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Mostly sunny with periodic clouds is the forecast right through the weekend. Highs to 15 C on Saturday; lows to 4 C, overnight on Friday.

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Hedger service gets green light

Laurie's Recycling and Waste Service was given a new lease on life with May 7 Salt Spring Local Trust Committee (LTC) approval of Allen Cunningham's development permit.

The amended permit, which governs development of a new commercial building on the corner of Park

Drive and Valhalla Road, will include the garbage truck and recycling stop that has been on the property next to the Ganges Village Market since 1992.

Trustee Eric Booth didn't hesitate to give his approval. The Trust's Advisory Design Panel had accepted the revised plan, he said; public

support was evident; the area was commercial or industrial on three sides; and the Capital Regional District's transfer station regulation would ensure it operates "safely, quietly and effectively."

Booth's colleague Kimberly Lineger was more cautious, expressing a desire

to ensure neighbour impacts were absolutely minimized, especially through proper treatment of drainage and adequate screening.

She also suggested, and the committee agreed, that the permit be issued conditional upon receipt of comments from various government agencies.

While Cunningham's previous proposal — without the transfer station — had been circulated to those referral agencies, the new one had not

At the beginning of the meeting, LTC chair David Essig said he would be will-

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Park reserve official

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

From a concept to a reality, the Gulf Islands National Park Reserve has evolved inch-by-inch over the past decade.

But it took a giant leap Friday when federal and provincial government officials met to sign papers declaring the park reserve into existence.

Federal Environment Minister David Anderson, National Heritage Minister Sheila Copps, Saanich North and the Islands MLA Murray Coell were among the politicians basking in the good-news story glow at the Laurel Point Inn Friday morning.

Saanich-Gulf Islands MP Gary Lunn also praised creation of Canada's 40th national park, describing it as "a proud moment not only for residents . . . but for all Canadians."

The park area covers 26 square kilometres on 15 Gulf Islands, along with reefs and tiny islands.

No parts of Salt Spring are included in the park, although Russell Island off Fulford Harbour is within the boundary, as is part of nearby Prevost Island.

Kicked off by millions of Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy dollars, park lands were gradually acquired over the years through purchase of private holdings, and transfer of provincial parks and Crown lands.

But formal declaration



CREATIVE COLOUR: Indigo Porebska-Smith gets a new look with colourful face-painting by Christina Phipps at a special Mother's Day tea held at ArtSpring Sunday afternoon.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Lessons learned in Lopushinsky will

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

A Salt Spring man who dedicated much of his life to battling lawsuits over his mother's estate, has died and left a contested will of his own as a legacy and life-lesson for his common-law wife and children.

Fulford resident Richard Lopushinsky died on March 5 at the age of 53 while he was on vacation in New Brunswick. And his spouse, Dawna McGregor-Masters,

has been left with a difficult legal situation in the wake of his death.

"I have to create my life from here. It's not just a new chapter, it's a new book," McGregor-Masters said.

Lopushinsky wrote a last will and testament only 12 days before he died but the validity of that will has been thrown into question by a legal technicality that could make the document null and void.

"It was beautifully written

and his intentions were absolutely clear," she said.

But Lopushinsky made a small variation from requirements in the B.C. Wills Act. It appears that he had three witnesses sign the will in his presence, but the witnesses were not present together to sign at the same time. Consequently, the will is likely to be deemed legally invalid.

"Every time I say this, I can't believe it's true. Now what happens is B.C. law

says he died without a will. That means a whole different format."

Instead of Lopushinsky's wish to see his estate divided equally between McGregor-Masters and their daughter Crystal, his assets will be split among those survivors and six other children from two previous relationships. The assets will also be taxed differently than a regular will, she said.

"There was a lot of tax

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WILL: Likely deemed null and void

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provisions that I was eligible for before that I'm not eligible for now."

Left somewhat stunned from the experience, McGregor-Masters noted that the unfortunate turn of events seems to reflect Lopushinsky's earlier struggles to preserve his mother's estate.

"It's a little ironic that he would even have a will," she said.

In his own will, Lopushinsky wrote:

"So to the courts and lawyers, don't fuck with this, my last will and testament. As you know or will know, I've been in a legal battle for some 19 years since the death of my mother Celina M. Lapka, which the court system really fucked up. So please do not fuck this will up. Plain and simple, the above is my last wish. Please respect that wish."

Richard's mother Lapka was a colourful, self-made millionaire who raised six children alone, McGregor-Masters said.

"She was an incredible woman for her day."

At a family meeting two years before her death, Lapka announced her intention to give the bulk of her estate to Lopushinsky and she wrote a will to that effect.

"Richard was her right arm. He was a lot like her.

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ing to hear new information from members of the public about the proposal, but did not want a rehash of input submitted at the last LTC meeting on April 24.

Some neighbours spoke on the record as being opposed to the plan for a variety of reasons, with an emphasis on drainage and traffic safety.

Under terms of the permit, the waste service site will also end up being closer to Valhalla Road and at a lower elevation than its present location.

A 1,244-name petition in support of the business remaining on the lot, coordinated by Hedger family friend Kim Davidson, was also submitted for the record.

Booth said he understood that no one wanted a transfer station operation in their back yard, but that if "every-one adopted a NIMBY view on the island, every single thing that came before us on the island would be turned down."

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He and she just clicked."

But a legal challenge by Richard's five siblings (including his brother Joe, who was the mayor of Langley from 1987-1993) saw the Lapka estate re-distributed after a B.C. Supreme Court trial.

"The courts varied the will under the Wills Variation Act. It's ludicrous. I don't think people understand that the government can change your will if they deem it unfair."

A subsequent B.C. Court of Appeal decision awarded Richard Lopushinsky a larger share of the estate in 1991. And he asked his brother Joe to move out of the family home in Langley.

But the islander then faced another two-year trial where he represented himself against his own solicitors over fees incurred in the previous court proceedings.

Solicitor Thomas Spraggs claimed a bill of \$778,000 in hourly rates for services rendered between 1986 and 1992.

"I thought it was a joke. I've never received a bill like that," McGregor-Masters said.

In a trial that lasted from August 2000 to April 2001, Lopushinsky successfully represented himself against Spragg's legal team to see the B.C. Supreme Court reduce his fees by more than \$500,000 in March 2002.

"He worked with a legal coach and did an amazing job."

But the legal process tore Lopushinsky away from his family and likely compromised his health, McGregor-Masters said.

"My experience was that this was like living with another entity, this legal process. At one point I said, 'This is getting in the way of a family life.'"

As much as 80 per cent of Richard's time was consumed with court preparations, she said.

McGregor-Masters attempted to help Lopushinsky early in the proceedings but she found the involvement overwhelm-

ing.

"I was living a very stressful lifestyle and I could feel it affecting my health. The whole legal world is a dark hole."

She ended up with breast cancer and decided to alter her life radically in order to cure herself.

"I realized it was my life or the money. I just walked. I said, 'I'm done, I've run myself into this wall and I'm done.'"

McGregor-Masters managed to heal herself through lifestyle changes, she said.

"That left Richard to do it all on his own, which put a lot more pressure on him."

But Lopushinsky had essentially completed his legal struggles last winter.

"This was the big beautiful ending. I was going to go to the Baja. He said, 'I'm going to wrap things up here and I'll see you in the spring.' We were finally going to live our lives in a normal way."

After years of self-denial where he gave up many of his favourite activities in order to plan his legal stratagems, Lopushinsky decided to finally give himself a vacation and so travelled to the Canada Winter Games in New Brunswick with one of his oldest friends.

"He always wanted to go to New Brunswick and he loved sports. I told him, 'Please don't miss this.'"

As it so happened, Lopushinsky wrote his will on the same day he flew out to New Brunswick, February 21.

"Consciously, he didn't know [that he was in danger of a heart attack] but on an unconscious level he must have known because he prepared his will."

He felt some indigestion while watching a hockey game on March 4 and mentioned that he didn't feel well to his friend. Lopushinsky went to the bathroom between hockey periods and didn't return, she said.

"Of all that paper work he did, I'm so glad he didn't die

over a court document. He died having a good time with people he liked, doing something he liked to do."

And McGregor-Masters does not wish to get involved with the new legal struggle that is brewing around the contested validity of Lopushinsky's will.

"I don't want to repeat that or pass this on to my children as something they have to carry."

She believes in the concept of karma and would rather break free of the destructive cycle of material attachment.

"Enough is enough, this is not my stuff. That might mean giving up a lot of money, but what does this really mean?"

She described how Richard's office was full of legal documents.

"What does that mean to him now? All that effort for nothing. My life is not about that work. That's not my story."

McGregor-Masters wants to teach her children Crystal, Dayton and Genny-Rae to "let go of attachments" and to try to "see the larger picture" in life.

"We need to live today and not project about the future because we might not get to that place. We have each other and a home at the moment."

And she plans to let her lawyer take care of legal affairs regarding Richard's will without any further personal involvement.

But she cautions fellow islanders to learn from her family's lessons.

"Our last wish is not our last wish... The government is still in charge and it's important to question that, or at least be aware of that. The other message is, 'Be aware of where we put attention in our lives.'"

She's looking for guidance from her heart and she returned to Mexico with her children for some "breathing time" on Monday.

"Our lives are very different now. We're going to be okay. The universe will provide for us."

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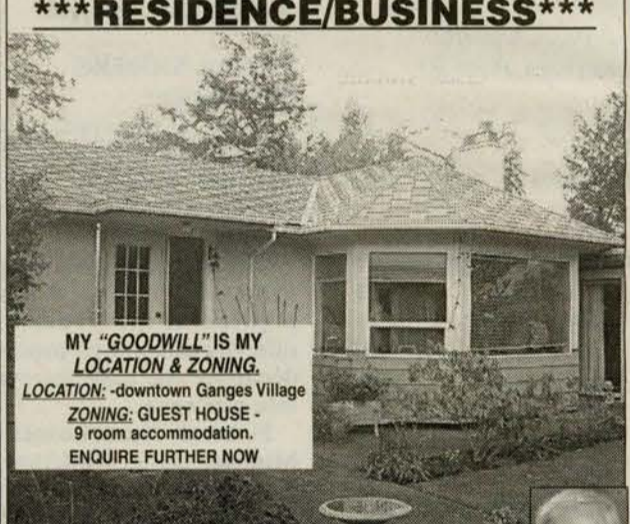
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Mouat dies at 94

Long-time Salt Spring resident Olive Mouat died on Thursday following trauma associated with a broken hip.



Mouat

Mouat was born in Nelson, B.C. on January 20, 1909, the eldest daughter of Tom W. Mouat.

She grew up in Nelson and Vancouver until World War II, when she served in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Mouat moved to the island after the war to teach at the Salt Spring Secondary School, and was well-loved by students, said her cousin Ivan Mouat.

She finished her teaching career on the island after 55 years of residency and then moved to Nanaimo.

She was predeceased by her brothers Tom and Gavin Mouat, and is survived by her sister Bobbie Wrotnowski of Nanaimo.



SUNNY DAY AT WATER'S EDGE: A group of youngsters enjoy the amazingly warm, May weather by playing in the sand at St. Mary Lake.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Wilful damage charges

A 22-year-old man smashed light fixtures with his hands and pulled out the light bulbs in his cell after being arrested at 1 a.m. on Saturday, reported the Salt Spring RCMP detachment this week.

RCMP REPORT

The man was picked up by police in downtown Ganges for being intoxicated and has now been charged with wilful damage for breaking the light fixtures.

A July 8 court date for a first appearance was set.

A white Toyota van was stolen after the driver left her keys in the vehicle at 1:30 p.m. on Monday.

The van was stolen outside of the CIBC in Ganges but was later located. No damage was sustained, but police do not know who stole the vehicle.

It is an offence to leave keys in a vehicle and the driver was fined \$58.

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NATIONAL PARK: No immediate differences

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of the national park reserve on Friday won't result in any immediate changes to the area, confirmed Meredith Reeve, who handles communications for the new park.

"People probably won't notice a big difference this summer because B.C. Parks will still be managing the lands," she said.

Some Parks Canada personnel will be visible, though, along with RCMP patrols on weekends.

New campgrounds or other park infrastructure won't be springing up, said Reeve, but government workers will be toiling as industriously as Parks Canada's historic symbol animal, the beaver.

Their tasks include creation of "interim management guidelines," which will give Parks Canada direction over the next four to five years while the larger park management plan is formulated.

"[Guidelines] give us direction on things like the ecosystems at risk that require us to do something immediately . . . or public safety issues. That gives us direction until we've completed the management plan, which is usually a four-to-five-year exercise."

Lots of baseline research must be done, said Reeve, "both in terms of the ecosystems, as well as human use and just getting to know who is coming to the islands, what they are doing and that sort of socio-economic research."

With ample public consultation added to the data, a management plan will eventually emerge.

A park advisory com-

mittee will also be set up, said Reeve, with membership components yet to be determined.

Reeve stressed that ecological integrity of the park's lands was the "priority concern," but that it would be balanced with

compatible visitor use.

Parks Canada signs may start appearing in the fall.

It is still being called a park "reserve" rather than a full-out "park" because of outstanding First Nations issues.

Provincial lands must

also still be formally transferred to the federal government, said Reeve.

While the multi-faceted park development work continues, it already has a phone number for its Sidney office: (250) 654-4000.

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Islanders steer B.C. Ferries union with Miller, Cottingham, Abbott

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Though islander Jackie Miller is taking the president's seat at the B.C. Ferry and Marine Workers Union (BCFMWU) offices in Victoria, she doesn't plan on moving off Salt Spring.

Instead, she plans to commute to the city with an aim of staying connected to island communities.

"I probably won't be able to sustain it, but I will maintain it as long as I can," she said in an interview Friday.

And a big focus in her mandate as BCFMWU president over the next three years will be to keep the B.C. Ferries Services Inc. (BCFSI) aware of issues on the Gulf Islands, she said.

"It's going to be a very vulnerable time for coastal communities."

Along with fellow Salt Spring residents Darren Cottingham (secretary treasurer) and Chris Abbott (first vice-president), the new union executive will have a perspective that is particularly responsive to the islands, she said.

"These are our friends and neighbours."

The three Salt Spring ferry workers shared a slate with second vice-president Heather Campbell of the Horseshoe Bay local and ships-officer component president Dave Badior of Alert Bay.

"I was hoping to be successful [during the union election] but I was even more pleased that the whole slate was chosen," Miller said.

The five-person team wants to keep B.C. Ferries connected to small communities but it also aims to keep the BCFMWU executive unified as a voice of the membership, she said.

"My personal mandate is to be out in the fleet as much as possible with the members in engineering, cafeterias, on the bridge and everywhere else," Miller said.

Her own experience with B.C. Ferries includes work as a cashier, catering attendant and terminal attendant. She has been involved with

"Flexibility, efficiency and competitiveness seem to be buzz-words for this whole act, but at what cost?"

BCFMWU right from the beginning of her career.

Miller started work with B.C. Ferries out of Horseshoe Bay in 1973. After a child-rearing break between 1978 and 1988, she transferred to Long Harbour in 1996.

"I started my career on the Queen of Nanaimo in Horseshoe Bay and then we were reconnected here."

Her husband Dean Dohlman is a deckhand on the Queen of Nanaimo, her daughter Simone (23) is pursuing a degree in political science at U.B.C. (following her mother's background as a labour activist) and her son Geoff (22) has been apprenticing as a marine repair technician.

"We're a B.C. Ferries family," she laughed.

Having pride in her work, Miller also wants to raise the profile of ferry workers within the community and to counter government and BCFSI claims about "union inflexibility."

"Right now it's been one-sided coming from the corporation."

Both the Wright Report and the new Coastal Ferry Act have negatively viewed the collective agreement as a source of B.C. Ferries' current economic difficulties. But the labour agreement was decided by employees and management working together with an equal voice, Miller noted.

"By labour standards it is not an unfair or excessive agreement."

And there are several labour issues that still need attention, she noted.

"The union is looking at a number of ways to create the efficiencies the employer is

looking for, as well as creating a better standard of living."

One issue she would like to see changed is the treatment of casual employees by B.C. Ferries. On-call staff can make up 48 per cent of BCFSI workers at various times of year, Miller said.

"They are concerned about making a subsistence living, let alone minimum wage."

She cited one example of a BCFSI casual employee with 19 years experience who still doesn't have guaranteed hours.

"It's a very fragile existence for a large group of workers."

And casual employees are just as highly skilled and trained as their regular-employee counterparts, she noted.

"We consider it an inhumane way to use workers to have them on-call for that length of time with that level of uncertainty."

Under the new Coastal Ferry Act there could also be a number of different employers if the government proceeds with plans to deregulate and remove routes from the provisions of the coastal commissioner, she said.

"The implications have not been well-investigated or understood. It really needs to be discussed with the public."

The Gambier-Keats-Langdale ferry service (Route 13) has already been privatized before a new commissioner could even be appointed to approve the plan, she said.

"The rationale was that the ferry was too old and needs to be replaced."

But the 25-year-old Dogwood Princess II operated by BCFSI was replaced on April 11 with the 27-year-

old Stormaway III as Kona Winds Yacht Charters adopted the Route 13 contract, she said.

Miller is concerned that the privatization of Route 13 could mark a new trend under the Coastal Ferry Act.

"They are shifting a financial burden off of the government books, but where is the return for the public. All we're seeing are fare increases."

The Coastal Ferry Act is a very complicated piece of legislation, she noted.

"Flexibility, 'efficiency' and 'competitiveness' seem to be buzz-words for this whole act, but at what cost?"

The new commissioner will have a final say on whether routes are eliminated, privatized, or see pronounced rate increases to pay for new ships. But the Coastal Ferry Act allows provisions for any of those scenarios.

"And the act takes precedence over anything that conflicts with that act. It's written right into the legislation."

Miller doesn't believe that B.C. voters wanted to see B.C. Ferries privatized when they elected the Liberal government.

"If it moves, privatize it; if it doesn't move, privatize it. That seems to be their agenda."

But Miller and her fellow BCFMWU executive members plan to raise more awareness and opposition to the government's privatization plans.

"It's surprising there hasn't been more of an outcry [in response to the new Coastal Ferry Act]. We've been busy watching hockey, I guess."

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A WELCOME HONOUR: Welcome Wagon representative Marlie Kelsey and Perry Newport at the chamber office admire a plaque bestowed upon Salt Spring, which was named Welcome Wagon's 2002 Community of the Year — 8,000-15,000 population. Kelsey was also honoured at the conference for having the most unique and valuable baskets both in Birth of Baby and Community Welcome categories.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Proposed composting bylaw gets turned over by farmers

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

Salt Spring farmers are requesting a three-month extension on the deadline for input into a proposed Capital Regional District (CRD) composting bylaw.

They have also formulated an initial response to the bylaw's provisions, which include requiring a licence if more than 20 yards of compost is created annually on a farm located outside of the Agricultural Land Reserve; composting most materials in closed facilities; submitting a letter of credit or surety bond; and stiff fines for non-compliance.

In order to receive a CRD licence, applicants must include certified plans for managing odours, leachate, vectors, dust and litter.

Proposed licensing fees are a one-time \$1,000 application fee; renewal and amendment fee of \$500; and annual administrative fees of between \$1,100 and \$6,600.

The bylaw's intent is to keep compostable materials out of the Hartland Road landfill, in much the same way it has diverted paper from that site. Private businesses or farmers with a CRD licence could then collect biodegradable materials and create a saleable compost product, with bylaw provisions protecting the environment and neighbours.

But the bylaw has been viewed locally as inappropriate for Gulf Islands organic farmers, especially, who depend on compost from organic materials to grow their produce for sale.

Members of the agricultural community met with CRD staff and electoral area director Gary Holman at the Farmers Institute Friday to discuss the bylaw.

Holman said he only recently learned about the long-gestating bylaw in the course of his new position and passed on the information to Elizabeth White, of Island Natural Growers (ING), for review.

A May 16 public input deadline had been set by the CRD.

So far White has compiled comments from ING members and the Growing Circle Food Co-op and created a preliminary comments document which the two groups have endorsed. She also expected the South Island Organic Producers Association on Vancouver Island to sign the submission and was set to meet with Farmers Institute members on Tuesday night.

"We support the CRD in its objective to divert organic waste from [Hartland Road] landfill through composting, but we are concerned that draft composting Bylaw #2736 may have the opposite effect in rural and semi-rural areas," notes White's response. "It will most certainly have grave consequences to the organic farm sector. It is no exaggeration to say that this bylaw will literally put some organic growers out of business."

The local farming group is requesting a Gulf Islands exemption from the bylaw, noting that the "industrial-scale composting" that would

cause environmental concern "would not be economic on the islands" in any event, and that "trucking organic waste off-island is not environmentally sound."

Restricting farmers from use of off-property raw materials to make their own compost should also be eliminated, White's draft document suggests.

As she also notes, composting is "fundamental" to organic food production, and materials must often be gathered from off-farm sources.

For organic farmers, the 20-yard compost limit is considered far too low.

At the same time, compost produced by proposed private sector composting facilities would not be usable for organic farmers.

"Such product is unlikely to meet organic standards because it may be contaminated with toxic materials, as well as being prohibitively expensive for most organic growers."

If the bylaw was adopted as proposed, unlicensed operations would also be unable to pick up restaurant waste, or any type of food processing waste, for composting.

Co-op composting, which has been discussed on Salt Spring and would see the material made at a central location, would also not be permitted, unless a fully-enclosed, odour-controlled facility was built.

Holman said he felt the farmers' concerns were valid, and that it was likely a question of establishing appropriate thresholds for exemption from the bylaw.

Car-smasher nets probation

A young Salt Spring man charged with robbery, assault, unlawful confinement and mischief while he was still under probation received a \$200 fine, 50 hours community service, 12 months probation and a drug-and-alcohol prohibition as part of a suspended sentence at Ganges Provincial Court on Tuesday.

Appearing for two separate incidents, Kenneth Howe, aged 20, pleaded guilty to the lesser charges of uttering death threats in August and mischief in September.

But defence counsel Tybring Hemphill, who appeared as a friend of the court on behalf of Howe, suggested that the judge drop accompanying robbery, confinement and assault charges.

Court heard that Howe had been a passenger in a vehicle driven by a youth (also set to appear in court for the same incident) when another islander was picked up hitchhiking in front of Embe Bakery on August 14.

Howe, the driver and fellow passengers Robert and Joseph Stacey took the hitchhiker up Cranberry Road against his will and threatened to throw him off Mount Maxwell unless he gave them \$15, said Crown prosecutor Barbara Penty.

"The other parties were involved in a marijuana purchase with [the victim]. They were not satisfied with the product they received and wanted a refund," Hemphill said.

The hitchhiker was also threatened with a gardening implement by the youth driver but was later released without injury after he provided the required cash, Penty said.

She indicated the Crown

would be satisfied with a conditional discharge similar to the arrangement worked out with the Stacey brothers when they appeared before Judge Keith Bracken on February 11.

The Stacey brothers had also pleaded guilty to uttering threats, whereupon they received a conditional discharge, community work and substance prohibitions.

"I would be content to have Mr. Howe disposed of on a similar basis," Penty said.

But judge Judith Kay noted that the Stacey brothers had no previous criminal record and Howe was still serving a six-month probation from a May 14, 2002 mischief charge at the time of the August incident.

"Therefore I'm not going to grant a conditional discharge as it is not in the general interests of society. However, I will suspend passing of this sentence for 12 months."

Consequently, Howe received one year's probation with bans on drug and alcohol consumption and 50 hours of community work service.

He also received a \$200 fine and a \$292.43 restitution order as part of a second sus-

pending sentence after he admitted to smashing a car window on September 13.

Court heard that Howe had been a passenger in a pick-up driven by his room-mate when they were stopped by another driver who was looking for directions to a party.

The complainant indicated that Howe was eagerly looking for a fight and pushed him as part of his efforts to engage in conflict. Howe also punched his fist through the victim's rear windshield.

"The vehicle behind had been flashing high beams, which Mr. Howe considered a provocation," Hemphill said.

But Hemphill indicated that Howe had met with the complainant, who was willing to drop assault charges and only wanted compensation for the window.

Howe conceded he was intoxicated at the time of the incident, Hemphill added.

After negotiating with Crown during a brief recess, Howe said little on his own behalf in court.

"About the mischief charge, my judgment wasn't there. I over-reacted. The other one, I'm guilty by association, I guess."

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Garlic farm sprouts campground

The 50-site campground that opens Friday on Leisure Lane will help alleviate the camp-site shortage on Salt Spring, said Ingvard Straarup.

Demand for camping space near Ganges since the 15 camp sites at Moutat Park closed in 1995 prompted the Straarups to turn part of their garlic farm into a campground.

Since September, the Straarups have mowed high-high grass and planted over 600 trees to set up 12 sites for trailers and 38 tenting sites in front of their home.

They fenced off an ecological reserve where ducks often nest, and built a store to sell health shakes, coffee and their own garlic products to campers.

A room inside a nearby barn was renovated so that registered massage therapist Kristie Straarup can



Ingvard Straarup

Photo by Debbie Willis

provide massage for campground guests. She also plans to invite anyone who teaches exercise classes to set up sessions for campers.

"We don't just sit around thinking of things to do around here," said Kristie Straarup. "We do them."

The idea for the campground came when Ingvard Straarup was looking over land use documents with friends. He thought the campground would be a good use of land that is too wet for garlic farming.

"I've made about \$287 off of it," laughs Straarup about the fields where he used to grow hay. "I hope to change that."

The Straarups have invested approximately \$20,000 into the project, and an uncountable number of hours, said Ingvard Straarup.

But the work won't stop

once the campsites are opened on May 16. Straarup assumes he and his wife will be working 14-hour days to keep the garlic farm and campground running until around October 1.

"It [the campground] is small enough for mama and papa to run it, but big enough so we can make some money off it," said Straarup, who has owned the Leisure Lane property for nine years.

Each site costs \$20 per night and the Straarups already have bookings through to August. The campground won't have bathrooms and showers until next year, but running water and port-o-potties will be provided.

"I'd be surprised if we're not very busy here," said Ingvard Straarup. "We've got the three L's: location, location, location."

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Lions look at 'adopting' road work

By **DEBBIE WILLIS**
Staff Writer

A new Lions Club Adopt-a-Highway program on Salt Spring could help make up for recent cost-cutting at the Ministry of Transportation (MOT), said Al Planiden, the ministry's manager of road-side development.

A reduced budget meant the MOT would no longer be responsible for highway esthetics, but a pilot project initiated by Salt Spring Lions Club president Steve Somerset and Keith Buchan of the Gordon Head Lions would include litter removal and possibly beautification on provincial roads.

The program is the first of its kind in British Columbia, according to Planiden. Many districts in the province have Adopt-a-Highway programs limited to litter removal, but Planiden hopes Salt Spring's program will include grass-mowing and flower-planting.

A two-year contract was signed by the Lions Club and the ministry, but if the project is successful Planiden hopes to expand it to more districts.

It did not cost anything for the Lions to adopt the Fulford-Ganges Road, the road between Ganges and Vesuvius, Upper Ganges Road and the road between Ganges and Long Harbour.

Lions Club members do not expect to be picking up litter or mowing grass themselves because maintenance

will be done by groups receiving funding from the Lions.

These groups, such as schools, will be expected to maintain one or more five- to nine-kilometre highway section in return for Lions' money.

"Instead of just writing cheques, we get something back for the community and the environment," said Somerset.

The Lions won't be assigning anything more than litter duty to groups they fund, but hope some organizations will

volunteer to mow or plant for the recognition it would bring.

One of the project's goals is visibility, and signs bearing the Lions' name will be posted on all the highways they adopt. Non-Lions groups choosing to maintain a section of highway permanently will also see their names posted on the sign.

Somerset emphasized that Adopt-a-Highway participants will not take jobs away from the contractor in charge of highway maintenance, JJM, but will enhance what

the company already does.

JJM will provide equipment for the clean-up and the ministry will provide training for volunteers, who are not responsible for very large pieces of garbage or dead animals.

The Lions will continue to fund their regular programs, and will not necessarily demand highway maintenance from every organization they give money to.

"It's a win-win situation," said Somerset. "We're hoping that the community will embrace it."

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HUNGER STRIKES: Students at the Gulf Islands Secondary School have just one hour left in their annual 30-hour famine, which ran last weekend. Following the famine, they "feasted" with a Mexican dinner on Saturday evening. The famine raised over \$6,000 to build an elementary school in Ghana.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Insect expert earns Jubilee

A Salt Spring resident and well-known entomologist was honoured last week with a Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal.

Linda Gilkeson, who is known far and wide for her work in the integrated pest management field, was nominated for the award by personnel in the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection (MWLAP).

"I was pretty floored," said Gilkeson. "There are a lot of people who deserve a medal."

Presentation of the medal was made in Victoria by MWLAP Minister Joyce Murray at an all-managers meeting of the ministry.

Gilkeson was also pleased that her parents came up

from Washington State for the event and to have lunch.

Gilkeson moved to Salt Spring in 2001 and now commutes to her job with the ministry, where she currently holds the position of head of state of environment reporting. She recently completed the Environmental Trends 2002 Report and background technical documents.

With a Ph.D. in Entomology from McGill University, Gilkeson joined the B.C. environment ministry in 1991 as integrated pest management coordinator, where she worked on alternatives to pesticides for more than 10 years, writing training manuals and giving workshops.

The Safe and Sensible

brochures series she co-authored won two awards, and an Oracle corporate award was earned by the team she led to design the environment ministry's first integrated pest management information system website.

Over the years she has also freely shared her expertise through public talks, written articles and three books.

Commemorative medals marking Queen Elizabeth II's 50 years on the throne have been dispensed in the past year through a special federal Department of Canadian Heritage program. They are intended to acknowledge people who have made a significant contribution to Canada, their community or their fellow Canadians.

Seasonal boat trouble begins

A few boat and rock collisions marked the start of summer for the local coast guard this week, according to officer-in-charge Sid Jones.

"Solid Gold ran into solid rock," said Jones after the vessel Solid Gold made an error in navigation and crashed into a rock off Sidney Spit on May 9.

The Coast Guard escorted the vessel into Sidney because there was damage to the sailboat's keel, but nobody was injured.

The report of a 14-foot

white, open pleasure craft adrift off Sphinx Island at 7:50 a.m. on May 10 turned out to be a false alarm.

The owner of the boat turned out to be fine, though the boat was drifting around near Galiano Island.

"He must have just been lying down because when we approached, whoever it was sat up and started to go," reported Jones.

When a 42-foot ketch ran into a rock in Sansum Narrows this week, Jones said a few small boats were able to pull it out.

"And so it begins," said Jones of the boat trouble. "Fortunately that was the worst so far."

Annual July arts festival takes one-year sabbatical

After bringing top-notch entertainment to Salt Spring for 17 consecutive Julys, the Festival of the Arts is taking a one-year sabbatical.

A combination of factors led festival coordinator Trish Nobile to conclude that a year off would provide an opportunity to rejuvenate the perennially successful month-long event.

Because of the festival society's solid track record, funding agencies have let grant funds be held over for the 2004 festival.

The group's annual general meeting will be held soon,

and Nobile hopes islanders will attend to help formulate plans for next year.

"We are a community-based festival and really appreciate community input," she said.

Having at least part of the festival take place outdoors is one idea that has been explored, said Nobile.

Anyone wanting more future festival information can leave a message for Nobile at 537-4167.

Since ArtSpring is the regular Festival of the Arts venue, cancellation has left the arts centre wide open for

the month of July. With islanders, their guests and visitors expecting quality entertainment, it means great audience potential for performers.

Executive director Paul Gravett invites anyone with ideas or wanting to book the facility to call him as soon as possible (537-2125).

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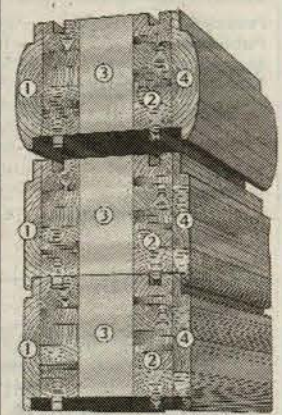
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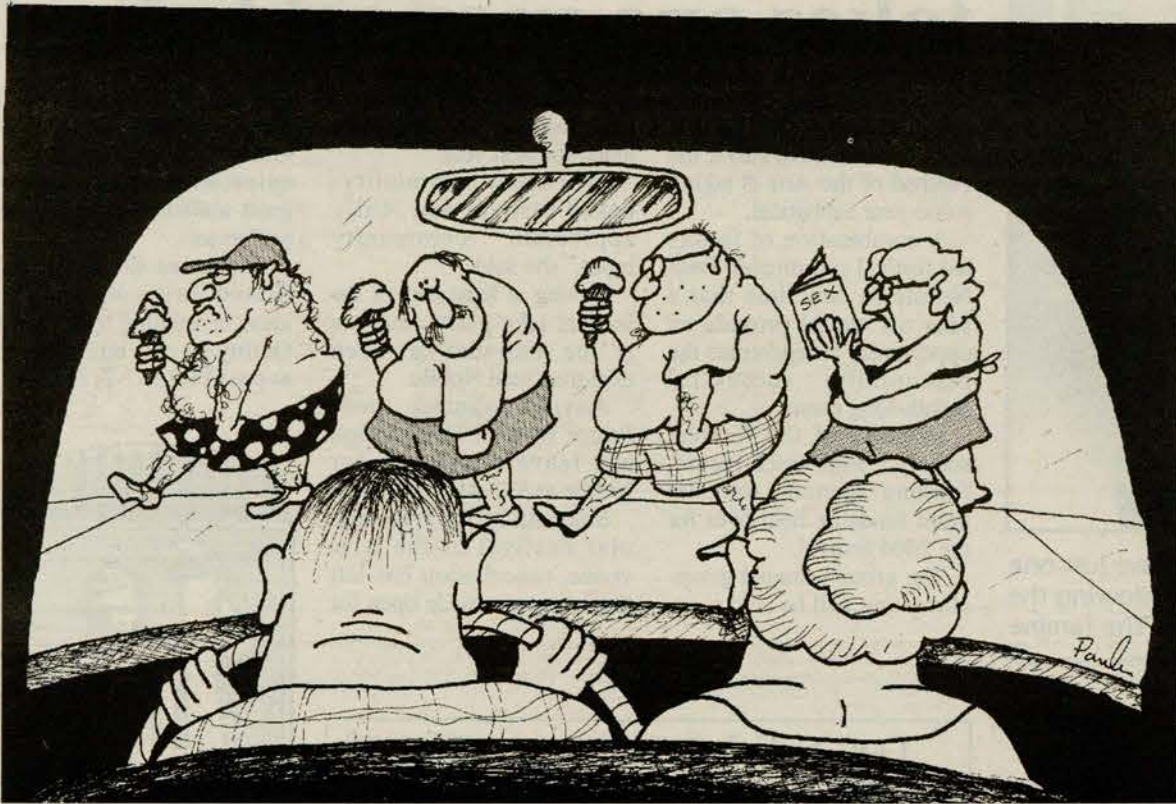
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Most islanders should by now be aware of the skill and talent behind many of our local performing arts groups. The Salt Spring Singers, for example, have been around for decades. They were very good 10 years ago, yet they have improved, which creates a challenge for reviewers trying to find superlatives.

But an equally daunting challenge faces those who would like to fill the seats at ArtSpring.

The weekend performances of Carmina Burana were not sold out, yet they should have been, simply based on the choir's record. But ignore for a moment the record and consider this particular show: those who attended will not soon forget the awesome talent on that stage. What an utter shame that more than 90 per cent of Salt Spring Islanders missed the opportunity of a lifetime.

Build it and they will come is obviously not an assumption you can apply to an arts centre. ArtSpring has accordingly drawn together some volunteers who have been working on strategies designed to fill more seats.

They have their work cut out for them, but they don't necessarily have to do it on their own. Those who have been thrilled before by stellar performances on the stage or stunning displays in the gallery can do their part by telling their friends.

It does not have to be a secret that ArtSpring lies at the heart of Salt Spring's cultural universe, is the centrepiece of our artistic pursuits and signifies the tremendous importance of the arts to our community.

Indeed, let's tell the world and fill those seats.

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Broughton residents decry 'communications game'

By **CONNIE MCIVOR** and **BRIAN WADHAMS**

We are responding to Chris Hatfield's In Depth piece in last week's Driftwood.

Government has not done any scientific studies on the impacts in our area, the Broughton Archipelago.

Just now they are doing a sea lice study, but the majority of the farms here are fallow. So in reality, this is not the right time to do this study, is it?

Another thing is that if First Nations people are opposed to having fish farms in their traditional territories and or any surrounding community members are opposed, then why are they doing it anyway?

Without consultation and accommodation, they put farms in and move others around. When

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industry and government ask us if we want a fish farm, we say no for important reasons like migratory routes for finfish, shellfish areas, commercial fishing areas, etc. These are very valid and life-threatening reasons, not whining and complaining like industry and employees state.

Money is not everything to everyone. We cannot understand why anyone would eat a fish that is fed antibiotics, lives in a pen with 119,000 other fish, does not run free, making it a "fatter fish," catches diseases and viruses and is still sold!

Then industry blames the wild fish for their "precious farmed

fish" getting sick. If we need to point the finger at anyone it would be at government for allowing industry to make their own rules and self regulate, reporting what they want, when they want.

Sometimes the only way that we are aware of an escape is when we are commercial fishing and catch one of these foreign fish in our commercial nets!

Chris Hatfield claims that his farm has operated for almost 20 years and the sky has not fallen. Well, what a statement. Is it going to take the sky to fall in order for everyone to realize that this is an industry that causes life-threatening impacts?

For these 20 years, things have gotten worse. We see it with our own eyes. The deleterious substance underneath the open-net cage is bad enough. The pollution

has affected the clams, the wild salmon, the prawns and the migratory routes for all salmon.

We have not been told this, we have witnessed this.

Local knowledge is never taken into consideration. This government claims that science will tell all, but 20 years later, what science has been implemented?

This industry continues to live in denial. We constantly hear that the depletion of wild stocks in B.C. is the fault of commercial fishermen, but for your information, in 2002, the third-biggest salmon run on record went through B.C. waters. The commercial fishermen did not get the opportunity to make a moderate living.

So what is the federal and provincial governments' mandate? Is it to shove the "remaining" commercial fishermen out of

the fishing industry for good in order to go ahead with the fish-farming industry and the oil and gas exploration?

First Nations people and environmental groups are "only" concerned about protecting the environment and the wild species in British Columbia!

Industry needs to stop "playing games" with the public and start addressing the environmental impacts that may have the potential of destroying the wild stocks and a way of life for First Nations people.

This is not a communications game to us, it is a reality.

The writers represent the Musgamagw Tsawataineuk Tribal Council, McIvor as local stewardship coordinator and Wadhams as First Nations outreach coordinator.

For as long as I've been writing this column, I've had free reign to express my opinions on any subject I choose. The powers that be have never interfered with the content of my weekly rant.

Having said that, there is one Salt Spring subject that scares the wits out of editors and publishers. It's not Texada or The Great Sewer Debate; not Short Term Rentals or Salt Spring Dollars.

It's the Saturday Market. "Oh No. John Don't. Please. Don't write about the market. Anything but the market. No good can come of it."

Other island topics pale in comparison to our glorious, sensual, historic, mad market. From its beginning, the market has been a source of controversy; a metaphor for Salt Spring itself.

Just a pleasant stroll through the market

Thanks to the market, living on Salt Spring is like living on an island topped with a volcano. For many, the market — like Etna or Krakatoa — defines the island.

"You're going to Salt Spring? You must take in the Saturday market. There's nothing quite like it."

Paris has its Eiffel Tower, Venice its canals, San Francisco its little cable cars, climbing halfway to the stars. We have our market.

Folks say the market isn't what it was in the '60s and '70s. They say it lost its unique funkiness when it

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with a committee and rules and fees.

Well, like it or not, those things had to be done — for the same reasons that we have laws, and bylaws, and — eventually — traffic signals. It's a simple mathematical equation — a constant, like the value of Pi or the speed of light.

Studies have shown that the number of people who ignore convention and just do whatever they want, is equal to .000002 per cent of the square of the population. So when Salt Spring had a

thousand people, that meant there were just two goofballs who went around causing a ruckus and stirring things up.

Now, with a population of 10,000 or more, that same formula means there are at least 200 of us wandering around creating dissension. So, as the island grew, so did the need for rules.

Most of the rules around the market have been accepted (grudgingly) as necessary. The requirement, for instance, that everything sold at the market must be made or grown by the vendor is what separates our market from most others.

Without that rule, it would be no different than most of North America's "Famous Farmers Markets," which derive the bulk of their sales

local souvenirs made in Korea and clothes from sweatshops in Thailand.

The market is going through another of its cyclical growing pains. According to some, there's pressure to expand, but PARC doesn't want to use more of Centennial Park (huh?) so the market is squeezing out of the park and pressing further into Gasoline Alley.

Though it's bursting its seams, the discussion of whether to expand the market's area is a volatile one. I don't much care either way — expand or don't expand. That decision should be up to the vendors and PARC — if they can reach a consensus.

But, if expansion is the

and crowding the retailers in Gasoline Alley.

Why not simply continue the market around the water-side of the park, using the boardwalk for more vendor stalls?

If, in a few years, that area gets too crowded, continue on down the side by the marina parking lot and back to the beginning.

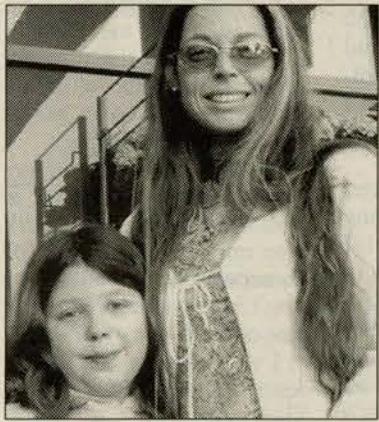
Even without increasing the number of vendors, it might be a good idea to expand the territory anyway. On busy summer weekends it's just too crowded in and around those stalls — which isn't fair to the vendors or the visitors.

Whatever you do, market people and PARC people, be careful and thoughtful in your plans. Lest you kill the goose that laid the "made on Salt Spring" golden egg.

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SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: *What makes a real islander?*



Sasha and Jessica Gant (Campbell River)

A real islander is an eclectic person who is colourful and creative; somebody who doesn't get seasick . . . a fisherman or a beach bum.



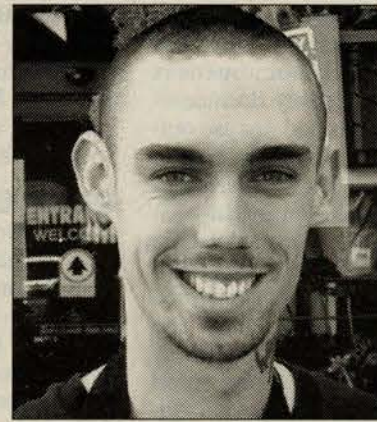
Melody Peet

The real islanders know when it's quiet.



Maggie Smith

You know you're a real islander when you buy your plot, I guess. That's what Bobby Woods used to say. Then you'll be here forever.



Doug Dicks (Cape Breton)

Living life at a slow pace; that's the way Cape Breton is too. And around here reminds me of a small town back home where people live like that . . . Take life one step at a time.



Clorissa Simpson

I think islanders are kind of friendly because they know everyone. And they appreciate what we have here.

Letters to the Editor

Freedom

David Borrowman clearly has dug in and it is clear the B&B lobbyists have him on a tight tether. (April 30 View Point.)

He honestly believes that the government has the right to determine how one should be allowed to use one's house, and that homeowners-in-residence make all the difference to weekly vacation rentals.

The argument shouldn't be about whether tourism is the highest financial contributor to the economy or not, but about freedom to manage one's life without governmental interference. Who has the right to say a weekly vacation rental is detrimental to the community, but a B&B is not? Or that homeowners-in-residence can rent their homes, but absentee owners cannot? Borrowman and the Islands Trust have done nothing to prove weekly vacation rentals should be banned.

Borrowman and the islands trustees haven't any proof that weekly vacation rentals have a negative impact on the community. What we do know is that

they contribute valuable revenue streams to our local work force, the government, the ferry system and others. Estimates peg that number at \$7 million annually — not an insignificant contribution.

MIKE BEST,
Ganges

Trust world

Re: Rachel Copping's column in the May 7 edition advocating a "ride-share" program which would require everyone registered to carry an I.D. card (subject to approval by the RCMP).

Here is one islander who prefers to use her instincts above registration. Perhaps this invasive idea may work in larger communities where "dangerous criminals" lurk at every corner, but apart from the fascist overtone of totting I.D. cards to prove that you are not a criminal, (easy enough to forge, come to that, for the really nasty "dangerous criminal"), there is the question of abdicating trust — overall faith and trust in your fellow human beings.

Without this, everyone would be carrying guns as well as I.D. cards.

It saddens me to think that

youth feel so threatened. Develop a positive attitude, practise listening to your instincts and trust the world I say.

At least the world of Salt Spring.

YVONNE ADALIAN,
Forest Ridge Road

Great event

We would like to express thanks to everyone who made the April 24 school district Leadership Jamboree such a great event.

More than 100 elementary students attended, working together to build their leadership skills and share their experiences with other peer helpers.

Students also made connections with others who will be fellow students at Salt Spring Island Middle School next year.

It was a wonderful day, and all that the organizers had envisioned.

The morning was full, with workshops on peer pressure, communication skills, and group-building activities led by GISS students.

The afternoon began with presentations, received by a cheering, flag-waving hall. Students from the SIMS

peer tutoring program and the GISS Leadership/peer counselling group then described their roles in their home schools. The day closed with a reflection time in small groups.

Everyone, students and organizers alike, went home tired, happy and a little "wowed." A good foundation has been set for next year!

Thanks for support are especially due to Irene Wright, students from the GISS leadership and peer counselling programs, SIMS peer tutors, GVM, Thrifty's, Pinnacle Pizza, Just Mike's Water, Chamber of Commerce, Mouat's Trading, Chris Cormack, parent volunteers and involved district school staff.

Thanks all!
CATHY TAKAGAKI,
PAT GORDON,
Leadership Jamboree coordinators and SD 64 teachers

Private property

I must admit that I find it difficult to write this note, as I'm so furious at the ignorance and/or stupidity of

some people.

Thank you, Ms. Guiled, for your May 7 column. I would take the liberty to imagine that as Ms. Guiled has the intelligence to write a weekly column, she would also have the intelligence to understand the meaning of the word ignorant and not to confuse it with the word stupidity, although I wonder.

So Ms. Guiled's "bright young friend" found the trail all by herself and found the tide low enough to make her way to Ruckle Park? I wonder if this young woman can read posted signs and understand their meaning? Private property!

This means that this land is owned by and taxes are paid by someone other than Ms. Guiled's friend.

I wonder how she traversed the barbed wire fencing without snagging her panty hose. Didn't she wonder where the sheep droppings came from, or did she think they were left over from the Easter Bunny?

Who did she think lived in the two houses she had to pass, Hansel and Gretel?

Didn't she wonder as to the farm machinery? I'd sure like to know how she managed to travel to Ruckle Park without

having to leg it up over more than one fence. What did she think the fences were for?

How did she manage the cliffs and the bluff on Browns farm? Spider woman, you say?

I am of the third generation of my family to live on the first farm she trespassed through. It is a privately owned working farm that has been in my family since 1902.

For Ms. Guiled's friend to make statements about the demise of island deer and how their carcasses were being eaten and by whom shows she is unaware of both the turkey vultures and the bald eagles that nest in this region. Deer also die when they are shot and wounded by poachers and left to suffer.

I wonder if this ignorant woman took her little dog along on this walk? You're in sheep country and dogs unattended, running loose on this property will be shot on sight.

It's because of the actions of ignorant people like Ms. Guiled's friend that give tourists a bad name.

P. DAVID O'FLYNN,
Monkswood Farm,
Eleanor Point

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Weigh magnesium chloride risks and benefits

The season for salting the islands' gravel roads is coming soon. Salting?

Isn't that for ice and snow?

It is, but magnesium chloride is also used for dampening dust during the dry season. This salt literally dampens the dust. MgCl₂ is a hygroscopic molecule, meaning it has "the property of readily imbibing moisture from the atmosphere, or of becoming coated with a thin film of moisture," according to the Merriam-Webster dictionary.

Each particle of dust — up to about sand size — has a layer of adherent water molecules held so tightly that they can only be evaporated off using extreme measures. They have another layer of what's called "pore

water," a n envelope of water that keeps them

damp and stuck together. In dry, warm conditions, the pore water turns to vapour, then poof! The clay, silt and sand particles come unglued. They're independent and light enough to get swirled up by the wind, including the stiff breeze stirred up by automobiles.

Magnesium chloride is a divalent salt that helps keep the pore water bound to each grain of earth. Thus moistened, they hang together. On gravel roads, this not only keeps dust down, but helps compact the road surface.

SPRINGBOARD
BY **BRENDA GUILLED**



Fewer ruts, potholes and washboards form, so less grading is required. The road continues to improve over several seasons of salting.

Those living and working by gravel roads risk breathing in particulates that are too small for the nose and lungs to filter out. This is unpleasant and can be harmful. The busier and dustier the road, the greater the likelihood of breathing problems and lung damage.

The tradeoff, therefore, is the risks and costs of applying the magnesium chloride versus the risks

and costs of dust inhalation. So what the heck is magnesium chloride, and what does it do to us?

It comes from evaporated salt water, some from as far away as the Dead Sea.

Magnesium is the fourth-most abundant mineral in the human body. It's a co-factor in more than 300 enzymatic reactions. Magnesium deficiency is a greater health concern than magnesium overdose. On World Health Online, Dr. Michael Schachter writes, "In people with normal kidneys, it is difficult to reach toxic levels of magnesium. However, too much oral magnesium will result in diarrhea. Recall that milk of magnesia is a laxative containing a magnesium salt . . . In general,

magnesium doses of 1000 mg per day or less are extremely safe."

Magnesium chloride is used in soft drinks, mineral water, desserts, wine, meat and fish products, as well as many health supplements.

So what's the bad news? A neighbour noted that roads not sprayed with the magnesium chloride spray had abundant worms on them, while sprayed roads were wormless for months after. Salt water is also a much readier carrier of leachates than fresh water, allowing toxins to travel through ionized pore water pathways.

For gravel roads that have little traffic, and for those living and working a healthy distance away, spraying with magnesium chloride is unnecessary

and expensive. It takes a lot of processing, handling and fossil fuel output to make it and get it here, for very little benefit. The side-effects of the industry are global, paid for by all to solve local concerns and problems.

Those on the islands who live on quiet gravel roads can keep their section from being sprayed by submitting a letter signed by a consensus of neighbours to JJM Maintenance requesting that the work not be done. They'll willingly comply.

For everyone else, the spraying will take place in the coming weeks, and on balance, I think it's a workable solution to summer dust and road maintenance issues.

b_guiled@yahoo.ca

Wild side

I am just writing in response to last week's Springboard column by Brenda Guiled. There are a few points I'd like to make about the details regarding her off-island friend's walk to Ruckle Park.

She mentions that "Only once on her trek was she frightened to be alone in the wild." Unfortunately she wasn't in the wild, she was on private property.

The fact that her friend came across dead deer gives the impression that she wasn't walking on the shoreline. I know for a fact that her trip could not have been made by staying on the shoreline. There are numerous times she actually had to walk on someone's private property. I know that at one point on her trek when she was crossing from one private property to another she either scaled a cliff or walked through very dense forest.

I'd like to advise people that it is private property that she was on. I really don't think anyone on this island would appreciate directions for a nice walk to be given out in the paper when it means using their private property as part of this adventure in the "wild."

I will tell you one thing, she was walking on the wild side by being on one of those properties. The caretaker is not the friendly sort of Salt Springer you would hope to run into on private property.

GILLIAN POTTINGER,
Salt Spring

Fishy fines

In his May 7 piece (No room for emotions in fish farming debate), Chris Hatfield questions the veracity of environmentalist claims about the risks of open netcage salmon farming.

He accuses those who raise concerns of possessing inadequate scientific credentials and propagating hysteria, claiming that, "in spite of the relatively benign operations of most B.C. salmon farms over the last 25 years, the public has been persuaded that all salmon farming is bad. Why?"

Hatfield's attempt to paint

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all salmon farms and salmon farm operators with the brush of innocuousness ignores the many documented accidents and disease outbreaks that have occurred at numerous salmon farms in recent years. For instance, in January of this year, Pacific National Aquaculture (PNA), a Norwegian-owned multinational, and the largest salmon farm operator in Clayoquot Sound, pled guilty to 11 charges of violating provincial regulations. The charges related to incidents between August 2001 and February 2002; they included failure to prevent escapes (including one incident where 10,000 farmed salmon escaped into the wild due to company negligence), failure to report escapes and the unauthorized releasing of fish into tidal waters. Despite the large number of charges, PNA was fined only \$2,500.

Hatfield's assertion that only salmon farmers and industry scientists adequately understand industry practices and the ramifications of those practices is worth questioning. It doesn't take a scientist to see that the neutrality of industry spokespeople, scientist or otherwise, is arguably compromised by the fact that the companies they speak for stand to profit from the status quo.

Hatfield also seems to imply that if industry outsiders do comment, only scientists in specific fields have the requisite wisdom to raise legitimate questions about salmon farming practices. Yes, scientists have specialized knowledge and this knowledge is important in any debate involving natural systems, but since when do scientists, industry or otherwise, have a monopoly on the right to debate an industry's use of resources that belong to the public?

Simple common sense is enough to indicate that when a foreign multinational operating in Clayoquot Sound, a UNESCO-designated biosphere reserve, is found guilty of multiple violations of provincial regulations and

fined less than it costs to fly to Norway and back, something's definitely fishy. **MELISSA NELSON,**
Friends of Clayoquot Sound, Vancouver

Impressive

As a Mother's Day and early Father's Day gift, we were fortunate enough to be taken to ArtSpring on Saturday to hear the Salt Spring Honour Choir and the Salt Spring Singers.

Having heard some of the choirs on Salt Spring, we were expecting an enjoyable afternoon, and were not disappointed.

The Honour Choir was a treat and have certainly come a long way in two years. We loved the enthusiasm of these young singers (especially our two blond-pony-tailed grandchildren!). Mitch Howard has a lot to do with instilling this enthusiasm by example. It was a thoroughly enjoyable performance.

The Salt Spring Singers were incredible. It seemed a very ambitious piece of music to tackle, but it was very well done. Having sung in choirs ourselves, we know how much work went into it and we found it very hard not to clap until the very end.

The soloists were wonderful, as were the two pianists and the percussionist. We can see why the choir is very sad to lose their conductor; it was a very impressive performance.

So, thank you Salt Spring (and daughter) for a most enjoyable afternoon. You have every right to be very proud of your musicians. **BARBARA and DOUG DICKER,**
Victoria

More torture

A couple of weeks ago, my plight was written up in the Driftwood's Rants and Roses section.

My wallet, containing the balance of my monthly cheque (\$300), was stolen at the bank where I deposited my rent and motor insurance. Upon reporting this theft to the government, I

was dumbfounded to be told that since the government has no legislation covering such situations they could only offer me the grand sum of \$20 to last through the whole month.

Now, I may be a near senior, but the last math I used calculated this out to be less than \$1 per day, and this was to cover all my worldly needs, including food, toiletries, utilities, etc. I am also going to lose my phone, as the balance of my deposit to obtain service I cannot cover.

In addition, I will lose my insurance as I can't obtain a renewal without a driver's licence (also stolen, and which has to be paid for again). Although I was offered food from the food bank, I declined as most of it is processed to death and devoid of nutrition. I have a medical condition which dictates I eat fresh, whole food.

I was told I could apply for reconsideration of the government's decision which I did with a 10-page submission covering medical data, etc. last week.

This morning I was informed the government

would increase their \$20 offer to \$40. They also told me I could apply for a medical subsidy and I told them I already had and was turned down for that as well.

There was a recent letter to the editor by a very caring and experienced social worker regarding the way the current Campbell government treats the most vulnerable people. She described it as "torture." She is absolutely right — that's just what it is like.

If you would like to know (and you should) why the disabled, seniors and poor are being targeted by your esteemed MLA, who is at the helm of this genocidal behaviour, call Mr. Murray Coell at 1-866-655-5711 (that's his constituency office) or fax him at 655-5710.

NAME WITHHELD BY REQUEST

Daylight crime

On Tuesday, May 6 at approximately 5 p.m., my son borrowed my truck to go and make a purchase at Mout's.

He parked in front of the store and was away from the truck no more than five minutes. Upon his return home

we discovered my near-new 8 1/4-inch Makita saw and a heavy yellow extension cord were missing from the back.

I guess it serves me right for leaving my tools out in the open. How naive of me to think this type of crime wouldn't happen in broad daylight on Salt Spring.

To the new owner of my saw, I would like to ask if you ever stopped to think you may be taking part of someone's livelihood? But I don't imagine people in your line of work think that way.

I will soon lose my anger, learn a lesson and move on. However, you my friend, have karma yet to deal with. Which usually comes back tenfold.

Personally, I believe a good old-fashioned ass whooping might be more appropriate.

PETER BANTEL,
Salt Spring

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Favourite read: Other than the Bible, "Messy Spirituality."
Best thing about SSI: The beaches.
Worst thing about SSI: Parking.
Best place to kiss on SSI?: My husband's lips.

DERRICK'S ISLAND PICS

RANTS & ROSES

RANTS

To the inconsiderate idiots who park in the laneway which goes off McPhillips Avenue into the parking lot behind Pharmasave. The area is quite adequate for two-lane traffic, but not if one half of its width is used for parking. When someone drives into the laneway from McPhillips and meets another car coming out, someone has to back up, which isn't easy, particularly if there is another vehicle right behind you.

To the lame-brains who park in handicapped spaces without a card and if you say anything to them, they respond with "I was only going to be a few minutes!"

RANTS to people who bring babies and small children to concerts. Performers work so hard to put on a good show and people pay good money to hear it and it's inexcusable of you to ruin it for everyone with crying and noise. Children can be exposed to music in lots of other ways. Get a babysitter!

Rants when the road crews have flag-person signs and "worker ahead signs" and then there is nothing going on.

Another vehicle-related rant to people who park in the no parking zone in front of Ruphi, Owen & Company and Teddy Bear Take-out, and especially when they park 10 feet away from the curb, making the right-hand turn down Seaview Avenue even more awkward.

ROSES

Roses to Foxglove for getting Interac. Now we can do some real shopping ... thanks.

Roses to the Salt Spring community for coming to concerts and supporting the music community. Your

response to the SS Singers performances of Carmina Burana was so overwhelming, you have no idea how touched we all were by it. We will never forget the standing ovations and cheering!

Roses to the Atkins Common development for putting in a foot traffic path. It is a very community-friendly gesture.

Roses to Ganges Village Market for all the marigolds and for the carnations on Mother's Day.

More roses to all the folks planting trees on Salt Spring Island.

Bouquets of roses should go to Josh Hart who donated his time and energy to build a fabulous new sign and bench for the Mouat Park disc-golf course.

Josh and Jeremiah Hart, along with Dean Crouse and Russell Collins, mounted the sign in time for the fifth annual Hart Memorial Disc Golf Tournament Saturday.

Josh Hart, Crouse, Tanya Van Ginkel and Scott Chapman also created 22 trophies for the event. And Fritz Arnold led a single-handed effort to spruce up the course and repaint markers for the tourney. MS

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Nightmare

John Pottinger's May 7 column, Weapons of Mass Destruction, is timely and telling.

The United States, in its messianic obsession to export American-style democracy to the rest of the world, has for many years rationalized and even lied to its own citizens. Worse still, as John Pottinger effectively details, this political zealotry has laid waste to many countries, especially Laos.

While visiting Laos recently, we came to know a Laotian man, Hao. He told us, sorrow etched into every broken English word he spoke, that his mother and father were bombed by American war planes while planting rice. He was orphaned at six years old; so were many of his friends from the same village.

In fact, Laos on a per capita basis was more heavily bombed than any country in the history of warfare. Pottinger's article should be sent to every newspaper in the United States in an effort to enlighten Americans to the fact that the American Dream proved to be a terrorizing nightmare for tens of thousands of innocent families in Laos. And, the nightmare dream continues.

DAVID KOS,
Salt Spring

Better driving

In the last three or four months there have been two serious cyclist injuries, resulting from the same driver action: passing a cyclist and then turning right.

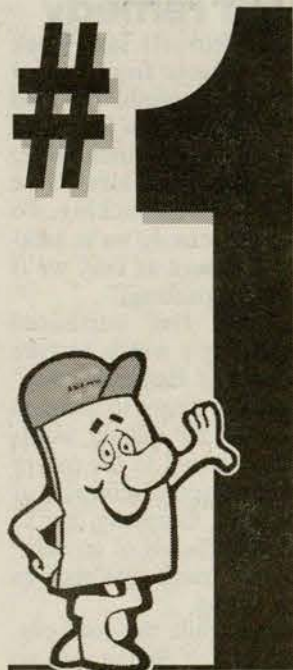
The moving cyclist crashes into the vehicle, which is in its path, flies over it and lands with a broken body.

Now who in their right mind would pass a moving cyclist, and then TURN TO THEIR RIGHT in front of the bicycle? At least two thoughtless Salt Spring drivers, that's who!

Let's all try to be road-wise, especially around our cyclists who, as far as I can see, are well-equipped and follow the rules of the road.

ANDREA RANKIN,
Salt Spring

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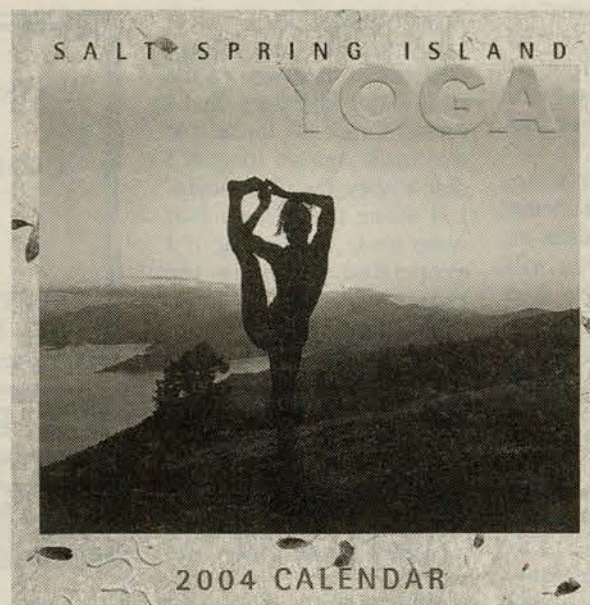
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Find remedy

Jim Russell last week used a quote from Robert Browning's poem, *The Pied Piper of Hamelin* (based on the Brothers Grimm fable) — "Rouse up, sirs! Give your brains a racking. To find the remedy we're lacking, Or, sure as fate, we'll send you packing!"

While Jim attributed Browning's words to "the citizens of Hamelin town," what Jim forgot to mention was that the quoted words were directed to the mayor and municipal council of Hamelin, Germany, not to elected officials of an unorganized, rural area such as Salt Spring.

And, while the good citizens of Salt Spring said no to incorporation last year, when it comes to doing what is best for itself, a no last year does not necessarily mean a no forever. Since last June, many of the issues and concerns which were expressed, concerning "what if we incorporate," are now becoming better defined.

Taxes? The provincial government's announcement last year of the downloading of policing, road and Islands Trust taxes, based on assessed values, is now starting to take form. Policing costs have now been set at approximately \$160 average per parcel, based on a \$245,000 home. This is only \$32 less than what the incorporation study projected for the ENTIRE increase in taxes after eight years of Salt Spring incorporation and having spent \$10 million on our roads.

Subtract from the \$32 the Islands Trust tax increase for this year of approximately \$12 per parcel, and we're down to \$20 difference. Projected Trust tax increases alone over the next five years will wipe out the \$20.

Now we begin heading into the area of projected road costs. It is my understanding that the province will be "lumping together" all of the unorganized B.C., rural areas' road costs and then "sharing the costs" in those areas by assessed values. Which other unorganized area in B.C. has higher assessed values than Salt Spring?

If your answer is none, you are correct. This means that as long as we remain an unorganized area, you will continue to pay more than anywhere else in B.C.

I project blood pressure on Salt Spring will be rising in direct proportion to the tax notices over the next two years.

So, at the moment, for those who thought incorporation would raise their taxes above the status quo, I'm afraid the writing is now being etched into the proverbial wall. Please take the time to read it.

The moral of the story of the *Pied Piper* is captured in the last line of the poem: "If we've promised them aught, let us keep our promise!" Both Kimberly's and my election "promises" are now well on their way to being kept. Over the past six months, I have listened to many islanders who voted no, and who now say that if they knew then what they know now, they would have voted differently. I believe the projected increase in

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Salt Spring's taxes over the next couple of years may very well change islanders' minds on the subject.

Finally, whether Gary Holman is changing his mind on incorporation or not, I staunchly defend his right to do so. John Maynard Keynes, one of the greatest economists of the 20th century, once responded to criticism of his changing his mind on an issue by saying, "When facts change, I change my mind."

Indeed, to "find the remedy we're lacking," may be the best advice you could possibly have given Salt Spring. Thanks, Jim!

ERIC BOOTH,
Islands trustee,
Salt Spring

Dissent

I want to publicly acknowledge the excellent job you do to make our letters coherent, concise and free of repetition.

I had about 19 respondents to my previous letter, all by phone and none by letters to you.

I was surprised by this, but pleased at the same time, that residents of Salt Spring would take the time to share their disagreement or support.

Only one of these 19 callers was venomous, while some others, who did not necessarily agree with me, shared their views with me.

They did so in a peaceful, non-combative way, which indicated to me that dissent does not necessarily mean violence, whether in words or in action.

As I said before, I abhor war, but I am not against the use of limited military force.

War is not the answer, but trying to be realistic, in the 21st century, we have to deal with the issue of force to "resolve" current conflicts.

I am, first and foremost, a Canadian (since 1965), but I have never renounced my French citizenship.

My mother, and all my relatives on that side of the family, live in France, and I cannot forget the threat that was made against them if I didn't obey the draft board. Let alone the threats that were made against me if I ever tried to cross the French borderline.

The French people are more war-oriented. They cherish their military and they "honour" the one-million standing army that they keep at all times and necessarily through the draft of thousands of relatively peaceful French men and women.

While I did volunteer for the Green Berets, I did so because I wanted to get to the core of what militarism is.

I do honour the veterans since WW1. Whether war is ever justifiable, they risked their lives, both women and men, so we could be free.

As time goes by, we will find better solutions to defuse conflict, but we must work with what we have in this period of history. After the fall of Saddam Hussein, someone loaned me a film about Napoleon Bonaparte. I was amazed at the simi-

litude between him and the current events that are taking place in the Middle East.

Despite this similitude, I do profoundly believe that we are evolving beyond war, and that some day, the world will be free of armed conflict.

FRANCOIS JAUBERT,
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Heart and head

"Fish gotta swim, birds gotta fly," as the song goes.

Mother nature created most animals (including people) to move around in the environment; this makes their short lives as interesting as possible. Eco-anthropologists call it "maximizing their potential." Even zoos today are being designed on this principle in order to eliminate the physical and psychological damage that results from living in cages.

One of my philosopher heroes was Bertrand Russell — still is! He believed that people need to use their heads and their hearts if they wish to explore their full human potential.

John Pottinger's powerful column in last week's *Driftwood*, about the unbearably cruel destruction of the Laotian people and their homeland, was an example of Russell's message. So was Helen Caldicott's speech of two weeks ago.

We have to understand the facts about the world's military threat to this fragile planet of ours, but we also need to feel in our deepest emotions love and pity for all the living things, both plant and animal, which share our world with us.

Mr. Hatfield's admonition to leave emotion out of the fish farming debate (May 7 *In Depth*) shows a singular lack of the humane side of our human nature. Is he not

aware of the growing anti-factory-farm movement, as well as the growth of organic, vegetarian food choices? Or the alternative, non-fossil fuels energy paths?

There are many new books helping us to "tread lightly on the earth," such as Richard Heinberg's *The Party's Over*, Working by Studs Terkel, and dozens of others from the New Society Publishers on Gabriola Island alone.

Magazines and newsletters often have the newest good and bad news about human activities, both humane and inhumane. Such sources are crucial reading for people who want to understand the current problems and solutions that we all face.

Some of these periodicals are from the Rocky Mountain Institute (Amory and Hunter Lovins) in Snowmass, Co; New Internationalist, main office in Oxford, U.K.; YES magazine (Fran and David Korten), Bainbridge Island, WA; Watershed Sentinel from Cortes Island; World Watch Institute in Washington, D.C.

Almost 10 million people in the world marched in

protest against war one weekend last February. They were using their heads and their hearts to reject the environmental destruction, economic devastation, and unbearably cruel suffering brought on by military technologies the world has never seen until the last five decades.

Heads and hearts — intel-

lect and emotion — we need to use both if we hope to pull ourselves out of the quagmire we've created.

I like to read the quotation from writer Arundhati Roy at Porto Alegre, Brazil, January 23, 2003: "Another world is not only possible. She is on her way. On a quiet day I can hear her breathing."

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Arts community contributions must be recognized

By GARY CHERNEFF

David Borrowman's View Point in the April 30 Driftwood fell far short of accuracy in its description of the primary economic generators for our community.

In his attempt to comment on the issues surrounding vacation rentals, he completely ignores the process by which this island continues to attract wealth. Simply stated, individuals (tourists or new residents) are attracted to this community by its amenities which are fundamentally cultural and to a smaller extent ecological in character.

The arts and nature are the first identifiers of our community's persona. They are the qualities which form the filter through which new residents and visitors pass. We get the thinkers and the romantics, the lovers of music and art, nature trails and quiet paddling on tranquil waters.

Whistler gets the hedonistic "x-treme" sector, fast consumers of recreation and night life — perhaps unfair type-casting on my part but useful for demonstrating that we are quite different communities when it comes to preferences and directions.

Both places have what Borrowman suggests are the major sectors of the economy: construction, the professional sector, retail and services. But they exist everywhere.

Borrowman's list does not bring people to the island but simply facilitates their daily needs of food, shelter and security. Arts, culture and nature (climate and natural amenities) do. They are the real economic multipliers in the community, the primary activities which inspire people to live and visit here and which create demand for staple services.

To demonstrate my point, take a look at Ganges. Out of all the downtown businesses (if you include ArtSpring, ArtCraft and the Saturday Market, there are at least 12 which sell or market arts, crafts and performance. More than bakeries, dentists, bookstores, grocery stores and equalled or exceeded only by restaurants (of which some would qualify as being in the cultural sector).

Last week the Driftwood



IN DEPTH

had seven full pages dedicated to arts activities on the island.

There are over 30 studios listed on the studio tour. My count is at least 15 full-time ceramic artists plus at least as many that practise this recreationally but also sell their work.

This is just the tip of the iceberg. The number of working artists of all kinds is huge, perhaps more concentrated but less visible than Granville Island in Vancouver.

And how about all those recording studios which bring artists from afar to record music? Think about the connections that artists have world-wide, which promote this island and its vibrant creative community.

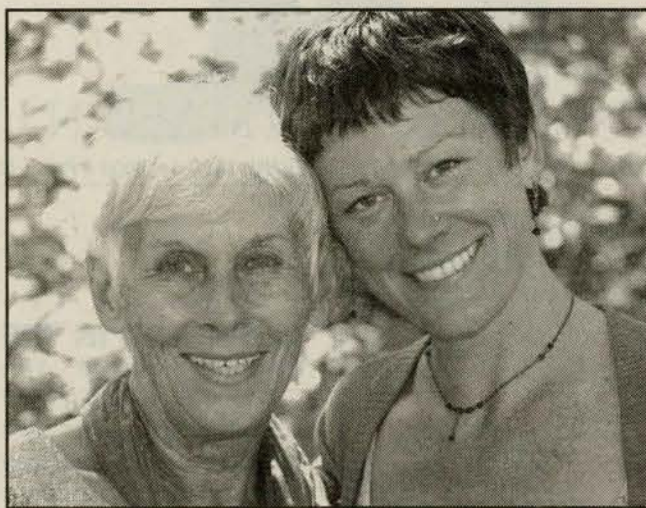
How many plumbers can claim to bring new money to the island? They prosper because people want to build homes here. Tourism, as every real estate agent must know, is at the beginning of the process of buying property or a home. There is a reason that they demonstrate all the cultural amenities to their clients.

So the issue is not to restrict tourism, which would kill the golden goose, but to manage development and growth and to insure that wealth is shared equitably with those who form the base of this economy. It is more important for the sustainability of our lifestyle that we do not let the gap between the rich and the poor widen.

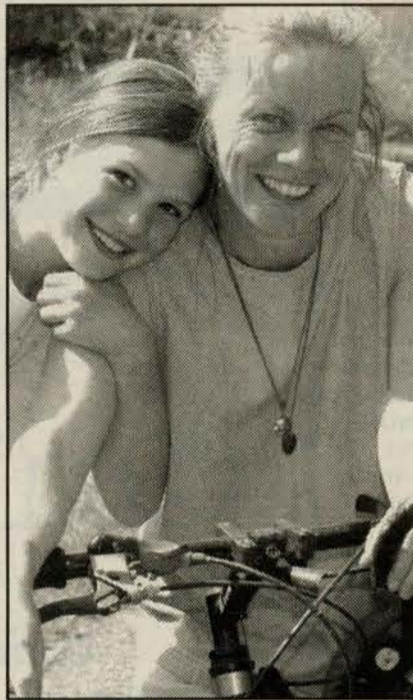
This is a far more complex challenge than expedient punitive zoning restrictions which tend to displace the problem somewhere else.

It is time that the community openly acknowledged and celebrated how important the arts are to the vitality of this community. David Borrowman's omission is symptomatic of how undervalued this sector is in our economy and in our minds.

The writer is a ceramic artist working from his StoneRidge Pottery studio.

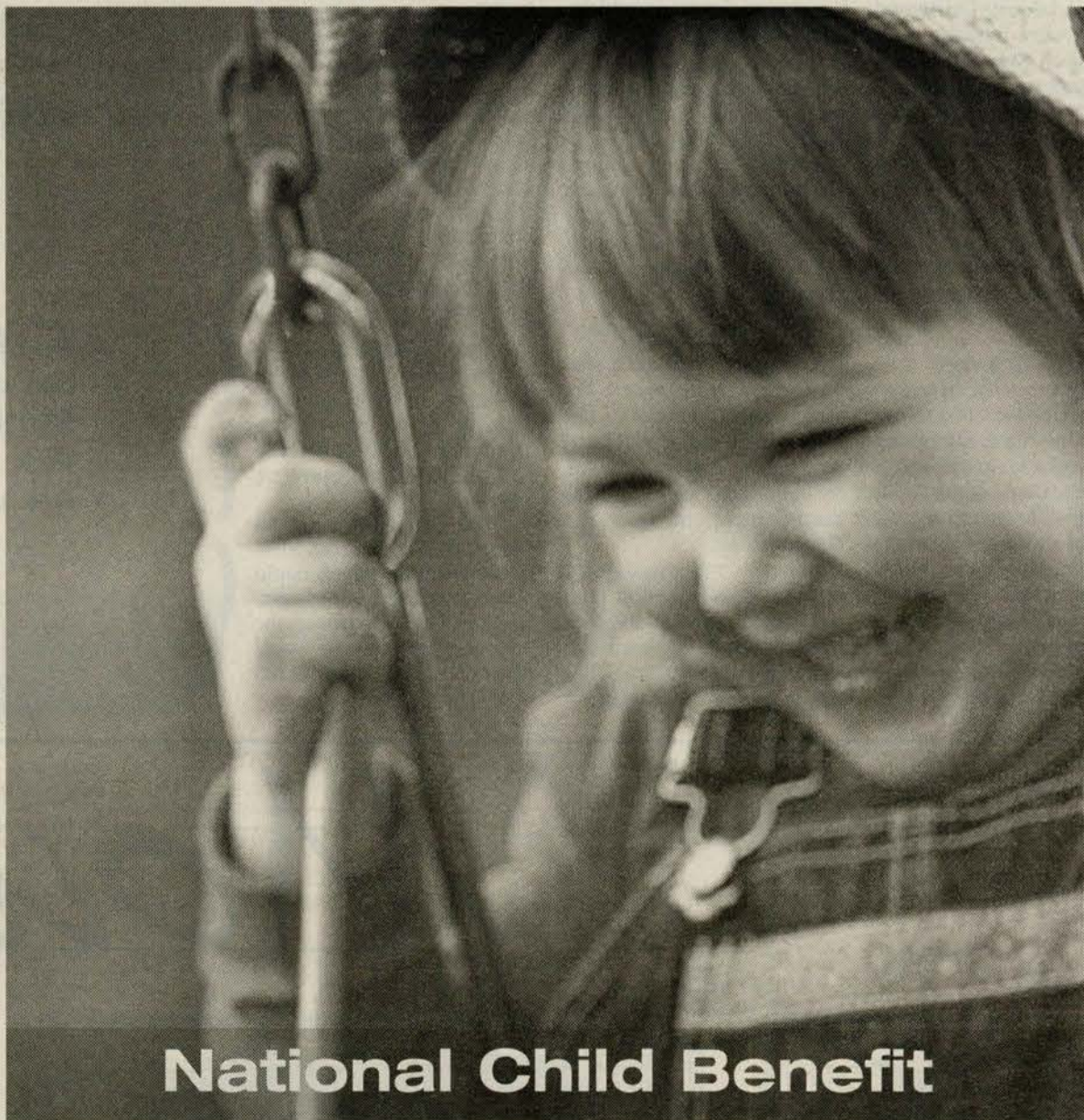
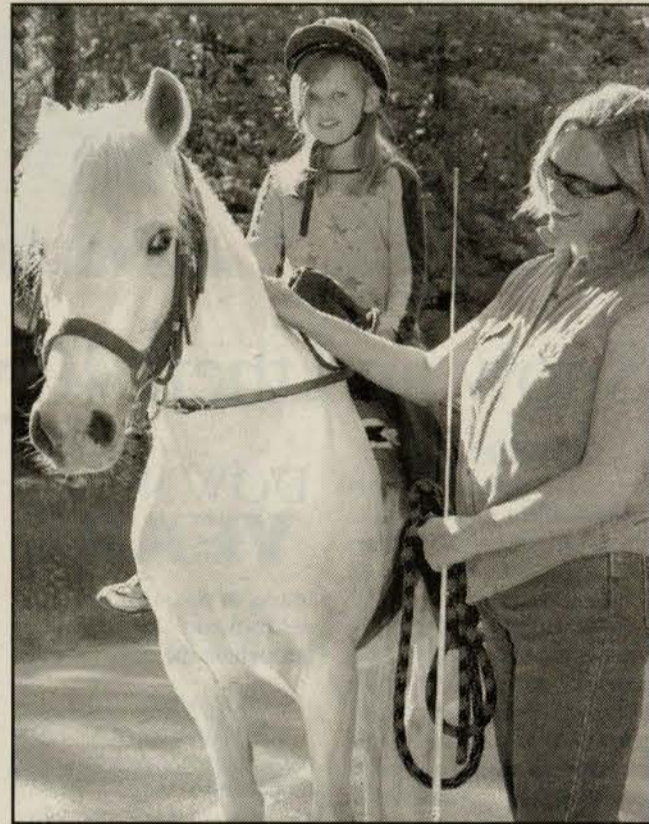


MOM'S THE WORD:



Celebrating Mothers' Day this weekend were, clockwise from top left: Olga Vaarley and Naja Marda; Jessica, Danielle, Annette and Alexandra Kliaman; Sarah and Moray Kennedy, and Shari Macdonald with daughter Kai Fishleigh.

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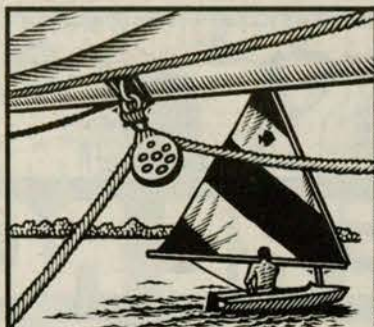
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CLOWNING IN THE PARK: Gazou the Clown is a whirl of colour as she entertains children, such as Daisy Lewis (left) and Maja Nordine, in Centennial Park on Saturday.

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Snow and theft 40 years ago

40 years ago

- Salt Spring Islanders were shocked to wake up to snow on Fulford-Ganges Road and Mount Bruce on May 2.

- Salt Spring RCMP were investigating the robbery of the Cowichan Creamery Co-op on May 9, after thieves walked off with hack saw blades, 22 rifle cartridges, some brake fluid, a diver's flashlight, wrenches, a light meter and a propane cutting torch.

35 years ago

- Gulf Islands Driftwood readers were battling over pollution on May 2. Islanders were concerned over plans to dump partially-treated sewage into Trincomali Channel.

- On May 9, Salt Spring Islanders anticipated The Spring Flower Show and a federal election between Tory Robert Stanfield and Liberal Pierre Trudeau.

30 years ago

- In May 1973, islanders were looking back at a record year for the North Salt Spring Waterworks District. Forty-three new connections were added to the system during 1972, for a total of 642 users.

- Islanders had a new improved menu to look forward to on the ferry trip from Tsawwassen to Long Harbour as of Thursday, May 3, 1973. BC Ferries also

DOWN THE YEARS

made it possible to make reservations for the ferry throughout the day.

25 years ago

- A rerouting of Ganges' main highway was proposed on behalf of Moutat's Trading Company. The proposal suggested the road veer away from the foot of Ganges Hill so that most of the downtown commercial area would lie between the highway and waterfront.

- A shouting match erupted between islanders and Capital Regional District (CRD) representatives at a May 4 meeting to discuss a sewer system for Ganges. Salt Spring residents felt the CRD was imposing the will of outsiders on the community.

20 years ago

- Hugh Curtis of the Social Credit party retained his Saanich-Islands seat in the May 5 provincial election. Among the issues discussed by candidates were nuclear disarmament and again the Ganges sewer.

- Ganges was transformed through beautification projects. Volunteers organized a general clean-up and the hanging of more than 200 flower baskets downtown.

15 years ago

- On May 4, John Wilcox ("Johnny Canuck") from Salt Spring was half-way through his cross-Canada trek to speak against a free-trade agreement between Canada and the U.S.

- The skeleton of a young girl who lived between several hundreds and 1,000 years ago was discovered the week of May 11 at Harbour's End Marina.

10 years ago

- Salt Spring had witnessed a record year for building activity, including the construction of the new high school, Thrifty Foods and the BC Hydro building.

- A public awareness project addressing violence against women was given a grant of \$128,188 from the B.C. Health Research Foundation. The project was implemented by Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence and Abuse.

Five years ago

- ArtSpring's Funding to the Finish campaign got started with a gala event and a cheque for \$50,000 from Robb and Ruth Peters on May 2.

- The Gulf Islands School District (GISD) feared a \$1.4-million deficit, which could have bankrupted the system. But the district expected the provincial government would intervene rather than let the GISD shut down.

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SPRING VISITOR: A sure sign of the season is this colourful hummer spotted at a north end property on Salt Spring last weekend.

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Yoga calendar launched

Yoga and nature combine in an exquisite new calendar created by SSI Organic productions.

Photographed by Michael Levy, produced by Rick Abramyk and designed by Pat Walker, the calendar undergoes its official release this Saturday at Salt Spring Books from 1-3 p.m.

Called Salt Spring Island Yoga, it features "everyday

people practising yoga in a natural environment."

It is further billed as a "year-long calendar of inspirational photographs to keep you in touch with the importance of yoga in your life; a daily affirmation of the union of body, mind and spirit in the world."

Twelve different "yogis" are highlighted in the 2004 calendar — including well-

known islanders Celeste Mallett, Brent and Karen Reynolds, and Sonia Langer — in various yoga positions.

The backdrops range from Salt Spring seascapes and mountain-tops to nature-lush landscapes.

Calendars cost \$19.95 and will be available on Salt Spring after the launch on Saturday.

Journey bonds mothers, daughters

The mother-daughter bond will be explored in a Rite of Passage weekend set for May 16-18.

Grandmothers, mothers and daughters are urged to join the celebration which begins Friday night led by Yogesha.

"The meeting of women and girls leads to the trans-

formation of mothering into truth telling," explains a press release. "Mothers' and daughters' passion can burn away the lies that have caused women to lose each other through the betrayals of separation. There is the potential for a powerful new relationship between mothers and daughters, which

could change the relationship between all women and girls."

The Rite of Passage will explore this bond "through a deep interactive journey and honour it in playful creativity and soft pampering."

For more information or to register, call Yogesha at 537-0081.

Sacred elements explored

An upcoming event for islanders will provide an opportunity to explore the sacred elements — air, fire, water, earth and spirit — and learn about Wiccan rituals.

On June 6-8 at Beaver Point Hall, Sage Goode will offer a workshop in the Reclaiming tradition of witchcraft.

A priestess in the Reclaiming tradition of witchcraft, Goode teaches at Reclaiming witch camps and workshops throughout North America, and organizes rituals and develops new courses in her home community of Vancouver.

"The values of the Reclaiming tradition stem from the understanding that the Earth is alive and all of life is sacred and interconnected," states a press release. "Witches see the Goddess as immanent in the Earth's cycles of birth, growth, death, decay and regeneration. Their practice arises from a deep, spiritual commitment to the Earth, to healing and to the linking of magic with political action."

The workshop is for men and women, who will learn to ground and centre, cast a circle, call the directions (elements) and invoke the "mysterious ones" — "the Goddess and the God in their many forms."

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Garry Oaks' winning wines uncorked at Saturday

The first local taste of Garry Oaks Winery products will be offered on Saturday when the Lee's Hill vineyard opens its wine store to the public.

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Among them are two Garry Oaks wines that earned medals at last month's Pacific Northwest Wine Summit.

Garry Oaks' Pinot Gris took a silver and the Pinot Noir a bronze from a field of 130 wineries and 775 wines from B.C. and the U.S.

"For a young vineyard and a new winery, this is very encouraging," said Elaine Kozak, proprietor of the business along with Marcel Mercier.

The other wines to be debuted on Salt Spring are Blanc de Noir, Gewurztraminer and Labyrinth, a red wine released under Garry Oaks' proprietary label.

The store's regular hours will be Wednesdays to Mondays from 12-5 p.m.

• It will be the end of an era at Moby's Pub when veteran bartender and friendly face John Herbert takes up a new position as manager of Tree House South June 1.

Herbert started working behind the bar 13 years ago — just two weeks after the pub opened in 1990.

The job has been great for Herbert and those regular customers who rely on his well-worn, non-judgmental ears, but it's simply time to make a change. (Herbert cracked a few people up last week demonstrating how he might be pouring drinks as an old codger bartender in 30 years' time.)

"I want to move on to new challenges and I am going to have plenty of them," he said.

Herbert said he's had good feedback from people about both his career change and Jill Thomas' business move.

Thomas, of Tree House Cafe in Ganges, has bought the Roasters restaurant business in Fulford.

• A Salt Spring restaurant has reserved culinary accolades in a recent issue of Eat magazine.

SALT SPRING SNIPPETS

House Piccolo was named one of the 34 hottest restaurants in Greater Victoria, picking up an "award of excellence" in the magazine's Critics Choice competition.

A photograph of the Ganges restaurant was featured in the magazine, which described House Piccolo as "a little gem on Salt Spring Island . . . The restaurant is charming, the service friendly and warm and the food absolutely brilliant . . . Owner Piccolo Lyttikainen has completely mastered the refined dining experience."

• Islanders who wanted to take Selinde Krayenhoff's Parenting With Compassion workshop that did not proceed on Salt Spring can still

access the information at a Victoria session set for Sunday, June 1.

Krayenhoff, the founding publisher of Island Parent Magazine, will run the full-day session at Kate Rubin's Theatre School on Bay Street.

People should call (250) 388-5627 or e-mail to jits@telus.net for more information or to register.

• The Driftwood believes it has solved the mystery of the recent drought of letters to the editor: it must have been caused by the Canucks.

Editorial staff were blaming gardening season for suddenly occupying potential letter writers.

But with a return to normal output levels obvious by Monday, they decided to blame the Canucks instead. Thank goodness the Vancouver team caved, as usual.

Kids to build kites

Island kids are invited to throw their creativity to the wind for a May 24 hand-made kite display in Fulford village.

Sponsored by In the Public Eye Studio Gallery at 111 Morningside Road, children can use any materials they wish for the art-kite project, said Nikki Menard, a member of the artists' collective.

Kites will be displayed outside the gallery between 10 a.m. and noon on Saturday, May 24 — assuming no torrential rains dampen the fun.

The event is being dubbed a "contest" for lack of a better word, since prizes for "best" will not be awarded.

All participants will, however, take home a certificate with a comment from judges on what they liked best about the kite.

"I just want the kids to have a good time and express their creativity the way they see it," said Menard.

Information on the event was distributed to island elementary schools and the middle school, she said.

No kite flying will take place in the village, obviously.

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Chess teammates score in market

Comments about chess were buzzing around the Salt Spring Market in the Park Saturday as members of the B.C. Junior Chess Team offered speedy tutorials to islanders and visiting tourists.

Salt Spring's eight-year-old chess champion Farley Cannon was joined by fellow Victoria players Evan and Elliot Raymer, who set up a table with two chess boards at the market and invited onlookers to play timed five-minute "blitz" games.

"People were wonderful. We couldn't believe the response," said Farley's father Rob Cannon.

Farley, Evan and Elliot will represent B.C. students from Grades 2, 5 and 6 at the Canadian Chess Challenge in Montréal on May 17-18.

And many islanders got a chance to find out about the three boys' remarkable skills first hand.

"Most of the time people were playing on both boards," said Cannon.

"Several times there was a crowd of six, eight or 10 people all around."

The children found a lot of good games from adults but few players were as well-versed in the subtleties of the five-minute speed game, he noted.

"Eleven-year-old Evan is undefeated on Salt Spring."

The Grade 4 student (playing up a grade for the



CHESS WHIZZES: Elliot and Evan Raymer, of Victoria, are joined by Salt Spring junior chess champ Farley Cannon as they set up chess blitz games at the Saturday market in Ganges.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

nationals) even beat top-ranked island chess player Ted Baldwinson, Cannon noted.

"The Raymer boys commented, both of them, that people on Salt Spring were way friendlier than people in Victoria. They had a great time."

The three boys even collected \$35 each for spending money in Montréal, thanks to generous donations by onlookers, he added.

"What surprised me was that all these local chess players were pretty good. We could easily get more of a chess situation at the market and at the chess club Tuesday night."

Chess enthusiasts meet at Centennial Park 1 p.m. Saturdays (or at the public library during inclement weather) and at the Salt Spring Seniors building 7 p.m. Tuesdays.

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It's a tapering week for those participating in May 25th run

By **BEN COOPER**
Driftwood Contributor

This is the final week of training for the Salt Spring Indoor Pool Society (SSPLASH) 10K run based at Fernwood school.

Everyone who has not been training and who plans to run the race on May 25 will have to just do it and see how they feel the next day. Good luck!

We have two water stops set up for the 10k run, and five along the half-marathon route. I recommend everyone use the water stops to stay hydrated and carry a gel pack or power bar to get them through the run — especially those running the half marathon.

Try eating one bar about half an hour prior to race time, and one every 30 to 40 minutes throughout the race, and remember to drink water with the food.

If you have not been doing this through your training, try it out this week to get accustomed to it. It

will improve your performance.

For the final week we no longer do any walking before we hit the start line for the big day. This week is an easier training week, called "tapering."

By tapering before the event, your muscles are rested and able to give a better performance.

Tapering is my favourite part of the training schedule!

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- Session 2: run 40 minutes.
- Session 3: the event. See you at the finish line!

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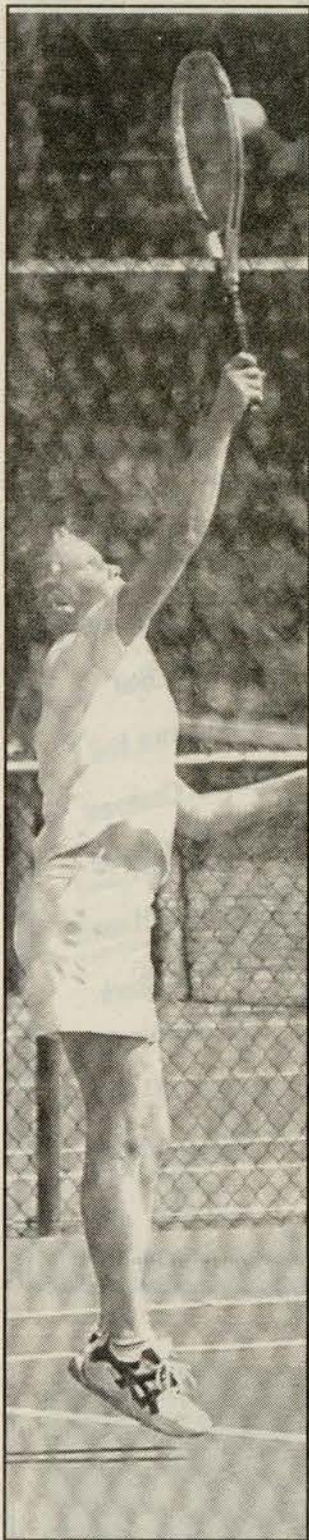
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TENNIS LEAP: A member of the high school tennis team reaches for the ball.
Photo by Karen Hosie

Runner takes 5th in series

Local runner Rick Laing has placed fifth in the New Balance Island Running Series after an Oceanside 10K finale in Parksville on May 4.

"I did okay for an older guy," Laing said.

"Surprisingly enough, there's a lot of good runners in the older echelons. But I'm still hanging in there."

For the Oceanside run, he placed 53 out of 474 runners overall, and fourth out of 26 in the age 50-54 division with his 40-minute, 37-second run at Parksville.

But Laing doesn't laud his accomplishments.

"I just like to feel like I'm

in there. It's not a really big deal."

He participated in five of nine Island Running Series events between January and May.

"At least 15 guys as good as me were injured or didn't feel like showing up," he shrugged.

"Many guys my age, their legs are shot. I'm pretty fortunate that way."

Laing ran along with fellow Salt Spring competitor Ben Cooper in the Mill Bay 10K in January where he placed fifth out of 38 runners with a 40:11 time and Cooper placed seventh out of 48 competitors (in the age 35-39 divi-

sion) with a 36:35 minute time.

At the March 16 Comox Half-Marathon, Laing placed fourth out of 33 in one hour, 28 minutes while Cooper placed sixth out of 34 with a 1:21 time.

The two runners also raced in the Sooke 10K on March 30 where Laing placed 7/30 in 41:24 and Cooper placed 7/26 with a 37:04 time.

At the Hatley 8K in February, Laing placed 4/38 in 33:28 minutes.

Islanders Perry Newport and Juliette Laing also competed in the Island Running Series as part of the Salt Spring club.

Noble fights at Victoria judo event

The Salt Spring Island Judo Club sent a squad to compete in a memorial tournament held in Victoria this weekend.

The tournament in honour of Yves Loran, who instructed judo for 20 years at the Victoria Judo Club, was attended by contestants from all Vancouver Island clubs and some from the Lower Mainland.

Salt Spring Judo Club coach Shaun Adams reported that Sasha Floercke put in a dazzling performance in

the lightweight juvenile men's division and brought home the gold.

Ian Simpson had his best tournament performance to date and lost the gold by a hair, winning a silver medal for the juvenile men's middleweight division.


Because some divisions had fewer competitors than in larger tournaments, the actual divisions were revised into light, medium, and heavy, said Adams.

This was a daunting challenge for Salt Springers


Rachel Dixon and Adrian Elliott, who were against competitors 20 kilos heavier than them. They fought bravely, said Adams, but both ended up just out of the medals at fourth place.

Cris Vezina was on his way to gold in the middleweight senior men's division but was left with a bronze medal when he had to withdraw because of an injury.

"Yves would have been proud of the noble young competitors," said Adams.



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GISS serves tennis

The Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) tennis team won a batch of matches at a Brentwood College invitational fun tournament Friday.

Entering its first tourney of the season, the island tennis team won all of its matches against Frances Kelsey but didn't experience quite as much success against the Brentwood host.

Grade 11 GISS student David Barclay won all of his matches while Grade 11 islander Sebastian Anstis won three for four, and Grade 10 students Anna Hosie and Hector Roldan each won three out of four.

Tennis team members at the tourney also included: CC Coelho, Marlo Goodall-Hart, Christine Jarman, Lucas Parker, Kyra Steffler-Beard and Caroni Young.

The fledgling GISS team, coached by Elly Parker and Jack Barclay, next competes on Wednesday.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE

Proposed Bylaws No. 380, No. 381, No. 382 and No. 384

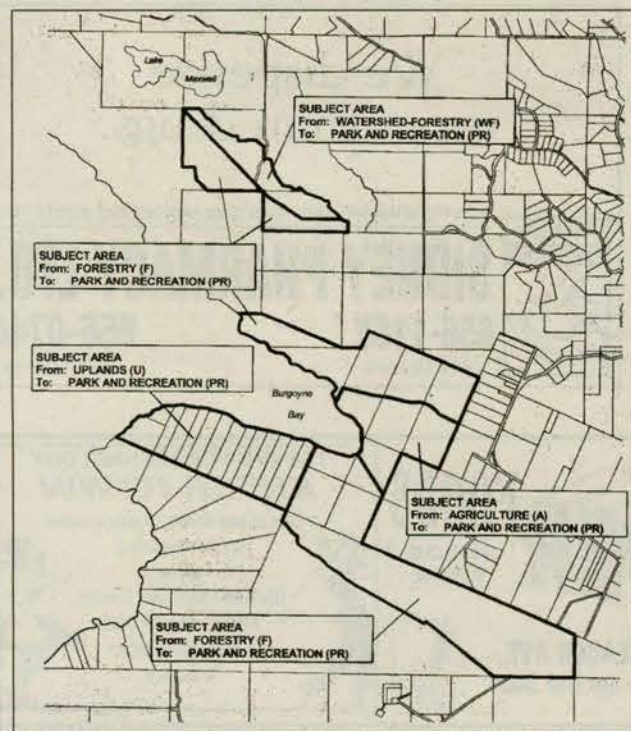
NOTICE is hereby given that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing concerning proposed bylaws numbered 380, 381, 382 and 384 for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws. At the public hearing, all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws. Each bylaw is scheduled to be heard at a specific time, as noted below.

DATE: Thursday, May 22, 2003
LOCATION: Multi-Purpose Room, Gulf Islands Secondary School, 232 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island
TIME: As noted below

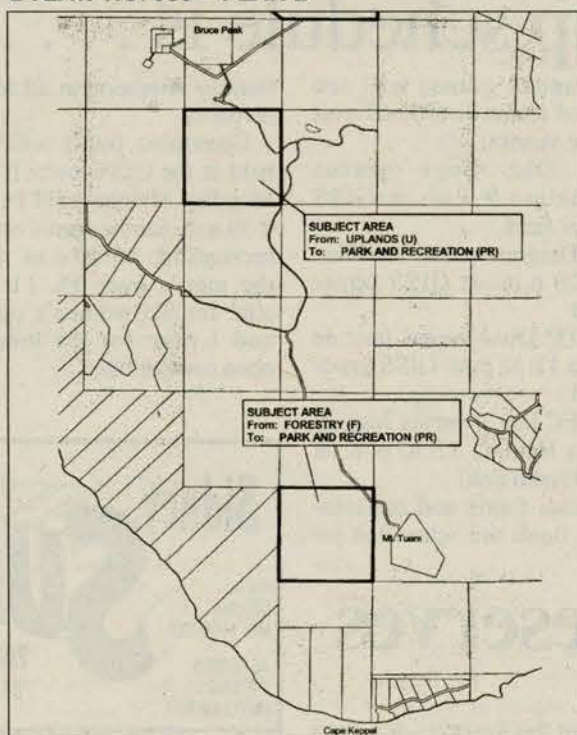
TIME: 6:30 – 7:00 pm – Public Hearing-Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 380 and Land Use Bylaw No. 381 – Burgoyne Parklands

Proposed Bylaw No. 380, cited as "Official Community Plan Bylaw, Salt Spring Island, 1998, Amendment No. 1, 2002". In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 380 is to amend SSI Official Community Plan No. 345 to: (a) designate the lands as Park and Recreation as shown on Plans 1 and 2; and (b) designate the lands as development potential donor areas, as shown on Plan 3.

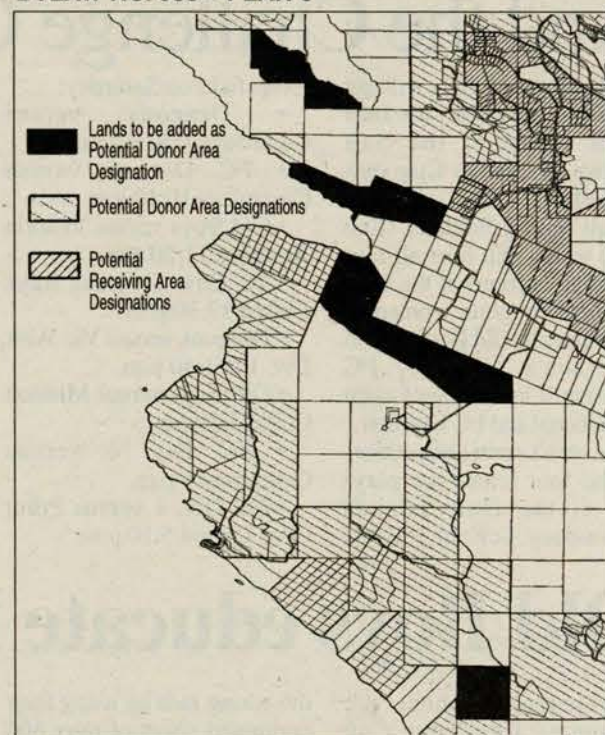
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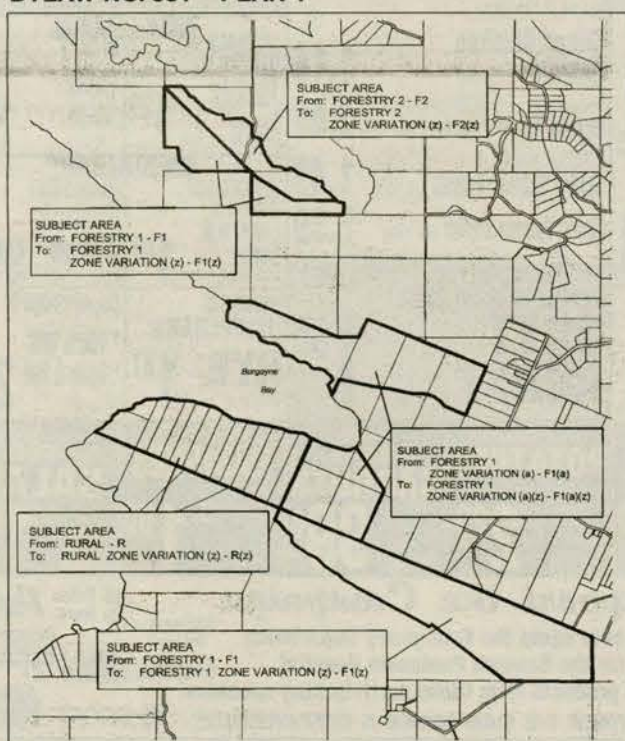


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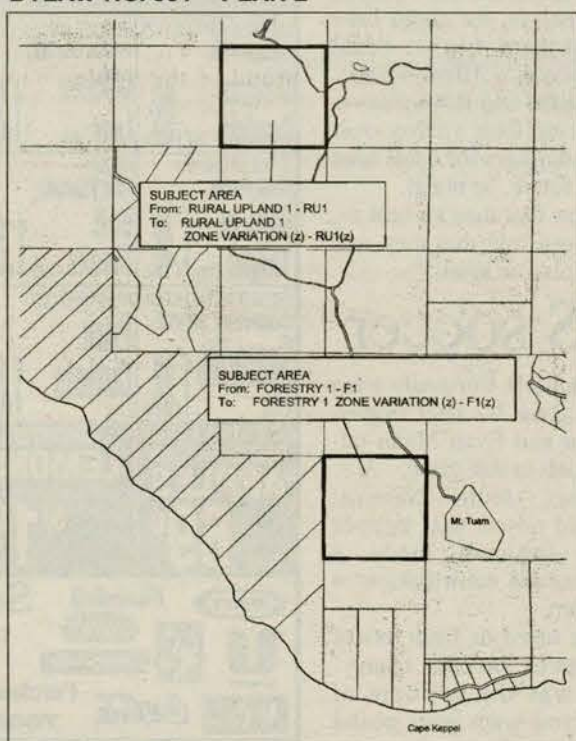


Proposed Bylaw No. 381, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 7, 2002". In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 381 is to amend SSI Land Use Bylaw No. 355 to add a zone variation regulation for the purpose of tracking the development potential transfer (density transfer) from various land parcels, as shown on Plans 1 and 2.

BYLAW NO. 381 – PLAN 1



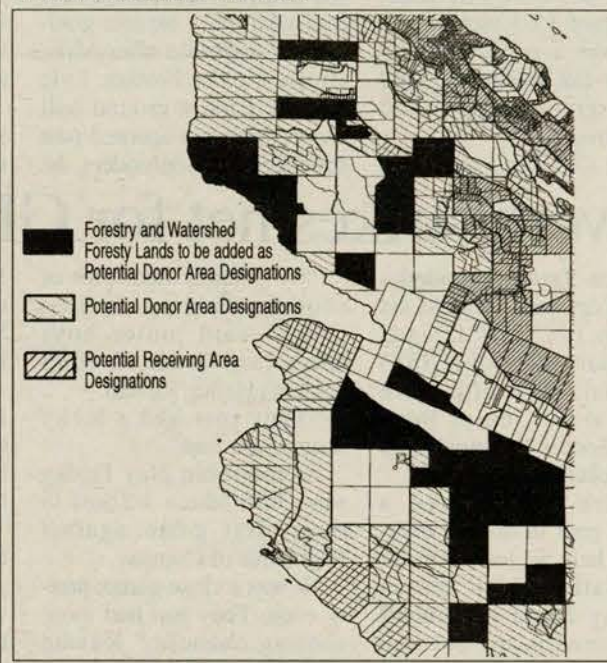
BYLAW NO. 381 – PLAN 2



TIME: 7:00 – 7:30 pm – Public Hearing – Bylaw No. 382 – Forestry Lands as Development Potential Donor Areas

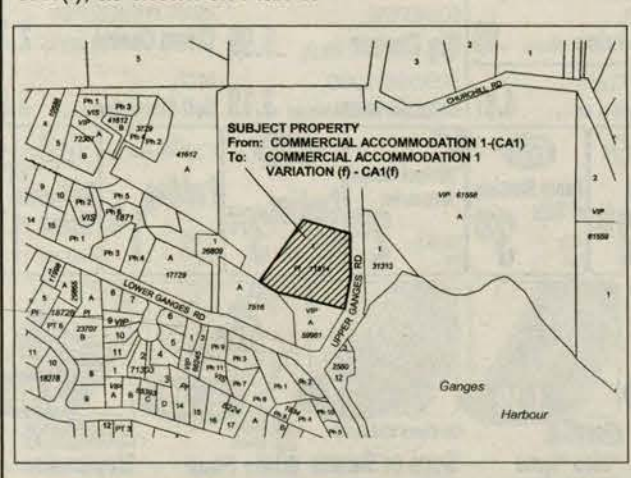
Proposed Bylaw No. 382, cited as "Official Community Plan Bylaw, Salt Spring Island, 1998, Amendment No. 2, 2002". In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 382 is to amend SSI Official Community Plan No. 345 to include all lands designated Forestry and Watershed Forestry as development potential donor areas, as shown on Plan 1.

BYLAW NO. 382 – PLAN 1



TIME: 7:30 pm – Public Hearing – Bylaw No. 384 – Harbour House Hotel

Proposed Bylaw No. 384, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 1, 2003". In general terms the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 384 is to regularize the existing beer, wine and liquor sales and hair salon uses of the property by changing the zoning classification of Lot 1, Section 3, Range 3 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 11914, except parts in plans VIP56622 and VIP59981, from the Commercial Accommodation 1 – CA1 Zone to a Commercial Accommodation 1 – CA1 Zone Variation (f) – CA1(f), as shown on Plan 1.



Copies of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee, may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, Room 1206, 115 Fulford-Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing Tuesday, May 13, 2003, and up to and including Thursday, May 22, 2003.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2)(e) of the Local Government Act, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at the Victoria Office of the Islands Trust, #200-1627 Fort Street, Victoria, BC, commencing Tuesday, May 13, 2003, and up to and including Thursday May 22, 2003. Copies of proposed bylaws 380, 381, 382 and 384 are also available on the Islands Trust website at: www.islandstrust.bc.ca

Enquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Regional Planning Manager for Salt Spring Island at (250) 537-9144 or Fax (250) 537-9116. For Toll Free access, request a transfer to the Islands Trust via Enquiry BC: in Vancouver at 660-2421, and elsewhere in BC at 1-800-663-7867.

Written submissions may be delivered to:

1. By Mail to the Islands Trust, Room 1206, 115 Fulford-Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2T9, or by Fax to (250) 537-9116, prior to 4:30 pm on Thursday, May 22, 2003.
2. After 4:30 pm to the **Local Trust Committee at the Public Hearing on Thursday, May 22, 2003.**

All applications are available for review by the public. Written comments made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

NO REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED BYLAWS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Pauline Brazier
Deputy Secretary

71 matches explode in 'soccer madness' weekend

By MALCOLM LEGG
Driftwood Contributor

Islanders can look forward to the 18th version of Soccer Madness in May, and another holiday weekend packed with 32 teams, 71 games and even more hangovers during the three days of soccer action at the high school, middle school and Portlock Park fields.

But what makes this

weekend so special? Why is it that teams as far away as Lumby, Spuzzum and Kalamazoo are all clamouring to enter this event on our little rock? Why do top-notch referees and players turn down offers to play in much higher events?

Maybe it's the competition, which has expanded once again. This year our

over-35 division has eight teams, the women's group has 12 and the men's recreational division has six.

We will also showcase our new men's competitive division, featuring Salt Spring FC competing against Division 1 men's teams. (There should be some spectacular games at his level, even though Lumby did not get in.)

Maybe people come to see the referees — yes, Bob Hope returns for another year of insults and to present his award — but somehow I doubt the ferries will be overflowing to see the men in black.

Maybe everyone comes for the Saturday night dance at the Legion, which this year promises to have real music played by a DJ.

Could it be that people come for the beer garden at the high school — you know, down a few brews, watch a few games, boo the refs and then have a couple more. (Of course we know that no players would dare imbibe to this extent.)

Maybe the mystique that surrounds Soccer Madness in May is actually the com-

bination of all these factors — good competition, a dance, great weather, visiting friends, having fun in the beer garden, watching games, meeting new people, Lions Club burgers and fries, the shoot-out competition (and the barefoot one at the end) plus much much more, to create one of the most special weekends on Salt Spring.

And the Challenge Cup schedule is

Island soccer fans will get a chance to cheer for four local teams at the Salt Spring Challenge Cup running May 17-19.

Salt Spring Football Club (FC) teams will host all four different divisions at the tournament: Dragons women in the women's, Old Boys play in the men's over 35, FC Division 6 in the men's open recreational and FC Division 1 in the men's open competitive.

The four teams are playing at the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS)

lower field on Saturday:

- Dragons versus Castaways U30 9 a.m.
- FC Div. 6 versus Castaways 10:10 a.m.
- Old Boys versus Victoria Athletics 11:20 a.m.
- FC Div. 1 versus Bays United 12:30 p.m.
- Dragons versus Vic West Div. 1 at 1:40 p.m.
- Old Boys versus Mission Celtic 2:50 p.m.
- FC Div. 6 versus Courtenay 4 p.m.
- FC Div. 1 versus Point Grey United 5:10 p.m.

Sunday games will see island teams distributed over three venues:

- Old Boys versus Nanaimo 9 a.m. at GISS lower field
 - Dragons versus Vic West 11:20 p.m. at GISS upper field
 - FC Div.1 versus Juan de Fuca 12:30 p.m. GISS lower field
 - FC Div. 6 versus Juan de Fuca Haulers 12:30 p.m. at the Hydro field
- Semi-finals and consolation finals are scheduled for

Sunday afternoon in all four divisions.

Champion finals will be held at the GISS lower field Monday. Matches will be at 9:30 a.m. for the men's open recreation, 10:40 a.m. for the men's over 35, 11:50 a.m. for the women's open and 1 p.m. for the men's open competitive.

Old Boys educate Reserves

Preparing to host the upcoming Challenge Cup tourney, two Salt Spring Football Club (FC) men's teams put on their game faces in an exhibition match Sunday.

But while the younger Division 6 FC Reserves team might have run circles around the grizzled over-35 FC Old Boys, the wily veterans bagged a 2-1 victory.

"It was a good wake-up call for the weekend," said FC Reserves player-coach Mike Brown.

"The Old Boys schooled

the young lads by using their combined effort of over 500 years of experience," Brown added.

Don Brown scored an early goal for the Old Boys with a solo effort down the field that he finished with a blasting short-side kick.

Still in the first half, Old Boys rookie Mike McCormick scored the second goal off a bizarre goal-mouth scramble after Mike Brown's older brother, Lyle Brown, fired a ground-ball corner-kick that scooted past four Reserves defenders, he

said.

But the Reserves dug deep to return a goal early in the second half as Asher Squire broke through the Old Boys defensive line and pumped a shot into the net.

"If we could have played three halves, we could have caught them. But we could only play two," Brown said.

And the Old Boys plan on savouring their victory over the youngsters for some time in the future, he noted.

"Now that they've beat us, I've been told that they will never play us again."

Severn strikes net for GISS soccer

Steven Severn pounded a few soccer balls into the net to help his Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) team pull off a fifth-place finish at the Junior Boys Island Soccer Championship last weekend.

Severn even scored a golden goal in double overtime to help his team win the consolation-final match Saturday. Fraser Krayenhoff also scored in the 2-1 win versus Max Cameron school of Powell River.

Though GISS lost 4-2 to Oak Bay earlier Saturday, Severn scored two goals in that match as well.

"We actually had a lot of scoring chances in that game," said junior boys coach (and Grade 12 GISS student) Harley Rustad.

"They just had a lucky score at the end."

Round-robin play Friday saw GISS take a 3-2 loss in their first game against Highlands of Comox.

"It was a close game; pretty even. They just had more scoring chances," Rustad said.

Islanders Severn and Jeremy Byron scored goals against the Highlands team.

But the GISS Scorpions rallied to beat the top-ranked

St. Michaels University team of Victoria 3-2 later Friday. Severn and Evan Mann tallied goals in that game.

Apart from Severn, Rustad noted that keeper Cam Johnson made a tremendous contribution to the team.

"He saved us from lots of chances by the other team . . . He was the epitome of what you want your goalie to be."

Rustad also offered praise for Jeremy Byron and Marlo Hart, who controlled the midfield, and for Seth Byron, who played strong defence.

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Fledgling baseball team picks up win in second match

A daring dozen young softball players met their first opposition in two games last week, adding to the camaraderie and skills initiated during three weeks of practices.

The Salt Spring U11 girls team, sponsored by McColl's Shell, trekked to Crofton for its first game May 2, facing an overall older and more experienced Duncan Stingrays squad, as well as a daunting pitching machine.

About half of the Salt Spring girls made bat contact with the ball, and Madlen Nash got on base in the fourth inning, reported coach Barb Robinson.

Meanwhile, Duncan players hit each other around the bases 12 times.

Despite a potentially discouraging inaugural outing, coach Robinson and assistant coach Bill Crandall kept the kids' spirits up and spurred them on to their next game.

With one game outing under their belt, the Salt Spring girls appeared more



SWINGIN': Salt Spring U11 girls softball team member Shayla Milton goes for the ball in a May 13 game against Chemainus at Portlock Park.

Photo by Gail Sjuberg

relaxed during Tuesday's game, said Robinson.

That's when a more equal-in-size-and-experience Chemainus team came to Salt Spring for a game at Portlock Park, and team members pitched for the first time instead of facing a machine.

Pitcher Alex Crandall struck out two batters in the first inning and Abby Rothwell made all the right moves to get a Chemainus player out at third base.

After the first inning, the score was 3-2 for Salt Spring, with Crandall, Lani Bascom and Shayla Milton coming over the plate on walks from teammates further along in the batting order.

Second-inning defensive highlights included Natasha Cmaidalka snagging the ball at second base to effectively hold a runner, and Alex Kliaman getting an out by tagging her base in time. Both Crandall and Chloe Sjuberg struck out a batter each.

Cmaidalka scored the first Salt Spring run of the second inning, and Cassie Bascom then batted in Nash and Crandall with a triple, for a 6-4 score at the end of two.

The top of the third inning saw Sjuberg strike out two batters, with the third one out on first base with a play between Sjuberg and first-baseman Crandall.

In the bottom of the third, Salt Spring batters kept their eyes peeled for pitches outside the strike zone and the girls moved

each other around the bases on walks. Even though Katya Cmaidalka entered the game late after her piano lesson, she also got on base, and the maximum five runs were scored for a final 11-4 score.

Sarah Robinson, Rebekah Davies and Cassie Bascom did stellar work splitting duties in the difficult backcatching position.

The team thanked Vassa Drobeshner and Max Nelson for handling umpiring duties at the Salt Spring game.

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Star girls show teamwork in weekend games

The Island Star Video Pee Wee girls softball team played well in perfect weather during three weekend games, including a double-header against Langford at Portlock Park.

Despite losing to the older Langford team, the games were marked by great teamwork, said team reporters Barb Robinson and Wendy Milton.

Rosalie Baldwinson tagged out two members of the Langford team during the first inning, and pitcher Devon Craig brought the top of the first to a close when she struck out a Langford team member.

Baldwinson hit a short pop fly that was fumbled by Langford and allowed her to reach first base. She eventually stole home, giving her team the first run of the game.

The team enjoyed some great hits by Katrina Villadsen, Missy Caron and Deven Miles.

In the second inning, Craig caught a hard fly ball which gave Langford their only out of the inning. At the top of

the third, right fielder Margo Milton caught a distant fly ball to out one Langford batter.

Milton also took the pitcher's mound at the top of the fourth and the Langford team was quickly outed as Sarah Gelis caught a short pop fly.

Baldwinson caught a low ball heading down the first base line and tagged out a Langford player. Milton caught a low ball heading to the pitcher and a quick pass to first allowed Baldwinson to tag out the third Langford player of the inning.

In their second game against Langford on Saturday at Portlock Park, Milton pitched the first inning. Deven Miles on second base caught a fly for the first out of the game. Devon Craig caught two more fly balls for two outs, but Langford still brought in five runs.

When the Salt Spring girls were hitting, Baldwinson hit and ran to first base, and Megan Robinson's hit brought Baldwinson home.

The second inning saw two strike-outs for the Island Star

team, and only Deven Miles made it in by stealing home.

The third inning was a struggle with Langford batters all hitting and advancing home.

The Island Star girls showed good teamwork when they tried to hold Langford in the fourth inning, with Gelis and Miles catching fly balls.

Five runs came in for the Island Stars after Robinson walked to first, followed by Villadsen, Miles and Craig. Villadsen snuck home on a steal.

The fifth inning opened with strong team work when Miles scooped a hit and threw a runner out at second base, covered by Gelis. Team coordination continued through the inning, and the Island Stars only let two hits in. Miles brought in one run when the team was batting.

Craig pitched in the sixth inning and got one runner out, and then made it to first when hitting. Emily Rothwell and Robinson both got hits, and the girls ended the game with 13 hard-earned runs, while Langford had 15.

Sunday's Island Star game against Central Saanich started with a nice infield hit by Baldwinson. Robinson hit low past the pitcher to bring in two runs and managed to steal third.

Craig pitched in the first inning, but despite near catches by Katy Haydon and Miles, Central Saanich scored five runs in the first and second innings.

The third inning opened with Robinson's hit past second base. Deven Craig tried to steal home but was caught running back to third.

The fourth inning picked up with Colleen Hillis and Brittany Oakley walking to first. Then Baldwinson's hit brought Hillis in, and Oakley did a fine slide to home.

And though Central Saanich had big hits in the fourth inning, Gelis caught a fly ball to hold their runners at first and second. The score was 10-9 for Central Saanich.

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Harts keep giving for island disc event

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Flying-disc players from around the region celebrated local disc-golf course designers Josh and Jeremiah Hart with stellar scores as the two brothers unveiled a mammoth new sign for Moutat Park at the fifth annual Hart Memorial Tournament on Saturday.

The event attracted 59 disc golfers in nine different divisions and organizers built 22 tone-pole trophies for the winners.

"Most people walked away with a trophy," said Salt Spring Disc Golf Association president and tourney organizer Dean Crouse.

Josh Hart also made a life-size tone-pole trophy for the top overall score and Geoff MacIver of Vancouver carted it away with an 83 (25 under par) in the open-pro division after two rounds of play.

"It looked so tremendous, so swank. Josh was hoping it would go far away to someone who doesn't get to play on tone-poles and it did," Crouse said.

MacIver also won \$115 and a carved wooden biplane sculpture donated by Ernie Lineger.

Part-time islander Reynard Graham scored an 86 to take second place in the pros, while Matt MacDonald (89) of Vancouver and Clayton

Beddington of Victoria (92) placed third and fourth.

MacDonald also pegged two aces on pins #13 and #17 to win a custom cutting board made by Josh Hart.

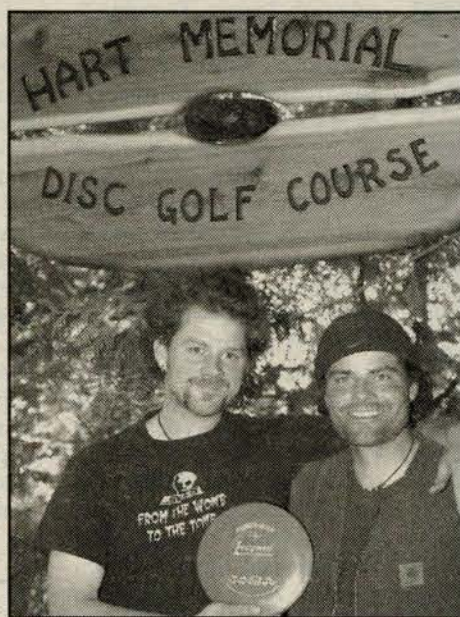
The top full-time islander score went to Ted Hickford, who placed second in the pro-masters division with a 90 behind Dave Stropky (86) of Vancouver. Salt Spring's Scott Chapman also took fourth with a 94 and scored an ace on pin #3.

Islanders swept the advanced division as Jerome Gagne and Dustin Chamberlin duelled through a play-off after they tied at 92 to see Gagne win top spot.

Mike Boughton (97) won third and Eric Vanderwekken (98) placed fourth. Gagne also scored an ace on #5 to win a Petro-Canada gift certificate while Boughton pegged #8.

An islander also placed second in the open women division as Brook Holdack (110) placed second behind Vancouver's Alice Crawford (109). Islander Tanya Van Ginkel placed fourth (119).

Nic Futter of Salt Spring led the amateur division by a



Jeremiah and Josh Hart

Photo by Derrick Lundy

wide margin with an ace on #10 and a 96 score over competitors Mat Beren (101) of Vancouver, and islander Virgil Argo (103) who took third. Argo also notched an ace on #3.

Joan Gignac won the amateur women's division by 119; followed by fellow islanders Erin Harper (125), Shelley Mahoney (125) and Heidi Hart (135).

Salt Spring's Gary Railer (107) placed third in amateur masters after Kent McFadyen (91), of Victoria, and Drew

Faris (100), of Vancouver, took the top two spots.

Scott Fennell won novice with a 102 and the tourney's youngest competitor, 11-year old Braeden Simmonds won juniors with a 112 over Zak Abramyk (118) and Keegan Pearson (128).

Course designer Jeremiah Hart won the closest to the pin (KP) jackpot, Crawford won an all-women KP gift certificate donated by Rare Find on #9 and Robert Waller won CDs donated by Interhill Records for a KP on #18.

Islanders Brian Bolesky and Paul Linton also scored aces on holes #4 and #12, respectively.

Chapman and Mahoney were partnered up by their scores for a follow-up single-round doubles match Sunday and won with a 12 under par and an ace at the invitation-only Mansell Farm course, where Crouse and Josh Hart live.

"I had the best golf partner on this round and I'm married to my best partner [Van Ginkel]," Chapman said.

"This is a beautiful place. The money seems to fall out of the trees," Mahoney added.

FC spooks premier squad, but can't nail win

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

An undermanned Salt Spring FC Division 1 team gave the Victoria United premier team a scare Sunday with an early 2-0 lead at Spectrum High School.

But the top-rated hosts rallied for a 5-2 win over the island upstarts.

"We could have had a better result," said FC player Jesse Fisher. "We've got a good team and they've got a good team as well."

The semi-pro premier team might have underestimated the islanders to drop two goals early in the match.

"They weren't too happy

about it. They made some nasty comments among themselves. But then they turned it up a notch," Fisher said.

FC keeper Jono McDonald was definitely the best player among the islanders.

"You'd have to be to face a team like that."

Chris Langdon scored one goal for FC while another Salt Spring goal was scored by a borrowed United player.

Since the islanders were only able to field 10 players, the Victoria team offered a player to fill the FC roster, but that still left Salt Spring with no substitutes, Fisher explained.

"Not enough fresh legs."

And Victoria managed to score in the first half to close the islanders' lead by 2-1.

"At half time everyone was tired and we had some new guys," said FC captain Chris Jason.

Victoria came out hard in the second half to score the tying goal in the first 10 minutes. But FC still had a couple of good scoring opportunities, including some open net chances. Unfortunately, United scored a third goal 20 minutes into the half.

"It took our wind. After the third goal, we were kind of done."

The game was friendly but

Langdon still picked up a red-card for a "little scuffle," Jason noted.

A larger Salt Spring contingent played United last year and only lost by a goal, he said. But competing against premier teams is always a great opportunity for the FC squad, he added.

"You definitely see the calibre of soccer we need to get to."

Golfers compete in scramble

Thirty-one nine- and 18-hole group golfers took part in an April 28 nine-hole scramble organized by the business ladies golf league.

The team of Joanna Barrett, Barb Davies, Britt Elwes and Dora Reynolds won, and Pat Lavender won the closest-to-the-pin (KP).

Melanie Iverson of the 18-hole women's league won low gross of the first round of the Rose Bowl competition on May 6. Alice Richards was runner-up.

Janet Butler won low net

and the putt pot winner was Kathy Darling with 29 points.

Verity McKenzie of the nine-hole ladies league carded a 65 and won the Most Honest Player event on May 7.

Gordon Thorne and Luke Johnston won the two-ball best-ball event with 62 on May 8. Barry Scotton and Colin Lawler came second (63) and Lee Hurd and Tom Locke were third (64). The 50/50 winner was Keith Lavender.

Tom Locke also won the

high-handicap KP shot on hole #6, and Keith Lavender won on #15.

Gary Coulter won the low-handicap KP on #6, and Hamish Simpson won on #15.

Bruce Watkins won the Moutat Cup with a low gross score of 80 on May 10. Gord Hollingsworth came second, and Corbin Scott came third.

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LAUNDRY, IRENE Margaret died May 1, 2003. A memorial service will be held Wed. May 21, 2003 at St. Mary's Anglican Church, Fulford, at 2:00 p.m. and reception to follow in the O.A.P. rooms of Fulford Hall (directly across road). No flowers by request.

MOUAT, OLIVIA Dingwall. It is with the deepest sadness that the family of Olive Mouat announce her passing on Thursday, May 8 in Nanaimo following a broken hip. She was born January 20, 1909 in Nanaimo. She grew up in Nelson & Vancouver. After service in the R.C.A.F. during the war she returned to Salt Spring island to teach school. She was an island resident for 55 years before moving to Nanaimo. She was predeceased by brothers Thomas William, and Gavin Harrison. She is survived by sister Bobbie Wrotnowski, sisters-in-law, France & Lillian; nieces, Nancy Raven (David), Louise Grant (Keith), Diane Clement (Terry), Elizabeth Anderson (Duane) and nephews; Thomas (Anna), Robert (Susan), Michael, Peter, Gerald (Kathy); great niece Patty Juengst (Robert), Barbara Raven, Mia Mackey (Bryant), Maureen Clement, Melissa Mouat, Emily Mouat, Rachel Anderson, Tamara McDougall, Jessica Mouat & Rebecca Mouat and great nephews; Keith Grant (Monica), Lawrence Grant (Carri), Phillip Grant (Tina), William Mouat, Matthew Mouat and Richard Anderson and Elliott Anderson. Five great-great nephews. Memorial service in Ganges United Church, Sunday, May 25, 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Ganges United Church, Operation Eyesight Universal, 4 Parkdale Cresc. N.W., Calgary, AB, T2N 3T8, or a charity of your choice.

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34 NOTICES

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Market Advisory Group Meeting

The next meeting of the Market Advisory Group will take Place at 7:00pm, Thursday, May 22, in the Portlock Park Meeting Room, 145 Vesuvius Bay Road. This is a Committee Business Meeting, open to the public to attend as observers. Anyone wishing to make a presentation concerning Market matters should contact the Market Coordinator, Matthew Coleman, 537-2378, no later than 4:30pm Tuesday, May 20.

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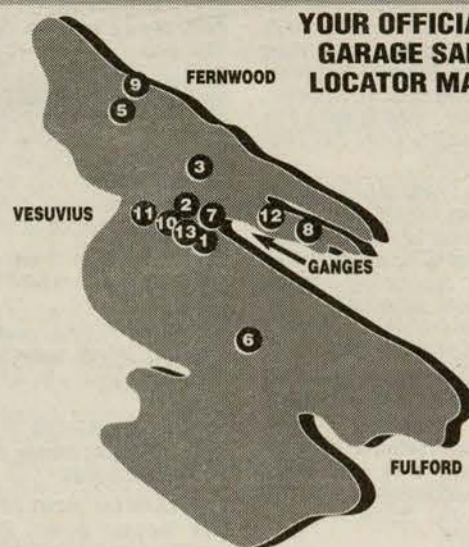
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- 10 FABULOUS FLEA Market, Farmers Institute, 351 Rainbow Road, Sunday, June 8, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Lots of good stuff, table rental, \$20. Reservations and information 653-9568 evenings.
- 11 MULTI FAMILY garage sale: May 18, Sunday, Time: 10 - 2. No early birds. 620 Rainbow Road. Furniture, collectibles, china, tools, satellite receiver, CD Player, etc.
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Tom Cochrane was right: Life is a highway. What he forgot to mention is that it's also a one-way street.

I have reached a stage of life in which a few blunt truths have made themselves painfully evident. There are certain things I've always dreamed of doing which, due to advancing decrepitude (mine) are simply Not Going to Happen.

To wit: Pat Quinn is not going to call me up to plug that hole in the Maple Leaf's defensive corps.

The only way I'll ever see the summit of Mount Everest is on a National Geographic travelogue.

I can stop waiting for a late night phone call from Jennifer Lopez complaining that she's lonely and would I like to go out dancing.

And now I realize that I might as well give up on another long-nurtured dream.

I am never going to get to fly on the Concorde.

The obituaries for the Concorde briefly fluttered across the front pages of the national press late last month.

WIT & WHIMSY WITH ARTHUR BLACK



The delta-winged supersonic luxury airliner is being mottled after barely a quarter-century of commercial service.

The eulogies ranged from the rhapsodic: "Never before has such a beautiful object been designed and built by man," to the less charitable: "the largest, most expensive and most dubious project ever undertaken in the development of civil aircraft."

Beautiful? Well, I suppose so — although from some angles the Concorde looked like an albino praying mantis wearing a Batman cape — but she was unquestionably expensive. Only a handful of Concordes were ever built, but the price tag for development costs alone crested above \$5 billion — and that's in 1960s dollars. More like \$25 billion in today's currency.

And it's not like the plane ever made back its investment in passenger fares. It could only carry 100 passengers per flight. By the time Concorde's owners pulled the plug, flights were running at 20 per cent capacity. Which is to say four out of every five seats were empty. Why? Pick your poison — ear-cracking sonic booms; lingering air travel chill from 9/11; skyrocketing fuel prices; a spectacular crash into a Paris hotel three years ago that killed 109 people on the plane and four people on the ground.

And the relative scarcity of people willing and able to shell out roughly 15,000 loonies for a three-and-a-half-hour jaunt from New York to Paris and back.

Truth is, the Concorde was an airborne white elephant. It never did have a lot of fans —

just a few star-struck aviation Big Dreamers and a handful of wallet-heavy thrill-seekers — but it caught our attention for all that.

Sort of like Madonna. And The Osbournes.

Still, the idea of the Concorde had its alluring charms for earth-bound grunts like me. The thought of breakfasting on the Champs Elysee, hopping a cab to Charles de Gaulle airport, sipping Champers and nodding to Sting, Diana Ross and Linda Evangelista over the finger foods at 35,000 feet, then winding up at JFK just in time for lunch — yeah, that appeals to the un-nourished Sybarite in me.

But the truth is, I hate flying generally — whether it's a luxury airliner or a single-engine Beaver. Flying always makes my ears pop.

A stewardess told me that chewing gum would take care of that problem, so I bought a package of Dentyne and tried it.

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WANTED: SMALL glass greenhouse for Eden Lodge Seniors Home. Call 537-4033.

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MOTHERS & DAUGHTERS: A Powerful Mirror. Rite of Passage exploring this relationship in sacred space, May 16 - 18. Call Yogesha 537-0081.

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TOMATO PLANTS a "few" enormous organic heritage plants still available at Manderlay Gardens, 2256 Fulford-Ganges Road. 653-4106.

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SALT SPRING Island Youth Soccer Association, Annual General Meeting, Monday, June 2, 2003. High School Multi Purpose Room, 7:00 p.m. Elections for new executive; nominations welcome. Get involved and help shape the future of Youth Soccer on Salt Spring.

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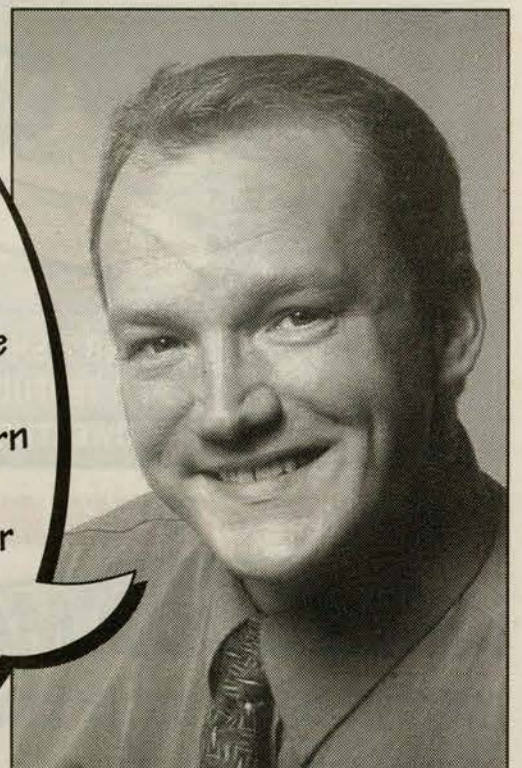
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GONE FISHING: A group of island youngsters is seen fishing out frogs near a Salt Spring Island pond.

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Round island sailing race set

The 29th-annual Round Salt Spring sailboat race takes off from Ganges Harbour at 10 a.m. this Saturday morning and continues until Sunday.

The race is sponsored by the Salt Spring Island Sailing Club and any sailboat over 20 feet can enter. This year over 100 boats will race the 46.2 nautical miles around the island.

Boats will travel clockwise around Salt Spring and Beddis Beach will likely be the best place to see the start of the race.

Race committee member David Wood also suggests spectators could get good views from Beaver Point or Ruckle Park at around 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, and Southey Point around 4 p.m.

A chili dinner on Friday will prep all participants, and trophies and prizes will be given out after the race at a lamb barbecue on Sunday.

Fastpitch Salties crush Payless

The Salt Spring Salties men's fastpitch team blasted through a 14-3 season-opener against Victoria Payless at McDonald Park on May 7.

"The boys played really well," said interim coach Bob Akerman. "They actually hit the ball."

New membership in the McDonald Park League will allow the Salties to play some good baseball within a well organized club, Akerman said.

"It was a pretty tight game for the first three innings but we exploded in the last two and finished at five innings with a mercy call."

Hitters Don Brown and Greg Stringer went three for four up to bat and each hit three RBIs (runners batted

in) to fling the Salties on the scoreboard.

But a late arrival by Chad Little really threw a bit of sodium on Payless wounds when he hit a home run for his one turn at bat.

"He came late on a different ferry and showed up for one inning. Boom!"

Bill Boyd also had a stellar game behind the plate. And Brown made a spectacular field play early in the game to catch a line drive along the second baseline.

"It was a beautiful snag. I don't know how he caught it."

Akerman went four for four at bat and pitched for the game, he said.

"I was all right. I had four strike-outs."

But he was feeling coarsely ground the next day.

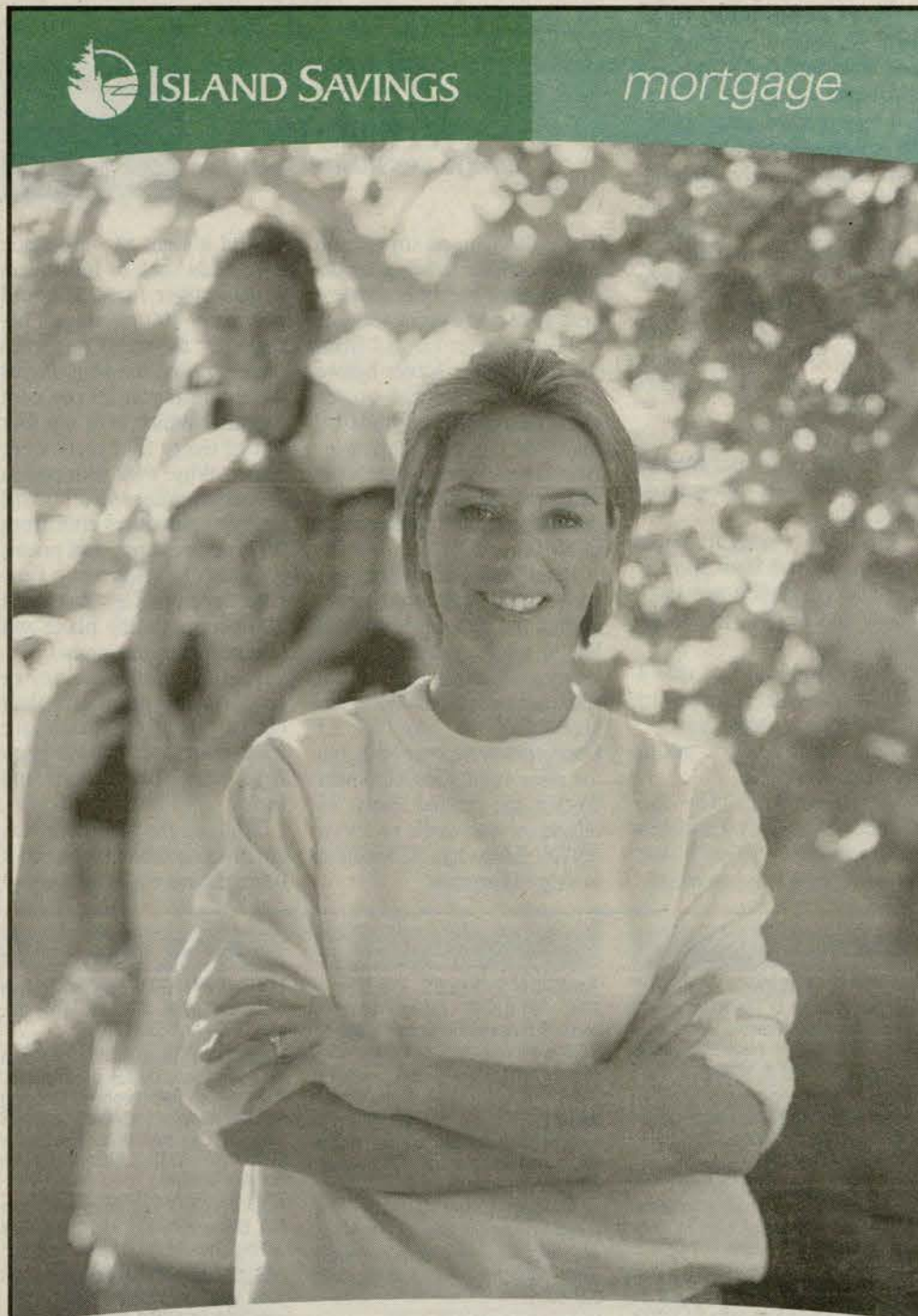
"My arm feels like it's five feet longer," he laughed.

Akerman was pleased with the team's efforts during his coaching stint.

"Everything else was routine. Everyone did their job."

Regular Salties coach Fred Borland will return on June 1 and Blaine Johnson will coach the team until his return.

The Salties next play in a Victoria tourney this weekend. After that, they will play mid-week games Tuesdays or Wednesdays and double-headers on Sundays. Their home field is the Fulford ball-park. Upcoming games will be posted.



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