ent.Now	J. Byrnes						
15	21	TSN	1:30Football UCLA/Wisconsin NCAA		Football Ohio vs Texas NCAA		Sprtsdsk	Bodybuild	98 Canadian Champs	Sportsdesk							
16	5	KING	Oprah Winfrey Show	KING News	News	News	Magazine	Hollyw'dS.	Dateline NBC	Law & Order	E.R.	News	:35 Tonight				
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23	10	SRC	Astérix et les Indiens (1994)		Bye Bye 98	:05 Journal	2000 ans de cinéma	:10 Off Air									
30		TNN	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas
31	20	A&E	Law & Order	Biography	Sherlock Holmes Myst	Law & Order	Biography	Sherlock Holmes Myst									
33		SHOW	Forever Knight	Friday 13th: Series	Welcome to Paradox	Oz	:10 Pretty Baby (1978) Brooke Shields.	Oz									
34	25	KCPQ	Hercules	Hercules	Judge J.	Judge J.	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Simpsons	The Three Musketeers (1993) Tim Curry.		Reports	Mad You	:05 The Outer Limits IV		
38	16	TLC	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death	Trauma - Life&Death
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51		NET	3:3Gymnst	Ski Report	Skiing FIS Alpine World	S.Central	Fantasy	Bobsleigh World Cup	Snowbrd ISF World	Ski Report	Skiing FIS Alpine World	S.Central	S.Central	Last Word			

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2	2	CBC	6:3Playgrd	Spill Milk	CoolShot	St. Cent	Gardener	Cottage	Urban P	Bowling 5 Pin	Figure Skating Challenge of Champions		Report	Hockey				
4	4	KOMO	7:00 One Sat. Morning	Football NFC Wild Card NFL	Football AFC Wild Card NFL													
5	11	KNOW	Magic Bs	Kratt's C.	Art Attack	T-Tubbies	Sewing	Quilting	Yoga	:50 Cats & Dogs	Router	Digital D.	Caller Ch.	C. Rider	Ent.Asia			
7	6	CHEK	HomeChk	Get Up	House	House	Punjabi Profile	Worldvision	TuTu Main	Road	Fish Can.	Travel	Wine	Gold Trails	CityLine			
8	8	BCTV	7:00 BCTV Saturday Morning News	Investors on Line	Movie S.	House	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	
9	9	KCTS	Wimzie	Barney	Arthur	C. Couch	T. House	Handyma'	Kaye Quilt	Sewing	JoyPaint	TrueColor	Outdoors	Championship Skating	In Kitchen	Cucina A.	Cooking	
11	27	KIRO	7:00 KIRO News	Old House	Paid Prog.	National Geographic	Basketball North Carolina vs Clemson NCAA	Basketball Louisville/Michigan State NCAA	7th on 6th									
12	24	KVOS	Life Louie	Bill Nye	W. Melon	B. Bunny	Dragon Ball	Drag. Ball	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	A Yank in the R.A.F. (1941) Tyrone Power.			
13	13	CKVU	Godzilla	Eerie	Knights	Football NFL Wild Card NFL	Football AFC Wild Card NFL											
14	7	VTV	7:30 One Sat. Morning	Master C	Win Pooh	Rhino J.H.	Nature Nut	M Warriors	Wedding	Eagle C.	Fisherman	Wrldvision	Spruce Meadows	Leprosy Mission				
15	21	TSN	Sprtsdsk	NFL Count	TSN Sportsdesk Extra	Aviation 98 Air Show	Bloopers	Hockey 1999 World Junior	Cheerlead.	ArmWrest	Sprtsdsk							
16	5	KING	King Weekend Morning News	Ins.Stuff	Saved Bell	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	TBA	FigSkate Challenge of Champions	Hang Time	One World							
20	23	KSTW	Viper	Wild Things	Wild Geese 2 (1985) Scott Glenn.		Iron Eagle II (1988) Louis Gossett Jr..		The Dogfighters (1996) Robert Davi.									
21		YTV	Channel 3	W. Melon	Flintstones	Jetsons	Monsters	Arnold	Beavers	Rocko's	Top 10	Uh Oh!	YTV's Hit List	Tiny Toon	Charlie B.	Dexter Lab	Spiderman	
23	10	SRC	..Croisé	..Peur!	Le Midi	Au secours du petit panda Stephen Lang.		Hist. compositeurs	Aventures	Ind. Jones	Arche Noé	Cirque de demain	Ce soir	Mr. Bean				
30		TNN	Off Air	Turkey	Outdoors	Fishing	Fishing	Sosin's J.	Bill Dance	Fishing	Bass..	Outdoor Trucks!	Car Driver	Class. Car	Horsepwr	Mechanic		
31	20	A&E	Biography Internat.	Las Vegas	The New Explorers	Investigative Reports	Inside Stories	American Justice	City Confidential									
33		SHOW	7: Big Friendly Giant	HardyB.	N.Drew	Robocop	Persuasion (1995) Amanda Root.	Red Dwarf	Pie in the Sky	Friday 13th: Series								
34	25	KCPQ	Godzilla	P Rangers	Knights	Oggy	Mad Jack	Spy Dogs	Click	Peer P.	My Antonia (1995) Jason Robards.		Baywatch	Mortal Kombat				
38	16	TLC	Hometime	Hometime	Bob Vila	Bob Vila	Men Tool	Men Tool	Home S.	Home S.	Hometime	Hometime	Bob Vila	Bob Vila	Dangerous Pursuits	Worst Drivers		
39		DISC	Dotto's	Connect.	Forbidden Places	Men At Work	Discover Magazine	Cosmic	Dang.Sea	Thrills and Spills	Exhibit A	ChmpWild	Space					
43		HIST	7:00 History Presents	The Great War	The Shipwreck Coast	Gunfight At O.K. Corral		Rat Patrol	Secrets of World War II	Ecce Homo								
44		LIFE	Pet Proj.	Doctor	Pet Friend	Life Pets	Workshop	Workshop	Inferno	Tourist	Pet Friend	Outback	Wild Nat.	Inferno	J. Hanna	Nat. Geo.	Outdoors	Tourist
51		NET	S.Central	S.Central	Soccer Teams TBA	W. Union	S.Central	F.League	GameNat.	Rinkside	CoolShot	Fishing	Ski Report	Skiing FIS Alpine World				

P - PENDER ISLAND		S - SALT SPRING ISLAND		SATURDAY EVENING JANUARY 2															
P	S	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30		
2	2	CBC	Hockey Washington vs Toronto NHL						Hockey Montreal vs Vancouver NHL						Hockeytlk	Booked.	Advent. Robin Hood		
4	4	KOMO	KOMO News			Football Florida vs Syracuse NCAA			Nightman									News	:35 Polterg.
5	11	KNOW	Pick Day	Baker's	Herbs	Wine	T-Tubbies	Kratt's C.	Magic Bs	Wishbone	Heartbeat	Ruth Rendell		Who's Counting			:35 Hornby		
7	6	CHEK	Wings of Gold		Nanaimo..	Wknd Ed.	News	Payback	Am. Most Wanted		The Pretender		Profiler		News	Night Man			
8	8	BCTV	Travel	House	Travel	Golf World	News	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Howling at the Moon		Am. Most Wanted		Nikita		News	News Spt		
9	9	KCTS	Cooking	Best Kerr	Food	Kitchen	Lawrence Welk Show	Nature		National Geographic		National Geographic		Monty Python		The Short List			
11	27	KIRO	Bill Nye	Animal	KIRO News		News	News	Entertain. Week		Early Edition		Martial Law		Walker, Texas Ranger		News	:35 NYPD	
12	24	KVOS	Lois, Clark Superman		Viper		Roseanne	Home I.	Touched By An Angel		Downhill Racer (1969)		Robert Redford.		Taxi	Paid Prog.		Cheers	M.A.S.H.
13	13	CKVU	Xena: Princess		Sliders		News		Addams	Addams	Rick Hansen		Hockey Canada vs Russia		The Outer Limits				
14	7	VTV	Music	Movie TV	Siskel &..	Ent.Now	News	DoubleEx.	Earth: Final Conflict		Cops	Cops	Police Academy		FX: The Series		Forever Knight		
15	21	TSN	STIHL	NFL Prime	Football Florida vs Syracuse NCAA			Sportsdesk					No Limits	Motoring	Wrestling	Sportsdesk			
16	5	KING	J. Hanna	Criminal	KING News		News	News	Wings of Gold		Payback	The Pretender		Profiler		News	AlmstLive		
20	23	KSTW	High Road to China (1983) Tom Selleck.			Extra Weekend			Home I.	Seinfeld	Clean and Sober (1988) Henry Judd Baker.			Cheers		Star Trek: Voyager			
21		YTV	D Bunnies	Felix Cat	Boy World	WrstWitch	Fr. Stories	Addams	Buffy Vampire Slayer		Gsebmps	Gsebmps	Af. Dark	Deepwater	BreakHigh	Flipper	Ocean Girl		
23	10	SRC	L'opus de M. Holland (1995) Richard Dreyfuss.						Journal	Sports / :55	Jésus de Nazareth (1977) Robert Powell. Pt. 2 de 2 (suite du 1 jan.)								
30		TNN	Inside Nascar		Roller Derby Reborn		Pro Bull Riding		Wk in Country Music		Opry Bck.	Grnd Opry	Statler Brothers Shw		Salute to Boy Scouts		Opry Bck.	Grnd Opry	
31	20	A&E	Mysteries of the Bible		Biography of the Year			TBA				City Confidential		Biography of the Year		TBA			
33		SHOW	Lies My Father Told Me (1975) Jan Kadar.			Once a Thief		Prime Suspect		:05 Killing Zoe (1994) Eric Stoltz.			:15 Prime Suspect		:20 Killing Zoe				
34	25	KCPQ	Stargate: S-G1		E.R.		Star Trek: Next Gen.		Star Trek: DSN		Cops	Cops	Am. Most Wanted		Reports	Friends	Mad TV		
38	16	TLC	Caught on Camera		Separate Lives			Supertwins				Seperate Lives		Supertwins		Extreme Machines			
39		DISC	Illusions	Horses	Anml Wk	Animal Wk	Untamed Amazonia		Kitchen	Harr'wsm.	Connect.	Exhibit A	Anml Wk	Animal Wk	Untamed Amazonia	Kitchen	Harr'wsm.		
43		HIST	Spice..Life		The Untouchables		Hist Bites		The Guns of Navarone (1961) Gregory Peck.										
44		LIFE	Inferno	Outback	Wild Nat.	Pet Friend	J. Hanna	Outdoors	Nat. Geo.	Inferno	Eros	Outback		J. Hanna	Lifestyles Rich Fam	Pet Proj.	Doctor		
51		NET	Rugby Championship			F.League	S.Central	Skiing	Ice Time D. Wilkes	Figure Skating Cup of Russia				S.Central	S.Central	Fox News			

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P	S	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	
2	2	CBC	Cottage	Gardener	Coronation Street				Riverdale	Man Alive	FoodShw	Alive!	Health Sh.	Market P	Venture	Reflect	Reflect	
4	4	KOMO	Ed Hume	Garden	KOMO News Sunday Morning				This Week	TrueColor	Real Life	Golf 2000	W.Sonnett	Streets Francisco		Streets Francisco		
5	11	KNOW	Magic Bs	Kratt's C.	Art Attack	T-Tubbies	Business	T. Router	Explorers...Titanic	Caller Ch.	Mind Busi.	Americas		Hi-Tech C.	Eyewitnss	Classic Theatre		
7	6	CHEK	Ernest Angley		Key David	TBA	Sanja Punjab	Is Written	Van Impe	Eagle C.	Golf World	Makin' 8	Biker TV	Outdoor	Fishing	Dunston Checks In		
8	8	BCTV	BCTV Sunday Morning News				Robert Schuller	Worldvision		News	TBA		Pet Guys	Car Guys	Road	Foster	Style Men	
9	9	KCTS	Barney	Arthur	Newton's		Eddie File	Kratt's C.	Firing Line	M. Group	Brown	Wall \$treet	Wash. Wk	Silicon Valley		Garden	Woodshop	
11	27	KIRO	7:30 Sunday Morning	The NFL Today			Football AFC Wild Card NFL			Basketball Illinois vs Indiana NCAA			Face Nat.		M Warriors			
12	24	KVOS	Discovery	Ministry	Robert Schuller		Paid Programming		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	A Streetcar Named Desire (1951) Marlon Brandon.				Fishing	
13	13	CKVU	Pinky	Men Black	NFL Blast	Football AFC Wild Card NFL			Football NFC Wild Card NFL									
14	7	VTV	Worldvision		Music	Fashion	Media TV	Movie TV	Pacific	Macl. TV	Sunday Edition		Worldvision Telethon					
15	21	TSN	Fitness '98 Canadian		NFL Count	WWF Raw	is War		Boxing Brown vs McCallum		Boxing Card TBA		NFL Films		Sprtsdsk			
16	5	KING	7:00 King Weekend Morning News			Meet the Press		City Guys		Hang Time	Paid Prog.	TBA		Images				
20	23	KSTW	Beetleborg	Inc. Hulk	X-Men	Spiderman	Honey, I Shrunk Kids		Party of Five		Semi-Precious Joanna Kerns.		Immediate Family (1989) Glenn Close.					
21		YTV	Poke'Mon	Mad Jack	Flintstones	Jetsons	Tiny Toon	Oggy	Dexter Lab	Garfield	Chipminks	Jep!	Wheel..	Boy World	Wishbone	Wht Mess	Reboot	Stickin' A
23	10	SRC	Scully	Médias	Le Midi	La semaine verte	..regard		De bouche à oreille		Horizons		Branché	Course destination		Ce soir	Découvert	
30		TNN	Off Air		Shadet..	Mechanic	Inside Nascar		Raceday		Nascar G	Trucks!	Car Driver	Class. Car	Horsepwr	Mechanic	Roller Derby Reborn	
31	20	A&E	Biography of the Year			Sweet Revenge (1984) Kevin Dobson.		Rio Bravo (1959) John Wayne.		The Unexplained								
33		SHOW	7: Myst.Lat Castle House		Tek War		Sweating Bullets		Carry on Cleo (1964) Kenneth Williams.		Hale and Pace		Pie in Sky		Friday 13th: Series			
34	25	KCPQ	Fox News Sunday		Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.		Benji (1974) Peter Breck.		Pre-Game Show		Football NFC Wild Card NFL					
38	16	TLC	Bob Vila	Bob Vila	Home S.	Home S.	Hot Flying		Speed Seekers		Century of Flight		G-Force to Oblivion		Stealth	Chase Killer Storms		
39		DISC	Nature Stories		Kid@disc.	Tails	Movie M.	Beyond 2000	Illusions		Oceans of Mystery		Discovery's Showcase					
43		HIST	CNN Cold War		The Shipwreck Coast		History of Warfare		Midway		The Untouchables		The Untouchables		Yesterday		Hist Bites	
44		LIFE	Lighten Up	Health	Jennings	Jennings	Living	Images	Crafts	Crafts	Homes	Renovator	Homes	Grnthmb	M. Stewart	M. Stewart	Extra	
51		NET	S.Central	S.Central	Fox News		S.Central	S.Central	Triathlon Ironman Hawaii		Ice Time D. Wilkes	Figure Skating Cup of Russia		Skiing FIS Alpine World				

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P	S	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
2	2	CBC	The Nature of Things		D3: The Mighty Ducks			Emilio Estevez.	Emily of New Moon		Big Bear Pt. 1 of 2 (cont'd Jan 4th)				CBC News	Undercur	CBC News	Bowling
4	4	KOMO	PSI Factor Chronicle		News	ABC News	Town Meeting		D3: The Mighty Ducks			Emilio Estevez.	20/20 Sunday		The Practice		News	Siskel &..
5	11	KNOW	3:00 Classic Theatre		Heartbeat		Art Attack	Kratt's C.	Eyewitnss	Creatures	Leaving Home		Kavanagh Q.C.		Pacific	Western Voices		
7	6	CHEK	3: Dunston Checks In		Nanaimo..	Wknd Ed.	News		Stargate: S-G1		Stargate: S-G1		Power Play (1998) Michael Riley.		News	Hollywd B.		
8	8	BCTV	Bushwhacked (1995) Daniel Stern.			News		Felicity		Touched By An Angel		Power Play (1998) Michael Riley.		News	News Spt			
9	9	KCTS	Woodshop	House	Old House	Hometime	All Creatures G&S		Ballykissangel		Nature		Mast. Theatre Pt. 1 of 3 (cont'd Jan 4th)		Red Green	Faith		
11	27	KIRO	D Bunnies	Rhino J.H.	News	Eve. News	News		60 Minutes		Touched By An Angel		Sabrina (1995) Julia Ormond.		News	:35 Walker		
12	24	KVOS	Ski&Board	Computer	Star Trek		Star Trek: Next Gen.		Roseanne	Seinfeld	To Serve and Protect		The Accused (1958) Donald Wolfit.					
13	13	CKVU	Game On	Computer	Entertain. Week		News		60 Minutes		Simpsons	70's Show	X-Files	The Practice		SportPage	Country	
14	7	VTV	1:00 Vision Telethon		Seventh Heaven		News	MasonLee	DoubleEx.		Playhouse		Charmed	The Silence of Adultery Kate Jackson.		Forever Knight		
15	21	TSN	No Limits	NFL Prime	Strg Man	Strg Man	Strg Man	Strg Man	Strongest Man		Sportsdesk		Bowling 5 Pin		NFL Prime	STIHL	Sportsdesk	
16	5	KING	Bob Vila	M. Stewart	KING News		News	Backroads	Dateline NBC		Heat (1995) Al Pacino.		News		SportMach			
20	23	KSTW	Twice in a Lifetime (1985) Ann Margret.			Men Don't Leave (1990) Jessica Lange.			Stanley and Iris (1990) Jane Fonda.		M.A.S.H.		Cheers	Viper				
21		YTV	Animan.	Oggy	DgHeaven	B.Potter	Charlie B.	Lassie	My Hometown		Smart Guy	Flipper	W. Melon	Rough Guide	Jake and the Kid			
23	10	SRC	3:30 Découv.		Les Beaux Dimanches		Les Beaux Dimanches		Pacifiq.	Journal	Suspect #1		Sports/25 Les parapluies de Cherbourg		:05 Off Air			
30		TNN	Nascar G	Trucks!	Mechanic	Shadet..	Legends	One Cast	Outdoor	Bass..	Fishing	Bill Dance	Mesquite Rodeo	Fishing	Fishing	Class. Car	Nascar G	
31	20	A&E	Ancient Mysteries		Biography Pt. 1 of 2 (cont'd Jan 4th)			Biography Pt. 1 of 2 (cont'd Jan 4th)		Biography Pt. 1 of 2 (cont'd Jan 4th)		Biography Pt. 1 of 2 (cont'd Jan 4th)		Biography				
33		SHOW	Gross Misconduct (1992)			Due South		Pie in Sky		Eureka (1983) Gene Hackman.		:10 Pie in the Sky		:10 Whistle Blower				
34	25	KCPQ	Breathing Lessons (1994) James Garner.		E.R.		World's Funniest		Simpsons	70's Show	X-Files	Reports/25 Q It Up		X-Files				
38	16	TLC	How'd They Do That?		Atlantis: Continent		Titanic: Secrets Revealed		Atlantis: Continent		Titanic: Secrets Revealed		Trauma - Life&Death					
39		DISC	Sunday@discovery.ca		Discovery's Showcase		Discovery's Showcase		Forbidden Places		Sunday@discovery.ca		Discovery's Showcase		Discovery's Showcase		Forbidden Places	
43		HIST	The Canadians		The Churchills		Captain Cook		The Churchills		Captain Cook		The Churchills					
44		LIFE	Trendspot.	Foodess.	Grnthmb	Homes	Extreme World	Trendspot.	Homes	Grnthmb	Foodess.	Extreme World		Lifestyles Rich Fam	M. Stewart	Homes		
51		NET	Triathlon Ironman Hawaii		Catching the Dream		S.Central	H. News	Bobsleigh World Cup		Skiing	Basketball Teams TBA		S.Central	S.Central	Fox News		

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P	S	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
2	2	CBC	Road to Avonlea	St. Cent	Simpsons	News		Air Farce	Wingfield	Big Bear Pt. 2 of 2 (cont'd from Jan 3rd)		The National		News		:55 Omerta	
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell		Football Florida vs Tennessee NCAA						KOMO News	ABC News	Fortune	Jeopardy	News	:35 News	
5	11	KNOW	Kratt's C. Magic Bs	French	French	Pacific	Mudslide	Tk.Stick	Abt Babies	BC Times	Parks	Saints and Sinners	I Wanna Be Adored	The Spirit			
7	6	CHEK	David Letterman	News	News	News		Love. C.	Hollyw'dS.	Raym'nd	Being Human (1994) Robin Williams.		News	:40 Club 54			
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey Show	News	Canada	News		Fortune	Jeopardy	Canadian Heroes	Ally McBeal	L.A. Doctors	News	News Spt			
9	9	KCTS	Kratt's C. Wishbone	Arthur	Business	News		Bill Nye	Diary	Going Places	Mast. Theatre Pt. 2 of 3 (cont'd Jan 5th)		Newsroom	Wrld News			
11	27	KIRO	Inside Ed. Hard Copy	KIRO News		News	News	E.T.	Real TV	Raym'nd	Maggie	Sleepless in Seattle (1993) Tom Hanks.	News	Letterman			
12	24	KVOS	Lois, Clark Superman	Fr.Prince	Home I.	The Nanny	Seinfeld	Touched By An Angel		Beauty and Denise (1989) Julia Duffy.		Seinfeld	Mad You	Cheers	M.A.S.H.		
13	13	CKVU	Rosie O'Donnell	The Young & Restless	News			E.T.	Simpsons	3rd Rock	Dharma &	Mad You	2 Guys...	The Outer Limits	SportPage	News	
14	7	VTV	Ellen	Friends	News	Drew C.	News	Frasier	Friends	Charmed	Buffy Vampire Slayer	Dateline NBC		News	Media TV		
15	21	TSN	Hockey Gallagher	Hockey 1999 World Junior						Sportsdesk	WWF Raw is War			Sportsdesk			
16	5	KING	Oprah Winfrey Show	KING News		News	News	Magazine	Hollyw'dS.	The Wrong Girl (1998) Barbara Mandrell.		Dateline NBC		News	:35 Tonight		
20	23	KSTW	CADream Saved Bell	Home I.	The Nanny	Home I.	M.A.S.H.	Frasier	Seinfeld	Mal & Ed	GuysLike	Mal & Ed	Diresta	M.A.S.H.	Cheers	Frasier	NwsRadio
21		YTV	Doug Animan.	Rugrats	Pinky	Addams	Boy World	S. Holmes	Story Stud	Lassie	Gsebmeps	Addams	BreakHigh	Student	Odyssey	Ocean Girl	Af. Dark
23	10	SRC	Virginie Tintin	Merlin		Magie démasquée		Journal/Point		Ce soir	Sports	De bouche à oreille		Off Air			
30		TNN	Club Dance	The Dukes of Hazzard	Dallas			The Waltons		Life and Times of..	Prime Time Country	The Oak Ridge Boys	Dallas				
31	20	A&E	Law & Order	Biography Pt. 2 of 2 (cont'd from Dec 3rd)				Inspector Morse		Law & Order		Biography		Inspector Morse			
33		SHOW	Forever Knight	Street Justice	Due South			Cosmos (1997)				:10 Edward II (1991) Steven Waddington.	:05 Edward II				
34	25	KCPQ	P Rangers Knights	Judge J.	Judge J.	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Simpsons	Ally McBeal	Ally McBeal	Reports	Mad You	:05 Star Trek: DSN			
38	16	TLC	Code 3	Tornadoes	Hurricanes			Floods		Tornadoes	Hurricanes	Floods		Code 3			
39		DISC	@discovery.ca	Behavin' Animals	Dang.Sea	Parks		Discover Magazine		@discovery.ca	Behavin' Animals	Dang.Sea	Parks	Discover Magazine			
43		HIST	20th Cent. Yesterday	The Celts		History Presents				The Canadians	History Presents			The Canadians			
44		LIFE	Homes Trendspot.	J. Hanna	Nat. Geo.	M. Stewart	M. Stewart	Dish It Out	Dinner?	J. Hanna	Foodess.	M. Stewart	M. Stewart	Lifestyles Rich Fam	Extra	Dinner?	
51		NET	H. News S.Central	Hockey Vancouver vs Seattle NHL						Rugby Championship		S.Central	S.Central	Last Word	Fox News		

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P	S	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
2	2	CBC	Road to Avonlea	Jonovision	Simpsons	Broadcast One		On Arts	Health Sh.	Market P	Venture	The 5th Estate		The National		News	:55 TBA
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO News	News	News		Fortune	Jeopardy	Home I.	Hughleys	Spin City	Sports N.	NYPD Blue		News	:35 News
5	11	KNOW	Kratt's C. Magic Bs	Pw'rPlace	Business	Nature's Rebirth		Digital D.	Dotto's	Westland	Jeff Gibbs	Dreams of Flight	The Air We Breathe	Gay Spirit			
7	6	CHEK	David Letterman	News	News	News		Love. C.	Hollyw'dS.	JAG		Last Stand at Saber River Tom Selleck.	News	:40 Club 54			
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey Show	News	Canada	News		Fortune	Jeopardy	Maggie	NwsRadio	..Shoot Me/Will Grace	W-FIVE	News	News Spt		
9	9	KCTS	Kratt's C. Wishbone	Arthur	Business	News		Bill Nye	Oregon	Nova		Mast. Theatre Pt. 3 of 3 (cont'd from Jan 4th)	Newsroom	Wrld News			
11	27	KIRO	Inside Ed. Hard Copy	KIRO News		News	News	E.T.	Real TV	JAG		In My Sister's Shadow Nancy McKeon.	News	Letterman			
12	24	KVOS	Lois, Clark Superman	Fr.Prince	Home I.	The Nanny	Seinfeld	Touched By An Angel		Baywatch		V.I.P.	Seinfeld	Paid Prog.	Cheers	M.A.S.H.	
13	13	CKVU	Rosie O'Donnell	The Young & Restless	News			E.T.	Simpsons	King of Hill	Bob&Marg	Dharma &	Bob&Marg	NYPD Blue	SportPage	News	
14	7	VTV	Ellen	Friends	News	Drew C.	News	Frasier	Friends	Home I.	Moesha	Spin City	Sports N.	Dateline NBC	News	Fashion	
15	21	TSN	Hockey Gallagher	Hockey 1999 World Junior								Sprtsdsk	Boxing Vargas vs Contreras	Sportsdesk			
16	5	KING	Oprah Winfrey Show	KING News		News	News	Magazine	Hollyw'dS.	3rd Rock	NwsRadio	..Shoot Me/Will Grace	Dateline NBC	News	:35 Tonight		
20	23	KSTW	CADream Saved Bell	Home I.	The Nanny	Home I.	M.A.S.H.	Frasier	Seinfeld	Moesha	Clueless	TBA		M.A.S.H.	Cheers	Frasier	NwsRadio
21		YTV	Doug Animan.	Rugrats	Pinky	Addams	Odyssey	Animorphs	Hercules	Fr. Stories	Gsebmeps	Addams	BreakHigh	Student	Odyssey	Ocean Girl	Af. Dark
23	10	SRC	Virginie La Fature	Merlin		Magie démasquée		Téléjournal/Point		Ce soir	Sports	Découverte		Les requins de la finance Paul McGann.			
30		TNN	Club Dance	The Dukes of Hazzard	Dallas			The Waltons		Life and Times of..	Prime Time Country	George Jones Show	Dallas				
31	20	A&E	Law & Order	Biography	American Justice			Inspector Morse		Law & Order		Biography	American Justice	Inspector Morse			
33		SHOW	Forever Knight	Taking the Falls	Black Harbour			The Sailor Who Fell From Grave With Sea	:15 The Mystery of Rampo Naoto Takenaka.	:25 Mystery of Rampo							
34	25	KCPQ	P Rangers Knights	Judge J.	Judge J.	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Simpsons	King of Hill	Hold Baby	Guinness Records	Reports	Mad You	:05 Stargate: S-G1		
38	16	TLC	Code 3	Trauma - Life&Death	Storm Rescue			Global Catastrophe		Trauma - Life&Death	Storm Rescue	Global Catastrophe	Code 3				
39		DISC	@discovery.ca	Kingdoms of Survival	Exhibit A	Illusions		Ancient Inventions		@discovery.ca	Kingdoms of Survival	Exhibit A	Illusions	Ancient Inventions			
43		HIST	20th Cent. Yesterday	History of Warfare	War Stories			Turning Points		CNN Cold War	War Stories	Turning Points	CNN Cold War				
44		LIFE	Gr'nthmb Tourist	Inferno	Wild Nat.	M. Stewart	Trendspot.	Inn Chef	Dinner?	Inferno	Wild Nat.	M. Stewart	Homes	Lifestyles Rich Fam	Extra	Dinner?	
51		NET	Skiing FIS Alpine World	S.Central	H. Central	Hockey Los Angeles vs Edmonton NHL						S.Central	Canucks	S.Central	S.Central	Last Word	Fox News

WHAT'S ON TV MOVIES

WEDNESDAY, DEC 30

6:00 PM
 (43) ★★ Nostradamus (1994,Biography) Nostradamus, who prophesied many future events including Hitler's rise to power. *Tchéky Karyo, F. Murray Abraham*
 7:00 PM
 (33) ★★ Frantic (1988,Drama) An American doctor's wife disappears from the hotel room in Paris. *Betty Buckley, Harrison Ford*
 8:00 PM
 (13) (13) Rugged Gold (Adventure) A woman is stranded, alone, pregnant and injured during Alaskan winter. *Jill Eikenberry, Art Hindle*
 9:00 PM
 (8) (8) ★★ Total Recall (1990,Sci-Fi) A man goes to Mars to fight power-hungry madman of the 21st century. *Arnold Schwarzenegger, Rachel Ticotin*
 (43) ★★ Nostradamus (1994,Biography) *Tchéky Karyo, F. Murray Abraham*
 9:30 PM
 (33) ★★ The Tenant (1976,Horror) A timid man who rents an apartment in a building inhabited by hostile people. *Roman Polanski, Isabelle Adjani*
 11:55 PM
 (2) (2) ★★ Holiday Inn (1942,Musical) Musical about a romantic triangle at a country inn open only for the holidays. *Bing Crosby, Fred Astaire*
 THURSDAY, DEC 31
 7:00 PM
 (33) Panic in Needle Park (1971,Drama) A portrayal of life among a group of heroin addicts who hang out in Needle Park. *Al Pacino, Kitty Winn*
 8:00 PM
 (8) (8) ★★ Dumb & Dumber (1994,Comedy) Two men travel to Aspen to return a woman's briefcase she left at the airport. *Jim Carrey, Jeff Daniels*
 9:00 PM
 (4) (4) ★★ Naked Gun 33 1/3: The Final Insult (1994,Crime Story) Lt. Frank Drebin is out of retirement and undercover to foil a terrorist plot. *Leslie Nielsen, Priscilla Presley*

9:20 PM
 (33) ★★ Bad Lieutenant (1992,Drama) Guilt-ridden cop investigates rape of nun refusing to press charges. *Harvey Keitel, Victor Argo*
 9:30 PM
 (43) ★★ Lawrence of Arabia (1962,Adventure) *Peter O'Toole, Alec Guinness*
 11:20 PM
 (33) ★★ Bad Lieutenant (1992,Drama) *Harvey Keitel, Victor Argo*
 FRIDAY, JAN 1
 6:00 PM
 (43) ★★ Indochine (1992,Drama) Wealthy French mother and her adopted daughter both fall in love. *Catherine Deneuve, Linh Dan Pham*
 8:00 PM
 (7) (6) ★★ Dumb & Dumber (1994,Comedy) Two men travel to Aspen to return a woman's briefcase she left at the airport. *Jim Carrey, Jeff Daniels*
 (9) (9) ★★ That's Entertainment III (1994,Documentary) A trip down movie memory lane for the greatest MGM stars. *Jane Allyn, Cyd Charisse*
 (12) (24) ★★ Cabaret (1972,Musical) An American girl sings in the nightclubs of pre-war Berlin. *Liza Minnelli, Michael York*
 (34) (25) ★★ The Three Musketeers (1993,History) Three Musketeers fight corrupt Cardinal who wants the throne for himself. *Tim Curry, Chris O'Donnell*
 8:10 PM
 (33) ★★ Pretty Baby (1978,Drama) Extraordinarily beautiful child grows up in a brothel where her mother works. *Brooke Shields, Susan Sarandon*
 9:00 PM
 (43) ★★ Indochine (1992,Drama) Wealthy French mother and her adopted daughter both fall in love. *Catherine Deneuve, Linh Dan Pham*
 10:05 PM
 (9) (9) ★★ Suspicion (1941,Thriller) A woman realizes she is married to a killer and may be next on his list. *Cary Grant, Joan Fontaine*
 11:40 PM
 (2) (2) ★★ Meet Me in St. Louis

(1944,Musical) Members of a man's family oppose moving from St. Louis to New York. *Judy Garland, Margaret O'Brien*
 (33) ★★ Pretty Baby (1978,Drama) *Brooke Shields, Susan Sarandon*
 SATURDAY, JAN 2
 6:00 PM
 (43) ★★ The Guns of Navarone (1961,War) A group of soldiers must destroy a German fortress in the Aegean. *Gregory Peck, David Niven*
 8:00 PM
 (12) (24) ★★ Downhill Racer (1969,Sport) A small-town egotist joins the U.S. Olympic ski team and loses his emotions. *Robert Redford, Gene Hackman*
 (20) (23) ★★ Clean and Sober (1988,Romance) A real estate exec, has squandered \$100,000 of his company's funds on cocaine. *Henry Judd Baker, Kathy Baker*
 8:05 PM
 (33) ★★ Killing Zoe (1994,Crime Story) Safe-cracker travels to Paris to help a buddy pull off a Bastille Day robbery. *Eric Stoltz, Julie Delpy*
 8:30 PM
 (4) (4) Nightman
 9:00 PM
 (43) ★★ The Guns of Navarone (1961,War) *Gregory Peck, David Niven*
 11:20 PM
 (33) ★★ Killing Zoe (1994,Crime Story) *Eric Stoltz, Julie Delpy*
 SUNDAY, JAN 3
 6:00 PM
 (20) (23) ★★ Men Don't Leave (1990,Drama) A woman learns how to cope after the untimely death of her husband. *Jessica Lange, Arliss Howard*
 7:00 PM
 (4) (4) D3: The Mighty Ducks (Comedy) Hockey players get scholarship and must face the snobby varsity team. *Emilio Estevez, Jeffrey Nordling*
 8:00 PM
 (2) (2) Big Bear (1998,Biography) Struggle of

Chief Big Bear to keep his people from being forced onto reserves. *Gordon Tootosis, Tantoo Cardinal*
 (16) (5) ★★ Heat (1995,Crime Story) A criminal goes head-to-head with a detective determined to track him down. *Al Pacino, Robert De Niro*
 (20) (23) ★★ Stanley and Iris (1990,Drama) A recent widow meets a co-worker who revitalizes her emotional life. *Jane Fonda, Robert De Niro*
 (33) ★★ The Whistle Blower (1986,Spy) Middle-aged former intelligence officer who uncovers a conspiracy. *Michael Caine, James Fox*
 9:00 PM
 (7) (6) (8) (8) Power Play (1998,Sport) A sports agent returns to Hamilton to join a struggling hockey team. *Michael Riley, Gordon Pinsent*
 (11) (27) ★★ Sabrina (1995,Romance) A chauffeur's daughter is romanced by wealthy family's two sons. *Julia Ormond, David Kinnear*
 (12) (24) ★★ The Accused (1958,Mystery) Wartime spies reunite to figure out who has been killing them off one by one. *Donald Wolf, Robert Bray*
 (14) (7) The Silence of Adultery (1995,Drama) A therapist agonizes over her decision to confess her affair with her husband. *Kate Jackson, Art Hindle*
 11:10 PM
 (33) ★★ The Whistle Blower (1986,Spy) *Michael Caine, James Fox*
 MONDAY, JAN 4
 7:00 PM
 (33) Cosmos (1997,Drama) Cosmos is the good-natured Greek taxi driver and philosopher.
 8:00 PM
 (2) (2) Big Bear (1998,Biography) Struggle of Chief Big Bear to keep his people from being forced onto reserves. *Gordon Tootosis, Tantoo Cardinal*
 (12) (24) ★★ Beauty and Denise (1989,Police) A frivolous actress-model witnesses a murder and a wise-cracking cop guards her. *Julia Duffy, David Carradine*

(16) (5) The Wrong Girl (1998,Thriller) A mother must uncover the truth about her son's death and his girlfriend's past. *Barbara Mandrell, Jonathan Scarfe*
 8:30 PM
 (7) (6) ★★ Being Human (1994,Drama) A man searches for love, self-worth, and fulfillment throughout history. *Robin Williams, John Turturro*
 9:00 PM
 (11) (27) ★★ Sleepless in Seattle (1993,Romance) A journalist develops long-distance infatuation with a widowed man. *Tom Hanks, Meg Ryan*
 9:10 PM
 (33) ★★ Edward II (1991,Docu-Drama) A despairing King Edward, the first openly gay king, recalls his downfall. *Steven Waddington, Kevin Collins*
 11:05 PM
 (33) ★★ Edward II (1991,Docu-Drama) *Steven Waddington, Kevin Collins*
 TUESDAY, JAN 5
 7:00 PM
 (33) The Sailor Who Fell From Grave With the Sea (1976,Romance) Disillusioned sailor who rejects the sea for the love of a young widow. *Kris Kristofferson, Sarah Miles*
 9:00 PM
 (7) (6) Last Stand at Saber River (1996,Western) A bitter confederate soldier returns from war to reclaim home. *Tom Selleck, Keith Carradine*
 (11) (27) In My Sister's Shadow (1998,Drama) A woman begins dating her sister's ex-boyfriend who is out for revenge. *Nancy McKeon, Janet Leigh*
 9:15 PM
 (33) The Mystery of Rampo (1994,Psycho-Drama) Rambo is a writer with an imagination so vivid that his characters come to life. *Naoto Takenaka, Michiko Hada*
 (33) The Mystery of Rampo (1994,Psycho-Drama) *Naoto Takenaka, Michiko Hada*
 11:55 PM
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 Roy Wheeldone casts for cutthroat in Fulford Harbour. He and another man make an annual trip to Salt Spring from Victoria each year at this time to try and catch their dinners.

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Snow and no power slows down season

An island Christmas is different. When snow falls in the city, the result is snarled traffic; island life just slows down a bit, adjusting to the possible.

The Christmas post comes late, but does that really matter? The "postie" is doing his best to serve you — just as he does all year long.

Continental northern outflow winds cause the temperature to dip and frozen pipes result, but island residents quickly learn basic handyman techniques. Self-reliance is important on a small island, especially in the "undeveloped" areas.

When the power goes out you are prepared — on goes the wood stove, the emergency water supply is tapped and the gas generator started. Life will go on and home will be as comfortable as always.

Christmas dinners tended to be late in North Galiano when the power failed mid-afternoon on Christmas Day. The turkey, too large to fit into the oven of the wood stove, was cooked in the barbecue on a snow-covered deck. Candles and gas lamps lit the kitchen and dining room. Vegetables were cooked on the wood stove. Vacuum bottles held coffee made in a percolator prior to the guest's arrival. The meal was delicious and on time — the set-

GALIANO NOTES WITH ALISTAIR ROSS



ting idyllic. Electric power returned just at dish-washing time!

Our road workers were on the job immediately after the snow began to fall. Heading for early ferries to Victoria and Vancouver, travellers found Galiano's long Porlier Pass Drive already ploughed.

The fellows were at it all day, repeat runs made, salting and sanding done as required. The danger here was not from snow or slippery surfaces but from birds. Anywhere arbutus trees overhung the road there were birds, flying up and away only at the very last minute as automobiles approached.

Our landscape changes with a snow covering. Capped with snow, boulders on hillsides, usually hidden by sword ferns or shaded by tree cover, stand out as never before. It's a different world, one appreciated by those who, dressed for the cold, have time for a leisurely winter walk.

Preparations for Christmas completed and community events over, islanders had time to reflect. They remembered with joy the recent school concert (December 9) and

the ecumenical service of lessons and carols given at the north hall (December 20).

Reverend Margaret Edgar presided at the service, local people read the lessons and a choir under the direction of David Clothier encouraged all to sing favourite carols and hymns. Hans Bongertman, a local gardener and handyman (and a singer of note) sang Gounod's O Holy Night, first in English and then in its original French — it was memorable.

About 50 were present for the service. The Galiano food bank received all food and money collected. Community singing followed the service, then a social period with Monica Roots in charge.

With the future of our island school now more secure, the children's Christmas concert became a real celebration. Vocal and instrumental solos, skits, piano duets, tap dancing and choral numbers filled a program enjoyed by parents, grandparents and friends. Piano solos and duets were numerous. Also on the program were violin

and guitar numbers — children from kindergarten to Grade eight participating. Teas and goodies were made available by the Mamamoto Preschool group. Parents Cam Robinson, Sue Evans and Murray Price accompanied the acts as did grandmother Elizabeth Boshier. Children's concerts are always delightful and this one was no exception.

Year end activities

Several New Year's Eve celebrations are planned. Joe Mavety and the Blood Poets are to be at the South Hall — a buffet, party favours and champagne at midnight featured.

Nearby at the Hummingbird Pub, the Gary James Dance Band will play "for a homegrown New Year's Eve." Dinner and dancing will usher in 1999.

A more sedate celebration of the New Year will be available at the Bellhouse Inn. A splendid dinner and a quiet evening with music by the fireplace is planned.

A Happy New Year to all!

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Check out the trails at Duck Creek Park, Dunbabin Park, Quarry Drive Park, Mouat Park and Fern Creek Park. Feel the sea breeze from Vesuvius Bay, Beddis Beach or Wellbury Bay. They're our parks to enjoy. This year, resolve to do something fun — find something new to do on Saltspring Island.

We want to hear from you! call PARC at 537-4448

Wellness tip of the week
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The day after Christmas . . .

'Tis the day after Christmas in the living room.
The air is heavy with an "apres" gloom.
The wrapping paper bought full price at the store
Lies crumpled and shred all over the floor.
One sign of Christmas is left on the stocking —
A greasy bit of chocolate smeared on the smocking.
We're fat and bloated and sick of sweets,
Nuts and shortbread and candy-cane treats.
We've eaten everything possible bad for the heart,
Even the dog is falling apart.
Our wallets are empty, our bank accounts stale,
The credit card bill is en route via mail.
In a corner of the room, the boxes are stacked,
New gadgets, new socks that must be unpacked.
Christmas-loving I am feeling depressed,
But humbug dad is not distressed.
"Christmas is over, it's finished," says he.
Unable to disguise a certain glee,
He walks with purpose to the decorated tree.
"No!" scream the children, "You let it be!"
"All right, okay, but the season has passed,
Let's hope the next year doesn't go so fast."
"But the spirit of Christmas lives on," they reply.
(They've watched too many movies, I silently sigh.)
But the kids have more to say on the matter.
In fact, we've opened a floodgate of chatter.
"So what's it about? Is it more than this mess?"
They've piqued my interest, I have to confess.
"It's all about visiting friends and family,

FAMILY MATTERS WITH SUSAN LUNDY



The beauty and light of our Christmas tree.
The pictures we drew from our hearts for you —
A chance to express our love anew.
It's about you taking time away from your job,
To sit and snuggle, hug and hobnob.
It's about coming together to enjoy good food;
The peace and friendliness we all pursued."
And now all around us the room starts to glow,
Away the day's bitterness begins to flow.
"You mean the shopping, the wrapping, and cooking
make sense?
The ferries, the fretting, the food and expense?"
"Yes, yes, yes, yes!" they chorus in tune.
"So let's plan next year — it's never too soon!"

Then the dog blows a stinker, breaking the mood,
And the unpacking and cleaning is vigorously renewed.
But in our hearts remains a certain cheer —
We wish the best to all, and to all a good year.

Trail, nature club announces schedule

Following is the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club schedule for January.

The annual general meeting is on January 28, 7:30 p.m., at the Ganges United Church lower hall.

All walks and rambles meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m.

January 5 — **Ramble:** Drive through Gossett Farm, short ramble to view point. Leader: Joan Lott. **Walk:** Quarry Park/ Mobrae. Leader: Bud Williams. **Hike:** Get

lost with Charles Kahn as he wanders somewhere around Channel Ridge. Meet at Portlock at 9:45 a.m. to carpool.

January 12 — **Ramble** close to Ganges. Leader: Grace Barks. **Walk:** Channel Ridge. Leader: John Meyers. **Hike:** Bill Harrington leads an interesting hike through Royal Roads. Meet at Drummond Park at 8:45 for Fulford ferry.

January 19 — **Ramble:** Short ramble on Channel Ridge and

Vesuvius Beach. Leader: Jill Evans. **Walk:** Blackburn area. Leader: Toni Luton. **Hike:** Brian and Lucile Adderly will lead us up the west side of Mount Erskine. Meet at Centennial at 9:45 a.m.

January 26 — **Ramble:** Explore barnyard and south beach in Ruckle Park. May meet at Drummond at 10:15. Leader: Joan Lott.

Walk: Peter Arnell Park. Leader: Nancy Braithwaite.

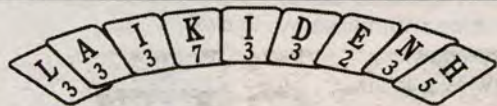
Hike: Bob Ball will take us on an adventure around Mount Belcher.

Meet at Centennial at 9:45 a.m. to carpool.

This Week's Puzzle:



From this hand of cards make two words which have 4 letters in common. One scores 20 points, the other 21. Exclude proper nouns, abbreviations and words requiring a hyphen or apostrophe. Amore's arbiter is Webster's Third New International Dictionary-Unabridged.



Last Week's Solution: ELOPING *23 points

- Eloping from her creditors precipitated a race she was unprepared for; they did all the loping and she pulled up lame.

- After they loaded their gear, the eloping lovers rolled the bike a few blocks before hitting the starter and driving into the night.

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- * **EMERGENCY FOOD BANK:** Open Tuesday 11-3.
- * **COUNSELLING SERVICES:** Crisis and short-term counselling provided by Community Workers.
- * **PARENTS' SUPPORT GROUP:** Challenging behaviours of special needs children, 2nd Wed. of the month 537-1232.
- * **ALCOHOL & DRUG PROGRAM:** Prevention & treatment service is free & confidential.
- * **FAMILY PLACE: DROP IN** - for parents & children under 6 yrs. Mon.-Thurs. 9:30-12 noon. **CLOTHING EXCHANGE** - open daily. **RUG HUGGERS**, a support group for parents with children under 1 year meet Fridays 11-1pm.
- * **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.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 24 7:00 pm	SUNDAY, DEC. 27 10:00 am
FRIDAY, DEC. 25 10:00 am	FRIDAY, JAN. 1 10:00 am
SATURDAY, DEC. 26 5:00 pm	SATURDAY, JAN. 2 5:00pm
SUNDAY, JAN. 3 10:00 am	

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JAN. 3: Salt Spring bird count, 537-9335 for info.

JAN. 12: SSI Historical Society meeting, "The Scott Family diaries - a celebration of 100 yrs., Central Hall, 2pm

JAN. 30: Can. Federation of University Women SS Club, Lions Hall, 10:30am.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Seniors & Alzheimer's support group, SS Seniors bldg. 11am.
- Archery Shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm.
- Stamp Collectors all ages, SS 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 Centre Hall, 1:30 (except 2nd Wed.)
- Therapeutic Touch Practitioners group, SS Seniors, 7pm (every 1st Wed.)
- Drop in centre for people with mental health concerns, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- SSI Painters' Guild meeting, Hart Bradley Hall, 9:30-noon.
- Salt Spring Health Assoc., Lady Minto meeting rm. 4pm-5:30pm, (4th Wed. of every month)
- Core Inn cafe, 134 McPhillips Ave., 4:30-7:30pm, everyone welcome
- Music & Munch, All Saints by-the-Sea, 12:10pm (1st Wed. each mo.)

EVERY THURSDAY

- Parkinsons Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 2pm, (second Thurs. of the mo.)
- Luncheon, SS Seniors, 12 noon.
- Chess Club, SS Seniors Bldg., 7pm.
- Scottish Country Dancers, Anglican Church Hall, 6pm.
- SSI Weavers' Guild, Baptist Church, 10:30-1:00pm.

EVERY FRIDAY

- Fulford OAP #170, bingo 2:00pm
- Games afternoon, SS Seniors, 1:30pm, Mah Jongg, 12:30pm.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health concerns, basement

of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.

- Smiles Cafe, United Church-Ganges, 12-1pm (4th Friday of ea. mo.)

EVERY SATURDAY

- Book Sale, downstairs at the library, 10am-12:30pm.
- Ultimate Frisbee, Portlock Park, 2pm, free, everyone welcome.

EVERY MONDAY

- Free blood pressure clinic, SS 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.
- Spanish conversation group, SS Seniors, 10am-noon (not last Monday of the mo.)
- SSI Buddhist meditation group, 135 McPhillips Ave., 7:30pm.
- Bandemonium, GISS music room, 7-9pm.
- Hand gun, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm.
- Carpet bowling, OAP Fulford Hall, 2pm.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health concerns, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- Autumn session, Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10-12.
- Health & nutrition for families, Family Place 9:30-12noon (3rd Mo. ea mo.)
- Chess Club, SS Seniors, 10am.
- Duplicate Bridge, lower hall Baptists Church, 7pm.
- Life Drawing, 1-3pm, upstairs United Church.
- Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30-m9pm at SS Seniors.

EVERY TUESDAY

- Seniors choir practices, SS Seniors, 10:30am.
- Target Archery, Fulford Hall, 4:30-6. Archery lessons 3:30-4:30pm
- Adult small bore, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7-9pm.
- Planned Parenthood Clinic, Core Inn, 4:30-6:30pm.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

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WHAT'S ON

Music

• Rose's Cafe (formerly Raven's Nest) — First Night Celebration: New Year's celebration with family entertainment, alcohol-free, December 31, 8 p.m. - 1 a.m. Tickets \$12/adults, \$6/children.

• Moby's — New Year's Eve with Caravan, Thursday, December 31. Dinner 5 p.m. - 11 p.m. & dancing 5 p.m. - 2 a.m.

• Fulford Inn — New Year's Eve: welcome the New Year with Amazing Rhythm Method, Thursday, December 31. Dinner 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. & Dancing till 3 a.m. No cover, reservations are recommended.

• Alfresco — New Year's Eve: entertainment by Barrington Perry on piano, Thursday, Dec. 31. Tickets \$35 per person. Reservations: 537-5979.

• Harbour House — New Year's Eve with Donnie & Colin, Thursday, Dec. 31, Tickets \$25 per person available at the front desk, (in advance only).

• Legion — New Year's Eve with Kenny Byron & The Tragically Hick. Cold buffet at 10 p.m., champagne at midnight. Tickets at the Legion: \$20 (advance only). Members and guests welcome.

• Fulford Inn — Reid Collins on the piano, Thursdays & Sundays.

• Rose's Cafe — Friday Night Live!
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Fearing set to light folk audience on fire

Salt Spring Folk Club is no doubt heading for another sold-out concert when it brings Stephen Fearing to the island January 18.

Long familiar to west coast audiences, Fearing now lives in Guelph, Ontario, where he is riding on the success of his 1997 release and "breakthrough album," Industrial Lullaby.

Besides Fearing's energy, Industrial Lullaby benefitted from the talents of Colin Linden (producer and guitarist) and Tom Wilson from Junkhouse. The three men also formed the genre-crossing band Blackie and the Rodeo Kings, and co-wrote some songs with Fearing.

The recording also received great reviews.

"As songwriter, singer and guitarist, Fearing is remarkable for his lyric Irish cadence buttered on a slice of Canadian hard life landscape," wrote Montreal's Free Hour magazine about the new CD. All of the talents "combine with an inventive finesse that results in a series of 13 startling portraits."

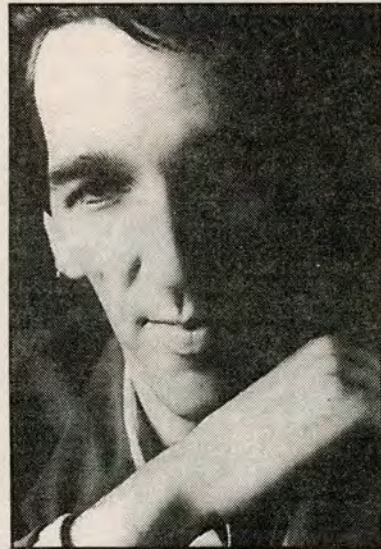
Nominated for five Juno awards, Fearing has often been compared to Richard Thomson, both in voice and musical style. Other comparisons have been made with Shawn Colvin, Elvis Costello, Nick Lowe or Sarah McLachlan.

He is a lyric-oriented songwriter, whose passions and stories are delivered with a deep, rich voice.

While born in Vancouver, Fearing spent much of his youth in Dublin and near Cork in Ireland, but returned to B.C. as an adult.

In 1994 he married and moved to Guelph, where he became connected to a new community of Canadian musicians.

The folk club's Fulford Hall show starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and available at Acoustic Planet, Music Emporium and Stuff 'n' Nonsense.



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Christmas dinner at Rose's Cafe in Fulford turned out to be a hectic, beautiful experience for Bagnell

and husband Michael as well as John Fitzmaurice and David Duffy when the owners opened their restaurant to those who had no family to celebrate with.

"We thought we'd get maybe 70 or 80 people but by the end we probably had about 200 through,"

said Bagnell. "It was such a sharing and caring of neighbours, like the old community-style Christmas used to be."

The non-alcoholic event received donations from other businesses as well as friends and neighbours.

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Strumming

Island musician K. C. Kelly entertains an appreciative post-Christmas crowd with a few tunes at the Salt Spring Roasting Company.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Larry Miller trio at Moby's

One of the best saxophone players around is bringing his group to Moby's for Sunday jazz this weekend.

The Larry Miller Trio will play recognized standards and more at the dinner jazz event, which begins at 7 p.m.

Nanaimo-based Miller has played lead alto sax with Hugh Fraser's International Jazz Orchestra in Victoria, lead tenor sax on Gary Guthman's 1997 Vancouver Island tour and with his sextet performing the music of Art Blakey's Jazz Messengers earlier this year.

Miller released his debut CD called Freya's Song in 1997. Pier Magazine wrote: "Miller showcases pure tenor virtuosity on his new release . . . With a swinging band of Nanaimo's own Clinton Ryder and Billy Hicks, as well as the very musical stylings of Rob Cheramy and Morris Macklin, Miller blows apart post-bop standards and originals alike."

Miller, who is also a composer, has Bachelor of Education and Masters of Music degrees, and studied saxophone with musicians such as Steve Jones, Pat Labarbera, David Mott and Phil Dwyer.

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Family bash at Rose's will herald New Year

Rose's Seaside Cafe in Fulford is filling a New Year's Eve gap this year.

Salt Spring families can celebrate the new year together and in public at a "first night" non-alcohol event.

Dave Duffy, one of the co-owners of the former Rodrigo's restaurant, said a party buffet with fancy sandwiches, finger food and desserts will be set up.

Entertainment will be provided by Susan Cogan and a variety of friends.

Organizers are also hoping for a special guest appearance from Her Majesty the Queen.

"We thought it would be a nice alternative," said Duffy, pointing out that Rose's is a family restaurant.

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Beasley goal secures victory at bantam hockey tournament

By MIKE LEVIN
Driftwood Staff

Owen Beasley's goal with less than two minutes left in the game sealed a 3-2 victory over Duncan White and third place for the Fuller Lake Panthers in a Christmas bantam hockey tournament December 21-23 at Fuller Lake Arena.

Beasley is one of six Salt Spring players on the Panthers, who marked a 3-1 record during the three-day event.

Fuller Lake opened the competition with a 7-1 win over Victoria Bank of Montreal December 21 and took second place in their pool with a 4-3 decision over Kerry Park the following day.

The team's lone loss — 5-2 — came at the hands of a tough Duncan Legion squad on December 21, the team which eventually took the tournament title.

In the playoff December 23 Fuller Lake moved slowly through the first period, allowing two goals. But early in the second Stuart Sinclair ignited his team with an end-to-end rush that cut the margin to one.

The Panthers tied the game before the end of the second period and tightened their defense to shut down any real scoring chances by their Duncan opponents.

With two minutes left in the game, Sinclair fired the puck in from his point position where Beasley picked it up just outside Duncan's crease.

His first shot was blocked by the goalie before he managed to jam the rebound home.

"We always seem to be half awake at the beginning of a game," said Fuller Lake coach Paul Sinclair. "But the boys are always able to come back. They have a lot of spirit."

Against Kerry Park the Panthers only had to make up an early one-goal deficit.

Throughout the contest neither team could post much of an advantage and they entered the late stages tied 3-3. Fuller Lake finally took the decision with a tip-in marker.

Ethan Becklake and Jim Goldie each contributed a goal in the game.

The Panthers' opening win against Bank of Montreal was virtually assured when Victoria showed up without a goalie and



POWERING THE PANTHERS: Salt Spring's Ethan Becklake draws a bead on the Duncan Legion net during his Fuller Lake Panthers' 5-2 tourney loss December 21 at Fuller Lake Arena. Becklake is team captain and one of six local players on the bantam hockey squad that finished third at a three-day Fuller Lake competition last week.

Photo by Mike Levin

was only able to recruit one of the Nanaimo team's players after the first period.

Sinclair, Beasley and Goldie scored to pace the Panthers.

Their biggest lesson came December 21 against a Duncan Legion team that was the most physical of all tourney teams.

The first period finished in a 0-0 draw, a tribute to strong goaltending at both ends.

While Fuller Lake had the better chances, it became obvious that their opponents would be content to take the body first and the puck next.

Into the second period Becklake was robbed by the lightning quick glove hand of Duncan's goalie. Legion followed the big save immediately with the game's first goal and added two more before the second break.

They ran the margin to 4-0 early in the third but also held a 10-2

advantage in penalties.

Fuller Lake came back with two goals of their own, Becklake assisting on the second, to make the contest tight.

But a shorthanded breakaway for Duncan finished any chances the Panthers had.

"Their goalie was great and kept them in it in the first period," said Sinclair. "Basically we got bumped off our game. (Their hitting) kept our good skaters from getting on track."

"Still we did — again — come back and make it close at 4-2."

Fuller Lake returns to league action Sunday at home against Port Alberni.

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Salt Spring athletes showed their stuff in 1998

January

- Shaking off the dust of 1997, the GISS senior girls Scorpions put together a solid basketball tournament effort at Chemainus, winning three straight games including the championship over host Chemainus by a 63-55 score.
- Seventeen-year-old Andrew Greig served notice that he would become a judo force to be reckoned with by winning both the junior and senior men's gold medals at a Campbell River tournament. Eleven-year-old Megan Leitch also returned home to Salt Spring from the event with a gold medal around her neck.

February

- A survey by the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission showed that more islanders wanted an indoor swimming pool than any other recreation facility. The commission also revealed that belly dancing was its most popular community program.
- Sonia Dobson, 21, took sixth place in the women's world luge championships in Rantavaara, Finland. Although Dobson is on the road training and competing most of the year, the North American champion calls Salt Spring home.
- Andrew Greig was named to the B.C. judo team that would compete in the national championships in March. Thirteen-year-old dynamo Sophia Haase also got the nod to represent the province.
- Nutrition and fitness guru Dr. Michael Colgan went international when New Zealand's 60 Minutes crew filmed a segment on his programs at North End Fitness.
- The under-15 girls Salt Spring Sting took the south-island soccer championship with a 3-2 victory over Cowichan and moved on to the island-wide event.

March

- Salt Spring got a national junior champion when Andrew Greig whipped three opponents at the Canadian judo championships. None of the bouts went more than 16 seconds, and Greig qualified for the world tournament in October in Cali, Colombia. Sophia Haase finished with a 1-2 record at the national event but let her competitors know that they'd have to watch out for her in the future.
- Led by first-team all-star Bree Cheveldave, the GISS girls' basketball Scorpions took fourth place at the island championships with a 3-2 record.
- The under-17 Salt Spring Slashers finished off a superb season by finishing first in girls soccer-league play.
- Salt Spring 86'ers just missed qualifying for the Vancouver Island District Cup championship in a wild 7-4 loss to Juan de Fuca.



Greig

April

- The under-19 boys soccer squad slid into the south-island District Cup final with a default win and then hammered Prospect Lake 7-1 in the title match.
- The under-12 girls soccer team took their division title while the under-13 boys were nipped in the league-title game.
- Nine-year-old Bryan Quander,



HOLDING TIGHT: An entire team of rookies shocked football fans when the Salt Spring Slashers won November's junior bantam league championship in their first season.

Driftwood file photo

a quiet Fulford school student, finished fourth in his age group at the B.C. chess championships.

- Salt Spring's judo team rounded out the year with five gold medals at the Vancouver Island zone championships. Sophia Haase, Matt King, Travis Beals, Megan Leitch and Yoni Marmorstein all won titles.

May

- The under-17 Slashers continued their soccer roll by adding the girls' island championship title with a draw against Nanaimo United. The provincials were next.
- The GISS girls soccer Scorpions also made it to the provincial championships, finishing 13th.

June

- Sixteen-year-old Joelle Morrison marked a fourth-place finish in the high jump at B.C. high school track and field championships.
- Local archer Greg Durwood earned a spot on the Zone 6 team at the B.C. Summer Games.
- Emily Bond, April Goebel and Tyler Cocker were named to the B.C. Games Zone 6 track and field team. Bond qualified in the pole vault and long jump, Goebel in the triple jump and long jump and Cocker, from Mayne Island, in the steeplechase, 100-m hurdles and 4x400-m relay.

July

- Emily Bond passed on the track and field competition at the B.C. Games to be part of the Zone 6 girls soccer team, where she joined fellow islanders Elyse Cleland, Naomi Tweddle and Kacia Laitinen.
- At the Games the soccer team finished fifth. Bond was the tournament's top scorer and was

named to the all-star team. Cocker took the silver medal in the steeplechase and a bronze in the pole vault. Goebel finished fourth in the long jump and sixth in the triple jump. Durwood finished eighth in the unlimited category.



Durwood

- Too young for the B.C. Games, Kelly Kerr managed to win two gold medals, in the 800-m and discus, at the international Jack Brow track and field competition in Kelowna.

August

- Salt Spring's Sue Spencer coached the Canadian under-15 girls soccer team to a fourth-place finish at the national championships.
- Greg Durwood, 51, won gold medals in both the 30-m and 70-m archery events at the Canadian Masters Championships.
- Eight Salt Spring Stingray swimmers earned spots at the B.C. championships, including D.J. Lake, Sarah Penhale, Alex McLaren, Brett Savin, Miranda Logan-Webb, Nicola Temmel, Sara Mackay and Christina Penhale.
- At the competition, McLaren set a provincial record in the 50-m backstroke and added a gold medal in the 50-m freestyle, a silver in the 50-m butterfly and a bronze in the 100-m individual medley. Christina Penhale took golds in the 50-m fly and 100-m back and silvers in the 100-m breaststroke and 200-m IM. D.J. Lake took bronze in the 50-m back.
- Melanie Iverson took the Wilson Cup as the Salt Spring Golf

and Country Club's women's champion with a 54-hole total of 255. Jamie Meade earned the junior champion's trophy.

September

- Tyler Cocker set a provincial record of 3.27 metres for 14-year-old boys' pole vault.
- Andrew Greig turned down a spot at the world judo championships, citing school commitments and financial constraints for the decision.
- Chris Collette took the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club's men's championship, with a two-round 144. He set a course record 68 in his opening round.

October

- Aedan Coles-Nash brought a 2.3-lb rainbow trout home for dinner, his winning fish in the St. Mary Lake Kids Fishing Derby.
- The under-14 Salt Spring Strikers won their division at the Richmond girls soccer tournament, allowing only two goals in their four victories. The under-19 Slashers finished second despite giving up only a single goal-against.

- The GISS Scorpions boys soccer team won its league title but missed a berth in the provincial championships following a 4-2 loss to tough Lambrick Park in a wild-card game.

- The school's senior boys volleyball team headed off to the island championships as the third seed.

November

- Football returned to Salt Spring in a big way when the first-year junior-bantam Slashers won the league championship before bowing in the island tournament to an all-star Campbell River team.

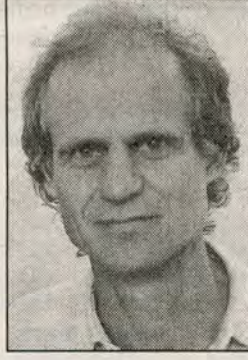
December

- The rains of November and December created havoc in the youth soccer league causing the cancellation of all on-island games.

- As the year ended, Sophia Haase was still in the running for a berth on the B.C. team that would compete in the Canada Winter Games. Only 14 years old, Haase was up against competitors as old as 19.

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6 DEATHS

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TIDBALL, GWEN (nee Jones), died peacefully at St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver on December 21, 1998 at the age of 66. Predeceased by husband Pat, and survived by children Pam Cook, Dan (Noriko) and Glynnis (Dan); grandchildren Andrew, Jeffrey, Carolyn, Naomi and Gwyneth; and aunt Dorrie Horsmon. Memorial service will be held at St. Mary's Church, 2490 W 37th, on January 2, 1999 at 1:00 p.m. The family will host a small reception on Salt Spring at a future date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the BC Heart and Stroke Foundation.

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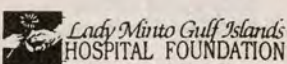
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29 LOST AND FOUND

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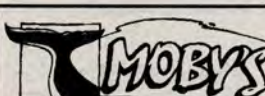
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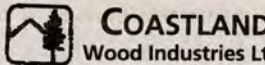
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- professional references

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Dr. Mike Marshall, Principal
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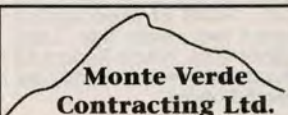
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B) Include Letter(s) of Intent from Sponsor(s) for your funding.

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THE FOLLOWING is a message of clarification and of good cheer: During the period December 21 - January 4, 1999, the law office of Ian H. Clement will be closed on account of staff holidays. From now until the end of January, we are endeavoring to scale back operations somewhat, and would be grateful if any new business were to be put over to February, 1999. In the meantime, we all join in wishing you the very best for the holiday season and the year to come.

FOUR LEAF Clover Childcare. 3 - 5 year olds. Central to Fernwood and Salt Spring Elementary Schools. Warm & friendly environment. Committed to caring. Good references. Call Diana and ask about my credentials. 537-2930.

DANNA BRITTON (of Boardwalk Greens) and my son Michael are desperately seeking a two or three bedroom house to rent, reasonable rent, long term, for the end of January. Please call or fax 537-4728.

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ATTENTION TOY shoppers, West Of The Moon might be closed for lunch break 12:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays in the month of January. 537-1966.

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WE WOULD like to thank all those who helped Garner after his accident. Especially the Fire Dept., the ambulance crew, Drs. Slakov and Reznick, the nurses & staff at Lady Minto Hospital. We would also like to express our sincere appreciation to all of our friends, patients and members of the community who expressed their concern and support. The Lea Family.

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Harlequin ducks stand out in a crowd

By LINDA CANNON

One of the best gifts for a lover of nature has got to be the wide variety of ducks that winter here on our Gulf Island waters.

These ducks come in all sizes, shapes and colours, and are guaranteed to fit a birder's fancy. No returns necessary.

Some of these ducks are simply dripping with Beau Brummel appeal, and I'm always delighted to see a male hooded merganser, wood duck or Harlequin.

No doubt it's shallow of me, but these three boys are oh so easy on the eye.

Of the three, however, I have a particular weakness for Harlequins. *Histrionicus histrionicus*, their genus and species name, is taken from the Latin *histrion*, with *histrionis* meaning a stage player. (It must be that actor thing.) If you have a weakness for actors too, get out and see them soon, for

OUR BETTER NATURE

this time of year Harlequins are often found on rough water near rocky islets and shores. They like the surf.

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Even in the winter, Harlequins are never drab, and a breeding male is slate blue with chestnut flanks and bright white markings outlined in black on the head and wings.

It's those latter markings that give the bird its name.

In the spring most breeding Harlequins return to the Interior to nest, although there are some coastal nesting sites as well. Once again they seek out swift and turbulent water, diving to the bottom



Harlequin ducks

Photo by Jonathan Grant

of streams and then walking along the bottom against the current, searching out mayfly nymphs and caddisfly larvae.

Here on the coast these elegant ducks partake of barnacles, limpets, crabs, snails, chitons, sea worms and small fish.

After dining, they may retire to

help beds to preen or to the shore to recline for the night.

Before you recline for the night, why not promise yourself the gift of nature? Unlike other gifts, you're not billed later, there's nothing to assemble, nothing to exchange and, best of all, you'll never be disappointed.

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Christmas through a child's eyes

I invite you to a remembrance of your first Christmas. Pause and look back.

Seen through the eyes of a child, the nights and days leading up to Christmas

Eve were wondrous with suspense and magic. On that first Christmas, the eyes of a child looked upon the world as a place of infinite possibilities, a world where dreams still came true. It was easy to believe then, long before the dreary day when we learned to kill imagination with reason, when we still dwelt in the land of the pure in heart, where innocence was not to be blamed and as yet untainted with the disillusion of knowing the world.

For the child in me, I felt the first thrill of awe, that first sense of wonder, delight and anticipation in standing silently at the front door of 156 Hay Avenue in Toronto with my mother Joyce, watching the first snowfall in the yellow-white light of a street lamp. We children couldn't wait then to rush out of doors and embrace the new-fallen snow.

We would find our joy in the white mantle draped on the land, greeting each falling flake as a gentle messenger from faraway and frozen lands where icy Norse gods with frosty beards, steaming breath and snow-capped brows conjured up white storm clouds, driving them out of the lost polar regions onto our heads.

As you stood under the street lamp, the thrill of the moment was to turn your face up to the light and

PILGRIM'S NOTES

WITH JACK McLEAN



watch the softly falling flakes come down, then land on your nose, forehead or lips to transform themselves into melting drops and disappear. How daring and delightful to stick out your tongue to catch the whirly birds as they floated down, making their convoluted patterns in the air. If you squinted your eyes, you might even be able to spy the intricate, filigreed patterns of crystal.

Your first intimations of the Christ Child were that he too was once a child — just like you — but a holy, divine child, all radiant and full of light because angels sang at his birth. Learning to pray was easier, then, for it was a child's way of speaking simply and asking sincerely.

Somehow Santa and Jesus did not compete for your affections or loyalty. They were just both there, the holy Christ child and jolly old St. Nick. Belief and imagination were one. The heart of a child was large enough to contain everything that Christmas had to offer.

But when you grew up, you stopped believing in Santa Claus. Some stopped believing in Jesus too because they thought it was smart to stop believing in myths. But I still believe in both Jesus and Santa Claus and all of Santa's reindeer too. Why? Because I still believe in the

heart of a child. And I still want to see the world through the eyes of a child.

To some, I know, it is all just a myth. To me, too, but not the myth they imagine. I still believe in the myth of sacred story because when myth dies, imagination dies. When imagination dies, story dies. The soul in us is just as good as dead without imagination and story, for there will be nothing left worth remembering.

My final thought in these last few lines devoted to the spirit of Christmas when first all the world rejoiced is this.

When, by either divine grace, mystery or magic, we find ourselves in that loving space again, when we see Christmas through the eyes of a child, when each moment of delight becomes a revelation in love unfolding — then it is Christmas.

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