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### Weather

A mixed bag of sun, rain and clouds (what's new?) is in the forecast for the coming week, with a general trend towards deterioration this weekend. Highs up to 16 C today (Wednesday); lows down to 5 C on Saturday.



**HOBBIT HAPPY:** Phoenix School children took to the Centennial Park market on Saturday in full Hobbit disguise, reminding islanders of their upcoming adaptation of the famous J.R.R. Tolkien book. Above, Halley Gilson gives a fierce example of her character — Smaug — the evil dragon. The show runs April 26 and 27, beginning at 7 p.m. at ArtSpring. Photos by Derrick Lundy

## Conservancy hands ball to province

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

The optimism balloon over purchase of Texada lands was temporarily deflated last week when The Land Conservancy of B.C. (TLC) announced it could not carry through with a conditional offer to purchase

1,400 acres of Burgoyne Bay land owned by Texada Land Corporation.

Bill Turner, the group's volunteer executive director and prime negotiator, said Friday the third-party arbitrated cost of the land was too high to remove to the financing conditions.

"The bad news is that the process, which was a legitimate process, produced prices higher than anyone had expected, except the owners," Turner told the Driftwood. "As a result we weren't, in the short time we had — essentially three days — able to put together the

financing to buy it at that kind of price. If it had been lower we might have been more successful."

The good news is that the provincial government has stepped in to carry the ball on negotiating with Texada to purchase the Burgoyne Bay lands, the Maxwell

Lake watershed and possibly other areas of interest.

Colin Campbell, director of planning for B.C. Parks, said Friday the "extremely experienced" Crown lands negotiating team was handling discussions, and con-

**TEXADA PURCHASE 3**

## Nurses concerned over system health

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

In a profession where caring for others is the name of the game, it isn't easy for nurses to put their own needs up front and centre.

Even then, Gulf Islands nurses who have joined others province-wide in job action after a 95 per cent strike vote with record participation say it's more the health of the medical system they're worried about.

Over the last decade, nursing has become an undesirable career in B.C., as wages and compensation for extras like gruelling shift-work have slipped behind other jurisdictions. Fewer nurses coming onstream has

made it even harder for those who remain to keep the health care system running smoothly.

B.C. currently has the second fewest registered nurses per person among the Canadian provinces, next to Ontario.

As some who work on Salt Spring point out, without an adequate supply of nursing staff, things will fall apart.

"We need to be compensated because we are the health care system," says Lady Minto nurse and local union rep Michelle Muir. "We're the mothers who are holding it all together."

If changes are not made now, some nurses wonder how they can carry on.

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## Rotary Park mermaid swims to her new home

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Anyone gazing out over Ganges Harbour near Thrifty Foods and the Harbour Building these days can't help but notice the physical transformation of what used to be a lonely patch of dirt.

Through the meticulous planning and hard work of Salt Spring Rotary Club members, the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) and interested business people, Rotary Marine Park has gradually become a vibrant addition to seaside town life.

This weekend a huge — literally — piece of the park vision will be set in place with the long-anticipated unveiling of the bronze mermaid statue created by renowned sculptor Tom McPhee.

The official ceremony

takes place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 28.

As Rotary member Ron Watson explains, the beautiful piece of artwork is akin to the mermaid in Copenhagen Harbour, Denmark — but Salt Spring's is bigger.

Local club members, including McPhee, have worked on the project for about four years, said Watson. ("All of us Rotarians have been slaves to him," he adds.)

Club members also use McPhee's studio to make the special tiles which will decorate the park. Funds raised by the tile project are used to support the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program which is delivered in schools by the RCMP.

For Saturday's mini-party, Thrifty Foods is donating a celebratory cake, and Salt

Spring Roasting Company is brewing up some coffee to go with it.

Speakers include Rotary Club president John Neville, McPhee, PARC chairman Wayne Fraser, Rotary exchange student Rasmus Risgaard from Denmark and Rotary district governor Bob Lovely, who hails from Washington state.

But the fun doesn't stop there.

McPhee used "Ariel" as the mermaid's "working name," but it's not her permanent moniker, so the Rotary Club is also running a "name the mermaid" contest.

People should send their suggestions to the Salt Spring Rotary Club at Box 513, Ganges PO, Salt Spring Island, V8K 2W2.

The winner will receive an original piece of McPhee artwork.

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# Gold, silver and bronze awards as Driftwood places 2nd

The Driftwood was recognized with three awards Saturday, including gold for cartoonist James Watt, at the 2000 Ma Murray Community Newspaper Awards, held in Vancouver.

The newspaper won a silver award for general excellence in its circulation category, giving it a berth in the national awards compe-

dition. Last year the Driftwood won bronze provincially, and went on to win the top prize nationally.

Publisher Tony Richards was presented the award at a ceremony hosted by CBC Radio's Kathryn Gretsinger and comedian Roman Danylo. The Salmon Arm Observer won the gold award and the Smithers Interior News the bronze.

Watt was presented with his gold award the same evening, beating out cartoonists from the Oak Bay News and the Salmon Arm Observer. His winning cartoon depicted a character who was surprised to discover a photo of his mother in the Salt Spring Women's Preserve and Protect Calendar.

At photography award presentations earlier in the day, the Driftwood's Derrick Lundy was recognized with a bronze award in the black and white feature photo category. His entry was a photo of a dragonfly perched on someone's finger.

The awards program is conducted annually by the B.C. & Yukon Community Newspapers Association. The Driftwood has

placed in the top three in its category for general excellence in the last three years.

Also on Saturday, the annual meeting elected Richards to another term on the association's board. Peter Kvarnstrom of the Sechelt Reporter was elected president. Also on the board is former Driftwood publisher Joyce Carlson, now publisher of the Powell River Peak.

## NURSES: 'Confident in their convictions'

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B.C. Nurses Union (BCNU) figures show entry-level pay for registered nurses is \$21.40 per hour, rising to a top rate of \$26.50 per hour.

The starting rate, which has risen only 17 per cent since 1990, is only \$1.15 per hour less than a licensed practical nurse, and \$2.14 less than a care aide or porter.

While the union has received some public criticism for demanding such a hefty pay raise, local nurses say they have received a great deal of emotional support from islanders.

That's especially true of people who have been through the health care system and know how hard nurses toil for what is now just average pay.

On-call rates are another contentious area. They want an on-call premium of \$12 per hour, rather than the current \$1.25 to \$1.50 they receive; an extra \$3 per hour for weekend work (up from 50 cents); and \$6 more per hour for night shifts, up from the current \$1.

Shift work can really take its toll on workers' health, they say.

The BCNU would like to see its members receive a top rate of \$42 per hour, a 60 per cent raise that would make them "globally competitive."

Community care nurse Sharon Armstrong points out that on the Outer Gulf Islands, her colleagues also provide a "first-call" service, meaning they are the main medical person on call on the island. For that high degree of responsibility, they only get \$1.25 (per hour) while on call.

Armstrong also says many RNs use their own vehicles at work, and would like higher compensation for it. So far in negotiations they've been offered one cent more per kilo-

metre (up to 39 cents.)

Armstrong feels she and her colleagues should be valued more for the highly skilled and responsibility-laden job they do — which also requires completion of (and payment for) a four-year university degree program.

Still, withdrawing services remains an unnaturally tough stance to take.

"Everybody is a bit stressed that we may have to go to a picket situation," says Muir. "It's probably the first time in history when we are going to have to speak out, and it's difficult and it's stressful but I think everyone is fed up enough that we just have to dig our heels in."

There are about 60 BCNU members working at Lady Minto, Greenwoods, through the Capital Health Region, and in Home Support and Home Care programs on the Gulf Islands.

"Typically we are very quiet and it's just not our way (to take job action)," adds Lady Minto nurse Pat Petersen. But having absorbed the brunt of health care funding cuts over the years and feeling supported by the people they serve, nurses are now able to press for what they feel is important.

Another factor, says Petersen, is that the average age of a B.C. nurse is 47, making them mature and confident in their convictions.

"We're all fairly comfortable with our values and beliefs," she says, "and so we're saying we'd like to see some changes."

Even though Salt Spring is a desirable place to live and practise nursing, the women note vacancies have even started to appear here, something which has always been unheard of.

As for the current job action, the nurses note they have been able to spend more time with clients since they have restricted themselves to nursing duties only — not house-keeping or clerical or phone-answering services.

"It's made quite a big impact on our workload," says Muir.

Nurses are governed by Essential Services legislation, meaning they cannot shut down a health care facility by walking off the job, but they have instituted an overtime ban, putting further pressure on management.

Karen Davies, manager of patient care for the southern Gulf Islands part of the Capital Health Region (CHR), says management staff are coping well with the situation so far. One person from the CHR has come to help with night shift demands at Lady Minto.

Some surgery was cancelled at the hospital last week because there were no trained people to clean operating room equipment, said Davies, and more surgery will probably be cancelled this week.

The three nurses stress how they dislike causing problems for management staff.

"It's difficult for people in a small community like this to carry out job action for a long time because management is supportive of us," says Armstrong. "It's not a personal issue with us."

Still, the disruption won't necessarily end soon, with B.C. nurses giving the same kind of commitment to this cause as they do to their patients.

It may be a serious subject, but Petersen has a smile on her face when she says, "I don't think nurses get riled very often, but when we do ... don't mess with us!"

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**WATER POWER:** Jonathan and Evelyn Oldroyd prepare Mahon Hall for this Sunday's "spruce-up" event by giving it a power wash. Islanders are invited to bring paint brushes

and gardening tools to a 10 a.m. start on the arts council-organized event. Organizers hope the "spruce-up" will prepare the aging building for the summer months.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## TEXADA LAND PURCHASE

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firmed the Maxwell watershed is being looked at. (It was not included in the potential agreement which collapsed between the TLC and Texada.)

"We think the ecological coherence of the unit is very important, so we're doing that kind of assessment right now," said Campbell.

However, he cautioned against expecting a speedy conclusion. "We really have to get good value for public money, so negotiations don't always progress quickly . . ."

He also said there is still a question as to which lands on various islands beyond Salt Spring would be the most desirable for the government in terms of their biodiversity value.

Very close to home, time is running out for a potential Maxwell watershed purchase. Texada and the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) have a May 1

deadline on a conditional purchase agreement.

NSSWD manager Mike Larmour said Tuesday that it didn't appear an extension on the \$650,000 land purchase would be possible, although more time might be granted by Texada to raise funds for buying the trees.

Tom Gossett of the Salt Spring Water Preservation Society, which is spearheading the fundraising campaign for the once-in-a-lifetime chance to buy the watershed intact, expressed concern about the imminent deadline.

"I'm not too sure what priority it has with the government, but it certainly has a high priority on the island," he said.

Campbell said those working on negotiations were well aware of community concerns.

"We are very conscious of the concerns that Salt Spring Islanders have about this issue and its sensi-

tivity and meaning to them, and all of that work that's gone into it in the past few months. . . it's difficult for people to go through this thing, so we feel a fairly high responsibility at this point."

Turner noted Texada was very cooperative throughout the process. He also said negotiations are continuing for TLC to buy Block 57, with a June 30 deadline in place.

Turner remained optimistic about the eventual outcome, and said the TLC would "support any deal that the others make and will continue to raise money . . . and look for alternate ways for making it happen."

Andrea Collins of the Save Salt Spring Society also had a positive take on the situation. "I'm very optimistic that we'll get a deal with Texada on the lands. I think all parties are trying very hard to make this happen."

## Candidates leap off starters' blocks

They're off and running in the provincial election campaign, and if you believe the Green Party's ice-cream poll, they're "licking" the opposition on Salt Spring.

The Green Party office opened on Upper Ganges Road next to Saturday with a tantalizing "ice-cream" poll won handily by 100 chocolate chip mint eating Green supporters.

They made up 64 per cent of "voters," followed by Marijuana Party supporters who chose bubble gum flavour ice cream cones (15 per cent); and the Liberals

(strawberry) and NDP (tiger flavour) behind at about 10 per cent each.

But NDP spirits were high when candidate Paul Sam came to Salt Spring Friday afternoon to officially open his office in the "cactus" building on Hereford Avenue. The election is set for Wednesday, May 16.

Declared candidates for the Saanich North and the Islands riding besides Sam of the NDP are incumbent Liberal Murray Coell, Green Party candidate Andrew Lewis, who lives on Salt Spring,

and Marijuana Party candidate Christina Racki.

Nominations for candidacy close May 3.

Advance polls will be open May 9 through May 12.

Eligible voters must be 18 years or older as of May 16, a Canadian citizen and resident of B.C. for the past six months.

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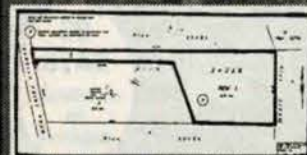
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# Low kindergarten enrolment could spell trouble

By SUSAN LUNDY  
Driftwood Staff

With kindergarten registrations likely down one full class this year on Salt Spring, the Gulf Islands School District is sounding alarm bells over future student numbers.

And to compensate the threatening revenue loss, the district is looking harder at its need to expand adult education programs.

Average birthrates on Salt Spring in the past six years indicate this year's trend towards lower enrolment is not likely to reverse itself soon.

"Once you start pulling a class every year," says Duane Sutherland, superintendent of schools, "it changes the ability to offer programs."

According to Capital Health Region statistics, an average of 85 babies per year were born to Salt Spring residents between 1990 and 1995.

This peaked in 1995 — last

year's kindergarten class — with a total of 98 births.

However, the average birthrate between 1996 and 2000 dropped to 66, with a 1999 low of 58.

While additional kindergarten-aged children may have moved to Salt Spring in the past five years, and others left, about 64 of the 71 children born in 1996 have so far registered in local elementary schools.

"There may be some more out there," says Sutherland, "but we seldom get many after pre-registration in April."

Of 60 school districts in the province, he adds, 48 are experiencing an annual decline in enrolment.

For the 2001-2002 school year, Sutherland expects kindergarten numbers on the four Outer Gulf Islands will remain approximately the same. On Salt Spring, one of this year's five classes will likely be dropped.

"We will have a class at Fulford

(school) and three between Fernwood and Salt Spring Elementary," he says.

According to recent registration numbers, there are currently about 13 kindergarten students (down from 18) enrolled at Fulford School, 24 compared to last year's 30 registered at Fernwood School, and 21 (33 last year) earmarked for Salt Spring Elementary.

A further six to eight are registered at Salt Spring Centre School — which is not part of the public school system — and some may be hoping for a spot at Phoenix School, which takes kindergartners only if it has not filled its grades 1-8 spots by September 15.

In immediate funding terms, the reduction of 20 or so kindergarten students amounts to a monetary loss of about \$34,000, which "isn't huge," says Sutherland.

However, "it doesn't go away."

Those 20 students will still not be in school the following year

when they hit full-time Grade 1 status and the coinciding increase in per-child, ministry funding.

If 20 fewer students arrive in kindergarten the following year, the district is suddenly down 40 children, and the impact continues as the years go on.

"If we start pulling a class every year, then eventually the high school doesn't have 620 students; it's down to 450. And SIMS drops from 310 to 220."

And that's when the associated loss of funding begins to really affect programs.

However, says Sutherland, the potential exists in the Gulf Islands to combat declining student enrolments by increasing adult student numbers.

The Gulf Islands School District currently has about 64 full-time-equivalent adults enrolled in programs at learning centres on the Outer Gulf Islands and the high school on Salt Spring.

Although the ministry had previously capped at 17 the number of adults allowed to participate in adult education here, the local school district lobbied to have the cap removed.

The ministry has since upped the cap to 50 and then 64, but the district continues to push for complete elimination of the cap.

Sutherland believes the Gulf Islands could easily provide programs to well over 100 adults.

Similar-sized communities, he says, bring in more than 200 adults.

"Here, where it is difficult to access Camosun (or other institutions), we may have even more interested."

And if student numbers continue to decline, the push to boost adult enrolments will become even more important if the local school district, which just returned to balanced-budget status this year, hopes to maintain funding levels.

## AAC, Trust face-off over land bylaws

Provincial government officials joined the Salt Spring Trust and its Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) Thursday to help sort through persistent AAC concerns about proposed Land Use Bylaw #355.

Members of the island's farming community have been vocal in opposing the bylaw, which they say will make it tougher than it already is for people to make a living from their land.

At the end of a marathon Thursday meeting, the group recommended the bylaw be withdrawn and redrafted.

A sub-group of the AAC had combed through the LUB and compiled a list of suggested changes, ranging from allowing showers in accessory buildings to letting farmers have bigger road signs and have sawmilling as an accessory land use, with limits on the size of the machine's engine.

A detailed discussion on the LUB's setback limits from water bodies, which the group said is the biggest item on the list, never officially made it to the table and another meeting was scheduled.

Roger Cheetham, planner with the Land Reserve Commission which

oversees the Agricultural Land Reserve, and Brent Warner of the Ministry of Agriculture lent their expertise and insight to the proceedings.

AAC member Ken Byron, who led the item-by-item discussion, explained the rationale for farmers' concerns about the bylaw.

"We want to be able to carry on normal farming practices without lawsuits or getting into trouble with the ministries of environment or fisheries... and we don't want to have to go into the Trust office every time (we want to do something)."

Regarding setbacks, Trust planner Linda Adams was able to clarify something that is not spelled out in the bylaw: that farmers can plough their land or cultivate crops up to three metres (10 feet) of a water body — but cannot have structures, septic fields, feed lots, manure piles or a mushroom growing operation within 60 metres (200 feet) of them.

Cheetham said he felt "the controls are very reasonable in our view. Three metres is actually the most reasonable limit I've ever come across."

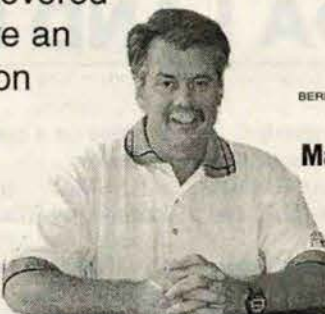
The senior bureaucrat also said

there seemed to be agreement on most issues, so that withdrawing the LUB was probably not necessary.

Trustees Bev Byron and David Borrowman will consider AAC recommendations.

LUB #355 has received first reading, and public and government agency opinions are being gathered before a formal public hearing is set.

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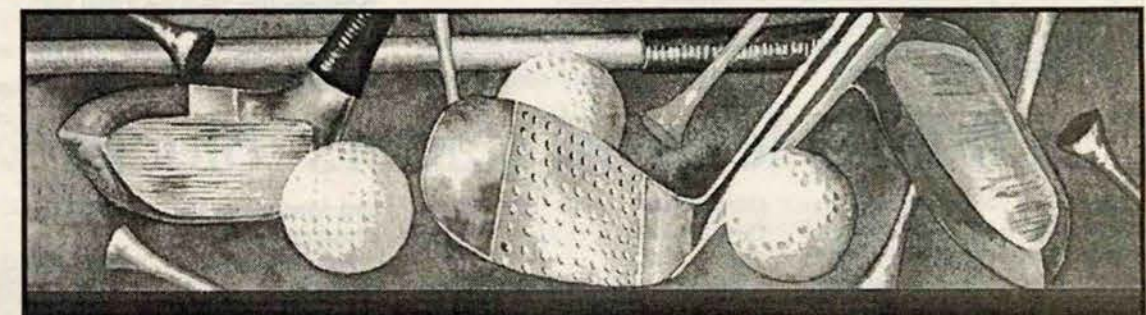
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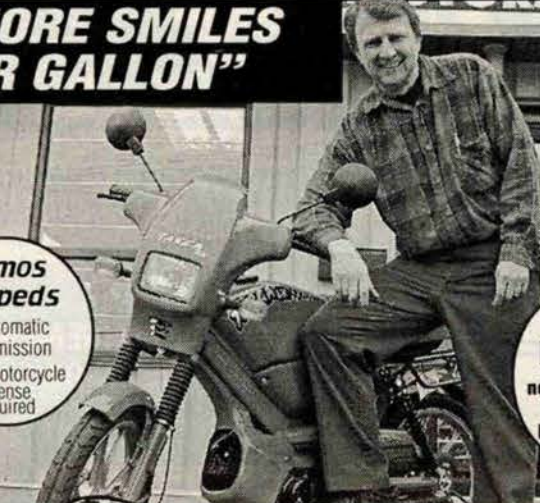
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Ferries spokesman Stephen Nussbaum said last week the boat is expected to return at the end of May after repairs are complete.

Nussbaum said the repair plan includes installing an insert to reinforce the area of all four engine blocks where a crack occurred.

Although two extra sailings have been added to the schedule while the lower-capacity Bowen Queen is on duty, overloads have been occurring, so travellers are reminded to give themselves plenty of time to catch the ferry, especially at peak times.



**APRIL PLUNGE:** Stormy Hickman says 'no way' to jumping backwards into Cusheon Lake, but she and (from left) Mercedes Reynolds, Teli Verllan and Tessa Serra are brave enough to take advantage of sunny April weather and enjoy a few quick dips into the water.

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# Website launch marks volunteer week

It's National Volunteer Week during the International Year of Volunteers, and a perfect time to launch Salt Spring's Virtual Volunteer Centre.

The centre is a website created with help from a B.C. government grant acquired by Salt Spring Community Services last year.

The site has information on local volunteer postings, resources for both volunteer groups and individuals, and contains links to sites with national and international volunteering opportunities.

The site is easy to navigate and quick to access, with job descriptions presented in a clear format.

As of this week, 16 positions were advertised in cat-

egories such as administration, office work, social, education and driving.

Salt Spring groups wanting to advertise for volunteers, and people of all ages interested in what opportunities exist here and around the world, should check out the website at [www.volunteersaltspring.ca](http://www.volunteersaltspring.ca) <<http://www.volunteersaltspring.ca>>.

The Canadian government estimates that 7.5 million Canadians offer volunteer services in some way.

For more information about the virtual volunteer project, call Nancy Boyce, project manager, at 537-9194.

# Party-related assaults concern local RCMP

Evidence of heavy alcohol and drug use, and a number of assaults at youth parties held on Salt Spring recently have local police concerned.

On April 15, police were called to investigate an alleged sexual assault at a party on Harrison Road.

Although a subsequent investigation indicated the complaint of criminal sexual assault was unfounded, police say, the incident had further ramifications on a Victoria male, who was seriously assaulted by a vigilante group at the party.

The Victoria male was taken to Lady Minto Hospital and later transported to a Victoria hospital with suspected head injuries. Investigation into the assault is continuing.

On April 16, police heard a report of alleged threats uttered by a friend of the victim against people at the party. Criminal charges are also pending from that incident.

Salt Spring RCMP are also investigating a serious assault which occurred at a youth party on Mount Erskine Road.

In this incident, four island youths allegedly ganged up on the victim, who sustained injuries to his face and arms.

Police say another individual, attempting to break up the assault, was pushed through a window, receiving a large cut on the elbow which required stitches.

On Tuesday, Salt Spring RCMP issued a reminder to parents of a recent Supreme Court of Canada decision.

The decision places liability on parents or guardians for injuries or damage at unsupervised youth parties where alcohol and drugs are consumed.

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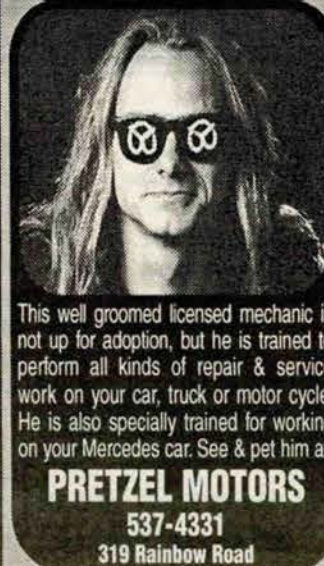
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# 9 baby boys and a call from France

• Sandy Buyze-Morgan and Dave Morgan's new baby boy — delivered by midwife Julia Atkins at Lady Minto Hospital Sunday morning — is the ninth consecutive male baby born on Salt Spring this year. Watch out, Class of 2019!

## SALT SPRING SNIPPETS

• How far would you go for fresh fish? Thrifty Food's manager Dan Lee was surprised to receive a call from a lady from France recently, asking about the price of salmon! She is originally from Victoria and, after leaving through a two-year-old copy of the Driftwood's Gulf Islander, decided to return to Canada and re-locate on Salt Spring.

• A fund to promote music in local schools raised \$700 from Ray Newman Night at Moby's April 15. The fund at Island Savings Credit Union was established in memory of beloved island musician Ray Newman, who died two years

ago this month.

• With ham-it-up referees (Lorne Bascom, Arnie Hengstler and Myles Wilson), not to mention goofing-around first responders, a basketball game Saturday night at Salt Spring Middle School (SIMS) raised \$1,000 and spelled a whole lot of fun for participants.

The event — a match between Grade 8 basketball girls and Salt Spring first response crews organized by Darcy O'Donnell and Tony Head (with lots of help from others!) — was the latest in a stream of fundraisers at SIMS to help cover medical costs of fellow student and cancer patient Nichola Howard. The school has also established "Tuesdays for Nichola," featuring different fundraising efforts each week.

In addition to helping defray

medical costs, the school hopes to create a garden and fish pond for the youth.

Saturday's game was described by coach Nairn Howe as a "wonderful warm fuzzy." The school hopes to make an annual fund-raiser out of it.

• A ferryworkers union initiative will see a memorial park at Long Harbour dedicated to all ferry workers who have passed on to calmer waters. Everyone is welcome to the ceremony which takes place on Saturday, April 28 at 2 p.m. Sandwiches, coffee and goodies will be served.

• Elma Rubright and Lyda Smith were thrilled with the turnout and ambiance at the Meet Your Local Authors event held Sunday afternoon at the library. There were some pretty heady conversations going on with so many writers on the premises, and lots of awe expressed over the range of books they've published.

# 55 prepare for youth church event

Youth and church events are an active mix on Salt Spring these days, as 55 young people gear up for a B.C. and Yukon convention in Kamloops in May.

That's more than double the 25 who attended last year's event, said local Pentecostal youth pastor Travis Guedes.

To help cover expenses, a fundraising Spaghetti Dinner has been organized for Saturday, May 5. It takes place at the Community Gospel Chapel on Vesuvius Bay Road, beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are limited, and must be ordered

from Lorna Tolman at 537-1737 by April 30 so cooks know how much food to buy and prepare.

Cost is \$15 per person, \$25 per couple, and \$7.50 for children under 12.

Guedes said the youths aged 12 to 18 attending the May long weekend Kamloops event are from various island churches.

"It's always an awesome time for everyone who goes," he said. "It's just such a great thing for youth. It's really well put together and it gets them excited for their faith."

The Salt Spring contingent has

already filled all the seats on a chartered bus, so they are also taking a van.

Churches have also cooperated to present a youth event called The Plunge at the Community Gospel Chapel on the last Saturday of every month. The next one is on April 28, and pizza will be served at 6:30, followed by "the plunge" at 7 p.m.

Guedes said the group is grateful to the community for supporting car wash and bottle drive fundraisers to date. For more information about youth church activities, call Guedes at 537-2870.

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# Free wheelin'... meals to island seniors

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

Quiet, efficient, finely-tuned and vital, the long-running Meals on Wheels program is about to go the extra mile.

The program, which has been running for 27 years on Salt Spring, is expanding to five days per week as of May 1, thanks to an infusion of Capital Health Region (CHR) funding and the willingness of everyone involved to make it happen. It's also being set up on the Outer Gulf Islands on a three-day-a-week basis.

Faithful volunteers are a critical cog in the wheel, with a roster of 28 Salt Spring helpers under Catherine Bennett's coordination.

"Without the volunteers, it couldn't possibly run," she says.

Also critical are Greenwood's kitchen staff who plan and prepare the 30 meals needed.

Meals on Wheels has the easygoing image of a program that could have benevolent church origins, but it isn't a charity program. It's a critical part of our health care system that helps keep people living independently in their homes.

Adequate nutrition is vital for seniors to maintain their health, but as meal recipients will tell you, it can be tricky for them to buy the food and prepare it before it spoils in the fridge.

"It's hard to cook for two, and even harder for one," explains one recently widowed islander who receives the meals.

Without even noticing the trend, seniors can end up eating less and less food of nutritional substance, which leads to health problems.

"They think they're doing fine," says Bennett, "but they're eating toast five days a week."

Instead of toast entrees, Meals on Wheels participants receive home-cooked delectables such

as apple mushroom sausages or sweet and sour pork with fresh vegetables, fancy rice or potatoes and maybe a Caesar salad, and dessert, all for only \$4.50 per meal. (CHR subsidizes the cost.)

How does it all happen? Take a peek into the pots-and-pans-clattering kitchen at Greenwood's, where Val Hughes and Barb Seymour are cheerfully hard at work on a recent Wednesday creating a dish called "boozy" chicken with rice pilaf and steamed broccoli.

As quick as they can put the hot meals in foil containers, coordinator Bennett is whizzing them into insulating styrofoam containers, which are secured with a thick rubber band.

Volunteer drivers Don MacDougall, Ann Foerster and Cathy MacDonald then scoot away with their 10 or so packages, knowing there are hungry people waiting for them along their three routes.

Greenwood's food services supervisor Margaretha Nordine says their focus is on "home cooking," with all ingredients as fresh as possible, and cookies and cakes even baked from scratch. They also use colour coordination and other tricks of the trade to make meals visually appealing.

While Meals on Wheels cannot create meals to suit individual tastes, they do make some for people on celiac and vegetarian diets, or those with diabetic considerations.

"The cooks are extremely accommodating," notes Nordine.

"It's a busy professional kitchen, but I'm amazed at the attention to detail and their willingness to accommodate the program," says Bennett.

The process is also lightning fast. The first people on the routes can be sitting down to eat just 10 minutes later.

By that time, Seymour and Hughes are dishing out the 50 meals for Greenwood's residents, or on some days, an additional 10 for day program visitors.

Out in the car, Foerster says she's

been delivering meals for six years, ever since she retired after 20 years in the real estate business on the island. "It's my regular Wednesday thing," she says.

Foerster fits the profile of Meals on Wheels volunteers sketched by Bennett — you often find them donating time to other groups. Foerster's volunteer posts have included the library, the tourist info centre and Salt Spring Seniors special events. She was also a school trustee in her early years on the island.

About her commitment, she says, "You really feel you're helping people out, and you meet all sorts of interesting people."

Bennett reveals two other program benefits: volunteers provide regular social contact for meal recipients, however brief, and are able to detect if something is amiss. One volunteer recently found a client had a petit mals seizure, and another called Bennett when he couldn't find a gentleman at home. The man was later found in some woods near his home — he had been there all night.

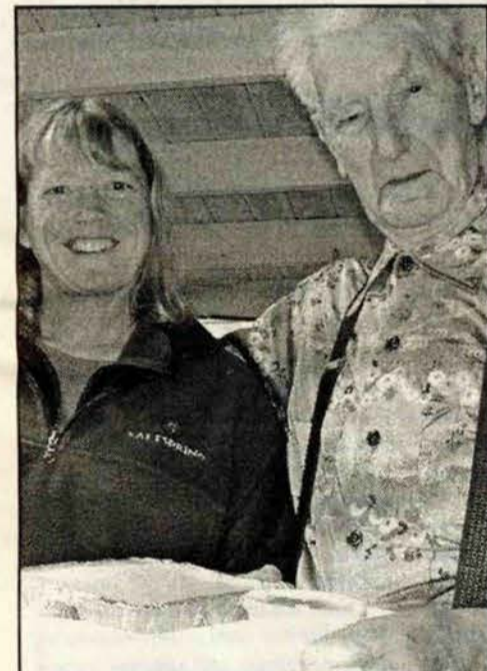
Other groups and individuals also

open a caring hand to Meals on Wheels. A quilting group at Class Act Fabric Studio crafted special Christmas placemats for all the clients and Brownies make birthday cards for them, with Bennett keeping track of the dates. Both the program and Greenwood's also receive donations of food — bountiful produce in the fall, and surplus supplies from events such as Fulford Day.

"We use everything," confirms Nordine. "Nothing is refused."

While the May 1 expansion is expected to be largely absorbed by people currently receiving the service, anyone who thinks they or someone they know should be getting one or more meals per week should call Home Support Services, which administers the program, at 537-9955. A doctor's, case worker or hospital referral is also needed.

It takes a lot of people to keep Meals on Wheels on track, and having a few more drivers available to deliver meals would be helpful. See the job description under "drivers" at the brand new virtual volunteer centre at: [www.volunteersaltspring.ca](http://www.volunteersaltspring.ca) or call Bennett through Home Support Services at 537-9955.




**MANY HANDS** make Meals on Wheels roll. At top is Val Hughes and Bob Laycock in the Greenwood's kitchen, with volunteer drivers Lesley Cheeseman and Sharon Volkommer assembling the containers, and Cheeseman with happy recipient Goody Goodman.

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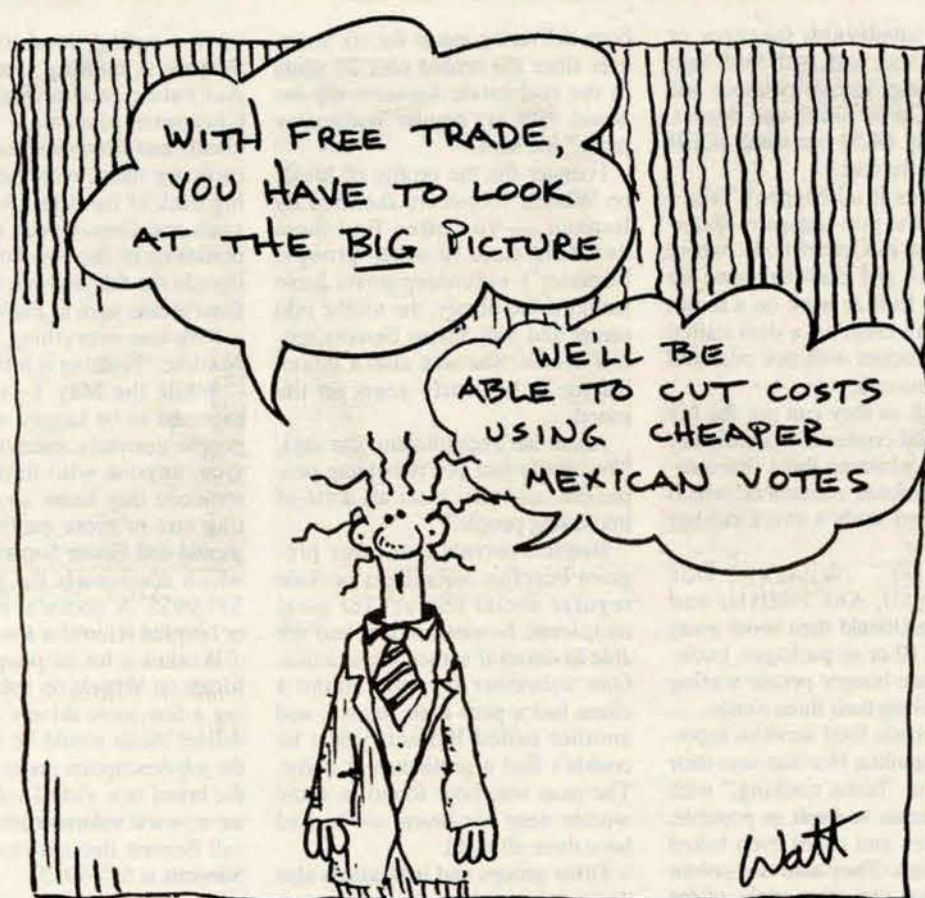
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# OPINION



## Don't bother to disrobe

Everyone on Salt Spring Island could take off their clothes in support of purchasing land from Texada Land Corporation, but chances are it wouldn't do much good now.

With an election campaign upon us there is no one at the provincial level upon whom political pressure can be applied to hasten the process or to influence the final decision.

And that's a shame because haste and influence are important factors at this point to the Salt Spring community.

On Monday time will run out for the purchase of 270 acres of land in the Rippon Creek watershed, near Maxwell Lake. The North Salt Spring Waterworks District has already purchased 50 acres of the lake's watershed from Texada. This second purchase will enable the district to reach its goal of protecting the entire Maxwell watershed. That would be a significant and important accomplishment, for Maxwell Lake is one of the island's principal sources of drinking water and enjoys the distinction of having the only undeveloped watershed of all the island's lakes.

But the obstacle to completing the deal is obtaining the necessary funding. A minimum of \$650,000 is required to purchase the land after logging. To date, the fundraising campaign by the Salt Spring Water Preservation Society has raised \$250,000; the shortfall is large considering there are only days left until the deadline.

But the shortfall to purchase the land unlogged is much larger: the price tag for the land in its current state is close to \$2 million.

It is up to B.C. Parks to decide how to allocate the \$20 million fund announced last month, and the Rippon watershed is on its list. However, it's not likely to be a strong contender because the fund's purpose is to protect biodiversity.

And while an argument can and is being made that Maxwell Lake has unique attributes, the purpose of buying the land is watershed protection.

It should not be necessary to argue anything else. Surely protecting watersheds is more important than protecting biodiversity.

But we can only hope the argument is successful. It appears there is no other way to preserve the Maxwell watershed.

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## Responsibility is ours to protect drinking water lakes

BY TOM GOSSETT

It is so easy to be apathetic towards the protection of our drinking water. Such an attitude is common in our society. Good water in Canada has been abundant for so long it is hard for many of us to come to terms with water being in short supply or of poor quality. However, we need not travel very far away in the rest of the world to realize how blessed we are here on Salt Spring to have an adequate and inexpensive supply of such an essential ingredient for a healthy life.

Yet amidst all this abundance we can be so careless. For years the B.C. government has had a policy of "multiple use" (potable water along with recreation and development in the watersheds) for our lakes and streams. It was the old idea that technology will solve all our water quality problems. Only a few years ago it seemed workable to some.

### VIEW POINT



But as more and more development has occurred on the lakes and in the watersheds, the water quality has deteriorated so dramatically that three out of four of our potable water-producing lakes are in serious states of eutrophication. One of them, Cusheon Lake is in the most dire straits, crippled by the invasion of nutrients from development and activities in its watershed.

Yet we still have Maxwell Lake. Still pristine — 70 acres of mountain fresh water nestled in a fully intact but small wooded watershed. The last one. Its location, its environment, its water quality is unique among all of the Gulf

Islands. Do we as island residents fully comprehend what we have in this resource — that 20 or 30 years from now, a protected Maxwell Lake may be the only good quality source of surface drinking water on our island?

Yes, in a sense, we have. It is clear that the majority of the island's residents now believe that Maxwell Lake should have a high priority for protection.

Where do we go from here? First, we all need to recognize what we have in Maxwell Lake and continue to work for its protection. It's so critical now that we support the North Salt Spring Waterworks District in its desire to do just that by speaking out in favour of it and supporting it financially. There is lot of land that may be acquired for biodiversity preservation on the southern Gulf Islands and limited funding for this purpose. The government therefore

sees it as very important that there is both strong public support and the sharing of costs between government and the community when land acquisition is considered.

Contacting the deputy environment minister, Derek Thompson, (250) 387-5429, fax 387-6003 (or toll free via BC ACCESS 1-800-663-7867) would be helpful at this point. His address is P.O. Box 9339, Station Prov Gov, Victoria, B.C. V8W 9M1.

Second, we need to be very clear in asking the Islands Trust to limit the amount of future development in our other three watersheds. For instance, Bylaw 355 needs to be revised to repeal the increase in size of home-based businesses and allowing more of them in watersheds. Why encourage more and more activities when it is proven that the release of nutrients by human activities in watersheds is directly linked to the amount of

nutrient loading in lakes?

We also need to encourage the government to help us determine where the most obvious sources of nutrient loading are occurring in our watersheds and give them support to enable correction of these problem areas.

Third, we must all take responsibility for our own contributions to these problems and support measures to improve the health of these lakes. Good water in a community just doesn't happen. These days it takes vision and the combined contributions and strategies from all sectors of society. We need to help keep the importance of protecting our potable water foremost in our awareness for community planning.

*The writer is head of the Protect Our Source fundraising campaign to purchase the Maxwell Lake secondary watershed.*

## On the subject of geriatrics . . .

A reader has suggested, with some justification, that I am geriatric. There was a trace of negativity in the suggestion, as if the condition were something to be delayed as long as humanly possible.

And as I poured myself a generous serving of Macallan's single-malt scotch the other night I thought, "She's right!" I exhibit all the trappings of age, though I'm not sure that 50 could be considered geriatric.

Be that as it may, I do enjoy some of those things that come with age.

It just so happens that many of those things — and this is timely — also come with trade.

Good scotch from Scotland. Hennessy cognac all the way from France. Macanudo cigars from the Dominican Republic.

Fulford.

If these are the fruits of trade, then the freer the better.

A lot is being made these days, while trade talks have been droning on in Quebec City, of the benefits that will accrue to poorer countries with the inking of trade deals. Having travelled in some of the world's poorest — Mali, Guinea, Tanzania, Malawai, to name a few — I cannot help but think there is some validity to that claim.

Most of the citizens of those countries have little opportunity to improve their standard of living. But given a better education and

TONY RICHARDS



other countries the products they can excel at producing, perhaps things could be better.

However, there has to be a balance between what the private sector can do in the realm of trade and the degree of control to which it is subjected by government.

Over in Quebec City, meanwhile, protesters wanted their leaders to be able to sit down face to face with those leaders participat-

would go along with that provided that my extended family — we have strong feelings on this issue — get a place at the table, too.

I should think the Chamber of Commerce and the Garden Club should also be permitted to take part.

These are all credible groups that deserve no less than those who were peeing on the barricades on the Plains of Abraham.

However, I would only go along with such widely representative participation should my elected MP be permitted to sit at the same table. He was, after all, elected to speak for me.

But there, haven't I digressed. A sign of being geriatric, for sure.

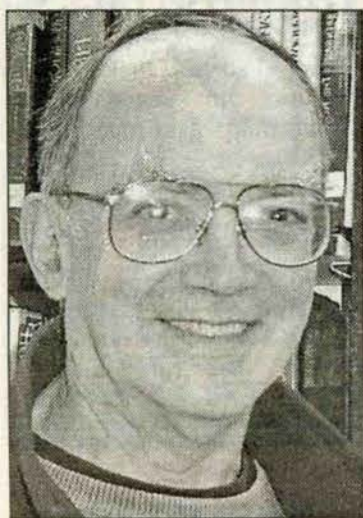
do express regret for the feelings hurt by the cover of our recent special section called Seniority. It was heralded as a feature for those who are 50-plus.

(That reminds me of Sylvia Tyson, who recounted a tale of her childhood during the ArtSpring concert by Quartette a couple of months ago, giving some dates that enabled one to calculate her age. My god, I thought, she's getting on. She's in her early 60s. But then it quickly dawned on me that she was only a little more than a decade older than me. Yikes.)

The content of Seniority was most assuredly addressed to citizens rather more geriatric than those of us who are still sprightly, under 60 and able to enjoy the benefits of free trade.

# SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: *Who is your favourite Canadian author?*



**Bob Francis**

— Robertson Davies.



**Julie Doobenen**

— Brian Brett. *He's my father-in-law and I love his poem about food.*



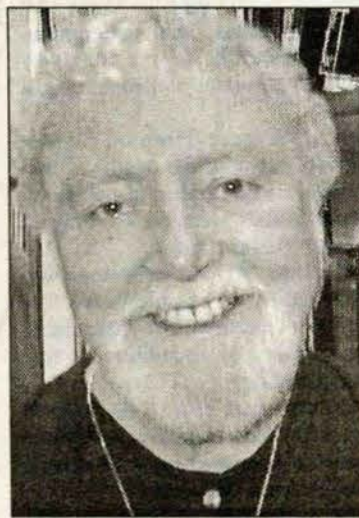
**Anna McColm**

— Anne Michaels (author of *Fugitive Pieces.*)



**Jewel Eldstrom**

— Cherie Geauvreau and Phyllis Webb.



**Alex Mitchell**

— Stephen Leacock, even if I didn't win the Stephen Leacock humour writing award for my own book.

## Letters to the Editor

### Genius-dreamer

During the wonderful years we lived on Salt Spring we met so many incredible artists, writers, craftspeople and dreamers (and friends), and saw a lot of creations and unbelievable "stuff" generated by this group.

I wanted to express gratitude to you for printing the April 18 story titled *Rescue of a Lifeboat* by Peter Clarke, (himself a craftsman, builder of hundreds of boats, inventor and the finest genius-dreamer I ever met).

The elegance and whimsy of this absolutely beautifully scripted tale reminds me of all of the good things — the unbelievable stuff — and creative people that I miss on Salt Spring, now that we have moved back to the mainland.

And thank you, Peter Clarke.  
**TONY HUME,**  
North Vancouver

### Dioxin offenders

On April 12, 2001, ABC News reported that even minute traces of dioxin can cause cancer, learning impairment and liver disorders. They named the burning of plastics and medical waste as the principal offenders.

If you are still burning plastic along with heavily-inked junk mail, think about your neighbours at lower elevations and in the line of fire — especially during morning and evening fog, general high humidity and times of no wind.

Valleys, as beautiful as they may be, are the worst places to be when it comes to the acrid fumes of smoldering household garbage fires, dropping down to permeate the night air.

According to C.A.R.B. (the California Air Resources Board), diesel exhaust is by far, in terms of volume and concentration, the greatest source of airborne dioxin. But predictably, the diesel factor wasn't even included in the ABC news report.

Mills such as the Crofton Mill are also on record for having discharged damaging levels of dioxin into the ocean.

I found out about the diesel-dioxin connection through a Los Angeles County sheriff that I met at Vesuvius Beach.

He sends me, via his friends Bud and Carol Williams, C.A.R.B. information releases that appear in his Oregon newspaper. C.A.R.B.

goes so far as to point out that the 35 shop-level chemical toxins always present in diesel oil exhaust will kill by cancer 14,000 people of the present California population.

Here's what we're up against: Yesterday, a relative newcomer to Salt Spring proudly told me she knew first-hand that diesel had made Third World countries unbearable.

She left Thrifty Foods in her shiny green diesel after subliminally implying that my concern was obsession, born of insecurity.

When lack of receptivity (very unusual for a woman) is branded, it thinks of weapons.

**TERRY GRAHAM,**  
Salt Spring

### Yellow brick road

With regards to the possibility of an island nationhood: what do you suppose the conditions were like surrounding other islands who were able to achieve nationhood status?

Now I'm guessing here, but I think that collectively they had a glimpse of their future and did not

like what they saw and set out to do something about it.

We have a glimpse of our future here on Salt Spring. Some are more vivid than others to those who seek alternatives.

I consider myself a seeker, with visions of "what ifs" and "why nots."

With these characteristics front and centre I purchased my Provisional Citizenship of a Sovereign Salt Spring Island card, even laminated, for one tooney. With this card I enter the realm of free-fall thinking as to how things could be.

In some respects I am already into a sensing that Salt Spring is presently sovereign, a word for unique, one of a kind, with a built-in design and an inherent control. Things work out when people put in and reign in criticism.

What is it that separates us from one another?

The answer has become our trademark — opinions, set up by our belief systems.

However, we are free when we see ourselves engaging in them. Opinions are neither true or untrue, they float somewhere in

between.

So with all this out of the way, let us see where the road to island sovereignty travels.

My opinions in check, fun mode in gear, let's follow the yellow brick road.

**GARY LUNDY,**  
Salt Spring

### You'll like it

Phoenix School presents *The Hobbit* at ArtSpring on April 26 and 27 at 7 p.m.

The play is about a Hobbit named Bilbo Baggins who goes on an adventure to find the gold that is being protected by a dragon. If you like adventures, come see this play.

It is also full of fun and fantasy.

We've been practising for more than three weeks and we think you would like the costumes and songs in the play.

**SOPHIA LYNN, KAZ JOHNSTON, MORGAN LUNA-ROSE, SARAH ROUSE, KALEN and CHEYENNE BUFFET,**  
Hobbit advertising committee, Phoenix School

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## Concerns over mountain bike trail use unfounded

By **TOM HALL**

A couple of weeks ago in the Driftwood, Ross Dawson, supervisor of the south Vancouver Island division of B.C. Parks, was reminding park users to keep their dogs on leash and that Ruckle and Maxwell parks are not mountain bike meccas from B.C. Parks' point of view.

Well for many years now, these park trails and others on Salt Spring have made this a mecca for mountain biking, even though myself and others have tried to, selfishly, keep the high quality of our trails quiet.

Up until eight years ago, I was a keen and active hiker, and got to know most of our local trails by hiking. Then a knee injury and surgery made walking farther than the mailbox very painful.

With weight training and exercise I recovered, but could still not hike far enough for it to be enjoyable and the stationary bike could not supply the contact with nature I require. So I bought a mountain bike, took a lot of falls and became thoroughly addicted to the exercise, recreation, thrill



and contact with nature riding the bike provided.

I started with easy, wide trails like the Galloping Goose Trail in Victoria and the Channel Ridge trails here. As I became more skilled I was able to enjoy the fantastic single track here as well as in Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona, and other B.C. locations.

Since mountain biking started in the late '60s and early '70s it has grown rapidly from a handful of crazies to an International World Cup and Olympic sport, and from few user conflicts to many in some areas. Several years ago I joined IMBA, the International Mountain Bike Association (contact below), to help with trail advocacy and access, to keep trails open and to open new trails.

The arguments against mountain biking often come from a

lack of information. Many people, like Mr. Dawson, think that mountain bikes damage trails. Research to date finds there is no significant difference between bicycle impacts and hiker impacts on trail treads, on wildlife or on flora.

Two studies, Seney (1991) and Cessford (1995), concluded that horses and motorized vehicles have more physical impact than mountain bikers and hikers.

In 1995, the government of New Zealand's Department of Conservation conducted a review and research project concerned specifically with the off-road impacts of mountain bikes and concluded that "Although mountain bikes clearly do have physical impacts on tracks, these did not appear to be of any greater significance than those from other track users, despite the general perception to the contrary. And although safety concerns were also commonly highlighted, the problem related more to apprehension about what might happen rather than concern based on any inherent danger, or an established record of

incidents."

Wilson and Seney (1994, Montana, USA) concluded that "Trail degradation occurred regardless of specific uses, and that this was dependent more upon geomorphic process than types or amount of activities."

Clearly, mountain bikers have the same responsibilities as all trail users — to use the trail in a safe and responsible manner, like yielding the trail to hikers and using brakes properly to prevent skidding and erosion.

Mountain biking does not require special trails; the same elements that make a trail appealing to hikers and other users makes it appeal to mountain bikers.

I don't say that every trail should be open to bikes, but believe most should be because a generally open trail system provides the most mileage for all users.

A generally open trail system also encourages the socialization of new trail users by experienced users and is less expensive to sign, monitor and maintain. Most importantly, it builds a communi-

ty of trail users who view trails as a shared and valuable resource.

Island Pathways has done a fantastic job in the past few years and kudos to them for their struggles (see a recent edition of Monday Magazine) to improve the situation for cyclists and others. Please support them!

To help inform, educate and advocate access, I feel it is time to start a local IMBA-affiliated mountain bike club/association. If interested, contact me at 537-9316.

Also, fellow mountain biker Lawrence Shone (537-9201 or 653-0071) would like to organize bike activities for island youth, so let us know if you are interested.

Please remember that the key to successful shared single track use is respect and consideration. And land managers would do well to have a more comprehensive and objective approach to decision making.

*The writer has lived on Salt Spring for 25 years, owns and runs Hallman Landscape Associates, and preserves water and mountain bikes.*

**Long way to go**

April 23-29 is Prevention of Violence Against Women Week.

One has only to peruse the headlines of local papers to know that society in general and our community in particular have a long way to go to eliminate violence against women.

The Victoria Times-Colonist recently reported the deaths of two women, one a mother of two boys, whose bodies were found dumped in local Victoria parks.

A former Victoria policeman was found guilty of assaulting his former wife and then, two years later, found guilty of assaulting his former girlfriend.

On Vancouver's East Side, violence against women continues, especially against native women, with several disappearances reported.

All of this in a two-week period.

Yes, we have worked together to make some changes. Yes, there is a growing awareness in the public arena that prevention of violence is the place to start. Yes, rape is now considered a war crime and perpetrators in Bosnia have been sentenced, regardless of their position in the chain of command. This is the first time that rape has been cited as a crime against humanity.

Yes, we are in agreement that change is a slow process and society is not going to change overnight.

It's too late for the aforementioned victims. Perhaps it won't be too late for others.

Here's some Canadian facts and figures:

- 51 per cent of all Canadian women have experienced at least one incident of physical or sexual violence since the age of 16.

- Women are at greater risk of violence from men they know than from a stranger. Acquaintances or relatives were responsible for 72 per cent of the violent attacks committed against women, compared with 37 per cent of violent attacks committed against men. One in three B.C. women is assaulted by her husband or partner.

- Four times as many women as men reported that they felt unsafe walking alone in their neighbourhoods after dark.

- The highest rate of violence in Canada (59 per cent) is reported by women in B.C.

- 84 per cent of victims of sexual assault are girls and 97 per cent of the perpetrators are male.

As the Status of Women Canada states: "Violence against women and children results in serious economic, health and social consequences for individuals, families and society. This complex issue is

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closely linked to women's unequal status in society. The reduction of violence against women and the advancement of women's equality must be an inclusive process that will require the efforts of all sectors and individuals in society to effect change."

During this nationally declared Prevention of Violence Against Women Week, Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence and Abuse (SWOVA) invites you to think about ways you can prevent violence against women and girls. Stopping violence against women will ultimately make society a safer place.

**MYRANDA O'BYRNE,** for SWOVA, Community Development and Research Society

**It's urgent**

The logging moratorium for the Maxwell lake watershed expires on Tuesday, May 1.

The NSSWD, the Water Preservation Society and the Save Salt Spring Society have been lobbying hard to preserve this pristine source of drinking water, but we still need your help.

The federal and provincial governments' recent decision to donate \$20-million towards the purchase of "priority" lands on three islands — Salt Spring, Galiano and Valdes — has now expanded to include more lands throughout the southern Gulf Islands. This means that we need to intensify our lobbying efforts and continue to fundraise if we want to save and keep the Maxwell watershed intact.

While the province is seriously considering this purchase, we have no guarantees that the deal will go through, so your support is vital now.

Please send your tax deductible donations to: the Water Preservation Society, Box 555, Ganges P.O., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2W3.

And please contact deputy environment minister Derek Thompson toll free at 1-800-663-7867; or phone, (250) 387-5429; or fax, (250) 387-6003 and tell him that you would like to see the last pristine lake and potable source of drinking water on Salt Spring purchased and protected forever.

**ANDREA COLLINS,** Salt Spring

**Hang in there**

La Rochfoucauld, the great French cynic, stated that self-interest was the primary human drive.

G.B. Shaw argued that it was simply enlightened self-interest to have the welfare of others at heart. Certainly we cannot escape the fact that deterioration of the environment, and the poverty and disease of others will impact on us.

The CCF/NDP rose out of the liberal churches, prairie farmers and liberal intellectuals who all shared a vision of a commonwealth of existence. They realized that nothing happens in isolation, that everything is interconnected. It was largely their push that helped make Canada the best country in the world.

This push is still needed in B.C., if only as a strong opposition. The Liberal Party's proposed heavy tax cuts would make life more desperate for our poor. It is folly to think that there can be major tax cuts and still maintain the social programs. The claim is made that lower taxes will trickle down and improve the spending power of the less fortunate. George Bush Sr.'s reign certainly proved that untrue.

Therefore, I hope those who believe in social democracy will hang in there and give the NDP a strong voice in this next legislature.

**COLLEEN PRINGLE,** Sidney, B.C.

**Ban art**

What to do with the degrading murals that begrime the walls of the B.C. Legislature? Clearly the answer is to ban artistic ornamentation of any kind in public buildings throughout British Columbia. Work should commence immediately to expunge these offensive portrayals of colonial history from our temple of democracy.

The murals should be painted over in colours that will offer offence to nobody. I suggest beige in recognition that we are, after all, Canadians.

If, under the most unusual and unforeseen circumstance, works of art are to be exhibited in public buildings, great care must be taken to assure that the sensibilities of

even the most fastidious among us are not affronted.

To this end, experts should be impanelled by the government to meticulously vet all existing and proposed works of arts intended for display in public buildings.

Great care must be taken to assure that those experts chosen to decide whether art is worthy of their imprimatur are drawn from groups in society who have political agendas to advance or old scores to settle. That way it is highly unlikely that inappropriate works of art will slip through the net.

The experts should be cloaked with a broad mandate but one that is narrow enough to ensure that in their deliberations they are guided by the principle that anything that can in any way be construed as offensive to anyone will be banned.

**PAUL JOYCE,** Salt Spring Island

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25	11	KIRO	Inside Ed.	Attorney	KIRO News	News	News	ET	Real TV	Contact (1997)	Jodie Foster.	News	Lettermn						
26		VISION	Spiritual	L. Hobo	WondYr	Cosby	Little House Prairie	Skylight	Earth	Bless Me	Dreams	ReInventing World	Skylight	Baha'is	100 Huntley Street				

# THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

- WEDNESDAY, APR 25**
- 6:00 PM  
**3** Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai (1999, Crime Story) When his Mafia boss wants to hunt him down, an assassin named Ghost Dog strikes back. *Henry Silva, Cliff Gorman (2h)*
- 7:00 PM  
**14** Blizzard (1990, Drama) An unscrupulous radio announcer and a desperate fugitive play a game of cat and mouse. *Marcel LeBoeuf, Denis Bouchard (1h45)*
- 8:00 PM  
**3** Falling Through An internal affairs officer learns that coworkers are running an illegal passport ring. *Peter Weller, Roy Scheider (1h30)*
- 9:00 PM  
**19** \*\*\* Superman II (1980, Sci-Fi) Three Kryptonian villains come to earth to seek out their arch enemy, Superman. *Christopher Reeve, Margot Kidder (2h)*
- 9:30 PM  
**3** Boozecan (1996, Comedy) An alcoholic is arrested when he finds an overdose victim in a Toronto club. *Keith Welsh, Jan Rubes (1h45)*
- 10:00 PM  
**14** Lea (1996, Drama) An elderly woman and a young intruder bond after he breaks into her house. *Eric Brisebois, Carmen Tremblay (1h45)*
- 11:00 PM  
**2** (2) All Things Fair (1995, Drama) A recently transferred high school student falls for his attractive new teacher. *Johan Widerberg, Marika Lagercrantz (2h30)*
- 11:15 PM  
**3** If...Dog...Rabbit (1998, Suspense) An ex-convict tries to stay straight while his father attempts to lure him back. *Matthew Modine, John Hurt (2h)*
- 11:45 PM  
**14** L'Atalante (1934, Drama) Story of a barge owner and his bored wife. *Louis Lefebvre, Dita Parlo (1h45)*

- THURSDAY, APR 26**
- 6:00 PM  
**3** Siam Sunset (1999) A design executive's life is forever changed when he meets up with an eccentric woman. *Linus Roache, Danielle Cormack (1h30)*
- 7:00 PM  
**20** (31) \*\*\* Awakenings (1990, Drama) An experimental drug inspires the awakening of a number of catatonic patients. *Robin Williams, Robert deNiro (3h)*
- 8:30 PM  
**3** The Cup (2000, Drama) Based on a true story about teen monks who organize satellite dish to watch the World Cup. *Jamyang Lodro, Neten Chokling (2h)*
- 9:00 PM  
**19** \*\*\*\* The Music Man (1962, Musical) A con artist convinces the people of a town to buy musical instruments to start a band. *Robert Preston, Shirley Jones (2h30)*
- 10:00 PM  
**14** \*\*\* Some Came Running (1958, Drama) A veteran returns to find that his friends are offended by his loose morals. *Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin (2h30)*
- 10:30 PM  
**20** (31) \*\*\* Awakenings (1990, Drama) An experimental drug inspires the awakening of a number of catatonic patients. *Robin Williams, Robert deNiro (2h30)*
- 11:00 PM  
**3** Detroit Rock City (1999, Comedy) Four desperate suburban teenagers will do anything to see their idols KISS in concert. *Edward Furlong, Giuseppe Andrews (1h45)*
- 11:30 PM  
**2** (2) The Passerby (1997, Documentary) An exploration of the human condition and the passage of time. (2h30)

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7	14	VTV	6:00 VTV Breakfast	Regis & Kelly	The View	Vicki Gabereau	E.R.	Counselr	FamPass	General Hospital	Vicki Gabereau								
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12	13	CKVU	Mechanic	Carebear	100 Huntley Street	It's a New Day	Various	GameNat	Travel	Hitchcock	Bynon	Passions	Student	Arrest					
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14	35	CMT	Top 12 Choice	Heart and Home	F Heart and Home	Heart and Home	w Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Heart and Home		
15	38	TLC	WedStory	WedStory	Various	Makeover	DateStory	DateStory	Baby St.	Baby St.	WedStory	WedStory	Trading Spaces	Various	Various	Various	Various		
16	32	CNN	6:00 CNN Morning	CNN Tod.	B. of Proof	CNN Live Today	Various	Various	Various	35Aladdin	Various	Various	Various	Various	Out Box	45GoofTrp	35Aladdin		
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18	31	A&E	Magnum, P.I./Magnum	N. Court	NwsRad.	Law & Order	Northern Exposure	L.A. Law	Murder She Wrote	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various		
19	15	TSN	Sportsdesk	OffReclrd	Workout	Various	Motor '01	Various	Soccer	Various	AcuraGolf	Various	Various	Various	OffReclrd	Sportsdsk			
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21	17	KSTW	Screen Gems	Seventh Heaven	It's a New Day	Various	JudgeJoe	JudgeJoe	The People's Court	Divorce	Divorce	Moesha	Sabrina	PepprAnn	Sabrina				
22	12	KVOS	Buzz	MerrieMel	Various	Various	Judge Mathis	Jenny Jones	People's Court	Maury Povich Show	Montel Williams	Sally Jessy Raphael							
23	34	KCPQ	6Mornings on Q	News	Moral Court	Judge Greg Mathis	JdgeMills	Arrest	Judge Greg Mathis	Unhappily	J. Foxx	Cosby	MagickBus	Various	Various	Various	Various		
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25	11	KIRO	The Early Show	Sally Jessy Raphael	The Price is Right	Young & Restless	News	B & B	As the World Turns	The Guiding Light	Montel Williams								
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# YOUR WEEKLY PULL-OUT TV GUIDE

Table with columns for channels (S, O) and times (4:00 to 11:30) for Thursday Evening April 26. Includes programs like 'The Color of Courage', 'Siam Sunset', 'Jeopardy', 'The Cup', 'Detroit Rock City', etc.

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Table with columns for channels (S, O) and times (8:00 to 3:30) for Saturday Daytime April 28. Includes programs like 'Sherwood', 'The Winslow Boy', 'KOMO 4 News', 'TeachPet', etc.

Table with columns for channels (S, O) and times (4:00 to 11:30) for Saturday Evening April 28. Includes programs like 'Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs', 'The Straight Story', 'Rules of Engagement', 'Meet Joe Black', etc.

FRIDAY, APR 27
6:00 PM
14 Personal Services (1987, True) Woman stumbles into a career as a madam of a brothel. Julie Walters, Alec McCowen (2h)
8:00 PM
3 Frequency A father and son make an extraordinary connection via a ham radio. Dennis Quaid, James Caviezel (2h)
23 The Fifth Element (1997, Sci-Fi) A cab driver gets involved with a woman who may have to save the world. Bruce Willis, Milla Jovovich (2h)
24 Cyber Tracker (1995, Action) This is the future - the law as we know it has been replaced by Cyborg Executioners Don Wilson, Stacie Foster (2h)
9:00 PM
19 Big (1988, Comedy) A boy awakens as a full-grown man, but he's not ready to confront the world. Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins (1h45)
9:45 PM
14 Ups and Downs of a Handyman (1975, Drama) The humdrum existence of housewives in Chippbury is shaken up when a handyman arrives. Barry Stokes, Gay Soper (1h45)
10:00 PM
9 North by Northwest (1959, Thriller) A bewildered advertising man is chased across the country by spies and the police. Cary Grant, Eva Marie Saint (2h20)
3 The Filth and the Fury (2000, Biography) A shocking portrait of the notorious punk-rock band, the Sex Pistols. Sid Vicious, Glen Matlock (2h)
10:45 PM
19 Return to Snowy River (1988, Adventure) A bitter rivalry and a passionate romance are rekindled when Jim Craig returns. Tom Burlinson, Sigrid Thornton (1h45)
11:00 PM
2 Georgia (1995, Drama) A strung-out, self-destructive young woman lives in the shadow of her older sister. Mare Winningham, Jennifer Jason Leigh (2h30)
11:30 PM
14 Justine (1977, Drama) Two sisters, expelled from a convent, find work in a London brothel. Koo Stark, Lydia Lisle (1h45)
SATURDAY, APR 28
6:30 PM
3 Rules of Engagement (2000, Drama) A Marine turns to a war buddy to defend him against court martial and political cover-up. Tommy Lee Jones, Samuel L. Jackson (2h30)
8:00 PM
4 Meet Joe Black (1998, Drama) Death comes to Earth to learn about life and falls in love with a millionaire's daughter. Brad Pitt, Anthony Hopkins (3h)
5 Goldeneye (1996, Action) Bond finds himself pitted against an old ally with nuclear weapons. Pierce Brosnan, Dame Judi Dench (3h)
23 The Final Countdown (1980, War) A nuclear aircraft carrier is caught in time warp and transported to 1941. Kirk Douglas, Martin Sheen (2h)
24 The World According to Garp (1982, Comedy) The life of a writer as he copes with a strange world far beyond his control. Robin Williams, Mary Beth Hurt (2h30)
8:45 PM
14 Fisher King (1991, Fantasy) A self-absorbed radio personality is rescued by a mentally unstable street-vigilante. Robin Williams, Jeff Bridges (2h30)
9:00 PM
2 Mail Rats (1995, Comedy) The story of a band of friends, enemies, and geeks who hang out at a suburban mall. Shannen Doherty, Jeremy London (2h)
3 Passion of Mind (2000, Romance) A woman alternates lives and men every night when she sleeps. Demi Moore, Matthew Beisner (2h)
19 Benji (1974, Family) A lovable little dog helps the police bring two kidnapped children home safely. Peter Breck, Cynthia Smith (1h25)
10:25 PM
19 True Grit (1969, Western) A young girl tracks her father's killer with the help of a U.S. marshal and a ranger. John Wayne, Robert Duvall (2h5)
11:00 PM
3 Committed (Drama) A young woman stops at nothing to get her husband back after he leaves to "find" himself. Heather Graham, Casey Affleck (1h45)
11:15 PM
14 The Adventures of Baron Munchausen (1989, Fantasy) A little girl accompanies a legendary baron on a fantastic adventure. John Neville, Sarah Polley (2h15)
SUNDAY, APR 29
6:00 PM
14 Dave (1993, Comedy) An ordinary guy is asked to double as the President of the United States. Kevin Kline, Sigourney Weaver (2h)
7:00 PM
4 Tarzan (Animated) The story of an orphaned baby who was raised by gorillas in the African jungle. Voices of Tony Goldwyn, Minnie Driver (2h)
3 28 Days (2000, Drama) After destroying her sisters wedding a woman is sent to a rehab clinic. Sandra Bullock, Elizabeth Perkins (2h)
7:30 PM
23 Seven (1995, Suspense) Detectives pursue a serial killer who is re-enacting the seven deadly sins. Morgan Freeman, Brad Pitt (2h30)
8:00 PM
5 U.S. Marshals (1998, Action)

# Rotary Celebrates 30 YEARS



MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF SALT SPRING ISLAND, l-r, front: Roland Hanoski, Delia von Schilling, Janet Stepaniuk, Terry Bolton, Lorne Bunyan. Middle: Neville Atkinson, Walter Mort, Carol Dodd, Joni Ganderton, John Neville, Mary Ashworth, Carole Watson, Anu Jolliffe, Craig Chisholm. Back: Dick Toynbee, Richard Hannah, David Jackson, Jim Helset, Bob Kirkpatrick, Tom McPhee, Derwin Rokeby-Thomas and Tony McEwan.

## Salt Spring Rotary Club has a proud history of community service

Robert Blundell, affectionately known to some as "Robber Bob," came to Canada as a two-year old in 1912 with his mother, his father being deceased. They were supposed to sail on the Titanic, but fortunately missed the boat train and sailed on the next boat.

Bob grew up in Toronto where at the age of nine he lost his right leg on the tracks of the Grand Trunk Railway. As a salesman he travelled throughout Canada, the U.S.A. and Mexico before finally settling in Vancouver.

In 1949 Nat Bailey invited Bob to join a Vancouver Rotary Club to which he gave many hours of volunteer work.

When Bob came to Salt Spring Island the population was only 2,000 but that did not deter him from getting together with 21 other men and, on May 1, 1969, applying for membership in Rotary International.

Bob was the first president. Some of the other members of the new Salt Spring Rotary Club were Dick Toynbee (the only surviving member of the charter group), Gordon Matthews, Kenneth Whyte, "Tuppy" Agar, and Phil Valcourt, all of whom became president of the club in succeeding years.

In those days a large proportion of islanders were retired people — there were few doctors, lawyers, dentists and veterinarians, but these increased as the population increased. Initially the club attracted businessmen who felt an urge to serve the local and international communities through raising money and through personal service.

An added bonus has always been the lasting friendships that have been made while Rotarians have tried to live up to the motto "Service above self." A definition of a Rotarian given in 1977 reads, "No two Rotarians are alike, no two communities are alike — but the pattern of service is always cut

from the cloth of thoughtfulness and helpfulness to others."

During the last 30 years Rotarians have served various communities either by donations or by giving time which is often turned into money. The club has helped to purchase two heart machines, the jaws of life, cement garbage containers, seniors' housing, a chair lift for Shelby Pool, a pulse-activated monitor for the heart machine, a helicopter pad, and many more projects on the island.

But the club has also supported projects off the island such as a hospital in Latvia, a branch of the YMCA in Manila, the Cancer Lodge in Victoria, technical education for street or shoeshine boys in Fiji, and the eradication of polio around the world by 2005.

Methods of raising money have shown great ingenuity: Grey Cup breakfasts, auctions, and "Muffin Madness," which has nothing to do with muffins but everything to do with where a particular cow drops its "muffins" at the Fall Fair. The Rotary Club's recent and ongoing project can be seen in the changes that have been taking place in Rotary Park, the area between Thrifty Foods and the boardwalk in Ganges.

Rotary has supported young people on the island through scholarships and student exchanges where a young person from the island spends a year overseas and a young person from anywhere in the world spends a year here.

The club has always stressed the importance of regular attendance at meetings which now are held at lunchtime in the Harbour House Hotel. Most meetings consist of three parts: any Rotary business that must

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### Projects of the Salt Spring Rotary Club over the past 30 years

- Founded Salt Spring Island Rotary Foundation
  - Helicopter pad at Lady Minto Hospital
  - Built stairs at Greenwoods
  - Decorated a room at Victoria Cancer Clinic
  - Built trash cans
  - Community Centre: climbing wall and playhouse
  - Community library computer system
  - School bus shelters around the island
  - Mountain bike for RCMP bike patrol
  - Funds for Drummond and Portlock parks
  - Elevator for handicapped access to Shelby Pool
  - Board members for Croftonbrook
  - Muffin Madness
  - Bingo, casino, auction as fundraisers
  - Back wall & roller blade & boards for middle school
  - Jaws of Life contribution
  - Clearing and maintaining cemeteries
  - Rotary Marine Park and dinghy dock
  - Funding for SWOVA book, Safety On Our Island
  - Viewing stands for McFadden Creek Heronry
  - Ice cream and coffee coupons for the RCMP to give to people for good behaviour
  - Manufacturing of cement tiles and placing in Rotary Marine Park
  - DARE project to educate grade 6 students about drugs, alcohol, smoking, peer pressure and violence.
  - Provide funds for handicapped children to attend summer camp
  - Youth Crime Prevention Project
  - Creating a sculpture of a mermaid for Rotary Marine Park
  - Sent a grade 10 student to the Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly
  - Provided \$2,500 in scholarships to graduating students
- INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS — the world community**
- Operation Eyesight India 1974
  - Latvia Hospital Project
  - Used hospital beds sent to North Van Rotary Club for their international project
  - Student exchanges both incoming and outgoing
  - Mount Pinatubo Philippines: sent money to help rebuild a village after volcano
  - Honduras Relief Fund 98/99
  - Polio Plus Campaign
  - School project, Cuenca, Ecuador
  - School project, Bolivia
  - Earthquake relief, India and El Salvador
  - Library project, Jamaica



### Service above Self

The Rotary Club of Salt Spring Island has a 30-year history of community service.

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be discussed; a time to eat and talk; and a guest speaker. Over the years the speakers' topics have ranged far and wide: the wool industry in Australia; old days in Burgoyne or Central schools; belly dancing (!); Goody Goodman's recollections of Henry Bullock; global warming; drug abuse; and Jack Webster on his farming problems on the island.

Sometimes the speaker is a member of the club. When Brien Foerster spoke on wood carving he is reported to have been introduced by his Uncle Doug and heckled by his Dad Darryl. As well there have been dances, ladies' nights, barbecues and meetings with other clubs.

Membership today in Salt Spring Rotary consists of 28 men and seven women. The first woman president was Marsha Molyneaux in 1993. Presidents since then have been Martin Hoogerdyk, Walter Mort, Lorne Bunyan, Jim Helset, Delia von Schilling, and current president John Neville.

The club has individuals from various branches of business — real estate, accountancy, insurance, financial planning; and the arts — painters and sculptors; and the professions — law, public safety, homemakers and education. There are some known as "senior actives" who have made the island their retirement home. Now, as in years gone by, members have a personal commitment to represent their vocations or occupations to their fellow Rotarians and to make a valuable contribution to a better society through daily activities as well as through club projects.

Rotarians have what they call their

Four Way Test, four questions by which they can judge both what they are doing within Rotary as well as in their personal lives. These are: (1) Is it the TRUTH? (2) Is it FAIR to all concerned? (3) Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? (4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotary Clubs come under a district governor who is trained to give clubs help when they need it. There is often a friendly rivalry between clubs in the same district and maybe a little mischief such as occurred back in March 1971, when the Ladysmith Rotary Club couldn't find its gavel!

The Salt Spring club, like most Rotary clubs, has a bulletin, called The Sentinel, which records both the business and the fun of Rotary, such as when Ken Whyte turned up at a breakfast meeting wearing pajamas and a nightcap, and drew the comment in the bulletin that his legs needed shaving!

The Rotary year begins on July 1. At the end of the 1999 year the bulletin contained thumbnail sketches because, wrote the editor, "It is a good time to take stock of our club and to recognize the treasures within."

These are a few of his sketches: "He's always 'up' and makes people feel good." "A strong president — not because he banged the gavel hard but because when the call came for volunteers his hand went up first." "The club philosopher. He thinks deeply about everything and is not afraid to ask questions about anything." "She may be the most committed of all Rotarians. If she were involved in a war I'd want to be on the same side." "When he's present the club feels a lot

## The 4-Way Test

One of the most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics in the world is the Rotary "4-Way Test." It was created by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor in 1932 when he was asked to take charge of the Chicago-based Club Aluminum Company, which was facing bankruptcy.

Taylor looked for a way to save the struggling company, which was mired in depression-caused financial difficulties. He drew up a 24-word code of ethics for all employees to follow in their business and professional lives. The 4-Way Test became the guide for sales, production, advertising and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company was credited to this simple philosophy.

Herb Taylor became president of Rotary International during 1954-55.

The 4-Way Test was adopted by Rotary in 1943 and has been translated into more than 100 languages and published in thousands of ways. The message should be known and followed by all Rotarians.

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

younger. Neat hair too!" Members bring not only expertise in a profession or vocation but personal attributes which make meetings a pleasure — never a chore.

The club has been working for six years on the statue and tiles for Rotary Marine Park, putting in thousands of volunteer work hours for what has become a labour of love. Members have learned a lot about something they knew nothing about — how to make tiles and cast a statue. When this project is completed there will be

another vision turned into reality.

The club is currently dedicated to the completion of Rotary Marine Park.

This year the Salt Spring Rotary Club has sent money to school building projects in Ecuador and Bolivia and assistance for earthquake relief in India and El Salvador.

The "Mermaid" will provide a focal point in a plaza made of Rotary tiles. "This is Rotary's gift to the island we all love," club president John Neville said.

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# Rotary was launched in Chicago in 1905

A group of seven young men, all from small towns, met weekly rotating their homes, in order to further each other's business or profession. Rotary was initially a vocational service club which rapidly grew into a service club two years later with community service ventures. Paul Harris was the founder and organizer of the first Rotary Club meeting held on February 23, 1905, in Chicago, Illinois. By 1910 there were 16 Rotary clubs in the United States. The first club outside the U.S. to receive its charter was formed in Winnipeg. Year by year clubs opened around the world: Ireland, Cuba, Uruguay, the Philippines, South Africa and Australia were amongst the first to form.

By February 1982 Jack Williams, the editor of the club bulletin "The Sentinel," wrote: "Did you know that if you were to travel Rotary's 156 lands, visiting a different Rotary Club each day, it would take you 53 years? And there would remain yet to be visited the thousands of clubs established in the meantime." Now there are over 29,000 Rotary clubs in 159 countries with over a million members linked together under the name of Rotary International which was adopted in 1922.

Frank J. Devlyn, President of Rotary International for 2000-2001, has laid out an agenda for his year in office under the theme of "Create Awareness and Take Action." He says that by uniting awareness and action, Rotarians can ensure that the critical needs of our clubs, our communities, and communities around the world will be met.

Rotary is a service club whose principle is "Service Above Self." It is an organization of business and profes-

sional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world. Originally Rotary was for males only but in 1989 the constitution was changed to allow women to be members.

Membership is based upon job classification, that is, upon the business or professional activity of the member. Clubs try to ensure that their members represent a cross-section of the businesses and professions in the area in which they are located. All members are committed to building a better society through their daily activities in their jobs and in the volunteer work through Rotary.

Regular attendance at weekly meetings is essential for building strong and active clubs and friendships which endure. If a member is away from home on the day of the meeting, the member may attend another club's meeting in the town where he is staying and in this way make up the meeting he is missing at home besides establishing a link to another club, perhaps in another country.

Between the club and the headquarters of Rotary International stand District Governors, each of whom is responsible for about 45 clubs in a geographic area. These District Governors receive training to help them help the clubs in their district maintain a high standard of service to their community and to Rotary International.

A valued part of Rotary International is the Rotary Foundation started in 1917. The Foundation provides funds for humanitarian projects throughout the world in the amount of about US

\$65-\$70 million a year. None of the Foundation money is spent on administration or overhead. It all goes to the various projects around the world that Rotary International supports.

Under the Matching Grants program, when funds are donated by a club in Canada for a specific project overseas, they are eligible for matching; that is, one dollar donated by Salt Spring Rotary Club is matched by the District to become two dollars. This, in turn, is matched by CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency) to become \$4 which is then matched by Rotary International. So \$1 at the local level becomes \$8 at the international level which is spent on the specified project or, to put it in more realistic terms, \$100 becomes \$800, or \$1,000 translates into \$8,000. Small beginnings have the power to do immense good in a country far away from Salt Spring. Fundraising is therefore an important part of Rotary's work.

Rotary International has been engaged in various projects overseas such as literacy programs, disaster relief or care of the aging. But perhaps the most outstanding project is PolioPlus. In 1985 Rotary International

committed itself along with the World Health Organization to eradicate polio. Many of us remember the children and adults whose limbs were paralyzed by this dreadful disease, or who had to live in a respirator or die. The PolioPlus program began with the immunization of six million children in the Philippines and then spread around the world. Now children who might have suffered various degrees of paralysis are walking, talking and playing normally. The goal is to eradicate polio around the world by 2005.

In 1962 a Rotary-sponsored youth service club was launched by the Rotary International Board of Directors. Called Interact Clubs they provide opportunities for secondary school students to work together in the fellowship of service and understanding. There are more than 6,000 Interact Clubs with about 140,000 members in 96 countries. The clubs give youth an opportunity to develop leadership skills and get experience in cooperating in service projects, as well as attaining a greater understanding of

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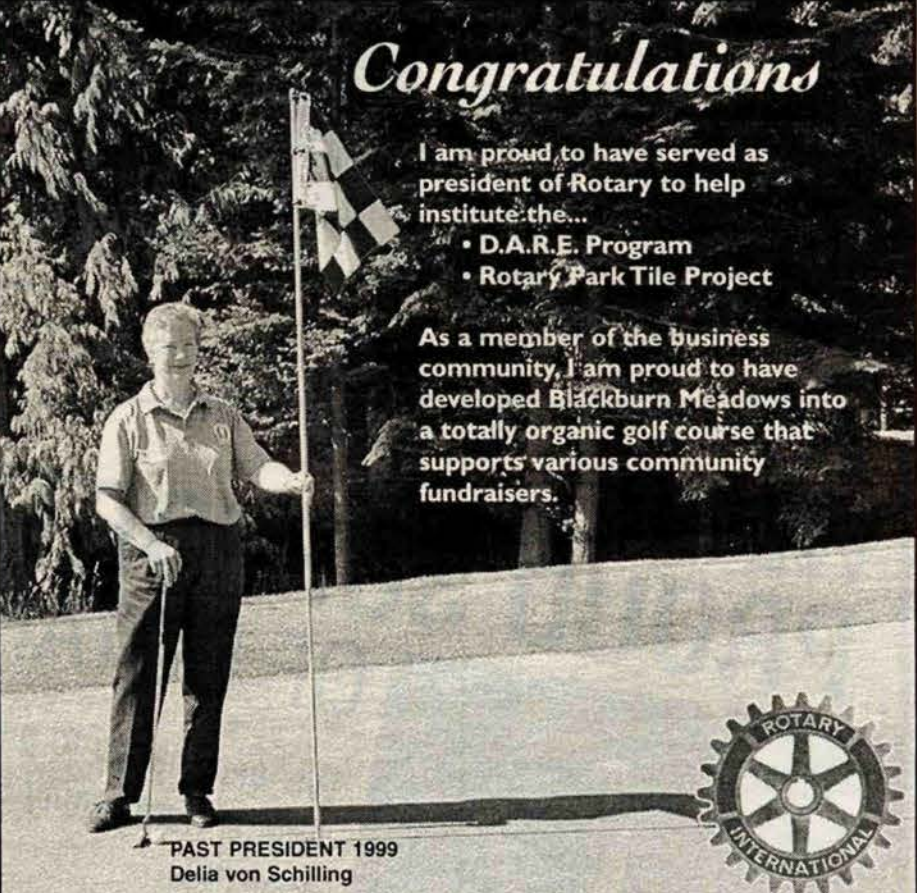
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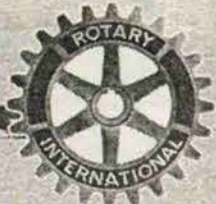
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the world they live in. Just over 30 years ago a program called Rotaract was started for young adults aged 18-30. Its name combines "Rotary" and "action." Groups embark on ambitious projects which call for creative innovation. There are more than 145,000 Rotaractors in 142 countries.

A popular program of the Rotary Foundation is Group Study Exchange, which provides educational experiences for business and professional men and women. Recently the Saltspring Rotary Club hosted a group from the Philippines and next month five Brazilians will be here. A student exchange program, available for secondary school students, was started by Dr. Knudson, a Danish educator, who invited all U.S. Rotary clubs to participate in an International Conference for Exchange of Youth in June 1929. Students living on Saltspring have an opportunity to spend a year in another country, while Saltspring Rotary enjoys hosting students from overseas.

In the fall of 2002, the Rotary Foundation will open Rotary Centres for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution at seven sites worldwide, that is, in Japan, Australia, England, France, Argentina and two in the United States.

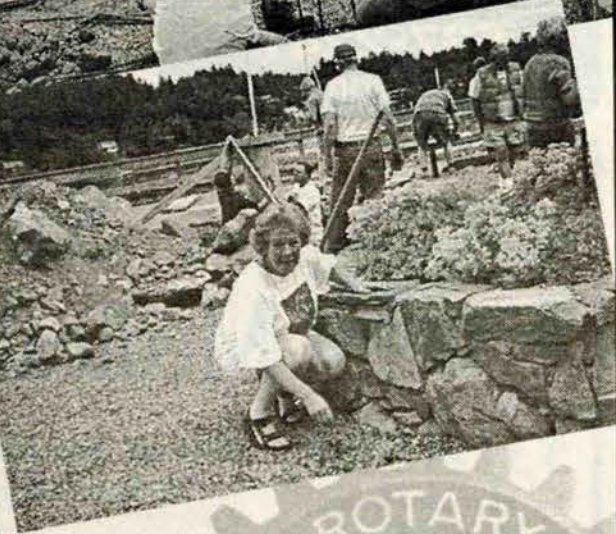
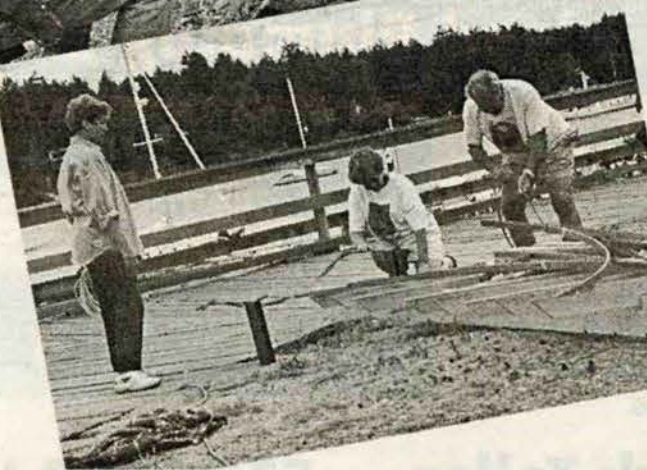
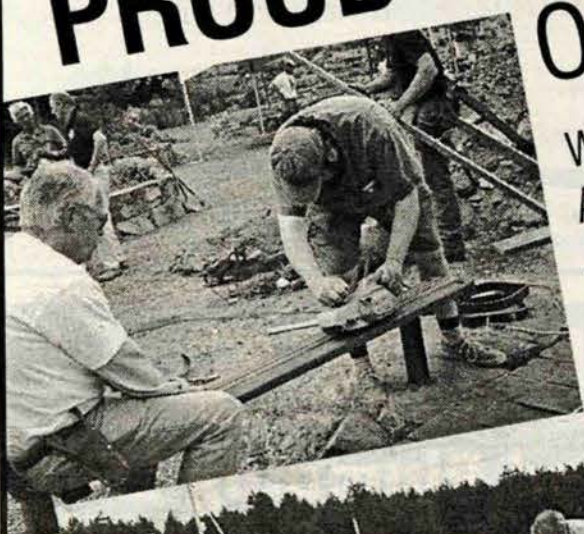
As for the future of Rotary, the president, Frank Devlyn, says that Rotary must continue to grow in numbers as there is still much to be done in the world. He emphasizes that the following concerns need to be addressed: educational programs for girls and women; avoidable blindness; poverty; crime reduction and violence prevention; and jobs for people with disabilities.



Rotary Marine Park has been the steady focus of activity for Rotary Club members for the past few years. Here a club work party pauses for a break.

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For more information about the Saturday Market, visit [www.salt-springmarket.com](http://www.salt-springmarket.com)

• **Salt Spring Women in Business** will soon announce the date and location of their first networking event. The group plans to hold a monthly mixer at a locally owned business, and hopes to offer a variety of workshops and seminars starting in September. Further information can be obtained from **Sheri**

**Standen** at 537-5646 or email to [standen@saltspring.com](mailto:standen@saltspring.com).

• **Ellen Garvie** presented the Economic Profile of Salt Spring Island to about 20 people on Thursday, April 19. During the year-long study, which was funded by HRDC Saanich, Ellen gathered information from interviews with over 200 Salt Spring business owners, and incorporated statistics from the 1996 Census. Copies of the profile will soon be available at the library, Chamber of Commerce, and Salt Spring Community Services. Ellen can be reached at [egarvie@saltspring.com](mailto:egarvie@saltspring.com).

• Looking to buy a business on Salt Spring? The following businesses are listed in the recent issue of Gulf Islands Real Estate. **Kings Lane Recreation**, which offers bowling, billiards, snooker, a video arcade and a dining area, is listed at \$449,000. **The Beachcomber Motel**

in Vesuvius, listed at \$549,000, has 12 units, an owners' suite, and is close to the beach, ferry and pub. **Maxine's Boardwalk**, reduced to \$80,000, offers indoor and outdoor seating with great harbour views. **Mobile Market**, at \$179,000, carries organic and natural produce, groceries and gourmet foods.

• **Dr. H. Patricia Fibiger** will open her Medical Practice at 160 Sharp Road on May 1. Dr. Fibiger has been practising family medicine in Vancouver for over 21 years, and has recently moved to Salt Spring Island. She has a special interest in women's health, birth control, sexually transmitted diseases, substance abuse and acupuncture therapy. For more information, call 537-2037.

• **Jana Thomas**, one of the founding members of The Growing Circle Food Co-operative, has joined The Co-operative Enterprise Centre. Jana works as a co-operative facilitator with emerging co-operatives in the Gulf Islands, and is available to meet with interested groups or individuals each Tuesday between 9 and noon at The Core Inn. If you have an idea for a co-operative enterprise, contact Jana at [janat@salt-spring.com](mailto:janat@salt-spring.com).



**YOUNG ACTIVIST:** Alexandria Matthews joins the crowd of people who gathered in Centennial Park Saturday to protest the FTAA summit in Quebec. The rally included speeches and entertainment.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

### 84 set stage for Oliver Twist show

Gruel may be the order of the day, but audiences can feast themselves on a little bit of magic as the hour-long musical *Oliver Twist* unfolds at Salt Spring Elementary (SSE) School next week.

Under the direction of parent Mike Krayenhoff, with help from choreographer Jill Smith and musical direction from teacher Linda Mills, SSE students plan to sing and act their way into audience hearts in four late-week shows.

*Oliver Twist* — an elementary school version of the famed musical — runs May 3 and 4 with a matinee and evening performance each day.

Due to an overwhelming response to casting calls earlier this year, organizers decided to double-cast the main parts.

Each cast will perform one matinee and evening performance — "so each night is guaranteed to be a little different," say organizers.

Eighty-four "gifted and energetic young actors, singers and dancers have been rehearsing for the past two months to bring this production to stage," states a press release.

"This event has been a co-operative school-wide and community effort to create a lively and unforgettable experience for theatre-goers."

Set in the darkened streets of London over a century ago, *Oliver Twist* is based on Charles Dickens' timeless classic tale. It features crafty urchins, a few "adult" opportunists and a small, trusting boy named Oliver.

Under Mill's musical direction, the show will feature the debut performances of several young soloists supported by SSE's "well known and loved choir."

Tickets for *Oliver Twist* will be available in the SSE office during school hours, beginning this Thursday, and at the door.

Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children with a special family rate of \$8.

The matinee shows begin in the Activity Centre at 12:30 p.m. with the evening shows starting at 7 p.m.

"Although gruel is the order of the day, don't despair as home baked goodies will be available," states the release. "So come be charmed by the street urchins of Salt Spring Elementary, but watch your pockets!"

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# How old the cow?

I am only too well aware of the problems of stale bread and old men, though not necessarily in that order. It is only today as I approach the end of my life that I have learned the value of great age in the cultivation of my garden.

I drove for the Crofton ferry terminal at a leisurely pace and with that state of contentment that is the privilege of the aged.

The sun was making every fervent effort to shine and all was right with the world . . . my world.

And that's where I saw the sign.  
"Aged Cow Manure."

It was a revelation. Until that moment I had never associated the quality of those fine animal droppings with the age of the dropper.

I might even acquire an aged cow or two and go into the business.

Puts me in mind of the tale, popular in my early youth, of the boy who followed that calling.

It was in the day when the horse was the basic motive force behind the distribution of almost everything. As a direct result, the streets and the sidewalks of early 20th-century Britain were punctuated with pretty little piles of droppings and pursuing the drops was a small army of small boys with small shovels and a barrow.

The barrow was usually home-built from a wooden box and the wheels of a cast-off baby-buggy.

The tale went that one such operator returned to a regular customer, usually a gardener with a need for fertilizer and a sense of dignity that prohibited his digging in the gutter for his own.

"What's with the price?" enquired the would-be purchaser, "yesterday it was half of today's price."

The boy nodded his agreement.

"Yesterday, somebody pinched my shovel," he explained, "and all this is hand-picked."

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### Inflation

So you figure that island prices are soaring as far as real estate is considered?

A prominent Salt Spring Islander saw the islands as the leading offenders in upping the price of real estate.

He sees it more clearly now. Before the war his family purchased a house in the English Midlands. With a price tag of one thousand pounds, sterling, it was a pleasant home on a fair-sized lot.

After his father died the property was valued at some 4,000 pounds and for a number of years stayed in the family.

It has changed hands several times since.

The house is a legacy from his past and though no longer owned by his family it is a reminder of other days.

The thousand-pound property is once again on the market but the price has risen.

It is now offered at 475 thousand pounds.

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# Trail, nature club announces May schedule and reminders

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club members are reminded to attend to the social tomorrow, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the United Church Hall.

They should bring final payment for the spring trip and see slides of the Rockies by Lynn Thompson.

There won't be a social in May, but get ready for the Great Strawberry Shmooz on Tuesday, June 19.

Watch for all the news in next month's "Oystercatcher." Here's the May schedule.

**May 1:** Hikers — good views are promised from Reginald Hill with our knowledgeable host, Alan Clews. Carpool from ArtSpring at 9:45 and Drummond at 10.

Ramblers — a ramble on a new trail on Mount Belcher will be led by Jack and Betty Sharp. Meet at Centennial at 10 a.m.

Walkers will be led by Fiona Flook on the Ford Lake trail. Meet at ArtSpring at 10:00 a.m. or Fulford-Ganges Road at Garner Road at 10:10.

**May 8:** Nancy Braithwaite guides the hikers to the Bold Bluff area. Carpool from ArtSpring at 9:45 to meet at the Burgoyne Triangle at 10 a.m.

Ramblers will be led by Paul and Beth Ranney to Merganser Pond. Meet at Centennial at 10, or the upper parking lot at Ruckle at 10:15. Walkers will head to the Baker Road/Booth Bay area with Carol Howell. Meet at ArtSpring at 10 a.m.

**May 15:** Ailsa Pearse leads hikers over some old and new routes at the north end of Salt Spring. Be prepared for a few rough and slippery sections! Meet at Portlock

Park at 10 a.m. to carpool.

Rita Aptekmann will lead Ramblers in the Langs Road area. Meet at Centennial at 10 a.m.

Walkers go off-island to Cedar Hills Golf Course to walk the rhododendron-strewn trails with Anke Smeele.

Meet at ArtSpring at 8:15 or Drummond at 8:30 to carpool to the 9:15 Bowen Queen. (In the unlikely chance that the Skeena Queen is back in service, meet at 8:50 ArtSpring or 9:05 Drummond for the 9:50 ferry).

**May 22:** For those hikers not away today, please meet at Portlock Park at 10 a.m. Try tramping the Channel Ridge trails and pick your own leader.

The Ramblers' trip to Tofino is fully booked.

Walkers are on Mount Maxwell on the Lee-Armand Trail with Alan Robertson. There's a few rather steep grades which we'll take in leisurely fashion. Meet at ArtSpring at 10 a.m.

**May 29:** Hikers explore the Thetis Lake area with one or two of our most honourable leaders. Meet at Portlock Park at 8:30 a.m. to catch the 9 a.m. Vesuvius ferry.

Ramblers face a fairly short but steep ramble at Fern Creek Park on Isabella Point Road with lunch on the beach. Carpool from Centennial at 10 a.m. or meet leader Harold Page at Drummond at 10:15.


John Myers takes walkers back to his Mount Tuam route. Meet at ArtSpring at 10 a.m., Drummond at 10:15.

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**CHESS MOVES:** Ted Baldwinson, left, and Conrad Koke enjoy a friendly game of chess under sunny April skies with Centennial Park as a backdrop. Photo by Derrick Lundy



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**Magic of books should never die**

By LEAH MCCOLM

Everyone likes to have something that has some sort of special meaning to their lives. Whether it be a thing, place or occupation, it relieves us to know that there is that one comfort out there with our names on it.

Some feel most at home in the garden with their hands immersed in the warm scent of the earth, while others enjoy immersing their hands in flour as they knead bread and spread aromas of baked goods through their kitchen.

For some, driving fast, flashy cars is their idea of heaven, and others like to bask in silence walking along a wooded trail or shoreline.

For those of you who believe that watching TV all day is your calling, I suggest you look a little deeper than the remote control.

For me, I've found my deepest comfort in reading and so I've decided to dedicate this column to the importance of books. It all started with Ruth, my grandmother, who taught me how to read. I don't know how she did it but between frustrated temper-tantrums (that would be me), she finally managed to wrap my mind around the English language, not an easy task, and from then on there was no stopping me.

I read books like there was no tomorrow. I read them everywhere: in the bathroom, in the kitchen, my bedroom, lounging in the halls and even in the doorway, much to the chagrin of family members who almost broke their necks tripping over me.

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I would read books by flashlight late into the night under the covers and in school when I probably should have been paying more attention to math.

"Leah eats books," my teacher used to say, and it was true. I would snack on them on lazy summer days under a maple tree or curled up in bed as the rain pattered on the windowpane. Rain is the perfect soundtrack to a good book.

Books are magical. They have the power to change and reshape lives as well as alter the way we look at the world and ourselves. They are wonderful tools to learn from, laugh with and cry over, and they allow us let out long sighs of satisfaction, saying to ourselves, "I know exactly what they're talking about."

Books are the keys linking the concepts and thoughts of humanity. They are the windows on the soul, the "Big Soul" which we are all a part of.

Books are very good companions (I've made friends with quite a few) and they'll always be there to get you out of a tight jam. Say for

instance you're stuck in a doctor's waiting room with 20 people in front of you, what better opportunity is there to dig into your book? I'd be interested to know, though, how the doctor is always able to show up at the most exciting parts.

Lately I fear that the magic of books is wearing thin.

In our fast-paced world filled with such technology as the Internet, movies, DVDs — and whatever else is out there — no one seems to have much time to sit down with a good book anymore.

I once read a cartoon that showed a child staring in confusion at a book and asking, "So where do you plug it in?"

Of course there are still many avid readers out there, but what will it be like in the future when technology begins taking over even more of our world? ("Is it possible?" you ask.)

Perhaps we should take out some of the computer courses in high school and replace them with courses on how to appreciate a good read, for nothing enthralls the mind of youth more than a fresh new viewpoint on life.

So, thanks Internet, thank you TV, thank you gadget, thank you gadget — but no thanks.

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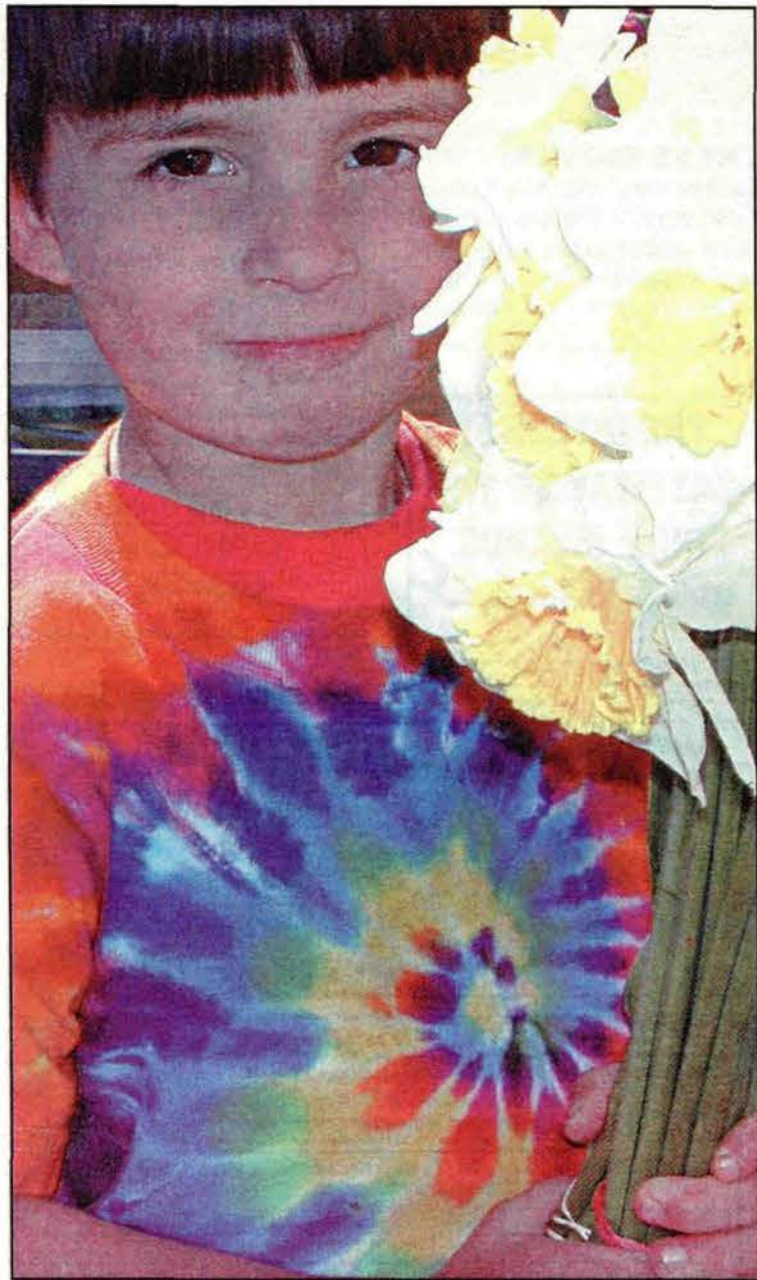
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**By CHERITH DAVIES**  
Driftwood Contributor

The Salt Spring Island 4-H Club has been busy with activities in the past two months. Most of the 4-H Club showed up at the Annual Ruckle Park plowing match on March 25 to help out with the concession stand. Another 4-H attraction at the plowing match was the animal display, where members of all ages brought their farm animals, from baby lambs to full grown rabbits and chickens.

The following week we made an appearance at the Foxglove Customer Appreciation Day with another animal display. We also showed several informative posters we had made in the past. Three of our members attended an off-island intermediate 4-H camp, where they learned survival skills and team work. All three had a wonderful time and other members look forward to the other upcoming 4-H camps. The Sheep Club had a fundraising car wash on April 21 at GVM. Their members were raising funds for the five fairs they plan to attend later this year. The day was filled


with fun and water fights — oh yeah, we washed cars too. We would like to thank everyone who came to support us. To wrap it all up, we had our general meeting, where we discussed the club's upcoming events. We'd also like to send a huge

thank you to the person who donated fabric paints for the baby crib quilt project. It was very much appreciated.

If you would like to support 4-H in any way, please call Lynell at 537-2484. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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**FLOWERS FOR MOM:** Young Aliah Hart was spotted at the Saturday market in Centennial Park, clutching a bouquet of daffodils for his mother.



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# Newcomers group up and running with ample enthusiasm

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

It doesn't take long to realize there's a fast-flowing river of activity on Salt Spring, but for island newcomers, it's a matter of how and where to jump in.

That's where the six-month-old Newcomers group can help. Its members have been or are still in the same boat, exploring territory that grows more familiar each day.

**"The conversations just clicked." — Newcomers founder Lorraine Norfolk**

Newcomers clubs are different from most because people in them don't need to have a specific interest or skill; members' commonality stems from their recent union with the community.

While practically everyone on Salt Spring was at some point a "newcomer" adjusting to the uniquely island lifestyle, sharing the newness has been a proven winner in many other North American cities and towns.

Salt Spring Newcomers founder Lorraine Norfolk moved to the island from Victoria last summer. She had visited the island frequently through her work as an interior designer and when her daughter and family coincidentally relocated here, it made Salt Spring a natural choice for a move.

Norfolk belonged to Newcomers groups in Victoria and Toronto before that.

"When I moved to Toronto I didn't know a living soul," she recalled. One day she saw a Newcomers ad in the paper and managed to make it to her first meeting that night.

She and her husband Terry still have friends they met in that club.

Rita Sagness was the first person to respond to Norfolk's advertisements for the Salt Spring Newcomers group.

And although she has moved a few times in her life, the former New Westminster resident had

never heard of the concept.

But she was definitely keen and quickly volunteered to be the group's other contact person.

Sagness came from "the centre of everything" in New Westminster to the island last June, having a family property connection here.

"I love it," said Sagness, a financial security advisor who has scaled back her business to a semi-retired pace. "I couldn't be happier."

"My husband I had to drag," she jokes. "You can still see his heel marks."

Having a garden for the first time in years has re-sparked Sagness' passion for that hobby, and a gardening/plant sharing sub-group has already formed through Newcomers.

(She also joined the Salt Spring Garden Club, of course.)

A list of other Newcomers activities so far compiled includes potluck suppers, golf, bridge, crafts, games, lunch or dinner clubs, off-island excursions, and a wine and beer brewing group, which has already arranged one tour.

Since forming in November, the whole group has mainly gathered on the first and third Sundays of each month for a walk and/or coffee, meeting at the artistically painted buoy next to Centennial Park at 11 a.m.

The next walk is on May 6.

Norfolk also hosted a successful Easter brunch on Good Friday.

She recalls how the group's initial meeting was a coffee and muffin affair held at her home, which she imagined taking an hour and a half at the most.

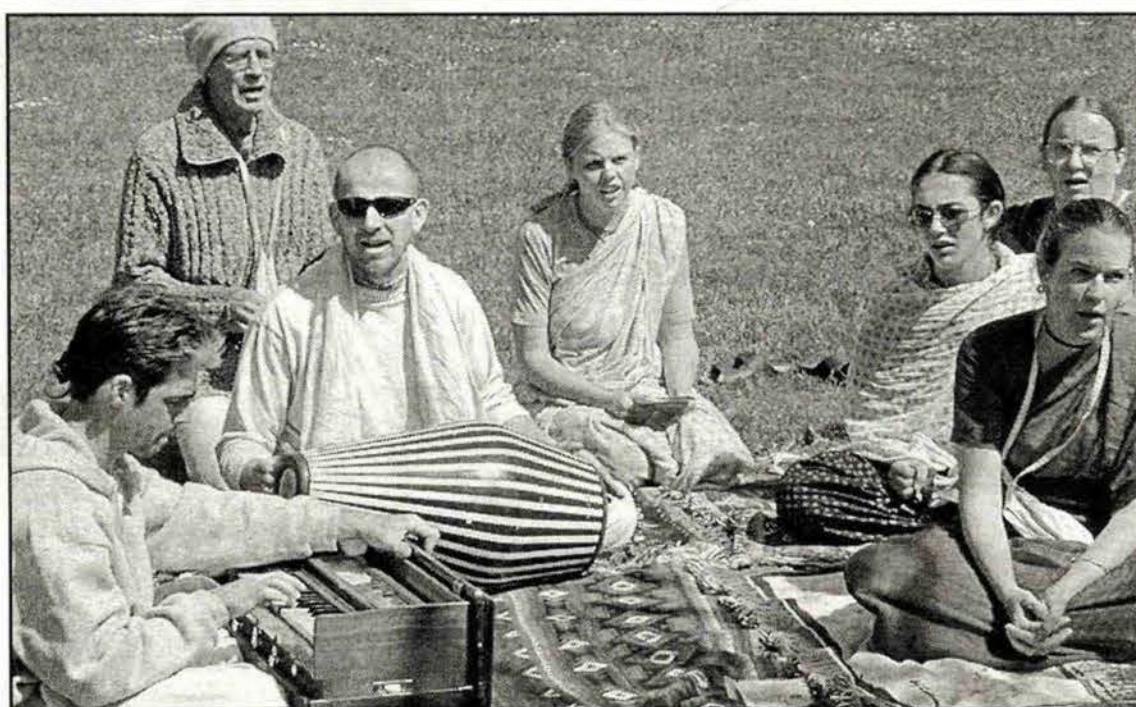
Three hours later, the discussion was still flowing.

"The conversations just clicked," said Sagness.

Although the group was first envisioned for people aged 45-plus, the women stress there is no age criteria, and some members are in their 30s.

They also bring diverse career and life experiences, forming a dynamic core for what will likely become an essential part of the Salt Spring community.

Anyone wanting more information can call Norfolk at 537-8557 or Sagness at 538-0101.



**MUSIC IN THE PARK:** A group of Hare Krishna followers set up with music and chanting in Centennial Park. About 200 of the faith have rented the Salt Spring Centre for a retreat this week.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Herb farm open house

An open house set for this Saturday at Bigfoot Herbs will introduce the community to a new herbal/nutritional program.

Set for 1-4 p.m., the open house takes place at the home of Ken and Pat Barnes at 104 Eagle Ridge Drive.

The event will introduce a new series of classes by Doreen Minshall, who previously taught Meadow Medicine.

A proposed course outline will be available at Bigfoot Herbs.

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### Young filmmakers honoured

Two awards in the field of film have been won by local aspiring filmmakers in recent weeks.

Rani Sandhu of Salt Spring won the Our Island, Our World scholarship award for the written outline of a potential video called My Home.

The win enables her to attend a week at Gulf Islands Film and Television School (GIFTS).

Well-known film director Mort Ransen judged the entries.

Ransen said the story, called My Home, is about a young Sikh woman trying to fit into western society, and the misunderstandings she has with her parents.

"It's a very interesting conflict and a very sensitive and interesting story," he said.

The scholarship was created for the first time for the Our Island, Our World film and community festival, which is only in its second year.

In a separate GIFTS event, Gulf Islands Secondary School student James Sharp from Salt Spring earned an Outstanding Achievement in DVE/MM Special Effects award for a film called Head Smudge at the EyeLens Film and Video Festival held on Galiano April 13-15.

The festival of 140 videos screened were all produced at GIFTS on Galiano Island during 2000.

### 'Spicy' Cabrera back for encore

It's been a couple of years since Julio Cabrera and his band brought the spicy and sensual rhythms of Latin America music to Salt Spring, but those who were there haven't forgotten the experience.

Local musician and promoter Stephen Glanville brought the group to the Fulford Inn for a "Mexican fiesta" weekend in November of '99, and was deluged with requests for a repeat.

"People really liked it and said

'you should do it in town,' so I'm doing it in town this time," said Glanville last week.

The Cinco de Mayo dance at Mahon Hall with Cabrera and the Banda Tequila runs next Saturday night for the 19-plus crowd. Doors open at 7:30, with tickets \$10 at the door or available in advance at et cetera.

Cabrera has steeped himself in Latin American folklore and music for more than two decades, emerging with a fusion of salsa, calypso,

flamenco, jazz, gypsy and reggae styles.

He handles vocals and plays keyboards, bass and guitar in the band.

Joining Cabrera are Bruce Hurn on trumpet, percussionist Manuel Juarez, Ed Philp on saxophone, and Rollo Primo on congas and vocals.

Some of the group's faithful Victoria fans are also making the trek to the island to hear the band play.

### Crowe performance set for Talons

A singer who's developed an eager following on Salt Spring returns Saturday night for an intimate show at Talons.

Allison Crowe, a Nanaimo vocalist and pianist described by TSUNAMI coordinator Adrian du Plessis as "an artist of singular power and depth," will appear with her trio of Dave Baird on bass and drummer Kevin Clevette for a show which begins at 9 p.m.

Following a dynamite appearance as Tara MacLean's opener at ArtSpring last fall, Crowe caused an overflow crowd at a subsequent Talons show, so tickets are limited this time around. They're \$6 in advance from Acoustic Planet, et cetera, Music Emporium and Talons, or \$8 at the door.

Joining Crowe and her band will be special guest Camille Miller from Vancouver, a guitarist and vocalist

who spent most of last year touring the Middle East with a band.

Miller has shared the stage with a variety of big acts, including Colin James, Philosopher Kings, 54-40 and Matthew Sweet. She describes her "very groove-driven" sound as "the Beatles meet Sheryl Crow," noting "melodies are my most favourite thing."

The event is presented by TSUNAMI.

### Folk music magician at ArtSpring

One of Scotland's greatest musical treasures is set to unfurl his magic at ArtSpring Saturday night.

Archie Fisher, who has influenced a couple of generations of folk musicians on both sides of the Atlantic, will present snapshots from his lifetime of poetic and stunning music that has earned him

the reputation as "both the James Dean and Frank Sinatra of folk music."

Besides recording about 11 albums of material, his songs have been covered by other great musicians such as the late Stan Rogers.

Fisher's arresting voice and

treatment of traditional and original music have seen him easily dubbed "Scotland's foremost troubadour."

The April 28 ArtSpring event begins at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors and students through ArtSpring (537-2102.)

### Island Rhythm at BPH all-ages dance


Everyone with feet will want to bring them to the all-ages Island Rhythm dance at Beaver Point Hall on Friday, May 4.

The famous Cortes Island group led by master drummer and composer Gordy Ryan thrilled a Salt Spring crowd at a dance last year, and is prepared to do it again.

Island Rhythm is a 16-member percussion orchestra which creates a unique mix of traditional world beat and New Orleans party music. The group has studied with and been inspired by Babatunde Olatunji, a Nigerian elder and ambassador of African music.

In its shows, members trace the roots of modern rhythm from Africa across the Atlantic to the Caribbean and New Orleans.

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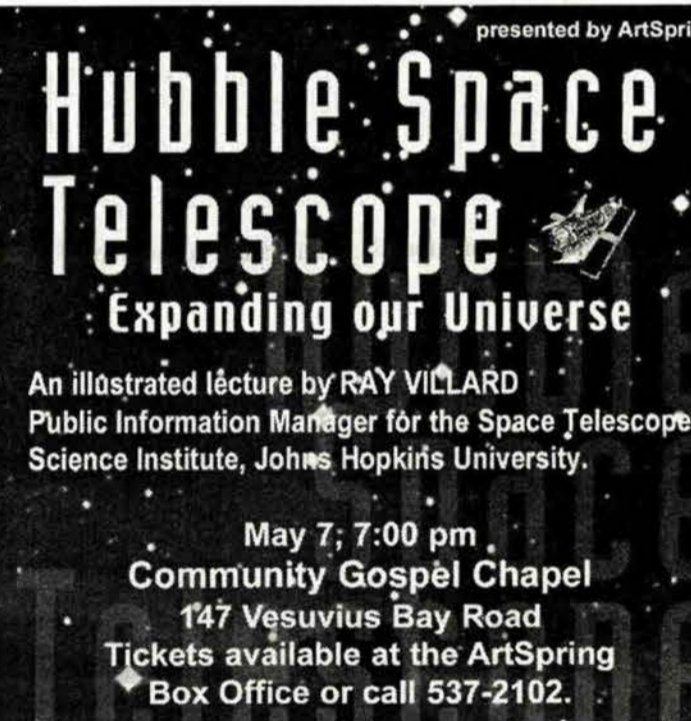
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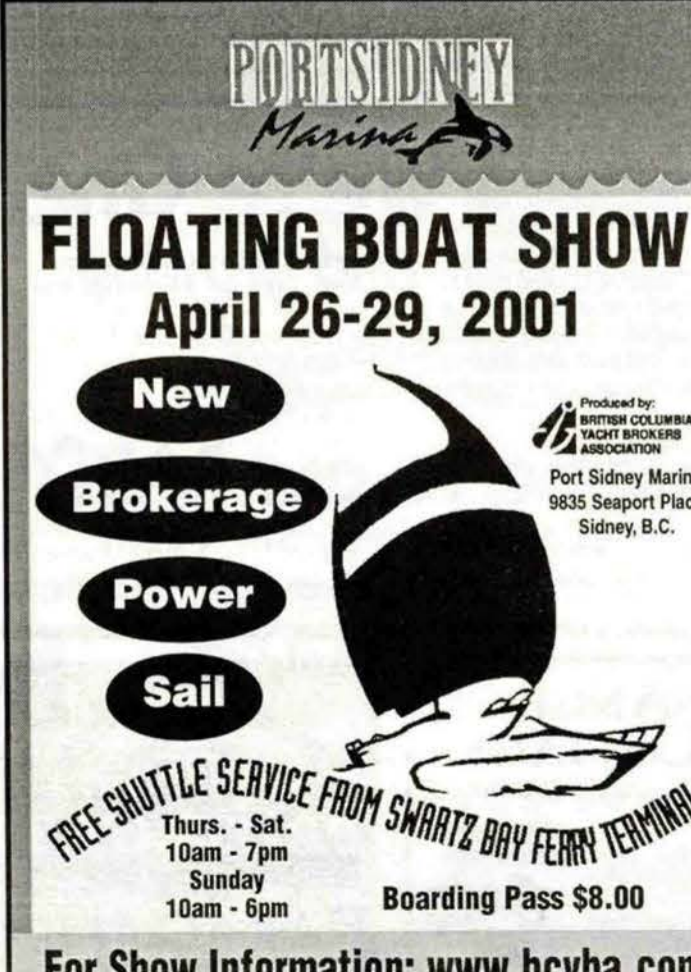


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# Patti, Heather and Bill debut on the farm

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

We've all heard typical tales of anguish about struggling writers — walls papered with rejection slips; lousy contracts; editors who butchered sacred prose; or the financial trials of taking the self-publishing route.

Fortunately for Heather Gardam, her road to authorhood was anything but typical.

Life on the Farm; The Patti Stories Volume One is a collection of a 10-year-old girl's adventures written for junior readers and the Salt Spring writer's recently published first book.

Its publisher? Try the world renowned Penguin Books company.

While Heather and Bill Gardam lived on the island for about 20 years, they've spent the last three cruising the Pacific in their knock-out wooden schooner Shiriri.

Leaving their boat for sale in Australia (they just want a smaller one for less Neptunean-type voyages), they've recently returned home to do some book promoting — bookstore readings and interviews with publications such as Mac Lean's magazine.

Heather and Bill make an amiable promotional team for Patti.

Soft-spoken Heather dubs the Penguin connection "a happy accident." "Really, I was just writing it for me. Then a friend said she had a friend who was an ex-editor for Penguin." That person read the Patti manuscript and promptly felt it deserved a reading by her former company. "Getting a reading by Penguin was amazing," said Heather. "I was astonished when they accepted it."

But Bill doesn't let his wife get away with such modesty. "I think Patti is a pretty interesting little kid," he says, "and she stands on her own."

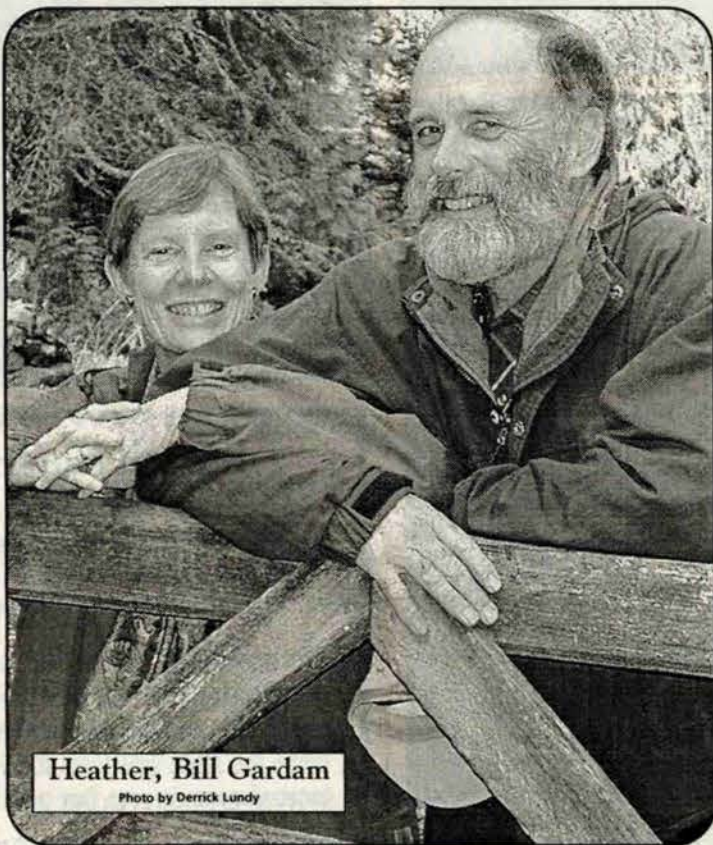
Full of wonder and vigour and a healthy role model for young girls, Patti certainly does.

Life on the Farm delves into modern rural life — Patti's mom and dad both work off the farm — yet retains an old-fashioned flavour. (Friends of Heather's aunt told the Gardams it's the kind of book grandmothers love to buy for their grandchildren.)

Readers see Patti care for a baby chick wounded by a mink bite, get lost in a snowstorm, try to keep up with older brother Jamie and work out conflicts with other girls, among other problems.

Penguin officials were so confident in Patti they contracted a second volume, which Heather wrote in Mexico. It should be in bookstores later this year.

As "an air force brat," Heather



Heather, Bill Gardam

Photo by Derrick Lundy

did not grow up in gumboots surrounded by chickens, but she did live on a farm near Ottawa for about a year at an impressionable point in her childhood.

She admits that "When people ask me about those incidents (in the book), I have trouble remembering if they were true or not."

Still, Patti is not an autobiographical character — she was born and raised in Heather's creative writing studies at UVic many years later.

Some story elements came from the Gardams' south-end Salt Spring life, with its foraging into the terrain of self-sufficiency. Chicky, in the book, is related to their real-life chicken Chickpea, who also played an important role as part of the Shiriri's figurehead, handcarved by Bill. (He's also an accomplished artist.)

Chickpea is held in the arms of an Amerindian girl. As Bill explains with a laugh, "(The girl) looks at the long view, and Chickpea looks down at each wave and says 'whoa'." The figurehead drew lots of attention on their voyages, as did the gorgeous, 19th-century-look schooner itself.

"Like the rest of us, Miss Chickpea lost her head in a storm off Mendocino," recalls Heather. That terrifying experience, when the couple and daughter Gwyn had to be rescued by the U.S. Coast Guard, is detailed by Heather in last December's Cruising World (CW) magazine. (Bill also had a recent article published by CW.)

Just as the Gardams became transfixed by sailing enough to spend three years with their boat as home base, Patti has charmed her way into their daily con-

sciousness, becoming a sort of surrogate "fourth daughter." There are already three grown-up Gardam girls: Gwyn, Anne and Elaine, who many islanders would know.

Heather points out that the parental relationship doesn't translate in reverse.

"Patti's family is very much her family," she says, and definitely not traversers of the Pacific.

Sensing the richness in the Gardams' sailing adventures, though, Penguin has asked, "Can Patti go to sea?"

Definitely not, says Heather. That's not what Patti would do!

But Heather is eager to write about cruising families and their mature, amazing children — experts about the stars and marine life, able to run a boat or help rescue themselves or other sailors.

Gardam was a fiction-writing child, but after reading great literature in her teens, didn't feel she had much to offer in comparison. But her writing desire was not squelched, and she earned a creative writing degree from UVic, her second B.A., while in her '40s.

Returning to university not only led to Patti's first steps as a character, but emphasized to Heather that her writing was of value, even if it never made it to bookshelves beneath a glossy, illustrated cover.

"I think the most important thing for me was to realize that 'you are a writer,'" regardless of whether your work is published or not.

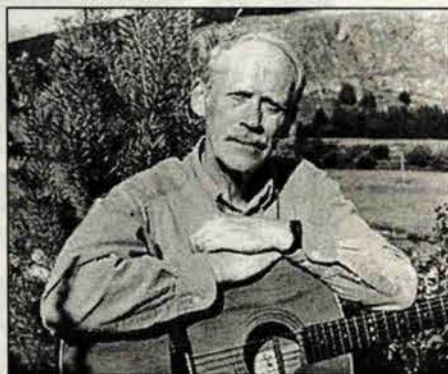
Whatever happens next in Heather's writing career, she, Bill and Patti can be heartened by an auspicious maiden voyage.

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# Casting a statue among the tiles

The idea of creating a statue for Rotary Marine Park and manufacturing tiles for sale to the community at large was a turning point in the history of the Salt Spring Island Rotary Club.

Like so many service clubs before it, a few years ago membership was dwindling, and Rotarians were drifting from one weekly lunchtime meeting to another.

Various projects were considered but with the completion of the park the club didn't really have a goal that would involve Rotarians as a group or provide the interest required to attract new members. One member, sculptor Thomas McPhee, suggested that the park was a natural attraction and could continue to provide a focus for the club.

McPhee's proposal was simple: under his direction Rotarians would create a statue to anchor the site and assist in the development of a theme that would attract residents and visitors alike to the park's waterfront location. "Not a problem," said McPhee.

"We can use my studio and build the model there. It's easier than you think," he continued. "Bits of plaster, sacking and a little sanding here and there. I'll be around all the time to show you how it's done. It will be finished before we know it."

"Another thing," he added. "Pictures can be taken of the statue and postcards printed which we can sell to the visitors as a fundraiser." Well, something as simple as that had to be con-

sidered and in 1996, the club endorsed the idea.

We will spare the reader the ups and downs of the next few years. Endless supplies of materials, latex, rubber, wood framing and sack cloth, and limitless bags of plaster were acquired and, of course, a gantry had to be built to move the heavy molds. And there were countless hours put in by Rotarians and their wives, day and night for four years.

Near the beginning of this process, a blow fell: the provincial government removed from all service clubs a principal source of revenue. No more bingo!

What to do? Bingo was a major provider of the income spent each year by Rotary in the community. "Not a problem," said Tom. "I'll design a set of tiles that we can make ourselves and we will sell them in the local community. At the same time we can surface the Marine Park so that meetings, entertainments and other great happenings can be conducted there."

"It's easier than you think," he continued. "We can use the studio and cast the tiles there. Mix a little concrete with a bit of sand, inscribe the name of the purchaser, add a splash of colour and there we are. Sell them for \$40 a piece. A tremendous money maker."

"And don't forget," he added, "I'll be there all the time to show you how it's done. It will be finished before we know it."

Well, something as simple as that had to be considered and in 1997 the club endorsed the idea.

Again in the spirit of good will endorsed by all Rotarians we will spare you the details of the molds that had to

be made, and remade, the fibre-glass casings, the letters, the unbelievable complexity of the concrete mix, and the learning curve of the casting process, the curing and the colouring of

the tiles. And the disappointments.

"Oh, and by the way," someone said, "the statue is now taking up all the spare room in the studio so we'll have to build a shed next door with another overhead transporter to carry the concrete mix to the tiles. Right?" Right.

The past four, almost five years have flown by. The project has involved every Rotarian and many of their wives on a regular basis. We have not just met over lunch we have worked together, solved problems together and sold tiles together. We have complained and moaned but in the end met up at Tom's studio to do what needed to be done.

Through the ongoing sale of tiles, our coffers have expanded to accommo-

date exciting but expensive pro-active programs such as the D.A.R.E. anti-drug program taught in our schools. The activity and fellowship has created a level of awareness that has changed Salt Spring Island Rotary from just a good place to have lunch to a group with an exciting sense of participation, revealing the potential of Rotary.

As if this weren't enough, the largest piece of freestanding art that has been erected on Salt Spring Island since the erection of the cenotaph in 1951 enjoys a place of prominence in one of the island's loveliest locations.

The bronze statue of the Rotary mermaid will welcome visitors and residents alike. She will preside over activities for years to come and the sale of tiles will continue until the park is covered.

As Tom said, "Not a problem."

Thomas McPhee's unflinching positive attitude throughout and his ability to stay focused on the long-term goal, not to mention the sacrifice of time that he could have spent on his own livelihood, has been recognized by the awarding, in his name, of a Paul Harris Fellowship, one of Rotary International's major forms of recognizing "service above self."

If you wish to know more about Rotary, contact any Rotarian and join us for lunch. At the Harbour House. Every Wednesday, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. If you ask, we may even tell you about Paul Harris.

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## Club has facilitated numerous exchanges

Every year approximately 7,000 students aged 15-19 go abroad under the auspices of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program, either for long-term — usually one year — or shorter periods of time — usually when school is not in session. The ultimate goal is to advance world understanding and peace.

A full-year Rotary Youth Exchange student lives with three or four host families, attends school, experiences another culture, may learn another language and gain self-awareness and a global perspective.

Salt Spring Island Rotary has facilitated student exchanges from Germany, India, Japan, Sweden, Finland, Thailand and Ecuador. Gulf Islands students were given the opportunity to live in Brazil, Japan and Sweden.

Two years ago Katharina Blanke came from Germany to explore our part of the country, experience island life and attend Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Apart from maintaining a high level of academic excellence in school she has made an outstanding contribution to our senior girls' basketball team, culminating in their participation in the B.C. provincial playoffs. Coach Kellie Booth let our local Rotary Club know that they "could send her a Katharina every year."

Salt Spring Island Rotary also facilitated an exchange visit by Megan Ruggles from Mayne Island to Owari Asahi in Japan. There she made great strides in learning Japanese and the ancient martial art of Kendo.

Megan was formally received by the

mayor during a festival of her host town when she had the opportunity to present the community with 1,000 tree seedlings on behalf of Rotary. Megan reported on visits to "more museums, shrines, places of natural beauty, concerts and performances than I can remember... (and) loving it".

During the 1999-2000 school year we welcomed to Salt Spring Island Alex Vasquez from Cuenca, Ecuador.

While attending high school, she enjoyed playing in the band and travelled to a very successful school band competition in Edmonton. She also joined her host family on a ski trip to Silverstar Mountain and travelled extensively in B.C. and Washington State. She met other Rotary exchange students in Victoria, Port Hardy, Washington, and Idaho.

Jessica Temmel of Salt Spring Island spent her 1999-2000 school year in Sweden where she attended Grade 11, enjoyed volleyball, swimming, various art courses, and learned to speak Swedish so well that, when travelling in Norway, was mistaken for a Swede.

She loved the informal style in school, and the open, trusting relationship with teachers, classmates and host families.

She had the opportunity to travel extensively in Sweden and Norway.

Currently, 17-year-old Kirsti Stubbs of Salt Spring is in Australia, attending high school in Collie, a small community near Perth.

And visiting Salt Spring is Rasmus Risgaard from Denmark. His main interests are history, theatre, environment, peace, and political and religious liberty.



Young graduates of the DARE program on Salt Spring, with instructor Const. Jeff West of Ganges RCMP

## DARE is club project

Encouraging positive self-esteem and assertiveness can prevent young people from taking drugs, according to RCMP Const. Jeff West, who is trained to offer the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) course.

The sessions get at what is behind taking illicit drugs. For example, one topic is about how the media influences young people in the use of drugs and violence.

Another is on building self-esteem which "helps students understand that self-image results from positive and negative feelings and experiences."

"You're shooting at helping kids make better decisions," says West, who took the two-week DARE training course in Port Alberni.

Locally it is financially supported by the Salt Spring Rotary Club.

West says the course emphasizes cooperative learning in small groups and lots of role playing with all class-

room students involved. There is a course workbook and students receive a DARE T-shirt at a graduation event to which parents are invited to attend.

West is well qualified to facilitate the course, having been a physical education teacher before he became an RCMP officer.

Prior to relocating here, he worked extensively with drug and alcohol problems in Surrey.

The DARE program has been operating in Edmonton since the early 1990s. Police there were trained by Los Angeles police, who have been conducting the program since the 1980s.

The classroom cost per student taking the DARE course is \$15 to \$20. Those interested in financially contributing to the ongoing program can purchase commemorative tiles for Rotary Marine Park from the Rotary Club.

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# Community service, fellowship are special features

By **TONY RICHARDS**

*This article was first published in the Driftwood in December 1994.*

Two heart machines.

The Jaws of Life.

A helicopter landing pad at Lady Minto Hospital.

To look for a common element among those four items immediately produces the word health. All are part of the facilities and equipment that help serve the health needs of Salt Spring Islanders.

But there is another common thread to these and a list that includes many more. All were provided through the efforts of a group of local volunteers, organized to serve the community in which they live. The group has seen many changes in its membership over the past 25 years but the banner under which members have operated — and the motto they share — has not.

The Rotary Club of Salt Spring Island was established 25 years ago in a community that numbered only 2,000. But the tireless efforts of a confirmed Rotarian newly arrived from Vancouver overcame the obstacles to establish a service organization with an impressive record of community service.

Charter member Dick Toynbee recalled at an anniversary luncheon Sunday that the late Bob Blundell had had "very few breaks" in life since his birth in London, England, in 1909. Fondly known for years by the nickname Robber Bob, Blundell purchased Harbour Grocery in the late 1960s. The one-legged entrepreneur quickly established himself as a local character in the tiny premises of his convenience store, located on a site now occupied by Creekhous.

Life had its ups and downs for Bob Blundell, Toynbee remembered, but he had a heart of gold. After the death of his father in 1911, he and his mother travelled to Canada. They had been booked to sail aboard the Titanic, Toynbee said, but they missed the boat.

After that, Blundell seemed to think being late was not a bad thing and was rarely on time for Rotary events.

Blundell's biggest strength was his

ability to sell. A Grey Cup stag party was one of the club's big fundraising events in the early days, and Blundell would lead the membership in ticket sales, selling more than one-quarter of the total tickets himself.

Vancouver businessman Nat Bailey introduced Blundell to Rotary in 1949, an introduction that Toynbee said was "one of the really fine things that happened to Bob."

"He just loved it. It changed his whole life."

That introduction subsequently changed the lives of many islanders, men who wanted an opportunity for fellowship and to make a contribution to their community at the same time. However, the year was 1969 and things were different on Salt Spring in those days.

When Blundell began organizing a Rotary club, Salt Spring had one of the highest percentages of retired people of any community in British Columbia. As well, the population consisted of "a batch of hippies." And there were no lawyers, dentists or veterinarians, the professions from which Rotary had traditionally drawn its members in other places.

Said Toynbee: "It looked like pretty slim pickings," particularly since the Lions Club had "mopped up" many potential members.

Blundell succeeded, however, and became charter president of the new club in a ceremony at Fulford Hall on May 9. One of the directors of the new club was Phil Valcourt, owner of a building supplies store and developer of what is now the Upper Ganges Centre. Currently living in Victoria, Valcourt and his wife Yvette, one-time representative for Salt Spring on the Capital Regional District board, were present for Sunday's gathering.

"I had 13 years of perfect attendance," said Valcourt, who served as club president in 1978. Attendance has always been an important part of Rotary: members are strongly encouraged to attend every weekly meeting, or that of another club if they are away from home.

Valcourt said he joined the club because it gave him an opportunity to

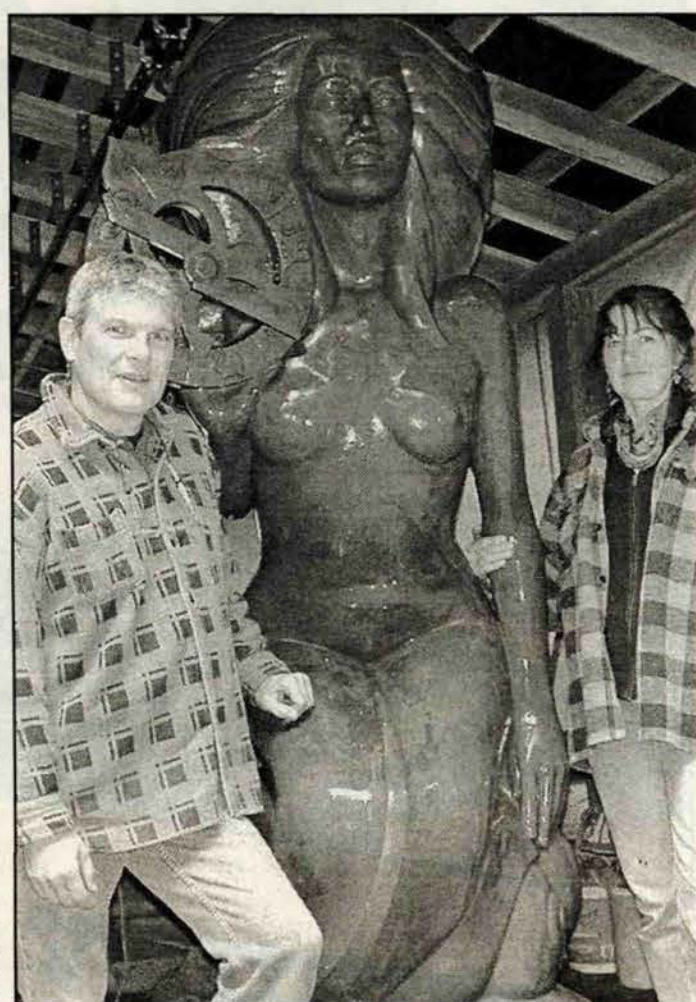
work on behalf of the community. That work has included many projects over the years. School bus shelters, cement garbage containers for Ganges, a mannequin for CPR training, communications equipment for the emergency program, Portlock Park, seniors housing, scholarships and student exchange programs are evidence of what a committed and organized group of volunteers can do.

Many projects have required donated labour, many have needed cash money. For the latter, Rotarians use to stage a Grey Cup breakfast and casino. Today, big money raisers are the fall fair's Muffin Madness and the fortnightly bingo at Meaden Hall.

Over the years Rotarians have been seen flipping breakfast pancakes or cooking hot dogs at various events, operating beer gardens and staging auction sales, converting their time into donated funds for community causes. In doing so, they are living up to Rotary's motto, Service Above Self.

But there's more to being a Rotarian than community service. "I like what Rotary does. I like the community work," says club president Marsha Molyneaux, a member for two years. But the fellowship is important to her. "The people are just fabulous."

Valcourt remembered travelling in Dick Toynbee's boat to a barbecue on

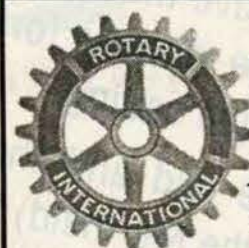


**Sculptor Tom McPhee and wife Judy McPhee with the mermaid which will be unveiled Saturday in Rotary Marine Park.**

Saturna Island, and making a two-day trip of it. Twenty-year member George McEwen recalled flying in a plane piloted by Valcourt to attend the meeting of a club in Campbell River.

The membership of women was a big issue in Rotary a few years ago after its men-only policy was the subject of a court challenge in California. The challenge was upheld and Rotary's constitution was changed.

Bob Blundell probably would not have argued against the inclusion of women in his beloved service club. Self-deprecating and big-hearted, he would have supported any move to improve the club and contribute to his community. As Dick Toynbee noted, "He was a much-loved fellow."



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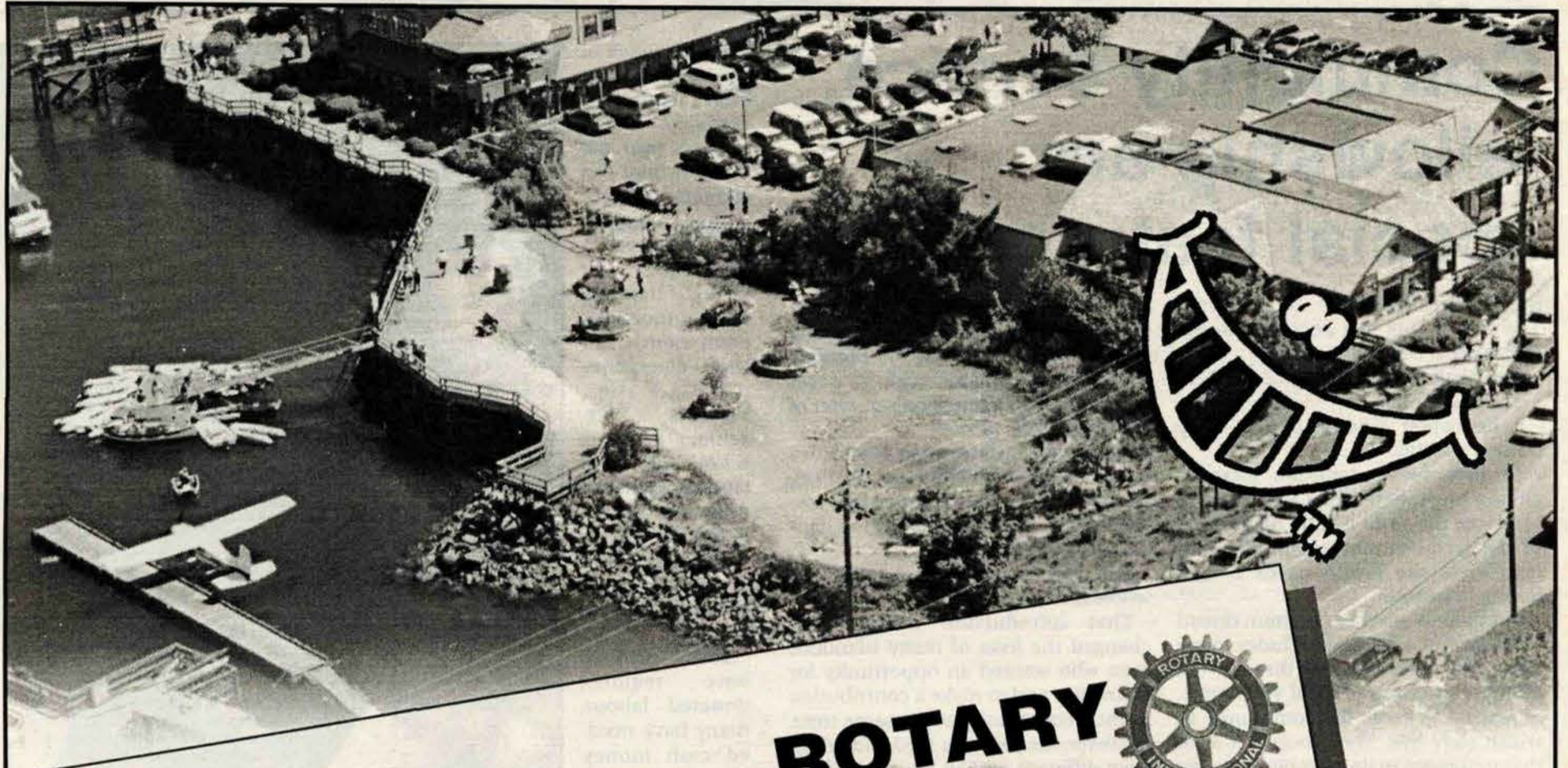
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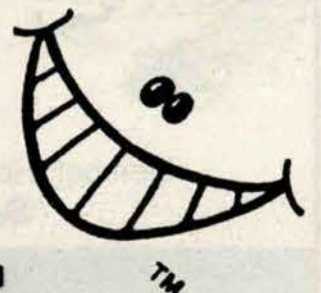
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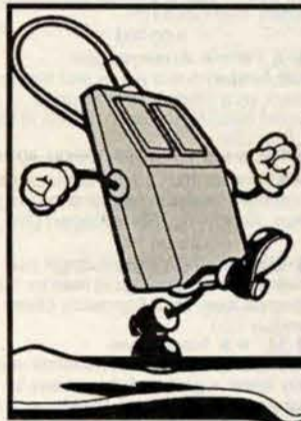
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## YOUR SALT SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p><b>wed</b> APR 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SS Seniors Society AGM, SS Seniors, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Garden club meeting, Meaden Hall, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• SS Golf &amp; Country Club AGM, Clubhouse, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• BACARA AGM, Sailing Club, 7:30</li> <li>• Parents/preschooler drop-in, Fulford Hall, 10 to noon</li> <li>• South End Toy Library, BP Hall, 9:30-10:30</li> </ul>	<p><b>thurs</b> APR 26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Hobbit, ArtSpring, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Local Trust Committee meets, Lions Hall, 1:15 p.m.</li> <li>• Trail and Nature club meets, United Church, 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Referees' course, Portlock portable, 6-9 p.m.</li> <li>• Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Community Meditation, United Church, 11 a.m.</li> <li>• Seniors Sing-along, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>fri</b> APR 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Hobbit, ArtSpring, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Island Pathways AGM, Lions Hall, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Celtic Music Fest, Beaver Point Hall, 5-11 p.m.</li> <li>• Roller-blading/skooter finale, Fulford Hall, 7:30</li> <li>• Sam Bawlf book signing, Volume II, 10-noon</li> <li>• Thrifty Foods fundraiser, Meaden Hall, 6 p.m.</li> <li>• Hospice workshop, All Saints</li> <li>• Storytelling, Fables, 2-2:30 p.m.</li> <li>• The Plunge, for youth, Community Gospel, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Green Party potluck fundraiser, Lions Hall, 6-9 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>sat</b> APR 28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Archie Fisher concert, ArtSpring, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Camille Miller, Allison Crowe &amp; trio, Talons, 9 p.m.</li> <li>• Celtic Music Fest and concert, BP Hall, all day/night</li> <li>• Rotary Park statue unveiling, 11 a.m.</li> <li>• Ferryworks park dedication, Long Harbour, 2 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>sun</b> APR 29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Music Guild young musicians concert, ArtSpring, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Celtic Music Fest, Beaver Point Hall, 11-3</li> <li>• Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Mahon Hall Spruce-up, all day</li> <li>• Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>mon</b> APR 30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PARC meeting, Portlock portable, 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Lady Minto Hospital Aux. meets, Lions Hall, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Songwriting workshop, Allowed Sound, 7:30 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>MAY 1 tues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tom Hooper, Talons, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Chess Club, Salt Spring Seniors, 7-10 p.m.</li> <li>• Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
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<p><b>wed</b> MAY 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Music &amp; Munch, All Saints, 12:10 p.m.</li> <li>• SS Painters' Guild AGM, Lions Hall</li> <li>• Genealogy Group, SS Seniors, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Parents/preschooler drop-in, Fulford Hall, 10 to noon</li> <li>• Wednesday Night LIVE! Moby's, 9 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>thurs</b> MAY 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oliver, SS Elem School, Activity Centre, 12:30 and 7 p.m.</li> <li>• All-candidates meeting, GISS, 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Breastfeeding Group meets, Family Place, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Community Meditation, United Church, 11 a.m.</li> <li>• Seniors Sing-along, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>fri</b> MAY 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oliver, SS Elem School, Activity Centre, 12:30 and 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Geezers, ArtSpring, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Island Rhythm dance, Beaver Pt. Hall, 8:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Waterworld, Lions Hall, 7:30 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>sat</b> MAY 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wellness Fair, GISS, 10-4</li> <li>• World Development Tea, All Saints, 2-4 p.m.</li> <li>• Cinco de Mayo Dance, Mahon Hall, 8:30-1:30</li> <li>• Spaghetti Dinner, Community Gospel, 6 p.m.</li> <li>• SS Garden Club plant sale, Farmers Institute, 1 p.m.</li> <li>• Geezers, ArtSpring, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Actors Bootcamp, Core Inn</li> </ul>	<p><b>sun</b> MAY 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mary's Matinee, ArtSpring, 2-4 p.m.</li> <li>• Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Rabbit Sunday, SPCA, 2-4 p.m.</li> <li>• Newcomers Walk, Centennial Park buoy, 11 a.m.</li> <li>• Actors Bootcamp, Core Inn</li> <li>• Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>mon</b> MAY 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hubble Telescope show, Community Gospel, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Core Inn Youth Project AGM, 7 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>MAY 8 tues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chess Club, Salt Spring Seniors, 7-10 p.m.</li> <li>• Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
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## stage

- The Hobbit** — an adventure-filled musical stage play presented by Phoenix Elementary School at ArtSpring on Thursday-Friday, April 26-27, 7 p.m. Tickets \$8 for adults, \$5 for students.

## literary

- Sam Bawlf** will be at Volume II Book Store with copies of his book titled *Sir Francis Drake's Secret Voyage* on Saturday, April 28, 10 a.m. to noon.

## music

- Celtic Music Festival** of B.C. and Salt Spring musicians at Beaver Point Hall on Friday-Sunday, April 27-29. People are welcome to observe workshops, song circles and sing-alongs on Friday night and during the weekend days. There's also a Saturday night concert for \$10, with tickets available from the hall at noon. For info, call Harry at 653-4940.
- Allison Crowe and her trio**, plus special guest Camille Miller perform at Talons restaurant on Saturday, April 28, 9 p.m. Limited tickets are \$6 in advance at Music Emporium, et cetera, Acoustic Planet and Talons, and \$8 at the door.
- Archie Fisher**, one of the founders of contemporary Celtic folk music, performs at ArtSpring on Saturday, April 28, 8 p.m. Tickets \$14 for adults, \$12 for students through ArtSpring, 537-2102.
- Salt Spring Music Guild** presents the annual Young Musicians' Concert of island music students at ArtSpring, Sunday, April 29, 2 p.m. Admission by donation.
- North End All Stars** are the Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz act on April 29, 8 p.m.
- Tom Hooper** performs at Talons on Tuesday, May 1, 7 p.m.
- Music and Munch** presents a free recital featuring music, song and liturgical dance, with Barry Valentine, Alan Robertson, Gale Hingston and Lottie Devindisch, followed by lunch for \$4.75, at All Saints on Wednesday, May 2, 12:10 p.m.
- Wednesday Night LIVE!** at Moby's, hosted by Vaughn Fulford, is on May 2, 9 p.m.

- EVERY WEEK:**
- Argentinian Tango group** meets at Lions Hall on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$3 per person. Info: 537-2707.
  - Fridays — Rose's Cafe Open Stage** — begins at 8 p.m.
  - Saturdays** — Alfresco Restaurant — Barrington Perry plays piano starting at 6 p.m.
  - Saturdays and Sundays** — Harbour House Bistro — Pianist Murray Anderson performs at lunch or dinner.
  - Sundays** — Fulford Inn — The Other Brothers play from 6 to 9 p.m.

## meetings

- SS Seniors Services Society AGM**, at Salt Spring Seniors on Wednesday, April 25, 2 p.m.
- Beddis & Cusheon Lake Residents' Association AGM**, Sailing Club (Douglas Road), Wednesday, April 25, 7:30 p.m.
- SSI Golf and Country Club AGM**, Clubhouse, Wednesday, April 25, 7 p.m.
- Salt Spring Island Garden Club** — Bob Clarke speaks on Why Create a Japanese Garden? at the monthly meeting at Meaden Hall, Wednesday, April 25, 7 p.m.
- The Sustainable Salt Spring Coalition** meets to discuss issues related to island sovereignty every Wednesday at #5-235 Park Drive, 1 p.m. Call Bob McGinn at 537-2093 for more information.
- SSI Local Trust Committee** meets at Lions Hall on Thursday, April 26, 1:15 p.m. Open forum session is followed by formal meeting agenda.

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- Trail and Nature Club** meeting and social, with Lynn Thompson's slide show of the Rockies, at United Church hall on Thursday, April 26, 7:30 p.m.
- Island Pathways AGM** at Lions Hall is on Friday, April 27, 7 p.m. Featured topic is pedalling around Turkey on a tandem bike. Refreshments available.
- Green Party potluck fundraiser**, Lions Hall, Saturday, April 28, 6-9 p.m.
- SSI Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission** meeting, at the Portlock Park portable, Monday, April 30, 7:30 p.m.
- Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary Society** general meeting is at Lions Hall on Monday, April 30, 2 p.m.
- SS Painters Guild AGM** at Lions Hall on Wednesday, May 2.
- Genealogy Group** meets at Salt Spring Seniors, Wednesday, May 2, 7 p.m.

## for health

- Nia Fitness Dance classes** have added three more sessions per week, led by Laurie Blakely. At All Saints on Mondays and Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m., and at The Barn on Reynolds Road on Fridays at 9:30 a.m. For info, call Laurie at 538-1901.

**EVERY WEEK:**

- Move Into Fitness classes** are held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Meaden Hall from 9-10 a.m. A low-impact workout, an easy start, includes a long warm-up, walking cardio, toning and stretching. Class suitable for seniors. \$4 drop-in, or \$40 for book of 10.
- Salt Spring Cancer Support Group** meets every Wednesday at Al Fresco Restaurant, 10 a.m., except for the third Wednesday of each month when it gathers at Croftonbrook. Info: 653-4524.
- Yoga and Health classes** with Nadene McCoy run Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m. and 5-6:30 p.m. (mixed levels); Wednesdays, 10-11:30 a.m. (beginners); and Thursdays, 10-11:30 a.m. (mixed levels). Info: 537-0822. \$8 drop-in.
- Taoist tai chi classes** at Ganges United Church on Mondays and Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m.; seniors classes Mondays and Wednesdays at Central Hall, 10-11 a.m. Info: David or Tina, 537-1871.
- Flexible Strength classes** run every Tuesday and Thursday at All Saints By-the-Sea, taught by Betty-Lou Lake, 9-10 a.m. 10 sessions for \$40 or \$5 drop-in. Info: 537-1638.
- Salt Spring Centre regular yoga classes** are Thursdays: Mixed Levels with Laura from 4-5:30 p.m. Saturdays: Free Intro to Yoga with centre staff, 9:30-11 a.m. Mondays: Mixed Levels with Celeste runs from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; Seniors Yoga with Celeste is from 11 a.m. to noon (register through Parks and Rec); and Level 1 with Kishori runs from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays: Joy of Yoga with Christine is from 10 a.m. to noon. For info, call the centre at 537-2326.
- Drop-in open yoga** with Celeste at the Barn on Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m. \$10 per class. Phone Celeste at 537-5667 for info.
- Dance and Feldenkrais Classes** with Anna Haltrecht are held Mondays at Cats Pajamas Studio. Feldenkrais: Awareness Through Movement, runs at 6 p.m. followed by dance at 7:30. The dance class combines a stretch and strength warmup with high energy dancing for fun and fitness. Info: 537-5681.
- North End Fitness Spin Cycle Classes** run Mondays: 9:45-10:20 a.m.; Tuesdays, 12:30-1, 5:15-6:15 and 6:30-7 p.m.; Wednesdays, 9:45-10:20 a.m.; Thursdays, 12:30-1, 6:30-7 p.m.; Fridays, 9:45-10:20 a.m.; 5:15-6:15 p.m.; Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.
- Nia Fitness Dance classes** use rhythmic music, integrating dance, yoga and martial arts moves for low-impact aerobic exercise. Suitable for all fitness levels. At All Saints every Tuesday and Thursday, 5:15 p.m. and Saturday at 9:30 a.m. For info, call Leslie at 537-0884.
- Roller-blading to music** on Fridays at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30.

## workshops

- The Spiritual Needs of Dying Families** — a workshop with Denis Boyd, runs at All Saints on Saturday, April 28. \$12. Register through 537-2770.

- Enlightened Courage**, Teachings on the Seven Point Mind Training with Lama Chhimi Kinley. Presented by the Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Society. Saturday-Sunday, April 28-29. Call 537-1497 for location and other information.
- Telling Stories** — Storyteller Elizabeth Buchanan shares the secrets of the teller at Fables Cottage on Sunday, April 29, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For adults. \$40, including supplies. Register through Fables, 537-0028.
- Songwriting workshop** at Allowed Sound Studio on Blackburn Road, Monday, April 30 and every other Monday. Call Ramesh at 537-2294 for info, or creating@saltspring.com..

## for families

- Fables Cottage workshops** this week are Paper Marbelling on Wednesday, April 25, 3-4 p.m.; Bookbinding, Thursday, April 26, 3:30-5 p.m.; Handmade Paper, Saturday, April 28, 1-2 p.m. Call 537-0028 or drop in to Fables for more info or to register.
- The Hobbit** — see "stage," above.
- Elizabeth Buchanan** tells stories at Fables Cottage on Saturday, April 28, 2-2:30 p.m.
- South End Toy Library** runs at Beaver Point Hall on Wednesday, April 25, (and every other Wednesday) from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Info: Janice, 653-4411.

**EVERY WEEK:**

- Kids' Toonie Bowling** for ages 5-10 runs at Kings Lane Recreation every Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Parent Support Circles** run every Monday. Call Janice at 653-4411 or Barb at 537-5828 for info.
- Storytime at the library** with Roz and Co is for 3-5-year-olds on Tuesdays from 10:30 to 11:30.
- Kindergym**, a playtime for children aged 0-4, runs at Community Gospel Chapel, 147 Vesuvius Bay Road, every Wednesday morning between 9 and 10:30 a.m.
- Storytime at Fables Cottage** runs every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Parents-preschoolers drop-in** runs at Fulford Hall on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Come for coffee and chat with other parents during supervised child play time.
- Family Place drop-in** hours for parents and their children under 6 years are Mondays from 1-3 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Info: Family Place, 537-9176. Counselling by appointment.
- Mama's and Papa's Night** at the Corinternet Café — on Thursdays, 5-8 p.m. \$2 per half hour for adults, babysitting by donation. info: 537-9932.
- Walk in Mouat Park** takes place each Thursday at 10 a.m., rain or shine. Sponsored by Family Place.
- Rug Huggers**, a potluck and discussion group for parents and babies aged one and under is held at Family Place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Info: 537-9176.
- Fairytales and Myths** with Shauna Grylls runs on Fridays from 3 to 4 p.m. at the library. Appropriate for children aged six through nine.

## for youth

- The Plunge** — island youth are invited to take "the plunge" at Community Gospel Chapel at 140 Vesuvius Bay Road on Saturday, April 28, 7 p.m., with pizza served at 6:30.

**EVERY WEEK:**

- Cosmic Bowling** at Kings Lane Recreation on Friday nights, 9 p.m. to midnight. Bring your own CDs. Food and drinks available. Book a lane by calling 537-2054.
- Roller-blading to music** every Friday at

## Fullford Hall, 7:30-9:30 p.m. for seniors

**EVERY WEEK:**

- Move Into Fitness classes**, ideal for seniors, are held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Meaden Hall from 9-10 a.m. with Rosemary Trump or Ila-Mae Dickson. \$4 drop-in; \$40 for books of 10.
- Surfing for Seniors** day is every Wednesday at the Corinternet Café. Call 537-9932 for information.
- Thursday lunches** run every week at Salt Spring Seniors. Served at noon, cost is \$3.50. Reserve in advance by noon on Wednesday by calling Salt Spring Seniors Services Society at 537-4604.
- Seniors Sing-along** at Salt Spring Seniors takes place every Thursday at 2 p.m.

## cable

**Salt Spring TV Cable 12** features two documentary films this week. *Fury for the Sound: The Women at Clayquot* is an award-winning film by Shelly Wine and a previously unrecorded insider's look into how political activism can be joined with personal empowerment. Second up is *Tsurphu: Home of the Karmapas*, the incredible story of the Tsurphu Monastery in Tibet, a film by Clemens Kuby. **Monday, April 30, 7 p.m.**

## cinema

- Chocolat** — Held over! An unwed mother (Juliette Binoche) upsets the citizens of a small French town in 1959 when she opens a chocolate shop during Lent. A gentle, delightful film! Cast includes Judi Dench, Lena Olin and Johnny Depp.
- You Can Count on Me** — Veteran screenwriter Kenneth Lonergan writes and directs this Sundance Award-winning effort about two siblings who lose their parents in a car crash at a young age and struggle to cope with the baggage of abandonment as adults.

## arts & crafts

- Carlos Manzano** is showing his artwork at Barb's Buns.
- Louise Goodman** exhibits Thresholds, a series of drawings, at Salt Spring Roasting Company in Ganges.
- Sekoya Dawn's** artwork is on the walls at The Bodyworks Collective.
- Judy Harper and Rommy Verlaan** are sharing the exhibition space at Island Savings Credit Union.
- Rachel Vadeboncouer** shows her photo collage art at Luigi's through April.
- Amarrah Gabriel** is hanging her art at Moby's for the month of April.
- The Photography Show**, a collection of works by Alliance of Salt Spring Artists is in the ArtSpring lobby until May 6.
- Salt Spring Island Painters' Guild** meets Wednesdays at the Lions Club from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Helen Wiebe demonstrates painting roses on April 25. AGM is on May 2.
- Salt Spring Island Weavers and Spinners Guild** meets Thursdays at ArtSpring from 10:30 to noon, offering programs, workshops, study groups, equipment rentals, library and problem solving. Info: Pat Davidson, 653-4750.

## galleries

- A Tulip Celebration** blooms at Jill Louise Campbell Art Gallery through April.
- Vortex Gallery** shows new work.
- Naikai Gallery** has moved next door in Grace Point Square.

# Duffy 'immigrant songs' show plays enthusiastic Talons venue

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Driftwood Contributor

Immigrant islander Derek Duffy served a savoury assortment of musical entrées to a packed crowd at Talons Restaurant last Wednesday night.

A transplanted native of Ireland, Duffy shared a number of songs he had written and collected during a recent six-month tour of Europe. He rounded out these new works with a smorgasbord of pop covers, cowboy ballads, traditional Irish folk tunes and collaborative pieces from local bands Kettle of Fish and Myriad.

I arrived just as Duffy began to introduce Romeo and Juliet by Mark Knopfler.

"I just love singing other people's songs," said Duffy. "I just hope someday people will love singing mine."

The crowd responded heartily to Duffy, who sang and played with tremendous energy. He was accompanied through several songs by guests Terry Warbey on mandolin, Bruce Mailey on hand drums and Jaime Rokeby-Thomas on fiddle.

At one point Duffy, Warbey and Mailey jammed together on the postage-stamp stage to blast through the toe-tapping traditional folk jig called King of the Fairies.

Rokeby-Thomas, who plays with Duffy in Kettle of Fish, slashed up a scalding river of fiddle play while Duffy whooped and hollered through a one-man Irish drinking party in The Leaving Song.

The busy restaurant was silenced when Duffy sang an unaccompanied folk tune titled Sullivan John. He described this layman's work tune as part of an Irish tradition of introducing yourself with a song that tells your story.

He said later, "I first heard the

song performed by a worker in an Irish pub and bugged him until I got it."

The Navy Song, an original piece by Duffy, followed the tradition of rollicking songs for regular working guys. This song pays homage to immigrants who take jobs no one else wants.

Duffy commented that his father had been a "navvy," which is derogatory slang for an Irishman working in England. The term comes from the word "navigators," who were men who laid railroad tracks.

Duffy maintained an edge of labour politics throughout the evening. It's Not Always Bad When a Trade Becomes Extinct was an original song by Duffy that was a thoughtful rumination over the history of exploitation in vanishing trades such as mining.

Duffy said he wrote the song last year in Yorkshire after seeing old coal mines.

Duffy introduced a traditional historical ballad titled The Foggy Dew as an "Easter commemoration in an uncommemorative way." This ballad told the story of the ill-fated 1918 Feinian uprising against British occupation that led to the formation of the Irish Republican Army.

Following this mournful requiem, Duffy promised to sing something lighter.

"Trouble is, I'm an Irishman," he said. "My heart goes straight to poverty, degradation and sadness."

I Could Not Ask For More was a lively pop piece that bounced around the room. Duffy wrote this tune upon his return from Ireland this spring. He said he was inspired by Salt Spring; "everything felt so lush and optimistic here."

Duffy sang Hobo's Lullaby as a fitting tribute to Salt Spring "cowboy" Lew Bryan who recently passed away. Duffy rounded out this old Woody Guthrie "wake song" for boxcar hoboes with a heartfelt wailing harmonica serenade.

As an introduction to I Thought You Were My Friend, Duffy said, "this is the only song I think Bette Midler should sing instead of me." Duffy felt the song was "too epic for his voice" but he displayed great dramatic breadth to stretch for the role as vibrato laden diva. He boldly plunged through this bitter song of betrayal with panache.

Near the end of the evening, Duffy sang thoughtful songs he had penned about freedom.

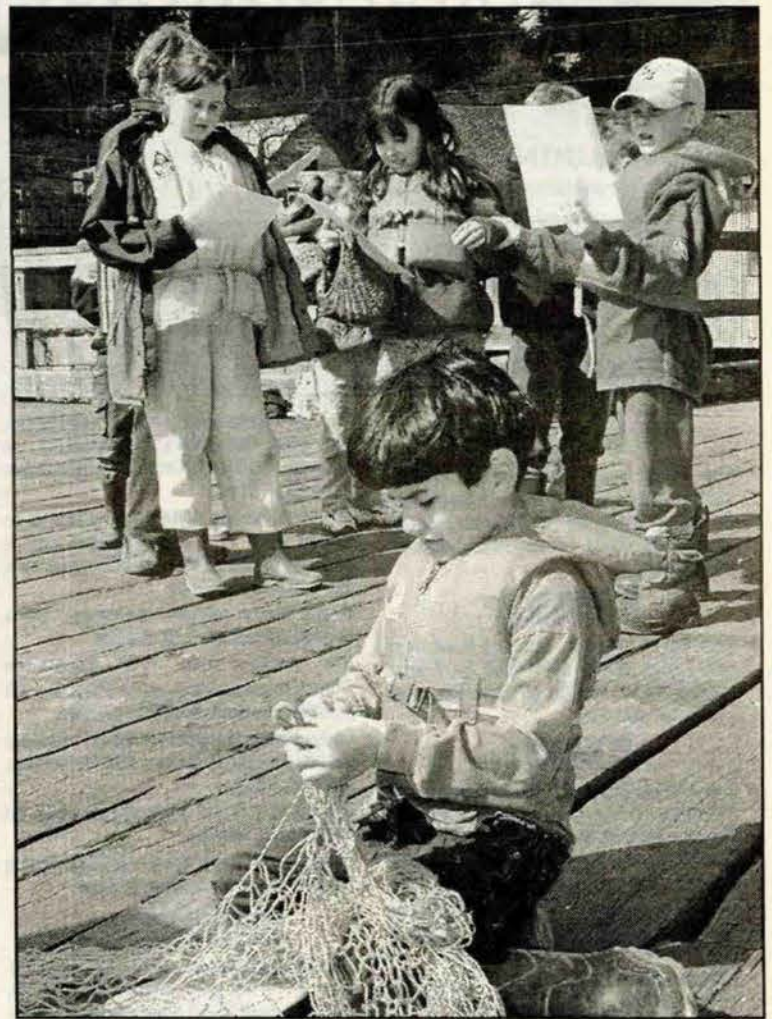
In the song Joey was a Poet, Duffy told the story of a spirited poet trapped in a downward spiral of alcoholism. In Freedom's Gate, Duffy explored the search for personal meaning and freedom in life.

Duffy rounded out the evening with his song, Irish Lullaby, that sent us out into the night with a warm thrum.

"May your spirit be accompanied by music your life through," he wished.

Duffy plans to play here "a bit more this summer" and hopes to complete the "rough draft" of his first solo album. He said it's been a challenge to assemble all the aspects of his creative vision on his own.

"I keep hearing new parts in my head," he said. While he has been working on the album for a year now, Duffy feels, "I haven't procrastinated enough about it." However, Duffy is determined to have the album completed before he returns to Ireland and the UK next fall.



**AT THE PIER:** "Fisherman" Noah Van Hullebush works with a net on the dock at Fulford Harbour as other young actors in Salt Spring Centre School's upcoming theatrical production *The Nightingale* prepare to rehearse "the pier scene." Director Yiana Belkalopoulos described the "natural setting" rehearsal as a success. She is taking another group of rehearsing students to Greenwoods on May 1.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Group show set for Music, Munch

Music and Munch for May is promising a joyful celebration of spring with a delightful selection of music, song and dance.

Regulars to the lunchtime recitals are sure to recognize the performers on May 2.

All have appeared in the Music and Munch series and were together in the successful Dances and Delights produced by the Liturgy and Arts Society of the Anglican Parish.

Barry Valentine is choir director for All Saints, as

well as being accompanist and soloist for many Music and Munch recitals.

Alan Robertson is a member of Salt Spring Singers and the All Saints' Choir, acting as soloist in both.

Gale Hingston and Lottie Devindisch have long been members of the island's dance community and have been exploring and choreographing liturgical dance for the Anglican Parish for the last 10 years.

Music is free and begins at 12:30 p.m., followed by lunch for \$4.75.

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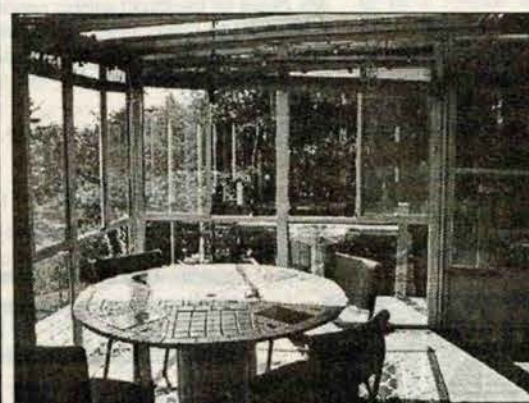
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# PENDERS EDITION

NEWS FROM NORTH AND SOUTH PENDER ISLANDS



**ON STAGE:** Seen last week in Solstice Theatre's production of Nunsense were, from left, Helen Lemon-Moore, Colleen Shannon, Joyce Davis, Sophie Keim and Wilma Riley.

Photo by Kelly Irving

## Solstice stages hilarious show

By **KAE CHARMAN**

Penders Edition Contributor

"Just have faith," answered director Alan White, when asked if the show would go on with an island-wide power failure last Thursday. And he was right, the power returned in plenty of time, and Solstice Theatre presented Nunsense, Dan Goggin's hilarious musical comedy. With willing helpers like Clare Mathias, an exceptional cast and crew, pick-up band members Joan Lawrence, Kathy Curtis and Jim Pugh, White took the plunge into directing song, dance and musical theatre.

Audience participation began early in the program with a hearty Mount Saint Helen's cheer for Sister Robert Anne, played by Joyce Davis. She was clad in not-quite-regulation, red high-top sneakers, and had a sports whistle dangling from her neck as she dribbled a basketball and joked in a street-wise twang.

Sister Robert Anne later paraded in a "Convent Miranda" fruit head-piece, shaking maracas and mimicking Margaret Hamilton in the Wizard of Oz movie, riding the bicycle screeching, "I'll get you, my little pretty."

She really only wanted "to be a

star" and have her own solo. In the second half, she did get her solo, and sang clear to the rafters.

Reverend Mother Sister Mary Regina, played by Colleen Shannon, with clicker in hand and deep Irish brogue, dominated the congregation, the lighting crew and the cast of Little Sisters of Hoboken during fundraising activities. They were trying to finance the burial of the four remaining sisters poisoned by Sister Julia's botulism-tainted vichyssoise. That is, she dominated until the accidental showing of a photo of her in a bathing suit; she was sensitive about her weight.

Second-in-command Sister Mary Hubert, played by Helen Lemon-Moore, showed her "bluesy" side in Holier Than Thou, when she sang out stories of saints in "beltissimo" mode, as vocal coach Clare Mathias might call it. And, let us not forget Sister Mary Hubert's advice: "The people with the biggest drums don't always lead the band."

Sister Mary Leo, played by Sophie Keim, dreamed of furthering her ballet career, sometimes forgetting that her religious "calling" was actually her career. Well, we can dream, can't we? She

danced her way through Benedicite en-Pointe, sans tutu.

But the outstanding star of the show was the addle-headed Sister Mary Amnesia, played by Wilma Riley. Her naïveté and deer-in-the-headlights look at life in "the order" brought peals of laughter, as she told wildly off-colour convent jokes, played the ventriloquist and sang her dreams of being a country singer in "I could've gone to Nashville." The other sisters secretly hoped that she actually belonged to the Franciscans. No such luck — however, in the end her surprise identity saved the day.

Well done all, and hats off to Alan White for the courage to tackle this genre. You just might have something there, Alan.

"I can't laugh and play (at the same time)," said clarinet player, Kathy Curtis, "so I have to be really careful not to watch (the actors) because I get giggly. I can understand why people are in the theatre now, because it's a real high."

Also, watch for repeat performances of Night, Mother on Friday, May 11, and Zoo Story/The Red Coat on Saturday May 12. Both shows start at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are on sale at the usual outlets, \$10 per show or both shows for \$15.

## Letter to the Editor

### Big Bad Wolf

At our recent North Pender Island Trust meeting, I felt that the ridiculous complaining about my property really belongs in a forum with both "The Church Lady from Saturday Night Live" and "Gladys Kravitz from Bewitched."

I am again being badgered by these ones about a vehicle in my yard. At this point I would like to hold up a mirror to them and say I

think "you" have a couple of unsightly vehicles in your front yard and even though they are licensed for the road I really question their road worthiness.

It gets better: they also went on to complain about, of all things, my Three Little Plastic Piggies. Yes. To shift the subject to the community, I hear that there is also a silly attack on the rest of the real pigs on this island. True.

I say grab your straw, sticks and

bricks and "run you little piggies, run."

To keep the peace in the neighbourhood in regards to their letter to my other neighbour titled "About dogs," I would like them to know I actually do have a real wolf in my front yard. I have questioned her repeatedly, and all she will say to me is "I'm Little Miss Red Riding Hood."

**AL LANDESS,**  
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# Feasting with eyes, imagination follows, says baker

By KAE CHARMAN

Penders Edition Contributor

Ewa Jarosinska stands proudly behind her table laden with European cakes as I meet her at the Farmers' Market.

For Easter, she has baked three new kinds of cakes very popular in Poland for this religious holiday time.

They're called mazurke, chocolate (not too sweet), deicje (dried fruit), and prune to help digestion after the long fast before Easter.

She was born in the south of Poland and grew up in a highly populated area called Silesia. It was a rich section of the country, but also highly polluted from coal mines, factories, and industrial activities. She met her husband Kris at the Polytechnic University where they both studied engineering. When she was 26 years old, they moved to Kris' hometown of Bielsko-Biala, close to the Czech border in a mountain area that resembles Victoria. After five years of working, she gave birth to their son, Witek.

"Polish people like pork," she says. "Beef is not popular because our beef is like a piece of rubber. You have to cook and cook because they keep [beef] only for milk," she explained.

As a civil engineer for 20 years, Ewa was a building inspector in the construction of a Fiat automobile factory and many large apartment buildings.

She enjoyed working as an engineer, but found it frustrating at times. Employees were mostly men, "which was easier," she said. "With women there is always fighting." After many years, Ewa and three

other women bought out a consulting engineering company and eventually kicked out all the male employees because they found that "women work very well and do a very good job."

Her income was highest during those years.

When she came to join her husband in Canada, immigration laws demanded that she give up her degree in engineering.

One Saturday, she noticed that the Farmers' Market, then located at the Driftwood Centre, had no baked goods for sale. She said to Kris, "Why I'm not going to try my cheesecake?" And I started with my cheesecake and I was sold out in one hour! Then I started to take more and more."

Ewa's cheesecake is not made from processed cream cheese, but real cheese that "looks like cottage cheese, only harder." She gets this cheese from a specialty store in Vancouver. Her orange cake is popular with the kids, and flour-less poppyseed cake is a favourite for people with wheat allergies.

"Have you always baked? I asked.

"I always love to bake, but I never thought I would make any money on this," she replied. "Anytime my friends had company coming, I say 'okay I can bake for you.' I don't even ask for ingredients, but I just love to bake."

She explained, "I need to see things, a cookbook should be with pictures, because first my eyes have to eat. Then I can imagine."

It's obvious from the satisfied smile on people's faces when they take their first bite that she bakes a delicious cake. She has a regular

clientele at the market, and the apple cake and makagiga torte she bakes for Islanders Restaurant are her "most popular" items.

Her day job is at the deli at Tru Value, where you'll find her baking buns and breads, creating excellent chicken pasta salad, and slicing deli meats.

While Allen Simms collects market table fees, Ewa explains the Polish peculiarities of the spelling of her name. "J-A-R-O-S-I-N-S-K-A. 'A' on the end means a woman, 'I' on the end means a man."

"I'm very glad I'm here," she concludes. "I think this island is like heaven. I can't see myself in a different place. During the week, I think I have to go to Victoria for a change. I am planning to take the six o'clock ferry home, and later I'm running like crazy to take the two o'clock."

As people gather round her table, she says, "I have to tell you, my adrenaline is going up. I love it when I see people around."

"Happy Easter", she chimes as they walk away with their bag of pastry.



Ewa Jarosinska

Photo by Kelly Irving

## Scholarships available

The Pender Island Community Service Society — funded by proceeds from the Nu-To-Yu — is again making several scholarships available to local graduates.

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**6 DEATHS**

**JENKINS, GLADYS E.** (nee Wood), peacefully moved from her daughter's home in Black Creek, BC to the Lord's Mansion in Heaven on April 11th, 2001, at the age of 83. Born on Salt Spring Island, BC in 1917, Gladys is a descendant of the pioneering Estes, Gwynne, Sampson and Whims families. Gladys loved dancing, enjoyed bowling, travelling and the 649 but her greatest delight was her family. Gladys will be deeply missed by her daughter Jayne (David), sons Marshall (Lori) and Keith (Sandra), 7 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren and brother Bobby Wood. Also mourning Gladys' moving are numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Gladys is predeceased by her husband Fred, brother Jimmy, sisters Eve, Bertha, Doris, Val and nephew Teddy. A Service of Remembrance will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 28th, 2001 at the River of Life Foursquare Gospel Church, 403-5th Avenue, Campbell River, with Rev. Terry Somerville officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

**BAYLESS, MARY** Connell "Sandy", passed away April 19, 2001 in Orange County, CA. She was the daughter of Mr & Mrs Michael J. Connell of Los Angeles, CA. She was a volunteer for the Red Cross, a member of the Lady Anglers of Balboa, and the Junior League of Pasadena, the Nautical Museum of Newport Beach and St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Born in San Francisco in 1916, Sandy resided in Corona del Mar with her husband Shipley A. Bayless. She is survived by her two daughters, Victoria Nelson Eliot of North Carolina, Susan M. Burroughs of Santa Ana and six grandchildren. Services will be private.

**WILLIAMSON, GEORGE** Curtis (Curt) passed away at Lady Minto Hospital, Friday, April 13, 2001 at the age of 85. He is survived by his loving friend Norberta Martin, his sons Greg (Paulette) and Ted, his daughters Trudean Mayana, Margot Mandira (Tom), and Leanne (Marlene), and his granddaughter Jennifer. A family service was held in Vancouver on Sunday, April 22. A memorial gathering will be held on Salt Spring Island, Thursday, April 26 at 3:00 in the Madrona Room at Greenwoods. In lieu of flowers a donation may be made to Greenwoods Intermediate Care Facility.

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**YESHE KHORLO** Buddhist Society presents Seven Point Mind Training with Lama Chimi, Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29. 537-1497 for info/location.

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The purpose for which the land is required is community moorage. Comments regarding this application may be made to BCAL, 2080-A Labieux Road, Nanaimo, BC, V9T 6J9, phone (250) 751-3160, facsimile (250) 751-3116. Consideration will be given to comments received within 30 days from the publication. Responses to this advertisement will be considered part of the public record. File No. 1409696. Dated: April 20, 2001. Signed: D. Billingsley, per Wise Island Community Association.

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**YOUR LOCAL 4H** small engines group needs several weedeater type engines for its budding mechanics. 537-2206.

**360 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS**

**PIANO SALE**, 1/3 off. One piano left. Also tuning sale. Ken Ackerman Piano. 537-4533.

**370 PETS/LIVESTOCK**

**PICK UP** your "Hair Miles" card and save on grooming at Bow Wow & Co. Don't forget our \$5 Toenail Tuesdays! 537-4676.

**MUST SELL.** 14.1 H.H. 3 year old fillie, 1/2 Arabian, 1/2 quarterhorse Pinto. Very pretty black bay. Green broke. Needs one-on-one with an experienced rider. \$800. 537-2642.

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**CLIP N' DIP N' Pet Shop** - now available: invisible fencing made to order, pet beds to match your home decor, bark control collars, Nutro premium foods, professional dog grooming and quality pet supplies. Phone 537-0744.

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**MAKE A SPLASH** at Bark Avenue Grooming. Springtime bath special 15% off regular price plus complimentary nail clip coupon. To book now, call Jane at 538-1819, Tues.-Sat.

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**HAY FOR** sale, \$3.00/bale. 537-2414.

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**379 FREE/RECYCLABLES**

**THIS COLUMN** is designed for free recyclable items only (no animals). There is no charge to place items in this column. Ads must be submitted in person at the Driftwood office (328 Lower Ganges Road) by normal deadline (Monday 5 pm.) or by fax at 537-2613 or email. No phone calls please.

**SALT SPRING** Island Recycle Depot is located at 349 Rainbow Rd. We are open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm. This service is operated by Salt Spring Island Community Services. Please call The Recycle Depot at 537-1200, or Community Services at 537-9971 for information on materials accepted for recycling.

**TWO BEDROOM** trailer, free for the taking. One mile from Ganges. 12x44. 537-4269.

**HIDE-A-BED**, greenish brown. Good condition. Also, canopy for small pickup truck. Call after 4:00, 653-2076.

**WASHER & DRYER**, excellent working order. 537-1488.

**DANBY DEHUMIDIFIER**, small size, on casters. Come & get it. 537-5374

**DOUBLE BED** Chesterfield 537-1422

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**390 WEBSITE**

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**Real Estate**

**410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE**  
**EIGHT CONTEMPORARY** homes. 1200 - 1500 sq. ft., \$28,000 - \$48,000. Large character bungalow/cottage. 250-656-1387, www.nickel-bros.com

**410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE**

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**PRIVATE 5 SERVICED** acres and up, with view, w/without home, up to \$250,000. Call 250 245-3232.

**490 WEBSITES**

**REAL ESTATE** listings for the Gulf Islands are viewable anywhere in the world with Internet access. www.gulfislands.net

**Accommodation**

**500 APT./SUITES FOR RENT**

**WALKER HOOK:** dramatic Gulf views. Upper suite: sunny charming 2 BR, full bath & kitchen w/new DW, stone FP, 2 decks, cedar throughout, \$795. Garden suite: bright, roomy 2 BR., full bath & kitchen, woodstove, lg. brick sunroom/DR, \$595. Just renovated-new stoves, wood floors, carpet, paint, windows, landscape, laundry, storage. Avl. May, yr lease. Lv message in CA (415) 550-8435 or email mary@in2xs.com.

**ONE BEDROOM** suite for rent, available May 1. Near to lakes, six minutes from town. \$390. 537-2294.

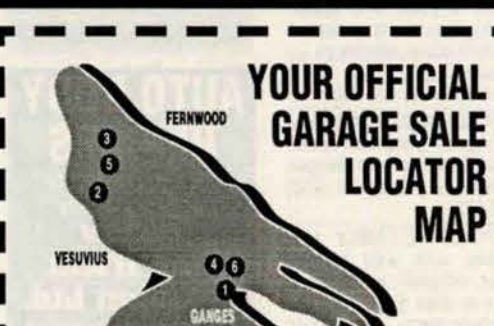
**BRIGHT, 2 BEDROOM**, self contained apartment, first floor. Ideally suited to 1 quiet N/S. \$800 inclusive. Phone Victoria 721-9648.

**510 COMMERCIAL SPACE**

**200 SQ. ft.** retail space at Moby's Marine Pub. Barry or Jamie. 537-5559.

**LANCER BUILDING** upper floor, includes parking. 321 Lower Ganges Rd. 949 sq. ft. corner office. Call Roland 537-2133.

**340 GARAGE SALES**



**YOUR OFFICIAL GARAGE SALE LOCATOR MAP**

**1. LIONS GARAGE Sale**, 103 Bonnet Ave. Every Friday, Saturday only, 10 am - 12 noon. Come & browse, we just may have it. New merchandise arriving daily. Good, clean merchandise wanted. Call 537-2000 for pick-up or info.

**2. GARAGE SALE** - moving off island, 235 Mountain View, gate opens at 10 am. April 28th & 29th.

**3. STERLING BARBECUE** (new) Carrier air conditioner, some tools, fold-away cot, air mattress (new). Saturday, April 28, 10-12, 174 Richard Flack Rd.

**4. SATURDAY, APRIL 28** 9 am - 2 p.m. Lawn mowers, riding & push type, Freezer, utility trailer, garden tools, 14' boat & trailer, 9.5 hp Johnson, lots more. 210 Kings Lane.

**5. APRIL 28, SATURDAY**, 108 Merganser Place Garage Sale. Kid's stuff and more, 10:00 - 2:00. No early birds.

**6. THE GREAT** Upper Ganges garage sale! Clothes, knickknacks, tools, toys, jewellery, etc. Tons of great stuff!! Also antiques, collectibles, leaded, stained glass windows, furniture + more. Don't miss this one!!! "Windspirit" 300 Upper Ganges Road. No early birds please 10-3 pm.

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 537-5515

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**2nd Floor Office**  
 554 sq. ft., 2 pc. washroom, chairlift, lots of parking. Rent negotiable.  
 For more info, or to view, please call 537-9220

**520 HOUSES FOR RENT**

**NEW NORTH-END** cottage. 1 bedroom, nicely furnished. W/D, stove, fridge. Rural, sunny setting. Satellite TV available. Paved driveway. N/S, N/P. Furnished \$700 plus utilities. Unfurnished \$650 plus utilities. 537-9371.

**TWO BEDROOM** double wide mobile, large kitchen and dining room, woodstove, private deck, fenced yard, garden. Cat okay. Cedar View. Available now. \$600. 537-5929, messages. 537-0612.

**MAYNE ISLAND**, modern Chalet, furnished, w/w carpet, fireplace, 3 bedroom, 2 bathrooms, Jacuzzi, television, walking distance to ferry, lease, references, \$650 mth, immediately, long term, view by appt. owner (604) 261-4171.

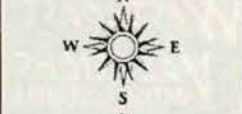
**ONE BEDROOM** house, St. Mary Lake area. \$550/mo. Long term. References required. Available June 3. (250) 598-2995, Victoria.

**FOR RENT:** Cabin, 1 bedroom, single, responsible person, N/S. Phone 537-1069.

**520 HOUSES FOR RENT**

**Fairfield Realty Property Management**  
 • 3 bdrm. mobile on lrg prop. walk to shopping, storage, w. stove, w/d, N/S, cat ok, \$650 incl. water  
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 537-2833

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 537-4722  
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**530 SHARED ACCOMMODATION**

**LARGE COMFORTABLE** room in large, comfortable, quiet home (for sale) close to Ganges, \$400 includes many extras. 537-2292.

**540 WANTED/RENTALS**

**WORLD'S BEST** tenants. Have sold oceanview B & B and need a home after May 15. Two mature (over 40) professional adults and a mature dog. Excellent references. Working on island. Rent up to \$1500 per month. 653-9577.

### 540 WANTED/RENTALS

TWO OR THREE bedroom, well-maintained, unfurnished house. 1 year min. lease. Starting August 1st or sooner. Excellent island references. Lv. message for Dr. Kevin Patterson, (902) 423-3893.

HASTINGS HOUSE employee looking for accommodation walking distance from Ganges. Single male. Please call (250) 388-3552.

RESPONSIBLE FAMILY from Pender with well trained golden retriever. would like to move to Salt Spring as our daughter starts high school. We would like to rent a home with a minimum of 3 bedrooms or we have a beautiful 4 bedroom home on acreage that we would be willing to trade temporarily. Commencing July or Aug. 629-6546.

HOUSE WANTED to rent for the month of August by soon-to-be retired nurse. Single, N/P, N/S, N/D, female wishing to test Salt Spring lifestyle. Would consider swap for one bedroom apt. in the West End with wonderful view. (604) 685-5004.

ONE -THREE BEDROOM, southend pref, house, cabin, trailer. Reasonable rent. After 5:00 pm, 653-4772.

RESPONSIBLE, QUIET, skilled island couple, excellent references, N/S, N/P. Seeking long-term one or two bedroom house/suite. \$650/month inclusive, before June 1. Message 537-6239.

WANTED TWO bedroom house/cottage central/north end location, long term. Teacher. References. Pager 537-8069.

### 615 HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

SWEETWATER FARM, Charming cottage, Cranberry Valley pastoral views. Sleeps 5, full kitchen, fireplace. July & Aug. N/S, N/P. 3 day & weekly rates. 537-2119.

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### 820 BOATS & MARINE, SALES

18-1/2' DOUBLE Eagle hard-top on Road Runner trailer, Ford 302/Volvo 170 inboard/outboard, full canopy, 8 h.p. Merc, anchor, chain, sounders, compass, etc. \$6000. Call 250-539-2466.

SUMMER FUN! 14' Fibreglass runabout with trailer and 35hp Johnson outboard for sale. 2 tanks, life jackets, etc. New battery & prop. Trailer recently painted, greased and re-wired. \$1750. 538-0052.

FEATHERCRAFT K-LIGHT folding kayak. 12'10", 35lbs. Includes hatches, deck upgrade, paddle, PFD, spray skirt, assembly video, backpack, excellent condition. \$2000. 537-0886.

14 FOOT Fibre Craft, newer 40hp Evinrude, on Roadrunner trailer. \$1800. 537-9305.

18-1/2 FT. GREGOR SEAHAWK, welded aluminum boat with console, cover, depth-sounder, 50 hp. and 9.8 hp. Mercury outboards, trailer. \$5,500 obo. 537-9125.

1988 20' SEASWIRL CUDDY, new interior. 15 hrs on leg, new 5 bld. SS Hi 5 prop. New fittings. \$12,000. 537-1648.

24' DELUXE Bell Boy Cruiser. Modified V-hull, 3' draft. 305 C.I. Ford Marine. 188 Leg. Trim taps, Loren II, new rails, shore power, fridge, stove, lines, w/Livingston dinghy. Surveyed \$12,500. Sell for \$10,000 obo. Great boat. 537-4190 after 6pm.

ANNOUNCEMENT - MAPLE Bay Yacht Brokerage is pleased to have a broker available for listings and sales on Salt Spring. Call now to list for prime season. Ron Miville, 537-8393. (250) 746-6000.

### 820 BOATS & MARINE, SALES

KAYAK, SEAWARD Vision, 17' fibreglass single, new condition, built in year 2000, \$2100. 653-9202.

PACK YOUR lunch, the kids and your dog, turn the key and you're ready to go in this 16' Sangstercraft power boat. C/W 60hp and 8 hp Johnson motors. Cruise and enjoy am/fm stereo, downrigger and deep sea fishing rod. You've got 2 pair water skis, tow rope, life jackets, oars, fenders, compass, fire extinguisher, bilge pump, galvanized anchor, local charts, new deep cycle battery and tilt trailer w/brand new tires! Run, don't dawdle, Dean's priced it to go at \$2998. Ph. 250-656-7612 or 250-656-3175 evenings. Can be seen at Buy & Save, 9818 4th St., Sidney.

### 822 CAMPERS & TRAILERS

11-1/2 FT. VANGUARD CAMPER, good condition, boat rack, new mattress, new roof, new hot water system. \$4,000 obo. 537-1802.

OLDER SLUMBER Queen camper, hardly used, good condition, \$3100. 537-4255.

### 825 CARS, SALES

1991 NISSAN SENTRA 4 door automatic, low kilometres, good condition, \$4500. 653-9045.

1979 VW BEETLE convertible. Excellent condition. \$8500. 537-9791.

1987 CHEVY CELEBRITY 4 door, grey, power brakes, power steering, auto, 223 K, very good running condition. \$950 obo. 537-2130, pager 537-8152.

1984 CHEVY CITATION, good running condition. \$400 obo. 537-1815.

1996 TOYOTA TERCEL, like new. 25,000 kms. Never smoked in. Two years left on extended warranty. Two-door, 4-speed manual, white, \$9,500 firm. 653-4513.

1986 OLDS CALAIS, 4 cyl, auto, cruise, air, tilt, exc. running cond. \$2100 in receipts for recent work done, asking \$2500 obo. Linda 537-4229.

1971 VOLVO 144. Well-maintained sedan with solid 2.0 L. engine. Recent tires and brakes. Asking \$800 obo. 538-0176.

1979 LINCOLN VERSAILLES, 4 whl. disc brakes, alum. wheels. Needs paint and minor bodywork. Many new parts. \$1200 obo. After 5:00 pm, 653-4772.

1984 CAVALIER Wagon, Auto, Low kms. Good Condition. \$1800. 537-8393.

1977 OLDS CUTLASS, 2-dr., V6, good car, \$600. 1981 Ford T-Bird, white, must sell, only \$800. 537-1600 or 537-1190.

### USED CAR SALE

1981VOLVO 240, 4-dr. auto ..... was \$1,495 ..... now \$1095  
1986 MERC TOPAZ, 5 spd. clean was \$1,795 ..... now \$1495  
1983 DODGE OMNI ..... was \$995 ..... now \$795  
1983 MAZDA GLC, auto, clean, was \$1,498 ..... now \$1,295  
1984 VW VANAGON, pass. van, auto, was \$2,495 ..... now \$2,295  
1982 CHEVY S10 PU., V6, auto., was \$1,750 ..... now \$1,495  
1984 CHEVY S10 PU., V6, 4 spd., was \$1,995 ..... now \$1,695  
1987 HYUNDAI PONY, 5 spd., 4 dr., was \$1,595 ..... now \$1,295  
1989 FORD ESCORT WAGON, 4 cyl., auto, was \$1,695 ..... now \$1,395  
1982 MERC. COUGAR XR7, V8, cruiser, was \$1,495 ..... now \$1,295

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1995 PONTIAC SUNFIRE 4 cyl., auto, 2 dr., low kms, clean SALE ..... \$9,980

1993 NISSAN PATHFINDER XE, auto, V6, sport & power package, 1 owner SALE ..... \$15,980

1998 GMC TRACKER 4 cyl., 5 spd with air, PW, PL, 4x4, auto hubs, priced to sell SALE ..... \$15,995

1997 HYUNDAI ACCENT 4 cyl., 5 spd., s/roof, rear spoiler, best buy award winner, balance factory warranty SALE ..... \$10,995

1998 NISSAN Ext. cab, 4 cyl., 5 spd. 2W.D. pickup, 1 owner, 49,000 kms. SALE ..... \$15,995

1992 FORD AEROSTAR XLT V6, auto, 7 pass. van, low kms, only 136,000, air, pw., pl., pm. SALE ..... \$9,980

1997 DODGE CARAVAN V6, auto, air, very clean, low kms SALE ..... \$13,995

1995 DODGE DAKOTA V6, auto, 2 wd., pickup, this truck almost like new, 62,000 kms. SALE ..... \$9,980



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### 845 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, SALES

32 FOOT TERRY RV trailer, 1 bdrm. with living room, full kitchen, dining room, bathroom, shower, air conditioning. Beautiful condition. \$9,000. 653-9826.

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1998 WANDERER LITE, 5th wheel, 22-1/2 ft. Rear bunks, 4 pce. bathroom, 3 burner stove, oven, fridge. Sleeps 6. \$15,000. 537-4394.

OLDER MODEL 33 ft. 5th wheel trailer, suitable to live in. \$4,500. Call 537-2397.

### 850 TIRES

TIRES ON 16" rims, 6 lug nuts, 791 Touring A/S Radial Tubeless P205/75R 15, \$400 for all 4. Call 653-4572 or fax 653-4555.

### 855 TRUCKS, 4 X 4'S

'89 NISSAN 4x4 king cab, canopy, boat rack, custom bumpers, am/fm cassette, chrome wheels, excellent condition \$7900. 653-9577.

### 860 VEHICLES WANTED

VOLVO COUPE/ sedan, early 80's. Good condition only. Please call 537-5713.

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

SHAKES N SHINGLES. #1's, #2's, & #3's. 18" & 24". Tapers, resaws & barns. \$85 to \$175 a square tax included. CSA APPROVED. Warranted. Phone 653-4458. Ask about our quality, rough sawn dimensional fir & cedar.

ARE YOU looking for ways to stretch your food budget? Meet twice a month for planning and preparing nutritious meals with groups for new or single parents, vegetarians, seniors, etc. If you have an idea for a Community Kitchen in your area or would like information on existing groups call 537-6654.

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EAST COASTER? Miss yer scrunchins? Are you a former resident of the east coast maritime provinces who would be interested in forming a Salt Spring Chapter of the Maritimers Club? (for fun and potluck dinners!) Call Peter or Barb at 538-0052 or email: mccully@uniserve.com

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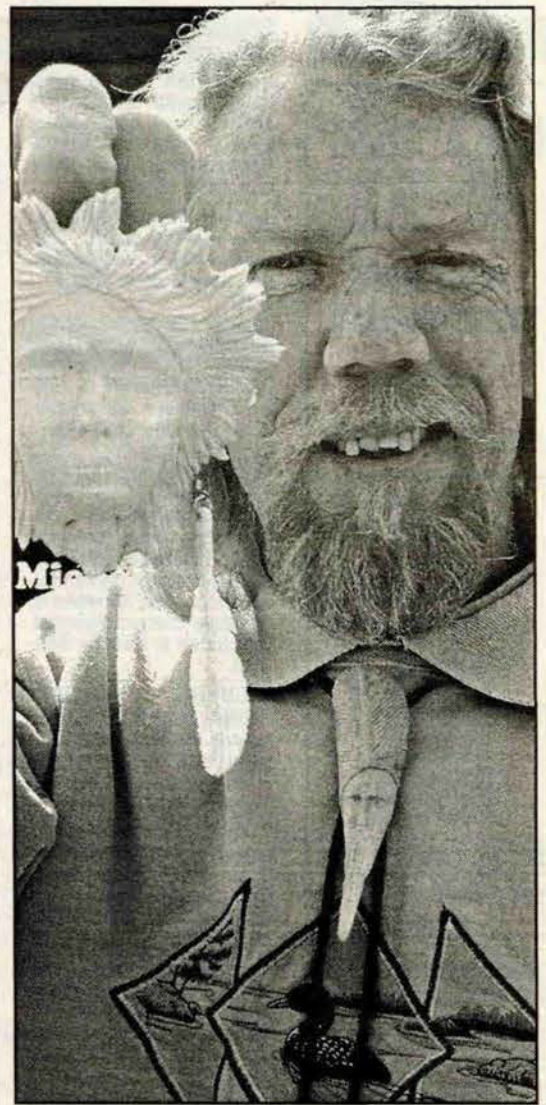
SINGLES CRUISES about the MV Phoenix Rising. 537-4944.

IF YOU would like information or want to see a community kitchen in action, please join us at the Fulford Hall on April 25th, between 12:30 and 4:30 or call for information 537-6654.

FOODSAFE BASIC, May 7, 8:30 - 4:30 p.m., \$60. Advanced May 8-9, 8:30 am. - 1:30 pm., \$100. Register, 537-1883.

1989 DODGE CARAVAN LE, very mechanically sound, only 137,000 km. 2 brand new tires, \$3200. Digital Video camera, relatively unused, \$1200 obo. 538-0224.

SMALL ACCOMMODATION in exchange for flexible resort sitting, small salary available for cleaning, general yard work. 537-5977.



**ANIMAL ART:** Michael Timmins displays one of his carved antler pieces — made from naturally-shed antlers — which he was seen selling at the Saturday market in Ganges. Photo by Derrick Lundy

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

PROFESSIONAL HOUSE-CLEANER with excellent eye for detail, hours to suit your convenience, local references, island resident for over 20 years, bonded. Vivian 537-4745 or 537-2123.

ATTICS AND Basements cleared, cleaned and/or tidied. Peter 537-4617.

FOR SALE: Pilates "performer" full body workout exerciser. Instruction sheet and video included. Never used, \$400 obo. 537-2928.

GREEN PARTY Potluck: Saturday, April 28th, 6:00pm Lions Hall on Drake. Ice Cream for dessert! Bring the kids! 537-2066.

BUILDER AVAILABLE: Renovation, decks, tilework, interior finishing. Design to completion. Call Dennis Beamish, 537-8105.

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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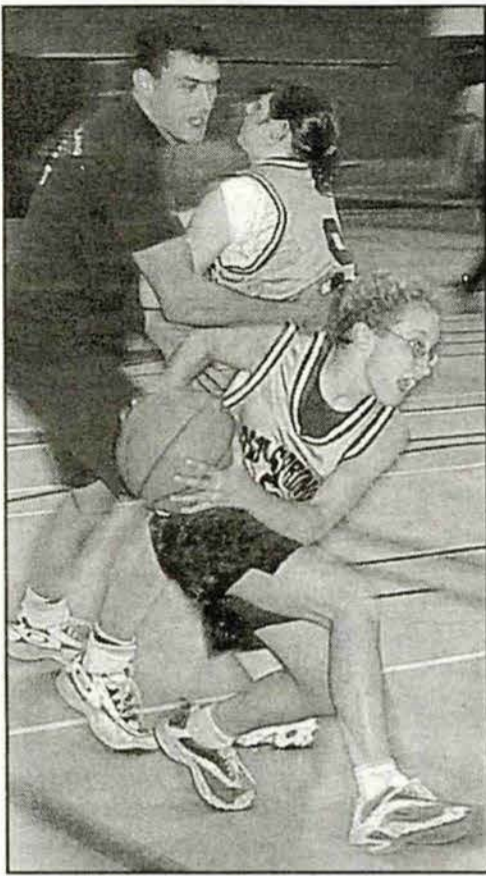
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**FUNDRAISING GAME:** Jessie Johnson-Hill snatches the ball as firefighter Laurence Spencer gives the game his all. The Saturday night match at the middle school pitted the Grade 8 girls basketball team against members of Salt Spring's various first responder crews. The event — see more details in Salt Spring Snippets — raised \$1,000 for Grade 8 cancer patient Nichola Howard. Tied at the end of regulation time, the game ended in a shoot-out with the girls out on top of a 57-56 score.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Donnelly tops disc golf pack

Twenty disc golfers donned rain gear Sunday morning to participate in the Spring Series #6 Disc Golf Tournament, playing 36 holes of disc golf in the Mouat Park tonal pole course.

Eric Donnelly took the top local player spot this month, with a score of 97.

Held on the third Sunday of the month, the tournament series usually sees the top local player change each month.

This marks Donnelly's first tournament win.

Most of the top players donated their winnings (a total of \$50) to the Salt Spring Island Disc Golf Association for maintenance and upkeep of the existing course and a proposal to create a new three-hole demo course at Peter Arnell Park.

Following are the tournament results:

**Advanced**

- Eric Donnelly (97)
- Dean Crouse (99)
- Mitchell Sherrin (100)
- Andrew Ross-Collins (102)
- Aidon Morris (104)
- Nic Futter (113)
- Chris Marshall (114)
- Darren McQuitty (111)

**Masters**

- Ted Hickford (99)
- Michael Lees (106)
- Derrick Lundy (107)
- Fritz Arnold (112)
- Paul Linton (118)

**Novice**

- Gary Railer (115)
- Emily Hickford (121)
- Harold Brochmann (126)
- Geoff Roop (128)
- David Huntley (score unavailable)

- Kristine Huntley (score unavailable)

There was only one ace-pot winner this month, going to Mitchell Sherrin on hole #4.

Next month's big event is the Third Annual Hart Memorial Disc Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 12.

Over 70 players are expected to attend.

## Ingle, Schure fight for cup

Following a tie-breaking play-off, Salt Spring's Richard Ingle emerged the winner of the Mouat Cup in golf tournament action at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club last Saturday.

The three-hole play-off occurred after Ingle and Peter Schure tied with a gross 77.

Corbin Scott took third spot with gross 79, followed by Larry Davies, also with 79.

Thirty-nine men competed in the event, which awarded the Mouat Cup to the top low-gross player and the Morris Cup to the low-net winner.

The entire field qualified for a match play trophy competition (the Matson Cup) in either the championship flight or the consolation flight.

Scott won Saturday's Morris Cup with a net 63. He was followed by Schure (66), Brent Vickers (68) and Davies (68).

KP honours went to Schure (#2/11) and Malcolm Fiander (#6/15).

## Golfers take to the greens

Twenty-three players turned out to compete in a men's day honey pot event last Thursday.

Richard Weatherall took top honours with 71, followed by Michael Morgan (73), Bob Hann (73) and Jack Mitchell (74).

Taking KP honours were: Gerard Webster (#2), Hann (#6) and Don McMahon (#11).

On April 12 the par points results were: Larry Davies, 37, Hamish Simpson, 37, Reg Winstone, 36, Michael Morgan, 35. KPs went to Gus Mitchell (#2), Hank Doerkson (#6), Gary Coulter (#11) and Tom Locke (#15).

April 5 results were as follows: Colin Lawler took top honours with net 69, followed by Gordon Thorne with 73. KP honours went to Hamish Simpson (#2), Thorne (#6, #15), and John Stewart (#11).

In other golf news:  
 • Inclement weather kept many players away from the course in ladies nine-hole league play April 11, but 19 did enjoy the sun when it appeared.

Low net was won by Alice Richards; putt pot by Ruth Hopping, and low score for hidden partners was won by Babs Ross and Jean Haines.

• Janet Butler, Ann McLeod, Dee Hooton and Kathy Darling all tied for low net honours with a score of 34 in women's 18-hole division play on April 17. The event was a four ball best ball.

## GOLF TEES

Tying for runner-up spot with a net 37 were Linda Joyce, Patricia Simpson, Louise Fuoco and Margaret Rithaler.

## Soccer referee course set

By MALCOLM LEGG  
 Driftwood Contributor

A Salt Spring Youth Soccer Association referees refresher course is set for Thursday, April 26.

It will be held at the Portlock Park portable from 6-9 p.m.

The free course, which is run by Tony Troughton, a Canadian National level referee, is open to all our referees of the 11-a-side games, or off-island teams.

The course has a small fitness component, a quiz and a discussion of the laws of the game. It is an informational session rather than a pass/fail course.

If you are interested in attending this course, please contact Malcolm Legg at 537-4970 in the evening.

In other soccer news, the May 19-21 Salt Spring Challenge Cup will soon be upon us. The tourney will feature men's open, over 30 and women's teams. Salt Spring will be represented by FC, the Old Boys and a girls squad centred around Dave McColl's U-18 team.

This season will feature the usual men's/women's shoot-out but an under-15 youth shoot-out will also take place on the Sunday.

Get ready for some "madness" in May.

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**ACROSS**

1. Persistent cough
5. \_\_\_ and gown
8. Tree fluids
12. "Courtly" Arthur
13. Bikini or Tarawa
15. Gray's subject (abbr.)
16. Beatles song
17. Oil-bearing rock
18. \_\_\_ Bikini World (1965 film) (2 wds.)
19. Irreconcilable differences
22. Poetic time of day
23. Asner and Begley
24. Boston hill
28. Toledo's state
30. Ref's kin
33. Plant a new crop
34. Entreaty
35. Canadian Indian
36. Author Knight
37. Black-eyed \_\_\_
38. Wantin' look
39. Verdi's princess
40. Type of school, for short
41. Lie in the arms of Morpheus
42. Actress \_\_\_ Wallace Stone
43. Char
44. Cool one's sunglasses
45. Strange norm
46. Payable now

**DOWN**

1. Spy Mata
2. Straight \_\_\_ arrow (2 wds.)
3. Elegant
4. Lotto's kin
5. Cover with paint
6. \_\_\_ Desire (Stanwyck film) (2 wds.)
7. Common
8. Emulates Dennis Conner
9. Person in opposition
10. Tense start
11. Court order
13. Trembling tree
14. "Younger \_\_\_ Springtime"
20. Angora's sound
21. Bride's vow (2 wds.)
24. Dagwood dividers
25. Frightening
26. Under-the-breath comment
27. The \_\_\_-Cola Kid (1985 film)
28. Ole of vaudeville
29. "It takes a \_\_\_ o' livin'..."
30. Encouraged
31. Confused fight
32. Chick sounds
34. Sound of contentment
35. Drink flavor
37. Jilting
41. NL sports locale
43. Rod
44. Less dubious
45. Steals a glance
46. Frank Herbert novel
47. Madras wear
48. "Once \_\_\_ a midnight dreary"
49. Eat without gusto
50. Lakme highlight
51. Addition column
52. Speech therapist's concern
53. Manco Capac's empire
54. Put in storage
55. Cuts the grass



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Megan Leitch and coach Shaun Adams

Photo by Susan Lundy

## Young judo champ looks to the future

Meet Megan Leitch — a 14-year-old judo dynamo — who may have fallen short of a medal at last weekend's national championships, but can still look to a bright future in the sport.

Urged by her mother over three years ago to flex her judo muscles, Leitch discovered she enjoyed the sport and has stuck with it, becoming the latest in a string of young Salt Spring judo athletes with potential to take the judo scene by storm.

Already at the top of her weight class and with two years yet to go as a juvenile woman, Leitch's outlook is good, according to coach Shaun Adams.

"She has enough room to go to the juvenile worlds," he says.

Leitch, who also enjoys sports such as badminton, tennis and running, pinpoints judo's atmosphere and learning environment as two of the sport's positive attributes.

"You learn how to defend yourself, (develop) a positive attitude, camaraderie and what it takes to win — determination and a lot of hard work," she says.

The learning curve seems to have paid off. Saturday's trip to the national judo championships in Kamloops resulted from several gold-medal wins.

And, although the typical judo

match is set for four minutes, Adams says not many of Leitch's have gone the full round.

"She usually has them down and out in a minutes or so."

In hitting the national level, Leitch has followed the flips and lifts of several other island judo champs, including Jonah Fisher, Andrew Greig, Sophia Haase and Marius Lohmann, who, unfortunately, was unable to compete due to his non-Canadian nationality.

Greig won the national level event in 1998, but was unable to attend the world championships for lack of funding.

In Kamloops on Saturday, Leitch won her first round "handily," then lost to a less-fatigued competitor in the second round. She beat her opponent in the third match, but missed a medal with a loss in her fourth game.

Leitch, who moved to Salt Spring from the Lower Mainland five years ago, also enjoys reading, spending time with friends, hiking and swimming.

Awarded her brown belt in judo a few months ago, she is eagerly anticipating the day she can don a black belt.

Adams believes she could have that much-coveted item by the time she is 16.

## Proctor wins mile trophy

Sixteen members of the Salt Spring Track and Field Club faced all kinds of weather at the Bob Daily Stadium in Port Alberni last weekend.

Sarah Proctor won a trophy for winning "the Bob Daily mile" in her age group at the event, which was the club's second meet of the season.

Results were as follows:

**Jennifer Akerman:** first in high jump and javelin, third in long jump, fifth in 100m and seventh in 200m.

**Avery Brown:** fourth in 100m and triple jump, third in 200m and sprint hurdles, second in distance hurdles; seventh in high and long jumps.

**Mark Brown:** third in 100m, fourth in 200m.

**Gilbert Comeau:** second in 400m and distance hurdles, third in 100 and 200m, fourth in sprint hurdles, and seventh in long jump and shot put.

**Monique Comeau:** third in 800m, fifth in 400m, ninth in sprint hurdles and 10th in long jump.

**Liam Johnston:** ninth in 800m and sprint hurdles, 10th in high jump.

**Andrew McKeachie:** first in 100m, second in 200m and long jump.

**Emily Myers:** fourth in 800m and eighth in 400m.

**Michelle Proctor:** fourth in 800m, sixth in 400m and seventh in long jump and javelin.

**Sarah Proctor:** first in 400, 800 and 1500m, and second in 200m.

**Isaac Raddysh:** 11th in high

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jump, 400 and 800m, 12th in sprint hurdles.

**Meredith Raddysh:** fifth in 100m, sixth in 400m, sprint hurdles and long jump, seventh in javelin, eighth in shot put and 800m, ninth in 1500m.

**Nico Reynolds:** second in sprint hurdles, third in 100, 400 and 800m, fourth in high jump and sixth in shot put.

**Erica Rimmer:** first in 400, 800 and 1500m, second in long jump and 100m.

**Emma Rimmer:** fourth in javelin and 10th in shot put.

**Lowell Rockcliffe:** first in 800m, third in 400m, fourth in 1500m and shot put, sixth in 100m and seventh in 200m.

The Salt Spring club currently has 29 registered athletes.

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## Fastball squad downed despite game highlights

Gulf Islands Aluminum U15 fastball girls played tirelessly in their first game of the season, travelling to Duncan with nine players — and no spares — last Saturday.

Despite some great defensive and offensive plays, the local squad came out on the downside of a 14-12 score in the first game, and 15-13 in the second.

Highlights of the first game included a line drive caught on the mound by pitcher Amanda Sykes. Kyra Steffler sacrificed herself twice for two RBIs,

and Brittney Woods managed to hang on to a shaky pop fly and end the third inning without any runs. Kathleen Sinclair punched a triple, and Amber Reid blasted a double.

According to coach Doug Sykes, the girls "played strong and matched well with Duncan with only three practices."

In the second game, Barushka Zizka smacked a double, and Nicolle Kapler managed to catch an in-field ball and then beat the runner to first base.

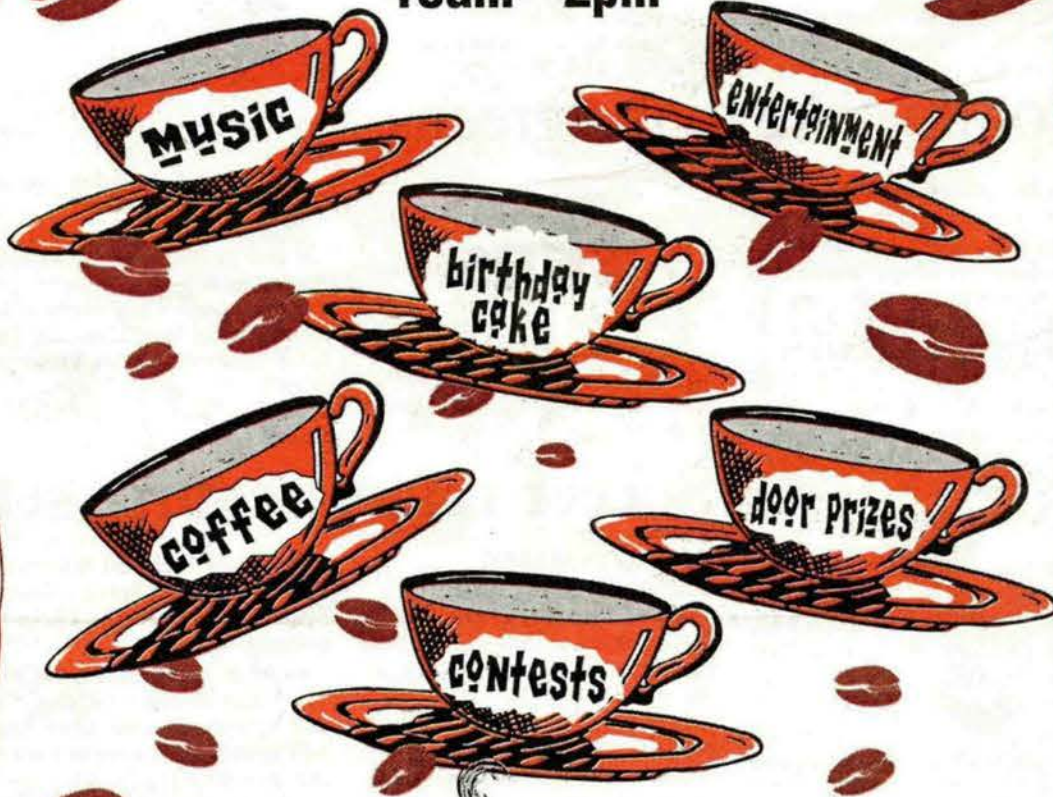
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