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BONDING EXPERIENCE: At top one of GISS Scorpions' youngest players, Emily Bond (centre) creates havoc with opposing goalkeepers, while above, midfielder Claire Rustad

lets loose with a blast that ripples the cords and turns out to be the deciding goal in her team's 2-1 win over Little Flower Sunday at Portlock Park.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

Girls roll lucky seven

By MIKE LEVIN
Driftwood Staff

It was their best finish ever — seventh place in the B.C. AA high school soccer championships. But the position was small consolation when a chance at the sport's aristocracy was as close — or as far — as a goalie's fingertips.

Kristine Watchmann's fingers to be exact — the Rockridge keeper whose glorious saves in the late stages secured a 3-1 victory for her West Vancouver team, and denied Gulf Islands Secondary School's Scorpions a spot in the tournament's final four.

GISS opened the tournament with a pair of wins Sunday — 5-0 over Nakusp and 2-1 over Little Flower — which gave them a realistic shot at first place in their pool and a guaranteed spot in the semi-finals.

The loss to Rockridge Monday morning was followed by a deflating 2-0 loss to Ladysmith. The squad regrouped Tuesday for a 1-0 win over Langley.

The Scorpions celebrated as one of the province's best soccer teams, but it will be a long time before the Rockridge game is shuffled out of their collective memories.

"We wanted it so badly

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Building activity up

Maybe Salt Spring is recession-proof.

At a time when the B.C. construction industry is on life-support, Salt Spring's is the busiest it's been in four years.

CRD statistics showed a 60 per cent jump in building permits during the year's first quarter on the island. Dollar value rose 37 per cent to \$3.4 million over the same period in 1998.

(Ironically, stats for the Outer Gulf Islands showed a slight increase in number but nearly a 20 per cent drop in value.)

"It is typical of Salt Spring to act contrary to the rest of (B.C.'s) economy," joked the island's senior building inspector Dick Stubbs. "Actually, most of what we're seeing is not that

many working people building. It's mostly high-end construction and renovation."

Most of the increase came from residential development.

Real estate watchers say there is an interesting cycle going on.

"We're up 25 per cent as of the end of April," said Tom Navratil of Re/Max. "But the prices aren't going up. The perception of true value by buyers is the highest I've ever seen."

Navratil says that most of the "well-priced inventory" between \$160,000 and \$170,000 has been sold and many people who want to live on the island are buying lots and building themselves.

The agent's clients are as

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Man pleads guilty in home invasion

By TOM HOWELL
Driftwood Staff

A 20-year-old man has pleaded guilty to home invasion and sexual assault on Salt Spring Island.

Kevin Jones, from Vancouver, decided to change his "not guilty" plea on May 26, two days into a complex B.C. Supreme Court trial in Victoria that was expected to last two weeks. This prompted Justice Tim Singh to declare a mistrial.

The case resumed in provincial court two days later when Jones officially entered his guilty plea.

Crown prosecutor Duncan Campbell said that Jones' decision was a "mitigating factor" in the case.

"I concede that sparing (the victim) the anguish of having to testify is a significant factor," said

Campbell in the Victoria courthouse Friday. "His acknowledgment of wrongdoing is important to the complainant."

That anguish would have been made even worse by the fact that the victim had wrongly identified the man who raped her.

She had picked Jones' brother Cecil from a police line-up earlier this year and then again at the preliminary hearing, leading to sexual assault charges against the wrong man, as shown by DNA evidence later.

Jim Heller, defence lawyer for Kevin Jones, reminded the court that Campbell was not allowed to give the victim this information so she would likely have made the same mistake in court.

Campbell recommended a sentence of 10 years in prison for

Kevin Jones.

Judge Robert Higinbotham remarked that the maximum sentence for the home invasion (with confinement of the victims) is life imprisonment.

For the sexual assault, the maximum sentence is only 10 years.

"I consider the offence which carries the lesser punishment to be the more serious offence," said Higinbotham, adding this makes his decision difficult. He deferred judgment for several weeks.

The two other men accused of the home invasion, but not the sexual assault, had their charges reduced to a minor weapons offence.

Cecil Jones and Jazz Slater pleaded guilty to being in a vehi-

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so it was a bit of a letdown because we gave it all we had," said co-captain Molly Lynes-Ford after the final game. "It would have been nice to be (in the final four) because this is the last time we're all going to play together."

Trailing 2-1, GISS threw themselves at Watchmann in the most exciting game Salt Spring fans have seen in many years.

With just four minutes left in regulation time, Scorpions' playmaker Claire Rustad flashed through the defence up the right side and feathered a perfect cross to Tanisha Van Pelt inches off the crowded Rockridge goal-line.

Van Pelt struck, but Watchmann slid out of the pack to embrace the loose ball.

"Honestly, I didn't see it. I had my eyes closed so I just hit the ground with my arms open hoping to grab the ball," the goalie said following the game.

That save was followed by two others that had 300 GISS and Salt Spring Middle School students groaning on the sidelines.

The Scorpions had taken an early one-goal lead in the 10th minute when Hannah Smith blasted a shot from 18 metres that few goalies anywhere could have stopped.

But Rockridge's offence then took control of the field, tying the match at the 14-minute mark and going one up in the 28th minute, a lead that stood at the break.

When Rustad was injured twice and forced to leave the game early in the second half, GISS hopes appeared slim. But with an inspired three-striker lineup shuffle, Scorpions' coach Doug Pearson found just the right switch to turn on. And when Rustad returned in the 25th minute, GISS scoring chances came in bunches.

Two perfect corners in the 26th minute were turned away by the Rockridge defence at the last second, and a tricky Kate McNair volley minutes later became another Watchmann victim.

As the match went into injury time, Rockridge launched a corner kick for its only scoring chance of the second half. The ball found the back of the net and the game was over.

"A couple of errors, that's all it was. It was so close," mumbled Pearson before moving over to console his thoroughly dejected players.

The Ladysmith playoff was the ultimate in anticlimaxes.

The visitors, whom GISS had beaten in the north-island playoffs, were coming off a 5-1 victory that morning.

They appeared fresh and quickly scored the game's only two goals before the game was 12

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minutes old.

The Scorpions could find nothing inside themselves to shift the momentum and the game wound down to a whimper by full time.

The contest for seventh and eighth places started out the same. Its first half was as uninspiring as the cold rain that pimpled the players' exposed skin.

But early in the second, GISS rediscovered some offensive enthusiasm.

In the 40th minute Kyla Dares put a slick pass into Langley's crease where Rustad pounced, and bounced the ball into the net for the game's only goal.

It was a good finish to a tournament that started on such a high note.

The Scorpions' tournament opener was made all the easier when Nakusp was forced to travel all night from the Kootenays to meet its Sunday morning kickoff

It took 12 minutes for the Scorpions to find the back of the net when Emily Bond directed a 15-metre blast that left no chance for Nakusp's goalie Khya Saban.

The strongest goal of the tournament came two minutes later from Stephanie Collette when she virtually bullied the ball out of Saban's hands, not once but twice, to raise the Scorpions' lead to 2-0.

Van Pelt gave the hosts a three-goal lead when she converted a penalty shot awarded when Sheila Stacey was hauled down in the crease.

The second half proved no easier for the tired visitors.

Bond slashed the ball off the post midway through the period and then scored with a stunning free kick from a sharp angle on the left side that sliced so sharply into the net that Saban was left asking what happened.

Stacey rounded the total in the 55th minute and GISS ran out the clock with mass substitutions.

"I was hoping for a relatively easy game so I'd get a chance to get everyone in and running around for awhile," said Pearson. "I'd say we played pretty much to our opposition in the second half, but it was a good win because it helped settle us down."

The Little Flower game was the one that could easily have slipped away.

Players from the Granville Street private school, though less talented than their hosts, had the pluck to keep GISS on its heels time and time again.

The Scorpions erupted early with a stream of offensive rallies that netted the game's opening goal.

In the third minute, Van Pelt took a long run up the right side, put a nifty stutter step on her defender and lofted a perfect pass to Bond who was perched a foot from the goal-line.

Bond's tap in was her easiest of the competition.

Three minutes later Rustad broke through the midfield and launched a shot that caught the underside of the cross bar and bounced out of harm's way.

Minutes later the midfielder again found her aim a bit too high when an open shot sailed a foot over the net.

Little Flower stayed in tight with superb ball movement up the wings and earned some chances on net as the Scorpions seemed more concerned with fading back than attacking the ball.

The visitors struck gold in the 30th minute when one of their forwards was left unmarked in the crease and had her own easy tap-in for a 1-1 draw that stood at the half.

Early in the second period, Little Flower controlled the midfield so well that it seemed sure they would be the ones to break the tie.

But GISS stopped the slide short.

With just under five minutes left in the match, Van Pelt's passing again paid off when she put Rustad in alone on net. This time the ball stayed down.

"I knew I had to get it to the far post and get on top or it would skyrocket up and away," Rustad said. "This (win) really made a big difference for our confidence."

Despite the following two-game crash, the Scorpions emerged with their best-ever provincial finish and the memory of how close they had really come.

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often from outside the country as from inside British Columbia.

"I'd say we are relatively isolated from the (provincial) economy because lots of people are coming from outside to buy, such as returning Canadians and Americans who are looking to retire," Navratil explained. "My information shows that it isn't necessarily just the rich, but all ranges."

There remains a tendency on Salt Spring for sellers to overprice their properties, and this cannot continue for long, say most agents.

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Driftwood wins six awards in national event

Driftwood staffers got another boost Tuesday with notice of more awards heading their way.

The Gulf Islands newspaper has won six national awards in the Canadian Community Newspaper Association's annual Better Newspapers Competition.

Awards will be presented in Calgary July 22-24.

Because only the top newspapers in each region in Canada can proceed to the national level competition, all entrants — including

the Driftwood which won first in B.C. — receive blue ribbons "as the best newspapers" in the country.

The Driftwood also placed in the top three for "best editorial page" in its circulation.

Publisher Tony Richards will be awarded either first, second or third for an October 7 editorial written about APEC.

Susan Lundy, managing editor, will pick up two awards. A series written last spring about domestic

violence has given her a top-three finish in the "best feature series" category, and she has also placed in the "best business writing" category for a story about the new Saturna Island vineyard.

Ironically, former Driftwood publisher Joyce Carlson, who now runs the Powell River Peak, also placed in the business writing top three.

A car crash photograph that took first spot in a provincial newspaper competition has again

put Driftwood photographer Derrick Lundy's name on the winners sheet in the "best sport news photo" category.

Creative consultant Lorraine Sullivan's Thrifty Foods lobster ad has won her another award in the "most creative ad" category.

The lobster ad took second place in the provincial competition.

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cle with a weapon when they had no reason to think anyone possessed the necessary licence for it.

Cecil Jones, who has spent five months in custody already, was scheduled to be sentenced this week. Slater, who was released on bail earlier this year, will be sentenced June 29.

Prosecutor describes "frightening and traumatic scenario"
Campbell said it would be "difficult to imagine a more frightening and traumatic scenario for the average citizen."

At about 3 a.m. on December 23 last year, a Salt Spring couple woke to hear people banging on the front door.

When the man answered the door, he saw two people shouting, "Police! Search warrant! Get on the ground!"

The attackers were wearing winter-style jackets, bearing the word "Police" in yellow lettering.

One of the men struck the victim with a handgun. The Salt Spring man was then tied up with duct tape. He never got a good look at the invaders' faces.

"They kept telling him to keep his head down and not to look at him," Campbell told the court.

The attackers demanded to know the location of a marijuana grow operation. When the victim would not reply, they searched the house.

The lawyer said the attackers found the man's girlfriend downstairs. She was handcuffed and sexually assaulted.

Before the men left, one of them said, "You know what this neighbourhood is. It belongs to H.A."

Campbell said that the victims took this to mean the Hell's Angels.

The Salt Spring man finally freed himself, went to the bedroom and freed the woman. The house had been ransacked and the phone pulled from the wall.

Some marijuana plants, drug paraphernalia and money had been stolen. Outside, the victims saw tire tracks in the fresh snow. They went to the woman's mother's house, where they described the assailants.

The woman's brother had seen a man fitting one of these descriptions at a hotel near Ganges. He drove to the hotel and found a truck with snow on the tires. He noticed the smell of marijuana around the truck.

At that point the brother did not inform the police. Instead, he waited until the first ferry of the day was scheduled to leave Vesuvius Bay ferry terminal.

He then drove to Vesuvius, saw the same truck and called the police. Duncan RCMP raced to Crofton to meet the truck when the ferry arrived at 7:25 a.m.

Police officers arrested the three occupants: Slater, Cecil Jones, and a man calling himself Justin Phillips.

At the police station, fingerprints revealed this last man's true identity: Kevin Jones. He was known to police for minor crimes.

In the vehicle, police found marijuana, which was cut into small pieces and wrapped in bed sheets stolen from the victims' home.

Police also found the fake "police" jackets, bullet-proof vests, a machine pistol, radio frequency scanners and toques.

Campbell did not read out the statements written by the male victim and the mother of the female victim (on her daughter's behalf).

"It is safe to say that they deal with the same fear and outrage that any of us would express in the same circumstances," said Campbell.

He said the evidence of planning, the degree of violence and the confinement made the crime particularly bad.

"One wonders at the feeling of helplessness and vulnerability (the victims) must have experienced," Campbell said.

He urged the judge to sentence Jones in a way that would denounce the crime, deter others from committing similar crimes, and protect the public from Jones.

Guilty man doing a job for "older people," says lawyer
Defence lawyer Jim Heller

made a mysterious allusion to "older people" who were paying Kevin Jones to carry out the home invasion on Salt Spring Island last December.

"There are other individuals that may be before the courts with respect to this offence," Heller told the court in a careful voice after a long pause. "I've asked my client what, if any, help he could give with these other individuals. His answer was that he couldn't, he simply couldn't bear the repercussions that might fall on his family."

Heller said that these older people supplied Jones with "a kit" for the crime, encouraged him and promised money.

"He did it simply for financial gain," said Heller.

The plan did not include raping a woman. Heller said his client could explain everything about the incident except this.

"My client is extremely remorseful for having committed this offence," Heller said. "He doesn't have any intelligible explanation. He's told me that there's not a day that he doesn't think about this incident."

Jones is engaged to be married. Just after his arrest, he heard that his fiancée was pregnant. Two days before the crime, his mother made a "serious suicide attempt," Heller told the court.

Jones has not informed his family of the situation, said Heller.

"It's terrible for him as well . . . that he's ruined his life to the extent that he has."

Heller said he could not quibble with the Crown's description of the crime and its aggravating factors. He admitted that Jones created the "ominous and nightmarish scene . . . with some relish."

But he suggested that the event could cause a complete turnaround in Jones' life, and argued that he "does bode well as someone who can learn from this offence."

Heller did not suggest a specific sentence to the judge but he quoted comparable cases where the sentence had been a four-year jail term.

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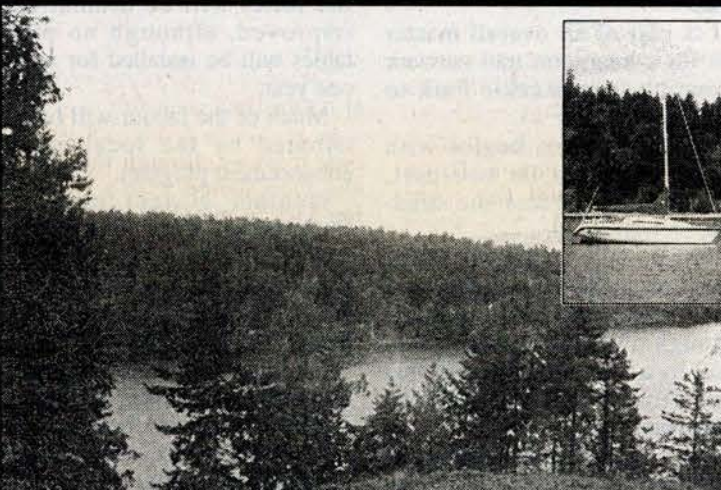
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PARC looks at bank of parks, key projects

By MIKE LEVIN
Driftwood Staff

It is now time for the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) to catch its breath.

Since 1992, parkland under PARC control has grown from 50 to 250 acres and the commission says there is not enough infrastructure to make proper use of the facilities.

There are currently 20 parks on the island; 10 have been acquired since 1992.

During that time none of the space — all of which has come from developer deals — has been used for active recreational needs but has rather been left for passive use only.

This is at a time when the official population has risen from 8,410 to 9,903 and the number of households from 3,605 to 4,285.

"The big issue is the perception that there is too much of one thing or the other," says PARC administrator Tony Hume. "I think we have to take a hard look at how to use what we have, whether that means adding toilets and picnic tables or recreational facilities for the south end."

The task will be made even harder with the upcoming assimilation of a central-island system that could add as many as 400 acres to the network of Salt Spring parks.

It is part of an overall master plan for a long-term trail network extending from Ruckle Park to Southey Point.

The new system begins with Arnell Park and its two-part, approximately-70-acre site straddling Stewart Road.

That area is currently being joined to an 80-acre dedication from Trincomali Developments (through a 16-lot-density horse trade) by a four-kilometre trail that skirts Trincomali's Stewart Road subdivision.

This parkland is already under PARC jurisdiction and when finished will create an eight-km circular walk from Arnell Park.

But the overall picture is much larger.

An approximately-125-acre, undesignated Crown land parcel right next door could be added as part of a regional park system by the provincial government, and a 160-acre conservancy plot adjoining nearby Ford Lake could also become part of the equation.

"This is a very long-term concept, requiring lots of cooperation to join these parcels up, but you get a good idea of where we might be headed in the future," adds Hume. "The whole idea takes on importance when you look at the big residential potential all around it."

The plan also raises questions about trails in watershed areas, among others. A group of retired land surveyors recently visited the

site to offer ideas on how to proceed with the entire area's development.

They accompanied Hume and local surveyor Brian Wolfe-Milner on part of the circuit to get an idea of what its potential was.

Yet with more residential development a certainty, more parkland will be ceded to PARC. It is almost an embarrassment of riches.

Which is why commissioners are trying to get a handle on which direction to take and what use the public wants to make of its land bank.

High on the commission's priority list are a developable beach park, a lakefront park and more public boat-launching sites.

But for now there are other projects to complete before new paths are started.

Beddis Road Beach is in the process of getting a facelift after six years of planning.

With neighbours worried about its use as a youth party site and an increasing problem with garbage, the commission decided to open up the park and make it more attractive to all users.

The parking lot will be closed, with cars moved out to use one side of the adjoining road.

The lot will be turned into a grassy area for use at high-tide times, brush will be cleared and the toilet will be dramatically improved, although no picnic tables will be installed for at least one year.

Much of the labour will be contributed by the local salmon enhancement program.

Another current project is Drummond Park in Fulford. Owned by the Fulford Hall committee, the site is managed by PARC in exchange for use of the land as a public park.

Its sea wall will soon get a \$30,000 renovation; half of the money has already been committed and the project is scheduled for completion this fall.

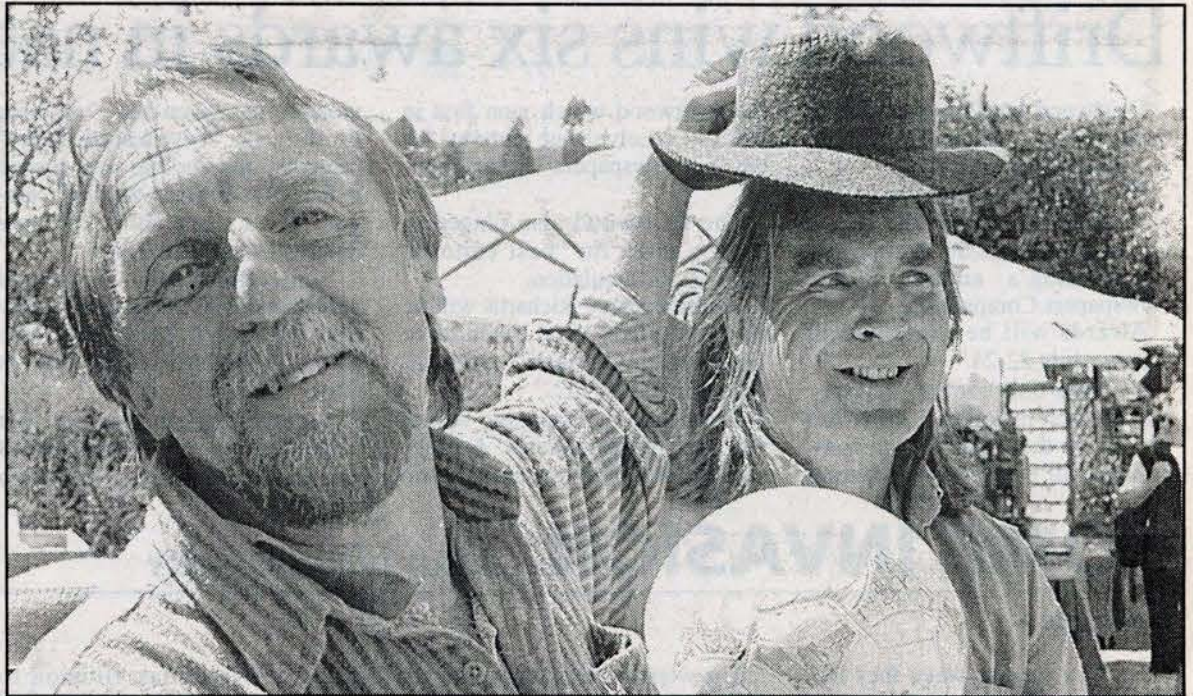
The Ganges boardwalk remains a sticking point that may take many more years to solve. The project has never been completed due to a mess of Crown Lands red tape and three discordant land owners.

Any work would require lots of cash and the deeds to foreshore rights, assuming that upland owners could agree to its completion.

Despite the official community plan containing a goal to finish the boardwalk, no solution is on the horizon.

A final project getting under way addresses the need for an all-weather outdoor field for use by the island's sports teams, especially for practice purposes.

Such a facility would be expensive and will likely only happen through the type of public-private partnership outlined in the Partners With PARC program.



Hats off (on)

Rainer Funk, left, pays his dues as he places one of his handmade felt hats on Gary McNutt's head. Funk bet his hat against McNutt's chimes that Germany would win against England in the European Club soccer championship. Funk lost the bet when England scored twice in the final minute. Both men play soccer locally on the Salt Spring Geezers soccer team.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

FIRE CALLS

A brush fire on Broadwell Road Monday has prompted Salt Spring's fire department members to remind islanders how dry conditions have become.

Firefighters arrived at the small blaze to find it had been brought under control by the resident.

Saturday the department travelled out its back door to Thrifty's parking lot to deal with a spill from a car's fuel tank.

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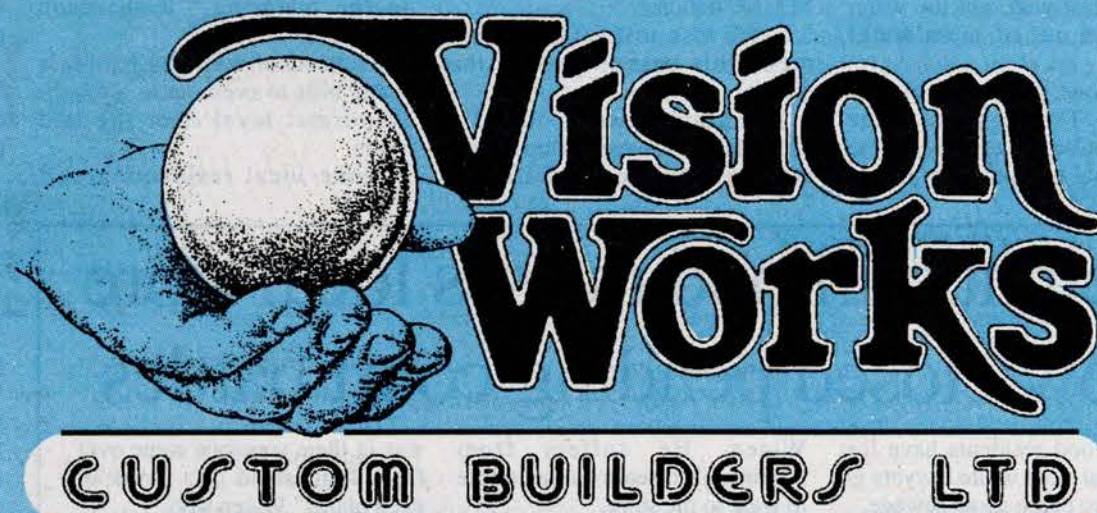
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Highland water rates double but just for one year

It's "bad news, good news" for Highland water users.

Water rates in the Highlands area nearly doubled this year, and people who didn't notice that are going to get a shock when their bill comes in.

Rates soared because a new water metering system meant that residents paid only for the water they used last year, not the water that leaked out of main water pipes.

And no one knew how big the leaks were. The Highlands Water and Sewer Committee expected to sell its usual amount of water to

residents — that's more than 100,000 cubic metres per year.

The committee set its prices accordingly last year at 60 cents per cubic metre.

But the meters counted just over 60,000 cubic metres going into people's homes.

That pulled the plug on the Highland water budget, springing a \$12,000 deficit.

Rates rose to \$1.07 per cubic metre this year to pay off this deficit.

The good news is that Jim McFarland, manager of operations at the Capital Regional District,

said the rates will likely drop back down next year.

"Almost assuredly they will," McFarland told the Driftwood.

Last year's committee chairman John Richardson said that the metering saved people money last year.

"Many of the people in 1998 paid less than they did in 1997 due to the metering," Richardson explained.

Richardson expects people's water bills to even out to a roughly normal level over the two years.

Some local residents aren't

entirely convinced by the explanation.

"They should have known what leakage there was," said Tom Little. The meters were in place for reading in 1997. But Richardson said some of the connections were loose and the meters did not provide a true reading.

Richardson admits, with hindsight, that the 60-cents-per-metre price tag was too low.

Another local resident, Jean Taylor, is more sympathetic to the committee and the CRD's explanation.

"We weren't pleased," she said.

"But we agree (the deficit) had to be paid."

McFarland said the huge reduction in water use is good news.

"On a water conservation level, this is a huge success," he said.

Last Thursday, the CRD tracked down a leak in the Lawnhill area that was spilling a quarter of the area's total water use.

Residents used to pay for that water in their bills. Now the leak is fixed and water isn't being wasted.

McFarland attended the Highland water committee's AGM last Thursday, where residents raised concerns about the rates.

Neighbourhood misses local store now closed pending court battles

Fernwood residents have lost their local store while lawyers go to court to battle about sewage.

The Capital Health Region is seeking an injunction to force the store's landlord to fix a malfunctioning septic field that has become a health risk.

Mona Ferguson and Eric Manchester, the store operators, are also taking their landlord to court.

In the midst of all this, customers who use the store must now travel to Ganges for gas and shopping until the situation is resolved.

That's particularly hard on some local residents, such as Syd

Wigen. He suffers from Parkinson's disease but he is able to walk to the store.

"It was just a really nice diversion for my husband," says Nancy Wigen. "He'd go over in the morning for hot chocolate."

Nancy Wigen now has to do all the shopping in Ganges, which can be tricky because she cannot leave Syd alone.

The Wigenes used the store for small things like milk and pizzas, which were particularly popular with their grandchildren.

And they are not the only ones. Apparently, the pizzas were famous overseas.

"I remember one day when I

was in there someone came over from Tent Island in a kayak to get a pizza!" Wigen says.

Over on Wallace Island, the Staadecker family also relied on the store. They would come to Fernwood by boat to use the store and talk to people.

"It was our link to the Salt Spring community," says Joel Staadecker. "When there's no store to see anybody at, you don't see anybody."

Now, the Staadeckers have to drive from Fernwood dock to Ganges every time they need something.

"Just to get milk is an enormous undertaking," he says.

Conservancy plans Ocean Days

Even though Salt Spring is surrounded by ocean, its inhabitants may not understand the complex nature of the neighbouring marine environment.

For those who want to go beyond seeing the seashells on the seashore, the Salt Spring Island Conservancy has organized Ocean Days — two days of events June 12 and 13.

A slide presentation launches Saturday morning's workshop at Lions Hall. A panel discussion

about how island residents can be effective caretakers of our shorelines and marine waters follows.

An afternoon boat tour then leaves from Vesuvius to explore Sansun Narrows' natural features and to identify areas where marine life is being impacted by human activities. Low tide walks and demonstrations of two new programs takes place Sunday morning. Call Fiona Flook at 653-9202 to register and for more information.

Library report released

A picture of how Salt Spring's public library might look in a year or two has become clearer with completion of a long-range library plan created by a volunteer strategic planning committee.

The report, called The Mary Hawkins Memorial Library — in the 21st Century: A Strategic Proposal, is now available for perusal at the library.

It contains a five-year growth plan, projected budget for the same period and 26 recommendations for library services.

One recommendation calls for stable core funding to be achieved through "direct taxpayer support of \$4.50 per \$100,000 of assessed (property) value, totalling \$53,300, through a referendum process in November 1999."

A \$2.90 per capita matching grant (\$26,800) would also be

forthcoming from the provincial Library Services Branch.

Another recommendation is for abolition of voluntary membership fees of \$10 per year.

Enhancement of services is also suggested, but library board chairwoman Grace Byrne says the library as "a place to get a book and meet your neighbours" will not change.

"The cake stays," she says. "We're just adding a little frosting."

The report has also been given to Capital Regional District director Kellie Booth, who requested such a plan after the library board asked her to pursue property tax support.

Booth said Monday she hasn't yet had a chance to examine the report and may not be in a position to do so for a few weeks.

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Frolic in Fernwood

Fernwood Elementary School's annual Fun Fair drew young and old to the north end school grounds. Seen here are, left, Toby Stubbs at the prize-laden lollipop tree, and former teacher John Beardsell dressed as the pocket lady. Photo by Derrick Lundy



Coast guard and ferries respond to boat mayday

As the year's fifth month closed out, Ganges Coast Guard responded to a pair of mayday calls.

Sunday's alert on Hall Island, north of Salt Spring, turned out to be a false alarm, while Saturday's was the real thing.

A 38-foot sailing craft had run into some rough water five miles east of Active Pass and began taking on water through an open anchor locker.

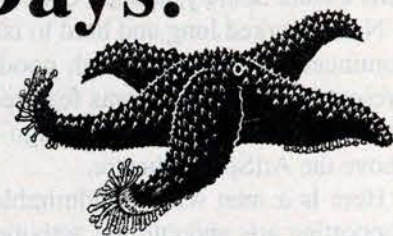
The skipper radioed his mayday when the boat started sinking.

Two B.C. Ferries vessels and the coast guard's Skua were on the scene within minutes, although the situation was easily resolved by pumping out the anchor locker.

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\$25/Sat. boat tour, \$10/Sun. sessions; beach walks free.
Ocean Days is co-sponsored by the Public Conservation Assistance Fund:
Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks.

Harbour improvements planned

Ganges Harbour will be a calmer port in a storm with an infusion of federal government funds announced last week.

Gary Lacey, area chief for Fisheries and Oceans Canada, said that in addition to breakwater and float repair, changes in the harbour's infrastructure will be made.

"The present configuration and mooring perimeters will have to be looked at and we have to reconfigure it so that it has more of an ability to withstand the wind action in the harbour there."

He said that while harsh storms last winter compounded the problem, the harbour's facilities have

been an ongoing concern.

Details and project cost have not been finalized, said Lacey, but he will meet with Salt Spring Harbour Authority members this week to continue planning efforts. The federal government will spend a total of \$370,000 on facilities at Ganges, Gibsons, Ladner and Steveston.

Week without phones 'not so bad' on Saturna

Saturna Islanders stepped way back in time last week when they lost telephone service for seven days.

What actually happened has not yet been determined, but BC Tel believes the cable on the sea floor between Mayne and Saturna Island was caught by the anchor of a large ship at about 3 a.m. on May 24.

"We suspect, especially after bringing the cable up and looking at it, that a ship's anchor dragged it and cut it in half," said BC Tel media relations manager Doug Strachan Monday.

Driftwood correspondent Gail Trafford said it took some time for islanders to realize what was going on last Monday.

"Everybody just thought it was their own phone until gradually enough people talked so that they realized it was way more extensive than they thought."

Trafford said many people felt the taste of life without phones was pleasant, "but others felt lost without their umbilical cord to the rest of the world."

Face-to-face meetings took on more importance.

"It became a common sight for two vehicles travelling in opposite directions to screech to a halt so the drivers could have a quick conversation in the middle of the road," she said.

BC Tel placed complimentary

cellular phones at both island stores, the lighthouse and ferry dock for emergency or urgent use. Emergency services personnel were also equipped with cell phones.

Trafford said a sign at the General Store asked customers not to talk so long that batteries ran down.

A list of cell phones in each area and their numbers was compiled by fire department members, and everyone was urged to locate nearby phones to use in case of an emergency.

However, noted Trafford, because Saturna is quite mountainous, the cell signal is not equally available from each location.

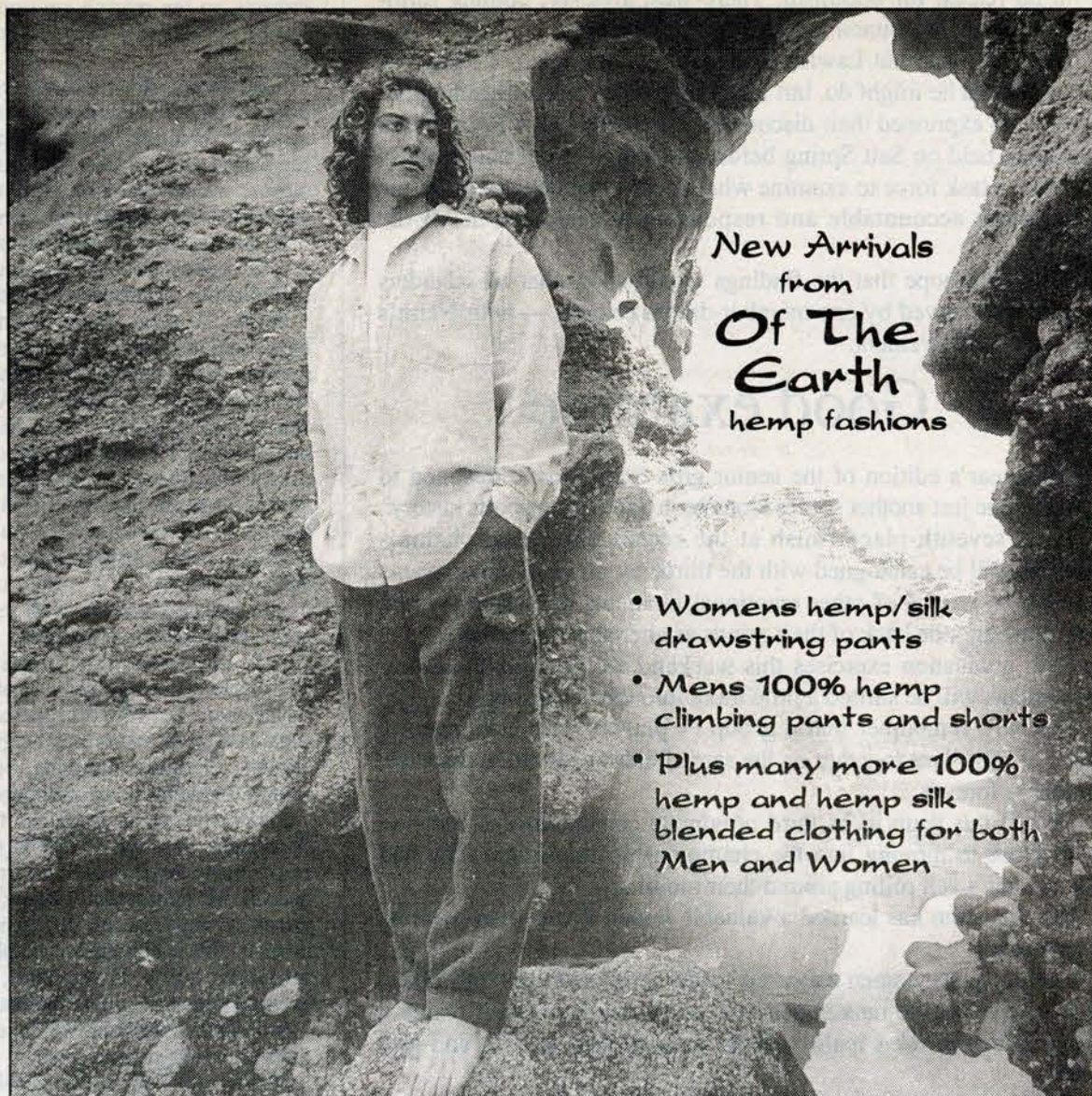
That meant people were seen parked or pacing for long periods of time in some unusual locations "talking avidly into a cell phone."

Strachan said service to most of Saturna was restored by about 4 a.m. Monday. "Once we had the proper equipment there to do the work, it went quite well."

Strachan said BC Tel may pursue the matter to find out which ship was responsible, assessing marine traffic in the area at the time.

"Our first and main focus was just getting it repaired."

Trafford said life without land phones was not so bad. "If Y2K is no worse than this, who would complain?"



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OPINION

Trouble at the CAC

There's something terribly familiar about all the fuss at the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (CAC). Longtime president Lawrie Neish has come under fire for the manner in which the CAC is being run. Things came to a head a few weeks ago when several members of the arts community presented their concerns about the arts organization at a meeting on Salt Spring.

There were some five years ago or so when similar sentiments were expressed over ArtSpring. And guess who the target was.

Before we go any further on this subject something must be made absolutely clear: Lawrie Neish has done outstanding work on behalf of the Salt Spring community. He has been a tireless worker on many organizations, most notably ArtSpring's parent, the Island Arts Centre Society, and the CAC.

Neish worked long and hard to launch the ArtSpring project, and continued his efforts through good times and bad right up to the present day. Indeed, he was featured in a photograph in this newspaper just a couple of weeks ago as he installed a catwalk high above the ArtSpring theatre.

Here is a man with an admirable dedication for furthering and supporting arts and cultural activities on the island. But here too is a man who has difficulty relinquishing control.

The recent CAC meeting was bound to happen sooner or later; it was just a matter of time. Rumbblings of discontent about the arts council have been surfacing for a while, and justifiably so.

Much of the council's control now seems vested in one person. For an organization that utilizes public funds for operating, this has to change.

Another concern is that annual meetings have been held on Galiano for four years now. What better way to limit accessibility to the CAC? What better way to leave Salt Spring Islanders feeling cut off from CAC business? Surely the largest island in the group of islands that fall under the CAC umbrella should more frequently be the site of the annual meeting.

Yet, to add insult to injury, the issue of changing the venue won't be discussed until September at the next board meeting — on Galiano Island.

By all accounts, Salt Spring Islanders left last month's meeting with no reason for optimism. There was, after all, nothing forthcoming from the council to address their concerns.

The best thing that Lawrie Neish could do now is not resign, as he suggested he might do, but take immediate steps to reach out to those who expressed their discontent. He should call a board meeting to be held on Salt Spring before the month is out and propose to strike a task force to examine what needs to be done to make the CAC more accountable and responsive to residents of all the islands.

We would hope that the findings would show that all islanders can be well served by one member-driven council — with Neish's continued involvement.

Good example

This year's edition of the senior girls Scorpions is destined to become just another soccer footnote in Salt Spring sports history.

Their seventh-place finish at the recent provincial championships will be catalogued with the thirds by previous boys' teams as well as dozens of other emotional moments the island's youth will stuff into the back of their minds as cherished memories.

With graduation exercises this weekend the Scorpions' accomplishments will be shifted a little more into the background.

Few will remember that a group of players who have spent a third of their lives together on the same fields are about to disperse, probably forever.

Or that this team in its third provincial championships came so very close to moving into the championship round that they had the winner's yell rolling around their mouths.

But this team has learned a valuable lesson it can share with its community.

These young women expected to do better than seventh place. But when the elite rank slipped out of reach, they didn't whine a bit. It is one of life's reality checks to learn how to lose, and lose well.

These Scorpions should be remembered not for their placing but for the example they have set for future provincial contenders.



Celebrating Oceans Day and setting a B.C. marine conservation agenda

By SABINE JESSEN

With International Oceans Day fast approaching

June 8, it is time to reflect on what we could be doing to advance marine conservation here in the Southern Gulf Islands.

In the water surrounding these islands, the signs of human impacts on the marine environment are becoming more frequent and more serious.

Last month, the southern resident killer whale population was listed as threatened, as was the northern abalone, whose populations have not recovered since a coastwide commercial fishing closure was declared in 1990. Other species, such as rockfish and lingcod, are also in decline.

In one key area, the establishment of marine protected areas (MPAs), Canada continues to lag behind other countries in the world.

MPAs are areas of the marine environment that have long-term legal protection. They include the seabed, water column, plants and animals and their habitats. MPAs can be big or small. They can have different levels of protection within them ranging from harvest refugia that are totally closed to all consumptive and possibly other human uses, to areas that allow for a variety of human uses compatible with the area's conservation objectives.

It is important that human activities causing long-term, large-scale habitat disruption such as oil, gas and mineral exploration and development, dredging, dumping, bottom trawling and salmon aquaculture are prohibited in MPAs.

Protected areas force us to look at marine ecosystems as a whole and to think about leaving some parts of the marine environment alone because we simply don't know all of the interrelationships between the different species and their habitats. We accept this principle when it comes to protected areas on the land, but have not yet extended this thinking to the marine realm.

In British Columbia, we have a number of legal tools to protect marine areas.

MPAs will help conserve biodiversity by protecting plants, animals, their habitats, and the life-

supporting processes on which they depend. They can provide critical sanctuaries to threatened or endangered marine species. They can also serve as "seedbanks" for commercial fisheries, by enhancing fish recruitment outside of the protected area.

MPAs can provide for an array of outdoor recreation and tourism opportunities. By contributing social and economic benefits to coastal communities, MPAs can help ensure the long-term health and future of coastal communities.

MPAs can provide for scientific research and help generate increased public awareness about marine ecosystems and threats to them. They serve as an important insurance policy against the unforeseen impacts of future management errors or environmental changes, such as global warming.

There have been far too many excuses for why Canada lags behind many other countries in the world when it comes to creating marine protected areas. It is time to stop making excuses and get on with the job. Protecting the marine environment will require all of us to work together — federal, provincial and First Nations governments, fishers, conservationists, industry and educators.

The Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS) and World Wildlife Fund Canada are working with local conservancies and marine user groups on promoting marine protected areas in the Southern Gulf Islands. This summer we are planning a series

of dive surveys of some key areas in the region. Members of the public are welcome to come and see what the divers are doing and seeing via remote cameras.

If you are interested in attending the dive surveys or in participating in other ways in local MPA work, you can contact Keith Symington or Sabine Jessen at CPAWS in Vancouver at (604) 685-7445 or contact the Salt Spring Island Conservancy (Doug Wilkins 653-4588), who can provide contact people throughout the Gulf Islands.

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VIEW POINT

It is time to stop making excuses and get on with the job of protecting the marine environment.



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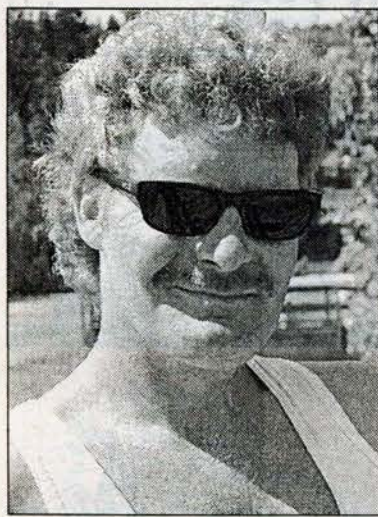
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SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What brought you to live on Salt Spring?



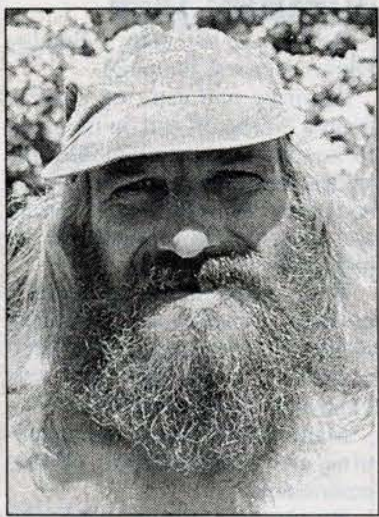
John Carter

We came from Toronto looking for a good environment to raise our kids.



April Curtis

We heard it was an island of artists and were looking for a place to nest and raise our child. And we found it — our little paradise.



Scott Rasmussen

The ferry boat — because it is fantasy island.



Anne Mouat

In 1929 my father and mother — Reverend and Mrs. Allan — were the first resident ministers here. (She was born on Salt Spring.)



Kathryn Holm

I bought property here in 1967 because the people were kind, friendly, artistic and interesting. They still are!

Letters to the Editor

Long overdue

We live in a new place now, closer to Ganges.

In fact, I can take expeditionary treks into town. Down past the GVM, across Upper Ganges Road, then down onto the boardwalk as soon as I can.

Remember the boardwalk? It's nice there. Out of the traffic, the dust; right next to the water and the boats. The boardwalk is a good idea. I like boardwalks. I walk on boards whenever I get the chance.

But, as everybody knows, our little boardwalk stops. I just get used to the pliant planks and the cool of the harbour when BANG! it's all over. I have to climb the stairs, minding the busted railing, and enter onto the Lower Ganges race-track again. Cars, trucks, motorcycles, noise, exhaust, and I have to walk right close to road on a dusty little path about two feet wide next to a cement barricade. Whoosh! Wow! The traffic. It sure ain't the boardwalk!

And here comes a lady schlepping four Thrifty bags full of groceries, those plastic "handles" almost cutting through her white knuckles.

Whew! She's had to heft those weighty victuals up the hill from the store, along the dusty highway, maybe even past the cement thing, and then down the ramp to the boat. Not fun! She needs the rest of the boardwalk.

Know what? I'm sick of climbing those idiot stairs. I'm tired of this unfinished project, this boardwalk that doesn't go anyplace. It hurts MY hands to see the visitors — and us — toting their loads through the dust and inches from the traffic. Enough already!

Let's get the damn boardwalk finished! Ten years isn't long enough for a stalled project? A decade of stubbornness or greed or neglect or "nyah nyah, I'm not giving in till you do," or whatever it is that's holding the thing up.

I know, I know: "It's a very complicated situation." Balderdash!

You mean to tell me that mature adult human beings can't manage to sit down and work out something? Either that or enforce the dreaded "exotic expropriation" rule, but let's get the thing finished.

I can also hear: "Hey, man, that's the Salt Spring way." Zat so? Well, in this case the "way" is an embarrassment, and one of which we shouldn't be particularly proud. The boardwalk is a great idea whose time is long overdue.

How can I help?
RICHARD MOSES,
Brinkworthy Place

Sturdy stairs

We just want to say thanks to Jim Watkins and his Construction 11-12 class at Gulf Islands Secondary School for building the sturdy new stairs at the end of Baker Road.

We use them every evening and they are very much appreciated. Thank you all ever so much.

S. and T. LYNCH,
Acland Road

Memorable

I, Michaela Cunningham, would personally like to thank all the great people who made my May 22 concert, An Evening of Irish Music and Song, such a success.

First of all my wonderful accompanist, Valdy, who provided excellent, strong and supportive back-up on guitar while also giving me the limelight.

Thanks, Valdy.

I would also like to thank Murray Shoolbraid, who did a magnificent job of the Scottish song, Fear a Bhata, and added that finishing touch to our last set of tunes. Thanks, Murray.

Thank you also to all the people who pitched in and helped with food and selling tickets at the door and the people who sold and bought raffle tickets.

The two parishioner supervisors, Judy and Lottie, who helped me get prepared before the concert and who made the whole event run so smoothly, also deserve thanks.

And last, but not least, thank you to all of the public who came out to support me and my music.

This memorable event remains forever happily etched in my memory.

MICHAELA CUNNINGHAM,
Salt Spring

Chain reaction

A truly international character was evident in the messages sent from Salt Spring Island to be part of a "chain reaction" event in Cologne, Germany, June 19.

On that date, leaders of the G7 nations will be meeting. On their agenda will be the cancellation of the debt of the world's poorest countries.

During April and May, people in our Saturday market were invited to write any message they chose on mini-banners. English, Polish, French, Spanish, Japanese, Danish, Maori and Sanskrit were used to express such sentiments as "Feed the children, not the banks;" "We care;" "Take an interest, not the interest;" "One small step for mankind."

The banners will be tied together with those from many other countries to form a "chain reaction," finally encircling the Cologne summit meeting of the G7 leaders. Two hundred thirty-six banners from our island followed petitions gathered earlier which produced a thousand signatures from Salt Spring Island and over 600,000 from Canada as a whole.

All this activity was part of the Jubilee 2000 campaign which began in February with a Day of Solidarity to launch petitions and educate the average person about details of the situation: Debtor nations have already paid two to four times the amount they originally borrowed, in interest.

The debt load is forcing changes in their social and cultural traditions. As the campaign has developed, both Italy and Germany have indicated a sympathetic attitude.

Our own prime minister has expressed a willingness to cancel the debts, and experts from Jubilee 2000 have been working with civil servants to ensure the practical details. About a month ago, Japan signalled a willingness to cancel; Britain has admitted that measures of some kind should be undertaken.

Locally, a small committee continued the education effort. Fraternal organizations, several of the churches and Salt Spring Centre School gave the matter attention. Bob Wild assembled a very meaningful fact sheet and made presentations to groups on our island as well as Vancouver Island. Those who tended the table in the market enlightened many more.

Chain reaction events in Edinburgh and London will lead up to the finale in Cologne.
MAGGIE SCHUBART,
Old Scott Road

Welcome Saturna

Saturna is coming to Salt Spring. Saturna's Theatre on the Rock is bringing Dearly Departed, a comedy by David Bottrell and Jessie Jones, to ArtSpring.

Theatre on the Rock has been performing for 15 years on Saturna and this is their first time on tour.

They will also perform on Galiano and Mayne.

The play has 10 actors and 18 parts and it got great reviews on Saturna and Galiano.

Let's give them a good Salt Spring audience. It runs for one night only — Friday, June 4, 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale at et cetera and ArtSpring.

ARVID CHALMERS,
Salt Spring

MORE LETTERS 10

Humanitarian principles impetus for NATO action

By **WIM KRAYENHOFF**

From my point of view there is reason to be deeply perturbed by the many negative reactions to the NATO military response to Milosevic and his Serbs in their efforts to expel part of their citizenry, namely the Kosovars, from their homes and country.

As far as I know, this is the first large military action ever undertaken not to expand boundaries and not for economic reasons (oil, greed), not for religious zeal (crusades) but exclusively for humanitarian principles.

Through the shocking spectacles of recent "cleansing," racially by Hutus on Tutsis in Rwanda, ethnically by Croats on Serbs in Bosnia, and now religiously by Serbs on Albanians in Kosovo, global humanitarian concern has grown to the point where we cannot stand by anymore with disapproving utterings while witnessing a holocaust, especially if it is on Europe's doorstep where military action is possible.

Everybody agrees that diplomacy is preferable. The UN and NATO both have tried these channels over a long period of time without success. For diplo-

macy to work a minimum of decency is required, e.g. that parties keep to signed accords. Ruthless dictators cannot be trusted. Diplomacy will finally work when the final agreement can be enforced.

Unfortunately the world has not evolved yet to the point that nations are willing to transfer sovereignty to a supernational body with its own police instrument that can enforce its decisions. The League of Nations and the UN have, by the way they are constituted, proven to be still ineffective in resolving major conflicts.

For that reason it is heartening to experience that a regional organization, NATO, is willing to muster the courage and its resources to set a precedent and attempt to stop this wholesale expulsion, murder and rape.

In WWII the U.S. stood for two years on the sidelines, not willing to interfere in this inter-European squabble.

Neither this initial lack of American action, nor the willingness of Canadians to join the fight against a dictator, proved to be a deterrent or an excuse for Hitler to exterminate the Jews. He started his programs long

before any allied bombs ever fell on Germany!

Milosevic has shown in Srebrenica and in Kosovo that he is capable and willing to let his police force expel, kill, rape and torture long before bombs were even threatened. However, the wholesale expulsion proves that Milosevic considers not only the KLA, but a substantial part of his own population, his enemy.

During WWII thousands of civilians died in the German occupied countries as a number of Allied bombs meant for German military targets went astray.

These very unfortunate losses were experienced as the inevitable side effects of the war. They were reluctantly accepted on the arduous road to liberation.

Finally, why are Serbians standing on the bridges to protect them from NATO bombing? It seems that they expect NATO to treat Serbian civilians differently to the way Milosevic is treating his own citizens of Albanian origin.

The writer is a Salt Spring resident.

Design is smashing on new fast cat

VICTORIA — She is sleek. She is beautiful. She is fast.

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Inside and out the design is smashing. The décor of the passenger area is more reminiscent of a café than a ferry, with chairs grouped around small, round tables.

There's a cafeteria, which was probably not necessary, considering the speedy crossing, snack bars, a gift shop, a video arcade and a children's play area.

All right, let's talk about the cost. Original estimates put the cost of building the three new fast ferries at \$210 million. Turns out the cost is topping \$450 million, more than twice the estimate.

The way I see it, the problem isn't so much the actual cost, but the fact that someone underestimated the cost at the start.

Having built the ferries, regardless of the overruns, may turn out to be the best thing for British Columbia since W.A.C. Bennett staked his political future, wisely as it turned out, on building highways all across the province.

Armchair critics, myself included, have said for years that British Columbia needs to wean itself of its dependence on natural resources by developing new primary and secondary industries. Well, the catamaran ferry certainly qualifies.

Only a fool would complain that a prototype has cost too much and suggest any further investment ought to be stopped.

Next week, the first flying automobile, a Skycar, will make a short maiden flight in the U.S. The cost of the prototype was \$1.5 million, but the developers say that mass production, Henry Ford-style, will bring the cost down to \$90,000.

If generations past had been afraid of possible cost overruns, the world would be a dreary place, devoid of all the magnificent edifices that have given testimony to man's ingenuity, dreams and aspiration. There would be no cathedrals, no castles.

The Cologne Cathedral was completed about 700 years late, and I'm sure it wasn't on budget either.

Critics of the catamaran ferries should also consider the economic benefits the project brings to the province, and the benefits aggressive international promotion of this technology could bring in the future.

Construction of the three vessels has provided thousands of direct and indirect jobs to British Columbians. Dozens of B.C. companies, including Vancouver Shipyards, Allied Shipbuilders and Point Hope Shipyards, have profited from this project.

Here is a chance for British Columbia to build an international reputation for what used to and should again come naturally to this maritime province — the building of ships. It's part of our heritage and it should be part of our future.

What's needed is the imagination to dream big and the determination to turn that dream into reality. The ship I saw last weekend ought to be an easier sell to any nation bordering on water than anything else this country or this province has to offer.

And I'm saying to the critics: Enough already. Take your nitpicking elsewhere and show a little pride in what British Columbia can do.

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More letters

Jumpin' jazz

On May 23 at Moby's, Sunday Dinner Jazz was jumping!

Inspiring and aspiring players poured on and off and on the stand to honour Dad, raise money for student musicians and share music and memories with friends, family and swept-along tourists! We all had a ball!

With many thanks to Moby's gracious donation and the band's wages contribution, I deposited over \$500 to the Ray Newman Fund at the credit union this week.

Many thanks also to the continuing emotional support of this community.

By the way, the horn section was a blast!

SUE NEWMAN,
Salt Spring

NATO's deep regrets

As the painless (to us) air blitz on Yugoslavia continues its "deeply regretted" collateral carnage, the pronouncements from NATO's political and military mouthpieces become ever more shrill and menacing.

The slaughter of 100 Kosovar civilians by laser-guided NATO missiles was dismissed angrily as the fault of the Serbs. Recently the lack of an up-to-date Belgrade city map caused NATO to bomb the Chinese Embassy.

Before that there were bridges, buses, trains, hospitals, the destruction of each of which was likewise deeply regretted in its turn, as if they were not the totally predictable concomitant of the systematic aerial destruction of a country's infrastructure.

A casual visitor could easily — and mistakenly — conclude that what is taking place in Yugoslavia is of less importance to Canadians than the new Star Wars movie or the countdown to the Stanley Cup or a minuscule rise in the value of our dollar.

Yet we have been made complicit in an ongoing war crime using cluster bombs, uranium-tipped shells and probably devices even more diabolical from NATO's house of horrors.

The United Nations, born with such hope after World War II, has been destroyed by a ruthless military alliance intent on ruling the world as it sees fit.

Who dictated that Canada should take part in this deranged conflict? As Prime Minister Chretien remarked, it is "logical" that we should be on the team and since we must have unanimity on such grave questions, our Parliament cannot be allowed to

debate the matter. We aren't even to be told what our planes are doing because, as General Baril sees it, Canadians need only be spoon-fed selected portions of the truth.

It seems that the prime minister's increasingly dictatorial bent, which has been clouding his judgment in domestic affairs for some time, has now involved us in a disastrous foreign adventure at the cost of our good name as a peace-keeper.

Thirty-plus years ago Canada's leaders kept us out of Vietnam. Would that we had leaders of that calibre now!

ANDREW GIBSON,
Rainbow Road

Backpack bandit

I misplaced a green backpack last Tuesday night around a small area of grassy fields belonging to Richard Murakami just behind Mouat's Park.

It was a beautiful night.

The sky was clear and open to the stars and moon that dressed everything in a silvery gauze of light, leading me to the hopeful suspicion that my bag was only hiding in some unsought shadow, soon to be revealed the next morning.

Unfortunately, I realized that my luck had run dry since the next day no trace was found.

Inside is a Walkman, some tapes, an empty wallet with a library card inside, a few books, but more importantly a notebook containing a creative project that I've been working on for almost three months.

Material objects can always be replaced but some things are just more valuable and cannot be.

I am offering a \$30 reward to the person who returns my bag. No questions asked!

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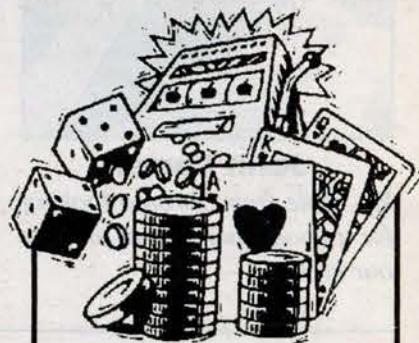
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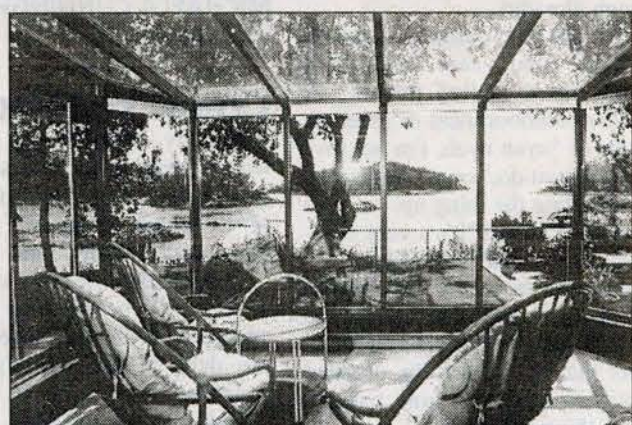
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Mike Byron acknowledged as friend of the community

One of the same!

It is not so long since the death of Howard Byron left island dogs, and other animals, to the direction of a new animal protection officer.

It is not so long since the community rose in warm and spontaneous tribute to a man who had gained the affection of friend and neighbour by living out his time as friend and neighbour.

That tribute lacked only one feature. Howard was no longer there to hear the message.

On Saturday evening a gathering at Fulford Hall paid tribute to another of the same family.

The community toasted and roasted Mike Byron in token of his constant service to friend and neighbour and the stranger in need.

As farmer and as teacher, Mike Byron has always been there. When another farmer needed help, he called Mike. When a neighbour needed help, he called Mike.

And the pattern still remains. Mike Byron is the friend of the community.

It is fitting that way. Mike has been feeding the community ever since he learned to barbecue an island lamb.

The tribute to Mike Byron was sparked and sponsored by the Fulford community and the McColl family last Saturday. In

tribute and in jest Mike relived his years on Salt Spring Island.

The tribute was climaxed when the guest of honour was starred by the Tragically Hick music-makers. Mike played his own guitar and sang his own song in a brief session with the band, led by his nephew, Kenny Byron.

That makes two of the Byron family who have been singled out for their service to the island community.

It is a gratifying record.

The war to end peace

Each day the North American Treaty Organization is busy dropping bombs on Serbia. Each day a small force of Canadians joins in the operation. Each day the toll of life and limb rises.

In some senses this attack on a distant European land is appropriate. The assassination of Grand Duke Ferdinand in the Balkans set fire to Europe in 1914.

It is probably an appropriate place to start another war. But, of course, our government has not yet made itself quite clear whether that might be the aim and purpose of the daily slaughter.

The First World War which brought about the revision of the

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Balkans was fought to end war. The Second War was fought to end all wars.

It looks, today, as if we are getting ever more deeply involved in the war to end peace. I would feel happier if Canada were not involved in this civil war. Funny thing is nobody asked me for my opinion. But there it is.

My kind of weather!

How's that for a holiday weekend?

Not just a warm day for Victoria Day; it was a brilliant introduction to summer.

In half a century of news-gathering I can't look back and find another May 24 to equal this year's. I can recall too many May days when a heavy coat was the only logical wear.

I'm not quite sure which government arranged the weather, but whichever it was, they'd get my vote next time around.

As the month reaches its close there are distinct signs of pending rain, but many enthusiastic garden-

ers in this dry belt of sea-girt islands are already voting for rain. I can wait: this is my kind of weather.

Is that right?

There are two ships serving the southern Gulf Islands, explains the current ferry schedule. Two ferries sail to the Southern Gulf Islands from Swartz Bay, it tells me; the Queen of Cumberland and the Mayne Queen. So true!

But pity the unfortunate stranger! He, she or it arrives at Swartz Bay loaded with luggage and hope.

This stranger only knows that there are Gulf Islands. He has never heard of the Southern Islands or the Northern Islands nor any other islands.

How does he know which of those two ferries to take for Fulford Harbour?

It's not an important issue. It's not an issue at all. But the message could have been more clearly expressed.

Dirty windows

I have two odd windows in my present abode. There may well have been instructions provided with the offending glass, but time has taken its toll and I cannot figure out how to open the fly-screens.

Short of a vicious attack with a large pair of scissors there appears no means of sliding the sliding screens aside.

I did nothing to help the situation when I took matters into my own hands and washed the outside of the upper window with a brush more normally devoted to the washing and brushing up of my car. Like its wheels.

The window took over in that same lively spirit. Until that moment I forgot that the screen would yet be in my way. It was all of that.

If any reader has a spare bolt of lightning handy, I fear I could use it.

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Singers' silver show classy and gutsy at ArtSpring

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

Salt Spring Singers put on one classy show to celebrate their silver anniversary over the weekend.

The choir's program choice had us oohing, ahing, smiling and in awe of the sounds sent out from the ArtSpring stage.

From Wagner's rousing Entrance Chorus from the Tannhauser opera to the theatrical Oklahoma! theme and saucy Gilbert and Sullivan excerpts, the Singers' renditions of great music came through loud and clear under Wendy Milton's direction. I'd have to say this was my favourite Salt Spring Singers concert.

They pointed out how appropriate the Tannhauser piece was for the Singers' first concert in ArtSpring, with the cry "long stand this house with song" as part of the lyrics.

Even with one key quartet member falling victim to laryngitis — really! — an important part of the show managed to go forth on Sunday afternoon, thanks to Derrick Milton's volunteering spirit. Literally overnight he learned the bass part for two Gilbert and Sullivan quartet pieces after the well-practised Alan Robertson's voice gave out.

Now that's called having "depth" in an organization. Or guts — or both.

Also in the category of depth is the number of solid soloists stepping out of this choir. Osric Murrell, Connie Holmes, Anke Smeele, Ken Lee, Mary Jean Sissons and especially Richard Hayden easily charmed us.

Having so many male vocalists in the group of 63 is also such a bonus for its sound — and what a happy surprise to see former islander Peter Lynde still belting it out from the ranks.

The Singers have found an incredible accompanist in Paul Verville, who came on board at the same time as Wendy Milton in September.

In his solo he not only delivered an excellent, deep interpretation of Chopin's gorgeous Fantastie



MUCH-LOVED MEN: This cluster of the Salt Spring Singers' male contingent demonstrates its intensity during a piece at Saturday night's A Celebration of Song concert at ArtSpring.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Impromptu, his playing was expressive throughout the show.

Mezzo soprano Betty Rothwell was a treat as usual and her enjoyment of singing is purely infectious. It was particularly noticeable in The Merry Widow medley where her stage presence shone the brightest.

Her Orfeo ed Euridice wreaked of passion.

Rothwell also gave deserved credit to her own accompanist Beth Ranney.

The choir had great fun with the Pirates of Penzance, especially Ken Lee who was "the very model of a modest major general."

(His antics were reminiscent of his role as Phineas Fulford at the ferry fare protest and "Boston tea party" affair in December of '97.)

A custom-for-Salt-Spring verse was very clever, while the full-choir sound of Hail Poetry had the requisite chilling effect.

Choir members took turns introducing songs from within their spots on the risers, and I thought it worked well, although it took me awhile to spot the first mystery voice with the microphone.

One thing that always detracts somewhat from community choir shows for me is the near universal use of following the music in those imposing black binders.

Showmanship booms when singers' arms, hands and eyes are

freed.

I realize, of course, that non-professional choir members may not have enough time to memorize their parts, but it might be something to aim for in the next 25 years.

Both concerts were sold out — meaning that more than 500 people attended A Celebration of Song. The Singers' following is sure to do nothing but grow in years to come.

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Saturna troupe at ArtSpring

Salt Spring has a chance to see and support its Gulf Islands dramatic counterparts when Saturna's Theatre on the Rock performs the comedy *Dearly Departed* at ArtSpring on Friday night.

Driftwood correspondent Gail Trafford saw the play on Saturna last month, when it played to a full house for two nights. She described the whole production as a "first-class and professional show."

Dearly Departed centres around a family's grief as it mourns the loss of a husband and father. It's not a grim scenario, though, with the human foibles of the characters providing lots of laughs.

"The plot brings out the worst and best in the characters," Trafford wrote in her review. "Tension rises as the family pushes against one another trying to create the perfection they would like for themselves. It shows how bad people can be when they try to be good."

Starring in the play are veteran actors Neal MacDonald, Beth Jones, Harvey Janszen and Pam Janszen.

Other cast members are Chuck Alp, Kathleen Eddy, Kristina Cryderman, Dawn Wood, Jane Dixon-Warren, Danika Surm and Lyra Neumann.

Theatre on the Rock was formed in 1988 and has undertaken productions regularly since then.

The June 4 show begins at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 12 and under. They are for sale at et cetera and ArtSpring.

Salt Spring's arts centre will also be host venue for the Galiano Players when it presents Shakespeare's *As You Like It* at the end of June.



Harp-felt sound

Harpist Marianne Larochelle entertains passersby in Centennial Park as she plays Greensleeves on an old folk harp passed on by her mother.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

All-women ensemble back at All Saints event

One of Salt Spring's more intimate choirs will perform next Wednesday at Music and Munch.

Women of Note is a small choral group which sings selections using a variety of styles, from madrigals to folk songs.

The all-women ensemble was formed six years ago under the direction of Patricia McFarlane and Dawn Brooks, who wanted to provide an opportunity for women to express themselves through song.

Linda Quinn, who also leads the

choir at Fulford Elementary, took over directorship two years ago and has continued to nurture the sense of spiritual and emotional closeness such a group provides.

Women of Note has performed at two previous Music and Munch programs at All Saints By-the-Sea. Their June 12 show will include a few favourite pieces and some new songs.

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Vortex offers Wheston and Blom shows in June

Fervent anticipation of Nicola Wheston's All Our Daughters installation has preceded its opening this Friday night at Vortex Gallery.

The show of 28 life-sized oil paintings of adolescent girls from varying cultural and socio-economic backgrounds, including Salt Spring, Vancouver Island native reserves and Vancouver's streets, has been talked about for months.

All Our Daughters opens upstairs at the same time as a show of striking new work by the internationally-acclaimed Wim Blom inhabits the lower floor of the Grace Point Square gallery. Blom has lived on Salt Spring for eight years and was recently inspired by

time spent on a fellowship in Ireland.

Wheston is also a Salt Spring resident. She has painted for some 25 years, with her work in numerous solo, group and juried exhibitions.

Vortex material explains that "when Wheston's own daughter was about to enter this stage in her life, she laid aside her work with the mythic dimensions of landscape and flowers and decided to explore the apparently impenetrable facade of this highly-volatile, engaging and disturbing period in the lives of her daughter's peers.

"The only thing that was clear to me was the enormous energy of the girls in this age group," says

Wheston. "Their alienation from the world of adults and complete dependence on each other, the difficulty they experience around even the smallest kind of decision-making, their choices, options, relationships and struggles, the fear and mistrust they arouse in adults and their compulsion to explore the darker side of life drew me to offer them a mirror in which both they and I could see each other more clearly," says Wheston.

Blom spent some of the past winter in the village of Ballycastle in North County Mayo, thanks to receiving a prestigious fellowship from the Ballinglen Arts Foundation.

Some paintings in his new show

were initiated in Ireland and completed on Salt Spring.

Blom is well-known for his impeccable and curious still-life works. He has exhibited for the past 40 years, written and lectured extensively on art, and been the recipient of a number of awards.

Vortex states that Blom "paints combinations of everyday objects which serve as metaphors, shielding their attractions which are revealed only by unhurried observation."

"As always, (his) work reveals a love of drawing, a capacity for careful preparation and the application of meticulous craftsmanship. His work contains a reminder that traditions from the past may

remain a beneficent influence as well as a potent constituent of the present."

Opening night runs at the Grace Point Square gallery from 5 to 9 p.m. with artists in attendance from 6-8 p.m.

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ArtCraft opens with new management

ArtCraft is entering its 32nd year with a new manager.

Judy Mitchell is planning to rejuvenate the annual arts event, which opens in Mahon Hall on June 4.

It's going to be a busy, busy job.

"People have been asking whether to offer congratulations or condolences, and at this point

I'm not sure myself!" Mitchell jokes.

The stage will be used as a special display area this year.

For the first three weeks, all 203 artists involved in the event will show a special piece of their work on stage, in addition to their own display in the main hall.

After that the stage will show-

case work by individual artists or groups of artists.

This feature will change every two weeks.

Mitchell promises "some really exciting stuff happening in the showcase."

"I think it's going to be quite spectacular," she adds.

Roughly 15 per cent of the participants are new, says

Mitchell. And many established ArtCrafters will show new material too.

"I wouldn't be at all surprised if we get 30 per cent stuff that people haven't seen before," Mitchell says.

The new manager says she hopes to attract more islanders to ArtCraft, as well as the usual flow of tourists.

Night waltzes into energetic show: Pied Pumkin gets better, not older

Pied Pumkin has a knack for giving a hundred people a good time together.

Beaver Point Hall was filled with a rosy glow, an inflatable pumpkin, a big, orange luminous heart and about 100 dancing, laughing people for three hours on May 29.

But the reunited '70s group members eased themselves into their performance, and so did their audience, who were mostly of an age to remember the band the first time round.

For the first couple of songs, the show had a coffee-shop feel. Everyone sat and clapped politely.

"We've noticed that our shows start a little sedate (now)," said Rick Scott, who strummed a variety of dulcimers all evening. "A lot of people get up when we play a waltz."

So they played a waltz. Some of the best performances on the night were Joe Mock's instrumentals, with his guitar work answering Shari Ulrich's fiddling.

Another highlight was Mock's philosophizing.

He introduced his first instrumental as "breaking down cultural barriers with food. Anyone who's had West Coast smoked salmon and cream cheese knows what I'm talking about."

By this point, the somewhat confused audience had started to dance, foot-stomp and remove its reading-glasses.

The band had what seemed like endless energy, particularly Scott, with his gallumphing dances and ever-changing facial expressions.

"I'm 50 years old!" Scott exclaimed at one point.

He suffered from a nosebleed during the first half, and played several songs lying on his back on the stage.

Pied Pumkin plays a stylish and stylistic mix. Folk fiddle, Texas swing and Tibetan chants were some of the ingredients last Saturday.

Their voices reflect the mix: Ulrich's sweet country, Scott's rau-

rous soul and Mock's less aggressive, deeper soft-rock voice blend beautifully.

Possibly the night's top moment came when Mock handed song-sheets to Scott and Ulrich for a song he had written during the interval.

The world premiere of "Not just getting old, just getting better" got more help from the audience than the rest of the band, so Scott held the songsheets up for everyone to follow.

It ended up descending into a loud, rousing chorus of the la-di-da bit from Hey Jude (to the altered lyric Hey Joe).

But the point was made.

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2	2	CBC	Jonovision	Hockey Playoffs Toronto Maple Leafs vs Buffalo Sabres NHL				Broadcast One		Simpsons	Road to Avonlea	The National		News		Movie	
3		SUPER	Movie	Invisible Dad Doran Norris.				Dream Breaker (1996) Michael Pare.		Clockwatchers (1997) Toni Collette.		The House of Yes Parker Posey.					Movie
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO News		News	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Dharma & 2 Guys...	Drew C.	Line?		20/20 Wednesday		News	:35 News
5	16	KING	Oprah Winfrey Show	KING News		News	News	Magazine	Hollyw'dS.	Dateline NBC		Amazing Videos		Law & Order		News	:35 Tonight
6	7	CHEK	3:30Letterm	Inside Ed.	News	News		News	Love. C.	Hollyw'dS.	Vengeance Unlim. (P)	Diagnosis Murder		The City		News	:40 Club 54
7	14	VTV	Ellen	Friends	News	D. Carey		News	Frasier	Friends	Buffy Vampire Slayer	Drew C.	Line?	Law & Order		News	Ooh La La
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey Show	News	Canada	News		Fortune	Jeopardy	Amazing Videos		Stargate: S-G1		Total Recall		News	News Spt
9	9	KCTS	Kratt's C.	Wishbone	Arthur	Business		News	Bill Nye	Survival	Stealing Time: The New Science of Aging					KeepApp	Wrld News
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11	5	KNOW	Kratt's C.	Magic Bs	English	Deutsche..	Scattering	Hist.Land	Fishing	Memories	Power of the Past With Bill Moyers		I. Claudius			Cafe Nocturne	
13	13	CKVU	Rosie O'Donnell	The Young & Restless		News		E.T.	Simpsons	Hyperion Bay	Dawson's Creek		Chicago Hope		SportPage	News	
15	35	CMT	CMT Songbook	Artist	Goldrush	Top 12 Choice		CMT Songbook	Artist	Goldrush	CMT Request Line		CMT After Hours				
16	38	TLC	Terror in the Sky	Extreme Machines		Raging Rivers		Earthquake		Extreme Machines	Raging Rivers		Earthquake			Terror in the Sky	
17	32	CNN	3:30Money.	Crossfire	CNN & Fortune		Larry King Live	The World Today	SprtsT.	Moneyline	Larry King Live		CNN & Fortune		SprtsT.	Moneyline	
18	40	MM	RapCity	VideoFlow		DaMix		Video	Megahits	MM Hits	Spotlight	DaMix		RapCity	Video	MM Hits	VideoFlow
19		FAM	Clarissa	Blossom	Lulu Show	Aladdin	Pumbaa	Dinosaurs	The Sword in the Stone	Flash	Blossom	Muppets	Herbie Goes Bananas		:35 Mouse		
20	31	A&E	Law & Order	Biography		Biography		American Justice	Law & Order	Biography		Biography		American Justice			
21	15	TSN	Baseball Chicago vs Toronto Blue Jays MLB					Hockey	Sportsdesk	WCW Nitro		Sportsdesk					
22	19	VISION	Callwood's Treasure	Highway to Heaven	Little House Prairie	Skylight	Baha'is	Sing Again	Voices of	Laxwesa Wa	Skylight	Loving	100 Huntley Street				
23	17	KSTW	CADream	Saved Bell	The Nanny	The Nanny	Home I.	Home I.	Frasier	Seinfeld	Seven Days	Star Trek: Voyager	MASH	MASH	Frasier	NwsRadio	
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25	34	KCPQ	Spiderman	Addams	Judge J.	Judge J.	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Simpsons	13th Annual Essence Awards	Reports	Mad You	:05 Mortal Kombat			
26	20	NEWS	NewsWorld Reports	D. Richler	C'ntersp.	The National	Pamela Wallin	NewsWorld/15NwsWrld	National	C'ntersp.	Pamela Wallin	National	Business				
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3		SUPER	Movie	To the Ends of Time				Captive (1998) Richard Grieco.	Reel Ent	My Best Friend's Wedding Julia Roberts.		Phantoms (1997) Peter O'Toole.				Movie	
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO News		News	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	The 1999 Alma Awards		John Stossel		News	:35 News		
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Gypsy Hill singer

Salt Spring's Susan Cogan sings at her Gypsy Hill CD release party Saturday night at Lions Hall. Cogan will be hitting the road across Canada and into the U.S. to promote her newest recording.

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Kindermusik offers exploration of sound

Young children can explore the joy and movement of music in an internationally-recognized program being offered on Salt Spring this summer.

Kindermusik is coming to the island because one of its certified instructors — Hiroko Kagawa, first violinist with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra — is a part-time resident.

While there are several different Kindermusik programs, Kagawa will offer two on Salt Spring this summer.

Creations in My Backyard is for children aged 18 months to four years.

Adventures Near and Far is for children aged 4-7.

Both run on July 13, 14, 16, 19 and 21, with younger children having one-hour sessions beginning at 9:30 a.m., and the older group in two-hour classes from 11-1.

Lessons are theme-based and include singing, exploring various instruments, listening and dancing or moving to music, plus specific exercises for tonal, beat and rhythmic development.

Audio tapes and other materials for home use are also provided.

Kagawa holds a Bachelor of Music in Performance degree from the University of Toronto and has been first violinist with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra since 1987.

She has also been assistant concertmaster with the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra, given private lessons for 15 years and performed chamber music with colleagues in Canada and Japan.

Kindermusik programs have been offered since 1976, and the movement now has 2,100 teachers in 12 countries.

While Kagawa's musical background made her a natural Kindermusik instructor, it was the desire to expose her daughter to a more structured music experience which led her to the program.

For people who register before June 10, an early bird discount applies.

Class numbers are limited. Anyone wanting more information can either contact Kagawa by e-mail at kagatin@pangea.ca, or by phone/fax at (204) 668-1421.

For general information, there is also a Kindermusik website at www.kindermusik.com.

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Art

- **Vortex Gallery** — Two new exhibitions: New Paintings by Wim Blom (street level) and Nicola Wheston's All Our Daughters installation (upper level). Opening Fri., June 4, 5-9 p.m. and runs until June 30.
- **Japan** — East Meets West, new watercolours and photographs by Jill Louise Campbell at the Jill Louise Campbell Art Gallery. Gallery is open daily.
- **Pegasus Gallery** — a recent visit to the Okanagan studio of carver Robert Dow Reid has resulted in an outstanding collection of new work in whale bone and black walnut, including many hard-to-find seals.
- **LeRoy Jensen exhibition** at SS Roasting Co.
- **Waterscape paintings by Paul Bryans** at Moby's.
- **Bly Kaye, collages from Mexico**, Island Savings Credit Union.
- **ArtCraft** opens at Mahon Hall Friday, June 4. Open daily 10-4.

Ongoing

• **Gallery Walk.** See what's new at Ganges art galleries, every Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. Coastal Currents, Island Wildlife, Jill Louise Campbell, Naikai, Pegasus, Ruphi Art Factory, The Sculpture Studio and Vortex.

Cinema

- **Affliction** — Director Paul Schrader's adaptation of the Russell Banks novel about a New England lawyer (Nick Nolte), his life totally screwed up, who launches an ill-fated murder investigation. Nolte and James Coburn both bluster away in showcase roles. With Sissy Spacek and Willem Dafoe.
- **Life** — In 1932, Ray Gibson (Eddie Murphy), a Harlem hustler, and Claude Banks (Martin Lawrence), a fussy bank teller, team up on a boot-legging run to Mississippi. The two don't pretend to like each other, but when they are wrongly convicted of murder, they end up in prison, consigned to a lifetime of testy camaraderie.

Meetings

- **Salt Spring Historical Society AGM and potluck luncheon** at Haamea Bay, Beaver Point, for members and guests, Sat., June 5, noon.

Ongoing

- **Bandemonium**, the community band, meets in the high school music room every Monday from 7-9 p.m.
- **Buddhist meditation group** meets at 135 McPhillips Ave. every Monday at 7:30 p.m.
- **Cancer Support Group** meets at Croftonbrook 10 a.m. - noon every third Wednesday
- **Chess Club** meets at SS Seniors every Monday at 10 a.m. and every Tuesday at 7 p.m.
- **Core Inn Homework Club** meets with Shilo every Wednesday at the Core Inn from 3-4:30 p.m.
- **Duplicate Bridge** meetings are held in the lower hall of the Baptist Church every Monday at 7 p.m.
- **Gays/Lesbians/Allies group** meets on the third Sunday of each month, SS Seniors, 2 p.m.
- **Health & nutrition for families** at Family Place on the third Monday of the month from 9:30 a.m.-noon.
- **Life Drawing classes** are offered every Monday from 1-3 p.m., upstairs at Ganges United Church.
- **Mental health drop-in centre**, for people with mental health concerns, is held in the basement of the SS Community Centre every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3:30-5:30 p.m.
- **Overeaters Anonymous** meets every Monday from 7:30-9 p.m. at SS Seniors.
- **Parkinson's Support Group** meets at Croftonbrook at 2 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month.
- **Planned Parenthood Clinics** at the Core Inn every Tuesday from 4-6 p.m.
- **Reader's Theatre** meets at 10 a.m. every Monday at Croftonbrook Hall.
- **SSI Disc Golf Association** meets on the first Wednesday of each month at the caretakers' residence at Mouat Park, 3:30 p.m.
- **SSI Health Association** meets on

the third Wednesday of the month at the Lady Minto meeting room from 4-5:30 p.m.

- **SSI Painters' Guild** meetings, every Wednesday at Hart Bradley Hall from 9:30-noon.
- **SSI Pipe Band** practises at Meaden Hall on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.
- **SSI Weavers' Guild** meets at the Baptist Church every Thursday from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- **Scottish Country Dancers** meet at 6 p.m. every Thursday at the Anglican Church Hall.
- **Seniors & Alzheimer's support group**, SS Seniors, Wednesdays at 11 a.m.
- **Seniors choir practices** are held every Tuesday at SS Seniors at 10:30 a.m.
- **Spanish conversation group** meets at SS Seniors from 10 a.m.-noon every Monday but the last.
- **Stamp collectors** of all ages at SS Seniors, Wednesdays at 10 a.m.
- **Sufi/Sacred Circle Dance**, moving meditation, meets at Salt Spring Elementary on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
- **Therapeutic Touch Practitioners** group meets at SS Seniors, 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month
- **Vipassana Buddhism Group** meets Mondays at 190 Reynolds Road, 4-5:30 p.m.

- **Theatre on the Rock** from Saturna Island presents Dearly Departed, the David Bottrell/Jessie Jones black comedy, at ArtSpring, Fri., June 4, 8 p.m.

Ongoing

- **Story time with Jean Voaden** at the public library, Mondays at 10 a.m.
- **West of the Moon** — Story time with Susan every Thursday morning, 10-11 a.m. Join us!

Music

- **Cantus early music singers** perform a free recital at Music and Munch, All Saints By-the-Sea, Wed., June 2, 12:10 p.m. Lunch follows.
- **Wednesday Night Live!** at Moby's, hosted by Charles Wilton, 9 p.m.
- **Sunday Dinner Jazz** at Moby's, Larry Miller Trio, 8 p.m.
- **Women of Note choir** offer a free recital at Music and Munch, All Saints By-the-Sea, Wed., June 9, 12:10 p.m. Lunch follows.

Ongoing

- **Alfresco Restaurant:** Argentinean tango in the cafe (downstairs), Wednesday nights from 6:30 - 9 p.m.
- **Fulford Inn:** Reid Collins on the piano, Thursdays & Sundays.
- **Rose's Seaside Cafe:** Friday Night Live! — an open stage.
- **Dares to be Different:** Lisa Maxx and KC Kelly, Saturdays starting at 6 p.m.
- **Alfresco Restaurant:** Barrington Perry plays piano every Saturday evening starting at 6:30 p.m.
- **Harbour House Bistro:** Murray Anderson on the piano every Sunday, for your dining pleasure at lunch or dinner.

- **Greenwoods 20th anniversary celebration.** Sat., June 5, 1-4 p.m., entertainment, strawberry tea, silent auction, facility tours.
- **Antique car show** visits the island Sat. and Sun., June 5-6.
- **Tour the new Gulf Islands Spinning Mill** on the Farmers Institute grounds, Mon., June 7, 10:30 to noon.
- **Tree Frog Garden Tour** fundraiser, Sun., June 6, 10-4. Starting point is Everlasting Summer on McLennan Drive, where live musicians will entertain.

Ongoing

- **Blood pressure clinics** are offered free at SS Seniors from 10-noon on

the last Monday of each month.

- **Book Sale** is held downstairs at the Ganges library every Saturday from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- **Community Meditation** takes place at the United Church Hall every Thursday from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- **Core Inn Mah Jongg** — learn to play this ancient Chinese game, every Thursday, 3 to 5 p.m.; plus other games available.
- **Core Inn yin-yang yoga** for youth, every Thursday from 3-4:30 p.m. beginning April 22.
- **Fulford OAP #170** offers bingo at 2 p.m. every Friday.
- **Games afternoon** is offered at SS Seniors at 1:30 p.m. with Mah Jongg at 12:30 p.m., every Friday.
- **Gulf Islands Spinning Mill tours**, Farmers Institute grounds, every Monday, 10:30 - noon.
- **Luncheons** are offered at SS Seniors every Thursday at noon.
- **Taoist Tai Chi** is offered for seniors at Central Hall (lower area) every Monday and Wednesday at 10 a.m.
- **Wisdom Circle** is offered on the first and third Friday at the United Church Hall from 7:30-9:30 p.m.
- **Archery shooting** takes place at the SSI Rod & Gun Club every Wednesday at 7 p.m.
- **Special Olympics bowling** runs every Wednesday at the bowling alley from 10-11 a.m.
- **Ultimate Frisbee** is played at Portlock Park at 2 p.m. every Sunday. It's free and everyone is welcome.
- **.22 rifle shooting** for adults at the SSI Rod & Gun Club every Monday from 7-9 p.m.
- **Carpet bowling** takes place every Monday at Lower Central Hall at 1:30 p.m. and at Fulford hall at 2 p.m.
- **Hand gun shoot** at the SSI Rod & Gun Club at 7 p.m. every Monday.
- **Adult small-bore shooting** takes place at the SSI Rod & Gun Club from 7-9 p.m. every Tuesday.

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- **Sun., June 6, 6 p.m.** Talk Around the Rock; 8 p.m. Satsang with GangaJi (No weekday programming through June 4.)

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5. Gloria (-)
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7. Holy Man (-)
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Open stage at seaside cafe turns on the Fulford sound

By TOM HOWELL
Driftwood Staff

On a stage lit by coloured lanterns, a lone accordionist plays. His tunes are beautiful, wrenching, the kind that make you want to sob over a beer bottle.

Or, rather, a teacup, given that this is Rose's Seaside Cafe and not a smoky bar.

This Friday night open stage is one of several music and event nights at the Fulford venue which is turning up the volume on south-end music.

And "open" is the word. Outside the cafe, still within earshot of the accordionist, a space has been set up where buskers can perform.

It's what happens when you let musicians run a place.

"This is our busker's courtyard," says Helga Bagnell. The Latin jazz group Wave will also use the outdoor stage to perform this summer.

Bagnell operates Rose's with her husband Michael and friend David

Duffy.

Michael organizes the music but all three are plugged into the scene. Many of the performers at Rose's are their friends.

Back inside, the accordion player has been replaced on stage by a guitarist.

The open stage is much less formal than the larger Wednesday Night Live! at Moby's, where performers must sign up for a slot in advance.

The cafe's location by the ferry terminal can make for a more spontaneous gathering of musicians.

"I've had people walk by the door (from the ferry) and they've got their instruments and they just walk in and play," Bagnell says.

It's getting a bit more organized, though. A few weeks ago, musicians sat in a circle and played to each other.

Now there's a stage, a sound system and audience.

And there are also regular hosts:

travelling musicians Lefty and Jack, also known as Don Rudick and Jeannine Munn.

Munn (or Jack) says there's no rigid rule about how the open stage is organized. Musicians can jam together or just perform alone.

"It's not what we want to do, it's what the players want to do," says Munn.

Bagnell wants to keep the place as a music venue kids can come to with their parents. The cafe only sells alcohol with food.

It's not just a music spot, either. Rose's is also showcasing Diana Dean's artwork at the moment.

And locals drop in to play chess and cards.

"This is their living-room, it really is," Bagnell says.

For now, the open stage is the only weekly event, although there are often performances on weekends.

"We'd like to have music every night," says Bagnell. "(But) we want to let that evolve."

Kids and art supplies mix at annual summer art camp

It wouldn't be summer on Salt Spring without Artcamp for children.

For the fourth year in a row, a group of Salt Spring artists and musicians — plus a former resident — is offering two levels of visual and performing arts programs during three weeks this summer.

Each day features different activities, including watercolour painting, mask-making and sculpting, singing, choreography and drama, plus lunch hour lake swimming. Exploration and discovery are the focus of the camps for 6 to 13-year-olds.

Instructors are Patricia Brown, well-known Salt Spring artist and art teacher; Chris Denbigh, a wildlife sculpture specialist and former resident natural history sculptor at the Royal B.C. Museum; Lloyd English, 25-year professional musician and teacher who moved to Edmonton from Salt Spring last year; and Sue Newman, whose gifts for acting, dancing, singing and teaching children are legendary on the island.

Brown says the same teachers have been working together for the past four years, and the back-up band for the music portion is also the same.

The practice of offering three dif-

ferent programs is new, however.

The three Artcamp sessions are:
• Level 1, for first-time "Artcampers" and younger children, is from July 19-23 at Fulford Elementary School.

• Level 1, but with different activities, for those with Artcamp experience or younger children, August 2-6 at Fulford Elementary School.

• Level 2, for previous Artcampers and older children, is at Salt Spring Middle School from July 26-30.

For more information and to register, call Brown at 653-9406.

A century's tea

Dressing Victorian style was part of the fun at the Salt Spring United Church's tea on Saturday — another creative event honouring 100 years of the church's activity on the island. From left are Kathryn Holm, Vivian Dawson, Sheila Peebles, Betty Thompson and Rosanne Leonoff.

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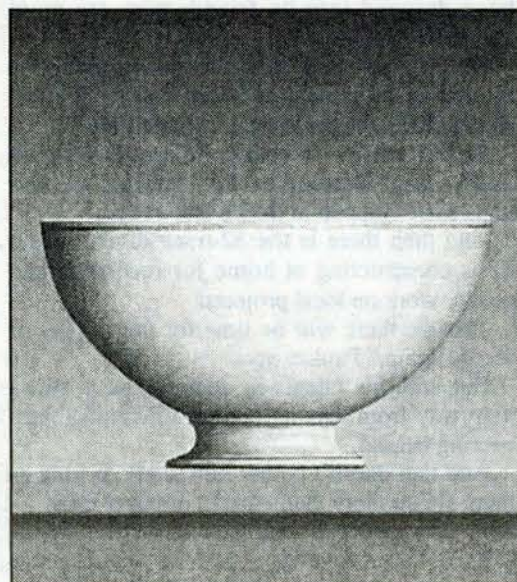
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Of crime, youth, fishing and a good book

By **SUSAN LUNDY**
Driftwood Staff

It isn't a night spent fighting crime in the darkened bowels of Ganges.

But on a symbolic level, an evening with Salt Spring RCMP Const. Gerard Choquette reveals bits and pieces about the island cop who is headed to Quadra Island in a promotional transfer at the end of this month.

Twenty seconds into my ride with Choquette on a recent Thursday night, he is hailed down by a fellow driver.

"I've been pulled over," he says dryly as we stop in the Ganges Village Market (GVM) parking lot.

The driver is a member of the Crime Prevention Action Team (CPAT) — one of Choquette's community policing "babies." Choquette coordinates the program which, among other activities, oversees Citizens on Patrol.

The police car motor hums as citizen and officer — Choquette with his animated French accent — discuss the patrol. A new group of trainees will soon hit the streets of Salt Spring, testament to the energy Choquette and others have invested in the program.

"I'm really going to miss all the people I've met in the past four years here," says Choquette as we turn back onto Lower Ganges Road and head towards Beaver Point. He watches closely as the car in front of us appears to weave a bit and then straighten out.

"But the time is right to leave," he adds.

Choquette will be promoted to corporal as he takes over command of the three-man detachment on Quadra Island which is also responsible for policing on Cortez and Reid islands.

The islands' combined population of over 4,000 doubles in the summer months.

"It will be more of a challenge."

Some challenges have already been met: Choquette's wife Midge has been transferred by B.C. Ferries to a mid-Vancouver Island administration office. One of their sons, Ben, will be attending uni-



LEAVING SALT SPRING: RCMP Const. Gerard Choquette as seen on his collector police card. The island RCMP officer has been promoted to corporal and will take over the Quadra Island detachment in July. He leaves Salt Spring after working here for four years.

versity in Victoria; their other son, Nick, has work in Nanaimo.

But on the down side, Choquette says, "I'll have to start all over again."

This marks Choquette's sixth transfer in 23 years with the RCMP and he seems to understand the inherent challenges of meeting new friends in a new place.

Indeed, as we travel around the island, he invites just about everyone we meet to visit him on Quadra. Sitting in the detachment's golden haven (Golden Island Restaurant) with officers Jeff West and Dave Voller, Choquette wonders if the Salt Spring boys (and girl) might rotate a few shifts on his island.

At least he speaks the language of his new posting.

When Choquette landed in Sidney, B.C. from his native Montreal for his first RCMP job,

his English language skills were scant.

"I became known as 'constable 10-9' which means 'repeat,'" he recalls.

However, Choquette must have excelled in other forms of the language because he met and married Midge in Sidney.

Many of Choquette's policing ideals were formed during 10 years spent in Kamloops where he worked in the community policing office, overseeing programs such as crime prevention and victims services.

"It made me realize that not everyone is a criminal — 94 per cent were nice people."

Frequent association with the criminal element "gets you down," he says: "You're constantly dealing with angry people."

In Kamloops he worked with everyone from preschoolers to

seniors. Here, he is liaison to students at Gulf Islands Secondary School. The students are among those he'll miss when he leaves.

Choquette's assignment to the high school has made him a "visible" island policeman. But he stresses that other members are well-known in their "spheres of influence."

Indeed, as we sit drinking coffee and Chinese tea, three children wander into the restaurant and head straight to West, who is the officer assigned to Salt Spring Elementary School. The youngsters are after "police cards" — a program Choquette heartily endorses because it brings police and the community together.

On the back of Choquette's card his personal message states: "Be honest and respect yourself."

"I put a lot of thought into that," he says, stressing that respect between adults and youth is a big issue on Salt Spring.

"The kids don't want to give unconditional respect . . . both sides are lacking respect and that's why it comes to a head so often."

Kids need to respect, be respected and, most importantly, respect themselves.

When he was young, Choquette looked at several potential occupations — fireman, forest ranger, even priest — before settling on policeman.

His discovery of girls ruled out the priesthood and he decided as a policeman he could really help people. It is an occupation he continues to hold in high esteem, making him sensitive to criticism of the RCMP.

"Police are out there putting their lives at stake . . . the people say if we don't lay charges in the Bre-Ex thing, then we're totally useless."

And Choquette has breathed the fear policing can bring upon a member. It was he who took a bullet fragment in the leg during a stand-off with an armed man three years ago on Salt Spring.

But on this night, Choquette is not putting his life at stake as he delivers a ticket to a woman on

Bulman Road. But he does have to climb a lot of steps to the front door and he is not greeted too warmly.

But again, his concern for people is revealed. The woman is given a \$144 ticket for passing a school bus with its red lights flashing. Choquette urges the woman's daughter to drive with her mother behind a school bus, making sure the woman really understands the law.

Most rewarding, Choquette says, is "when I see I've made a difference."

Through his years here he has seen many "positive changes with a lot of kids."

But once in awhile a situation doesn't go away and that can be frustrating.

"There are still the two per cent who bring their booze and drink in (Centennial Park)," despite his urging to go where they won't bother anyone.

"It's the things you can't change that bother me."

Suddenly we're bumping down Stewart Road and Choquette's foot hits the brake as we pass a "for sale" sign on a boat.

Fishing, he says, is on his mind as he anticipates his transfer. He'll add the sport to his love of canoeing and hiking. He also confesses to being an avid reader, consuming books of any type — except police novels.

Choquette is also big on fun. He was the impetus behind Rally 'Round the Rock — a community building event now in its third year — and came up with the Full Mountie Raffle idea.

He shaved his head after losing a bet with youth in the first Rally 'Round the Rock and took off his locks again at a fundraising Cops for Cancer shave-off.

Our evening ends as Choquette drives me back to my car at the police detachment.

As I head towards home I notice Choquette has, once again, been "pulled over" in the GVM parking lot.

He is surrounded by a group of youths — a symbolically fitting scene to conclude the night.

All in the ears says audio man back from Florida

By **MIKE LEVIN**
Driftwood Staff

Greg Pauker hears things that others don't. Who else could claim a similarity between mixing a Valdy album and co-ordinating the computers at a paper mill?

"It all boils down to a complete understanding of mathematics and timing," says Pauker, back at home on Salt Spring after 18 months helping design the sound systems at Universal's Islands Of Adventure theme park in Florida. "Engineering is a very intuitive thing, just like music."

It is also no surprise that the 48-year-old has also released a CD of film-oriented, jazz-guitar music.

He swears it's all in the ears.

Engineering may be the nuts and bolts of Pauker's career, but it is audio balancing that has earned him a world-class reputation among international companies and recording artists.

Stretching back to the mid-1970s, he has toured and helped record Valdy and Ann Mortifee, twirled knobs in Russia for Paul Horn, and set up audio systems and computer synchronizations for Air Canada at Vancouver's Expo in 1986 and the Canadian Pavilion at Seville's in 1992.

There was also the job designing paper-mill machinery, but the timing has slid into the mists

of Pauker's career.

Besides, it's the music that drew him into the business in the first place.

"I never cared whether I played it or got it out to people. I always wanted to get that emotional connection just right," he says.

Pauker is also unsure of where the musical seed sprouted.

His father was a contractor and mother a housewife, so the best guess is a teenaged fixation on electronics and a few precious moments with local Salt Spring bands.

Audio work, however, produced bigger paycheques.

The Universal job in Florida's theme-park mecca started as a one-month consulting contract with system contractor Baker Audio.

The six-island site was a mish-mash of audio specifications.

"It only took a couple of days to realize that no one there really had any idea of how enormous the job actually was," Pauker says.

The one-month contract spread into a seven-month design gig and, by the time it was finished, Pauker and wife Georgette had spent a year and a half living in a small house in a quiet neighbourhood on the outskirts of Orlando.

"The bottom line demand was for decibels-per-area but we dealt with so many artistic sen-

sibilities that the work never seemed to follow a schedule," he explains. "The Doctor Seuss (island) designers were right on with their design but the guys at the Lost Continent didn't want to see any speakers.

"We're talking thousands of speakers, all computer-controlled. Every day we ended up having to change something. Seeing it come together and making it sound good was great, but I'll never do another."

In fact, Pauker is now focussing on unique over conventional.

"I never wanted to get big. That means cities, and does anyone really want to live there?" he wonders.

"Most of the big contracts I've done I've been dragged into by friends who are more aggressive than me."

His next job is Sony's Yellow Submarine, a motion-based simulator based on the Beatles' world of Blue Meanies and Captain Fred.

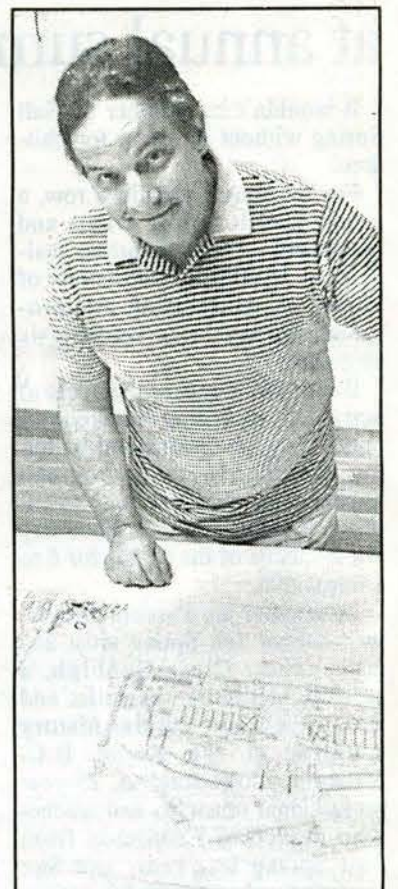
Pauker will be in charge of coordinating all audio-visual elements in Los Angeles for four units to be shipped to Berlin and Tokyo.

And then there is the 32-track digital studio he is constructing at home for recording and master work on local projects.

"Maybe there will be time for me to play or record again," Pauker says.

But with his talents in demand, he is still a long way from leaving high-profile audio engineering behind.

And that doesn't bother him at all, as long as there are no more theme parks or paper mills.



THE ULTIMATE PLANNER: Greg Pauker checks out plans for his next audio engineering project, based on the Beatles' Yellow Submarine.

Photo by Mike Levin

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2	2	CBC	Hockey Playoffs Teams TBA NHL				The Nature of Things				The Mighty Ducks (1992) Emilio Estevez.				CBC News	Undercur	CBC News	:40 Reflect
3		SUPER	3 Ninjas: High Noon at Mega Mountain			The Real Blonde (1997) Catherine Keener.			The X-Files: Fight the Future			Playing God David Duchovny.						:45 Captive
4	4	KOMO	Ed Hume	Garden	News	ABC News	Town Meeting		Principal Takes a Holiday Kevin Nealon.		20/20 Sunday		The Practice		News	Siskel &..		
5	16	KING	3:30Basketball Western Conference Finals NBA		News		Summer Film Preview		Century in Review		Drop Zone (1994) Wesley Snipes.				News	SportMach		
6	7	CHEK	3:Mason:Skin Deep S..		News		AFI		Due South		The Waiting Game Chandra West.				News	7 Days		
7	14	VTV	BreakHigh	SwTValley	Moesha	ZoeD,J&J	News	MasonLee	Pacific	Playhouse	Charmed		The Hunchback of Notre Dame				Forever Knight	
8	8	BCTV	Bushwhacked (1995) Daniel Stern.				News				Seventh Heaven		Touched By An Angel		The Waiting Game Chandra West.		News	News Spt
9	9	KCTS	Workshop	House	Broadway '99		Kathy	Charlotte Church	Sarah Brightman		Roy Orbison and Friends				Jerry Baker		Gardener	
10	23	SRC	3:30Horizns	Branché	Chez nous 99		Ce soir	Découverte	Vie artiste		Les Beaux Dimanches		Cinéma	Pacifiq.	Journal	Spts/Rhapsodie..août		
11	5	KNOW	3:00 Classic Theatre		Heartbeat: Series		:20 Pingu	ArtAttack	Magic Bs	Kratt's C.	Her Majesty		The Buccaneers		Between the Lines		Taking Stock	
13	13	CKVU	In.Track	Computer	Entertain. Tonight		News		60 Minutes		Simpsons	Fam. Guy	X-Files		The Practice		SportPage	Country
15	35	CMT	Country	CMT Songbook		Goldrush	Top 12 Choice		Country	CMT Songbook		Goldrush	Today's New Country		CMT After Hours			
16	38	TLC	How'd They Do That?		History of Las Vegas		History of Bikers		Harley Davidson		History of Las Vegas		History of Bikers		Harley Davidson		Trauma - Life&Death	
17	32	CNN	WrldTod.	SptsT.	CNN & TIME		Celebrate the Century		WrldTod.	Pinnacle	SptsT.	Wk in NBA	Celebrate the Century		CNN & TIME	SptsT.	Managing	
18	40	MM	3:00 Number 1/Number 2 Hit Weekend				Number 1/Number 2 Hit Weekend											
19		FAM	3:3StckWth	Muppets	Franklin	Lulu Show	Clarissa	Believe	KidsPunny	Hello Again (1967) Shely Long.		:05 In Search of the Castaways		:45 Thunder in the City				
20	31	A&E	3:00 Dash and Lilly		Biography		Law & Order		Law & Order		America's Castles		Biography		Law & Order		Law & Order	
21	15	TSN	Muscle	Base Max	Baseball New York Mets vs New York Yankees MLB				Sportsdesk				Golf Women's Open				Sportsdesk	
22	19	VISION	Youngren	Miracles	Gospel	It's a New Day	World	Discovery	Deep Life	Sing Again Songs		B. Gerard Ministies	Catch Fire	Door Hope	John Hagee Today			
23	17	KSTW	Babe Ruth (1991) Stephen Lang.				The Lies Boys Tell (1994) Kirk Douglas.				Maniac Cop (1988) Laurene Landon.				MASH	Cheers	Viper	
24	12	KVOS	Golf Show	Computer	Star Trek		Star Trek: Next Gen.		Seinfeld	NwsRadio	To Serve and Protect		Mortal Combat		The Hunchback of Notre Dame			
25	34	KCPQ	Holy Matrimony (1994) Patricia Arquette.				E.R.		World's Funniest		Simpsons	Fam. Guy	X-Files		Reports/:25 Q It Up		X-Files	
26	20	NEWS	Life & Times of..		Pamela Wallin		Sun. Reprt Schlesi.	The Passionate Eye				Sun. Reprt Pac.Rprt		The Passionate Eye				
27	11	KIRO	Early Edition		News	CBS News	News		60 Minutes		Touched By An Angel		The 53rd Annual Tony Awards				News	:35 Walker
	43	HIST	The Canadians		History of Warfare		Roots		History of Warfare				Roots				History of Warfare	

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2	2	CBC	Raccoons	Wildlife	St. Cent	Simpsons	Broadcast One		Gzowski	Red Green	Dawn of the Eye		New Ice Age: NHL		The National		News	:55 Omerta	
3		SUPER	Movie	Leave it to Beaver			The Peacemaker (1997) George Clooney.			Face Down (1997) Joe Mantegna.			In the Company of Men						:45 Inside
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell		KOMO News		News	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	20/20 Monday		Texas Justice 1/2 (cont'd June 10th)				News	:35 News	
5	16	KING	Oprah Winfrey Show		KING News		Basketball Eastern Conference Finals NBA				Evening Magazine		Hollyw'dS.	Dateline NBC	News	:35 Tonight			
6	7	CHEK	3:30Letterm	Inside Ed.	News	News	News	Love. C.	Hollyw'dS.	S. Susan	K Queens	Raym'nd	Becker	Ally McBeal	News		:40 Club 54		
7	14	VTV	Ellen	Friends	News	Drew	News	Frasier	Friends	Felicity	Love Boat: Next Wave		Dateline NBC		News	Media TV			
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey Show		News	Canada	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Vengeance Unlimited				Ally McBeal	Diagnosis Murder		News	News Spt	
9	9	KCTS	Kratt's C.	Wishbone	Arthur	Business	News	Washington Beautiful	Rainier: The Mountain				The River				KeepApp	Wrld News	
10	23	SRC	Iznogoud	Aladin	Watatatow	Lingo	Pacifiq.	Ce soir	Mr. Bean	La fille de d'Artagnan (1994) Sophie Marceau.				Téléjournal/Point		Ce soir	Sports		
11	5	KNOW	Kratt's C.	Magic Bs	French	French	Nature	Trd Wind	Learning	Chnge Rm	Scattering	Hist.Land	Captain and Queen		The Independent Eye		Dotto's	Learning	
13	13	CKVU	Rosie O'Donnell		The Young & Restless				News	E.T.	Simpsons	Sexiest Commercials		Traders		Any Day Now		SportPage	News
15	35	CMT	CMT Songbook		ScreenRm	Goldrush	Top 12 Choice		CMT Songbook		ScreenRm	Goldrush	CMT Request Line		CMT After Hours				
16	38	TLC	Code 3		Storm Rescue		Sideshows		Mavericks of Science		Storm Rescue		Sideshows		Mavericks of Science		Code 3		
17	32	CNN	3:30Money	Crossfire	CNN & TIME		Larry King Live		The World Today		SptsT.	Moneyline	Larry King Live		CNN & TIME	SptsT.	Moneyline		
18	40	MM	RapCity	VideoFlow	MuchDedications		Video	Megahits	MM Hits		Spotlight	MuchMusic Countdown		Video	MM Hits	VideoFlow			
19		FAM	Clarissa	Blossom	Lulu Show	Aladdin	Pumbaa	Dinosaurs	Brink! (1998)			:35 Flash	Blossom	Muppets	Son of Flubber Fred MacMurray.				
20	31	A&E	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports				Law & Order				Biography				
21	15	TSN	Hockey	Baseball Toronto Blue Jays vs New York Mets MLB				Sportsdesk				WWF Raw is War				Sportsdesk			
22	19	VISION	Callwood's Treasure	Highway to Heaven	Little House Prairie		Skylight	Spirit Con.	Highway	On Roof	Book of the Dead		Skylight	GoodFaith	100 Huntley Street				
23	17	KSTW	CADream	Saved Bell	The Nanny	The Nanny	Baseball Seattle Mariners vs Colorado Rockies MLB				Dilbert	H. Movies	The Sentinel		Frasier	NwsRadio			
24	12	KVOS	3:30Lois &..	Fr.Prince	The Nanny	Home I.	Seinfeld	NwsRadio	Touched By An Angel		Lord Stanley's Cup		Cheers	Cheers 2/2	Seinfeld	Mad You	Cheers	MASH	
25	34	KCPQ	Spiderman	Addams	Judge J.	Judge J.	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	Simpsons	Sexiest Commercials		Ally McBeal	Reports		Mad You	:05 Star Trek: DSN		
26	20	NEWS	New Brunswick Elect.		Sports	C'ntersp.	The National		Pamela Wallin		NewsWorld/:15NwsWrld		National	C'ntersp.	Pamela Wallin		National	Business	
27	11	KIRO	J. Mills	Inside Ed.	KIRO News		News	News	E.T.	Real TV	Cosby	K Queens	Raym'nd	Becker	L.A. Doctors		News	Letterman	
	43	HIST	Spies	Yesterday	Columbus Discovery	The Guccis: A Dynasty Destroyed				The Canadians				The Guccis: A Dynasty Destroyed					

Table with columns for S, P, Time (4:00-11:30), and Channel/Program details for Tuesday Evening June 8.

Table with columns for S, P, Time (8:00-3:30), and Channel/Program details for Weekday Daytime June 2 to June 8.

WEDNESDAY, JUN 2

6:00 PM
3 Dream Breaker (1996,Drama) The last of humanity huddles in an underground shelter playing games. Michael Pare
43 **** Hell is for Heroes (1962,War) A small squadron is told to halt a German attack, and each man risks his life. Steve McQueen, Bobby Darrin
7:00 PM
19 **** The Sword in the Stone (1963,Animated) The story of King Arthur in childhood as he is being instructed by Merlin. Sebastian Cabot, Karl Swenson
8:00 PM
3 Clockwatchers (1997,Comedy) Four mismatched women form an instant bond and are then torn apart. Toni Collette, Parker Posey
9:00 PM
43 **** Hell is for Heroes (1962,War) Steve McQueen, Bobby Darrin
10:00 PM
3 The House of Yes (1997,Comedy) A family has begun to confuse themselves with the Kennedys. Parker Posey, John Hamilton
11:30 PM
19 **** Herbie Goes Bananas (1980,Comedy) Herbie takes part in the celebrated Grande Premio Racing Competition. Harvey Korman, Cloris Leachman
11:30 PM
3 City of Industry (1997,Crime Story) A petty thief recruits his brother to help him with a jewel heist. Harvey Keitel, Stephen Dorff
11:55 PM
2 2 **** The Ghost Goes West (1936,Fantasy) A bombastic American purchases a Scottish castle, unaware that it's haunted. Robert Donat, Eugene Palette
THURSDAY, JUN 3
8:00 PM
3 Captive (1998,Suspense) An ad agency artist becomes involved with a kidnapping scheme. Richard Grieco, Michele Greene
43 **** The Great White Hope (1970,Biography) A black prizefighter's career is destroyed because of racial stereotypes. James Earl Jones, Jane Alexander
7:00 PM
19 **** Last Flight of Noah's Ark (1980,Children) A pilot flies a plane full of animals to an island but he crashes first. Elliot Gould, Genevieve Bujold
8:00 PM
3 **** My Best Friend's Wedding (1997,Comedy) A food critic schemes to break up her best friend's wedding. Julia Roberts, Dermot Mulroney
23 17 Star Command (1996,Sci-Fi) In 2217, six cadet officers endure rigorous of their first training mission. Morgan Fairchild, Chad Everett

9:00 PM

7 14 **** Man Trouble (1992,Comedy) A young woman hires Harry Bliss to protect her from harassment. Jack Nicholson, Ellen Barkin
43 **** The Great White Hope (1970,Biography) James Earl Jones, Jane Alexander
10:00 PM
3 Phantoms (1997,Horror) A reporter, a sheriff and the military fight a mysterious entity in a town. Peter Onorati, Rose McGowan
19 **** Dead Poets Society (1989,Drama) An unorthodox English teacher changes the lives of his students. Robin Williams, Robert Sean Leonard
11:45 PM
3 Silent Trigger (1996,Action) An assassination team are reunited to redeem themselves. Dolph Lundgren, Gina Bellman
11:55 PM
2 2 The Suburbaner (1995,Documentary) A camera follows three groups of guys in the suburbs of Calgary. Joel McNichol, Stephen Spender
FRIDAY, JUN 4
8:00 PM
3 The Spanish Prisoner (1997,Drama) A story involving a businessman, an inventor, a formula and a con game. Steve Martin, Campbell Scott
43 **** The Man Who Would Be King (1975,Adventure) Soldiers try to trick priests in a remote area to turning over all their riches. Sean Connery, Michael Caine
7:00 PM
19 **** Dumbo (1941,Animated) A baby elephant is ridiculed for his large ears, until he discovers he can fly. Sterling Holloway, Edward Brophy
8:00 PM
3 Wild Things (1998,Suspense) A high-school teacher is accused of seducing a student. Matt Dillon, Denise Richards
24 12 **** The Princess Bride (1987,Comedy) A beautiful young woman must be rescued by her one true love from her fiancée. Cary Elwes, Mandy Patinkin
9:00 PM
43 **** The Man Who Would Be King (1975,Adventure) Sean Connery, Michael Caine
9:00 PM
9 9 **** Shadow of the Thin Man (1941,Mystery) A husband-and-wife detective team stumble onto a murder at the racetrack. William Powell, Myrna Loy
3 Scream 2 (1997,Horror) A copycat killer is back to terrorize a college student and a tabloid reporter. Neve Campbell, Courtney Cox
19 The Pirates of Penzance (1985,Drama) An orphan raised by fun loving pirates wants to leave them. Brent Carver, Jeff Hyslop

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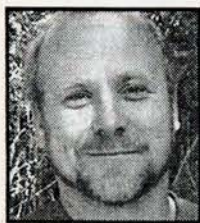
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2 2 **** The Piano (1993,Romance) Mute woman communicates with her piano arrives with her daughter in New Zealand. Holly Hunter, Anna Paquin
SATURDAY, JUN 5
8:00 PM
3 Twilight (1998,Suspense) A recovering alcoholic looks after aging stars and is drawn into murder. Paul Newman, Susan Sarandon
20 31 Dash and Lilly (1999,Romance) Trace the passionate and tragic love affair between Helman and Hammett. Sam Shepard, Judy Davis
43 **** The Longest Day (1962,War) A brilliant retelling of the Allied invasion of Normandy. John Wayne, Rod Steiger
7:00 PM
19 **** The Champ (1979,Action) An ex-fighter is forced to return to the ring in an attempt to keep his son. Jon Voight, Faye Dunaway
8:00 PM
3 My Giant (1998,Comedy) A talent agent keeps a seven-foot man to American to be his next star client. Billy Crystal, George H. W. Bush
23 17 **** Extreme Justice (1993,Crime Story) Renegade cop caught in crossfire after being recruited to special unit. Lou Diamond Phillips, Scott Glenn
24 12 **** The Verdict (1982,Drama) A Boston lawyer is given a difficult malpractice case. Paul Newman, Charlotte Rampling
8:30 PM
19 **** Dead Poets Society (1989,Drama) An unorthodox English teacher changes the lives of his students. Robin Williams, Robert Sean Leonard
9:00 PM
43 **** The Longest Day (1962,War) John Wayne, Rod Steiger
9:05 PM
19 **** The Harder They Fall (1955,Drama) Press agent learns about prizefighters. Humphrey Bogart, Rod Steiger
10:00 PM
20 31 Dash and Lilly (1999,Romance) Sam Shepard, Judy Davis
3 Starship Troopers (1997,Action) Legions of giant bugs terrorize a squadron of troopers sent to destroy them. Denise Richards, Casper Van Dien
11:00 PM
2 2 Conquest of the Air (1940,Drama) History of aviation and huge variety of man's attempts to master powered flight. Laurence Olivier, Franklyn Dyal
19 Blizet's Dream (1994,Drama) Story of a young piano student who learns from a composer working on an opera. Maurice Godin, Brittany Madgett

SUNDAY, JUN 6

6:00 PM
3 The Real Blonde (1997,Comedy) An aspiring N.Y. actor struggles to sort out his professional and personal life. Catherine Keener, Daryl Hannah
23 17 The Lies Boys Tell (1994,Drama) An 80-year-old man's last request: to die in the bed in which he was born in. Kirk Douglas, Craig T. Nelson
7:00 PM
4 4 Principal Takes a Holiday (Drama) Frankster must make it through senior year without demerits to claim \$10,000. Kevin Nealon, Zachery Ty Bryan
7:30 PM
19 **** Hello Again (1967,Comedy) A woman dies and causes trouble when she is brought back to life. Shelly Long, Gabriel Byrne
8:00 PM
2 2 **** The Mighty Ducks (1992,Comedy) A young attorney is ordered to do community service work after his arrest. Emilio Estevez, Joss Ackland
3 The X-Files: Fight the Future (1998,Sci-Fi) Two FBI agents search for a deadly virus that threatens life on Earth. David Duchovny, Gillian Anderson
23 17 **** Maniac Cop (1988,Horror) Series of brutal mutilation murders are committed by a vigilante officer. Laurence London, Richard Roundtree
9:00 PM
15 16 **** Drop Zone (1994,Crime Story) A U.S. Marshal finds himself on the trail of a crack team of stunt skydivers. Wesley Snipes, Gary Busey
3 7 8 The Waiting Game (Mystery) Strangers enter the lives of two women creating mystery and romance. Chandra West, Chris Potter
7 14 The Hunchback of Notre Dame (1997,Drama) Hunchback Quasimodo is taken in by priest named Dom Frolo. Salma Hayek, Edward Atterton
9:05 PM
19 **** In Search of the Castaways (1962,Adventure) Children help a professor look for their missing father who needs help. Maurice Chevalier, Hayley Mills
10:00 PM
24 12 **** The Hunchback of Notre Dame (1997,Drama) The classic tale about the hunchback of Notre Dame, named Quasimodo. Charles Laughton, Thomas Mitchell
3 Playing God (1997,Suspense) A former surgeon becomes wrapped up with a criminal and his girlfriend. David Duchovny, Timothy Hutton
10:45 PM
19 **** Thunder in the City (1937,Classic) An American promoter meets the owners of a Rhodesian mine. Edward G. Robinson, Miguel Bruce
11:45 PM
3 Captive (1998,Suspense) An ad agency artist becomes involved with a kidnapping scheme. Richard Grieco, Michele Greene

MONDAY, JUN 7
8:00 PM
3 The Peacemaker (1997,Action) A Colonel sets out to stop a terrorist who has hijacked a nuclear warhead. George Clooney, Nicole Kidman
7:00 PM
19 Brink! (1998,Drama) An inline skater deserts his friends to join up with a sponsored team.
8:00 PM
3 Face Down (1997,Suspense) A night of passion with a new client gets an investigator involved in murder. Joe Mantegna, Kellu Maroney
9:00 PM
4 4 Texas Justice (Drama) Millionaire's trial for murdering two people and attempting to murder another. Peter Strauss, Heather Locklear
10:00 PM
3 In the Company of Men (1997,Drama) Two businessmen play a cruel hoax on a deaf female employee. Aaron Eckhart, Matt Malloy
19 **** Star Command (1996,Sci-Fi) A professor uses a rubber by-product to control the weather. Fred MacMurray, Nancy Olson
8:00 PM
3 Inside (1996,Drama) A former prisoner interrogates a ruthless colonel. Lou Gossett Jr., Eric Stoltz
TUESDAY, JUN 8
8:00 PM
3 Virus (1996,Action) The U.S. government tries to cover up a virus spill by killing the victims. Brian Bosworth, Leah Pinsent
8:00 PM
3 Krippendorf's Tribe (1998,Comedy) An man recruits his kids to take a film about a fictitious lost tribe. Richard Dreyfuss, Jenna Elfman
9:00 PM
6 7 **** Pie in the Sky (1995,Comedy) A man pursues his love and his career dream of being a traffic reporter. Josh Charles, Anne Heche
27 11 Barbara Taylor Bradford's Everything to Gain (1999,Drama) Relationship between an art director and the head of an agency turns to romance. Sean Young, Charles Shaughnessy
10:00 PM
3 Paperback Romance (1997,Romance) A novelist falls for a jewelry dealer who has a few dark secrets. Gia Carides, Anthony Lapaglia
19 **** One Little Indian (1973,Drama) After his fellow soldiers kill his Indian wife, a man deserts the army. James Garner, Vera Miles
11:30 PM
3 Los Locos: Posse Rides Again (1997,Comedy) A gang is made up of a band of crazy people. Mario Van Peebles, Tom Dorfmeister

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SCORPION SMILE: It was all smiles for members of the local high school soccer team following a pivotal 2-1 win over Little Flower on the opening day of the B.C. AA championships at Portlock Park. It was GISS' second straight win of the tournament and assured them the school's best-ever finish.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Island gets full points for politeness, but darn those 'all over road' cyclists

By MIKE LEVIN
Driftwood Staff

Some of them came prepared, some came late and some weren't even sure where they had ended up.

"Someone told me Salt Spring was beside Victoria, but then we got on this boat and came to an island. I thought this was very weird," said Alicia Forland, one of the Smithers team that travelled from north-central B.C.

"After a few days I noticed it was an artistic community like Smithers, except that it is so hot here."

She should have been here two weekends ago.

For many of the 16 girls high school soccer teams, Salt Spring has been pretty much of a rumour, a place where people are supposed to be relaxed and friendly.

The myth was fulfilled for some, and exploded for others.

"My family came here once a long time ago, and we stayed at St. Mary Lake with a whole bunch of nice people. This time I've enjoyed it even more because of how beautiful the place still is," said Yonda McAulliffe from the Thomas Haney squad out of Maple Ridge.

For Lenny Keyes, the welcome was less than ecstatic.

Keyes drove the bus that brought Kamloops Secondary and J. Peterson out of the Okanagan.

"I can't say I'm all that happy to be driving this big thing here because no one gives you a break. I've found people to be inconsiderate," he said. "And the cyclists;

they're all over the road. It's a wonder they're not getting crushed all the time."

Still, the players seemed to have a good time, even without a beer garden. They'd spend four hours each day on the field and the rest of the time crowding Thrifty's deli counter looking for food.

Barb's Buns, Embe Bakery and GVM were also favourite spots, although players would elect one representative to go make the purchases.

"We don't want people to think we're pigs," said Forland.

In the end there were some teams who never really had a chance at placing high, and most didn't care.

Perhaps Khya Saban had the best time of all. The Nakusp goalie arrived with the rest of her team so exhausted that she wasn't sure what to make of the whole scene.

Nakusp held its graduation exercises Saturday evening. At 9 p.m. the players had loaded into vans to make the seven-hour drive to the coast, arriving at Tsawwassen at 4:30 a.m.

Even the first boat to Swartz could only place the team at Fernwood School Sunday morning at 11:10 a.m., minutes before they faced off against GISS.

With the game just under way, Saban surveyed the sky, let out a big sigh and asked the photographer standing a few feet away, "Are those eagles up there? I've never seen eagles."

The Scorpions scored seconds

later in the first of a five-goal deluge. Saban groaned, picked herself up and added, "God, eagles are beautiful."

As the game finished, the fans applauded both teams.

Saban turned again to ask, "Is this like the opera or something? People here are so polite. I love Salt Springs (sic)."

The 17-year-old may not have got the name right, but she certainly captured the mood of 269 other players who now have a taste for what this island really is.

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Salt Spring Island YOUTH SOCCER ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, June 7th, 1999
GISS Library • 7:00 pm

• The AGM is open to ALL parents who have a child or children playing soccer on Saltspring. We will be discussing rules and regulations, registration, dates of interest, coaches and elections of Executives. Hope to see you there. If you require any further information, please call Deb Anglos 537-9870

THEORY 1:

August 7 & 8 Portlock Park. This is open to all coaches, parents of soccer, baseball, basketball and other sports. This is very informative. For further information & registration, please call the Parks & Rec office 537-4448.

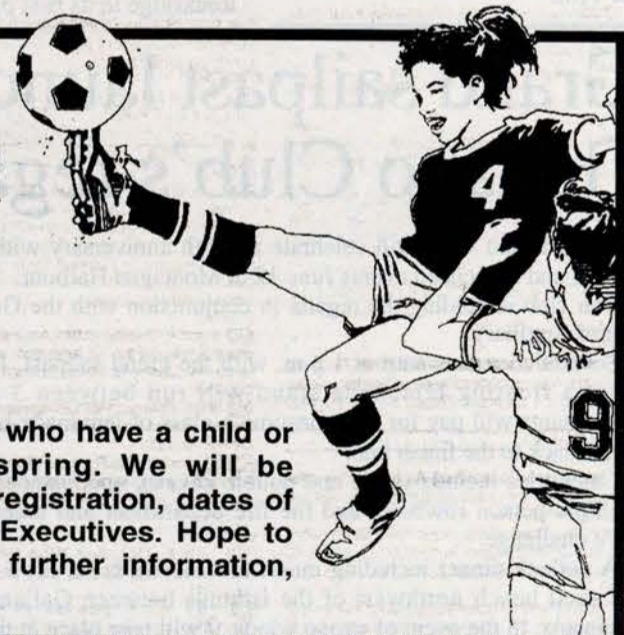
SOCCER GEAR EXCHANGE:

Portlock Park (portable) August 14th, 9 - 3pm. This is a great opportunity for anyone to sell or purchase cleats, shin pads. We have shorts & socks for sale.

REFEREE LEVEL 3 / 4:

August 27 & 28 Portable at Portlock. Open to all soccer players, parents and team officials. This is sponsored by the soccer association. For further information & registration please call Deb Anglos 537-9870. (age requirements are 14 & older)

Saltspring Island Youth Soccer Executive would like to thank the following for helping us have a wonderful 1998-99 Soccer Season: Thrifty Foods, Ganges Village Market, School Bus Drivers Parks & Rec., BC Ferries, Ganges Stationary, all those in our community who help by purchasing raffle tickets and/or donating bottle/cans for our bottle drives. Special thanks to all those coaches, assistant coaches, managers, phoners, drivers, concession. Without your commitment, dedication and time we would not have had the success that we did this year. We look forward to your participation next season. Have a great summer!



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Foursome is tops at McColl tourney

The quartet of Dave McColl, Ralph Tenhave, Alice Richards and Mike Verge put together a Texas Scramble score of 23 to top the field at the third annual Lee McColl Challenge Cup golf tournament Sunday at Blackburn Meadows Golf Club.

Dan Bird took closest-to-the-pin honours on the third hole while Pam Ellacott took it on the seventh.

Target winners included Judy Clarke on the second hole and Blaine Johnson on the ninth.

In other golf news:
 • Melanie Iverson shot a sizzling 88 to top the field May 25 during 18-hole women's league action at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club.

Dee Hooton and Pam Ellacott were close behind at 90.

Janet Butler took low-net honours and the Brooks Cup with her 67, while Pat Lavender was three strokes behind at 70.

Grace Murchie's putting total of 27 topped the field.

In ladies nine-hole action Wednesday, Alice Richards' 51 was the score to beat while Vi Austin carded a 36.5 low-net winner.

Mildred Gurney was best on the greens with 14 putts.

Fred Lyhne took a nine-stroke win over the field during men's day results Thursday at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club.

Lyhne marked a low-net 57 for his second honey pot win in a row.

Bill Haworth marked a 66 while Leo Dooling and Bill Bauman carded 69s.

Fred Broadbent's drive on the 15th hole couldn't have come any closer to the pin when the golfer recorded a hole-in-one.

Other KPs went to Gary Coulter on the second hole, Bruce Kirwin on the sixth and Larry Davies on the 11th.



ON THE FLY: At left, Scorpions' Kyla Dares tries to outdistance a Little Flower defender in a game that GISS went on to win 2-1, while at right, GISS' Kate McNair pushes the ball past the



outstretched arms of Nakusp goalie Khya Saban during the teams' opening match Sunday at the B.C. AA high school soccer championships.

Photos by Mike Levin and Derrick Lundy

Westsyde takes provincial cup

The B.C. AA senior girls soccer championships were really decided in the semi-finals when Kamloops Westsyde upset Kamloops Secondary School 2-0 Monday.

The gold medal game Tuesday was not much more than a formality, with Westsyde scooting easily past Langley's Mountain by a 4-2 score at GISS.

Kamloops Secondary downed West Vancouver's Rockridge 6-2 to earn the bronze medal.

The winners had gone through round-robin play undefeated at 3-0-0 until stumbling in its first playoff.

Rockridge took its pool with a 1-2-0 record but had to settle for fourth place.

Westsyde lost three league games to its cross-town rival before taking the city championship and the province's number-one ranking two weeks before the tournament.

The gold-medal winners started slowly in pool play and finished with a 2-1-0 record.

But they gathered steam in the semi-final and exploded for four first-half goals in the final, before playing out the clock.

Mountain gained the championship game with a 3-0-0 record in pool play and a relatively easy 6-1 victory over West Vancouver's Rockridge in its first playoff.

The host GISS Scorpions ended in seventh place by recording a tight 1-0 decision over Langley (see cover story).

Ladysmith earned fifth place in the province by bouncing highly-touted Lambrick Park 4-1. The Victoria champion ended in sixth.

Kamloops' J. Peterson took ninth

with a 6-1 victory over Duchess Park, which finished 10th.

Eleventh spot went to Vancouver's Little Flower on a 3-2 decision over Thomas Haney. The Maple Ridge school finished 12th.

Smithers blanked Columneetza 3-0 to take 13th and Fernie beat Nakusp 2-0 to earn 15th spot.

Grand sailpast launches Galiano Club's regatta

The Galiano Club will celebrate its 75th anniversary with a day-long regatta and associated events June 12 at Montague Harbour.

The club is holding the regatta in conjunction with the Galiano Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Scheduled events start at 1 p.m. with the grand sailpast. Races to and from a floating lemonade stand will run between 3 and 5 p.m. Contestants will pay for and consume a glass of lemonade before a final sprint back to the finish line.

Categories include single and double kayaks, open canoes, single and multiple-person rowboats and the fire department and ambulance crew open challenge.

A potluck dinner including music and theatre is set for 5 to 8 p.m. at the shell beach northwest of the isthmus between Galiano and Gray Peninsula. In the event of strong winds, it will take place at the inner harbour.

For more information, call Robin Ridington at 539-3095.

F.C. heads to Prince George for Recreational Cup tourney

Salt Spring FC has been given the nod to represent its region in June's B.C. Recreation Cup set for the 11-13th in Prince George.

The event used to be part of the B.C. Summer Games until the sport was separated out several years ago.

Other teams taking part come from Terrace, Williams Lake, the Okanagan, the Kootenays, Burnaby and Richmond.

FC earned its spot with a strong showing in Vancouver Island's Challenge Cup playoffs in April.

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Island students compete

Salt Spring students dominated the younger events but Outer Islands competitors were front and centre in the older categories Wednesday at the Grade 6-9 Gulf Islands track and field championships on Mayne Island.

Individual awards went to the top athletes in each grade.

Mayne's Tyler Cocker, Josh Dunn and Colin Brown came first, second and third, respectively, among Grade 9 boys.

Kadet Okuda took first place in Grade 9 girls, while Emily Bond and April Goebel tied for second and Thea Wood came third. All were from Gulf Islands Secondary School.

In the Grade 8 boys division, Riley Coburn of Galiano came first followed by Jason Hammuda of Mayne and Derrick Sylvie of Galiano.

In Grade 8 girls, Martina Nowak and Sarah Elliot, both from Pender, tied for first while Katie Jones of Mayne and Jen Sturgeon of Pender tied for second.

Alicia DeRousie of Mayne came third.

In Grade 7 boys action, Pender's Luke Strohacker took first and was followed by Evan Hartman of Galiano and Jon Korinth of Mayne.

Grade 7 girls were topped by Marla Hume of Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS). Sarah Larson of SIMS and Ria Okuda of Galiano came second and third.

Grade 6 boys were led by Jesse Hrančuk of Galiano while middle school athletes Adam Ruddell and Will Shedlock came second and third.

The Grade 6 girls' placings were dominated by SIMS competitors.

Becky Acheson came first, Brittany Woods second and Jenny Bull third.

Mayne athletes qualify for island event

Ten Mayne Island students qualified for the Vancouver Island track and field championships Wednesday and Thursday at mid-island competition in Chemainus.

The islands will be held Tuesday in Nanaimo.

Tyler Cocker led all fields with spots in the 800- and 1,500-metre races and the high jump.

He set a personal best in the high jump with a mark of 1.64 m to edge out Josh Dunn for first place. Cocker also pre-qualified in the pole vault and 100-m hurdles.

Dunn set a personal best of 1.57 m and earned berths in the high jump, long jump and 200-m.

Colin Brown will take part in the islands in the discus event.

Diana Hammuda will compete in the 200-m, shot put and discus.

Katharine Hennebery earned her spot in the 200-m while Meaghan Redpath will take part in the discus.

Jason Hammuda got the nod for the 400-m and Eric Goodman will take part in both the shot and discus.

Alicia DeRousie will compete in the 800-m and Natalie Schogl takes on the discus event.



TOP OF THE WORLD: Members of Salt Spring's judo club pose outside their new, under-construction dojo facility located at coach Shaun Adams's Ganges Hill home.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

New judo club dojo grows on Ganges Hill

By mid-July Shaun Adams should have his dojo operating fully.

The judo-instruction facility is under construction near the foot of Ganges Hill and will comprise a 36-by-44-foot workout area as well as a private workshop.

Adams is the coach of the highly successful Salt Spring Judo Club and has been trying to get a training facility for his athletes for many years.

"There are no facilities such as these on Salt Spring. Even getting time in the schools is very expensive," he said.

"With the dojo a part of my home, the kids have a place to train without costing the public a penny."

Adams has done the general contractor's job, using local trades

to build the studio.

Financing will come from his students' monthly instruction fees.

A nearby 500-square-foot cottage to be used as a B&B is being built by the itinerant construction class of Jack Buchanan at North Delta Secondary School.

Buchanan's classes have built several structures throughout the Gulf Islands to gain experience.

Adams says his zoning only allows for an in-home occupation so the building will only be used for judo training.

"We've had dozens of people stop by to ask what it was we were building," Adams says of the distinctive yellow buildings. "I've heard rumours it was to be an ice rink or a tennis court. All it's going to be is mats and a bathroom."

Top golfers named in Blackburn events

Leslie David carded a low-net 24 to top the field during Blackburn Meadows Golf Club's regular Tuesday night competition.

Doug Wellington chipped in with a men's-best low net of 25, and Bruce Coulter earned closest-to-the-pin honours.

May 19 Braden Dragomir took his second-straight junior tournament win with a 41 at the club.

Koby Anderson had low-net honours with 24.

Dragomir and Bryan Hunsberger tied for closest to the centre line on the eighth hole.

Bill Sorrell's 28 was the top low-net score May 18, while Trudy Sloan recorded the best women's score with a 34.5.

Closest-to-the-pin honours went to Coulter and Sloan.



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The purpose of the APC is to advise on all matters referred to it by the SSILTC respecting land use, community planning, or proposed bylaws and permits. Further information regarding the role of the APC may be obtained at the Ganges office of the Islands Trust.

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Beals one bloop away from perfect pitching

Cam Beals will always remember a bloop single that came in the final inning of his team's Babe Ruth game Thursday.

It had no outcome on the final score but it was the one hit that Beals gave up en route to a 12-0 victory over Duncan Tigers in Duncan.

The chip shot yanked the Salt Spring pitcher's chances for a perfect game as Beals served up a seven-inning, seven-strikeout gem.

He was well-supported on offence by a four-RBI evening from Mason Scott on a home run and double.

Dustin Little added three RBIs with a double and single while Kyle Wilkinson pitched in two with a two-run double.

Dylan Sayer also had a great game at the plate with a single and a triple.

The team's next home game is Thursday, 6 p.m., at Portlock Park.

Baseball volunteers needed for tourney

The Salt Spring Minor Baseball Association will be holding its year-end tournament June 19.

The association's executive is looking for volunteers to help with the event.

Anyone wishing to help can contact Dorothy Kyle at 537-9337.

Bambinos out on top of double-header event

Akerman's Re\Max bambinos are discovering generosity can reap rewards.

After lending Chemainus Millstone a shortstop for a double-header Saturday in Chemainus, the Salt Springers went on to sweep both ends by scores of 18-6 and 14-9.

In the first, Brook Speed drove in three runs with a triple and Corry Magnusson stroked a grand slam in the second as Salt Spring ran up a 9-0 lead.

Gordie Akerman added a solo

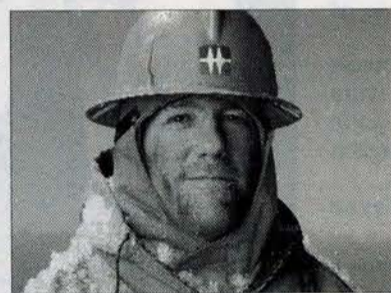
homer to help complete the rout.

Matt Haydon, Julian Hazenboom and Scott Eastholm shared the mound win.

The nightcap was a great deal closer with Chemainus holding a 9-7 lead heading into the final inning.

But with its offence in full gear from hitters like Paul Magnusson, Kelly Portingale, Lee Cameron and Kevin Brazier, the bambino islanders rebounded with seven runs to secure the win.

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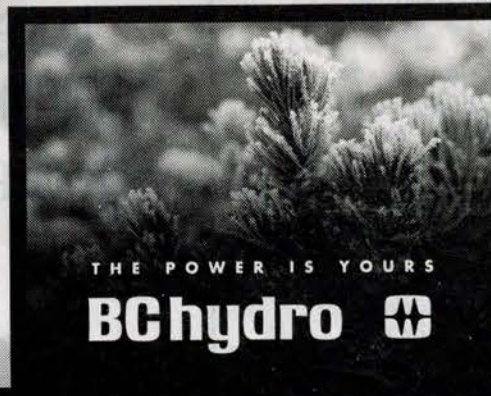


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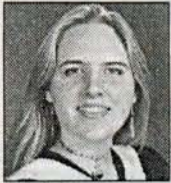
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SPOTLIGHT ON GRADUATES



Erin Bettiger

Erin, who likes singing, smoking and smiling, wants to find a dream career and then fall in love and live on a tropical beach.



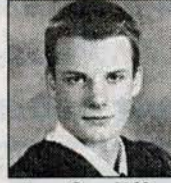
Bobbi-Jo Basarab

Bobbi-Jo looks forward to travel, marriage, a bunch of babies and a rich and happy life.



Tarrie Bath

Tarrie's ambition is to move to Victoria and become a hair-dresser before moving on to Hawaii.



Joe Cunliffe

Joe, who likes sailing, basketball, travel and relaxing, intends to become a lawyer.



Leisel Bettis

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Sarah Becklake

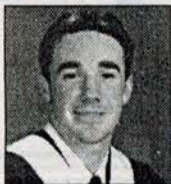
Sarah likes people, places and reading. She wants to work and travel throughout the world.

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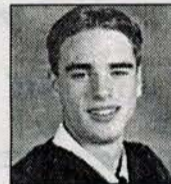
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Santih Buchan

Santih, whose interests include partying, soccer and women, intends to travel "and see where life takes me."



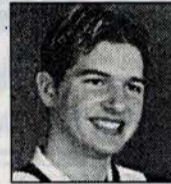
Manuel Landry

Manuel wants to go to Mexico for New Year's 2000, go to college and eventually on to university.



Travis Kennedy

Travis' plans are to circumnavigate the world, raise a family, own a greenhouse operation and retire before 60.



Robert Bergsman

Robert's ambitions: travel to Australia, skydive, own a car, get a good job and go to college or enter the forces.



Stephanie Collette

Stephanie is a soccer and track and field enthusiast who wants to become a primary teacher.



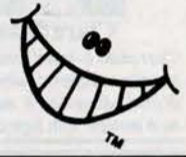
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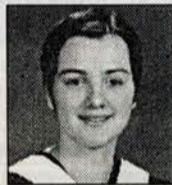
Autumn Fowles

Autumn plans to attend university and become a high school English and socials studies teacher.



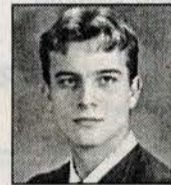
Patricia Bielicki

Patricia wants to prove that girls can do anything guys can by becoming "the best chick mechanic ever."



Katharina Blanke

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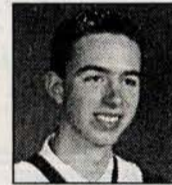
Adam Brooker

Adam wants to settle somewhere exotic and tropical after designing famous buildings and/or structures.



Clarissa Brooker

After travelling in Australia, Clarissa wants to attend BCIT to study architecture and then marry a "hot buff man."



Peter Millerd

Peter's interests include sports and watching Seinfeld reruns. He intends to live life without regrets.

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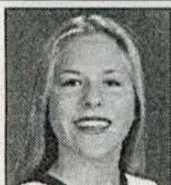
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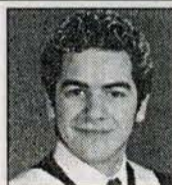
Kate McNair

Kates wants to explore the world and paint everything she experiences, Soccer, art and the ocean are her interests.



Lisa Howell

Lisa, who loves meeting new people, wants to leave Salt Spring, travel and help those who are less fortunate.



Alex Bunyan

Alex, whose interests are volleyball and star-watching, wants to become a teacher and be happy.



Kathryn Burke

Kathryn wants to: travel the world, go the art school, record an album, buy a tropical island and live long and prosperously.



Sarah Cameron

Sarah wants to: travel to Italy and go to an opera, get a degree in education and teach in a warm country.



Aleta Schma

Aleta, who likes boating, music and anything scientific, plans to attend university and "live without regrets."

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Victoria Littlewood

Victoria's ambitions include travel and a career in either performing arts or the medical field.



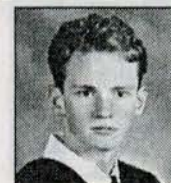
Shaun Carmichael

Shawn wants to travel to Mexico and South America and enjoy life to its fullest.



Jason Johnston

Jason's plans include becoming a video game programmer, making lots of money, buying Microsoft and firing Bill Gates.



Nick Choquette

Nick likes swing dancing and plans to take it up to the "deepest depth." He also wants to make a lot of money and buy a BMW.



Abey Clark

Abey wants to "travel where the monkeys run free" before going to university to study nutrition or psychology.



Jennifer Wahl

Jennifer wants to travel with friends, return to school and find work, and be happy and successful at all she does.

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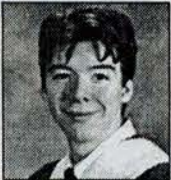
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Brianna Crowe

Brianna looks forward to moving off Pender, living somewhere hot and far-away and staying happy.



Nicolas De Menten

Nicholas's ambitions are to travel in an old Volkswagan van and go down Niagara Falls on a blow-up doll.



Theresa Grimmer

Information not available at press-time



Freja Wilkie

Freja wants to dress the rich and famous with her own clothing company and own an island in the Caribbean.



Maeghan Dunn

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Jennie Rittberg

Travelling, great conversations and bagels are Jennie's interests. She wants to be the first person to set foot on Mars.

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Colin Beamish

Colin aims to achieve a high level of success in everything he does, and enjoy life. Travel is also an ambition.



Dar Kinnear

Baseball, rollerblading and cars are at the top of the list of things that interest Dar, who's undecided about his future.



Shannon Lercher

Information not available at press-time



Nicole Rennie

Nicole, who loves outdoor activities, plans to travel to France, and go to university to become a teacher.



Jamie Wilkinson

Jamie, who enjoys making money and playing soccer, wants to own a sporting goods store, and take orders from no one.



Wesley Walls

Wes plans to become "an incredibly famous" screenwriter and director and win an Oscar or two.

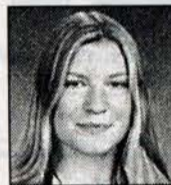
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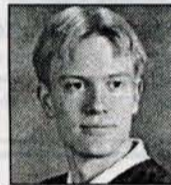
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Clare Marks

Clare plans to travel around the world, experience different cultures, fulfill her desired adventures & most of all live each moment with happiness.



Matthew Simpson

Matt's future ambitions are simple: to get off the rock and pursue a higher education.



Suzi Gay

Suzie intends to get the travel bug out of her system before discovering her passions and having a beautiful family.



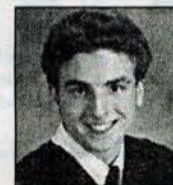
Phaedra Godchild

Phaedra, who is thinking of becoming a nutritionist, wants to see the world and be happy and successful.



Mandu Goebel

Mandu, who likes soccer, fishing and hiking, plans to play pro soccer, travel around the world and marry a "hot" wife.



Sam Shea

Sam, who enjoys watching movies and partying, wants to find work in an exciting field and make a little money.

So proud of you Clare
"You did it!"
LOVE MUM AND DAD

The staff at the Cinema wishes Matt all the best
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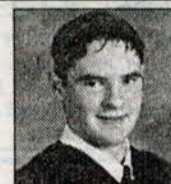
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Oscar Venter

Oscar wants to climb Mount Everest and get rich and use the money to better the world.



Andrew Bingham

Travel, college and designing and building a log house are in Andrew's future plans.



Eryn Hawkins

Eryn plans a year-long exchange in Portugal before attending university to study psychology and/or social work.



Amber Hutchings

Amber looks forward to travelling around the world, a degree in visual arts, and complete happiness.



Chris Johnson

Chris like snowboarding, riding bikes, partying and cars. He plans to work for a years before returning to school.



Matthew King

Matt want to complete a degree in engineering and then travel around the world. He likes judo, kayaking and sailing.

Congratulations to all Grads!
BLIZZ TO YOU!

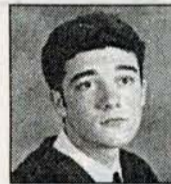


Andrew, We are very Proud of you. May your future hold happiness, laughter and great adventures. May Peace, Love, Joy & Spirit be with you always. GOD BLESS YOU, your Mum and Gran Bingham

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David Rokeby-Thomas
David's ambitions include travelling, making a six-figure salary and living a life of pleasure and happiness.



Stephanie King

Information not available at press-time



Steven Kirk

Steven's ambitions include travel, and owning a million-dollar company and becoming a pro boxer.



Jordan Landry

Jordan's interests are basketball and snowboarding. He wants to travel to Mexico and have "a good, full life."



Jennifer Lannan

Jennifer wants to study theatre and film and eventually become a famous filmmaker.



Genevieve Laronde

Information not available at press-time

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All our love and best wishes for the future!
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Sheila Johnson

Thanks for your support, & Good Luck!
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Launi Legg

Launi wants "to play soccer forever...find an awesome job and make lots of money."



Molly Lynes-Ford

Molly wants to "dip a toe in each of the seven seas," and perhaps to some teaching or medicine on the side.



Savona Lyon

Savona, who chief interests is her horse, wants to be a horse broker and be surrounded by awesome friends.



Fields Machattie

Fields' interests include origami, paintball, fireworks and computers. His ambition is to become a surgeon.



Aryn Machell

Aryn, whose hobbies include martial arts and piano, wants to travel and become an architect.



Kristie Marcotte

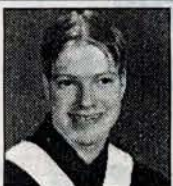
Kristie wants to move off Salt Spring and travel. Law enforcement or working with animals are appealing.

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Jonah Marshall
Jonah likes cars, work and money and wants to study major appliance repair at Camosun College.



Joshua Marshall
Information not available at press-time



Keanu Meyers
Keanu likes basketball and food. His ambition: to consume 18 lbs. of beef in one sitting.



Robin Bardon
Robin plans to study for a bachelor of commerce at SFU in the fall but next year wants to take a year off and travel.



Matthew Miller
After attending BCIT, Matthew wants to own a company developing revolutionary computer software.



Robin Morris
Robin looks forward to leaving Salt Spring in the fall, travelling to tropical places and studying early childhood education.

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Best luck!



Joelle Morrison
Joelle, who likes playing soccer, wants to get off Salt Spring and "into the real world," and travel and meet new people.



Jeffrey Nawrot
Jeff, who likes the rodeo, soccer, women and his car, looks forward to wealth, power and fame as a lawyer or teacher.



Monica Page
Monica, who enjoys being outdoors, wants to travel the world and lead a long and happy life.



Katy Parsons
Katy, who enjoys everything about life, would love to teach kindergarten before raising a family.



Sara Pearson
Sara enjoys art, music and friends, and would like to travel around the world before settling down.

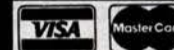


Geoffrey Purdon
Geoff likes working at cars, Friday nights and paycheques. He wants to move off the island and travel to somewhere hot.

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Erica Rico
Erica, likes singing, smoking and laughing, wants to travel with her boyfriend and live on her own tropical island.



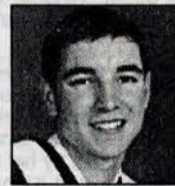
Claire Eide
Claire like art, music and writing, and plans a trip to Europe next fall before returning to study at Camosun.



Asha Robertson
Asha, who likes looking for adventure, wants to pursue a career in the arts and explore the world.



Avery Rudolph
Avery wants to work in forestry development or on a cruise ship "and make more money than I can count."



Tritan Scarfo
Information not available at press-time



Michael Trump
Mike plans to study criminology at SFU and look for a career in forensics, as well as travel in Canada, Scotland and Ireland.

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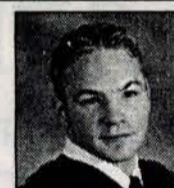
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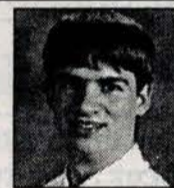
Corry Schwagly
Travel is in Corry's future as she wants to become a flight attendant and see the world for the rest of her life.



Charles Weiss
Chuck enjoys "adrenaline/soul sports" such as snowboarding and windsurfing and intends "to go somewhere in life."



Aslan Sinclair
Aslan's ambition is to become a successful criminal lawyer.



Aaron Singbeil
Aaron likes hiking, biking and writing poetry. He plans to live, love, write poetry and have fun.



Hannah Smith
Soccer, writing and music are the things that interest Hannah, who wants to travel and live a long time.



Malika Smith
Malika, who likes "getting as brown as I possibly can," wants to move to Australia and then travel the world.

CANADIAN PIZZA
2 FOR 1
Congratulations to Corry & Chuck and the rest of the Grad Class of '99.

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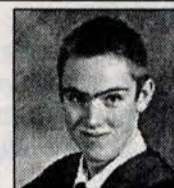


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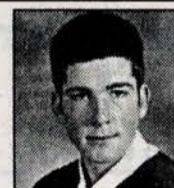
Robin Smith
Robin enjoys acting, reading, writing and role playing and looks forward to a career in acting.



Sean Smith
Sean is crazy about travelling and wants to be wealthy enough to travel the globe and lucky enough to share it with someone.



Shayla Sneade
Shayla plans to move to Vancouver and work before taking a degree in nursing at BCIT.



Graham Spencer
Graham plans to study film at Capilano College, where he has been accepted into the professional film studies program.



Sheila Stacey
Sheila looks forward to travelling, getting rich, and "eventually going to school and becoming smart."



Leslie Hamilton
Leslie, who is apprenticing to become an equine hoof care specialist, plans to set up an equine rescue centre.

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Maia Vaillancourt
Maia will go to Switzerland to be an au pair for three children before studying pediatrics or midwifery.



Tanisha Van Pelt
Tanisha intends to start a health clinic, work until she's loaded and retire early on her own Caribbean island.



Mandy Vander Kloof
Information not available at press-time



Lara Yeo
Lara likes having coffee with friends, hiking and art. She wants to become a massage therapist and travel the world.



Stefan Ziwicki
Stefan likes music and cars, and plans to take a year off and travel before going to college.

GRADUATES MISSING:
Candace Buckler
Kathryn Buttery
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Announcements

6 DEATHS

RAPOSO, MARIA de Lurdes - Passed away on Saturday, May 29, 1999 in her 59th year. Maria Raposo, dearly beloved wife of the late Venicio. Dearly beloved mother of Maria de Conceicao (Ronald), Joao Eduardo (Diane), Maria de Fatima and Ricardo Alberto (Elisabete). Fondly remembered by her two grandsons Miles and Mason. She will be sadly missed by her sister Maria de Fatima (John) and her brother Antonio da Costa (Donaria), her nieces, nephews and many friends. Prayers will be offered at Our Lady of Fatima Roman Catholic Church, 4635 Elk Lake Drive, Victoria, B.C. on Wednesday, June 2, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, June 3, 1999 at 10:00 a.m., Reverend Father Manuel Cardoso, celebrant. Interment to follow at the Royal Oak Burial Park. As expressions of sympathy, donations in Maria's memory may be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association, 276-2950 Douglas Street, Victoria, V6J 1K1. Sands of Victoria, "A tradition of trust".

GLENN, P. MARION, April 18, 1942 - May 28, 1999, passed away peacefully at Lady Minto Hospital early Friday after a short battle with cancer. She will be dearly missed by her two daughters Christine and Kathryn Rush, her father Ernest Jenkins, aunt Ethel Youds of Qualicum, cousin Colleen Shantz (Lorne), sister-in-law Donna Jenkins, niece Deanna Kitchen (Brian), nephew Ian Jenkins (Kim), grand-nephews Derek and Graham Kitchen, grand-niece Haley Jenkins. She will also be sadly missed by the family of Ann Parker and Alex and Alana Parker-Patrick of Vancouver.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

THE GRAD CLASS of '99 extends their sincere thanks to the many community businesses and members who have contributed to safe grad. We couldn't have done it without your support!

THANK YOU to everyone for your kind thoughts, incredible generosity, loving support and your healing prayers. You have all made me feel so very special through my recent health crisis. Especially thank you to my husband Jim and my son Peter. Carol Spencer.

THE FAMILY of Marion Glenn would like to express our sincere gratitude to all of the nurses at Lady Minto Hospital, Doctor Holly Slakov, the Bessie Dane Foundation and Hospice and the Home Support Service Society. All of you were so helpful in this very difficult time and made everything easier for Mum and the family. Thank you.

OUR HATS OFF TO YOU!

Salt Spring Volunteer Firefighters would like to thank Salt Springers in helping us raise \$5400 for the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign

Special thanks to our sponsors: Mouat's, Thrifty's & G.V.M. for their generous support.

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10 CELEBRATIONS

Gosh John



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1/2 century for this aging dippy hippy.
May the next 50 be as nifty.
HAPPY BIG "50" MIKE GARSIDE

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Notices

20 COMING EVENTS

PLANNING AN event? Check the Community Calendar for a schedule of community events and avoid double-booking. Located at the Driftwood Office, 328 Lower Ganges Rd.

SSI HISTORICAL Society, 3rd Annual Picnic. Saturday, June 5, 12 noon. Pot luck luncheon. Members & guests. Haamea Bay, Beaver Point.

MEETING - BOARD of Directors of Central Community Hall, Tuesday, June 15th, at 7 p.m. Public welcome.

SUSAN'S BACK! Storytime has found its final resting place. Thursday mornings 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. West of the Moon.

POWER YOGA is here again. Peter and Cynthia Bennett will present their annual yoga intensive June 25 - July 4. Class will be from 5-9 p.m. daily. Class size limited and will sell out. Please call 537-9208 to reserve your spot now.

ART SEMINAR - beginner/intermediate watercolour workshop, July 12-16, 10 am. - 4 pm. Val Konig, 537-9531 or Libby Luttrell, 652-9020.

20 COMING EVENTS

TEACUP READING Workshop. Begin to learn this ancient intuitive art. Thursday, June 10 & June 17, 7 to 9 pm. at Convergence, 111 Morningside Dr. \$50. To register, call 538-0086 or 653-2003.

GEORGIA O'KEEFE'S paintings will be inspiration for acrylic workshop, June 25-27, Fri.-Sun. Come and paint big! Call Val Konig, 537-9531.

CORE INN Youth Project Society's Annual General Meeting: Saturday, June 12, 4 p.m. at the Core Inn, 134 McPhillips Ave. Open House. Everyone Welcome.

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GOVERNMENT OF Canada auction. Friday, June 4, Halifax, NS. RCMP vehicles, champion grader, 3 grove cranes, dump truck, runway sweeper, loader. Canadian Auction Group 1-800-661-4227.



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- Youth Art Show
- Entertainment
- Refreshments
- Special Acknowledgements

A.G.M. ~ 4pm

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Monday, June 7, 1999 7:30pm at the Clubhouse

*for the sole purpose of approval by the Membership of the 1999 portion of the Capital Expenditure Proposal and a cart path proposal

By order of the Board
Debbie Cade, Secretary to the Board

Greenwoods 20th Anniversary Celebration

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UNITY PRAYER flag has been found. Finder please call Nova 653-4968. Thanks for the safekeeping.

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Dr. Leavitt graduated from the University of Alberta in 1997. He is just completing his residency training in Family Practice.

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He will formally take over the medical practice on July 1/99, when Dr. Graham retires.

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40 PERSONALS

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The stories they enjoy most are the ones they can repeat with selective recollection from their own memories. If the story has a strong moral, such as "don't mess with mom," they like it even better.

For example, dad once set out to relieve mom's back pain by playing massage therapist. The first part of this story ends with dad energetically tugging on a leg and mom, feistier in words than body, crawling along the floor towards the bed, uncertain if she will ever walk again.

Dad finds this part of the story extremely funny.

However, a few days later, mom (now able to walk) is rushing to load the kids into the car and blast out of the driveway. Dad is calmly strapping young Sierra into a car seat when mom's foot slips off the clutch and the car lurches forward — right over dad's foot.

"A little back-lash," I called it.

"Don't mess with mom" is the theme of a second favourite story which occurred last spring.

We are certain it was dad who left a colourful Easter egg on a shelf that generally holds mom's winter sweater. One day, as the family prepared for an evening stroll through Ganges, mom grabbed her sweater and threw it over her head.

Suddenly she screamed and danced a little jig, struggling to pull off the garment.

"Maggots," she shrieked, violently shaking little white worms from her hair as dad doubled over in hysterics.

"Very funny," muttered mom as she called upon the gods and goddesses for revenge.

She didn't wait long.

It happened as the family happily meandered along the boardwalk between Mouat's and the harbour.

A seagull sent from heaven flew directly over dad, aimed and hit him squarely in the hand. That gull must have eaten a large fish because the steaming white mound on dad's hand was mountainous in size.

Oh the glee of the children! Mom, outwardly more reserved, made a sympathetic clucking sound, but inside her organs bounced with laughter.

I inherited this ability to cause instant karma from my father, with whom I have quietly pursued a game of one-upmanship for most of my adult life.

For example, when I crushed my finger in a window and the nail fell off, I automatically took the blackened nail, put it in an

envelope and mailed it — without any accompanying letter — to my father. Nothing has been said, and I expect that nail will someday appear again under the Christmas tree or perhaps on my dinner plate.

My father usually wins these little games. Once, when Danica was a baby, I took to visiting my parents in Victoria and leaving small reminders of our presence.

FAMILY MATTERS

WITH SUSAN LUNDY



I'd take one of her diapers — disposable for travelling — and wrap it in a plastic bag. Once I carefully folded the little treasure into his pyjamas and left it under his pillow. On another occasion, he found one in an empty cereal box on his breakfast table.

Nothing was said, and I grew ever more creative and gleeful.

Then I started to notice a smell in my car. Without thinking much of it, I cleared out some of the baby gear and a few days later made a tentative search for rotting food under the seat. But the smell persisted; it worsened, in fact.

Finally, I took the car's entire interior apart, crawling under the bucket seats, pulling out the bench in the back. I scoured the trunk. I scrubbed the upholstery. Nothing.

I eventually discovered the problem under the hood. A fish head had carefully been attached to the underside of the motor where it happily rotted.

My offences against my father have been subsequently subdued.

However interesting, family legends can be dangerous — a fact revealed by Sierra's kindergarten teacher.

Usually the teacher takes everything she hears from the mouths of her five-year-old babes with a "grain of salt."

She doesn't repeat what she hears and hopes parents will similarly question the validity of stories that pop out of their children.

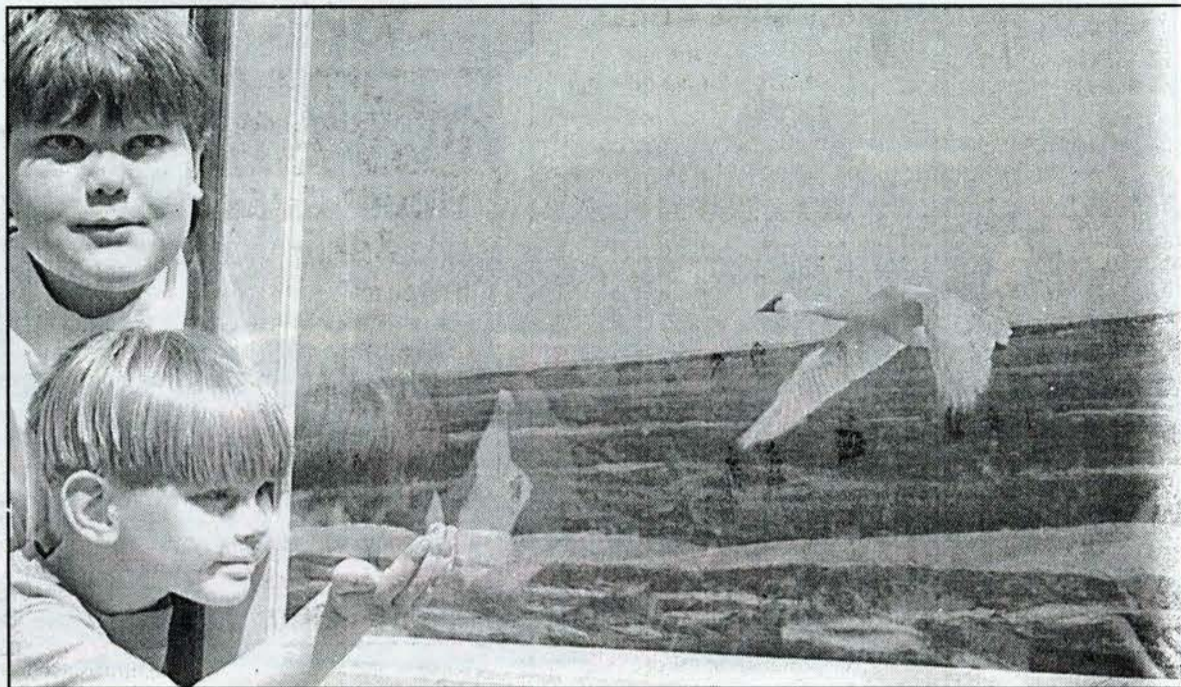
"But I simply have to ask you about this one," she said, approaching me the minute I landed on school property.

It appears the normally-quiet Sierra held fellow kindergartners and a buddy class of 10-year-olds enthralled as she relayed the story of a male in our family driving to town wearing a dress.

This story has grown with such force that little of it actually represents the truth. In fact, Sierra was too young to remember the roots of this family legend and has relied on the exaggerated re-telling of the tale by her older sister, also too young to really recall it.

However, Sierra's version of the tale is so good, we'll probably end up forgetting the real story and stick with hers.

(Sorry, honey — I guess you can't mess with any females in our family.)



Raffle prize

Salt Spring Centre School students Alex, top, and Zach Corley check out the magnificent Robert Bateman swan painting for which they were selling raffle tickets in the Saturday mar-

ket in Ganges. The Batemans donated the painting for the draw which will be held at the school's upcoming performance of Sound of Music.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Fundraising drive aids sufferers of ALS

The fight against Lou Gehrig's Disease will get some help from Salt Spring residents through a June 5 local fundraising drive.

Also known as amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), it is a fatal neuromuscular disease which leads to the atrophy of the victim's muscles, although it does not affect the mind or five senses.

At present there is no cure, but researchers believe they are closer to understanding the disease and steps that can be taken to counteract its destructive effects.

Rita Dods will coordinate the Saturday event drive which sees volunteers canvassing for funds in various locations.

Her friend Dennis Kaye, a former island resident, died four years ago from ALS.

Sue Rodriguez, the Sidney woman who challenged the Canadian courts to change the law prohibiting physician-assisted suicide in 1993, may be the best known ALS victim in Canada.

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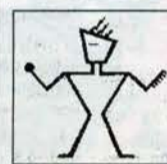
At the bridge club game played May 17, Ian Thomas and Conhor Vane-Hunt were first, and Jim and Jo Sweetnam, who live in Farnham, Surrey, U.K., were second.

The Sweetnams joined regular players for two games during the time they were visiting family members on Salt Spring.

On May 24, Vane-Hunt and Thomas were at the top again, followed by Irene Hawksworth and Bill Buckler, who narrowly edged out Tony Luton and Jill Evans by half a point.

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*7:00 am	◆ 4:00 pm	*7:30 am	4:30 pm
8:00 am	5:00 pm	◆ 8:30 am	5:30 pm
9:00 am	6:00 pm	■ 9:30 am	6:30 pm
10:00 am	7:00 pm	11:00 am	8:00 pm
11:30 am	8:30 pm	12:00 noon	9:00 pm
■ 12:30 pm	9:30 pm	1:00 pm	10:00 pm
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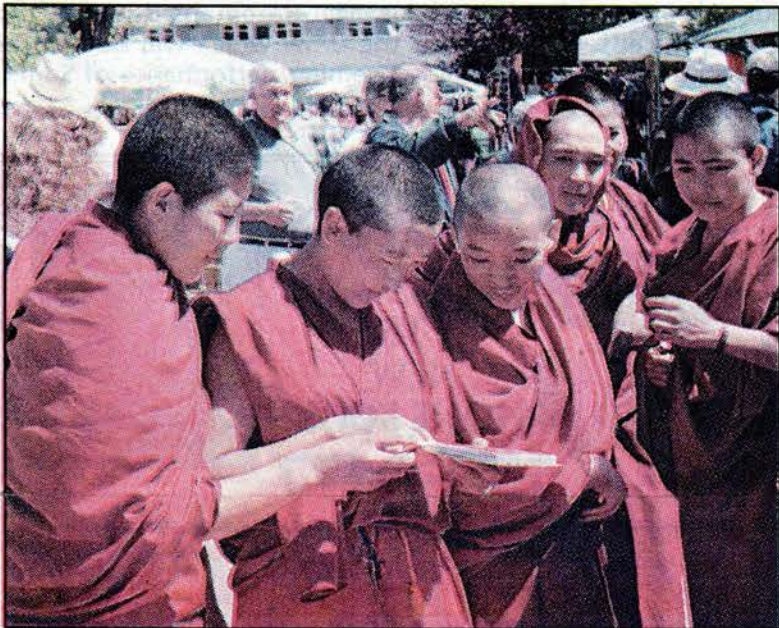
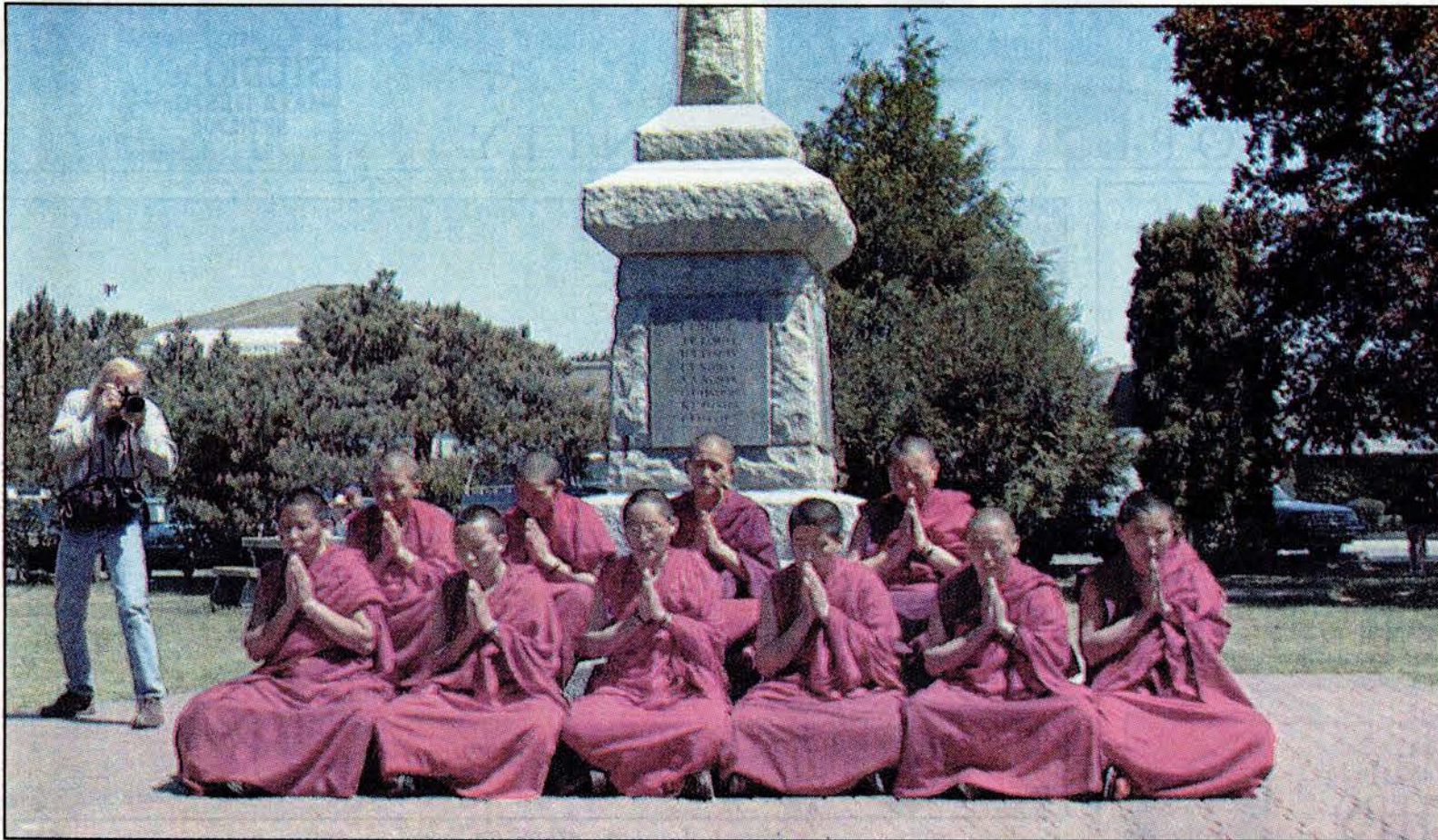


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Colourful visitors

At noon Saturday this group of Tibetan Buddhist nuns gathered at the cenotaph in Centennial Park, above, and blessed the island with chants and prayers. The women also travelled around Ganges and performed at ArtSpring.

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Vote wanted \$232,000 for new high school

Thirty-five years ago

• A referendum was held to find out if Salt Springers were willing to pay \$231,950 for a high school on the island.

A teacherage on Galiano was also put to the vote.

• Ganges correspondent Mrs. Worthington resigned from the Driftwood, leaving a large hole in the staff.

The newspaper called on locals to fill the gap with news of visitors and activities.

Thirty years ago

• The ferries struggled to cope with a big weekend of tourists. Some travellers were "really mad" when they couldn't fit on the boats.

• A dead deer was found on the beach on Salt Spring Island.

A local resident found it, but no one knew who was responsible for clearing it away.

Twenty-five years ago

• The Gulf Islands Legion was alarmed to discover that students at Mayne School were unaware of

DOWN THE YEARS

the national flag, anthem or the Queen. The school board promised to install a national flag at the school.

• Three-quarters of an acre of tree-covered lakefront property was advertised for \$15,000.

Thirty-three acres with a sea view cost \$33,000.

Twenty years ago

• The Valcourt shopping centre opened in Ganges.

It included a tobacconist run by Dick and Dot Clark and a hardware store operated by Mr. and Mrs. Corcoran.

• Trudeau's government fell, Joe Clark took office, and Conservative Don Taylor became the new MP for the Islands.

Taylor beat out NDP Jim Manly. Liberal David Anderson also ran.

Fifteen years ago

• Classical guitarist Joseph

Thompson visited Salt Spring Elementary. A student requested Beat It by Michael Jackson. Thompson said he didn't know it and played Greensleeves instead.

• Salt Spring Island ambulance service was cut to just one full-time attendant to make it "more efficient."

Ten years ago

• A stinky Californian sea lion washed up on Bader Beach, where it remained for a week and a half before it was removed with the aid of a fork lift.

• Political turbulence in China left its mark on Salt Spring Island. Professor Zhang Jin Li was unable to leave his country so had to cancel his speaking engagement in Ganges.

Five years ago

• Vesuvius residents complained about the Howe Sound Queen, the ferry that insisted on blowing its own whistle every hour.

B.C. Ferries said it would try to shorten the blow but for safety rea-

sons could not stop it.

• Canadian guitar legend Amos Garrett came to Salt Spring to play at the Beaver Point Hall.

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