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Storm whips islands

Trees turned out the lights throughout the Gulf Islands Friday evening as gusts of up to 100 kilometres per hour bent trunks, ripped off branches and made travelling between the islands an adventure.

At one point, 6,215 B.C. Hydro customers on the islands were out of power, manager Murray Smith said.

Caused by the combination of a low pressure system anchored off the Gulf of Alaska being circled by a secondary low pressure system, the storm moved into the lower mainland-Gulf Islands-Victoria area between 5 and 6 p.m. Friday, said meteorologist Dan Newell of the Pacific Weather Centre.

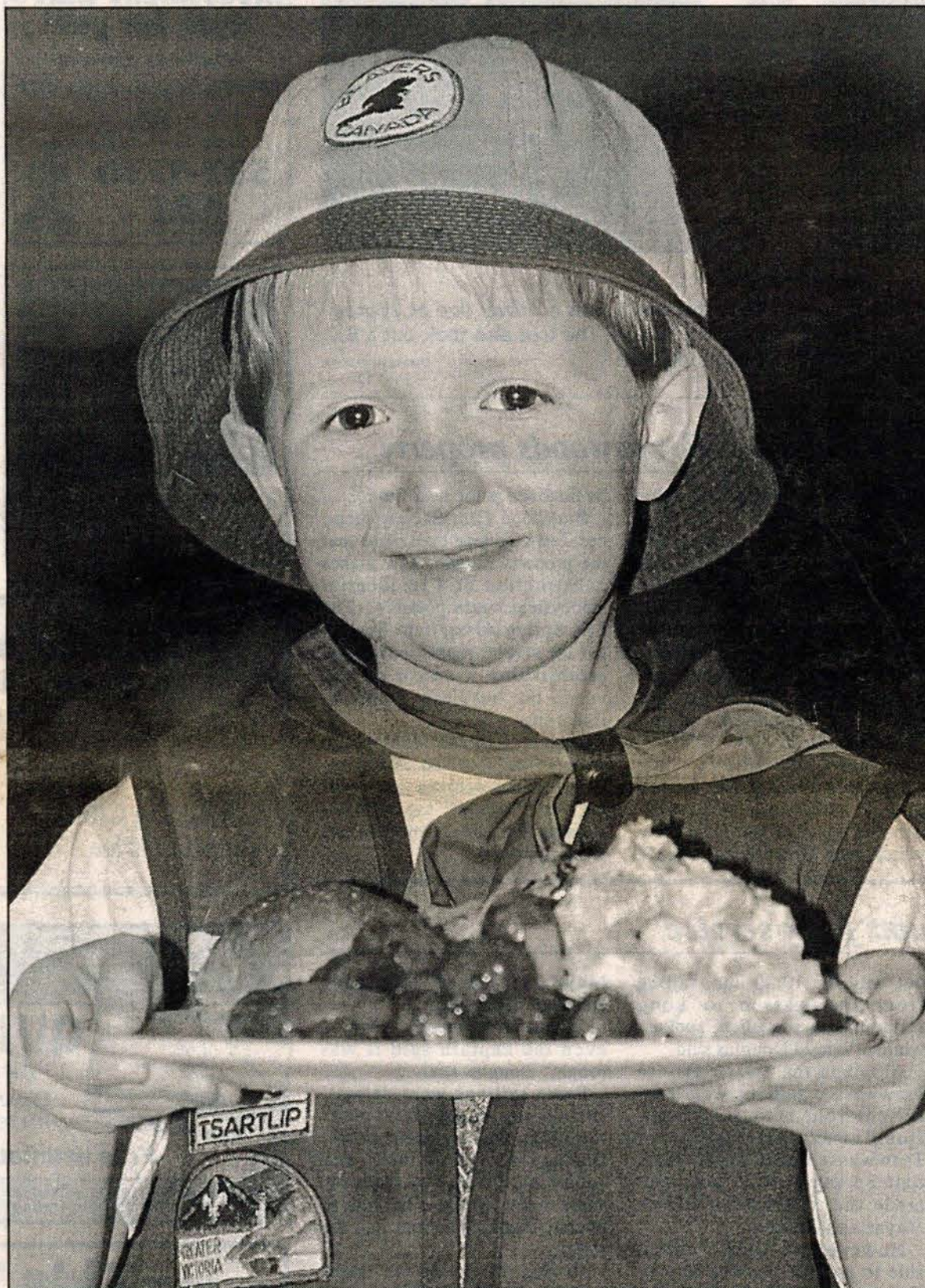
At East Point on Saturna Island, gusts of up to 100 kmh were reported and sustained winds reached 85 kmh. At Victoria airport, the gusts were measured at 70 kmh. The storm peaked between 7 and 9 p.m. and then subsided over night.

On Salt Spring, the biggest power outage occurred at approximately 6:30 p.m. when a large tree took out a power line on Fulford-Ganges Road just south of Horel Road. The same tree also took out a telephone pole, interrupting phone service.

Smith said 1,400 people were without power but Hydro staff were able to reroute and switch circuits to return power to all but 400 customers. It was 1 a.m. before the crew succeeded in clearing the tangle of tree and lines and restoring power.

Both feeders on Galiano Island were taken out by falling trees or branches, affecting the entire island as well as Mayne and Saturna islands. Smith had three three-man crews on duty: one on Galiano, one on Pender

STORM 2



All for me?

Beaver Eric Harvey grins at the mound of food on his dad's plate as the two join numerous others at a Baden-Powell dinner, held Saturday night at Meaden Hall. The dinner

was part of Guide/Scout Week, which is set aside annually to honour the birth date of Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of scouting and guiding.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Report urges ferry audit

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Ferry advisory committee members are waiting for the other shoe to drop, and the sound will determine if their requests for an audit of B.C. Ferries and ongoing resident input into ferry operations is heard.

Mediator John Fryer recommended both in his report last Thursday to the minister responsible for B.C. Ferries, Dan Miller. Fryer had been directed by the minister to determine how to get the advisory process back under way after a number of advisory groups, including the Southern Gulf Islands Ferry Advisory Committee, withdrew their services.

Salt Spring representatives on the committee were cautiously optimistic after reading Fryer's recommendations.

"By and large, he's given us what we've asked for," said Salt Spring's Drew Thorburn. Although he wishes Fryer had given the government more direction on how ferry advisory groups should be involved in future B.C. Ferries decisions, he found the overall report encouraging.

Given a favourable response to Fryer's recommendations, Thorburn expects the advisory committee will return to the table.

Those recommendations endorsed the advisory process, urging that the current advisory committee process be continued, that the role of the committees be clearly defined and established and that advisory committees be established in communities where they do not now exist.

He also recommended giving users more input into how fares are set by replacing the current Cost Allocation Committee with a "sec-

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Voters override board by agreeing to transfer property to Braewood

Property which currently houses Salt Spring Seniors and the Salt Spring Day Care Society will be placed in the hands of the Braewood Care Society.

Members of the Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society — which operates Greenwoods — voted Thursday to transfer the property to Braewood, despite a move by the board to do otherwise.

The board had presented a resolution "to not consider the transfer of Braehaven property," leaving it in the hands of the Gulf

Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society, which operates Greenwoods.

According to Ken Strike, the society's past chairman, this would have meant the society could not do anything with its assets, including the Salt Spring Seniors/Salt Spring Daycare property, without prior approval of the Capital Health Region (CHR). The CHR is the regional body created last year to oversee delivery of health care services.

Strike said notice of the proposed resolution published in the

Driftwood "immediately alerted an interest in people who wanted to know what was going on."

An estimated 65 people attended the meeting, although not all of them voted on the motion.

Strike explained that in 1995 Greenwoods society members directed that Braewood be incorporated for the purpose of receiving and administering the small piece of property. This occurred in 1996, although it was unable to hold property until last

BRAEWOOD 2

Heritage store destroyed in North Pender blaze

Firefighters battling the blaze which destroyed the Hope Bay Store on North Pender early Monday morning weren't sure until 6 a.m. that no one had been trapped in the fire.

The building, including the rear apartment, was almost fully engulfed in flames by the time 15 firefighters turned out for the midnight call. In the driveway was a car belonging to a man who lived in the apartment, fire chief Charles Boyte said.

"The roof had already collapsed. It was pretty well fully involved," Boyte explained. The

loss of the heritage building — Boyte believes the store was opened just after the turn of the century — was overshadowed much of the night by the fear that someone had been trapped by the fire.

However, by 6 a.m., firefighters learned that the apartment resident was away that night. They remained on the scene until 9 a.m. and Boyte said he was back on the scene with a fire commissioner for several hours Monday trying to determine the cause of the fire.

"At this point it's still undetermined."



Lights out

Fulford-Ganges Road was closed and power was cut to approximately 1,400 Salt Spring homes and businesses after high winds Friday blew this tree across a power line at approximately 6:30 p.m. The tree also took out a B.C. Telephone pole.

Photo by Valerie Lennox

BRAEWOOD: Takes on Greenwoods property

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September when charitable tax status was achieved.

The Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society had purchased the property without government funds, he added.

Strike said it appears the current board does not fear a potential "land grab" by the CHR, unlike the past board which supported creation of the Braewood Care Society. Some people feel the property should be kept for a possible expansion of Greenwoods in future, he said, while another group favours con-

structing an Abbeyfield house for seniors.

The current chairman of the Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society, Don Hartwig, could not be reached for comment before presstime Tuesday. Jean Taylor, another board member, said it would not be appropriate for anyone but Hartwig to comment on the board's position.

People attending last Thursday's meeting also learned that an affiliation agreement between the CHR and the society which runs Greenwoods should

be finalized in the near future.

Braewood Care Society member Terra Tepper explained that the property transfer now makes construction of a residential Abbeyfield house possible. The Salt Spring Abbeyfield Society has for several years investigated establishing a house on the island but has been unable to find a site.

Tepper said the Abbeyfield society "has received assurances from various sources that funding would become available for construction once a suitable site was acquired."

STORM: Disrupts ferry service

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and one on Salt Spring.

The crew handling the Galiano problem thought they had it licked by midnight. "They were on their way home and the lights went out on Mayne," Smith said.

But the crew is not allowed to work any longer than 16 hours at a stretch, so that outage — caused by a tree going through a line — had to wait until Saturday morning to be fixed, Smith said.

The power outages delayed sailings on Gulf Islands routes

but only the 10:30 p.m. sailing from Tsawwassen to Long Harbour was cancelled, spokeswoman Valerie Douglas said.

Although the Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen sailings were cancelled from 3 to 8:15 p.m., Douglas said, the Queen of Tsawwassen still sailed from Salt Spring at 4:25 p.m. and made the 6:30 return trip to Mayne and Galiano.

However the ferry was not able to dock at Sturdies Bay on Galiano, so Galiano-bound passengers were unloaded at Mayne Island and transferred on the

Mayne Queen to Montague Harbour on Galiano.

"I heard it was really rough — even the captain said it was rough," Douglas said.

Some sailings were delayed by power outages since many terminals were without power throughout the evening and cables had to be run from the ships to the terminals in order to operate communications and the ramps.

Having to operate the ramps with power from the ships delayed the unloading, Douglas said.

FOR THE RECORD

A Christian name and surname were transposed in last week's Salt Spring Says, mistakenly identifying island writer Anthony (Tony) Bruce as Bruce Anthony. Bruce is the author of *To Taunt a Wounded Tiger*, a thriller set partially in Victoria.

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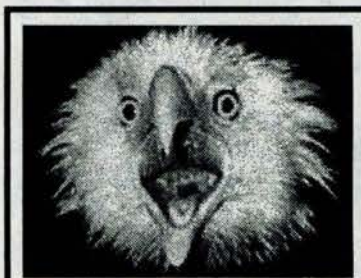
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RCMP REPORT

A 25-year-old Salt Spring man spent the night in cells Monday after Salt Spring RCMP arrested him for being drunk in a public place.

He was also charged for inflicting willful damage on a telephone booth.

The man was taken to Duncan Provincial Court Tuesday morning.

In other police news:

• Gulf Islands Secondary School suspended a youth after he was caught driving a small white Pontiac hatchback over one of the school's fields February 17.

Police were called to the scene and after inspecting the vehicle found several defects. The driver was told to fix the vehicle and bring it in for a final inspection.

• A 19-year-old Victoria man has been charged with supplying alcohol to a minor after Ganges Liquor Store employees alerted police to a suspicious situation.

Salt Spring RCMP arrived at the liquor store to find a 15-year-old holding the alcohol and standing with her 17-year-old friend. The 15-year-old has been ticketed under the Liquor Act for being a minor in possession of alcohol. Penalty is \$58.

• Two drivers continue to dispute who was at fault in a Lower Ganges Road at Crofton Road accident last week. However, ICBC has sided with the driver of a pick-up who crashed into a set of mailboxes after a Subaru turned left from Crofton Road onto Lower Ganges Road.



PARTY SCOTCHED: Salt Spring RCMP Const. Jeff West jots a few notes on two bottles of alcohol seized in Centennial Park from an adult who had purchased the liquor for two 15-year-old girls.

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closed for two days.

People who need police assistance on March 2 and 3 should contact the detachment by phone. They will be connected to a dispatcher who will, in turn, alert police.

Both offices will be closed to walk-ins.

Local police expect to open their new office on March 4. Public tours of the building will be offered toward the end of March.

Trust Council meets on Salt Spring

The entire Islands Trust Council lands on Salt Spring next month for the organization's quarterly meeting — giving residents a chance to talk to Trust members and witness decision-making on the group's 1998-99 budget.

The meeting starts at 10 a.m. March 5 with a series of workshops, followed by a business meeting at 1 p.m. March 6 and continuing March 7.

Delegations or individuals wanting to speak to Trust Council at the meeting should contact the secretary of the Islands Trust by Friday at 4:30 p.m., giving the subject of the presentation and the name and address of any speaker.

The information can be faxed to 250-405-5155 or sent to the Islands Trust, second floor, 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8. Sessions on Thursday and Friday will be held at All Saints By-the-Sea Church and on

Saturday at the Harbour House Hotel. Delegations are scheduled for the start of the business meeting at 1:30 p.m. Friday.

First on the agenda will be a budget workshop, followed in the afternoon by a session on Trust policies and another budget session.

Topics to be discussed in the policy session include marine protected areas, forestry on Trust islands, pro-

tection of public lands and natural area protection. The budget workshop continues Friday morning.

Business meeting topics include a reorganization of Trust staff in order to improve delivery of local planning services, a review of the Trust's legal services contract, a proposal for a tax incentive to encourage protection of natural areas and a discussion of forest land use policies.

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New victim services program offers support, seeks volunteers

A new volunteer program on Salt Spring will offer short term emotional support to victims of crime and trauma.

Launched by the Salt Spring RCMP and headed up by community services society counsellor Melanie Iwanow, the victim services program will send volunteers with police to crime scenes where a victim needs support.

When police currently respond to calls such as domestic violence, notes Salt Spring RCMP Const. Shane Savinkoff (RCMP liaison to the program), "we arrest the suspect and then we're gone, on to the next call. The victim is left there by herself."

The same occurs when police are called on to identify next of kin regarding a death in the family. The officer reports the news, but must move on to deal with other police matters.

"The police don't have the time to stay," notes Salt Spring RCMP Sergeant Cliff Doherty. "The next call is coming."

The Victims of Crime Act legislates a "bill of rights" for victims but the local detachment has limited resources and is unable to meet certain requirements, Doherty says. The new program will address that need.

According to Iwanow, victims

of crime or traumatic events often shut down emotionally and do not necessarily recognize the need for immediate support.

"They feel fine at first and say 'I'm okay.' Then they notice they're not sleeping or they've become more irritable," she says. "We will let them feel what they need to feel in a safe way."

In addition to attending to victims' immediate needs, program volunteers will provide follow up visits and offer emotional support which, Iwanow says, "goes hand in hand" with informing victims about the status of the police investigation and pending court case.

"We will become a liaison between the police officer and the victim," Iwanow adds. "We will have access to police records — police don't always have time to stop and say 'oh yeah, so and so pleaded guilty in court.' Also, they don't always know right away."

The program will further act as a referral body — linking up victims with other helpful agencies — and help prepare victims testifying in court.

Depending on "time and availability," Iwanow adds, program volunteers may attend court with victims, or at least arrange for someone from Duncan's victim

services program to be in attendance.

The local program will also aid in the preparation of victim impact statements.

As Iwanow notes, calls for support will be prioritized with family violence and major traumatic events topping the list. However, other types of support services will also be available such as follow-up calls to parents having difficulties handling teens.

As Savinkoff notes, police often get late night calls from worried parents whose teens have not returned home. While police do not have time to talk at length about non-criminal matters, they can refer the call to the local Crisis Line immediately, and then ask victim services volunteers to follow up with parents in the morning.

Iwanow, who worked for three years in a Victoria victim services program, is currently calling for volunteers to work with her on Salt Spring.

All volunteers will undergo a training process but should already have good interpersonal skills. Application forms will be available beginning March 5 at the Community Service Society and the new Salt Spring RCMP detachment.

Marshall and school district need further mediation, claims report

A mediator's report has concluded that further mediation will be required to resolve disputes between Salt Spring parent Marilyn Marshall and Gulf Islands School District administrators.

Mediator Murli Pendharkar presented his report to Marshall, schools superintendent Andrew Duncan, Fernwood principal Bruce Stewart and Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) principal Bob Brownword soon after the February 13 mediation session. Amendments were subsequently made and both sides agreed to its contents.

Marshall said Monday she is pleased some level of contact with her children's teachers at Fernwood Elementary School and Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) has been arranged through mediation.

After Duncan received a complaint about an alleged incident involving Marshall and a Fernwood student in early February, which resulted in a common assault charge being laid against Marshall, all contact between herself and the schools was suspended "except in a true emergency."

Since last April she has been prohibited from freely entering school district property, although she could confer with teachers and administrators by making an appointment. The mediated agreement restores contact with teachers through use of notes sent in her children's classroom planners, and she may contact SIMS through voice mail or Fernwood's safe arrival program.

In addition, the agreement sets out a way for Marshall to meet with teachers once a month.

While mediation resolved some issues temporarily, an impasse remains on granting Marshall "normal parental access" to district schools. Pendharkar noted Marshall "is not prepared to accept anything short of free unfettered access to the children's teachers, including a regular visit to each of the two classrooms at least once a week when she would work with and assist her children."

He continued: "The principals contend that the restricted access outlined by the superintendent (last April) has enabled Mrs. Marshall to be involved in her children's educa-

tion, and further, it has given them a relief from repeated requests for dealing with an issue arising out of Mrs. Marshall's demands from school personnel."

Pendharkar concluded that "the differences between Mrs. Marshall and the two principals need to be examined further to find a solution acceptable to both parties to the dispute."

Reaching a negotiated settlement "was also further complicated by the pending alleged assault charge against Mrs. Marshall," he said.

Regarding that charge, she intended to enter a not guilty plea in Duncan Provincial Court on Tuesday.

Because of long-standing Legal Aid regulations, Marshall is not yet able to retain a lawyer.

Warren Eggleston, a Victoria Law Centre intake paralegal, confirmed that in addition to proving a poverty-level income, applicants for assistance must be facing a reasonable likelihood of incarceration for a criminal conviction, "which is generally not the case for a first offence."

Doctors announce new closure dates

The days on which the offices of Salt Spring physicians will be closed as part of a cost-cutting measure have been changed.

The offices will be closed on Friday, March 6, Wednesday, March 18 and on Tuesday, March 31.

The 15 participating doctors have agreed to either close their offices on those days or not submit any billings to the B.C. health plan for work done during those days.

All of the doctors involved are associated with Lady Minto Hospital.

They will continue to provide emergency medical care on the three days.

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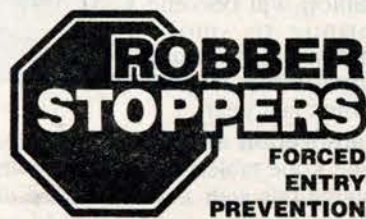
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Photo by Derrick Lundy

Dognapper at work in Vesuvius?

A slightly wrinkle-faced, black-and-white, spaniel-bulldog cross puppy is missing for the second time in a week from the Moreton home — and the family wonders if a dognapper is at work in Vesuvius.

Zeus first vanished from a secure line in the Moretons' backyard on February 11. Susan Moreton had left the dog on a tether when she went into work at approximately 1 p.m. The dog was wearing a collar and was attached to the line with a new spring-snap closed hook.

Moreton expected her daughter would be home from school by 2:30 p.m. but the girl went to a friend's home. So when Moreton returned home at 5 p.m., she was the first to discover Zeus was missing.

She searched the area and then called the Capital Regional District (CRD) animal control officer to report the missing dog. She was told a dog had been picked up earlier that afternoon on Meyer Road

near Ruckle Park. The dog matched Zeus' description and was also wearing a black collar.

Believing it would be impossible for the relatively-small, six-month-old puppy to have travelled from Vesuvius to Beaver Point in four hours, Moreton doubted it was Zeus. But when she checked, she discovered that it was her dog.

She brought Zeus home and purchased a new collar for the puppy.

On Monday, February 16, Moreton put Zeus back out on the backyard tether. He was wearing a new collar, again fastened to the line with the spring-snap closing. Moreton was home and keeping an eye on the dog. Shortly before 2:30 p.m. she noticed Zeus playing with a branch in the yard, just before her daughters went to the store.

When Moreton looked outside again, Zeus was gone. Initially she believed the girls had taken the puppy for a walk but when they returned, she learned they had left

him in the yard.

The yard is not visible from the front of the house and the spring snap was still intact. It would take a human hand to open the snap, she points out.

They searched the neighbourhood and called the animal control officer again but the dog had vanished, Moreton said.

Her daughter has since reported another dog taken from a home in Vesuvius, Moreton added.

She wonders if someone spotted the dog, tried to steal him once and then returned to take him the second time. "He's really cute, a very sweet dog."

The mix of spaniel and bulldog gives him the colouring of a spaniel with a jowly face. "He's quite distinctive looking."

The puppy was also very friendly, she adds.

She hopes someone will help the family retrieve its pet, adding that her daughters are upset that the dog is gone. Moreton can be reached at 537-5764.

Final OCP discussion set

Salt Spring is gearing up for the final round of official community plan (OCP) discussions with an open house and public hearing scheduled for March.

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FRYER REPORT: *Audit recommended*

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ond tier" of representatives from the advisory committees.

"This newly established and recognized stakeholder group should be willing to work with the corporation to develop appropriate criteria for tariff determination within an overall financial framework and transportation policy," Fryer suggested. "This would include the issue of allocating government subsidies for the ferry system."

His third recommendation backed the repeated request of advisory committee members and ferry users for an independent audit of the ferry corporation. He suggested the audit examine B.C. Ferries' management and administration, labour utilization, the effectiveness of scheduling and how overhead costs are allocated.

Up to \$50,000 should be budgeted for the audit, Fryer suggested, and the work should be done within four months.

He also recommended the first meeting of the "second tier" stakeholder group should be attended by Miller, by senior B.C. Ferries officials and by representatives of the B.C. Ferry and Marine Workers' Union.

Fryer concluded his report by expressing regret that the credibility of the advisory committees had been undermined by the fare increases

imposed last November. "That credibility must now be rebuilt with actions rather than words," he stated.

Actions are what Neville Atkinson, another Salt Spring representative on the Southern Gulf Islands Ferry Advisory Committee, believes will determine the future of that committee.

There are two aspects to Fryer's report, he notes. First the recommendations by Fryer and then how those recommendations are received by Miller. "As it is at the moment, it is just floating there."

Both Miller's office and B.C. Ferries representatives indicated they would not be responding to Fryer's recommendations until later this week.

Atkinson said the advisory committee needs to get back to work. In the meantime, there is a scheduling committee meeting tomorrow (Thursday) and a meeting between Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce representatives and Glen Brown, executive vice-president for inter-island services, on Friday.

Mayne Island advisory committee representative Barry Wilks described



Miller

Fryer's report as positive. "I hope Miller listens."

He was disappointed that one idea, the introduction of commuter tickets on route nine, did not make it into Fryer's list of recommendations. He pointed out that frequent user tickets are available on one other small, cross-Gulf route, the Comox-Powell River run.

On Mayne there are a dozen people who regularly commute to the Mainland, he said, and commuter tickets would increase use of the Long Harbour-Tsawwassen service. "I think it would do us all some good — a little security for route nine."

Ken Lee, another Salt Spring advisory committee member, noted Fryer closed his report by stating "it is with optimism that this report is written."

"I'm accepting it with optimism," Lee said. "I'm very, very pleased with it. I think it's a green light to some very productive meetings. They've met us more than half-way."

Trust consultant finds support for forestry

Islanders accept logging on their islands, provided it is done in an environmentally-sound manner.

That's what consultant Peter Walton is discovering in visits to Trust area islands as part of an Islands Trust contract to investigate forestry on islands.

"The idea is to paint a clear picture of forest activities in the area," he said, describing the \$35,000 Forest Renewal B.C. funded study, which is being done by Walton and by forestry economists Glenn Bridges and Associates.

On Friday he was on Salt Spring, the seventh island he has visited since starting the project. His report is due March 31 and is to include a forest industry assessment, a look at value-added business opportunities, an analysis of economic, business and work force opportunities and an action plan to implement those opportunities.

Logging is accepted on most islands as a historic part of island economies, he noted. "Logging which is respectful of the forest is accepted," he said. People also like to see jobs from logging and wood processing kept on island.

"People like to see their own communities benefit from their own resources," he said. At almost every meeting held to date, there have been people who derive at least part of their income from some form of forestry.

Firewood itself is a very big, value-added industry," Walton said.

Some of the ideas which have been raised include networking to allow those cutting wood on their property to bundle their harvest and negotiate a better price from buyers and encouraging small scale industries, such as cabinetry, joinery, local milling of logs for home-building, stick furniture and small-scale kilns for wood drying.

"We're looking at small scale opportunities," he said.

On Saturna, he found residents wanted a balance between preserving land for park and allowing economic benefits from wood. "There should be a balance of people able to make a living from logging," he summarized.

The report is expected to help the Trust establish a forestry policy for the islands.

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Storm, fire keep coast guard busy

A windy start to the weekend topped with a fire on North Pender Island kept the Skua and crew out on the water between Friday and Monday.

As the southeast winds whipped the water into five- to seven-foot seas, the Skua was first called at 4:15 p.m. to assist a sailboat reportedly in distress off the Fernwood dock. The sailboat turned out to be fine but the Skua didn't make it back to Ganges Harbour before being called out again, this time to pick up auxiliary members stranded on San Juan Island — a call that was cancelled when the group found a small cabin for shelter.

At approximately 5:30 p.m. the Skua was sent to Tent Island to pick up two men, one from Vancouver and one from Cobble Hill, who were stranded on the island. They had gone to the island in the morning in a 14-foot boat and were unable to risk their small boat in the heavy seas.

The boat was taken to Thetis Island and secured and the two men dropped off in Crofton.

On Saturday, coast guard members checked out a grounded barge on Medicine Beach in Bedwell Harbour off Pender. The barge had broken loose in Friday's storm.

Just before 10 p.m., the Skua was called out to check for an overdue crab fisherman. The fisherman's boat had broken down and he was located on Sidney Spit at approximately 11 p.m.

Shortly after midnight Sunday, the Ganges crew was called to North Pender to help battle a fire at the Hope Bay Store.

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Hartland paper ban will result in fines for offenders

Pushing paper in the direction of the Hartland Landfill could earn offenders a \$100 fine after May 1, when a ban on dumping paper into the landfill goes into effect.

Earlier this month, Capital Regional District (CRD) board members directed staff to prepare a bylaw amendment which adds paper to the list of restricted materials for the landfill.

Included in the ban are all forms of paper which can be recycled, including newsprint, office paper, writing pads, business forms, file folders, envelopes, business cards, paper index cards, boxboard such as paper egg cartons, laundry and cereal boxes, gift wrap and packing paper, magazines, catalogues, calendars, postcards, non-thermal fax paper, post-it notes, shredded paper and calculator tape.

Excluded from the ban are paperback and hardcover books, paper towel and tissue paper, waxed paper, carbon paper, materials impregnated with blood, grease, oil, chemicals, food residue or other contaminants or which have different materials — such as foil or plastic — as part of the paper.

For example, plain paper Christmas wrap can be recycled and would be included in the ban, but foiled wrap cannot be recycled so is excluded.

Peter Grant, manager of Salt Spring's recycling depot, suggests the ban is being put in place in a bid to save space in the landfill. Any materials that are recyclable should not go in the landfill, he said.

He points out that more and more materials are becoming recyclable. "There are new markets and new technologies for dealing with it."

Salt Spring regional director Kellie Booth said one of the issues raised by board members was how to enforce a ban on paper.

Alan Summers, manager of the solid waste division, noted that a bylaw enforcement officer would have to find a concentrated amount of paper in a dumpster before a ticket



PAPER PUSHING: Awash in paper, Salt Spring recycling depot worker Dan Horth checks out the bin full of paper waiting to

be recycled. A new regional district regulation bans the dumping of paper in the Hartland landfill as of May 1.

Photo by Valerie Lennox

would be issued. At the meeting, he defined the amount as equal to a box the size of a blue box recycling container.

"They were looking at a significant amount of paper," Booth said. "I think they were hoping to educate household people to the fact that they should recycle their paper. They found a lot of people were not aware that they could recycle paper."

A 1996 analysis of waste now going into the landfill showed that almost 22 per cent of it, or 30,000 tons of paper or paper products, were being dumped into the landfill annually. That amount would fill 5,400 trucks lined end-to-end from Victoria to Ladysmith.

Approximately one-third, or 10,000 tons of the paper, was identi-

fied as easily recyclable paper products.

In addition to approving the ban on paper, board members also agreed to an expenditure of up to \$15,530 on an education and public consultation program, to be financed from the 1998 solid waste budget.

On Salt Spring last year, Grant said, the recycling depot handled almost 118 metric tons of mixed paper in 1997 along with 127 tons of newsprint and 213 tons of cardboard and box board. Box board is light cardboard, like that used for cereal boxes.

"It's up this year by quite a bit," Grant said. He notes the annual funding for the recycling depot is based on the amount of material handled, so the more people bring to the depot,

the more viable the depot becomes.

The depot employs three full-time people and several part-time relief staff. It is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday and handles a wide variety of materials, from paint to plastic, to white goods and batteries, in addition to the more familiar glass, tin and newsprint.

Last year the depot recycled 1,024.6 metric tons along with 25 tub-skids of used paint.

The depot also has its own unique solution to recycling books. Although the books cannot be accepted as recyclable paper, a small room at the Rainbow Road depot is packed with books and magazines dropped off by other islanders and seeking new readers. Bookworms are welcome to come and browse during depot hours.

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Is this an echo we hear?

As a means of pulling the B.C. Ferries advisory process off the rocks, we hope John Fryer's recommendations to the provincial government will be heard.

True, the provincial government went the long way around to get those recommendations. The minister responsible for the ferries, Dan Miller, was offered the same ideas free of charge last December by a group of stakeholders who represented communities dependent on ferries. Some were also members of B.C. Ferries advisory committees stung by the arbitrary increase in ferry fares.

At that point Miller publicly announced he wasn't listening to the ferry users and wouldn't roll back the November fare increases; the ferry users decided that if no one was listening, there was no point in continuing to volunteer on advisory committees. A storm of protest then blew up in Victoria and along the coast.

Trying to do damage control, the government hired Fryer as a mediator to find out what the stakeholders were saying. Two meetings and two and a half months later, Fryer has told Miller what the stakeholders said in December.

As Salt Spring Islander Neville Atkinson pithily observed: it seems an odd way to have to train a government.

It's no surprise that Fryer's two sets of recommendations to Miller echo exactly what stakeholders have been trying to tell the government. These are not new ideas: they've been bounced around the Southern Gulf Islands Ferry Advisory Committee for most of the past year.

Especially significant is the recommendation for an independent audit of B.C. Ferries. Such an audit is long overdue.

Stakeholders grappling with B.C. Ferries' budget problems have been unable to figure out exactly how and where and why costs are assigned. Certain routes are designated as money-losing but the calculations which lead to that conclusion have so far defied analysis, making it difficult to come up with strategies to correct the problem.

The audit should go a long way towards laying bare the financial facts, giving a foundation which advisory groups can use to help build a more financially viable ferry system. Until the advisory committees can identify the problems, they cannot be expected to provide the input that will lead to their correction.

There is another issue which Fryer did not single out in his report: how much of the ferry corporation's operating costs are associated with moving vehicles and passengers over stretches of water and how much have their origins in political motivation.

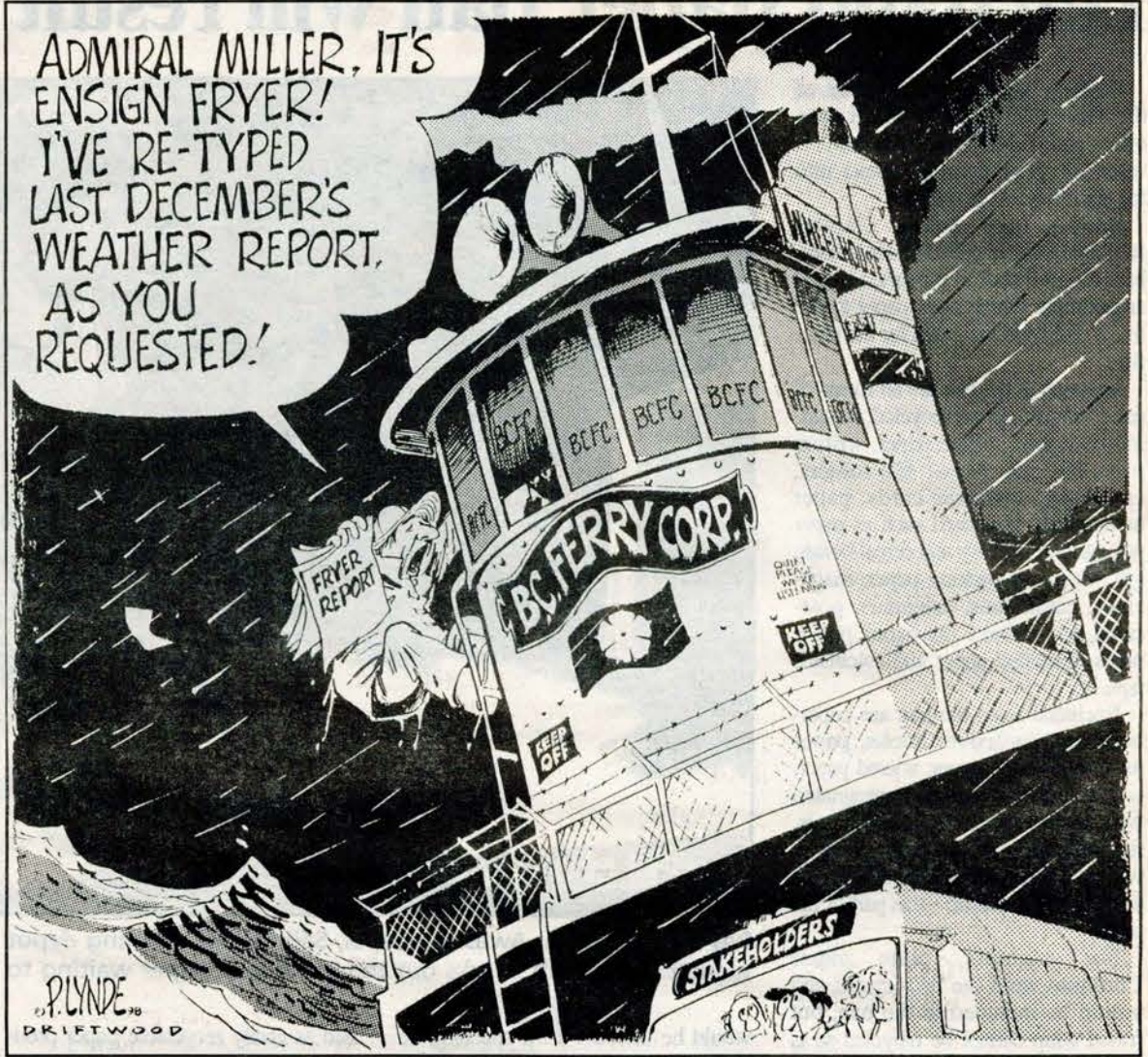
The sudden flood of red ink afflicting the ferry corporation has little to do with B.C. Ferries management and much to do with political juggling in Victoria. It was a political decision to remove the provincial subsidies on which the ferry corporation was structured; a political decision to abruptly make the ferry corporation responsible for its capital debt; and a political decision to cast the corporation adrift and see if it could still float.

(Both moves made the provincial government budget look better — until the ferry corporation starting sinking and the government realized it had to splice together a fiscal lifeline by putting a ferry subsidy back in the next provincial budget.)

B.C. Ferries also carries such politically mandated management decisions as the establishment of Catamaran Ferries International (CFI) to beef up the province's shipbuilding industry. In 1996-97 B.C. Ferries invested \$8.6 million in CFI training and absorbed CFI's \$1.1 million loss.

Perhaps CFI is an initiative the government should be supporting but it should not be on B.C. Ferries' balance sheet. Nor should B.C. Ferries be carrying the cost of social programs which give free ferry travel to seniors, for health care and for educational reasons.

Political pork-barrelling should not be an expense charged against B.C. Ferries or the islanders who use those ferries — something we expect will become clear if Fryer's recommended audit proceeds.



Silviculture worker treated badly from his first contract to present

By CLAUD CONTANT

This is an open letter to my premier, his masters at the IWA and the bunch of media-groomed bureaucrats working at Forest Renewal B.C.

I remember my first contract as a silviculture worker in Bute Inlet in 1978. At the dock, as we were disembarking from the plane, we were met by the bullcook, who let us know without any hesitation that our bunch of slash monkeys were not to disturb the "real workers" in camp. He then drove us to the old building that would be our accommodation for the next two weeks. He explained that tree planters got too dirty to share the bunkers with real workers and that this building with its floor smelling of diesel and its leaking roof was all they could find for us.

There were seven of us tree planters on this contract. We planted 78,000 trees in 13 straight days and on the 14th day we boarded a plane to Toba Inlet where another bullcook was waiting for us with a message almost identical to the one we had received in Bute Inlet. The money was good, we kept working and tried to fit between the paint and the wall.

That year after the planting season was over, I learned to operate a small chainsaw so I could find work as a standtender. Work was plentiful. I would plant from mid-February to the end of June, chainsaw in July and August and then plant again in September and October. I spent my winters on Salt Spring Island where I could always find enough work until the next planting season. It wasn't an easy life but it was mine and I enjoyed it.

In 1982 I thought I knew enough to start my own silviculture company and became a silviculture contractor. At first I tried to get contracts by bidding on projects tendered by the Ministry of Forests. I was awarded a few but soon realized that the low-bidders-take-all policy of the government, added to the absolute disregard the ministry had for the conditions endured by the workforce of these low-bid contractors, made working for the government a



VIEW POINT

no-win situation. I started working for logging companies where work ethics, honesty and reputation were taken into account before the awarding of a contract.

Over the years people came and went. I kept working 25 to 35 weeks a year with a crew, the rest of the year on my own or with one or two workers, mostly on Vancouver Island and in the Fraser Valley. Since that first contract in 1978 I personally planted over 1,000,000 trees, standtended over 500 hectares and supervised the planting of some 12,000,000 trees and the standtending of thousands of hectares.

In 1996 the government announced the creation of Forest Renewal B.C., an agency whose mandate was going to tend the forests of the province. We in the silviculture industry were ecstatic at the news. Surely such an agency would need the service of well-trained, experienced, productive and mobile crews.

We soon realized that something was up when the government put at the head of the new agency a union activist who took little time to describe the existing work force as a bunch of transients taking work away from "real local workers." We, the contractors, were guilty of the most serious crime: we paid people according to their production, making sure in the process that the people of this province were

...in order to have access to government contracts, you must first pay its masters...

getting full value for their money, a notion that NDP bureaucrats don't pay much attention to.

This month Forest Renewal B.C. will form a new government company whose mandate will be to match work with the displaced workers of the logging industry. If you have paid your dues to the IWA, you're in. If you have travelled all over the coast, planted, spaced, surveyed and fertilized forests for the last 20 years, you're out. Because in this beautiful province, in order to have access to government contracts, you must first pay its masters and then maybe you can become a "real worker."

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Gloomy days ahead for Clark and NDP

VICTORIA — Half-way through his second year, Premier Glen Clark is beginning to feel the aphrodisiac of power wear off, and he could be excused for longing back to the good old days he spent in opposition.

In the next few weeks, the premier will have to face the legislature. That's not an appealing prospect for a premier who must account for the welfare of a province in the grip of a nasty economic reality check.

After the disastrous budget that was supposed to have been balanced but turned out not to be, Clark would have liked to face accusations of having lied about the province's finances by presenting a budget this year that's really balanced. It's not going to happen.

The resource industry, which traditionally fuels British Columbia's economy, is on idle. Prices for lumber and pulp and metals are weak. And they are going to get weaker as the Asian flu spreads to this side of the Pacific.

The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce said last week that British Columbia will "come precariously close to recession" this year, as the Asian crisis spills over into Canada.

The bank's economists said British Columbia's gross domestic product will grow by only one per cent in 1998, well below the 3.3 per cent growth expected for the national economy.

"The deck is stacked against the province. Exports are being hurt as a result of the Asian economic crisis, migration from other provinces is falling, commodity prices are soft, and the consumer sector is suffering from high debt and a lack of confidence," according to the CIBC.

Asian countries buy nearly 35 per cent of British Columbia's exports. The Asian crisis will mean that demand for lumber, pulp, paper, copper and coal are going to drop off sharply, adding to the domestic woes of production costs that have been rising sharply as a result of more stringent environmental standards.

The province's dismal economic performance has relegated the premier's much-touted Jobs-for-Timber Accord to little more than rhetoric. No new jobs are being created in the forest industry. On the contrary, companies are laying off. In January, B.C. lost 19,000 jobs and housing starts fell by nearly 25 per cent.

In a nutshell, I wouldn't want to be premier for all the tea in China. And I'm sure the job has lost some of its lustre for Clark.

One sign that Clark is painfully aware of the problems his government faces is his recent meetings with some of British Columbia's top business people. He even held out the possibility of reducing the much-hated corporate tax, although it escapes me where he would find the money to do so.

And how does the business community respond to the premier's courting? Well, Thomas D'Aquino, chief executive officer of the Business Council on National Issues, told a New York audience last week that British Columbia is suffering from the "misguided government policy" of NDP Premier Glen Clark. No love-in there.

The coming session will not hold much joy for the NDP. The budget deficit will come in somewhere at \$180 million to \$200 million. And based on the NDP's previous budget-fudging, even that figure will be regarded with suspicion.

The only good-news headlines will probably result from the creation of a separate fisheries ministry. The ministry was to have been established months ago. Perhaps the premier held up matters to get at least a couple of days of sunshine into what will otherwise be a dreary and depressing session for his government.

Except for the possible appointment of a new speaker, Clark's cabinet shuffle was greeted with yawns. The appointment of B.C. Reform Party leader Jack Weisgerber will serve two purposes: The legislature will get a speaker who not only is impartial, but will be seen to be impartial. And by sending Dale Lovick back to the voting bodies, the NDP bolsters its precarious majority. At any rate, Weisgerber will make an excellent speaker. He will command the respect of all parties.

All things considered, I'd rather be at the beach than face the legislature as premier.

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A headline in the Times Colonist of February 17, 1998, reads "BC Ferries hopes to sell and lease back."

The item relates statements made by Tom Ward, Commodore of the

B.C. Ferry Corporation, outlining the course he is steering, on instructions, one presumes, from Admiral Glen Clark. The plan is to sell out the fleet, or part of it, and then lease it back for our conveyance.

This has got to be the ultimate business deal. No risk whatsoever, Clark will commit the people of British Columbia to pay for the lease and pay we will, come hell or high water.

But there is a silver lining to this cloud and here is my diabolical plan: We quickly organize the Salt Spring Leaky Gumboot Navigation Company (SSLGNC). The credit union will be anxious to lend "at prime minus one" with such solid collateral. With the loan we buy a few of the ferries and lease them back to B.C. Ferries. That is all we need do. Each month thereafter, we will pocket the difference between what the ferry corp will pay SSLGNC and what SSLGNC will pay to the credit union.

It is a win-win-win proposition: the credit union will have a super-safe investment of funds; Tom Ward will be loved by Glen Clark; Glen Clark will brag about his dedication to free enterprise; Joy McPhail would not have to hide the capital cost of the ferries as a provincial liability in her budget; Glen Clark would not have to explain catamarans (it is he who as minister responsible for the ferry corp junketed overseas to "evaluate" catamarans, the rest being his-story and our burden).

The NDP will get a generous contribution from SSLGNC come election time; instead of the Americans courted by Ward, Canadians, albeit Salt Springers, will reap this enor-

mous windfall of money Glen Clark is shaking loose from the treasury to create good election optics for himself. The people of B.C. will be forced to fork out the dollars, but who cares?

We, the SSLGNC shareholders, will apply the windfall to complete ArtSpring, build a LaScala in Vesuvius, a Covent Garden in Fulford and a bullfighting stadium in Fernwood. With the change left we will bring clowns from Victoria to entertain us.

Who is to organize and run the SSLGNC? The Hysterical Society, of course!

TOM VARZELIOTIS,
Salt Spring

Lingerie shop

The doors of our new police station are painted a pinkish-mauve. They look like the entrance of a lingerie shop.

The RCMP's tunic is a bright red colour and so is the maple leaf in our flag. The doors of the police station should be bright red, too.

MARJOLYN VAN ZANTEN,
Salt Spring

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Your letters are welcome

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 400 words or less. Letters may be edited for brevity, legality and taste. Writers are also asked to furnish a telephone number where they may be reached during the day, and to sign their letters with their full name.

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Complex issue

I understand Mr. C. Ludlow's concern for welfare recipients' rights to privacy and freedom of identity (Driftwood letters, February 18).

I'd like to point out to Mr. Ludlow and those welfare recipients he refers to that there is another side to this issue.

What about the rights of the taxpayers of this province? The government we elected has a mandate to protect these rights. I don't want to pick on the poor of this province, I am addressing the abuse of the welfare system. Welfare was never intended to be a way of life, rather it is a safety net for people who have fallen on hard times and are unable to take care of themselves and family members.

The hard-working people of this province are concerned they are not getting the best value for their tax dollar. Why does Social Services save millions of dollars whenever there is a postal strike? I, for one, back any effort to control the circumstances under which assistance is granted.

The problem of social assistance fraud in this province is not an easy fix. There are complex issues to address, but it's about time this government bit the bullet and came up with some solutions.

I challenge anyone who knows of welfare fraud to report it to the

Ministry of Social Services. I believe that if fraud is reported there will be more funds available to people that really need it.

M.R. BOEHMER,
Mobrae Avenue

Palm facts

I couldn't help but notice the write-up on palm trees in the Galiano Notes in the February 18 Driftwood.

It was an interesting piece on palms, but the facts aren't 100 per cent correct. There are not 250 species of palms. There are more than 2,800 species in 200 genera.

It is true that most palms planted in this climate like rich, well-drained soil. There are some subtropical species that actually like to grow in very wet areas. Of the true tropicals, *Nypa fruticans* only grows naturally in salt marshes and tidal mud flats. As for frost tolerance, some tropical species are damaged at temperatures of 5 degrees C. These species won't even grow in southern California.

Other species such as *Rhapidophyllum hystrix* and *sabal* minor palms have endured temperatures well below 0 degrees F. without damage. These are the most cold tolerant of the shrubby palms. Generally, the more mature the plant the more cold it can endure.

Here on the coast our wet winters limit our selection. I have

nearly 10 species outdoors planted in the ground. Some I treat as experimental.

The one palm with a good track record for us is *Trachycarpus fortunei* (Chinese windmill). The tallest ones in B.C. are in Victoria and Vancouver. They date back to the late 1940s in Victoria and the mid-1960s for Vancouver. Some of these old palms stand nearly 30 feet tall.

The tallest palm north of California is probably in Bremerton, Washington. It is 37 feet tall and was planted in 1939. Smaller versions of *T. fortunei* can be seen in front of Lady Minto Hospital and beside the Vesuvius Pub. Also, dozens of palms have been planted in Vancouver's west end along Beach Avenue.

These palms love our wet winters and they tolerate severe frost.

JOE CLEMENTE,
North End Road

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Steller sea lion

Photo provided by Jeff Lederman

Sea lion shot to death

A dead sea lion found on the beach at Walker Hook and Maliview died from a gunshot wound.

Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre rehabilitator Jeff Lederman and assistant Linda Wells were called to the beach last week where they found a large male Steller Sea Lion, weighing between 800 and 1,000 pounds.

"Except for being dead," Lederman said, "the sea lion appeared to have been in good health. There were no obvious clues to the cause of death."

However, Wells noted a slight imperfection in the fur on the side of the animal's head. Not wishing to alarm onlookers, the two chose to return later to have a closer look. They discovered a bullet hole on one side of the head and a large fracture on the opposite side.

According to Lederman, the

Steller Sea Lion was placed on the threatened species list in 1990 due to its rapidly declining numbers. The chief culprit, he adds, is the commercial fishing industry.

"Sea lions drown in fishing gear and are deliberately shot by frustrated fishermen" who see them as a threat to the salmon stock.

However, according to Lederman, researchers estimate the amount of salmon consumed by sea lions and harbour seals on the west coast of British Columbia amounts to only 2.5 per cent of the annual commercial catch.

A sea lion's diet consists 87 per cent of lampreys, Lederman adds: "lampreys are parasites of salmon, so by taking large numbers, the sea lions are actually benefitting the salmon stock."

Lederman also notes that it is illegal to discharge a firearm over the water.

Institute debates membership of committee

A proposal by Salt Spring's Trust committee to form an agricultural advisory committee raised questions at the annual general meeting of the Islands Farmers Institute February 17.

President Chris Schmah said institute members appreciated plans for an advisory committee as outlined in the draft official community plan. The question raised at the meeting was whether membership on the advisory committee should be limited to people

engaged in agriculture.

Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee member David Borrowman said Monday that he got a clear message from the farmers institute meeting. "If we put non-farmers on the agricultural committee, we're going to have to have a good reason," he said.

The local Trust committee had referred the terms of reference for the agricultural advisory committee to the farmers institute for comment, and both Borrowman and

fellow Trust committee member Bev Byron attended the institute meeting to discuss the topic.

Borrowman said the provincial Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) would like to see an agricultural advisory committee on Salt Spring Island to give local input on agricultural decisions. Borrowman expected volunteers will be invited to apply to sit on the committee within the next two weeks.

Schmah suggested the ALC would be most comfortable if the

advisory committee was formed of people from the local farming community.

"I think we probably will be watching with interest to see how it works," Schmah said.

He said the farmers appreciate the strong support for agriculture in Salt Spring's draft official community plan. An advisory committee could give input into such issues as conflict resolution in wetlands and development permit areas affecting farmers, he noted.



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It is operated by Robert Langevin, who has 27 years of experience in the construction industry. Problem-solving and managing people are two of Langevin's strengths as a builder.

Langevin came to the island from Jasper last summer, a move he had been anticipating for several years.

Free estimates and local references are available. Call Langevin at 537-9697.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

• Gail Hay brings her 20 years of experience in the hair industry to Gail's Hair at the Hotel.

Hay was trained at the Vancouver Vocational Institute, worked in Banff, owned a hair salon in Lake Louise and did theatre wigs and make-up at the School of Fine Arts in Banff. She worked at Studio 103 in Ganges since December 1994.

"The aspiration to open my own business comes from my desire to be able to implement my own ideas," she says.

Gail's Hair offers hairstyling and barbering services for men and women from Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Phone number is 537-4404.

• Full service hair care for men and women in a relaxed atmosphere is the aim of Locks, Stock and Barber Shop at 115 McPhillips Avenue — the door beside the mermaid mural.

The new business is owned by Fiona Foster, who has worked in a local barber shop for the

past five years.

Locks, Stock and Barber Shop also carries a full range of Aveda hair care products.

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Phone number is 537-8842.

• Accounting and business consulting services, a complete in-home shopping service and water treatment systems are all being offered by islander Cliff Leblanc.

Leblanc's motto is "we deliver the best," and his services are mobile.

"With the number of people on the island increasing and so many of those being senior citizens, the idea arose of being mobile to allow those unable to get out to shop to be given the opportunity to shop from the safety and comfort of their own home," says Leblanc.

Leblanc spent 20 years as a health care professional, the last 10 as an ambulance paramedic on Salt Spring. Since 1990 he has pursued a career in marketing.

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Sea lions, Indian plum, birds and bats herald spring

I have never read a tribute to spring that starts off in the dark with lots of grunting, at least not the polite ones.

Odes to spring usually start off with sun-washed daffodils bursting out of the poet's mouth or some bumblebees buzzing around in a pastoral torpor.

This tribute to spring begins in the pitch black, somewhere near a herring ball in the Gulf Islands. The ferry engines were idling, diesel fumes hung over the deck and I could only just make out the tops of the white caps, stony grey in the black night. Normally in these conditions it would seem a little obsessive to rush to the side of the ferry with a pair of binoculars, but I and 12 other Boy Scouts did just that. Although I had my binoculars and they had their slingshots, the vernal impulse was the same. Out of the black came the grunts and splashes of a herd of sea lions in crazed pursuit of those little harbingers of spring — the herring.

There is no mistaking the pursuit of a herring ball by a large herd of one-ton, hungry Steller sea lions with a few California sea lions thrown in for good measure. The noise overrides the throb of a ferry engine and nothing will stop them in their path. This was a reassuring notion

since I felt ill-prepared to give a nurturing motherhood lecture in the dark to a pack of spring-crazed Boy Scouts with only my binoculars for self-defence.

When even the captain couldn't plow his ship through the thick of them, I realized that here was an indomitable force and that spring had arrived with a splash.

The next morning I awoke to a smell that, like the arrival of the herring, gets the blood rushing around my brain. It was calm and clear and the sun had started to warm up the earth, creating a little Turkish steam bath of pleasure. This was getting onto ground more akin to the classic images of spring: breathing in the raw oxygen of budding plants; revelling in the bright greens of new growth; thinking pure thoughts of brightness and the sweetness of new life. Those kind of thoughts that can even make you remember fondly an entire troop of Boy Scouts. This is the mood in which I approached my first Indian plum of the year.

Smelling the first Indian plum of the year is a spiritual experience. All through the Gulf

NOTES FROM WRANGELLIA

WITH BRIONY PENN



Islands, in wetter areas where we haven't ravaged the native plants, there are examples of this early blooming wild shrub that bursts into bud around now and floods the air with a delicate scent.

Some would argue that the smell is not fragrant but closer to the urine of a tom cat; it seems to be a personal matter. The flowers emerge before the leaves do and look like an Indian princess — that's the story anyway and a somewhat ironic one because the Saanich people used this shrub as a purgative. It's called the "clean-out-everything-inside" shrub, which, if we are really making a tribute to spring, is a necessary part of the ritual.

Keeping this in mind, careful not to chew on the Indian plum, I remained in a thicket by Fulford Harbour and listened for the next signal of spring — the call of the song sparrow. If one is to learn only one bird call, this would be the one to learn. One day you may be walking down a street with the anxieties of the world upon you and suddenly three clear notes (two low, then one high) followed by a trill will interrupt your thoughts and there on a shrub in the midst of the madness will be this little male sparrow singing his heart out announcing the start of spring. You'll never forget it and once you hear it, spring will always be that much sweeter — especially if you are a female song sparrow.

From my thicket, I also had a glimpse of the little white and black shapes that whiz in and out of the harbour, preening, bobbing, courting and ducking. It is the bufflehead shuffle that precedes their annual spring migration to the aspen woodlands of Cariboo or Alaska for the summer. All afternoon, I sat around doing nothing but composing spring odes about buffleheads and their imminent departure. You can see them in Ganges Harbour, too.

The low-angled afternoon sun highlights the contrast in these tiny duck's plumage against the matte ink sea. They have an exceptional way of landing which gives new meaning to style in courtship. I think I would like to come back as a bufflehead in my next life.

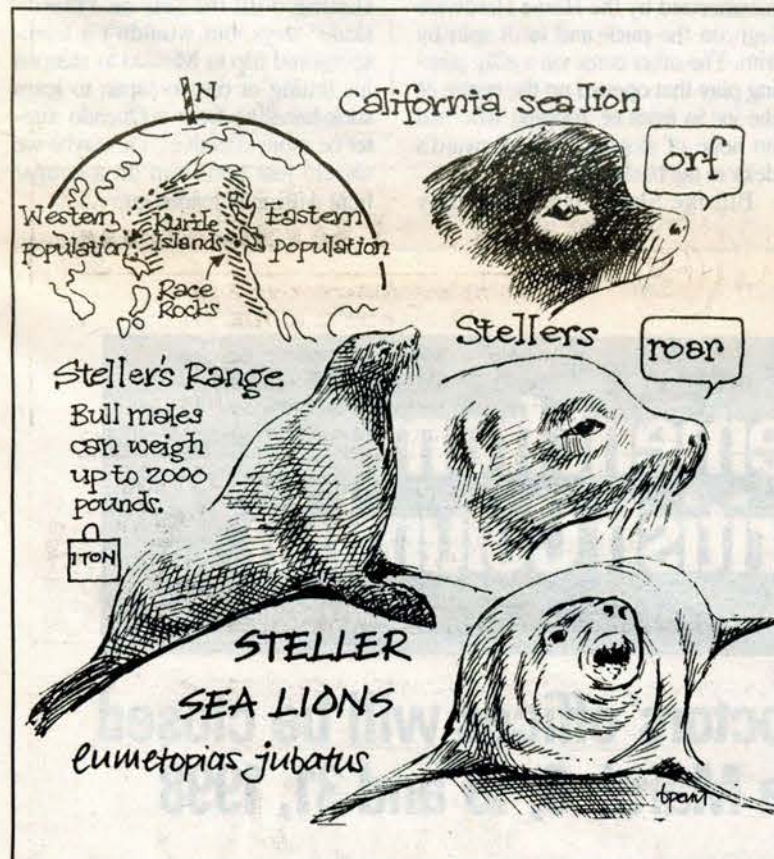
The afternoon progresses and a few more tributes to spring are lining up to fill my fountain. Somewhere about six o'clock as the night gently falls down over the sea, I saw a small bat dart out from a big fir and scoop up an early moth. The insects are emerging and their predators are following. The bats are quick to come out of their semi-hibernation on a warm, early spring evening. I think they hear the flip of the herring tails, the grunt of the sea lions and the trill of the song sparrow.

If the bats have made an appearance, then another familiar group is sure to appear. Sure enough, within a few seconds of nightfall, another type of grunt and bark begins. It is the chorus of the male tree frogs, warming up to a crashing climax of croaks

to lure the females into the swamp. Like the sea lions after the herring, they will drown out everything and single-mindedly pursue their rites of spring.

And thus my tribute to spring begins in the dark with grunts — and ends in the dark with grunts. Happy spring.

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HIGH ROLLERS

By RUTH HUME
Driftwood Contributor

Following are high scores in bowling league play last week.

Monday Special Olympics: Sharon Way 153, Terry Swing 180, Mahjor Bains 177, 163.

Circus league: Amin Athanasious 222, Tony Farr 245, 202, 223, Deke Noonan 215, Bob McAllister 221, Ron Cunningham 225, 205, Sam Cochrane 205, Josh Marshall 235, Ken Strike 218, Gordon Ruckle 206, 226/628.

Tuesday morning: Ann Kowal 210, 207, Bev Brown 231, Wally Brown 204, John Richardson 203, 259/622, Ken Robinson 206, Madalene Jory 201, Jerry Latvala 212, 216, Rita Brown 205, Audrey Illingworth 242, Beth Robinson 238.

Tuesday afternoon: Reg Winstone 205, 248, Gwen McClung 200, John Matheson 221, Doris Redquest 266/634, Vanda Winstone 243, June Webb 221.

Tuesday business women's league: Carolyn Mouat 234, Alice Richards 209, 276/621, 220, Ruth Hume 209, 229.

Wednesday Special Olympics: Stuart Elliot 188, 147, Mahjor Bains 198, 168, Brad Magnus 173, Jimmy Beck 171, Gloria Dale 154, 205, 174, Sharon Way 158, 188, 162.

Wednesday ladies: Margaret Baker 225, 235, Deanna Marleau 243/611, 215, 224/611, Susan Bouchard 248, 232, Madge Bate 208, 203.

Golf ladies: Lorraine Toller 217, Ruby Webster 216, 211, 205, Mary Kirkpatrick 202, 200, Maddy Cooper 220, 208/624, Kay Booth 209, 204, 208, June Webb 209, 206, Gwen 235, Maxine Whorley 205.

Looney tunes: Ruth Hume 244, 215, Ben Cooper 214, Jamie Sayer 204, Doug Sykes 236, 212/613, 291/649, 220, Lance Leask 223, 247/647, 216, Ron Cunningham 216, 200, John Sutherland 204, Sharon Sykes 238/605, Darlene Wellington 232, Martin Hoogerdyk 215, 226/630, Linda Schwagly 214, Doug Wellington 218, Bob Graham 202.

Friday afternoon seniors: Margaret Baker 261/614, 200, 218, 225, Jens Jorgenson 215, Madalene Jory 200, Doris Redquest 205, 202, Edie Gear 250, 225/629, Jack Godwin 209, Henry Otto 229.

Children's leagues: Nicholas Watkins 159, 181, Justine Watkins 106, 106, 97, 91, 90, 96, Jordan Borth 116, Kaitlan Theile 92, 85, 79, Jesse Hume 115, 104, 106, 144, Chris Cairns 143, 142, 134, 102, 90, Edward Ritson 113, 156, 115, 93, David Piperno 111, 175, 106, 95, 100, 126, Patrick Buitenwerf 93, 89, 120, 70, 106, 122, Nolan Severight 79, 80, 84, 113, Ryan Clemente 81, Liz Wiebe 118.

Team spirit: Deadstop leaves, Slugs win

By ANDY NAUMANN
Driftwood Contributor

To the best of anyone's recollection, the Slugs are on the longest undefeated streak in Slug history.

As of last Sunday's game against the Hornets (formerly the Sharks), the number of undefeated games stands at 10. The biggest reason for the Slugs' record success is certainly the team's depth. For most games of late we've had a full bench when we've needed it. And when some of them can't make it to a game, as in this instance, "Crash" Schure, Brad Patchett, and Pete Huser, for whatever reason, the rest of the team pulls together and gets the job done.

We'd done a number on Deadstop earlier in the week, chipping in to buy him tickets to Riverdance in Vancouver, convincing him it would improve his footwork — to cut down on the number of deflections past his own goalie. In true team spirit, he went.

Todd McIntyre started a brilliant comeback after a serious shoulder injury suffered in December, potting a goal on his first shift, receiving a return pass from Paul Reynolds in tight on the goalie, to start us off.

The next 15 minutes were filled with fast furious action, quick line changes, close checking and good chances at both ends, the majority stymied by a hot Hornet netminder.

The Hornets tied the score halfway through the first period, when their right winger caught Topping leaning the wrong way to see around his defenceman (Rod

SLUG TRAIL

Challborn, doing a bad imitation of Deadstop) and fired the puck into the short side from the top of the circle.

The Slugs rallied. First McIntyre, who was in perfect position in front of their goal crease, took a perfect pass from Blaine Johnson who had circled behind the net, and fired it home. Then on his next shift, Johnson, sprung into the clear by passes from Dillon Chimes (who did an admirable job in Deadstop's stead) and Pat Akerman, charged the net and stuffed the puck between the goalie's pads.

Towards the end of a long first period, the Hornets applied some pressure, hemmed us in our own zone for a whole shift and managed to get a close-in blooper over Topping's massive shoulder.

The second frame started off with a bang for the Slugs. On their first shift, the line of McIntyre, Reynolds and Dan Akerman, with its aggressive forechecking, caused a scramble in the Hornets' crease, banging away at a bouncing puck. Reynolds' rebound off their falling goaltender came to Akerman who slammed it home.

Minutes later, Paul Sinclair fed a breakaway pass to McIntyre who, like a rabid steamroller, carried both Hornet defencemen draped over his shoulders towards the net and managed to stuff the puck behind the

goalie as he collided with him. Two tiny eeks of concern for his health arose from the McIntyre girls in the stands but turned to cheers when he dusted himself off nonchalantly and returned to the inspired bench.

The Slugs continued to hold the upper hand, creating wave after wave of scoring chances through nifty passing plays and determined individual efforts, missing only by a red hair to score on opportunistic breakaways. Only their netminder's numerous diving saves kept them in the game.

Once again, Sinclair set up another goal. This time by Johnson who barrelled down the right wing in their end and, seeing his linemates Pat Akerman and Andy Naumann covered in front, continued around behind the net to slide the puck into the far side on a wrap-around to make the score 6-2.

The Slugs sagged a bit towards the last half of the final period, suffering from a case of over-confident, battle-weary anti-climax. This allowed the Hornets to rally, hem us in our own zone throughout a succession of shifts and come up with two goals. One was on a long shot that curled through legs towards the goal so slowly that Topping was mesmerized by the Home Hardware logo on the puck and let it spin by him. The other came on a nifty passing play that opened up the centre of the ice in front of Topping who had no hope of stopping their forward's deke to the backhand.

But the Slugs' lapse was only

temporary; their fear of letting the game slip away galvanized them. They tightened their garter belts a few notches (not an easy task) and got back to their very successful strategy of forechecking and charging the net, playing most of the final eight minutes in the Hornets' end. Even Don Sevigny, who spends most of his time valiantly blocking shots and tying up opponents in our zone, got a semi-breakaway and a hard shot on their net. Finally, another good shift by the hard-working McIntyre/Akerman/Reynolds line caused the Hornet defencemen to converge on McIntyre in the slot, tangling him up, dragging him down. But he still managed, while lying on his stomach, to rake the puck towards Akerman who administered the coup de grace, slapping it by the fallen goaltender. 7-4, Slugs.

The fast pace, the accurate passing, the opportunity to set up scoring chances and the absence of penalties made for an exciting and breathtaking display of almost Olympian calibre hockey — bring on the Czechs!

Our only problem in keeping our unprecedented streak going, it seems, is keeping Deadstop away from the arena on game nights. We approve of his efforts to improve his skating with the tots on "family skate" days, but wouldn't a team-sponsored trip to Mexico to sharpen his timing or one to Japan to learn stick-handling from a Quendo master be more effective? Or maybe we should just send him on a cougar hunt with an unloaded gun ...

An announcement from the doctors of British Columbia

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FIGHTING FOR THE BALL: Old Boy Matt Johnson challenges Castaways player in soccer action at the high school field Sunday. The Old Boys beat the off-island team 3 to 2.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

U-15 boys will attempt needed win

Salt Spring Island soccer fans are encouraged to come out and cheer on the boys' U-15 squad as it meets Gordon Head in the semi-final District Cup game set for this Saturday.

Following an undefeated regular season last year playing at the silver level, the team was raised to the gold division in September. This move has pitted them against select teams from Greater Victoria

where clubs have try-outs to choose the most skilled players for their gold level teams.

"On Salt Spring Island," says coach Jack Barclay, "every boy born in 1983 who wants to play soccer is automatically a member of the gold team. This means that our club has a real mixture of skill levels."

Despite this, the team has practised hard all year and won its first

game of the District Cup tournament two weeks ago, beating Gorge 2-1. Another win will place them in the finals.

"We have good goalkeeping, some speedy forwards with good ball handling skills and real talent at midfield and defence," says Barclay. "It should be a great game."

Kick-off is at 2:15 p.m. at Portlock Park.

Slashers 'thump' Juan de Fuca

By MALCOLM LEGG
Driftwood Contributor
Salt Spring Slashers 6, Juan de Fuca 1

The Slashers continued to gear up to take first place in the U-17 girls soccer division with a thumping of Juan de Fuca 6-1 at the Gulf Islands Secondary School field last Sunday.

The Slashers knew they needed to win this game and next week's encounter with Oak Bay to take first-place honours so they came out flying, scoring two goals in the first five minutes.

Tanisha Van Pelt scored the first on a break-away pass from Maia Vaillancourt, and Molly Lynesford followed moments later with some nifty moves to give the Slashers a lead they would never relinquish.

With the Slasher midfield of Lynesford, Launi Legg, Corey Schwagly and Stephanie Collette dominating Juan de Fuca on every move, the girls created chance after chance and by the mid-point of the opening half Lynesford had scored the Slashers' third goal on an 18-yard blast.

The second half was more of the same as the Slasher pressure rarely let Juan de Fuca out of their half as defenders Vaillancourt, Heidi Straarup, Jenny Kerr, Ruth Singbeil, Robin Morris and newcomer Katy Parsons were like the Great Wall of China across the centre line.

Vaillancourt was particularly brilliant as she time and again broke up Juan de Fuca attacks and turned the play around for Salt Spring counter-attacks.

Midway through the second half, the Slashers were awarded a penalty shot and called goalie Lisa "Spot-Shot" Baker up to take the shot. The only thing she had

to worry about was if their goalie should save the shot, then she would have to sprint back to her goal.

Well, you guessed it, Baker shot at the goalie who immediately punted the ball out towards centre. As the girls scrambled after the ball, Baker looked like a blur heading back for her goal.

Although the Slashers were carrying all the play it was Juan de Fuca who scored the first goal of the second half, with only 15 minutes left.

But the goal seemed to spur the

Slashers back into action as they pumped in three goals, two by Kyla Dares and another from Van Pelt — all set up by Kate McNair, in the last 10 minutes to wrap up the win.

This weekend will be the "biggie" for the girls as a win over Oak Bay will give them first place in the league and a trip to the Vancouver Island championships.

The way the Slashers are playing it seems there is little that could stop them, but this writer knows that Oak Bay will be ready for the challenge.

Old Boys win despite new 'lethargic look'

By MALCOLM LEGG
Driftwood Contributor
Sea Otter Old Boys 3, Castaways 2

There is an old saying that if you play poorly and still win then you must be a good team.

Certainly that adage seemed to apply to the Old Boys, who looked more like they belonged in Greenwoods than on a soccer field, as they defeated Castaways 3-2 Sunday.

The Old Boys' new lethargic look started from the opening whistle. The lads seemed to have problems connecting on passes, clearances and just about any other play involved in a soccer game.

Castaways quickly jumped on the Old Boys as their speedy strikers broke into the lads' end and hammered home the opening goal, only five minutes into the match.

Slowly the old muscles on the Old Boys loosened up as the half wore on, and they started to create chances on the Castaways net.

After several near misses the lads finally struck, as a Doug Pearson free-kick curled to David Norget, who was breaking in on goal. Norget could not corral the ball, but Chris Cottrell pounced on it and you know the result — yes, 1-1.

The Old Boys continued to press, but looked a lot like the Canadian Olympic hockey team trying to score on Dominik Hasek, as they failed to score more before the half.

The half-time break seemed to relax the lads so much that their lethargy blues returned and they simply looked awful.

The team had badly sagged, passes were going astray and the defence was scrambling ball after ball away from the front of the net.

It was only a matter of time before the Castaways scored and midway through the half they took a lead one would have thought they would not relinquish.

Ah! But the Old Boys are a resilient bunch — just as they seem dead they come back to life.

A fine combination from Alan Webb and "Fabio" Bantel put Cottrell in once again and, presto, the score was 2-2. And with only 10 minutes to go, Doug Pearson attempted a cross, drifting a 30-yard blast that eluded the Castaways goalie.

Although the lads were not sharp, probably due to the long lay-off between games and their poor warm-up techniques, they made enough key plays to overcome the lethargy and pick up a key win over Castaways.

The lads now have a solid grip on second place in the over-30 "B" division but will have to up their level of play in their next match to keep that position.

Next week the lads are off to Lochside Park to play Cordova Bay, then back home against Invicta Marine.

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Salt Spring's under-15 girls soccer team is on its way to the Vancouver Island championships in B.C. Cup play next month.

The Sting, coached by Graham Tweddle, earned the south island title after winning 3-2 over a strong Cowichan

U-15 girls nab south island title and aim for island championship

squad on February 15.

The score was 2-2 after a hard-fought 80 minutes, and a further 20 overtime minutes

failed to settle the outcome. Tweddle said this meant entering "the dreaded penalty shoot-out," but his team was victori-

ous through outstanding goal-tending "and penalty shots of Premier Division standards." Tweddle described the semi-

final game as "a nervous affair" but the team defeated Juan de Fuca 1-0.

The Sting faces the north Vancouver Island representatives on March 29.

Salt Spring was runner-up in the island final in the previous two years.

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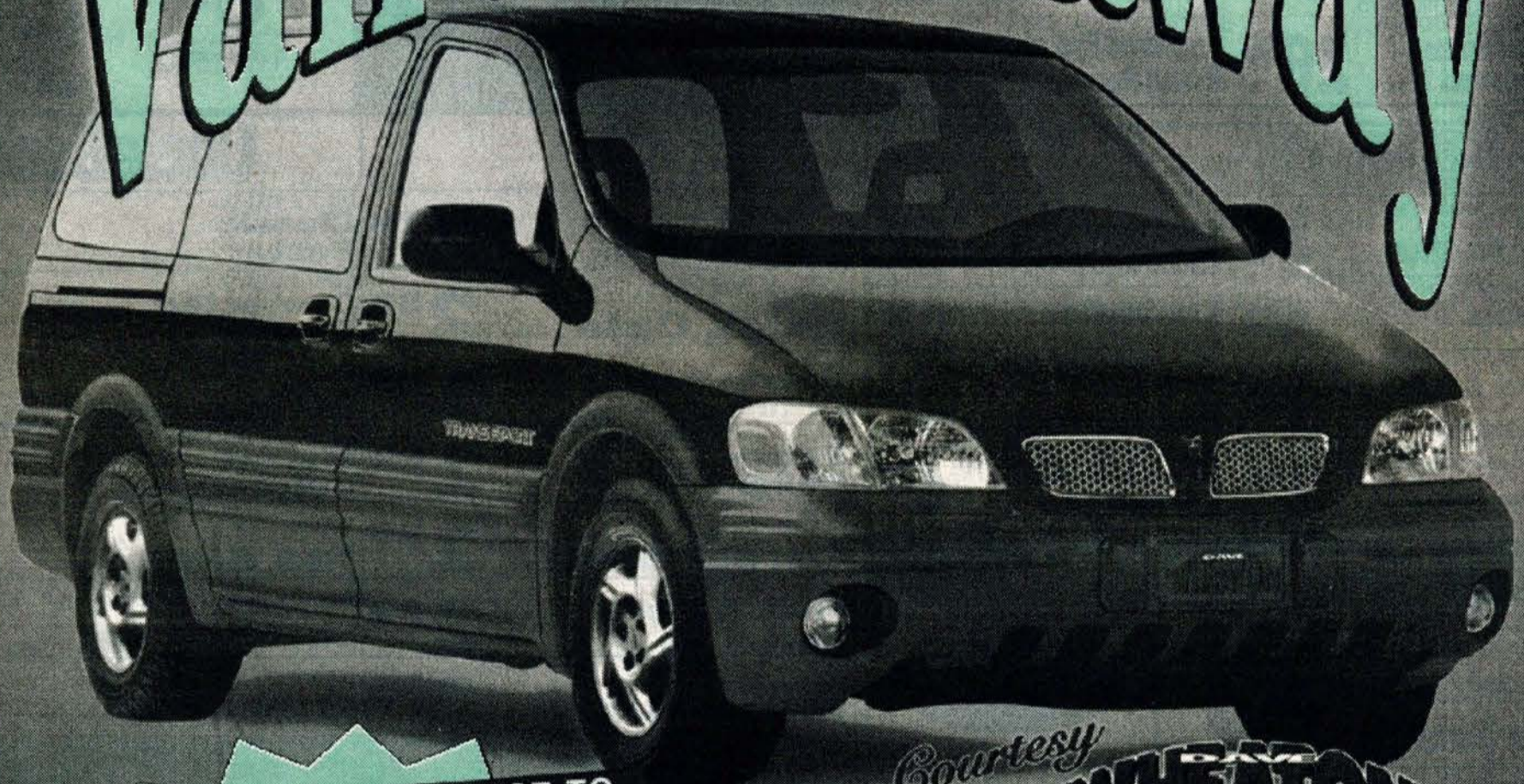


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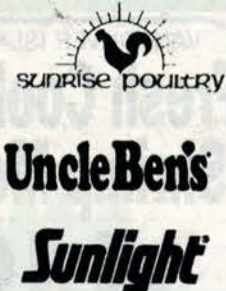


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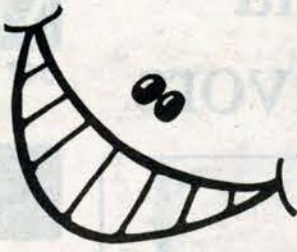
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Island therapist eases trauma of Mexican hurricane survivors

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

The little boy was afraid he would die.

The torrential rains which followed Hurricane Paulina had triggered massive floods, which washed away his previous home and life, along with the lives of thousands of others living on the steep, deforested slopes above Acapulco.

Asked by Salt Spring therapist Judith Boel to draw in the sand what he most feared, the five-year-old drew a tombstone. Like thousands of others, he had been surrounded by death as people and pets, homes and possessions were swept away by the floodwaters.

"People have no idea how much loss there is in this kind of disaster," Boel said.

In addition, she says, the losses were minimized by the Mexican government, which feared a negative impact on Acapulco's tourist-driven economy.

Officially, 500 people were lost in the hurricane and flooding — but Boel said people working with the victims estimated the losses at closer to 2,500 lives. Another reason for the discrepancy between the official figures and actual losses is the inaccuracy of the census.

The greatest losses occurred in poorer and working class communities, who were the most likely to be living in the cement-block homes constructed on the hillsides above the city, and the least likely to be accurately counted.

The landslides were massive, Boel said. "One community of 400 was buried under the sand before they could rescue anyone."

Room-sized boulders crashed through homes and the sand-choked riverbeds could not contain the run-off.

Trickles of water normally measuring five metres (16.5 feet) in width roared down the mountain at widths of up to 100 metres (328 feet), Boel said. Washed away were the weakest, most vulnerable members of the population: children, the elderly and pregnant women.

"The amazing things were the tales of heroism that we heard," Boel said. One 40-year-old labourer, dubbed the Paladin of the Oppressed, organized people with ropes and stayed in the midst of the flood, rescuing people who were being swept away.

"He just invented ways of rescuing people," Boel said. He also sheltered people in his own home, which had escaped damage. "There were a lot of natural heroes who emerged from this."

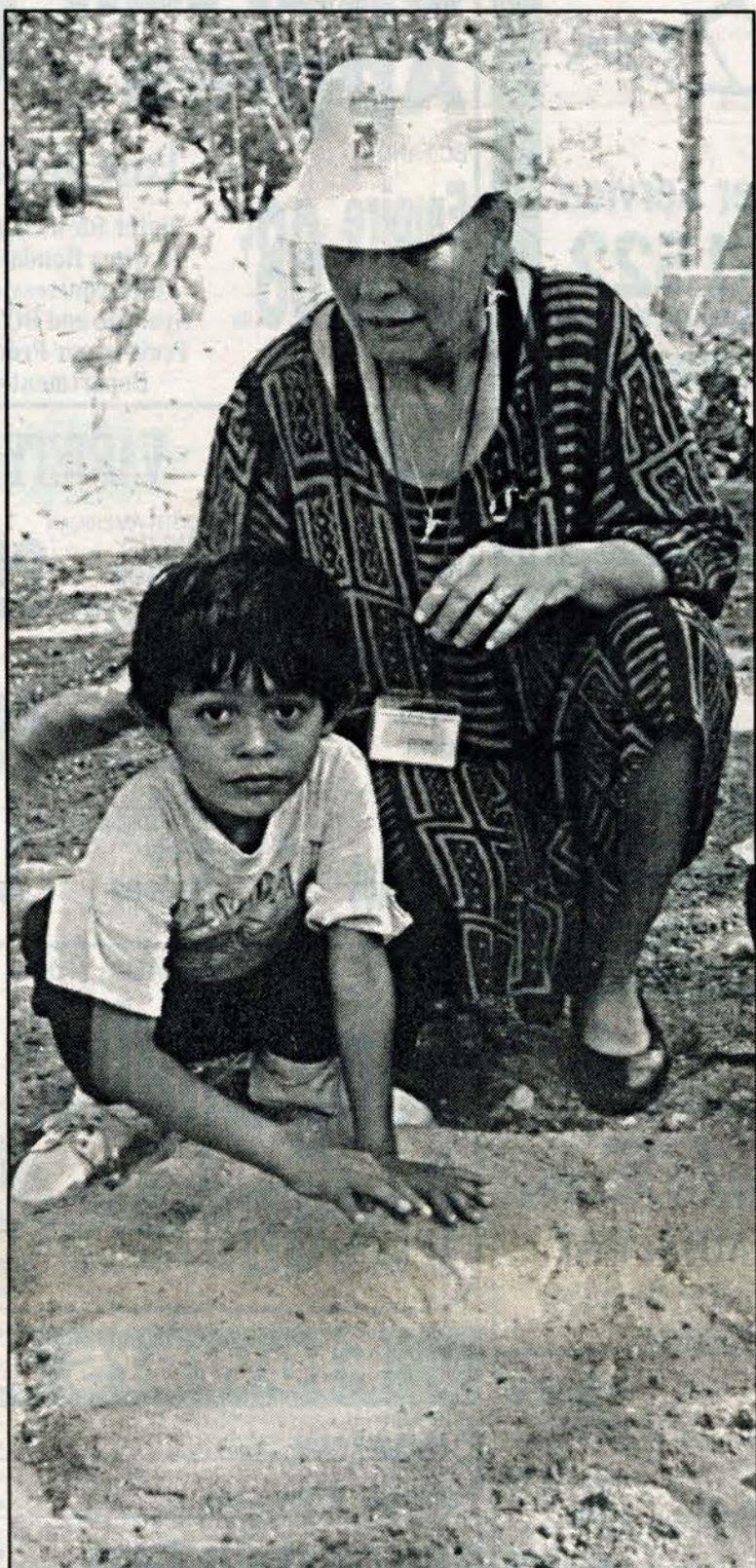
And while Hurricane Paulina has faded from the world's headlines, Boel said, the problems still remain. From her experience as a volunteer counsellor in the former Yugoslavia, Boel knows that people often need help beyond that offered by aid agencies in the first weeks following a tragedy.

"After tragedy strikes, two to four months later, the survivors are in worse shape than they were initially," she points out.

Usually any emergency resources have been withdrawn, sending the survivors a clear message that they are to get over their losses and resume their lives. The shock has worn off, so people no longer have the barriers of numbness or adrenaline to fight their grief and depression.

In addition, Boel said one-third of survivors develop chronic post-traumatic stress disorder, which shows up in symptoms ranging from apathy to aggression.

Knowing that the survivors



TAPPING AT TERROR: Guided by Salt Spring therapist Judith Boel, a five-year-old Mexican boy taps away the image of a tombstone which he drew in the dirt, symbolizing his fear of death. Boel spent three and a half weeks as a volunteer in Mexico, working with adults and children whose communities were devastated by the flooding which followed Hurricane Paulina.

would need help, Boel used the Internet to contact other volunteers — all but two of whom were Mexicans — and organize a project to teach the survivors how to cope with their losses.

Boel spent three and a half weeks as a volunteer working with the Mexican therapists and with another volunteer from California, Judy Albert, who taught critical incident stress management. Boel returned to Salt Spring February 9.

"We were parachuting into the community," she said. They worked from a community centre which still bore signs of the flooding in a six-foot water mark on the walls and a tree punched through the bathroom wall.

For the volunteers, the goal was to give natural leaders among the local people the skills to help their communities heal and recover, so much of their time was spent training.

However, Boel also found herself using her skills to help some of the survivors get over their losses. One technique which she found especially effective was eye-movement therapy, which combines mental focus with physical stimulation to resolve either historical or recent traumas.

"It literally helps erase trauma

tracks in the brain," Boel said.

She used the technique with the five-year-old to help alleviate his fear of death, combined with an art therapy exercise in which he literally beat away his drawing of a tombstone.

"In one day the children were sleeping better, eating better and were better behaved," Boel said.

The therapy could not magically fix everything, Boel observed. It could not resolve the poverty of the communities, their losses, their six weeks in makeshift shelters or their forced displacement into hastily-constructed 12 by 12-foot cement block camps.

Boel notes that the families settled in these camps were not given a choice of where they could live or even which of the four colours they could have in their new home. "Their choices were taken away from them."

While she credits the Mexican government and aid agencies with doing what they could to help the survivors, she notes that the loss of their former communities and extended families was likely the greatest blow.

"Their richest resource was their community," Boel said. "Mexicans identify strongly with their families."

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Snazzy jazz pizazz served up by klezmer band at Moby's

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for thousands of years, right? The Mazel Tov (congratulations and best wishes) suite has a dark and dramatic prelude which belies the humour and happiness just about to bubble forth from stage. The percussion becomes punctuation to subtle and intelligent instrumental dance games and, in the end, the Mazel Tov must go to the band.

These six musicians continue the ancient folk traditions with ultra-modern jazz pizazz. The klezmer, or travelling musician, brought songs and stories from place to place throughout recorded history, and the songs which grew from these traditions are still important today because they invariably contain an essential human truth.

Band leader David Buchbinder calls the band's original music "organic," and he opened Sunday's show with Send, an original track from Fire, the latest of their three recordings. The first several bars are an inspirational trumpet soliloquy which sends several folks to the dance floor as soon as the band jumps in with a definite swing. Snazzy jazz bridges and a traditional Yiddish melody line on violin are a case in point for the organic growth and development of music.

The medley of Muldavian wedding songs begins with Sasha Luminski's soulful rendition of the Crying Song on accordion. Oakland native Daniel Hoffman lightens it up again with his infectiously bright and lively violin wedding dance song. Then singer David Wall translates the lyrics to a traditional tune whose mournful sound expresses three women's despair without need for direct translation. The song is the thoughts of three seamstresses who are sewing their lives away, and it is the lament of poor working people the planet over, from time immemorial.

So it flows and follows that the next song, A Glezele Yash, is "about drinking copious amounts of alcohol in the Yiddish tradition." A Glezele Yash is a small glass of whiskey, and the song seems to get drunker with each "yash."

Only a true professional can make a trumpet sound drunken without losing something in tone or pitch, but Wall does it here. Between Daniel Barnes on drums and Andrew Downing on bass they twist the timing in the bridge ever so slightly so it sounds rather tipsy, too. Above it all shines a great sense of humour which embodies the healing side of humanity.

Pash Tants is a traditional original song and another organic development born of the musings of the Flying Bulgars. Pash Tants is a clapping dance of primordial origin, but even the late Miles Davis would have to take his hat off to this sophisticated jazz arrangement.

The Mazel Tov suite is a fine example of the magic muse's gift to the Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band. Consider the suite as Bach and Vivaldi brought it to culture: it is an ordered series of instrumental dances in the same or related keys which usually follow a prelude. Now consider the origins of jazz from soul through the blues and born of the African-American experience in

the 20th century. Just a small slice of the persecution the Jewish community has endured



ORGANIC SOUND: Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band leader David Buchbinder blows his "inspirational" horn at Sunday Night Jazz, held weekly at Moby's Pub in Ganges. Photo by Derrick Lundy

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Photo by Gail Sjoberg

Amusing aviation tale in new book

By **TONY RICHARDS**
Driftwood Staff

Interesting, self-effacing and broad-minded. Those were words used by Barry Cooke last week to describe Marion Goodwin. But adventurous, no.

However, the former Salt Spring resident, who died in 1991, embarked upon quite an adventure in 1936 when she and husband Fred flew a single-engine plane from London to Karachi and back.

The trip, nearly 10,000 miles in total, took the couple across Europe, over the Middle East and along the Persian Gulf to Pakistan in a two-seater, de Havilland Puss Moth. And the journey was not without its adventures, as a new book relates.

The *Flight of Wild Oats, An Aerial Adventure* chronicles the journey in a series of letters written en route by Fred Goodwin. Published through the efforts of the Goodwins' son Chris, who also used to live on Salt Spring, the book is an amusing tale written in the style of dry humour that is so typically English.

It makes it a good read, particularly if you have any interest in aviation.

Fred and Marion Goodwin were married in England in 1932 and for their honeymoon they chose to tour by automobile. This was no ordinary tour, however, for they loaded

up an Austin 12 and headed off to Calcutta to visit friends in India.

They returned after four months and then decided to take flying lessons. Both Fred and Marion obtained their licences and not four months after their first lesson were off on the Karachi trip in their newly-purchased plane, *Wild Oats*. Fred did the flying (Marion being unable to reach the pedals) with barely five hours of solo flying time behind him.

The plane had no communications equipment, nor did it boast any navigational tools beyond a compass. So they followed railways and rivers on much of the trip, occasionally getting lost but soon finding their bearings again.

They encountered no serious mishaps, which is somewhat surprising considering the happy-go-lucky style with which they proceeded.

For example, on the first leg of the trip they flew to Frankfurt via Brussels. Getting to the latter city was evidently a bit nerve-racking for they made their way to a bar while the plane was being refuelled.

An hour later the Goodwins were in the air again, fortified by two cognacs! Apparently there were no restrictions against consuming alcohol when flying in those days, since there were several occasions when the pilot and his wife took time out for a drink.

Fred Goodwin died in 1964 and his widow moved to Canada in 1971. She spent some time in Squamish before moving to Salt Spring in 1978.

Marion Goodwin became active in the Girl Guide movement while still in England, but maintained that involvement in Canada, both here and in Squamish.

Barry Cooke, of Salt Spring United Church, remembers her as "an enormously interesting woman," very broad in her outlook and inspiring to other women.

But, he observed, "She didn't strike me as being adventurous."

In the 1930s, however, private aviation was still in its infancy and the flight to Karachi must have been an adventure indeed. For those who knew Marion Goodwin, and for adventurous aviators, *The Flight of Wild Oats* ought to be an interesting book. It is available in local bookstores.

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There is no use crying over wasted time or limited gifts. Start with where you are, every time, no exceptions. Let your appreciation for what you already have become be preeminent. Then there will be an ecstasy to beginning something new, especially if you are old enough to see the arc of your life, and the circle it is part of.

You are never too old to learn music, or too young. The trick is to identify continuously with the act of self-discovery in the moment, not with the accomplishments of others, not with some *ought to* that has gotten stuck, like a seed in your teeth.

Age matters. You mature aurally. Your perception of sound opens and deepens. Your loves ripen, your hearing grows keener. You can read meaning where there was none before. You are wiser than you were even last week, and your heart and ears are bigger. Remind yourself to keep listening for the new in what seems to be the old and familiar. You may hear for the first time something that has been singing to you all along.

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Birthday visits and sweets mark islander's 107 years

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Emily Burrows' lifelong achievement reached 107 years last Wednesday.

The feisty Burrows, born in Devonshire, England, on February 18, 1891, marked her 107th birthday in Lady Minto Gulf Islands hospital.

She has lived on Salt Spring since 1993, originally with the late John Healy and his wife Toni. The couple were family friends: Burrows had been a live-in companion for Toni Healy's aunt, Susan Walker, in North Saanich until Walker's death and, before that, a housekeeper and companion for Toni Healy's grandfather.

She has lived in Lady Minto Hospital since last October.

Despite being deaf since an attack of meningitis 27 years ago and with failing eyesight, Burrows' wit is intact. Last Wednesday, flanked by brightly coloured birthday balloons, she delightedly related a punning joke about a "Mr. I Suppose So."

She responds warmly and enthusiastically to touch, and chocolate is a favourite — her birthday treats included a few sweet pieces. For her birthday, Burrows also had a visit from Lisa Dewar and now Dewar and friend Tina Mulder plan to visit

Burrows regularly.

"From what I gather she's out-lived every one of her family and relatives," Mulder said. Volunteer visitors would broaden Burrows' life, Mulder said. "It would make a difference to have some people there."

She tells nurses she is still surprised to wake up alive every morning, the same comment she made three years ago during an interview marking her 104th

often gracing the family table.

After eight to nine years of school, starting when she was five, Burrows went to work as a servant in Calke Abbey for five years. She saved her money, hoping to escape the class barriers in Britain by following an older sister to Canada.

"You tried to get as far away as you could from the gentry. You didn't want to be a servant to the gentry," she explained.

In 1910 she came to Canada, sailing from Liverpool to Montreal and then travelling by train to Calgary. She worked in a hotel, where she met John Robert Burrows, a cook, and married

him when she was 21. She was widowed in 1918 when John Burrows died in a flu epidemic.

For more than 30 years she lived in Calgary, working in the hospitality industry and becoming involved in riding and showing horses. But she always remained independent — at one point she hit a man on the jaw after he had followed her for 11 blocks, knocking him to the ground but also breaking her own wrist.

Even at 107, Burrows is determined to live her life as much as possible on her own terms. Last Wednesday, she politely but firmly cajoled the nurses into adjusting her recliner into the position she prefers.

Burrows is determined to live her life as much as possible on her own terms.

birthday.

That interview opened a personal window on a vanished world of gamekeepers, servants and a society dominated by a class structure.

"The gentry, you have to bow to them," she recalled. "The boys have to salute and the girls have to curtsy."

Burrows was the fifth of 10 children and grew up in Calke Village, a cluster of seven houses. Her father was the gamekeeper for Lord Cervantes Crewe and Lady Crewe, who lived in the massive Calke Abbey mansion.

Officially only the gentry were allowed to hunt, but her father's profession led to fresh game



100-PLUS: Emily Burrows celebrated her 107th birthday at Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital last Wednesday. Originally born in England, she came to Canada in 1910.

Photo by Valorie Lennox

Recent winners at Gulf Islands Bridge Club have been Irene Hawksworth and Fred Struve in first place on January 27.

They were followed by Derek Arnold and Jim Bradford, Yvonne Sollitt and Bill Buckler.

Blanche Poborsa and Joan Conlan tied for first place with Conhor Hunt and Ian Thomas on February 3. In a tie for third were Tony Luton and Sollitt with Jill Evans and Buckler.

On February 10, Thomas and Hunt were in top spot again with Shirley Love and Isabelle

BRIDGE TRICKS

Richardson tied for second with Poborsa and Buckler.

Starting Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m. games will be held in the lower floor of the Baptist Church, 520 Lower Ganges Road. Tuesday evening games have been discontinued.

New players are always welcome. For information, please call Isabelle Richardson at 537-2966.

TAKE NOTE

OF THESE DATES

MAR. 7: Dementia-caregiving & communicating, Lions Hall, 10am-4pm, Free!

MAR. 24: Alice Hammett Bridge Spring Luncheon, SS Golf Club, 12 noon.

MAR. 25-APR. 3: Mobile Mammography Unit, behind Lady Minto Hospital.

MAR. 28: Wellness Fair, Activity Centre, 10am-3pm.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Seniors & Alzheimers 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 Central 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 meetings, Hart Bradley Hall, 9:30-noon

EVERY THURSDAY

- Parkinsons Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 2pm (second Thurs. of the mo.)
- Luncheon, SS Seniors, 12 noon.
- Chess Club, SS Seniors Bldg., 7pm.
- Reading Club for 7-12 year olds, Library, 1:30-2:30, July 10-Aug. 14.
- Scottish Country Dancers, Anglican Church Hall, 6pm.
- SSI Weavers' Guild, Baptist Church, 10:30-1:00

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.
- A Course in Miracles, study group, 552 Rainbow Rd. #A, 10-11:30.
- Smiles Café, United Church-Ganges, 12-1pm (4th Friday of ea. mo.)

EVERY SATURDAY

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

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.)
- SS Weavers & Spinner, @ Farmers' Ins. to use the library, 10:30am (every 2nd Thurs.)
- SSI Buddhist meditation group, 135 McPhillips Ave., 7:30pm.
- Bandemonium, Meaden Hall, the Legion, 7-9pm.
- Hand gun, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm
- Carpet bowling, OAP Fulford hall, 2pm.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health concerns, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- Autumn session, Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10-12.
- Children's storytime, Mary Hawkins Library, 10am.
- Health & nutrition for families, Family Place 9:30-12pm (3rd Mon. ea. mo.)
- Grief Recovery seminars, United Church, 7pm (Jan. 19-Feb. 23)
- Chess Club, SS Seniors, 10am.

EVERY TUESDAY

- Duplicate Bridge, Meaden Hall at the Legion, 7pm.
- Seniors choir practices, SS Seniors, 10:30am.
- Target Archery, Fulford Hall, 4:30-6. Archery lessons 3:30-4:30.
- Adult small bore, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7-9pm
- Planned Parenthood Clinic, SS Health Unit behind Lady Minto Hosp. 4:30-6:30pm.
- French conversation, Croftonbrook, 10:15am - 11:45am.

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Crafty fun

Kids, crafts and food combined to make a family event an All Saints By-the-Sea Anglican Church on Saturday. Enjoying craft-making at the church's "Mardi Gras" are, at right, butterfly-makers Duncan, left, and Eric Abbott, and, above, boat-builder Daniel Millerd aided by Audrey Wild.

Photos by Derrick Lundy



Imaginative methods create appreciated wines

It is no surprise to find that all wine is not created equal.

What is surprising is the imaginative ways wine makers correct these inequalities and make the best use of the grapes at their disposal.

Three areas of Europe have taken local grapes and processed them in ways that create some of the most appreciated wines in the world; they've certainly given me hours of pleasure.

In the Champagne region of France they take an unremarkable, acidic still white wine, ferment it again and create a sparkling wine renowned world-wide.

In the province of Andalucia in Spain and in the Duoro Valley in Portugal they make sherry and port, respectively. The sherry produced near Jerez (pronounced "Hereth") is made from a freshly-fermented clarified wine from the Palomino grape, to which is added a neutral grape spirit, bringing the alcohol level to 15.5 per cent. Thereafter follows a blending of the wine that can follow a process started more than a century ago.

The best sherries can have wine in them as old as the blending ("solera") itself. There are two basic styles of proper sherry. The first style (Fino, and Manzanilla) is very pale, delicate, bone dry, and tingles with life and zest. The second style (dry Amontillado and

THE GRAPE VINE
BY STEVE COOPMAN



dry Oloroso) is dark, dry and nutty, with lovely earthy tones resulting from extended aging in oak.

At a recent wine dinner the aperitif was Gonzalez Byass Tio Pepe Fino sherry. There were many incredulous remarks from the diners about choosing sherry for before the meal, but after they tasted this refreshing, palate-awakening drink, their questions changed to appreciative murmurs.

If the best sherry is bone dry, then the best port is specifically made to be as deeply coloured and sweet as possible. Port is the only wine where the old style of stomping the grapes with bare feet is still used by some makers to extract as much colour and tannin as possible as soon as possible. Like sherry, port is a fortified wine, but in order to preserve the grapes' sweetness, spirit is added at an early stage in the fermentation process to stun the yeasts and raise the alcohol to 19 per cent.

At the end of a meal there is nothing better than sitting in front of the fire and savouring the flavours of raisin, spice, wood and chocolate from the glass of port at your elbow. If you're lucky to

have some Stilton cheese handy then you can experience one of life's great taste sensations.

At a dinner not so long ago we were all treated to Quinta do Crasto 1985 vintage port. Vintage port is the only style of port that can be stuck away in your cellar for decades. It is made to continue to work in the bottle. All other styles are aged first, then bottled and will not benefit from being laid away. So if you've been saving that bottle of ruby port in your cellar for the millennium, go ahead and drink it now, after all, every day is a celebration.

Wines of the Month

It seems that good merlots are popping up all over. A recent release is Sumac Ridge 1995, Merlot. This Okanagan red voted best Canadian wine of the year at a recent event in Windsor, Ontario, is receiving accolades from all sides. I find that it has a lovely round mouth feel with lots of ripe berry, a touch of vanilla, coffee and tobacco and with a big peppery finish. The detailed decanting instructions on the label are a bit overdone, although the wine's unfiltered aspect is a good indication of the serious intention to create a wine worthy of cellaring. This is an excellent example of what Canada can produce in the red wine field. Priced at \$17.95.

If you care to do a taste test, try

the Sumac Ridge against the Walnut Crest Merlot, 1997. I reviewed this \$9.95 Chilean wine in the December column and it has just made a reappearance at the liquor store.

If you're looking for a superior wine experience and don't mind spending a little more for it, then try Carneros Creek Pinot Noir 1996. At \$28.95 this is a special occasion wine from California's Napa Valley. Here's a classic pinot with a signature "barnyard" nose with mouth-watering berry, cedar and clove overtones. In the mouth the wine has lovely forward fruit, spice and earth in the attack, and a soft lingering aromatic finish.

Scotch notes

At a special Scotch whiskey tasting honouring Robbie Burns at the Thunderbird Gallery last month, we tasted six single malts.

The favourite was Glenmorangie Highland scotch, followed by the very peaty Laphroig from Islay. With scotch from all four regions — Highland, Lowland, Campbellton and the Western Isles — it was very interesting to notice the different signatures of the areas.

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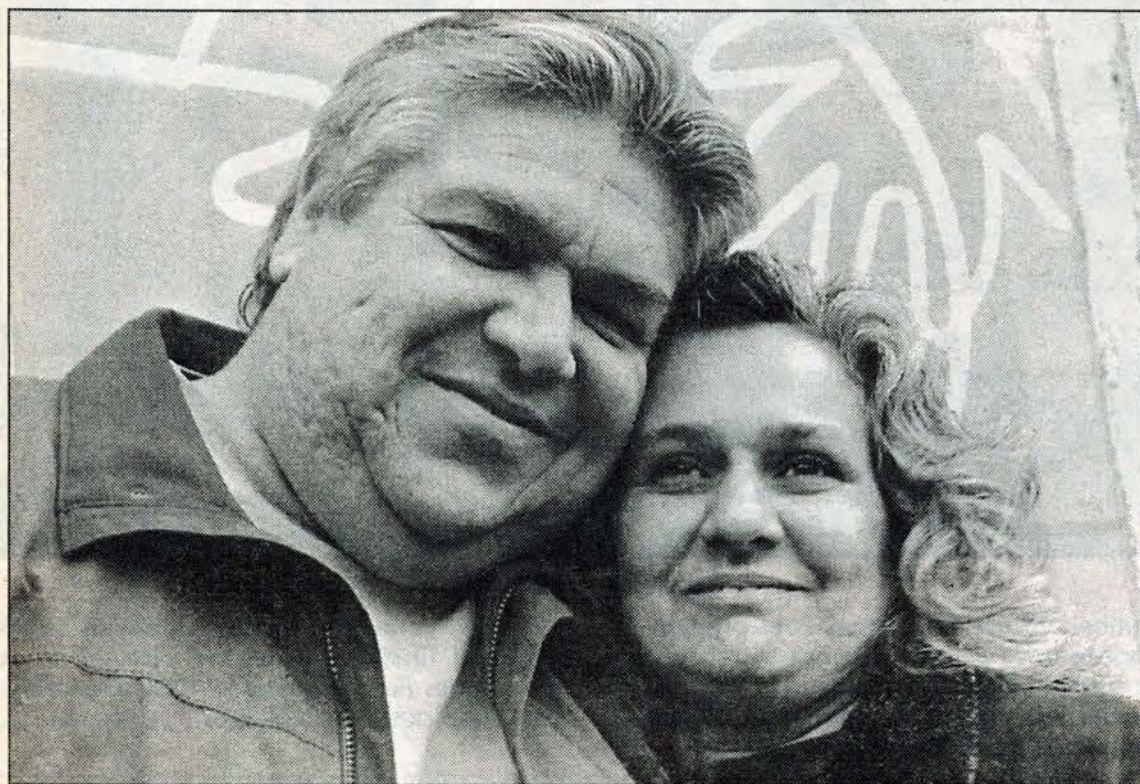
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ISLAND FACES



Rodney Filtness and Bo Steven, owners of Rodrigo's Restaurant in Fulford Harbour for the past 12 years, are familiar island faces. Born in England, Filtness moved to the island in 1974, followed three years later by Steven, who was born in Winnipeg. The two operated a road business, attending markets and fairs, and ran the La Salsa in Ganges for three years before setting up at Rodrigo's. The couple considers Mexico their second home.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Pender Island pioneer family discussed by historical group

A contingent of five travelled to Pender Island last week to attend the February meeting of the Gulf Islands Historical Federation.

Speaker was Pender's Peter Campbell; his topic, the Menzies family, early Pender settlers.

Born in Ontario in 1857, Albert Hugh Menzies, like many others of that period, came west at the beckoning of relations or friends. Two of Albert's brothers preceded him, settling in New Westminster. After two years in the Royal City, Albert and his family travelled to Pender Island in 1890 where he took on a three-year contract to work for another pioneer, Washington Grimmer. Pay for work done (at nine hours a day) was to be \$200 cash per year plus land to the value of \$250 at \$5 an acre. The contract also specified the family could have a cow and 24 chickens.

At the end of the three years the Menzies had their homestead and began working for themselves. Wild game, then plentiful, became a staple of the family's diet in those early years.

Albert and Henrietta had two children when they arrived on Pender, another arrived soon after and there was to be two more. Their living quarters at first were very basic, but with hard work and an obvious will to succeed, they soon were able to move into their own house.

The church was an important aspect of the Menzies' life and they helped establish the Presbyterian faith on Pender. Albert was an elder of the session and a Sunday school teacher. Their eldest son Victor, after a short period away from the island about 1921, returned to Pender, first helping his parents run the farm, then later operating it himself. He married the local school teacher in 1924 and they had no family.

The farm's dairy herds were always superior, father and son as

GALIANO NOTES

WITH ALISTAIR ROSS



farm managers taking many awards at fall fairs on the mainland and Vancouver Island.

Campbell's sources were from family and farm records which turned up on Pender a year or two ago.

Knowledge Network

Knowledge Network is no longer available in North Galiano, its transmission from Fernwood not possible because the sending tower has been removed — the equipment was on private land.

The group of volunteers who saw to the tower's operation have managed to sell the equipment. The funds realized from the sale will be used to keep the group's other sending tower on Stockade Ridge in South Galiano in operation. This repeater beams network programming to inland and the east side in that area. North Galiano appears to be out of luck; no restoration of service is likely.

The void is being filled for

some through purchase of one of the new 18-inch receiving dishes which brought Canadian programming on line last fall. Sales are apparently brisk. Available programming is good, but Knowledge Network signals are not available as of the present. A world of thanks to the volunteers who kept the system in operation when it was possible to do so. Their efforts were appreciated.

Dining out

On February 14, two very successful dinners were held here.

The first, the Rod and Gun Club's annual wild game dinner, was held in the group's hall and was very well attended. Diners feasted on produce from the sea and the forest, all made available and prepared by club members. On the menu were such items as venison, buffalo, elk and wild game.

Down the road at the school Activity Centre, the Galiano Parents Advisory Council offered a simpler menu. It was "pasta night" and about 200 diners turned out. Enjoyment of the food was enhanced with entertainment by local people donating their talents.

Funds for senior class field trips and other projects grew greatly as a result of this event.

Dementia education day set — March 7

Anyone caring for a person suffering from dementia can benefit from a dementia education day set for Saturday, March 7.

Designed for people whose spouse or parent has dementia, or those who work or volunteer with people suffering from the affliction, the education day features dementia care specialist Irene Barnes. It will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lions Hall. There is no admission charge.

In the morning, Barnes will explain dementia, its causes and stages; teach effective communication; and share the importance and ways of caring for the caregiver.

In the afternoon, a panel will discuss local community resources. Panel presenters will be from home support services, elderly outreach, hospice, Greenwoods, Wellness Programs, seniors services and the long-term care case manager.

Barnes will also be available in the afternoon for individual and confidential mini-consultations.

According to information provided by Wellness Programs, dementia is described as "a general decline in all areas of mental ability. It is usually due to brain disease and is progressive, the most obvious feature being decreasing intellectual ability. At least 10 per cent of the population over age 65 and 20 per cent of the population over 75 are affected to some degree by dementia."

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Storms delay ferries, keep students home

Windy weather buffeted Saturna throughout last week, bringing down trees, cutting off power and disrupting ferry service.

SATURNA NOTES
WITH GAIL TRAFFORD



Junior secondary students had the day off on Thursday when their school was closed due to power outages on Mayne Island. On Wednesday and Friday, B.C. Ferries had difficulty docking at Sturdies Bay on Galiano Island and, as a result, Saturna's evening ferry connection was delayed. Although the ferry did finally arrive Friday night, passengers had to wait almost two hours in the dark during a temporary black-out.

Saturna's small boat club found some breaks in the rough weather when they met on the last two Sundays to do some practice rowing, sculling and paddling. Thanks to the hospitality of Dr. Janice Mason, members were able to use some of her rental equipment to try out their skills.

The club has been offered a donation of some used boating equipment, but more boats and equipment in working order would be appreciated. Some boat types that have been recommended to the group are Mirror and Whitehall, although any type would be welcome.

The boaters have identified two sites on Saturna which may be suitable locations for a boathouse to keep their equipment. Each is on a public road access. Any community input or offers of temporary docking or storage would be welcome. Call Dr. Mason at 539-3421 for more information.

Watch for notices on local bulletin boards for the next chance to get out together some time in March. Everyone is welcome to participate.

School news

Saturna students, teachers and parents are celebrating a motion recommended by Andrew Duncan, the district superintendent, and moved by Saturna's trustee, Susanne Middleditch to keep the elementary school open for another year. Middleditch has worked tirelessly to find creative solutions to keep the community school viable in spite of low enrollment.

At the last meeting her work received a resounding unanimous endorsement from the board.

The appearance of the school may change in the future to include adult education and some computer-generated high school courses. An education ministry team visited all Outer Islands schools earlier this month and spent an hour on Saturna talking to the trustee, teacher and parents who rallied in support of the local school. The team is working to find solutions to help the school district meet its budget in a geographically challenging area.

Saturna's 1998 phone book is in the works and volunteers hope to have it ready by the Easter weekend.

Any new residents or islanders with changes to make to their listings should phone the school at 539-2472 on Tuesday or Friday or leave a note in the free mail. Advertising space is available at very reasonable rates. Ask the school secretary, Dayle Johnson, for more details.

Cultural events

Dancers tripped the light fantastic on Saturday when Miss Wanda Kivitt returned to the island for an afternoon of ballroom dancing instruction.

The group started out with a review of steps to the jive, waltz and foxtrot learned during the previous session, and went on to learn the tango. Kivitt is praised for her quick response to questions and individual tutoring during these sessions. The third class is scheduled for March 7 and beginners are still welcome to attend.

Viveza will bring Saturna's Arts and Concerts Society series to a close when the string ensemble performs Saturday, February 28, at 8 p.m. Single admission tickets are \$15. Those with season's tickets are reminded to mark the date on their calendars.

Friday night is comedy night at Saturna Lodge. Chris Molineux, who has performed at the Improvisation in Santa Monica, the Comedy Store in Los Angeles, Comedy Underground and Giggles in Seattle and Yuk Yuks in locations across Canada, will be featured at the Lodge February 27 at 8:30 p.m.

Dinner tickets are available by reservation for \$25 and show tickets without dinner will be offered for \$8. For more information or to reserve a seat, call Jennifer at 539-2254.



Bottles wanted

Members of the 1st Ganges Cubs prepare for a bottle drive as they attempt to raise funds for a whale watching weekend in Tofino. The youths will be in the Maliview, Mobrae, Brinkworthy and Fulford Harbour areas this

Saturday collecting bottles between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. They will also set up at the Ganges firehall between 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. For pick-up call 537-2993. Photo by Derrick Lundy

Craft business has new owner

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6 DEATHS

PETER; EDITH Margaret passed away peacefully at the Lady Minto Extended Care Unit February 20, 1998 at the age of 95 years. Margaret was predeceased by her loving husband David in 1987. She is survived by her Daughter Judith (Robert Young) of Salt Spring Island and her son David (Grace) Peter of Victoria. Grandchildren Lisa, Clare, Gavin, James, Andrew and Jonathan, also two great-grandchildren and numerous family members in England. Margaret emigrated from England at the age of 85 to settle on Salt Spring and be near her family after her husband's death. A memorial service will be held Friday, February 27 at 2 p.m. in St. Mark's Anglican Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the extended care unit of the Lady Minto Hospital or a charity of your choice.

CURRIE; ROBERT (Robin) Fullard Craven, age 67, Friday, February 20, 1998, peacefully at home, with loving family present, after a long illness. Robin is survived by his beloved wife, Irene, sons: Raymond (Jan), Rob (Peggy), and daughter Andrea; grandchildren Lindsay, Derek, Jenny, Brittany and Christopher; by his brother Derry and sister Maureen. A funeral mass was held at Our Lady of Grace church, Salt Spring Island, February 24, 1998. Robin served his community in many ways, as an active member of Our Lady of Grace parish, as a member of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron, as a VHF radio instructor, and on the Brinkworthy Park Community Committee. He was also a member of the Salt Spring Sailing Club, the Painter's Guild, and the Citizens' patrol. He generously lent his expertise in real estate to the diocese of Victoria. As a man of great faith, and in his own unassuming way, Robin touched many people with the love of God. He was known for his zest for life, his respect for the dignity and worth of every human being, his love of nature and compassion for living creatures, and his wonderful sense of humour which seemed to enable him to bear his illness with remarkable grace. The loving support of his many dear friends was a much appreciated comfort to him and Irene, and will always be remembered by his family as a source of joy throughout a difficult time. The exceptional quality of care provided him by health care professionals in the community was also greatly appreciated. The family is especially grateful to Dr. Scott McNie, Dr. Bob Crossland, Ann Byrne, RN, and Jan, Linda and Suzanne from Home Support Services. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Home Support Society of Salt Spring Island, to the Lady Minto Hospital, or to a charity of your choice.

GROSS, EMILIE passed peacefully into the presence of her Lord and Saviour on February 16. Born in Wanne-Eickel Germany on February 15, 1908 Emilie immigrated to Canada with her husband after World War II. Upon arriving in Canada, she worked for many years as a cook and dietician in Prince George and later at Lady Minto Hospital on Salt Spring Island. Emilie was an avid gardener, and spent many hours tending her beautiful flower gardens at her home. Unable to have children of her own, Emilie had a special love for young people and always had a candy on hand for them. She brought much joy and love to those around her and will be greatly missed by her many friends. Predeceased by her husband Gunther and one brother, Emilie is survived by two brothers living in Germany. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, March 1 at 2:00 pm in Greenwoods.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

FAMILY PLACE wishes to thank the following for generous support of our Getting Free, Staying Free Workshop on February 14th. Seaside Kitchen, Rodrigo's, Salt Spring Roasting Co., Barb's Buns, Thrifty Foods, Creekside Seafoods. Ragnhild Flakstad and participants.

WE HAD hoped to answer everyone who has responded to Hank's death so generously with food and flowers, calls, cards. However, the numbers seem to make that impossible, so we take this public means of expressing our gratitude to all of you, including the emergency response teams who arrived so quickly and performed so valiantly. The Schubart Family.

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MAIDAY MAIDAY Public Forum, March 14, 1998, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., All Saints by-the-Sea. Coalition to expose Multilateral Agreement on Investment. Info. Valerie, 653-4017.

FAMILY PLACE Workshop Series "Wills and Estates", everything you need to know and do on a limited budget. Speaker: Colin C. Robinson. Place: Family Place. Date: Thursday, March 5. Time: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. (Please arrange own day care). Cost: nil. Please preregister at 537-9176.

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11 COMING EVENTS

ZONE DIET (40-30-30) Seminar with zone - friendly snacks; led by Diane Jonas of Vancouver from 2 to 4 on Saturday, February 28; limited seating; cost \$15; phone 537-9350.

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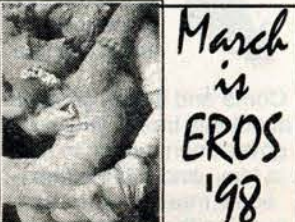
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March 7 & 8.

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11 COMING EVENTS

LADY MINTO HOSPITAL AUXILIARY SOCIETY
Official 1st Notice
1998 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
 will be held on
March 23, 1998
 at 2:00 p.m.
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Sat. Mar. 14, 10am-4:30pm
All Saints By the Sea Bag Lunch,
Registration by Donation

Planned by a Salt Spring Coalition of Concerned Groups and Citizens, including The Voice of Women, Heart, Island Paddlers, Ten Days for Global Justice, Ometepe-Gulf Islands Friendship Association, The Raging Grannies, Waterbird Watch Collective, Island Natural Growers. For information, call 653-4017 (Rampone) or 537-9804 (Schubart).

Benedictine Lenten Retreat "The Cross for Contemplatives"

with **Cynthia Bourgeault**
 March 6, 7 - 9pm
 March 7 all day
 March 8, 9am

Information & registration at Anglican Church Office 537-2171
 Please pre-register

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 YOU ARE INVITED TO COME CELEBRATE
GUEST SPEAKER: Sue Hammel, Minister of Women's Equality
PLUS: student performances in dance and song
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WHEN: FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 11:20AM - 12 NOON
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Reduce Reuse Recycle

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BOTTLE DRIVE

The 1st Ganges Cubs are doing a Bottle Drive to raise funds so they can go to Tofino for a weekend of Whale Watching. On February 28 they will be in the areas of Maliview, Mobrae, Brinkworthy and Fulford Harbour from 10:30 - 12:30. Also at Ganges Fire Hall from 10:30 - 3:00, so you can drop off your bottles. If you would like us to come & pick up bottles at anytime call 537-2993.

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SALT SPRING ISLAND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN
 (Proposed)

OPEN HOUSE: Tues. March 10 1:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

at Room 1203, Grace Point Square, Ganges
 Planned to provide an informal opportunity for community members to find out what is in the proposed plan and to discuss it with Local Trustees and Islands Trust planning staff. Maps, displays, hand-outs and comment forms will be available. A public hearing regarding the proposed plan is scheduled for March 23, (watch for ads).
 For more information please call 537-9144.

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with the Celtic Funk band "**MAD PUDDING**"
 on March 16 at The Folk Club's Fulford Hall Show!
 Also there will be **Derek Duffy & his band "Kettle of Fish"**.
 Tickets (\$15) available at Salt Spring Roasting Co., Stuff 'n Nonsense, Acoustic Planet Music & The Music Emporium.

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An acclaimed program on prevention of childhood sexual abuse will be shown on SS Cablevision tonight, February 25 and on Sunday, March 1, at 7:00pm. One of the best ever films designed to teach children skills to protect themselves from sexual assault. Appropriate for children age 4 and up - please watch as a family and discuss afterwards. Women and Violence: Education is Prevention Project, SWOVA CD & R Society

14 COMMUNITY SERVICES

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29 LOST AND FOUND

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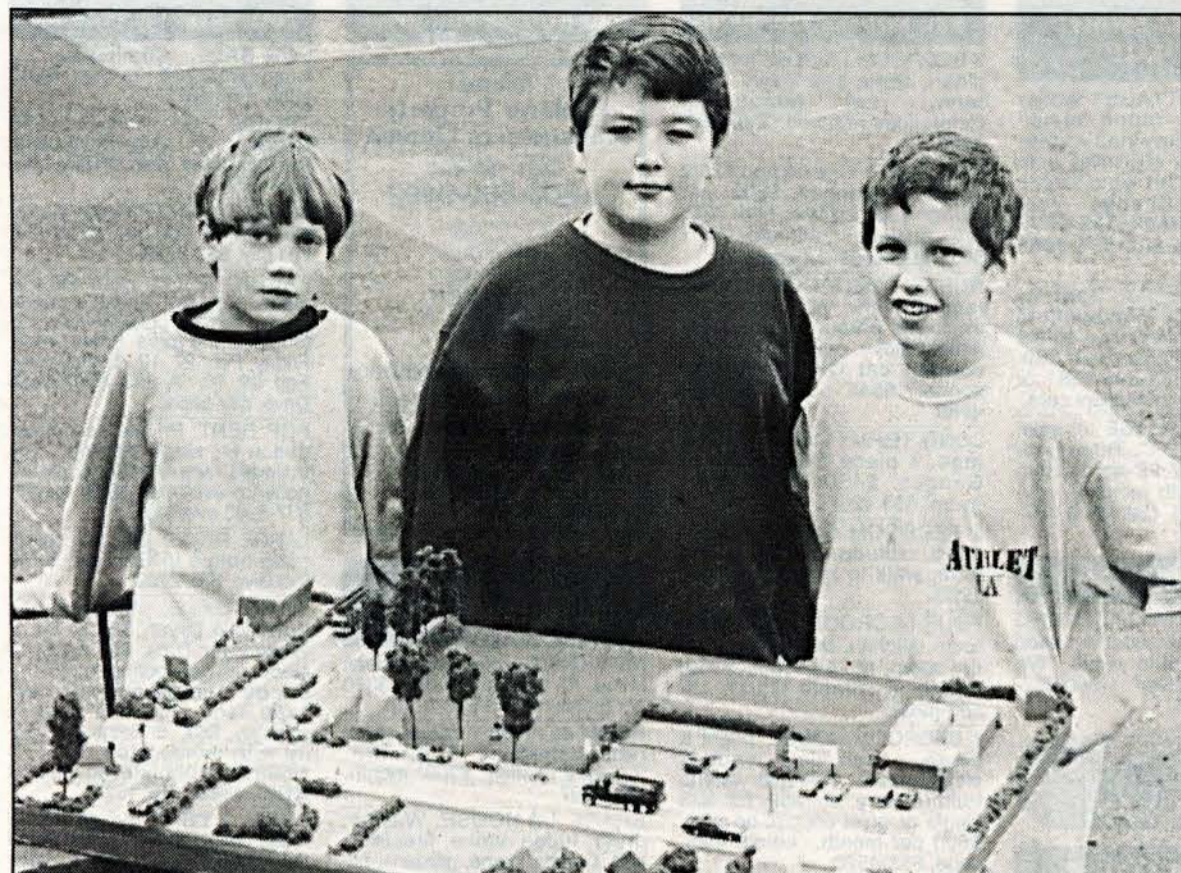
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MODEL PARK: Fernwood students, from left, John Arnett, Matt Parker and Julian Hazenboom, are helping sell raffle tickets to raise money for a bike lane around Portlock Park. For their help, each receives a student achievement pass to the Salt Spring Cinema and a chance to win this model of Portlock Park, created by Island Pathways.

Raffle will help fund

Two sets of prizes on two different tickets give buyers a choice in the Island Pathways raffle to support construction of a bike lane around Portlock Park.

One set of tickets offers a limited-edition framed print by Robert Bateman called *On the Garden Wall*, which shows a chaffinch among red and yellow nasturtium blossoms. Other prizes are a weekend for two at Seido-En Forest House, lunch or dinner for two at the legislative dining room with MLA Murray Coell and a \$50 gift certificate from Rainbow Nursery and Landscape Supply.

Prizes on the second set of tickets are, first, a 1998 Norco Kokanee mountain bike, a weekend for two at Mountain Aerie Bed and Breakfast, 16 ounces of smoked sockeye salmon from Sea Change Seafoods, a business card ad in the *Island Tides*, a haircut from Juliette's Hair Studio, a \$25 gift certificate from Mountain Equipment Co-op and a day pack from Island Savings Credit Union.

Raffle organizer Wendy Webb

said the group had \$7,150 in pledges for the bike lane projects plus almost \$3,000 from raffle ticket sales. Tickets are available from Fernwood Elementary and Salt Spring Island Middle School students, the Salt Spring Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission office and from several Ganges businesses. The draw will be held March 14.

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Video Trance Theory has serious results

I recently used my children as guinea pigs for the Video Trance Theory (VTT) with results that only seemed funny at first.

The first step was to find and rent a video which they had viewed less than 35 times. I inserted video into VCR and waited for the trance state to appear: it is most notably recognized by a numb look in the eye, a slightly drooping mouth (sometimes with a little bubble of saliva in the corner) and a verbal demand for food that occurs without movement of eye from screen.

However awful to see, this trance state does offer some perks. The demand for food is met with a platter of items nutritious enough to grace a health food store poster. And, in accordance with the VTT, the test subjects consumed every vitamin and mineral without even peering at the plate.

To further test my theory, I waited until they were totally engrossed in plot and healthy food. Then I stood just off to the side of the television and VCR and began a series of calisthenics. No comment. No eye movement.

I tried making ridiculous faces and little gurgling noises. Nothing.

I picked up the portable phone and ran with it into the next room.

"What!" I shouted into the receiver. "We've won a trip to

FAMILY MATTERS WITH SUSAN LUNDY



Disneyland? We're going to Disneyland for five days? Stopping off at Hawaii on the way back? Wow!"

Not a sound from my children.

Getting a little closer, I ran right in front of the TV, jumped, shook all my limbs and gyrated like a lunatic.

Finally, my elder said in a bored tone, "What are you doing?"

"I'm trying to determine just how entranced you are with this movie. I'm trying to ..."

But the VTT had overcome her senses and she could no longer hear or see me.

In reality, the VTT is not very funny as we consider the effect watching videos and television over and over again is having on our children.

In our home, we decided to forgo television completely. And sometimes I wish we had resisted the lure of video baby-sitting. Although we stringently limit time spent watching videos and carefully help choose what the kids watch, I still feel many movies present images I don't want etched into their brains. By watching violence (even in animated flicks such as Disney's Little

Mermaid, which terrified my kids), they become desensitized to it.

A really important book entitled *The Shelter of Each Other* (by Mary Pipher) explains part of the problem. In past cultures, and elsewhere in the world today, stories were created and told to children by elders in the community. These stories were adjusted to meet the needs and ages of the listeners. The children heard the stories from people who loved them and who could judge what they needed to learn in their lives at that moment.

Videos and television programs are created by strangers who aim to make money, not nurture their viewing audience. Young children watch G-rated movies that are aimed at older children. Movies present violence, sexual-stereotyping and narcissistic attitudes as normal and acceptable. They often pit children against adults, serving to establish parent-child rivalry at a young age. (For an excellent children's movie which shows comradery between parents and children, watch the Japanese film *My Neighbour Totoro*.)

I steer my young kids away from the newer Disney movies with their inevitable consumer gimmicks, choosing instead some of the older ones (compare *Jungle Book* to *Hercules* — I haven't watched the latter, but the previews make me shudder). *Mary Poppins* and *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* are lengthy but innocent.

Recently, I crumpled in the face of weeks of begging and allowed my kids to take home a movie against my instinct. They saw *Old Yeller* advertised in a preview and although I had never watched the movie, I knew it had a really sad ending. I said "no" for several weeks and finally gave in, deliberately explaining that it was a sad story and that the dog dies at the end.

Somehow I figured that if they were prepared for sadness, they could handle it. I watched the movie with them, hoping my presence would help. After several frightening "man verses nature" episodes, the conclusion neared and one of the young characters was forced to shoot his dog, who had caught rabies.

The three of us wept through the final scenes, but my younger child — who is usually less frightened than her sister — continued crying for at least 30 minutes afterward.

Then she started asking questions like, "When I die will you have to shoot me?"

She saw the images, but without a basis for understanding them, they terrified her. And if she hadn't verbalized her fear, it could have traumatized her for years. And it still may.

So much for VTT. If only I could drop the videos and conjure the automated VTT state for Saturday morning room cleaning.

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Sweet sounds

The self-named Mr. Feelgood creates eloquent music for the enjoyment of passers-by as he stands at the corner of Purvis and Fulford Ganges roads on a grey day last week.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

It's a wrap for leftovers

By TERRA TEPPER
Driftwood Contributor

"It's a wrap" used to be a term confined to the motion picture industry, when the last few frames of a movie had been shot to the director's satisfaction.

Now "a wrap" in culinary terms has come to mean anything and everything stuffed into a flour tortilla. The original wrap, in Mexican cuisine, was called a burrito, as the defining element of any burrito is its wrapper, the humble flour tortilla straight out of Northern Mexico. In this corn-deprived region, resourceful cooks created their basic building block with wheat, which could do things its corn-based cousin could not, namely stretch around and seal savory surprises within its glistening skin.

Burritos can contain scary amounts of calories and fats, when they are loaded up with cheese, guacamole (a single small avocado contains 34 grams of fat) and sour cream. But last week I came up with a reasonably healthy and extremely simple version, which was big on taste

WHAT'S COOKING

and agreeably sloppy, as "wraps" should be.

All you need on hand is some flour tortillas, a chunk of leftover roast beef or pork, or even chicken or turkey, (not lamb, it's too strong), some salsa, a can of black beans and a few tablespoons of grated cheese. Shred the leftover meat and mix enough salsa with it so that it can be heated up without sticking to the pan. Heat the beans separately. Warm the tortillas by either grilling them quickly or wrapping them in foil and warming in a 350 degree oven for about 15 minutes.

Place some meat mixture, beans and a bit of grated cheese on each tortilla and roll up burrito-style, folding the sides in first and then rolling up tightly. Top with a spoonful of non-fat sour cream.

This is so fast and an absolutely delicious way to use up leftover meats.

No Order of Canada for this Bob

Avril put down her tea cup.

"Fraser, our first-born," she said, "is now in Grade 7 and I think he should become a page in the Ontario Legislature.

There he will rub shoulders with politicians, most of whom have law degrees, and the experience will greatly benefit him morally and ethically. He will be given values to live by."

The year was 1972 and my beloved was executive assistant to the NDP leader of the Opposition Ian Deans. She was fiercely loyal but, I felt, a little naive and more than a little trusting.

The problem was, the aforementioned firstborn, Fraser, was dealing with puberty and rebellion. This was the time of Haight Ashbury, flower children and exotic pharmaceuticals, and his particular targets were macramé and sewing classes. He maintained that they damaged his macho image and, although the kid was bright, he treated them with patronizing disdain. Of course he got an F in both only because his teachers weren't allowed to give Gs. The rub was that he needed an 80 per cent average to become a parliamentary page and this greatly affected his standing.

ALEX MITCHELL



I went to see his guidance counselor Bob (all guidance counsellors are called Bob) and explained the situation. Bob was a friend and had served in the war as a tail-gunner in Lancaster bombers. Miraculously, he survived two tours of operations over Germany, three crashes and subsequently had a unique perspective on life.

"Don't sweat the small stuff," he would quote, "and it's all small stuff."

He listened, bit the filter tip off his cigarette and pulled a half full bottle of his favourite "screch" out of his desk drawer.

"No problem," he stated grandly, and tippy-toed into the principal's office, unlocked the file drawer and placed Fraser's scholastic record on the desk between us. We sipped a little screch and I watched the great man at work.

He was creative, imaginative and transformed the kid into a high academic achiever. He completed the work of art with a perfect forgery of the principal's signature.

I was spellbound. I was in awe. I

determined then and there to change my name to Bob and become a guidance counsellor. I too would benefit humanity by going straight to the heart of the problem and eschew red tape and bureaucratic blundering.

I thanked him, finished the screch and sent off Fraser's application. Thanks to Avril's clout he was accepted and acquired a civilized polish and an insight into the real world of devious chicanery. I was proud of the lad.

Two years later Bob died of a malignant brain cancer caused by his three-pack-a-day habit. Tobacco did what the Fock-Wulfo and Messersmitts had failed to do in 80 bombing runs.

I applied for his job, I was teaching science at the time, but had acquired the necessary qualifications. Avril wouldn't let me change my name to Bob but I picked up his torch anyway and carried on with his mission of adolescent justice.

That year Ian, my youngest son, was accepted as a legislative page and imagine my chagrin when I found his average grades to be genuinely over 80 per cent. However, in the seven years following I was able to put my newly learned forgery skills to good use in the cause of humanity.

I fear though that my chances of being awarded an Order of Canada are not too good.

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B.C. Tel promised dial telephones for Gulf Islanders

Thirty-five years ago

Dial telephones were due on the Gulf Islands in the coming year, B.C. Telephone manager A.A. Higinbotham announced at a meeting with chamber of commerce members from the Gulf Islands. Higinbotham said property for an automatic station had been purchased on Lower Ganges Road. He added that rates would not increase for the new phone service.

Local boxer Morris Akerman of Salt Spring defeated Fred Fuller, the Emerald Boy of B.C. and B.C. Junior Champion, in a match in Fulford Hall. More than 275 boxing fans attended the fight.

Thirty years ago

Salt Spring Islanders lost their scheduled late night sailing from Swartz Bay to Fulford Harbour as routes were reorganized by the B.C. Ferry Authority as part of an economy program. The last sailing had departed at 11:30 p.m., but under the new schedule the

last sailing from Swartz Bay was changed to 9:30 p.m. Also eliminated was hourly ferry service between Vesuvius and Crofton. Sailings would operate at intervals ranging from one hour to three hours, 15 minutes. The Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce protested the cutback in service.

The Fulford Hall Committee was searching for missing roller skates and skate straps, which had been taken from the hall. If the equipment was not returned, the hall committee said future skaters would have to provide their own skates.

Twenty-five years ago

The owner of a three-acre lot was shocked to discover he could not get a building permit for his property because it fell under a newly-imposed provincial regulation which did not allow any use except farming on potential farmland.

Galiano Islanders approved their new community plan clause by clause, at a public meeting.

The plan established maximum population on the island at 3,000 with 800 acres available for subdivision.

Twenty years ago

Gulf Islands School District trustees voted against accepting a tender for the construction of an elementary school in the Fernwood area. The Fernwood parents group had opposed construction of the school, fearing the level of instruction would not be as good as at the elementary school in Ganges and that Fernwood-area road conditions would create a safety hazard.

School trustees approved their highest-ever budget of \$2.6 million. The budget was \$30,000 over an amount allowed under provincial guidelines but trustees felt no further cutbacks could be made.

Fifteen years ago

School trustees passed a \$5.4 million budget for 1983, an increase of 7.2 per cent over the

previous year. The largest chunk of the budget was for instruction, at just under \$3.4 million, of which \$3 million was for salaries.

Texada Logging Company plans to place two modular rental homes on its property off the Mount Maxwell access road was putting Maxwell Lake water at risk, according to the Salt Spring Island Water Preservation Society. A Texada spokesman said the site was not in the lake's watershed, as claimed by the society.

Ten years ago

Salt Spring had the highest per capita rate of alcohol-related vehicle incidents in the southern Vancouver Island region. Local police said the situation was getting worse and blamed alcohol and other drugs for the increase in juvenile crime on the island. Another contributing factor cited by police was the mix of ages at island parties. It was not unusual for those aged 13 to 40 to be at the same party.

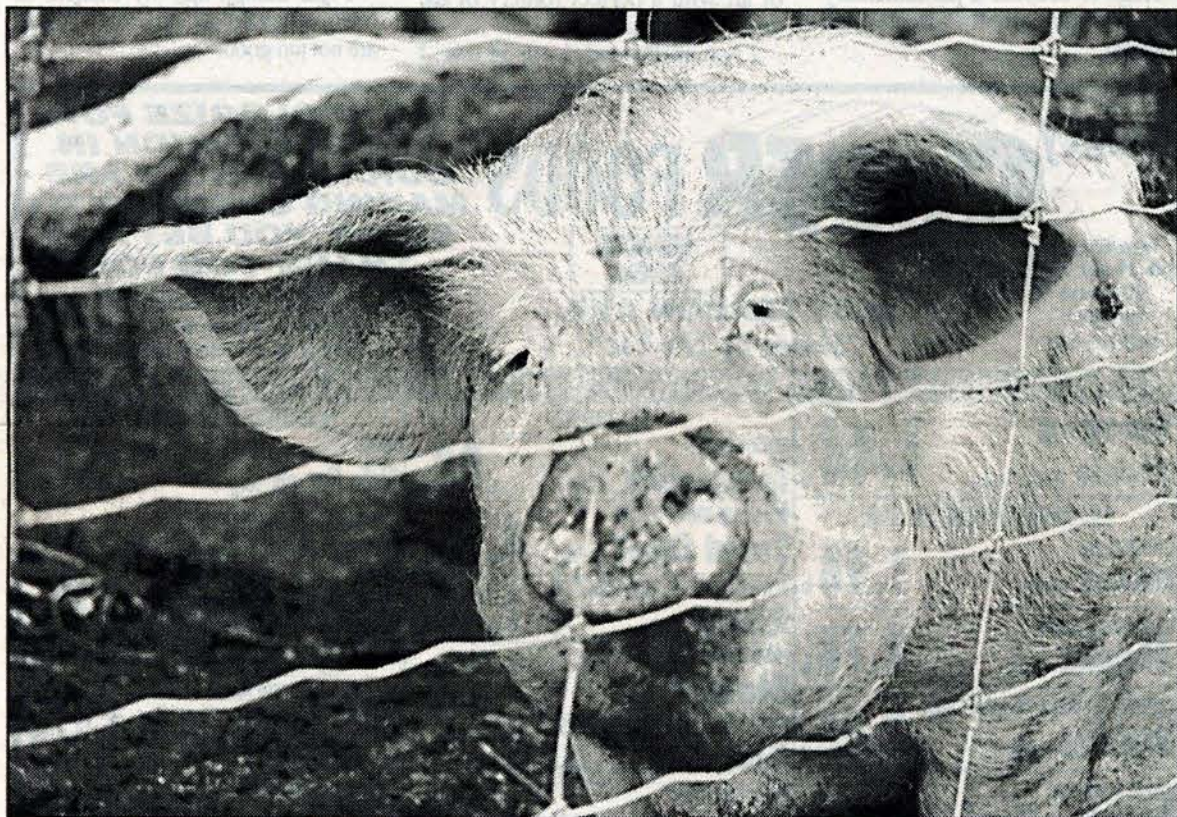
The Islands Trust was exam-

ining proposals for land development bonuses and density transfers in response to concerns over the possibility of clear-cutting on former MacMillan-Bloedel properties on Salt Spring. The fear was that new owners would log their land in order to pay off the property's purchase cost.

Five years ago

A Capital Regional District environment committee projected that a future landfill site on Salt Spring could cost up to \$3 million. But the chairman of the Salt Spring Island Solid Waste Task Force, Colin Lawler, disagreed with the projection. Preliminary projections by the task force put the cost at \$1.2 million.

Concerns were raised over land clearing at the Blackburn Meadows driving range, which some people felt was affecting Blackburn Lake drinking water and having an adverse impact on the ecology of the lake. The clearing was to allow construction of a golf course.



Where's the beef, you say?

This inquisitive looking pig gives a curious look as the camera snaps a series of photos. The pig belongs to the Gulf Islands Secondary School agricultural program and lives in a pig pen on Rainbow Road.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Local trail, nature club releases March schedule

Following is the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club March schedule of activities.

March 3

Ramblers: Cowichan Marine Ecology Station; leader, Ann Fitz-James. Guided tour, \$4.50 per person. Meet at Portlock Park 9:30 a.m. to catch 10 a.m. Vesuvius ferry.

Walk: Rugged Ruckle Park coastline; leader, Bill Earl. Meet at Centennial Park 10 a.m. to carpool to Ruckle Park for 10:30.

Hike: Reginald Hill and reserve; leader, Alan Clews. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m. and carpool to Drummond Park.

March 10

Walk: Mount Maxwell; leader, Margaret Haines. Meet at Centennial Park 10 a.m.

Ramblers: Ruckle Park from potato house; leader, Tony Pedersen. Meet at Centennial Park 10 a.m. for carpooling to 10:15 a.m. meeting time at Drummond Park.

Hike: Interesting areas of Musgrave; leader, Fiona Flook. Meet at Centennial Park 10 a.m. for travel to Drummond Park.

March 17

Ramblers: Arnell Park, Beddis

Beach area; leader, Nancy Keith-Murray. Meet at Centennial Park 10 a.m. to carpool to park entrance at 10:15.

Walk: Leg 1 of Galloping Goose; leader, Bud Williams. Meet at Centennial Park at 8:15 a.m. to catch 9 a.m. Fulford ferry to arrive at Thetis Lake Park parking lot at 10 a.m.

Hike: Mount Bruce, strenuous hike; leader, Fred Powell. Please carpool at Centennial Park 9:30 a.m. to meet at Drummond Park by 10 a.m. Limited parking.

March 24

Walk: Mountain Road to the waterfall for lunch; leader, Ray Perks. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m. and carpool to 300-block Roland Road for 10:30 meeting.

Ramblers: Horticultural Centre of the Pacific (group rate already paid); leader, Beth Ranney. Meet at Centennial Park 10 a.m. carpool to Drummond Park at 10:15 to catch 10:55 a.m. Fulford ferry to Victoria.

Hike: Newcastle Island excursion; leader, Dennis Seward. Meet at Portlock Park to carpool at 8:30 a.m. for 9 a.m. Vesuvius ferry. Walkers and ramblers welcome. Leaders and trails will be selected upon arrival.

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