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Ferry strike threatens islands

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

The Gulf Islands could be caught in a colossal collision between marine workers and company administrators as B.C. Ferries contract negotiations steam toward a possible strike.

On Thursday the B.C. Ferry and Marine Workers Union (BCFMWU) called a

strike vote for its 4,400 members.

"A strike vote was not unexpected. This is how things get developed and worked out over time," said B.C. Ferries CEO David Hahn Tuesday.

But labour talks could be dead in the water over major divisions between the two parties, said BCFMWU

president Jackie Miller.

"We're in a very big battle with the company. They want incredibly extreme concessions from us," Miller said.

"It's going to be a bit of a fight... But we're going to make sure it's not as noisy as it could be."

Miller would rather keep bargaining at the table but

B.C. Ferries brought the matter into the public, contrary to a media blackout.

"We didn't say we were going on strike, he did."

Hahn argued that islanders should be informed their transportation services are in jeopardy.

"We're struggling to come to an agreement and

it's really important for your readers to be aware so they know. I don't want to see anybody caught off guard," Hahn said.

In the event of a strike, B.C. Ferries would immediately file for essential services provisions under the

FERRY STRIKE? 3



APPLE FUN: Annika Berendt helps collect a bucket of apples as Tree Frog Daycare holds a fundraising apple pressing event at the Hilltop home of Paul Linton.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Teachers' jobs at risk with unpaid fees

"You want to shut your schools down? Go ahead." - GITA president Jean Claude Levesque

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Local teachers could be dismissed from classes for failing to pay their licensing fees as a result of a political protest announced at the Gulf Islands School Board meeting on Saturna Island October 8.

"We must take a stand," said Gulf Islands Teachers' Association (GITA) president Jean Claude Levesque.

He handed school trustees a stack of 78 letters from the islands' current 108-teacher total requesting that the district no longer deduct annual fees for membership in the B.C. College of Teachers (BCCT).

"The way that this college is represented is not acceptable to teachers," Levesque said.

Forewarned of a possible boycott in September, the BCCT sent a fax to schools warning that teachers who fail to pay their college fee by November 30, 2003 would lose employment.

"Do you realize the legal implications of this decision?" asked local trustee Charles Hingston at the school board meeting.

"We, as a board, cannot have teachers on the payroll without those memberships."

TEACHERS 2

Local raised Siegfried & Roy tiger relative

Salt Spring resident Don Dietlein knows tigers. In fact, he helped raise a relative of the Royal White tiger that mauled Roy Horn of Siegfried & Roy.

Horn was attacked October 3 by a 600-pound white tiger before an audience of 1,500 people at The Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas.

Dietlein was in charge of the animal department from 1963 to 1968 in the National

Zoo, which is part of the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

"My office overlooked the tigers [at the National Zoo]," he said.

He worked at the zoo with a white tiger named Mohini, from whom the current line of U.S. white tigers is descended.

"White tigers that you see now are all descendants from her." Mohini and a

mate were donated by a wealthy American, said Dietlein.

"She came to the zoo in 1962," said Dietlein. "She came from India. She was given to the president of the U.S. [Eisenhower]."

In 1993, Dietlein and his wife Nora also helped raise Raisa, a young white tiger cub whose mother had rejected it.

"It was given to my wife

to raise," he said. "She has expertise in raising orphaned exotic animals to go back into zoos."

The young tiger, named after Mikhail Gorbachev's wife, was intended to be a gift to the former Russian president.

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TEACHERS: Complaints with recent BCCT changes

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Hingston argued that the BCTF would be much more able to lobby the provincial government than a school district.

"You want to shut your schools down? Go ahead," Levesque replied.

"The bottom line is that if the fee is not paid, they are not licensed and they cannot teach," said board chair May McKenzie.

"Where we sit here is that this board sits in the middle of the BCTF and the ministry."

Education Minister Christy Clark restructured the BCCT with Bill 51, the Teaching Profession Amendment Act, in May.

"The changes we're making will ensure greater input for parents, including the right to raise concerns about teacher misconduct," Clark stated in a May 12 press release.

Under Bill 51, the college's 20-member governing council was changed from 15 elected teachers and five provincial appointees to eight teachers and 12 government appointees.

"The public was poorly represented on the college council under the previous structure," Clark said.

The new legislation also requires the college to prepare an annual report that includes a statement for the minister on teacher competence, as well as financial and administrative details.

"We would be the only professionals in the province who are required

to belong to a college that is not run by a majority of members," Levesque said last Wednesday.

"Imagine a doctors' college that was run by people who are not even doctors."

Levesque itemized three other chief complaints with recent changes to the BCCT.

"We're not saying the whole college should go."

He would like to see teachers' freedom of association and freedom of expression protected with the removal of a new "snitch clause."

"We are required by legislation to call the college and say a colleague is not being professional. Where will that lead us?"

Levesque said the provincial government should be limited from interfering in the operation of the BCCT. And he requested that a section of Bill 51 providing for the college to establish and maintain a system of continuing education should be eliminated.

"We are not going to be paying into a government agency that has no representation... Look at their bullying tactics."

Teachers have been discussing options for what they will do with their \$90 annual college fee.

"It is in no way, shape or form that we do not wish to pay the college fee," Levesque said.

Island teachers might deposit their fees into a trust account pending resolution

of the dispute, he said.

"We'll pay our \$90 but we'll have our day in court."

The GITA move forms part of a province-wide protest by members of the B.C. Teachers' Federation (BCTF).

As of October 7, more than 26,000 out of B.C.'s 34,000 teachers (76 per cent) signed letters revoking automatic deductions to pay college fees, reported a BCTF press release.

More teachers were signing letters daily, the BCTF noted.

Salt Spring trustee Judith Boel offered some support for teachers.

"We have our own political organization, the B.C. School Trustees Association (BCSTA), and we put pressure on the provincial government whenever we can."

But Boel also noted her limitations as an elected official.

"I swore as a trustee to uphold the law and unless something changes, that's what I'm going to do."

Pender trustee Russ Searle presented a motion that boards and the BCSTA request a review of the BCCT and other profes-

sional governing bodies with a view to analyzing how they are run. The motion also requested that the BCCT include a higher representation of employers (trustees) and employees (teachers).

Searle's motion passed unanimously at the Saturna board meeting.

Levesque warned trustees that the provincial government could soon target school boards once they complete their agenda to control the teachers' college.

"Your time is coming if you don't watch out," he said.

"We're asking parents for help. I don't know why they are doing this."

A parent in attendance at the board meeting asked what she could do.

"If it gets to the point where our board has to fire us, we want your support."

Levesque noted parents can send letters supporting the teachers' position to the Ministry of Education. Form letters are available at websites for the BCTF (www.bctf.bc.ca) and the B.C. Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (www.bccpac.bc.ca).

Really sorry? Say so in rants, roses section

Kathleen Horsdal had an idea the Driftwood couldn't resist.

How about taking "rants and roses" one step further, she suggested recently, and add a "really sorry" option for those times when we goof up and want to head off a "rant" in the making.

Apologizing is "so Canadian," notes Horsdal.

After playing with the idea and adjusting some graphics, Rants and Roses has become "Rants, Roses and Really Sorry."

Rants and Roses, which was introduced alongside Derrick's Island Pics last spring, has become one of the Driftwood's most popular features.

Islanders are encouraged to send their apologies — along with their rants and roses — to the Driftwood via e-mail to news@gulfislands.net or fax (537-2613).

Readers can also drop by the Driftwood office (328 Lower Ganges Road) and fill out a "rants, roses and really sorry" form.

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infancy to three months of age and it was later returned to a U.S. zoo.

Based on his experience with the animals, Dietlein said no one can predict the reason for the attack on Horn.

"It could've been spooked," he said. "I don't think anyone will ever know."

He stressed the difference between domestic and wild animals.

"Everyone who works with exotic animals knows you have to adapt to them. A domestic animal adapts to the human."

"A wild animal is still a wild animal. Even though they're trained, they're not tamed."

FOR THE RECORD

• Francois Jaubert says he is diagnosed as schizophrenic, not "paranoid schizophrenic" as stated in

an October 8 article.

• Salt Spring Fire Department firefighter Arjuna (A.J.) George was mistakenly represented as George Arjuna in the fire prevention supplement. (And that wasn't the first time that happened.)

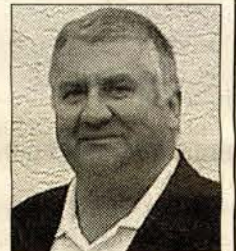
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Coastal Ferry Act.

"There will be a level of service. Whether it will be 50 per cent, 60 per cent or 40 per cent, I couldn't gauge. Certainly, history shows that it would probably be around the 50 per cent range. We would go for the maximum."

The decision to set a level of ferry service for the Gulf Islands would be determined by the Labour Relations Board, he said.

"We would be very aggressive to keep service levels up, transportation up, movement of goods and services up."

Hahn couldn't speculate on the timeline for a possible strike but islanders would receive 72 hours notice before a strike began, he said.

"It would allow proper planning. Planning to me would include bread, milk and medical issues. If I had an appointment, I'd make sure I worked around those 72-hour schedules."

Labour negotiations have become entangled over complex key issues, he said.

"The sticking points are pretty straightforward. We're asking for a change in the hours of work. We're asking for a major change in how overtime is paid. We're asking for merit — the best people get ahead instead of the most senior. And we're looking for flexibility in how people conduct their work."

Overall, B.C. Ferries is content with its employees, he said.

"Our problem is with the labour agreement which was patched together over 20 years of political favouritism."

The current labour agreement between BCFMWU and B.C. Ferries is not a commercial agreement, he said.

"You wouldn't run your business this way. You'd be out of business. Frankly, Ferries went bankrupt once already."

And he compared the existing labour structure of B.C. Ferries to Air Canada, where 55-60 cents of every dollar goes to labour costs.

"I think that model speaks for itself in terms of its inability to survive."

He weighed B.C. Ferries' pension plan against costs incurred by overtime rules.

"Ferry employees tend to work here a very long time. So why not get the benefit of a strong pension plan? But we have to have a good commercial plan to afford that."

One way B.C. Ferries could see significant sav-

ings would be through contracting services, as permitted under the existing agreement.

"There are some places where you could easily look at contracting out crews on ships."

But Hahn would like to see changes that would have pay allocated based on years of service and promotion based on merit rather than on seniority.

"I'm big on merit. I don't know why but I like to see the best people get ahead."

He is also hoping to see reductions in the amount of casual employees on staff, currently standing at 50 per cent.

"You should have never have 50 per cent of your employees hung out like that."

He believes that proposed changes in the labour agreement are about more than bringing down costs.

"We are trying to bring in a management philosophy that says, 'Good hard work will be rewarded; that we do have to take care of customers; that we do have an organization where you can build a future.'"

But the BCFMWU is also concerned about the change in philosophy.

"This is longer a public service, this is a private for-profit company that is focussed on customer service excellence," Miller said.

"The general public has to go back to the Coastal Ferry Act and the Coastal Ferry Services contract. It's very important that they keep their eyes on that and not so much on what's happening with us in bargaining."

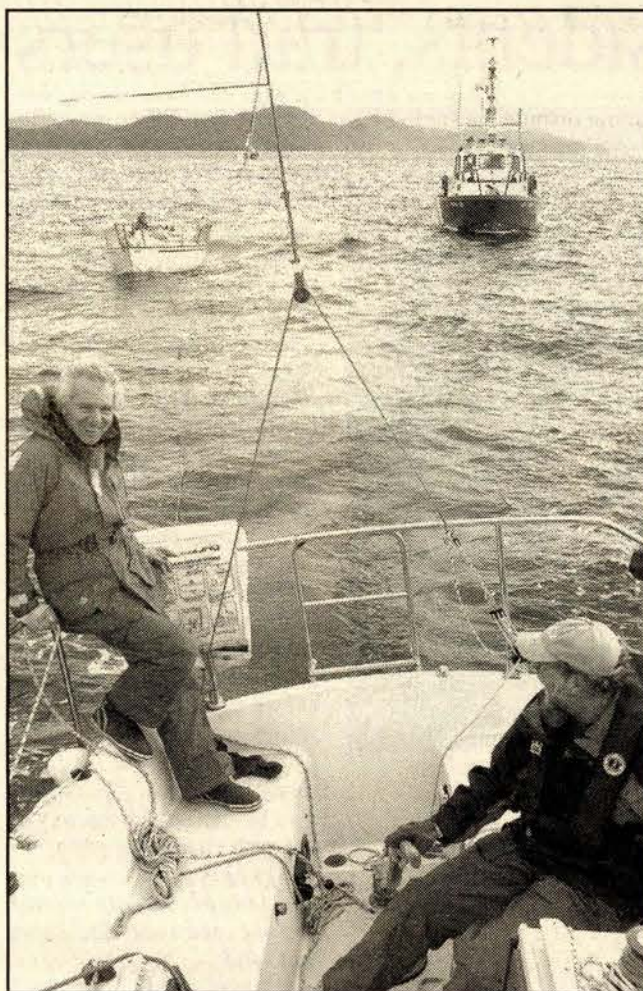
B.C. Ferries has been broken into route groups that must each be self-sustaining, and little routes can't be self-sustaining, she said.

"Along with that will necessarily come a steady rise in tariffs. And if those tariffs are not able to feed the efficiency machine that the company and government are aspiring towards, then there is probably going to be reductions in service."

According to the Coastal Ferry Act, the coastal ferry commissioner can de-regulate a route if it is not deemed "sufficiently competitive."

"We're fighting this ideology of not only privatization but potential deregulation," said Miller.

The labour contract expires October 31, and the parties have been negotiating for four weeks.



DEMASTED: The combination of large waves and larger wind gusts proved too much for Tony Brogan sailing his Santana 20, Cheeky Buoy last weekend. Brogan lost his mast after rounding Deep Ridge Buoy in Saltspring Island Sailing Club's Channel Islands race Sunday. Competitors aboard Westwind and Deryn Mor turned back to assist. contributed

Travellers should phone for schedule

The Skeena Queen has still not returned to the Fulford-Swartz Bay route but could be back Friday.

The last press release from B.C. Ferries set October 17 as the anticipated date of the vessel's return, following application of a non-skid deck coating.

However, two previous announcements about the job's predicted completion did not come to fruition due to weather-related delays.

B.C. Ferries originally believed the job would be complete by October 6.

Travellers wanting to know which boat and schedule is in effect are advised to call B.C. Ferries at 653-4245 or 1-888-223-3779, or (250) 386-3431.

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Logging alarms residents, trail users

By CAREY RUDISILL
Staff Writer

Residents and land owners have differing views on logging taking place for a future subdivision below Mount Erskine and between Rainbow and Toynbee roads.

Jerry Parks of Parks, O'Connor and Parks said Monday that his company and Salt Spring Lands are within their rights to log the land they own.

Local residents, however, have strong feelings about the loss of what was a well-used trail for hikers, bikers and horse riders through the private property.

"I'm emotional about it," said Juliette Laing, who lives with husband Rick Laing on Wilkie Way near the proposed subdivision.

"They're working seven days a week there right now," said Rick Laing.

"There's thousands of trees down. We're not talking a few trees here," he said.

Although the land is privately owned, he said, he had hoped the "integrity" of the land could have been maintained.

"They could've taken some of the trees, opened up some of the area and kept the trail," said Rick Laing.

Jerry Parks disagreed. "There's going to be lots of trees left," he said. "It's been logged at least three or four times, as far as we can tell, over the last 100 years."

The area includes two parcels of land, totalling about 260 acres, which are



Rick and Juliette Laing

Photo by Carey Rudisill

being cleared by Arden Logging from Sooke.

Parks said 41 lots will be created in the subdivision and that there will be parkland on the property.

"There is parkland as required by the Islands Trust," he said. "More than five per cent [of the property]."

He said the companies have worked with the Islands Trust in earlier stages of the development.

"We made an agreement with the Islands Trust that we would not use Wilkie Way to take the logs out," he said.

Parks added that the two companies are "in compli-

ance with all the laws and requirements for the subdivision."

He said he was astounded that individuals used the trail.

"There's not really a trail through there," he said. "There's old logging roads throughout that whole area that have been there for a long time."

"It's posted no trespassing so I'm surprised that people would think there's a trail through there."

Parks said he and his wife Bonnie purchased the property in 1994 and are working with Mel Topping of Salt Spring Lands to create the subdivision, which is next to

the Juniper Place development that caused controversy when arsenic was discovered in some property owners' well water.

Other neighbours had complaints about the property last Friday.

Capital Regional District bylaw enforcement officer Wolfgang Brunnwieser said he responded to several residents' calls complaining about logging noise at 4 a.m. on Friday morning.

"At least three [people] called the RCMP, then I got a couple more from people in the area," he said.

Brunnwieser said he received calls from residents on Atkins, Booth and Rainbow roads.

"People were really upset," he said. "Wouldn't you be at four in the morning with chainsaws going?"

Brunnwieser said he believed the loggers wanted a head start on the long weekend.

"It was about 2:30 or 3 p.m. when I went up," he said. "The logging crew was gone."

At press time, Brunnwieser said he hadn't discussed the incident with either of the developers but planned to talk to Mel Topping.

"This was a one-time incident," he said. "Hopefully it won't happen again."

Parks said the incident was a mistake.

"I checked with the logger and he said it was a screw-up and said it won't happen again," said Parks.

Report suggests library remain in Ganges

A committee looking into future siting of Mary Hawkins Memorial Library has recommended a new building be constructed on property within the Ganges core.

The long-term planning committee struck more than three years ago by the library board presented its report to the board's October 9 meeting.

The group examined rebuilding on the library's current site or another lot in town, or moving to the Rainbow Road recreation site being developed by the Parks, Arts and

Recreation Commission (PARC).

Estimated cost of the recommended option is \$3,845,000, with \$760,000 in funding already identified. That would come through sale of the association-owned McPhillips Avenue lot (\$500,000), \$100,000 already set aside for building improvements, and \$160,000 in other revenue.

"In recommending Option 1, the committee recognizes the importance of the library remaining in the core, the ability to expand to meet future needs and the need to pro-

vide adequate parking," states the report.

While constructing a building on the publicly owned Rainbow Road lands would cost an estimated \$388,000 less, the committee identified some problems with that idea.

One of the committee's "guiding principles" was to "maintain autonomy over funding, staffing and operations," which would not be achievable if the association put a building on the Rainbow Road site.

Any facility on the PARC land owned by the Capital Regional District (CRD) would become a

CRD asset, even if library association money funded the entire building.

Examining the library's future became necessary when the current building's need for major repairs could not be ignored.

A copy of the long-term planning committee's report is available at the library. A public survey and meetings to gather input on the options are the next steps to be taken.

Once the library board makes a decision on which option to pursue, a feasibility group will look at the concept in more detail.



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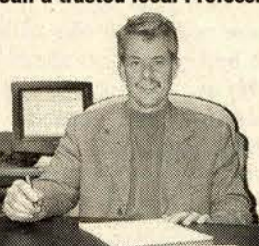
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Licence changes frustrate young drivers

By CAREY RUDISILL
Staff Writer

Local teens are angry about changes to the Graduated Licensing Program (GLP) put forward by Solicitor-General Rich Coleman.

The October 6 drivers' licence changes, first announced in June, include a 12-month learner stage instead of the original six-month period, and the novice stage increases from 18 to 24 months.

Luke Lester said he's glad the announcement occurred after his birthday.

"I got my learner's in August so the [new] laws don't apply to me for the learner's but they will for the 'N,'" he said.

Nicola Temmel already has her learner's licence but said friends with later birthdays didn't react well to the news.

"My friends who haven't got their learner's are quite angry about the situation," she said. "They feel it's unfair."

Lester said the changes are "unnecessary."

"I really think it's frustrating more people," he said.

Under the new GLP, drivers in the learner stage must have a supervisor 25 years or older with a valid Class 1-5 driver's licence in the car. Under the old system, the supervisor had to be 19 years or older.

The learner's licence now expires in two years

instead of one.

Under novice stage requirements, only one passenger is allowed unless the vehicle contains a supervisor over 25 years old with a valid driver's licence. The driver's immediate family is exempt from the one-passenger rule.

In addition, if novices receive a driving prohibition from police, they must start the stage again and lose accumulated driving time.

Tammy Dean said she has heard resounding disapproval amongst her friends.

"Everyone that I've talked to has disagreed with the law that the government is just trying to make it so people don't drink and drive," she said. "[My friends] think it's going to make it worse."

"It's like saying if you increased the price of smokes that people are going to stop smoking. It's not the right approach."

Lester said the alterations to the licensing program are a reaction by the government to recent car crashes involving youth.

"It's a situation of a couple people ruining it for the rest of us," he said. "I think it would be more effective if they increased the amount of driving time — how many hours needed before the N [is issued]," he said.

A recent letter from Sean McAlister, ICBC's Manager



ON THE ROAD: Island youth Nicola Temmel wonders why all new drivers are being targetted by the latest rules.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

of Regulated Driver Licensing, to new drivers stated that "new drivers are still 45 per cent more likely to be involved in a crash than more experienced drivers."

Dean said she believes the government is penalizing the wrong people.

"I just think that they should punish people who are drinking and driving but not punish new drivers," said Dean.

Nicola Temmel, however, wonders why all new drivers are targetted with the new rules.

"Statistics show males are the ones having the accidents. [Government] might need to look at all the statistics — but that might raise a big stink," she said.

Findings from a 2002 research paper by John Nicoletta from the Transportation Division of Statistics Canada stated: "males dominated in every age group for licensed drivers, kilometres driven and collisions."

Temmel said the government needs to re-think its focus.

"If they're going to be very specific with the teenagers, why don't they take a look at the big picture," said Temmel.

Curt Albertson, communications director for the B.C. Solicitor-General and Attorney-General depart-

ments, said this is a question for Coleman.

"The only person who can respond to that is the Solicitor General," said Albertson. "It's a policy question and it's his policy."

At press time, Coleman was unavailable for comment.

Dean said she didn't understand the need for changes.

"There's always been a lack of people obeying, and people drinking and driving," she said. "I don't think bashing in new drivers will help. Usually they're the ones that are following the rules [of not drinking and driving]."

Dean said she doesn't think new drivers will listen to these new rules.

Temmel procrastinated about getting her licence until she heard that changes were coming, and said others who missed the deadline might not apply.

"I think a lot of people who aren't very interested in driving won't bother."

"It's hard to see that maybe in three years I'll be able to drive. It's not too tempting. I've never been a super keen driver. If these rules went into place after my birthday I might not bother. It's not worth it. If that's what ICBC is looking for, then hey — they've got it."

Fire trustees confirm decision to dismiss Patterson, Outerbridge

Former fire captains Jeff Outerbridge and Bruce Patterson will not be returning to the volunteer fire department on Salt Spring.

Fire protection district trustees announced Friday that last summer's dismissal of the two men "stands in full force and effect."

According to an October 10 notice from the district's board of trustees, the decision was made "after due deliberation and consideration of all matters that have come to (our) attention in this regard."

Fire district chairman Ben Martens told the Driftwood that trustees discussed the issue at their monthly meeting, which was held October 6, one week earlier than usual due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Martens said the decision was unanimous and occurred after "everyone had a chance to review what had been said" at the September trustees' meeting.

"There was not a tremendous amount of discussion," he said, stressing "it's now over and done with."

The fiery September meeting attended by about 100 people presented trustees with a 775-signature petition requesting the reinstatement of the captains, who were dismissed for "lack of respect" after Outerbridge failed to follow through on an agreement, and both men did not attend a meeting.

Opinions from two "camps" at the September

meeting were expressed vocally and angrily.

Some people called for a mediation process, several demanded the captains be reinstated, and others said the public should let the trustees do their jobs.

The meeting concluded with trustees agreeing to get back to the public regarding their decision.

Patterson and Outerbridge, who were not officially informed of the October 6 verdict, were disappointed that trustees made their decision at a meeting the public did not know about.

"I think they have angered a great many people who expected there would be another meeting," Patterson said Monday.

Outerbridge noted that his and Patterson's dismissal was based on a failure to "follow through" and, as he sees it, the trustees have done the same thing by not publicly explaining their decision.

"I'm disappointed they haven't come forward in a public meeting to make a statement," he said.

But Martens told the Driftwood it is standard procedure for trustees to meet one week early if their regular meeting falls on a holiday.

Outerbridge is also disappointed that the fire district did not consider mediation, "particularly when there was such strong support for it from the public."

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Broadwell Road safety tops Channel Ridge concerns

An accepting response to Channel Ridge village design contrasted with concerns about road access at the Channel Ridge Owners' Association (CROA) annual general meeting October 7.

Architect John Davidson made a presentation to some 75 property owners at the meeting, where CROA president John Myers said the village design "appeared to meet with approval."

"People are really concerned not so much about the village itself but the periphery issues — the water, the roads, the trails, the parks," said Myers.

Topping the list of issues is the use of Broadwell Road, especially during the construction phase.

"Broadwell Road is a huge concern of everybody," he said.

"Certainly people who live on Broadwell are really concerned about the danger and the noise and the break-up of the surface."

As a result, CROA members passed a motion

"People . . . are concerned about the danger and the noise and the break-up of the surface."

requesting a second main access road to the site before construction in the 489-unit residential and commercial development begins.

Myers said a second road through to Sunset Drive was in the plans several years ago, but that it was not ideal.

"You still have to cope with the Duck Creek hill and the intersection at Vesuvius Bay Road."

After much debate, said Myers, a second motion passed at the AGM. It supported "the position that the village should be for residents who have purchased for their own use and not as a business enterprise, nor for use as short-term rental."

The motion followed input gathered by a CROA survey.

"If it becomes a real village with a community and a dynamic which places like

Fulford have, we would be very happy," Myers told the Driftwood. "We don't want to see this as a glorified hotel where people come for a few weeks' time."

"We would not like to see people coming for a month every year or two weeks a year and . . . not being an integral part of the island community," he explained. "We would really love to see full-time, permanent residents of the village . . ."

Myers stressed that current Channel Ridge-area residents have been fully aware the village development was in future plans.

"What was surprising is that it is beginning so soon. And this has been a bit of a shock to some people. They didn't realize it was going to start so soon, but we don't have an objection to

the village itself and some of the plans look really exciting . . ."

According to Trust contract planner Jim Moodie, the development permit for phase I of Channel Ridge village probably won't be complete until May 2004.

After six weeks of reviewing existing Channel Ridge files, the enormity of the task became apparent to Moodie.

"I can fairly say we have only just barely scratched the surface . . ."

Moodie told the last LTC meeting.

Questions of parkland dedication and how much of the village site will be built at one time are just two of the complex issues involved, he noted.

Myers said the AGM also garnered support for other ratepayer groups opposing short-term vacation rentals by owners who do not reside on site.

An election for executive positions was also held, with the 2003 executive re-elected. In addition to presi-

dent Myers, Doug Mitchell is vice-president, Shirley Bunyan is secretary, while Roz Hobbs is treasurer and Jim Ganderton remains

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Ron Martin was also elected an ad hoc member to monitor the new development.



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Workers pleased with liquor store reversal

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Employees of the Ganges government liquor store have a little more bounce in their step following a provincial reversal of plans to close more than half of the publicly-owned liquor stores in B.C.

"We didn't expect it to be that good," said local BCGEU shop steward Jorge Coelho.

"It was a good Thanksgiving deal."

Last year the province announced its intentions to close 120-150 of B.C.'s 224 government liquor stores over the next three years.

"The feeling was the thing was going to go down. It produced a lot of unnecessary stress."

But a labour agreement between the province and the B.C. Government and Service Employees Union (BCGEU) announced Friday offers to retain the liquor distribution system.

"Nobody wanted the stores to shut down, no matter what side of the political fence they were on," Coelho said.

The labour deal also extends the current collective agreement by two years and provides employment security provisions, but does not include wage increases.

"They weren't just saving good union-paying jobs all across B.C. and in small communities. They were saving a good outfit that's been running really well."

According to the National Union of Public and General Employees, the B.C. Liquor Distribution Branch (BCLDB) contributed \$654 million to provincial coffers, another \$238 million in customs duties, excise taxes and GST to Ottawa, \$105 million in social services revenue to municipalities and a further \$4.8 million in property taxes to municipal governments.

"All the money we make goes back into general revenue, which goes back to pay for the schools, hospitals and stuff. That makes your job feel a bit better."

Though the provincial government increased licensing opportunities for private liquor stores last year, those changes have not

significantly affected business at the Ganges government store, Coelho said.

"We've still got the best prices, the best selection and we control the sale of alcohol."

On Tuesday, private liquor outlet owners who had expanded their business or purchased licenses during the earlier government licensing spree were still reeling from the latest announcement.

Harbour House liquor store manager Darren Rodstrom and The Local store owner Steven Knight needed more time to think about what the "flip-flop" will mean for their businesses.

"There were a lot of changes planned for us but everything is on hold now," said Fulford Inn owner Alf Reda.

He was hoping to significantly renovate his premises pending the BCLDB store closure, but now his plans are uncertain.

"If they had closed down the Ganges liquor store, we would have possibly expanded here, but not at this time,"

Reda said.

He had no prior notice from the province about Friday's announcement. Reda's only consolation is that his business has still benefited from previous government decisions.

"We're serving the community. That's what they were originally hoping to do."

And consumers from the island's south end have embraced expanded service at the Fulford Inn.

"It's worked out very well for the community. It's a service that was needed and we're filling that niche."

He carries over 1,300 different items in his beer, wine and spirits store.

"There's a lot of products in the liquor store that are even cheaper than the government liquor store. We're very competitive, especially with wines."

Reda will settle for his modest gains in the liquor retail business.

"There was a lot more changes in the future but everything is on hold. What we've got here is an improvement."




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Welfare "disaster" predicted if 2-year deadline remains

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Islanders are considering plans to fill freezers and plumb homeless shelters as they brace for major welfare cuts set to begin next spring.

"It's blaming the poor for being poor," said Coalition of Concerned Citizens (CCC) member Irene Wright.

A two-year time limit on receiving social assistance payments expires on April 1, and could affect more than 27,000 unemployed people in B.C.

"It's hard to measure at this point what the impacts will be here . . . It looks ugly."

On Friday, NDP MLA Jenny Kwan challenged Human Resources Minister Murray Coell to prove his claim that the province has created almost 100,000 new jobs since the B.C. Liberals took office.

"Gordon Campbell's economic plan for B.C. is a complete failure. Unemployment is up. Homelessness is on the rise, and B.C.'s rural communities are hurting like never before," Kwan said.

Statistics Canada reported Friday that unemployment has reached a nine-year high of 9.1 per cent in B.C., which leaves 200,000 people looking for work in the province.

"It affects kids and people who are close to being seniors," Wright said.

The plan to cut off "employable" welfare recipients in April would have a brutal affect on islanders with few support systems in place, Wright said.

"I don't know what's going to happen April 1. Everybody is talking about trying to find a big building that we could use as a temporary shelter for people, to get them out of the cold and the wind and the rain."

She's concerned about finding essentials such as plumbing and heat for amenable locations. Providing food for struggling islanders is another basic concern.

"We're looking at some way of providing a hot meal a day through getting each church or group to take one day and being responsible for that."

The CCC, United Church and the Yellow Submarine mental-health support group worked together to hold a turkey dinner for Thanksgiving on Monday.



Wright



O'Neill

Fellow CCC member Pat O'Neill, who ran as a local NDP candidate in the last provincial election, believes it's a "frightening scenario" to cut off thousands of people from support.

"The emergency services that are left are under extreme pressure, as it is. Food banks and shelters are all struggling to survive."

Volunteer agencies will simply be unable to fill the needs of all the people who will be cut from support, O'Neill said.

"Churches are starting to respond where they can, but even then, this isn't something that can be done on the basis of a few good-hearted people."

Dealing with poverty is something that should be a government responsibility, she said.

"That is what a civilized society is all about."

A broad definition of "employable" welfare recipients would force people with poor work skills and undiagnosed mental health conditions off support.

"I think we're creating a disaster," said O'Neill.

The CCC is a loosely structured group of islanders, some of whom have connections to various political parties and the labour movement.

They will next meet 7 p.m., October 21, at Gulf Islands Secondary School.



TOWERS OF FOOD: From left, Vaughn Good, Amanda Hoy and Brandon Shaw participate in a food bank assembly at Salt Spring Island Middle School. Organized by the Grade 8 Leadership Exploratory Class, the event saw students bring in donations for Salt Spring's food bank, and then try to build the highest tower.

Photo contributed

Town hall meeting re-slated

A town hall meeting set for Saturday afternoon has been postponed to November.

Local Capital Regional District (CRD) and Islands Trust officials had planned the meeting to discuss CRD budget and tax issues and the Trust's local governance renewal proposal.

Trustee Kimberly Lineger said Tuesday that between feeling there was not enough advance publicity about the meeting and regional director Gary Holman dealing with

his mother's death last week, the meeting will be rescheduled, likely to November 8. As of Tuesday morning the date and details were not confirmed.

The nitty-gritty of Capital Regional District (CRD) 2004 taxes and the Islands Trust governance renewal proposal will be on the agenda.

Information about the governance renewal proposal is on the Trust website at www.islandstrust.bc.ca.



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On October 3 a service notice stated the Skeena would return October 10, which this newspaper dutifully reported October 8.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, October 8, ferries revised its estimate by a full week.

If a schedule change did not accompany the vessel switch, it would not be such a big deal, but not knowing when ferries will leave is critical for islanders. On-board announcements are useful, of course, once travellers are on the ferry, but more accurate estimates — or at least press releases that consider local newspaper publication dates — are better.

There's also nothing wrong with being uncertain when weather-dependent maintenance jobs will be completed or when a ferry will come back, but that uncertainty should be made clear to the public so appropriate inquiries can be made before travellers head off to ferry terminals.

We suggest people phone the ferry company this week before making any assumptions about when the Skeena and its schedule will return.

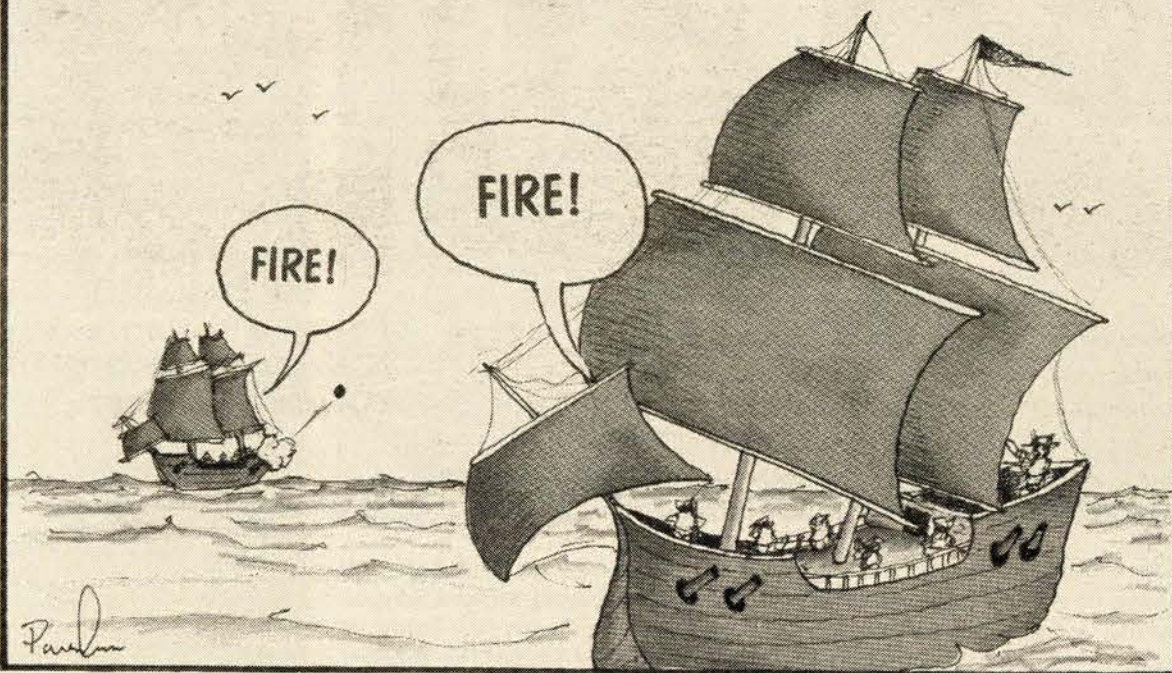
No positives this time

When a community or group struggles with an ugly and serious conflict, it's not usually hard to find at least one positive outcome at the other end. But with this summer's dispute and subsequent blood-letting at the Salt Spring Fire Department, that doesn't seem to be the case.

The trustees' confirmation of their original decision to dismiss volunteer captains Jeff Outerbridge and Bruce Patterson is not surprising. Re-assimilating the two men following the flood of bad feelings expressed by all parties would have been a huge challenge for the fire district group. Instead we are left with defensive trustees, fire staff and volunteers, bitterness that won't easily wash away and many unanswered questions about how a publicly funded and accountable body dealt with this situation.

If the organization takes some meaningful steps to evaluate what happened and determine how a similar scenario could be avoided in future, then the community might feel at least one positive thing arose from this entire mess.

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Owning a home should be achievable for everyone

By AARON HANDFORD
and CAROLYN FLAN

As autumn approaches and the geese leave Salt Spring, so do the young families. The geese will return next year, but our young friends may not.

Frustrated by exorbitant real estate prices, pricey rentals and a lack of long-term rental housing, they re-think their commitment to this community. Chances are they have spent years trying to make a go of it here. These are important people; young, energetic, and able-bodied.

They contribute to our unique culture by organizing events, tilling the soil, creating art, running small businesses and raising children here. These are the people who most want to build our community and maintain Salt Spring Island as the jewel that it is.

VIEW POINT

Owning a home should be an achievable goal for everyone, especially for hard-working, committed people, but on Salt Spring it really is not. Just look through the real estate guide. The prices are insane.

Who wants to spend \$200,000 for a shack on a quarter acre? No one does. Who can afford a three-bedroom house for \$400,000?

People who have already established wealth and who are mainly from outside this community, that's who.

We are not disparaging these people, they deserve to live in a great place too, but if these are the only people who can afford to buy here

then the nature of our community will change.

How will it change? Witness what has happened in Whistler, B.C. High housing prices have created an elite population, served by young itinerants (Australians, ski lovers, etc.) living in dorm-style accommodations. Families with lower incomes have been forced out entirely or have been reduced to living as renters forever.

In 20 years, Whistler has gone from being a place that was accessible to most, to being a place that is out of reach.

We have heard that this process has occurred in other special places, like Canmore, Alberta and Byron Bay, Australia. Similarly, Salt Spring will undergo changes that fundamentally alter the nature of our community if the trends of ever-increasing property prices and lack

of good, affordable housing continue without us taking action.

This problem is not just a young persons' problem. It should be addressed as a community problem. Our community leaders should consider these issues when creating new laws and bylaws.

For example, why is it that zoning laws inhibit people from joining together to buy land to live on? Why can a millionaire build a massive and wasteful 15,000-square-foot mansion on five acres of land while two families are not allowed to buy land and build two modest dwellings on a similar piece?

And even if a young family manages to buy land and build their own home, they will run into building code obstacles that create substantial, often unexpected expenses. Our bylaws should help, not hinder, young people who face obstacles in

trying to establish themselves here.

A sustainable community needs a diversity of ages and perspectives. It needs a representation of people at different stages of their lives. It needs children, the elderly and everyone in between.

Different kinds of people want their tax dollars used in different ways and therefore local families are needed to balance the growing population of the wealthy, elderly and often foreign. Salt Spring won't be the same without this representation and balance.

Dialogue is needed. We can't find the solutions to these problems alone. If you have any comments or suggestions, e-mail us at carolyn@saltspring.com.

Carolyn, who is Jyah's mom, has lived on Salt Spring for 10 years. Her partner Aaron has lived on the island for two and a half years.

Here's a quiz. What two-syllable word (in common use in B.C. and Alberta) means "money is everything to us; service means nothing; our customers aren't worth the tiniest speck of fly pooh"? Give up? TELUS

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It took me more than a week to get my new service in place and functioning properly. This was after they'd disconnected my old service, which they said would "automatically switch over the same day." So, on approximately 17 occasions over one week I got in my car and drove to the nearest pay-phone. Three times I was cut-off and twice I was told "our offices are now

closed" — all after holding for 40 to 50 minutes!

I still can't check my voice-mail using my own phone — I have to call from someone else's.

Last Friday TELUS said they'd "have that fixed within the hour." I guess it's my fault. I forgot to ask them which hour. There are about 720 hours a month and it could be any one of them.

Once, while I was on hold last week, I fell asleep and dreamt I stormed their head office, planning to kidnap the CEO, take him home, duct tape him to a chair, tape a phone to his head and make him listen to TELUS for a few weeks. But the building was empty. No people, no office furniture, not even a security guard. On the floor, off in a corner, a lone telephone sat ringing. I went over and picked it up. It was me.

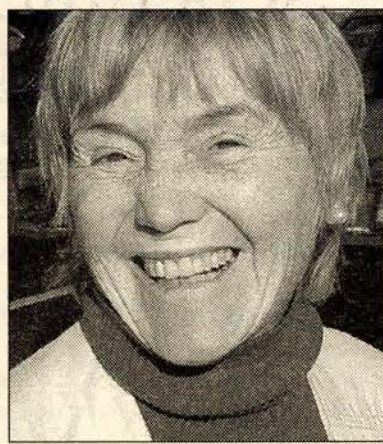
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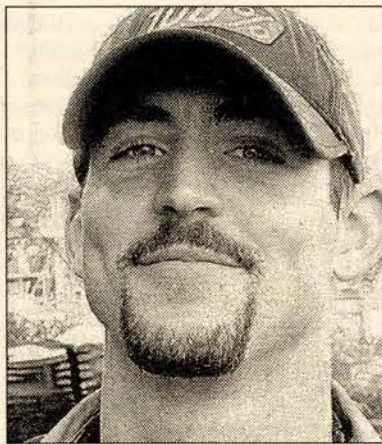
Susan Bracher

I think Americans love their movie stars. I'm surprised by the recent publicity about his aggressiveness towards women — that they voted for him. I think they want to recreate that era of Ronald Reagan even though he wasn't the brightest guy.



Margaret McCool

No publicity is a bad thing, so all the publicity in the world got him in — and he probably can't add.



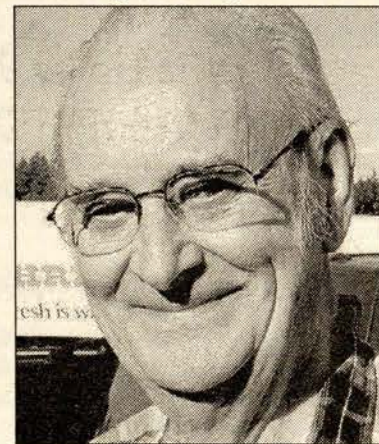
Jesse Burke

Honestly rock on. I think it's good because someone with his amount of money isn't in politics for the money. He'll put his heart into it. I'm eager to see what he'll do.



Lynn Hopfner

Congratulations, Arnold. I hope he does well. I think the media has been starting things — maybe they're not all facts. I commend anyone with the courage to run for office in the U.S.



Bill Monahan

It's okay with me as long as he keeps his hands off the Canadian film industry.

Letters to the Editor

Special person

To all the businesses and local people who have helped me through the difficult time through the passing of Russell, I would like to thank you all very much for your help and support.

I will also do my best to thank you all personally as the opportunity arises.

I know many people out there also felt that Russell was a very special person . . . and he was.

ELIZABETH MCCLEAN,
Salt Spring

Fair play

I recently received and returned Movie Gallery's free offer of a membership.

First, I read its policy of being "the dominant source for video." That is fine, but we do have a video outlet in our community operated by two of the finest community members that I have ever known.

I have watched their small business pour thousands of dollars back into our community by sponsoring fundraising events from individuals to large groups.

These men love our community for the people and not

profit — can Movie Gallery say the same?

I, along with many others in this community, do not agree with the bullying tactics of lowering prices to force Island Star Video out of business, then raising prices once the competition is gone.

This seems to be the American way, as seen in recent world events. "If you're not with us, you're against us" is the approach of the U.S. president and Movie Gallery.

We believe in fair competition here, not corporate takeovers.

The boycott of Movie Gallery's store here on Salt Spring will continue and with the help of our community the company will feel the effects of its own agenda.

JOHN MARTIN-MCNAB,
Maliview Drive

Reprehensible

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Donna Martin for her October 1 View Point and the Residents for Responsible Land Use committee for inviting the Penelakut Elders to speak at ArtSpring to Salt Spring Islanders about their feelings

around the current controversy surrounding Walker Hook.

It was a thoughtful event and I was pleased to get to hear them speak.

Donna said in her article, "Perhaps the greater tragedy is that our government and industry don't recognize when development is inappropriate and when to protect rare and special places."

I cannot agree with Donna more and feel the word "inappropriate" is the understatement of the year.

Walker Hook contains the rarest of sensitive ecosystems in the Gulf Islands and is extremely vulnerable to human disturbance. This is a place that has been deemed so worthy of protection that the Canadian government wanted it included in the new Gulf Islands National Park. Environment Canada supports the need to preserve this area.

The beach at Walker Hook is the most beautiful on Salt Spring, it is a gravesite of First Nations people . . . and this is the site that has been selected for the proposed sable fish hatchery that will dump 691 cubic metres of effluent daily into the seawater layer below and adjacent

to the sensitive wetland, on a continuous basis. This is far more than the amount of effluent emitted into the environment by the sewage system in Ganges each day.

Salt water wells are being drilled and pipes laid through a provincially registered heritage site where 13 human remains have already been unearthed by the construction.

"Inappropriate" is not the word that does justice to how wrong it is that we may have industrial aquaculture at Walker Hook and in the Gulf Islands, an area so magnificent that it was given special status with a preserve and protect mandate.

Morally reprehensible is closer to the word I would use.

JEAN GELWICKS,
Salt Spring

Get engaged

Re: Springboard; "Culture of sharing would aid environmental causes"

Thanks to Brenda Guiled for yet another thought-provoking article regarding environmental activism and the need to develop a culture of sharing.

I agree with the idea that

lobbying "against" government may seem fruitless in the long run. Victories are achieved now and again, but meanwhile, the integrity of our communities and the planet continues to be nickel and dimed away.

However, challenging, protesting and lobbying government is a healthy way for people to voice their concerns and raise awareness of environmental and other injustices. This is a privilege of our hard-won democratic freedom. I believe the effort becomes fruitless when we fail to follow through by participating in the political process that shapes our governments and institutions.

You talk about the "big boys" controlling and manipulating the tools. But the tools, including government, belong to us. It's time we took control of them.

One way to take control is to become engaged in the political process. We desperately need more participation and organizing at the grassroots level, especially from young people whose future is most at risk, so that rather than fight government, we become government. Only then will

our shared values at the local level be truly heard.

A critical requirement for increased participation is to reform our electoral system so that we may share power more equitably. To the BC Liberals' credit, the Citizens Assembly for electoral reform is beginning, which may give us the chance for the reforms we need. Many are criticizing the process, but until proven flawed, it is the only game in town.

My hope is that people attend the public meetings next year as the assembly tours the province and learn how we can better share power.

ANDREW LEWIS,
Beaver Point Road

P.S. A small irritation is Brenda's use of the word "Greenies." To me, a "Green" is someone who is a Green Party person (political). This person may not necessarily consider himself or herself an environmentalist, e.g. me. I would have preferred "greenie." I find that most people are small-g greens, but not everyone equates being green with the Greens.

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Islanders' worst nightmare kick-starts 'Ferrinoia'

A few days ago, over Pad Thai and too many German lagers, my insanely successful columnist friend announced that "you can tell how successful you are as a journalist by the number of death threats and acts of vandalism on your personal property."

Well, the tally to date is pretty respectable. I have prompted nastygrams from hunting associations which insist they are doing us all a favour coming over to the island and "culling" the herd.

I have had a complete stranger accost me in the local grocery store and accuse me of being American, in a tone that would suggest I kick dogs and trample babies.

I have the owners of Anise Restaurant upset with me because I mistakenly wrote that they were considering adding karaoke to their entertainment venue.

And the ultimate! Someone drained all the oil from my car as it sat languishing at

Murakami's waiting for parts from Timbuktu.

**PERSONALLY
SPEAKING**
BY PETER VINCENT



Unfortunately, Richard, being the crack mechanic that he is, realized that a Landcruiser should not sound like a Ferrari on the verge of a meltdown and quickly shut the motor off, thus denying me of my right to claim a spanking new engine under the comprehensive clause in my ICBC papers.

And of course there are the local gas stations, which are dispensing gas as if it were cognac. But that seems to have turned into Sid Filkow's battle.

Besides, the gas station boys aren't all bad . . . sure, they grind us up on the price of gas, but they also sponsor lots of sports teams on the island, usually have dog bis-

cuits in their pockets and do their part to ease global warming, by forcing us all to trade in our gas guzzlers for thrifty little economy cars.

To their credit, the Shell station performed the ultimate act of petrol selflessness.

Everyone's worst nightmare happened to me this summer. My car refused to start as my fully loaded ferry was pulling into Swartz Bay. As I sat in my dead car, slumped over the steering wheel bracing for the humiliation of being dragged off the ferry, there came a knock on my window. It so happened that the tow truck driver from McColl's was right behind me and in a supreme act of humanity, he threw my hood

open, clamped on the jumper cables, and had my truck fired up even before the walk-ons had trudged off the ramp.

Free. Well, not quite, I told him I would buy him a giant beer out of sheer gratitude . . . I haven't forgotten, buddy!

But that gut-wrenching feeling in the pit of my stomach always hits me now when I turn the key in a ferry lineup — the fear of being the idiot whose car won't start who will be responsible for delaying the ferry, which might cause fellow passengers to miss plane reservations, medical appointments or theatre openings.

And so, after much consultation with my island therapist, I have concluded that there is yet another mental condition unique to Salt Spring, a condition I have coined "Ferrinoia" — or Fear of Ferries.

Ferrinoia can take many forms and cause all sorts of mental grief to those of us

suffering from this condition.

There is the classic tugging at the locked car door with the keys still dangling in the ignition; the nagging suspicion that B.C. Ferries in its infinite wisdom has changed the ferry schedule; or that you have chosen the second Tuesday of alternating even-numbered months that start with the letter "J" during the full moon when the ferry is cancelled.

Or, that the ferry worker once again has waved you to the very outside lane, meaning you will be the last to leave the boat, and he/she has a personal vendetta against you and actually put you in that lane on purpose.

Or, that you will be publicly humiliated by ferry staff who have caught you putting your McDonald's bag in the ferry garbage container. (Apparently the garbage containers are for show only.)

Or, possibly the worst nightmare of all: having a job with B.C.

Ferries and being forced to take the abuse heaped on the company for late ferries and pricy tickets by the scores of truculent islanders who could do a way better job of running the corporation than those overpaid executives in their ivory towers and Moore's Brothers suits.

There is no known cure for "Ferrinoia." As the disease progresses, the patient becomes increasingly reluctant to leave the island and chance a "Ferry Flare-up."

The final stage of the disease finds patients buying property deep, deep in the outback of the south end of the island, living off the grid, sustaining themselves with organic heritage apples and the occasional trek to Patterson's for a Mars Bar. Or, as my writer friend is now doing, you will build a big high fence, get a couple of gnashing Rotweillers, and only leave the island for weddings and funerals.

More letters

Insightful

Brenda Guiled shed some very insightful light on "how our problems are rooted in everyday behaviour, and that's where real change has to take place." (On the culture of sharing, October 8 Springboard column.)

So with sharing in mind, and in heart, here are a few things that I would like to share with you. When we speak of community, let us remember that the wild animals and plants with whom we share this beautiful island are also community members.

And from Mother Teresa: "We can do no great things, only small things with great love."

NINA RAGINSKY,
Walter Bay

Horror

We are adamantly against permission being granted for the Jasper Road quarry.

On a personal level, we went to a lot of trouble and expense 10 years ago to secure a private and quiet property, in which we have subsequently invested hundreds of thousands of dollars and upon which we pay substantial taxes.

Over the past couple of years a temporary quarry has been operating to the northwest, within view of our home and definitely within earshot. Annoying as the constant audial pollution has been, we understood the quarry was in place merely to provide material for the road building within the subdivision and that its lifespan was limited.

It is with horror we read the situation may become permanent. Aside from diminishing the value of our property, not to mention that of all the neighbours, surely there is a law in place to protect what precious few wetlands we have, let alone laws against tampering with an even more precarious resource, our watersheds. Obviously any disturbance of the ground has permanent, negative consequences, not the least of which is erosion.

We also do not look forward to the constant heavy truck traffic that will obviously accompany this operation. One of the main features of investing in this area of Salt Spring is the buffers of nature such as Peter Arnell Park and the large tracts of recovering forestland (recovering from the last holocaust that blew through when rampant clearcutting was allowed).

We installed ourselves here to be stewards, to protect what was left and provide breathing space for the wildlife. We cannot imagine anything more negative to our personal health and the health of the island than one more short-sighted and unnecessary rape-and-pillage venture that will provide profit for few

and loss for many.

This quarry will be a permanent scar on the landscape and a permanent scar on the mines ministry.

ALEXANDRA and HANS FISCHER,
Stewart Road

More troubling

We have all heard a lot of complaining about the high price of gasoline on Salt Spring, and I have done my own share of grumbling, but the high cost of pharmaceuticals is a more troubling problem for those who need them to maintain their health.

Medicines are the most expensive health-care item for the elderly — exceeding the cost of either outpatient or hospital care. We can sell our gas-guzzlers and drive more economical cars, but we cannot obtain adequate medical relief by reducing the prescribed dose of our medications.

A member of my family has recently been prescribed a commonly-used anti-arthritis pill which, taken once a day, makes life easier and more productive. Our doctor has prescribed it in the least expensive, generic form and it is equally available on Salt Spring and in Duncan. Wishing to support local business we took the first prescription to our neighbourhood pharmacy. The cost was \$9.20 for the dispensing fee, and \$1.12 per tablet, or approximately \$520 per year.

Our second prescription was filled at a high-volume pharmacy in Duncan at a cost \$6.48 dispensing fee and 57 cents per tablet at a total cost of \$230 per year, or only 45 per cent of the cost on Salt Spring for the same generic drug.

We are fortunate in being able to absorb the extra cost of buying locally but there are many elderly Salt Spring residents who cannot do so and cannot easily travel off-island. They must choose between buying their medications or food.

It is not reasonable to expect our local pharmacists to absorb such a large price difference. We need a government that will buy drugs in large volume to obtain the best possible price and to make the drugs available to all pharmacies regardless of the size of the community.

ALAN CLEWS,
Canvasback Place

Robin Hood

We listen to and hear about concerns over government decisions on our behalf, both provincial and federal on a daily basis.

If you are like me, you just kind of shrug it off and go about the business of making your own life work amidst all the changes we are facing in the 21st century in Canada, but

what do you do when you hear a news broadcast that says Sheila Copps and the federal government are planning a conference on poverty at the Chateau Whistler, which could cost us, the taxpayers, as much as \$2.5 million?

Where is Robin Hood?
ROSS MCLEOD,
Fernwood Road

One side

As an islander I have read many stories in the Driftwood of frustrations and disappointments with the B.C. Ferries service over many years, and I have tried to see both sides of those stories.

Today, for the first time in 23 years (12 of those as a daily commuter) I am thoroughly disgusted with one situation.

On the morning of October 7, I was waiting in the line-up at Vesuvius for the 9 a.m. ferry. I had gotten into my father's car to visit during our wait. I was going over to the Duncan hospital with my 85-year-old father to assist him in bringing home my mother, who had had orthopedic surgery six days before.

Dad drove onto the ferry and I realized I had left my keys in his car. I directed the traffic past me and ran onto the ferry and got my keys. As I passed the mate on the deck I told him what had happened and said, "I'll be as fast as I can."

I ran up the ramp again and got into my car and drove down, only to find the ramp up, gate closed and the boat leaving. It was exactly 9:01.

When I think of the times over the years when I have arrived at work in Victoria late because the ferry was late, I'm wondering if I shouldn't have complained each of those times, instead of trying to understand the complexities of running the "system."

I didn't mind the fact they left, I was only concerned for my father and the fact that all the equipment my mom needed to be able to leave the hospital was in my car.

I am completely floored by the captain's decision to leave, seeing that from his vantage point on the bridge he could see my car in the lot, the mate's inadequacy in asking for a two-minute delay, and the runaround I was given when I tried to talk to B.C. Ferries about the situation.

Nothing has changed. I just see things from my side now.

MAUREEN GIX,
Salt Spring

Privileged

Together with a number of fellow islanders, I was privileged recently to spend a morning with several car loads of elders from the Tsawout First Nation.

The elders came here from their reserve at Saanichton Bay

at the invitation of the Salt Spring Islanders for Justice and Reconciliation.

I had a strange sense of role reversal to be inviting descendants of the original inhabitants to walk and talk with us on the little 30-acre tract at the southeast corner of Fulford Harbour. This small reserve is the sole remnant of all the land where their forebears dug clams, fished and hunted for so many seasons in the not-so-long-gone past.

I think many, if not most, of us non-aboriginals on that misty early October morning shared a feeling of connection with this place and with the people who have been and remain so much a part of Salt Spring.

At the ensuing luncheon in Beaver Point Hall, many of the elders got up to the microphone to thank us and to share their stories and experiences.

Some of the things they had to say regarding dispossession, residential schools and racial discrimination were painful to hear, but it was all said with an astonishing and humbling degree of gentle grace. We learned much from our Tsawout friends and neighbours that day and I hope they will come back soon and often to continue the dialogue.

Thanks should go to the businesses and individuals who provided the lunch and helped to make the visit a success. These included Thrifty Foods, Ganges Village Market, Embe Bakery, Barb's Buns, The Growing Circle, GISS Cafeteria, Patterson's Store, the people in charge of Beaver Point Hall who reduced the rental rate for the occasion, Dave Beck, who hooked up the propane stove, and more than a few other willing workers.

BRIAN RADFORD,
SSUAR member

Pro-rep

It's time for an ad hoc coalition — a Red/Green party or whatever name would be suitable — between the NDP and the Greens to bring in some form of proportional representation to our provincial voting system.

It's the only way to bring more democracy to our citizens.

We can't afford another term of office by Campbell's juggernaut.

As soon as the pro-rep goal is achieved, all the smaller parties can resume their own identities, assured of receiving seats in the legislature in proportion to votes cast.

The only other large countries in the world which don't use some form of pro-rep are Britain and the U.S. — and look where that's gotten them!
VIRGINIA NEWMAN,
Salt Spring

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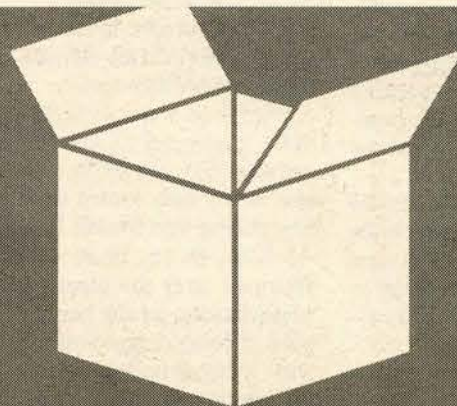
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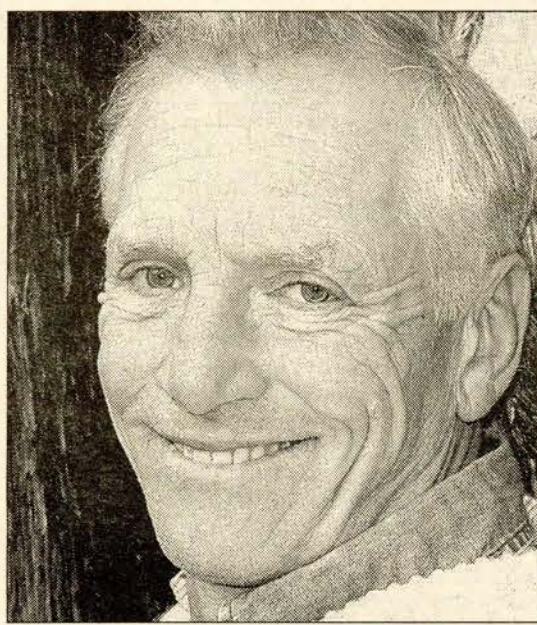
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Hobbies: My kids, the garage, reading, writing, canoeing.
Home finished/unfinished: "Finished" is not a word I'm familiar with (probably Scandinavian).
Favourite people: Anyone who relishes the humour or absurdity of a situation.
Favourite read: Derek Lundy's The Way of A Ship.
Best thing about SSI: The colours, the water, the friendly people.
Worst thing about SSI: Low light winter mornings; no indoor pool or ice rink.
Best place to kiss on SSI?: In bed with my wife, Veronica.

DERRICK'S ISLAND PICS

RANTS, ROSES & Really Sorry

RANTS

Big rants to men who think they are being chivalrous and debonair, when really they're being slimy bleep-holes. TW

To B.C. Ferries for constantly changing dates on the return of the Skeena. Commuters, travelers, tourists, soccer teams make plans based on schedules! How are we to know this Thursday night (for example) if the Skeena really will be back and which schedule will be in effect Friday morning?

ROSES

A big bunch of roses to Scott, who helped me attach the tailgate on my truck last Saturday!

Roses: a bunch of "studly" roses to Terry Cooper, Marlon Keen, Alias Hajek, Sol Ruben and Dorion Balec. Thank-you for your responsible leadership and enthusiastic help at the SIMS sleepover. You were

stellar volunteers — I'd hire any of you if I could! (Terry, you're a natural!)

Roses to Tim Duke and his pleasant, able and gentlemanly crew who, extremely quickly, got the Seniors Society out of a plumbing jam.

Roses to Mr. and Mrs. Dodds for kindly allowing the use of their property on such short notice. Thanks for contributing to the success of our tracking course. SSGSAR

Thank-you, thank-you to all the drivers in the Booth Canal area who slow down for horses on the road! These drivers also wave and smile. Much appreciated! (From the shy and sometimes nervous horses)

A lovely, delicately scented bouquet to the lady who found my purse on Blackburn Road and turned it in. Such a wonderful welcome to a new resident. T.

Humungous roses with belated but sincere thanks to the coast guard, the BCAS crew, Lawrence and the fire-

fighters for their spectacular Zodiac rescue from Nose Point, August 31. Most impressive and greatly appreciated!

Roses to the team of the "Salt Spring Carolers," who raised about \$1,525 in the Run for the Cure. Way to go! Thanks for being at the finish line, Carole. You are an inspiration to us all and we love you.

Really Sorry

I'm really sorry for making the kind staff member of Island Star Video diligently search the shelves and the computer for a movie I insisted was called Zorro something (not The Mask of Zorro) when in fact it was Don Juan Di Marco I was looking for. MM

More letters

Rescued

I went to see my doctor a few days ago, and as I entered, a car pulled up.

Just before I closed the door I heard a soft whimpering sound — rather like the one that Deb Hagarty described in her letter last week — and there, beside me, was a small, shrivelled scrotum, which said, "I hitch-hiked up from Ganges to see a doctor about getting re-attached, as I am lonely, and find it very cold on my own." "You'd better come in," I said, and held the door open for him.

As I was leaving, I heard the doctor's receptionist say, "You're next, Mr. Scrotum."

Because of doctor-patient confidentiality, I do not know what happened, and I haven't seen Arvid, since then, so I can only hope for the best.

I.M. Hunt,
 Sharp Road

No alternative

While Deb Hagarty and my wife both show admirable concern for the welfare of the unfortunate scrotum, I wonder if anyone but me has given any thought to its equally unfortunate occupants?

I know of no alternative accommodation that is available for them, and I shudder to think what fate might await them if their residence is not found — soon.

And where are they now? So, if you find them, please keep them warm and comfortable until they can go home.

In the meantime, keep Arvid posted.
 C.V. HUNT,
 Sharp Road

The Living Word

Jesus answered I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the father except through me. Jesus loves you.
 John 14:6

WINSOME WHITE
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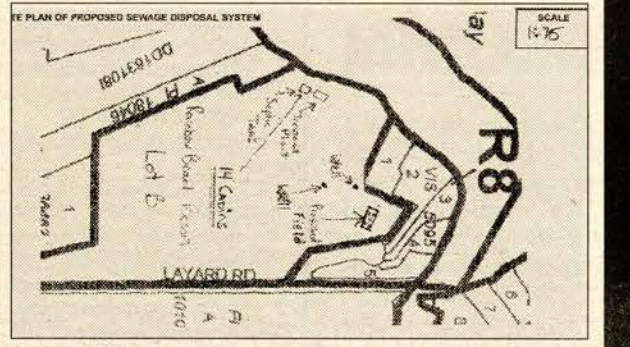
NOTICE

RE: Construction of Sewage Disposal System for Lot B, Plan 40097, (Rainbow Beach Resort), 194 Layard Rd.

A permit for construction has been issued subject to the following conditions: Alternate method - treatment plant. Shallow Trench (24" wide x 18" deep). Filter cloth required over chamber. Pump chamber required. Pressure distribution. Place 6" of clean sand in bottom of disposal field trenches. Final system plan required.

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Ginger is a very large neutered male. He isn't too fond of kids but gets along fine with dogs. He is used to being indoors.

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Shadow is a stray from Mountairview Road. She is about 4 years old.

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Positive expression at hip-hop workshop

By RACHEL COPPING
Driftwood Contributor
The first Youth.comUnity meeting of the year at the Core Inn saw a great turnout.

YOUTH COLUMN

Local teens from Gulf Islands Secondary School and Phoenix High, recent graduates, former members and adult facilitators all came to the September 26 meeting of Salt Spring's youth council.

Exciting things are already in the works.

The first event on the agenda is a free drop-in DJ workshop at the Core Inn on Thursday, October 16 from 7-9 p.m.. It will be taught by Ben, a youth council member and experienced DJ.

The workshop will include mixing, scratching and beat-matching techniques, and hip-hop-themed videos such as Wild Style and Style Wars. An informal introduction to the basics, it is geared towards positive expression for youth.

Participants will be given one-on-one instruction and hands-on experience that will be catered to individual need and skill level. The night is meant to be a relaxed, respectful and educational form of entertainment focussed on the history and culture of hip-hop, the techniques of "turntable-ism" and an alternative creative outlet for island teens.

Anyone keen on putting words to the beats, performing freestyle and writing hip-hop poetry is also welcome to join in, along with people who might want to just observe.

Several other events are currently being discussed, such as the Safe Ride program, games night, "Adopt-a-Garbage Can" and Salt Spring Idol.

So watch for upcoming Driftwood articles, and anyone wanting input may attend the next meeting of Youth.comUnity at the Core Inn on Wednesday, October 22 at 6 p.m. or contact Jamin at the Core Inn.



CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT NOTICE OF OTHER VOTING MAYNE ISLAND WATER REFERENDA

SURFSIDE PARK ESTATES WATER REFERENDUM

Take notice that below is a copy of the proposed bylaws for which the electors of Surfside Park Estates Water System, situated on Mayne Island in the Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area, will be asked to vote on the following question: "Are you in favour of the Capital Regional District Board adopting Bylaw No. 3087, Surfside Park Estates Water Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2003 to create a service to operate a water supply system and Bylaw No. 3088, Surfside Park Estates Water Service Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1, 2003 to permit borrowing of up to \$272,000 for constructing new waterworks? Yes or No"

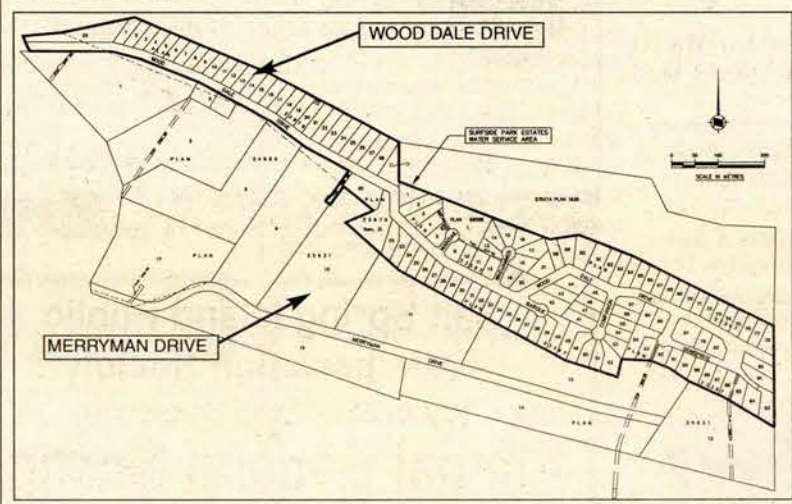
CRD Bylaw No. 3087

A Bylaw To Establish A Service Area Within The Electoral Area Of Southern Gulf Islands For The Purposes Of Operating A Water Supply System

The Board of the Capital Regional District enacts as follows:

- The service being established, and to be operated, is the supply, conveyance, treatment, storage and distribution of water to be known as the Surfside Park Estates Water Service.
- The boundaries of the service area are shown in heavy outline on the plan attached to this Bylaw as Schedule "A".
- Only the Electoral Area of the Southern Gulf Islands includes a participating area for this service.
- The annual costs for the service may be recovered by one or more of the following: (a) by the requisition of money under Section 806 of the Local Government Act to be collected by a property value tax to be levied and collected on land and improvements within the service area; (b) by way of an annual parcel tax; (c) by the imposition of fees and charges to be imposed by bylaw under Section 797.2 of the Local Government Act; or (d) by revenues raised by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant or otherwise.
- The maximum amount that may be requisitioned for the service will be the greater of: (a) (\$79,500) seventy-nine thousand five hundred dollars; or (b) an amount equal to the amount that could be raised by a property value tax rate of (\$13.97) thirteen dollars and ninety-seven cents per (\$1,000) one thousand dollars which, when applied to the net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area, will yield the maximum amount that may be requisitioned under Section 806.1 of the Local Government Act for the service.
- This Bylaw may be cited as the "Surfside Park Estates Water Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2003".

Schedule "A" to Bylaw 3087
Surfside Park Estates
Water Service Area



CRD Bylaw No. 3088

A Bylaw To Authorize The Borrowing Of Two Hundred And Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars (\$272,000) For Constructing New Waterworks For The Surfside Park Estates Water Service Area

The Board of the Capital Regional District in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- The Board is hereby empowered and authorized to undertake and carry out or cause to be carried out the planning, study, design and construction of works for the provision of the facilities and equipment herein before described and to do all things necessary in connection therewith and without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (a) to borrow upon the credit of the Regional District a sum not exceeding Two Hundred and Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars (\$272,000); (b) to acquire all such real property, easements, rights-of-way, leases, licenses, rights or authorities as may be requisite or desirable for or in connection with the planning, study, design and construction of a system of water supply, conveyance, treatment, storage and distribution of water and all related ancillary works, studies and equipment deemed necessary by the Board.
- The maximum term for which debentures may be issued to secure the debt intended to be created by this bylaw is 15 years.
- This Bylaw may be cited as the "Surfside Park Estates Water Service Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1, 2003".

Taxation Impact of Bylaws No. 3087 & 3088

The estimated annual cost to a property owner is projected to be \$293, paid as a parcel tax; and the estimated additional cost for a water user is projected to be \$760.

VOTING OPPORTUNITIES

Qualified electors may vote at the following places on GENERAL VOTING DAY FOR OTHER VOTING:

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2003, 8:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.:
• Georgina Lighthouse Heritage Park, 171 Georgina Point Road, Mayne Island, BC

ADVANCE VOTING DAYS FOR OTHER VOTING -
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29 & NOVEMBER 5, 2003, 8:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.:
• Georgina Lighthouse Heritage Park, 171 Georgina Point Road, Mayne Island, BC

VOTER QUALIFICATIONS

You are entitled to vote as a **Resident Elector** if you are 18 years or older on voting day (November 8, 2003), are a Canadian Citizen, have resided in British Columbia for six months and have resided in your community (ie. one of the water service areas described above) for 30 days. If registering on voting day, you must provide two documents proving identity and residency, one of which must have a signature.

You are entitled to vote as a **Non-Resident Property Elector** if you are 18 years or older on voting day (November 8, 2003), are a Canadian Citizen, have resided in British Columbia for six months, have owned and held registered title to property within the boundaries of the local community (ie. one of the water service areas described above) for 30 days and do not qualify as a Resident Elector. You are entitled to vote as a **Non-Resident Property Elector** provided that you: (a) have registered on or before September 24, 2003, **OR** (b) have applied for and received a certificate, prior to voting day, which entitles you to register as a Non-Resident Property Elector (certificate **MUST** be presented at the time of voting); **OR** (c) apply for a certificate, at the time and place of voting, which entitles you to register as a Non-Resident Property Elector, if the following information is provided at the time of application:

- a recent land title registration of the real property OR a property tax notice, which will show the names of all the registered owners; **AND**
- 2 pieces of identification (one of which must have a signature), **AND**
- in the case of more than one owner of the property, a completed consent form signed by the majority of the owners designating you as the person entitled to vote for the property.

Thomas F. Moore and Mary Cooper have been appointed Chief Election Officer and Deputy Chief Election Officer, respectively, for the purpose of taking and recording the vote of electors. For questions regarding voting and voter registration call CRD @ 250-360-3129 or Toll Free 1-800-663-4425 local 3129, or Mr. Tom Moore @ 250-472-0059.

Dated this 9th day of October, 2003
Thomas F. Moore, Chief Election Officer

SKANA WATER REFERENDUM

Take notice that below is a copy of the proposed bylaws for which the electors of Skana Water System, situated on Mayne Island in the Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area, will be asked to vote on the following question: "Are you in favour of the Capital Regional District Board adopting Bylaw No. 3089, Skana Water Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2003 to create a service to operate a water supply system and Bylaw No. 3090, Skana Water Service Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1, 2003 to permit borrowing of up to \$157,700 for constructing new waterworks? Yes or No"

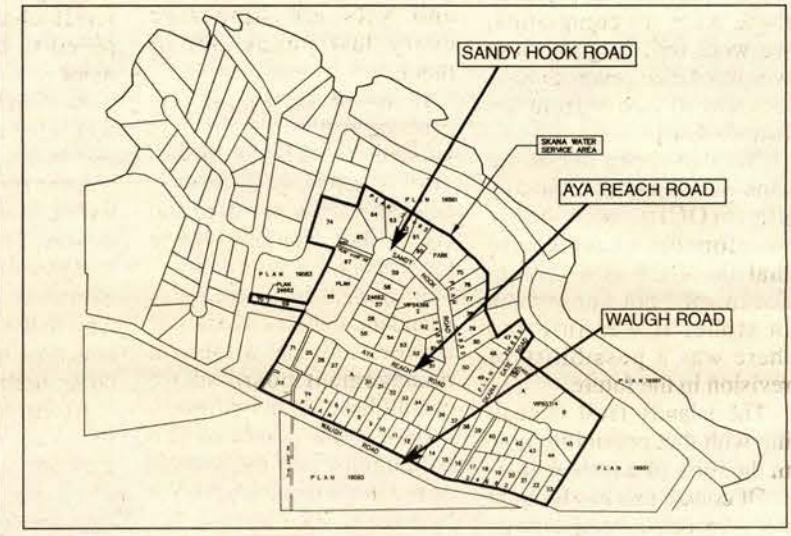
Bylaw No. 3089

A Bylaw To Establish A Service Area Within The Electoral Area Of Southern Gulf Islands For The Purposes Of Operating A Water Supply System

The Board of the Capital Regional District enacts as follows:

- The service being established, and to be operated, is the supply, conveyance, treatment, storage and distribution of water to be known as the Skana Water Service.
- The boundaries of the service area are shown in heavy outline on the plan attached to this Bylaw as Schedule "A".
- Only the Electoral Area of the Southern Gulf Islands includes a participating area for this service.
- The annual costs for the service may be recovered by one or more of the following: (a) by the requisition of money under Section 806 of the Local Government Act to be collected by a property value tax to be levied and collected on land and improvements within the service area; (b) by way of an annual parcel tax; (c) by the imposition of fees and charges to be imposed by bylaw under Section 797.2 of the Local Government Act; or (d) by revenues raised by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant or otherwise.
- The maximum amount that may be requisitioned for the service will be the greater of: (a) (\$54,100) fifty-four thousand one hundred dollars; or (b) an amount equal to the amount that could be raised by a property value tax rate of (\$9.65) nine dollars and sixty-five cents per (\$1,000) one thousand dollars which, when applied to the net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area, will yield the maximum amount that may be requisitioned under Section 806.1 of the Local Government Act for the service.
- This Bylaw may be cited as the "Skana Water Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2003".

Schedule "A" to Bylaw 3089
Skana Water Service Area



Bylaw No. 3090

A Bylaw To Authorize The Borrowing Of One Hundred And Fifty Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$157,700) For Constructing New Waterworks For The Skana Water Service Area

The Board of the Capital Regional District in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- The Board is hereby empowered and authorized to undertake and carry out or cause to be carried out the planning, study, design and construction of works for the provision of the facilities and equipment herein before described and to do all things necessary in connection therewith and without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (a) to borrow upon the credit of the Regional District a sum not exceeding One Hundred and Fifty-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$157,700); (b) to acquire all such real property, easements, rights-of-way, leases, licenses, rights or authorities as may be requisite or desirable for or in connection with the planning, study, design and construction of a system of water supply, conveyance, treatment, storage and distribution of water and all related ancillary works, studies and equipment deemed necessary by the Board.
- The maximum term for which debentures may be issued to secure the debt intended to be created by this bylaw is 15 years.
- This Bylaw may be cited as the "Skana Water Service Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1, 2003".

Taxation Impact of Bylaws No. 3089 and 3090

The estimated annual cost to a property owner is projected to be \$240.55, paid as a parcel tax; and the estimated additional cost for a water user is projected to be \$686.

A copy of the complete bylaws may be viewed at the following offices of the Capital Regional District (CRD) from October 9th to November 7, 2003, excluding statutory holidays:

- **CRD Administration Dept.**, 524 Yates Street, 3rd Floor, Victoria, BC, (Mon. -Fri., 8:30 am-4:30 pm) Telephone 250-360-3129 or 1-800-663-4425 local 3129
 - **CRD Building Inspection** (Southern Gulf Islands), #210-771 Vernon Ave. (Gateway Village), Victoria, BC (Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am-4:30 pm) Telephone 250-475-1581
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Vacation rentals practise not a 'force of darkness'

By ARLENE DASHWOOD

Much has been written about vacation rentals lately, most of it by people and groups who are opposed.

I am always surprised at the intensity of the letters, but recently have become disturbed and amazed by the tactics of some (See October 1 Driftwood).

There is a "call" out there to lump together all of the so-called island issues and provide one concentrated voice of protest. In other words, don't look at any issue on its own, just raise your voice against everything that the group deems as "forces of darkness"! Really!

Fortunately, this community is filled with intelligent people who are open-minded, independent thinkers. It is to you I now speak about vacation rentals.

As background information, for many years we who had vacation rental homes were told that as long as there were no complaints, we were OK. In good faith we proceeded, even though this was ill advice from the Islands Trust.

We also spoke out at the time the official community plan (OCP) was being developed, but were told that the OCP is a "living document," not one written in stone. It was inferred there was a possibility of revision in the future.

The Islands Trust is dealing with that possibility now in the form of a review.

Of course this has brought out the organized troops who are adamantly opposed.

I don't object to that. We live in a part of the world with freedom of speech and an island where political activism is a part of everyday life. What I object to is the statements that are taken as truth before they are looked at critically and separately, to see if they apply to any or all vacation rentals.

Here are some of the stated concerns:

1) Noisy guests who have wild parties. It is pretty well acknowledged that there are very few parties that can be blamed on vacation rentals. Most of our guests come to enjoy the quiet beauty of the island. This potential problem could certainly be addressed, if vacation rentals were legalized, by cancelling the owners' "permit," if legitimate com-



plaints were found valid.

2) Real estate prices have skyrocketed because of vacation rentals. We live in one of the most desirable parts of the world. It only makes sense to acknowledge what a privilege it is to live here and recognize that other people may want to come here too. It follows naturally that our properties will increase in value. This has nothing to do with vacation rentals. Those who live here set the selling prices.

3) There are too many tourists brought here by vacation rentals. This argument is easily recognized as being against tourism per se, and can't be blamed on vacation rentals. It is ludicrous to suggest the tourists are our "natural resource" and VRs are squeezing every last penny out of them.

If this were true, it certainly would have to be applied to B&Bs, galleries, craftspeople, restaurants, farmers market vendors and every other enterprise linked to tourism.

If tourism is a concern to islanders, then let us ask our trustees to enact a tourism management board so we can all have input on how to balance the needs of the community and the growth of tourism on our island. We have an economic base that has tourism as a vital part.

4) Vacation rentals are impacting our water resources. Again, this is an issue that is far broader than VRs. If you are going to point the finger, then why is it OK to allow "purpose built" B&Bs, that add six to eight guests per night, in rooms with large bathtubs?

This is an island-wide issue that should be addressed with limits on water use applied overall, not just to a few. I understand that the CRD is already initiating a dialogue between all of the individual water boards on the island. This is action in the right direction, if it works to educate and advise all islanders about water conservation.

5) Affordable housing is being taken away by vaca-

tion rentals. It is generally acknowledged that most VRs would not fall within the category of "affordable."

What is not mentioned is that most of the VR houses are either owned and lived in by islanders for the rest of the year, or owned and used during the year by future Salt Spring retirees, and are not available for rental.

Our trustees, along with community groups, are working actively to find solutions to the affordable housing dilemma and should be supported in their efforts.

It is not an easy issue, but is an island-wide one that will take responsible community effort over the years.

6) Some say don't change the OCP. Written within the mandate of the OCP is a requirement that it be reviewed every five years. One assumes there was recognition when it was drafted that changes would be required as the island itself changes. It is supposed to be a living document.

Remember that B&Bs were once an illegal land use on Salt Spring.

Legalizing vacation rentals would put control in the hands of the islanders. Regulations and requirements can be drawn up in a way that respond to the real concerns of neighbours and communities.

At the same time, legalizing VRs recognizes that they are a traditional part of the island, providing an option for visitors, while being a net contributor to the island.

Salt Spring has changed so much over the years. We now have an interconnected economic base that allows families and young people to earn a living here. Tourism is an important part of that base. Tourist accommodations are within it and vacation rental homes are one type of tourist accommodation that allows families to experience the island.

Let's not take a step backwards and remove VRs just because they are currently outside the bylaws.

I ask you to support their legalization and work to address the real concerns of this community we live in.

The writer is chair of the Association for Short-term Accommodation Rentals.



WALKING IN THE WIND AND THE RAIN: Brittanie O'Donnell feels the full force of blistery fall weather as she takes a walk with an umbrella through town last weekend.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

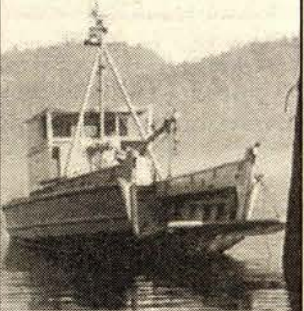
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7:00 pm, Thursday, October 30, 2003
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Gulf Islands FSA results don't reflect B.C. picture

Minister of Education Christy Clark might be complaining about provincial reading results from this year's Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) tests, but bookworm Gulf Islands' students outperformed their peers from cover to cover.

"The FSA results came with the minister's comment that reading has declined and needs attention. That didn't happen in our district," said superintendent Wendy Herbert at the Gulf Islands School Board meeting at Saturna Elementary School on October 8.

"Student results in reading are not as strong as those for math and writing, which is why government is focussing on literacy this year," minister Clark said when she released the FSA results on October 1.

The FSA measures performance of 150,000 B.C. students in grades 4, 7 and 10 in math, reading and writing.

Local FSA results placed School District #64 uniformly above other B.C. districts in reading but below provincial expectations for writing. Gulf Islands students met or exceeded provincial targets for numeracy.

Herbert believes that Grade 10 students will also see improved results with new provincial exams being piloted in the spring.

FSA results do not contribute toward student marks while the provincial exams will merit 20 per cent of final grades.

"These will be worth something," School trustee Russ Searle

indicated that a minimum of five years' data will be required to draw any conclusions from the FSA (first implemented in 2000).

And trustee Charles Hingston noted that the FSA is one component of a much larger assessment process, and results should be evaluated accordingly.

"Whenever we look at one little part, we get into trouble."

Local school planning councils (SPC) will review results from last year's provincial exams, June 2003 reports, the early success program and FSA results in preparation for school accountability contracts, which are due December 31.

Local Grade 4 student results show that islanders aced reading and math but slipped below provincial expectations for writing:

- Eighty-two per cent of local Grade 4 students met or exceeded expectations for reading (compared to 77 per cent province wide). Gulf Islands School District (GISD) students' scores dropped from 87 per cent in 2002.

- Eighty-nine per cent of local Grade 4 students met or exceeded expectations for writing (compared to 94 per cent province wide). GISD students' scores dropped from 93 per cent in 2002.

- Ninety-two per cent of local Grade 4 students met or exceeded expectations for numeracy (compared to 87 per cent province wide). GISD students' scores

dropped from 95 per cent in 2002.

The assessment showed a similar trend for Grade 7 students on the Gulf Islands:

- Eighty-one per cent of local Grade 7 students met or exceeded expectations for reading (compared to 77 per cent province wide). GISD students' scores increased from 72 per cent in 2002.

- Sixty-eight per cent of local Grade 7 students met or exceeded expectations for writing (compared to 79 per cent province wide). GISD students' scores increased from 57 per cent in 2002.

- Eighty-five per cent of local Grade 7 students met or exceeded expectations for numeracy (compared to 84 per cent province wide). GISD students' scores increased from 81 per cent in 2002.

Local Grade 10 students' results remained most consistent with provincial findings:

- Seventy-eight per cent of local Grade 10 students met or exceeded expectations for reading (compared to 74 per cent province wide), but dropped from 88 per cent in 2002.

- Eighty per cent of local Grade 10 students met or exceeded expectations for writing (compared to 83 per cent province wide). GISD scores increased from 79 per cent in 2002.

- Seventy-six per cent of local Grade 10 students met or exceeded expectations for numeracy (compared to 78 per cent province wide). Scores dropped from 80 per cent in 2002.

Local schools losing students

New enrolment figures for the Gulf Islands School District continue to show a slow decline but the numbers weren't as bad as administrators expected for this year.

"It's not great news but it's better than we were anticipating," announced secretary treasurer Rod Scotvold at the Gulf Islands School Board meeting on Saturna Island October 8.

As of September 30, School District #64 served the equivalent of 1,587.25 students.

The total is down 30.62

full-time equivalents (FTE) from last year, noted Scotvold.

As a note, kindergarten students, part-time adult students and students in the district learners partnership program (DLPP) do not count as full-time students for accounting procedures.

The DLPP had 46.5 FTE students registered as of September 30, with almost no change from last year (46 FTE).

The district's international student population has grown to approximately 70 students this year, compared to 30 in

the 2001-2002 pilot year.

The Gulf Islands saw an enrolment decline of students in adult programs, he said.

There are 64.63 FTE students attending programs at secondary learning centres as opposed to 90 FTE last year.

"We've done a real push to increase our adult population in the last two years," said Scotvold.

The September tally is used to determine educational funding for school districts but it was still too early to present a budget for the October board meeting, Scotvold said.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE

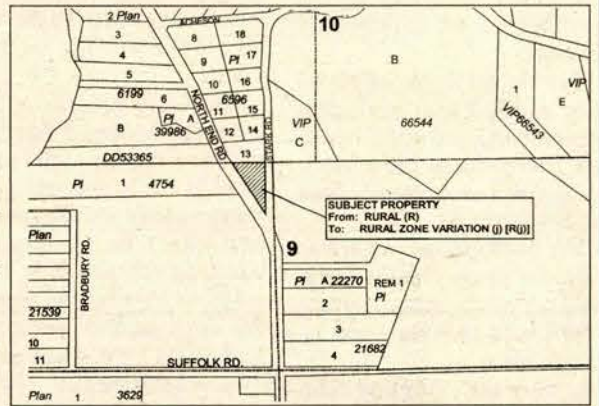
Proposed Bylaws No. 387 and No. 390

NOTICE is hereby given that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing concerning proposed bylaws numbered 387 and 390 for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained therein. 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. Each bylaw is scheduled to be heard at a specific time, as noted below, and will be preceded by a public information session.

DATE: Wednesday, October 29, 2003
LOCATION: Multi-Purpose Room – Gulf Islands Secondary School
 232 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island
TIME: As noted below

5:00 – 5:30 pm: Public Information Session
5:30 – 6:00 pm: Proposed Land Use Bylaw No. 390 – Waldorf School, 120 Stark Road

Proposed Bylaw No. 390, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 6, 2003". In general terms, the purpose of proposed Bylaw No. 390 is to amend SSI Land Use Bylaw No. 355 to add a new zone variation regulation to permit a school that provides education of children up to and including Grade 8, and to rezone That Part of Section 9, Range 1 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Lying to the East of North End Road, from Rural (R) to Rural Zone Variation (j) – R(j), as shown on the adjacent sketch map:



6:00 – 6:30 pm: Public Information Session
6:30 pm onwards: Proposed Land Use Bylaw No. 387 – Royal Victoria Yacht Club, 105 Ontario Place

Proposed Bylaw No. 387, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 4, 2003". In general terms, the purpose of proposed Bylaw No. 387 is to amend SSI Land Use Bylaw No. 355 to add two new zone variation regulations for the purpose of permitting private yacht club outstation facilities at 105 Ontario Place, and to change the zoning classification of Lot C, District Lot 21, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 31071, from Rural (R) to Rural Zone Variation (g) – R(g), and by changing the zoning classification of District Water Lot 585, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, from Shoreline 1 (S1) to Shoreline 1 Zone Variation (a) – S1(a), as shown on the adjacent sketch map:



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 Wednesday, October 15, 2003, and up to and including Wednesday, October 29, 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 Wednesday, October 15, 2003, and up to and including Wednesday, October 29, 2003. Copies of Proposed Bylaws 387 and 390 are also available on the Islands Trust website at: www.islandstrust.bc.ca

Enquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust at (250) 537-9144, or by 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:
 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 Wednesday, October 29, 2003;
 2. after 4:30 pm to the **Local Trust Committee at the Public Hearing.**

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
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244	358	CH	Days of Our Lives	CH News		Go! Mag.	70s	70s	Ed	K Queens/Becker	Karen Sisco	Sp'rtPage	CH News			
243	321	CTVBC	Sharon Osbourne	CTV News at Five	News		eTalk	Access	WifeKids	Degrassi	The West Wing	Law & Order	News	News		
241	336	GBLBC	Oprah Winfrey	News	National	News	ET	Train 48	70s	70s	Gilmore Girls	The Brotherhood	News			
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242	359	CITY	John Walsh Show	Maury Povich Show	News		B. Date	5. Wheel	Enterprise	The Bachelor IV	B. Date	5. Wheel	News	Speaker		
454	523	BRAVO	Detective	Theatre	Go to the Grand	The Diary of Evelyn Lau	Sandra Oh.	Law & Order	NYPD Blue	Mondo (1996)	Ovidiu Balan.	Movie				
436	560	TLC	Daring Robbery	Dangerous Pursuits	Junkyard Wars	Mega Machines	Dangerous Pursuits	Junkyard Wars	Mega Machines	Daring Robbery	Leonard	ALF				
483	541	FAM	15Recess	40Possible	Pr'd Fam	McGuire	All That	Leonard	So Raven	Jackson	Boy MW	Heartbeat	Gremlins	Zach Galligan.	40BoyMW	
450	520	A&E	American Justice	Biography	American Justice	American Justice	Third Watch	Biography	American Justice	American Justice	Third Watch	Biography	American Justice	American Justice		
400	400	TSN	MolsonH.	Profile	2 Minutes	Hockey NHL	Boston Bruins vs Dallas Stars	Sportscentre	Strongmn	Poker World Series	Fins&S.	Sportscentre				
407	419	RSP	News	News	Baseball National League Series	MLB Fla./Chi.C.	Sportsnet News	Soccer C.	GottaSee	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News				
23	KSTW	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier	Frasier	K Queens	K Queens	70s	70s	EyeNews	Becker	Becker	Spin City			
24	KVOS	Ellen	St. Smart	Ripley's	Dating	Elimidate	K Queens	Becker	Top Secret!	(1984)	Val Kilmer.	W&Grace	J. Shoot	Dating	Cheers	Steinmetz (1h45)
333	382	KCPQ	3rd Rock	J. Shoot	Baseball National League Series	MLB Fla./Chi.C.	Q It Up	King Hill	Friends	Friends	Q-13 News	Star Trek: Voyager				
511	390	NEWS	News: Canada Now	Counterspin	The National/Mag.	Antiques Rd.	Counterspin	National	Business	Antiques Roadshow	Counterspin					
332	381	KIRO	J. Judy	J. Judy	KIRO News	News	News	ET	Access	60 Minutes II	K Queens	Becker	The Brotherhood	News	Letterm	
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472	583	CMT	CMT Central	Little House Prairie	Reba	Reba	Evening	Wings	CMT Central	Little House Prairie	Evening	Wings	Reba	Reba		

THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

- WEDNESDAY, OCT 15**
- 6:00 PM
14 The Diary of Evelyn Lau (1993, True) The story of a woman's painful journey into the world of prostitution and drugs. *Sandra Oh, Harrison Liu (2h)*
- 7:00 PM
3 And She Was (2002, Comedy) A man meets a woman who is determined to show him happiness. *Dorothea Mercuri, Richar Steinmetz (1h45)*
- 8:00 PM
24 ★★ Top Secret! (1984, Comedy) An Elvis-like rock star becomes embroiled in espionage while touring through East Germany. *Val Kilmer, Lucy Gutteridge (2h)*
- 8:45 PM
3 ★★★★★ Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (2001, Fantasy) A hobbit embarks on an epic quest to destroy an ancient ring of evil entrusted to him. *Elijah Wood, Ian McKellan (3h)*
- 9:00 PM
19 ★★ Gremlins (1984, Comedy) An unusual pet spawns a legion of vicious, violent monsters who cause unstoppable chaos. *Zach Galligan, Phoebe Cates (1h40)*
- 10:00 PM
14 Mondo (1996, Drama) An adaptation of J.M.G. Le Clezio's tale of a mysterious boy, homeless in Nice, France. *Ovidiu Balan, Philippe Petit (1h30)*
- 11:30 PM
14 ★★ The Children of the Century (1999, Drama) A look at the life of pioneering pre-feminist author George Sand, and her stormy romance. *Juliette Binoche, Benoît Magimel (2h30)*
- 11:45 PM
3 ★ Dead Awake (2001, Drama) An insomniac unwittingly witnesses a murder while taking a walk through the streets. *Stephen Baldwin, Machia Grenon (1h45)*

- THURSDAY, OCT 16**
- 7:00 PM
3 ★★★★★ Insomnia (2002, Thriller) A detective finds himself entangled in a twisted game of extortion with a murder suspect. *Al Pacino, Robin Williams (2h)*
- 8:00 PM
24 ★★ Big Trouble in Little China (1986, Action) A trucker witnesses his friend's fiancée being kidnapped by an ancient magician. *Kurt Russell, Kim Cattrall (2h)*
- 9:00 PM
3 ★ Seconds to Spare (2002, Action) A former DEA agent and recent parolee hunt for the ex-CIA agent who framed him. *Antonio Jr. Sabato, Kate Beahan (2h)*
- 13 ★★ Violet (2000, Comedy)** A woman searches for the meaning of life as her fifty-fifth birthday approaches. *Mary Walsh, Andrew Youngusband (2h)*
- 19 ★★ Almost an Angel (1990, Comedy)** A criminal who almost dies in an accident realizes he must make a big change in his life. *Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski (1h30)*
- 20 ★★ Rain Man (1988, Drama)** A man finds out that his dad's wealth was inherited by an autistic brother he never knew. *Dustin Hoffman, Tom Cruise (3h)*
- 29 ★★ The Missionary (1982, Comedy)** An missionary is called back from Africa to take charge of a mission for prostitutes. *Michael Palin, Maggie Smith (2h)*
- 10:00 PM
14 ★★ Kidnapped (1971, Drama) A Scotsman is cheated out of his fortune and sent to North America by his evil uncle. *Michael Caine, Trevor Howard (2h)*

- FRIDAY, OCT 17**
- 7:00 PM
3 ★ Abandon (2002, Thriller) A student under pressure struggles to understand her boyfriend's strange disappearance. *Katie Holmes, Benjamin Bratt (1h45)*
- 7:30 PM
19 When Good Ghoul's Go Bad



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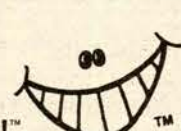
"Café Ssplash"

Café Ssplash is still open at Portlock Park during soccer matches on weekends between now and the end of March. Soccer families and passers-by -- treat yourselves and your kids .. and help support the indoor pool campaign, working for a healthy community. The Café purchases as much as it can from island businesses, so they benefit as well. To date the Café has netted more than \$6600.00! Rita Sagness [538-0101] would welcome more volunteers for the Café.

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240	CBC	7:00 Get Set For Life	TH Get Set For Life	Get Set For Life	News	R. Green	Various	Canada	W TH TU Antiques...	Coron. St	Emmerd.					
600	MC	Various Movies	Various Movies	Various Movies	Various Movies				Various Movies							
4	NewVI	7:00 New Day	CityLine	Various	DataC.	Earth: Final Conflict	All My Children	One Life to Live	Touched By Angel	Relic Hunter						
330	379	KING	7:00 Today Show	Martha Stewart	Ellen Degeneres	News	Days of Our Lives	Passions	Dr. Phil							
244	358	CH	Gold Trail/BodyHlth	Oprah Winfrey	The Price is Right	Young & Restless	News / TU CH News	Various	Travel	Passion M	Various	BodyHlth	Myst.Ink			
243	321	CTVBC	6:30 Canada AM	Regis & Kelly	The View	Balance	Planet	Balance	Bold & B.	Various	Gabereau	General Hospital	Dr. Phil			
241	336	GBLBC	6:00 News	100 Huntley Street	Worldvision	Cross O.	MoneyW.	News	As the World Turns	Passions	Young & Restless					
443	383	KCTS	Various	DragonT	Caillou	Barney	Sesame Street	Read R. Rogers	B. Lions	Baking	Kitchen	Various	Garden	Teletub.	Zoboom	Various
101	SRC	7:00 Matin express	Cinéma variées	Ricardo	L'Heure du Midi	Place publique							Variées	Caserne	Ricardo	Art Attack
445	354	KNOW	Various	45 Fish	Lit. Bear	Various	15 Castle	35 Hoobs	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Padding.
242	359	CITY	6:00 Breakfast TV	Star Trek: DSN	The Lost World	CityLine	Cooks	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Media TV	Cooks
454	523	BRAVO	Various	M Yexas	Various	Law & Order	Various	Various	Various	Devil K..	Various	45News	Videos	Various		
436	560	TLC	DatingSt	DatingSt	Makeover	Makeover	Various	Proposal	Wedding	Wedding	BabyStory	BabyStory	Trading Spaces	While You Were Out	Clean Sweep	
483	541	FAM	Gadget	Various	20 Pooh	45Stanley	10 Henry	40 Elmo	Various	50Recess	10BoyMW	35 ALF	Various	45Chip&D	10Houndz	35 Mouse
450	520	A&E	Murder She Wrote	City Confidential	American Justice	Various	Various	Various	Murder She Wrote	Murder She Wrote	City Confidential					
400	400	TSN	Sportscentre	Off Rec	Various	Billiards	Tennis	Various	Various	Various	Various	TH F Golf	Various	Strongmn	Interrupt	Off Rec
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23	KSTW	7:00 Club	Lucy	Lucy	Rosean'	Rosean'	Ricki Lake		The People's Court	Divorce	Divorce	Hughleys	Sabrina	Home I.	Home I.	
24	KVOS	Wild Things	Paid	Ozzie&H	The People's Court	Pyramid	FamFeud	Cagney & Lacey	Seventh Heaven	Montel Williams	Diagnosis	Murder				
333	382	KCPQ	6:00 News	Good Day Live	Sharon Osbourne	Jerry Springer	Maury Povich Show	Starting Over	Jerry Springer	Maury Povich Show						
511	390	NEWS	News	News	News	News	Various	News	News	News	News	Canadian	Politics / F Politics	News	Various	
332	381	KIRO	Tife Early Show	Montel Williams	The Price is Right	Young & Restless	News	Bold & B.	As the World Turns	The Guiding Light	J. Brown	Justice				
331	380	KOMO	7:00 Morning Am.	Regis & Kelly	The View	KOMO 4 News	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Northwest						
438	394	VISION	It's a New Day	Mass	Various	Neon Rider	Youngren	LifeToday	Various	Various	Promised Land	Twice in a Lifetime				
472	583	CMT	7:00 Coast/Awards	CMT Big 12	Heart and Home	HotWire	Heart and Home	DJ-U	Heart&H.	Power Trip						

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(2001,Adventure) A boy teams up with a ghoulish and tries to save his town from a legendary prankster ghost. Joe Pichler, Christopher Lloyd (1h30)
(2001,Adventure) A town of independent blacks struggle against the white racists that seek to crush it. Mario Van Peebles, Stephen Baldwin (2h)
(2001,Adventure) A gubernatorial candidate alleged suicide triggers a series of mysterious deaths. Tony Curtis, James Brolin (2h)
(2002,Drama) A teenager goes through a series of foster homes when her mother is imprisoned. Michelle Pfeiffer, Renée Zellweger (2h)
(2001,Action) An aging race car driver is forced to mentor a young driver to satisfy a promoter. Sylvester Stallone, Kip Pardue (2h)
(1996,Sci-Fi) An astronomer stumbles upon an alien conspiracy involving global warming and colonization. Charlie Sheen, Ron Silver (2h)
(1999,Drama) A high school basketball reunion crumbles the foundation of the players' very lives. Vincent D'Onofrio, Terry Kinney (2h30)
(1971,Romance) Two men try to get used to life after they discover a 100 percent successful aphrodisiac. Kenneth Cope, Philippa Gail (1h45)
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(1992,Drama) Une femme souffrant de névrose cherche à se venger. Rebecca De Mornay, Julianne Moore (2h30)
(2002,Comedy/Drama) A young woman with aspirations of going to college must work in the family dress factory. America Ferrera, Lupe Ontiveros (1h30)
(1980,Comedy) A pampered woman joins the army, thinking she is signing up at a luxurious resort. Goldie Hawn, Eileen Brennan (1h35)
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(1959,Animated) An evil witch declares that before Aurora reaches sixteenth birthday she will die. Voices of Mary Costa, Eleanor Audley (2h)
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Gold medal-seeking rower needs 'adoption'

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

A local athlete bound for the biggest rowing regatta in the United States is hoping islanders will put some sponsorship weight behind his oars as he tries to win a gold medal for Canada.

Former islander Barney Williams already swept to victory as part of the Canadian men's coxless-four team at the 2003 World Rowing Championships in Italy on August 30.

Williams and teammates Thomas Herschmiller, Jake Wetzel and Cameron Baerg won the 2,000-metre race in an upset that left previous winners Great Britain and Germany in the Canadians' wake.

Now the gold-medal rowing team is bound for the prestigious Head of Charles Regatta (HOCR) in Boston October 18-19 to take on the best U.S. teams.

Canada hasn't fielded teams for the HOCR since the mid 1990s.

"It's the largest 'head race' in North America. There are over 250,000 spectators on the banks," Williams said.

A "head race" is a format where competitors race the clock. But even though the boats won't be racing side by side, the action should still be exciting, he noted.

"The Americans will be trying to beat us there, so it won't be an entirely laid-back affair."

Williams will also be rooting for his wife Buffy at the HOCR. She's a member of the Canadian women's-eights crew that won bronze in Italy.

Once the Canadian rowing crews return from Boston, they will compete in the Olympic trials at Elk Lake November 21-23.

Williams is looking for community participants to join him in the Olympic dream.

"The phrase 'adopt an athlete' has been used before," he said.

"The concept would be to have some kind of personal interaction with a smaller company or a small business. And in exchange for their monetary support, I would provide them with a really unique perspective on the Olympic experience."

Supporting an athlete encourages people to get personally involved in the games, he said.

"Not many people get to fly to Athens to watch the games. But television coverage is quite satisfactory. To be able to watch a specific sport and a specific ath-



Barney Williams

lete; it makes a difference when you actually know the person."

Sponsorship doesn't have to be limited to the corporate elite, he said.

"Potentially somebody could read an article like this and say, 'I don't have thousands and thousands of dollars to put forward but I have clothing or food to donate. Every little bit helps.'"

Though Williams lives in Victoria after growing up on Salt Spring, he feels a close connection to the island. He lived in a cabin without power on Weston Lake between 1980-1986.

"There's no doubt in my mind that it's given me a wonderful appreciation for the simpler side of life."

And he'd like to bring his team over to Salt Spring to hold a weekend camp on St. Mary Lake.

"It's such a gorgeous set up... For me it's a golden opportunity to expose the island to rowing."

Anyone who would like to contact Williams regarding sponsorship or his idea to hold a local rowing event can reach him by e-mail at barndogger@hotmail.com.

GISS teams flex muscles

Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) athletes have kicked into gear in several different sports now that the school year is in full swing.

The senior girls volleyball team placed fifth in the silver pool of a 28-team tournament in Nanaimo on October 4-5.

"It was huge," said GISS player Anna Hosie on Friday.

The senior girls have a volleyball team of 16 girls coached by John Bergsma.

Under his leadership, a core squad is augmented by a rotating bench of developing players.

"There is no B-league for the senior girls. We all kick butt," Hosie said.

The Scorpions were headed to Mark Isfeld Secondary School in Courtenay for another tourney last weekend.

The senior girls will also host an eight-team tourney on the island October 24-25.

Among other GISS teams:

• The junior girls volleyball A-team thumped Quamichan 25-15 on October 8 and face another game today (Wednesday).

They attended a tourney

in Powell River September 27-28 where Emma Rimmer was named all-star, said teammate Daniella Benloulou.

The A-team also hit another event in Nanaimo.

"We didn't do too well but we beat Brentwood and they are strong."

• The junior girls volleyball B-team won three games against Queen of Angels school on October 8, said player Tika Okuda.

The first game was close and then they picked it up, said coach Anna Hosie.

Previously, the junior girls beat Shawnigan Lake in three straight games on October 1.

"It wasn't close at all," Okuda said.

The junior girls also went to a big A-team tourney at the beginning of the season, she added.

"We played well as a team for our first tourney but we didn't place."

• The junior boys volleyball Scorpions have won every game they've played so far this season, said team member Bonn Smith.

"We are doing very well."

Frances Kelsey Secondary School and Duncan Christian High

School (DCHS) have both fallen to GISS.

But Smith gave the DCHS some credit for putting together opposition given its small population.

"They've only got 100 kids and their players are small."

Salt Spring had expected much stronger opposition before they met the Duncan team, he noted.

"They had good setters; give them that," said fellow Scorpion Clayton Stewart.

The junior boys host Mt. Prevost Secondary School on Thursday.

• The senior boys soccer team beat Brentwood 7-2 on October 9.

"Our offence was very good. We beat the goalie low and hard," said team member Steven Severn.

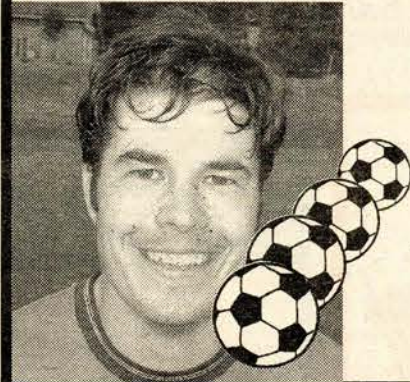
Now that the Scorpions have beaten Wellington 3-0 and Cedar 6-0 in the previous two weeks, Severn feels confident about the team's offence.

But the local soccer team still needs work, he said.

It didn't help that the team was missing sweeper Brook Speed against Brentwood, he added.

"He gets them talking."

MAN O' THE MATCH



Jesse Fisher is the "Man of the Match" after a blistering 1-1 draw against Juan de Fuca Saturday.

Fisher fired a shot off the keeper that Chris Langdon sunk for a goal to tie the match at Portlock Park.

"His control and presence on the field changed our entire game," said FC manager Ken Marr.

"We seemed to control the ball better when he was in the game."

Normally a starter, Fisher came in as a substitute midway through the first half.

"Adding him at that late opportunity gave him legs throughout the game."



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Scorpions surprise last year's football champs

A solid team effort gave the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Scorpions an exciting 20-14 overtime win over the reigning provincial AA football champions.

Playing in Parksville against a confident Ballenas Whalers team, the Scorpions found themselves down 8-0 after the Whalers' second play of the game and a two-point conversion.

According to Scorpions manager John Foley, Richard Hull had a great 40 yard kick-off return, followed by another great 40-yard run that was shorted by a penalty.

Alejandro Alvarez blocked a Ballenas punt, Taylor Stibbards recovered, and three plays later Sasha

Floercke got the touchdown to bring the Scorpions within two.

Four plays later, Floercke earned another touchdown, with Graham Meek getting the two-point convert.

Bellanas quickly tied the game, which ended 14-14 at the half.

"The second half was a defensive battle," said Foley.

"Michael Windsor was outstanding with two huge sacks, a fumble recovery and some serious smack-down hits. Max Nelson dished out some crunching punishment and notched a sack as well.

Cody Hunsberger handed out some bone-jarring hits and got a critical interception late in the

game."

In overtime, each team had one set of downs on the defending team's 10-yard line. Ballenas ran up the middle on their first try, but Alvarez made the stop and ripped the ball out of the running back's arms.

For GISS' turn, Meek got the call to quarterback sneak led by Travis Bantel, Jake Fraser and Windsor. Meek's first try was good for six yards and he scored the game winner on his second.

Foley said a "solid team effort" characterized the game.

The Scorpions play the John Barsby Blazers of Nanaimo at GISS at 3:15 Wednesday (today).



WILD RIDE: Salt Spring's Wood family sails its Dash 34 — Final Dash — past the spit at Walter Bay in windy weekend weather.

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Deluge dumps on Div. 6 win

By MITCHELL SHERRIN Staff Writer

Salt Spring's Division-6 FC Reserves dropped a downpour of goals on a Sooke team during a driving rainstorm Sunday, but the wind and rain might have dampened the islanders' 4-1 victory.

"The game got called a little into the second half because of weather," said FC Reserves coach-manager Mike Brown.

"It leaves you with an empty feeling wondering, 'What is the outcome?'" he said.

Brown plans to consult regulations and contact the Vancouver Island Soccer League to find out if the game will count.

"The rain was going sideways but we weren't having any problems."

Within the first 10 minutes of play, Colin McDougall had scored by nabbing a rebound off a Tom Berry shot.

Berry then received a pass

from his brother Joel to notch a second goal 30 minutes into the match.

Less than 10 minutes later, Tyler Sayer pursued a long ball to chip it past the Sooke keeper.

"It was a typical 'Charlie hustle' goal," Brown said.

The Salt Spring coach threw five substitutes on the field for the start of the second half and the FC Reserves scored within two minutes, he said.

A scramble in front of the Sooke net saw Martin Thorn cross to Neil Kerrigan for a point-blank goal.

Sooke then retaliated with a goal of its own just before the match was called at 58 minutes.

"They thought they were on a great comeback," Brown laughed.

But the islanders were just about to send in a fresh storm of starters to finish off the Sooke squad.

"We wanted to beat those guys. We had history from

last year."

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Hungry FC plucks draw in turkey shoot match

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

A flock of Salt Spring FC fans weathered winds, rain and a 1-1 draw as they witnessed the fledgling Division-1 team struggle to finish off an undermanned Juan de Fuca squad in their first home game at Portlock Park Saturday.

"It wasn't a very good game," said FC captain Chris "Doughboy" Jason.

"We carried most of the play in the first half but, as far as stringing three or four passes together, it just wasn't happening."

Recovering from an injury, the Salt Spring captain watched from the sidelines as his team hammered Juan de Fuca defences without success.

The islanders were thrown on their heels after Juan de Fuca scored in the first five minutes.

"They got a first lucky goal. It was a windy day and it kind of hung up in the wind and hit the top of the cross bar and fell down



THREE CHEERS: FC soccer players prepare for their game-end cheer as they tie 1-1 with Juan de Fuca in a home game last Saturday at Portlock.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

just behind the line. I don't even think the guy was shooting."

But Salt Spring gained offensive intensity throughout the match.

In the last stretch of the first half, Dave McColl had a good chance off a header from a throw-in at 30 minutes. Jesse Fisher almost caught a rebound off a Dion Hackett shot at 35 minutes and Tyler Laitenen took a killer arcing shot at 38 minutes after deking out two defenders.

Jason commended Fisher, Hackett, Laitenen and McColl for their play.

"Dave McColl had a pretty good game. He's broken out a little bit and gotten a little more aggressive."

FC pressure continued until the Juan de Fuca captain was ousted with a red card for a kick to Harrison Jason after play was whistled down at 40 minutes.

"We carried play in the second half due to the fact we were a man up,"

Chris Jason said.

Fisher crossed the ball from the right side to set up the Salt Spring goal 75 minutes into the match.

"It was a pretty good forward run by [Fisher], he crossed it and the keeper bobbled it and Chris Langdon hammered it home from about two feet," Jason said.

Laitenen picked up three more fairly decent chances in a span of 10 minutes, he noted.

"Their keeper made a couple of really nice saves and pushed them by for

corner kicks late in the game. I was getting fairly excited."

But Salt Spring's attacking drive wound down as McColl took a second yellow card in the final 10 minutes.

"I think Juan de Fuca stole a point off us," said FC manager Ken Marr.

"We dominated that game more than any other."

Salt Spring FC will play Nanaimo at Caledonia Park 2:15 p.m. Sunday.

"Nanaimo's the bottom of the league so it's a must-win for us," Jason said.

A message from Dr. Leavitt's office:

As of October 1, 2003, the office will be closed on Mondays.

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Dragons play breakthrough game

Salt Spring Dragons women's soccer team may have played their best game ever in a 1-0 loss to Cowichan October 5.

Despite the score, acting coach and manager Sue King said it was a breakthrough game.

"Maybe our best game ever," said King. "Everyone contributed on a higher level."

"There was just one team finally clicking and controlling the play and clearly dominating."

However, King said that

teamwork didn't add up to a winning score.

"We were getting in some great crosses and had a couple breakaways but still couldn't score," said King. "Unfortunately we just couldn't get the ball in the net."

At half-time the score was tied at zero.

In the second half the team was "caught off guard" at the 20-minute mark when Cowichan's left midfielder shot and scored on the Dragons net.

Keeper Joanne O'Connor said the goal was "unfortunate."

"I feel I could have saved it but I misjudged the shot," she said.

King said O'Connor played a good game, making saves on several scrambles in the six-yard box.

King said the whole team had added advantages compared to previous games.

"We had a healthy group this week and a more consistent line-up," she said.

The Dragons set the

game's pace and calibre from the start, said King.

Sweeper Lorna Walde also played a strong game, she said.

The loss was only on the scoreboard, said King.

"Even though we lost on the scoreboard, we all walked away feeling like we had won," she said. "It was an incredible game and the team should be really proud of themselves."

The Dragons' next game is on October 19 and off-island.

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Two wins, a loss and a tie for local teams

Soccer Kicks is a compilation of scores and highlights from Salt Spring youth soccer teams aged U11 to U18. Weekly submissions are welcome, but should not exceed 200 words.

SOCCER KICKS

The Salt Spring Roadrunners played off-island Saturday, tying Cordova Bay, 2-2.

The opposing team scored early in the half, but Salt Spring's Liz Fennel found the back of the net and tied it up at the 17-minute mark.

Three minutes later, Cordova Bay nailed another goal and the half ended at 2-1.

About five minutes into the second half, Tilly Morgan was awarded a free kick. She took a high, hard shot that sailed into the top corner of the net, and the game was tied at 2-2.

Rèbekah Lee, playing defence, blocked several hard shots and keepers Grace Morgan and Kai Fishleigh worked hard in net. Also noted by the coaches was effort made by Christine Villadsen, who was a valuable asset on the forward line.

The U12 Boys Salt Spring Devils played a brilliant game on island against Peninsula last Saturday. Strong teamwork and focus earned Salt Spring a 3-1 win.

Jeremy Marchi, Ben Mutch and Keegan Pearson scored the team's goals, with all three players working hard on the forward line.

Graham Wrigley and Malcolm MacPhee both had

strong games in goal, and Walker Tottman was solid on defence.

Salt Spring's U13 girls "wore the cleat on the other foot" last Saturday, falling hard to Peninsula (7-1) after crushing their opponents the last several weeks.

The local girls started out hard, but Peninsula scored just a few minutes into the game.

Salt Spring continued to press for a goal: Meredith Raddysh almost got on the scoreboard with a high ball from right field that slid over the top of the net; Olivia Budd just missed the corner of the net with a shot from the edge of the 18-yard box; and the Peninsula keeper managed to get her fingertips on a hard Danica Lundy ball from left field.

Finally Emily Rothwell nailed a beautiful high shot from right field that connected with the back of the net.

This seemed to spur on Peninsula, who finished the half with five goals to Salt Spring's one, despite several saves by keeper Lara Coelho. Peninsula nailed two more goals in the second half, with keeper Raddysh saving numerous additional shots.

The team also benefitted from hard work on the wing by Ivy Staker, and key defensive plays by Britney Oswell.

It was a Thanksgiving



GROUP HUG: Emily Rothwell is lost in a tangle of arms as fellow U13 girls congratulate her on her goal against Peninsula. The local team — which has been winning all its games, was crushed 7-1 at the High school field last Saturday.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

feast for Salt Spring's U14 girls team this weekend as players defeated the Peninsula Fireballs 8-1.

The Fireballs' flame was extinguished early with a downpour of rain and a terrific volley of shots on their keeper.

Kate Parker started off the scoring with two consecutive goals late in the first half.

Early in the second half, Jen Walls, playing a hot right

wing, fired in the third goal. Kayla Gromme came up with the next two goals, one fired across the front of the net and cleanly into the far side.

Hannah Snetsinger had a banner game, scoring a powerful sixth goal, Helena Bryn-McLeod blasted in the seventh, and Gromme came back for number eight.

Amy Zacharias flowed through the opposition, always coming out with the ball. Hannah Garvie-Ransen "had the game of her life," according to coach Meror Krayenhoff, and Caitlyn Pal dominated the central defence, managing six shots on goal.

Last week the U14 boys tied 1-1 with Gorge in a physically demanding game. Colby Little scored with a strong high kick from outside the 18-yard box. Brandon Shaw made some excellent saves in goal, while Isaac Raddysh and Liam Johnstone had several "good attempts" on the opponents' net.



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Brave triathlete finishes marathon

Several Salt Spring runners entered the Royal Victoria Marathon Sunday, as well as a Victoria man who grew up on the island and decided only Saturday to run in the 42.2-kilometre event.

Jordie Soames, son of long-time Salt Spring resident Rosamund Dupuy, decided to enter the marathon the night before the race.

"I had to do it," said the muscle-aching 31-year-old athlete after the marathon.

According to fellow marathon runner Amei Parkes, Soames had originally been training for a triathlon, but after bumping into her by chance on Saturday, "he decided to sign up on a whim," said Parkes.

She said that although Soames "hit the wall" at about the 33-kilometre mark and walked the last 10 km, he was determined to finish.

"They'd closed down the

course and a race official said, 'Come on, let us give you a ride.'"

But Soames refused. "I'd just bought a very expensive sweatshirt [with late registration costing \$100]. I had to finish."

With the course dismantled and fog and rain setting in, Soames even got lost, said Parkes, before he "braved a lonely, cold finish in front of the legislature building."

His time was seven hours, 43 minutes.

Six island runners who actually trained for the major event finished with the following times.

Karen Berg, 1:48:37; Paul Ceysens, 1:54:27; Bonnie Curran, 1:54:53; Jim Deas, 1:33:49; Rick Laing, 1:34:36; and Parkes, 1:48:45.

Juliette Laing finished an eight-km run in 48:58.

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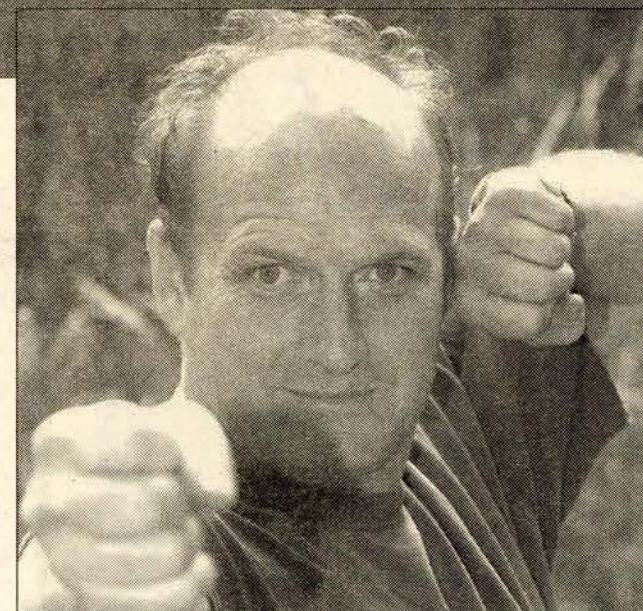
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becomes obsessive and begins stalking him. Michael Douglas, Glenn Close (2h)
A River Runs Through It (1992, Drama) Two brothers rebel against their father's strictness, but are brought together by fishing. Craig Sheffer, Brad Pitt (2h30)
Witness (1985, Crime Story) A detective is sent to an Amish community to protect a young boy who witnessed a murder. Harrison Ford, Kelly McGillis (2h)
The Friday After Next (2002, Comedy) Two security guards team up to track down the person who robbed them on Christmas Eve. Ice Cube, Mike Epps (1h30)
Red Planet (2000, Sci-Fi) When a colonization project goes awry, astronauts are sent on a rescue mission. Carrie-Anne Moss, Val Kilmer (2h)
Hollywood Wives: The Next Generation (2003, Drama) A Hollywood star, fed-up with her cheating husband, hires a private detective to tail him. Farrah Fawcett, Melissa Gilbert (2h)
Pie in the Sky (1995, Comedy) A man pursues the love of his life and his career dream of being a traffic reporter. Josh Charles, Anne Heche (1h30)
Half Past Dead (2002, Action) A man infiltrates a prison to find out where a death-row inmate has stashed a fortune. Steven Seagal, Ja Rule (1h45)
Regarding Henry (1991, Drama) A cold-hearted lawyer gets an awakening during his recovery from a shooting. Harrison Ford, Annette Bening (2h)
Arsenic and Old Lace (1944, Comedy) Two sweet old women try to keep their numerous murders a secret from their nephew. Cary Grant, Josephine Hull (2h)
Romancing the Stone (1984, Adventure) A romance novelist is thrust into a dangerous mission in Columbia with a handsome rogue. Kathleen Turner, Michael Douglas (2h)
Dr. T and the Women (2000, Comedy) A wealthy gynecologist's life begins to unravel when his wife suffers a nervous breakdown. Richard Gere, Farrah Fawcett (2h30)
In Love and War (1996, Romance) A nurse and a young ambulance driver fall in love while caught in the crossfire of WWI. Sandra Bullock, Chris O'Donnell (2h)
Live a Little, Love a Little (1998, Musical) A man manages to land two well-paying photographer's jobs and works both at the same time. Elvis Presley, Michele Carey (1h45)
Mindstorm (2001, Thriller) A psychic's investigation into the disappearance of a girl leads her to a dangerous cult. Antonio Jr. Sabato, Emmanuelle Vaugier (1h45)
The Last Wedding (2001, Drama) A young Jewish couple decide to get married and meet resistance all the way to the altar. Ben Ratner, Frida Bettrani (1h45)
Salome's Last Dance (1988, Drama) Oscar Wilde sips champagne as his play, banned in London, is performed in a brothel. Glenda Jackson, Stratford Johns (1h45)
The Kid Stays in the Picture (2002, Documentary) The life story of Hollywood producer Robert Evans, one-time chief of Paramount Pictures. Robert Evans (2h)
The Thing Called Love (1993, Drama) A young songwriter and her friends head to Nashville where they hope to make it big. River Phoenix, Samantha Mathis (2h)
Lord of Illusions (1995, Horror) A private investigator enters the nightmarish world of a powerful, evil sorcerer. Scott Bakula, Kevin O'Connor (2h)
False Pretense (1998, Mystery) A sergeant's son becomes the prime suspect in his mother's "accidental" death. Eric Roberts, Jacob Tierney (2h)
End of Days (1999, Action) A New York body-guard must protect an innocent woman from becoming Satan's bride. Arnold Schwarzenegger, Gabriel Byrne (2h30)
Addams Family (1991, Comedy) A greedy lawyer tries to plunder a family's fortune by planting an imposter in household. Angelica Houston, Raul Julia (1h40)
Cat Ballou (1965, Comedy) A teacher-turned-train-robber teams up with a gun-fighter to avenge her father's death. Jane Fonda, Lee Marvin (2h)
Desert Song (1952, Musical) A mild-mannered tutor assumes the identity of a roguish freedom fighter by night. Kathryn Grayson, Gordon MacRae (2h)
American Pie 2 (2001, Comedy) After a year of college, Jim, Stifler, Kevin, Oz and Finch reunite for a summer of fun. Jason Biggs, Shannon Elizabeth

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Crane concert soars

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

A local film-maker, musician and self-proclaimed "crane-iac" will fly to Bhutan to create a documentary about endangered cranes thanks to a friendly group of supporters who gathered at ArtSpring for Peter Prince's In Concert for Cranes fundraiser Friday.

"We love you, Peter," one fan called out midway through the show.

The multi-media performance featured short films, solo acts by Prince and musical sets with percussionist Laurent Boucher, bassist Bob Delion, pianist Barry Livingston, fiddler Jaime Rokeby -Thomas and Prince's daughter Koyani.

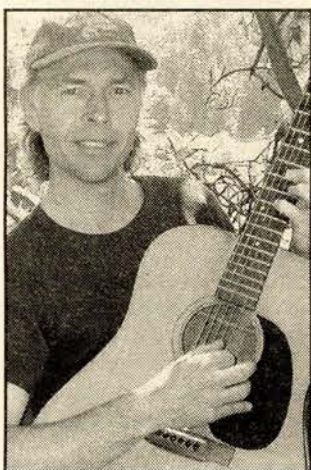
Prince kicked off the event with a video of a previous ArtSpring slide-show presentation by Bhutanese tour guide Hishey Tshering from his visit to the island last year.

Audience members at the Concert for Cranes event applauded as they observed Tshering describe various environmental and social welfare policies in Bhutan such as "no vehicle days" and 60 per cent protected lands.

A "gross national happiness" policy even elicited cheers from video watchers.

In addition to teaching the audience about Bhutan, the film also outlined a connection between endangered black-necked cranes and Bhutanese traditional culture, which is also threatened.

During a question period after the film, Prince



Peter Prince

said he plans to visit the Phobjikha Valley in Bhutan, where approximately half of the world's 450 remaining black-necked cranes spend the winter, to make a film about the International Crane Foundation's 2003 Bhutan expedition.

Prince also plans to make a video of Phobjikha students learning about cranes as part of an educational exchange with local students.

Performing a short solo set on harmonica and acoustic guitar, Prince shared his own version of Oh Canada, with melody and lyrics he had penned during a nostalgic moment in India last year.

"This is more of a travelling song than a patriotic song," he grinned.

His verses celebrated the prairies and rivers of the nation in a winsome fashion — "A wish upon a leaf tumbling home," he sang.

Dancing in the Rain was written for his father in memory of growing up around corn fields, Prince said.

"It's kind of an opti-

mistic song for Salt Spring. Dancing in the rain in the winter beats being depressed."

Following an intermission, Prince presented a second 10-minute video about cranes that featured Phoenix Elementary teacher Lindsay MacQueen instructing his students about the long-necked birds.

Prince was joined by an extremely talented group of friends for two band-driven sets of whimsical and upbeat tunes.

Livingston added Cuban-style piano accents to pieces such as Man on the Moon.

On Higher Ground, featured the breezy vocal talents of Koyani.

Rokeby - Thomas slipped sultry grooves into Prince's story song The Braid.

Delion added a dash of R&B-zest to pieces such as She Left Me Falling.

And Princes' Clayoquot protest song: Every Little Thing's Gonna Be All Right highlighted impeccable toe-tapping rhythms by Boucher on percussion.

"Don't be afraid to break the silence, just speak out about what's been done," sang Prince for Every Little Thing.

A special-request encore led the local songwriter to sing a solo version of his breezy piece God is in My Hair to wrap up the event.

"I'll look forward to bringing home some beautiful sounds and images to share with you in the near future."

Prince is bound for Bhutan on November 4.



HANDS ON PEACE: Phoenix Elementary School students and parent Tamara MacDonald display their hand art projects which will be shown at the Peace Festival on October 24-26 at Mahon Hall.

Photo by Carey Rudisill

Youthful hands extended for October peace festival

Students at two local elementary schools are "lending a hand" for peace by creating artwork for the upcoming Salt Spring Peace Festival at Mahon Hall October 24-26.

At Phoenix Elementary School, parent Tamara MacDonald helped students trace their hands for the project on Friday, October 10.

"The peace festival committee has asked each of the schools to do an art project," said MacDonald. "It was my idea to do this."

She said principal Shelley Johnson suggested that students write promises on their "hands."

In the classroom, MacDonald asked a group of eight children to think of how they could lend a hand to promote goodwill and peace.

She said students are then asked to bring in hand images from other people.

"The top three students who bring in the most hands will win a book," said MacDonald. "To me, if we get 100 hands, then we have

100 people working towards peace — towards helping each other."

Fulford Elementary School principal Judy Raddysh said four out of five classes are making art for the event.

"Two classes are doing a buddy project where they're making peace flags on fabric," she said. "One class is doing posters."

The Salt Spring Peace Festival is a first annual event that will feature music, poetry, comedy, art and other peace-enhancing activities.

Swell Sloth on tap at Vesuvius

Dancing is on the bill at the Vesuvius Inn when a slightly modified Three Chord Sloth band called The Swells performs on Saturday night.

Well-known slide guitarist and singer-songwriter KC Kelly joins usual Sloth mem-

bers Matt Steffich, Doug Rhodes and Dave Roland for the Vesuvius gig.

Steffich plays lead guitar, Rhodes is the drummer and Roland plays bass.

Kelly said the popular blues musicians also call themselves The Swells.

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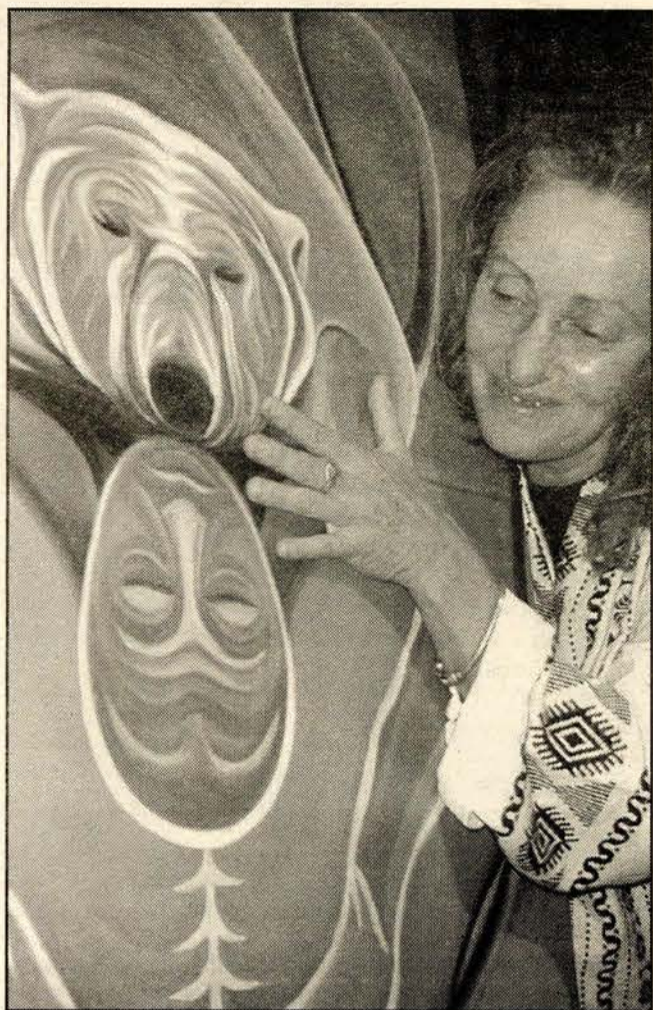
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COLOUR AND CONTRAST: Gulf Islands artists Liliانا Kleiner of Galiano (left) and Salt Spring's Margie Korrison welcome visitors to the Saturday night opening of their joint exhibit *My True Colours*, which runs at ArtSpring until October 19.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

2 great acts line up for folk club

A formidable voice in Canadian folk circles hits the Fulford Hall stage when Garnet Rogers headlines the second Salt Spring Folk Club show of the season.

Rogers is renowned for his powerful baritone voice, lively stage presence and songs that celebrate "the victories and struggles of ordinary people."

The Boston Globe has called him "a charismatic performer and singer," and Sing Out magazine declared him "the greatest male interpreter and vocalist performing in the contemporary folk scene."

His show, with opening act Rose Hip Jam, is on Monday, October 27 beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Rogers requests that concert-goers bring a non-perishable food item for the Salt Spring Food Bank to the event.

Despite Rogers' fame in his field, he puts that in perspective in a Red House Records press release.

"Having a career in folk music is like being in the witness protection program. People know you're out there but they just can't quite find you."

Rogers has been highly visible at major folk festivals and concert venues, through release of numerous CDs and in his early years of performing with his brother Stan Rogers.

Said Dirty Linen magazine of Rogers' CD *Firefly*: "Stark, unaccompanied arrangements rub shoulders with lush strings, traditional folk instrumentation overlaps electric guitars and drums, and all of it hangs on Garnet Rogers' "sense of song, of melody and of story, which separates him from musicians who add more production simply because they can."

Rogers even played the newest instrument in his repertoire, a cello bought in a pawn shop in Fargo, North Dakota, on *Firefly*.

Salt Spring's own saucy and stylish Rose Hip Jam includes members Denise McCann, Carol Young, Jane Squier and Jo Lundstrom.

Tickets for the show (\$15) are on sale at Salt Spring Books, Stuff 'n' Nonsense and Acoustic Planet.

Some season's tickets at a reduced price (\$70) are still available from Karen Dakin's accounting office.

Bills' acoustic explosion in the works

Playing timeless acoustic music with a passionate flair that captivates audiences of all ages, The Bill Hilly Band presents a seamless exhibition of musical and visual showmanship at ArtSpring next Wednesday.

From a mélange of European stylings to the rhythms of Latin America and traditional music from both North American coasts, "The Bills" have forged a kind of sophisticated, down-home music all their own that's being celebrated in kitchens, dance halls, festivals and theatres across North

America and beyond. "Formed in 1996 by a group of already accomplished and successful Canadian musicians, the band quickly realized they had stumbled upon a unique combination of artistry, enthusiasm and irresistible entertainment," explains an ArtSpring press release.

The October 22 ArtSpring show begins at 8 p.m.

Bringing together virtuosity, energy, love for all kinds of music and an endless capacity to have fun with it, The

Bills first came together for a no-holds-barred jam session in the Esquimalt home of jazz guitarist Marc Atkinson.

Before long, they were playing gigs and, to hone their skills, were busking throughout Europe.

Since then, audiences from Copenhagen to Cortes Island have thrilled to the Bills' blend of choreographed on-stage antics and infectious danceable music.

Tickets can be reserved by calling or visiting ArtSpring's box office (537-2102).

McCaffrey work headed for design book

Work by Salt Spring fibre artist Barbara McCaffrey has been juried into the prestigious Fiberarts Design Book 7 competition.

Some 6,000 entries from more than 35 countries were received by the staff of Fiberarts Magazine, with 550 works selected for publishing.

According to a press release, "Winning entries were selected on the basis of

artistic quality, technical expertise and innovative style to produce a book that represents the diversity, depth and unique vision that comprise the field called the fibre arts."

McCaffrey's selected work, in a private collection in the U.S., is titled *Fault Line*. It measures 44" x 44" and is comprised of hand-dyed and felted wool fleece, silk, embroidery and fabric.

The Fiberarts Design Book series features contemporary quilting, wearable art, surface design, basketry, weaving, needlework, tapestry, paper, felt, fibre sculpture, installation art, beading and mixed media.

The Design Book series has documented the evolution of contemporary textile art since 1980. This seventh volume covers work completed since 1998.

Fiberarts Design Book 7 will be released by Lark Books, Asheville, North Carolina in the spring of 2004 and will be available at major book stores.


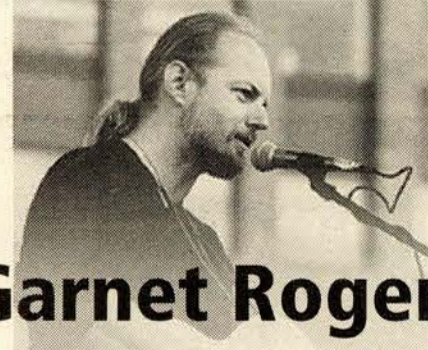
McCaffrey has been a felt-maker and textile artist for more than 15 years. Her work may be seen at the J. Mitchell Gallery on Salt Spring and at the Crafthouse Gallery on Granville Island in Vancouver.

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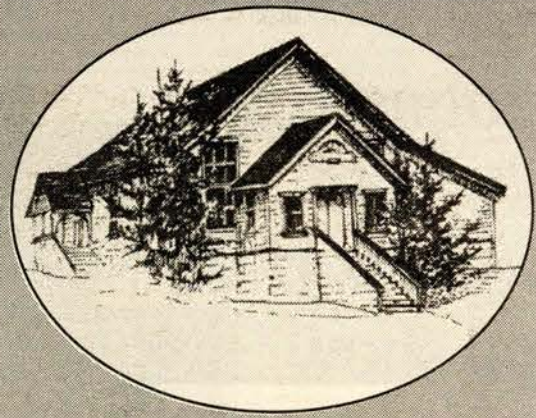


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GULF ISLANDS COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2002



The Gulf Islands Community Arts Council

is a non profit volunteer run community service organization with a rich history in the visual and performing arts community of the Southern Gulf Islands. A Board of Directors elected by the GICAC membership administers activities with the assistance of staff employed specifically for the seasonal retail operations.

The principal sources of revenue for the Arts Council are derived from sponsoring ARTCRAFT, a summer long exhibition and sale of arts and crafts, regional and provincial grants, Mahon Hall rentals, the Guilds of Christmas Sale and membership fees.

In 2002 the CRD provided an additional \$10,000 specifically for the replacement of the Mahon Hall roof.

Grants and bursaries of \$16,475 returned directly to the community including \$2,000 to ArtSpring, \$4,475 to Artist in the Classroom and three \$1,000 bursaries to local students Alwyn O'Brien, Sophia Haase and Geoff Roop.

Other awards were made to Eros Festival \$1,000, SS Community Theatre \$500, Alliance of Salt Spring Artists \$775, Stagecoach Theatre \$500, Tuned Air \$500, SS Painters Guild \$600, SS Singers \$800, GISS Cuba Music Exchange \$700, Graffiti Theatre \$400, Jazz Quartet \$175, Newman Family Productions - Scrooge \$500, Bandemonium \$300 and Amarah Gabriel \$250.

The largest expenditure for the GICAC is the cost of operating Mahon Hall. Expenses exceeded revenues by \$4,223. Other significant expenses not attributed to the operations of Mahon Hall, Artcraft or funding to the community are administration costs of \$7,897 which include accounting costs of \$2,930, advertising and newsletter \$1,320, telephone and internet \$1,112 and insurance, dues, postage, copies, and office supplies \$2,535.

ARTCRAFT is British Columbia's longest-running, largest art exhibition and sale of work by Gulf Islands artists and the main fundraiser for the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council.

Since 1967, when the first show opened at Mahon Hall, Artcraft has become an internationally renowned source of island arts and crafts. Artcraft was the first gallery to open on Salt Spring Island and continues to complement the array of venues available to artists.

A typical average of 200 contributing artists cover a wide range of arts and crafts including fabric arts, jewellery, sculpture, pottery, basketry, painting, weaving, herbals, and woodworking. Every artist who participates in Artcraft is a Member and resides either on Salt Spring, Galiano, Mayne, Pender, or Saturna Islands.

FROM THE CHAIR:

As I near the end of my second term as Chair of the Arts Council, I am pleased with all we have accomplished over the last few years. We have a healthy and viable Council that runs on the input of many volunteers. As well, a wonderful staff rejoin us each season bringing their expertise for Artcraft and the Guilds of Christmas Sale.

Our Mahon Hall home has been secured through a negotiated 30 year lease, the first step in accomplishing a large priority identified in the GICAC Strategic Plan. The next step is making significant repairs and restoration to the building. Mahon Hall is an heritage building in the Official Community Plan, so improvements must be sensitively done and the Islands Trust must approve changes. The plans for the building take these aspects into account.

To achieve our goal to turn Mahon Hall into a bustling hive of visual and performing arts, we will need to involve more people. We will be expanding our membership numbers, volunteer base and mounting a fund raising campaign. Your continued support for the Arts Council will be particularly important to make this a successful undertaking.

I personally thank all who have contributed time, energy, enthusiasm and great ideas to making the Arts Council an important part of the community fabric.

Lorna Cammaert, Chair

Financial Report

2002 Finances in Brief Statement of Operations

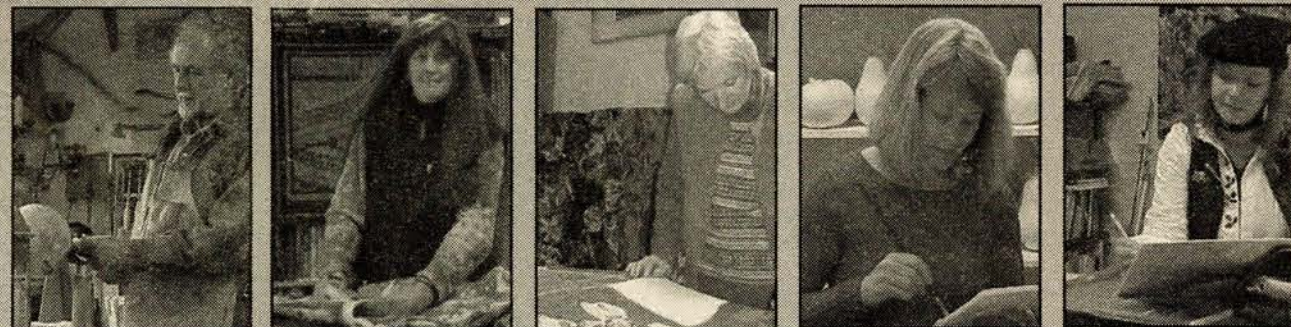
Revenue	
Memberships	\$2,970
Artcraft net	17,146
Grants	17,110
G of Christmas	2,633
Interest	2,011
Other	1,402
Total Revenue	43,272
Expenditures	
Grants & Bursaries	16,475
Mahon Hall net	4,223
Administration	7,897
Amortization	2,084
Total Expenditures	30,679
Net Excess	\$12,593

Balance Sheet

Assets	
Cash	\$19,382
A/R	931
Prepaid	4,279
Investments	116,268
Equipment net	8,336
Total Assets	\$149,196
Liabilities	
A/P	\$5,920
Net Assets	
Capital Equip	8,336
Restricted Bldg. Fund	10,000
Unrestricted	124,940
	143,276
	\$149,196

Artcraft 2002

Revenue	
Sales	\$271,443
Admissions	3,947
Artcraft Entry	4,675
HRD Employment Grant	4,214
Other	323
	284,602
Expenses	
Artist Commission	194,928
Advertising	8,658
Bank & credit card	5,266
Display & supplies	6,496
Utilities	2,056
Repairs & Maint.	1,364
Payroll	48,688
	267,456
Artcraft Commission	\$17,146.00



MAHON HALL

Mahon Hall has played a central role in the life of Salt Spring since it was built in 1903/1904 by The Agricultural and Fruit Growers Association as an agricultural hall. In 1940 the Association decided to sell Mahon Hall to the School Board. Classrooms, dances, recitals, dramatic productions, school concerts, and indoor recreations have all centered on Mahon Hall.

The Gulf Islands Community Arts Council has rented Mahon Hall from the School Board since 1967 for our historic and successful Artcraft and it is now home to the GICAC office. Each spring the GICAC sponsors "Mahon Hall Day", wherein community volunteers provide the labour to clean up the grounds, paint and make minor repairs to the building. Because of a new long term lease, The GICAC is about to commence major repairs and restoration to Mahon Hall sympathetic to its status as an heritage building. Construction is expected to begin in the fall of 2004 commensurate with the conclusion of the centennial year.

Our vision is that Mahon Memorial Hall will continue to be a community focal point for all kinds of community events particularly those involving music, performing arts, dance, and visual arts for its second century.



GUILDS OF CHRISTMAS SALE

For ten days at the end of November, the excitement of the Guilds of Christmas Sale begins. An island tradition originating in 1976, the Potters, Painters, Weavers and Spinners, Woodworkers and Jewelers Guilds initiated the Sale. It continues to grow and now includes a larger spectrum of island artists and craftspeople.

ARTISTS IN THE CLASSROOM

The GICAC administers and matches funding provided by CRD/PARC for this very successful and popular program to promote the arts in Salt Spring schools. Salt Spring Island artists in the visual, performing and literary arts conduct workshops and programs in the classroom all well received by students, teachers and parents. In 2002, approximately 288 elementary students, 26 middle school students and 112 high school students, 11 teachers and 15 artists were involved; a total of 450 participants as well as parents at the elementary school level.

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Guilds of Christmas 2002

Revenue	
Sales	\$44,919
Expenses	
Artist Commission	33,747
Advertising	1,164
Bank & credit card	741
Display & supplies	667
Utilities	245
Payroll	5,722
	42,286
Guilds Commission	\$2,633

Molineux comedy workshop and show on tap

Comedian Chris Molineux returns to Salt Spring by demand this Sunday for another all-day stand-up comedy workshop and evening performance at Mahon Hall.

Both his workshop and show put on at the hall in March drew rave reviews.

The October 19 comedy event starts at 8 p.m. It will feature Molineux and any willing students from the workshop.

Molineux' frantic schedule will see him performing in Canada, America and the Cayman Islands in the next 30 days.

Raised on Vancouver Island, Molineux began his comedy career in 1986 and moved along at a brisk pace, performing with Ryan Stiles on the C.B.C. show Comedy College in 1989.

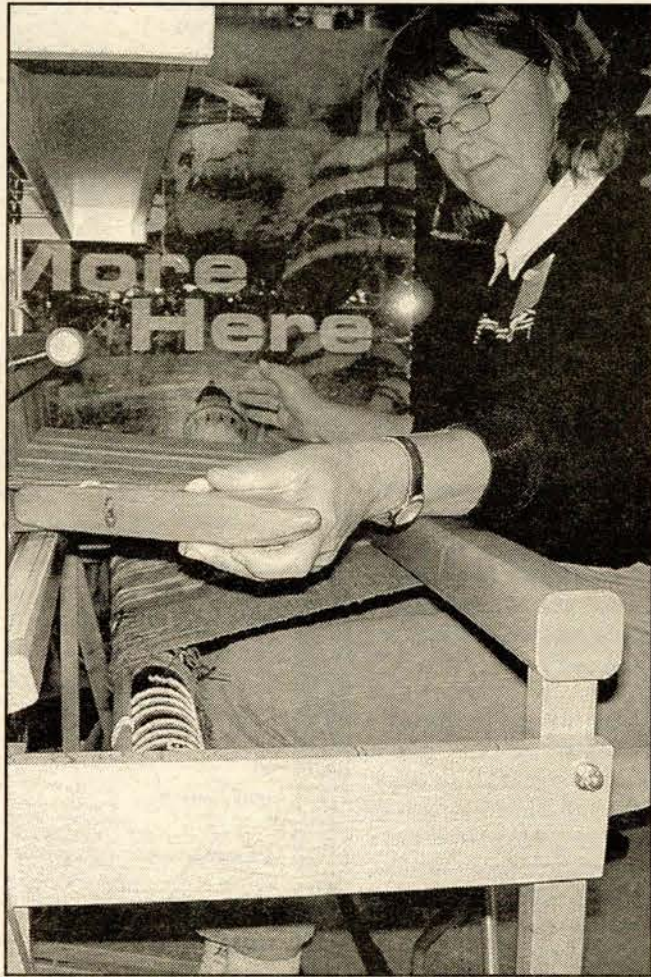
According to press material, Molineux travelled across North America, working with such luminaries as Jim Carrey, Pat Paulsen, Jerry Seinfeld, Tommy Chong and Ellen de Generes.

He has made several appearances on Just for Laughs and HBO.

In 2000 he began teaching stand-up comedy "one-on-one" style to small classes and is currently holding classes at the William Davis Centre for Actors' Study in Vancouver. His classes cover stage performance and comedy writing and are directed to accommodate the goals of the students: "acting, public speaking, stand-up comedy or plain old therapy!"

Also on the bill will be any of the students from the daytime workshop willing to take the plunge. For more information on the workshop, please call (604) 947-2650 or e-mail bookings@happyfaceproductions.com.

Workshop cost is \$60 (including the comedy show) and evening show admission is \$8.



WEAVING WIZARD: Hanne Baer takes part in a celebration of National Spinning and Weaving Week by demonstrating her skills at Island Savings Credit Union last Tuesday. Members of Salt Spring's Weavers and Spinners Guild organized demonstrations at various island locales.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Islander's helicopter film lands at festival

Latest work by large-format filmmaker David Douglas is featured in a month-long National Geographic IMAX festival in Victoria beginning October 16.

Douglas, a filmmaker for over 30 years and now a Salt Spring resident, said in a press release he's "delighted that our closest theatre has decided to showcase our work."

Having had other films shown at that venue, he's "anxious to show the audience even more."

Douglas' newest film is called STRAIGHT UP! Helicopters in Action. It premiered in September 2002 and will start the festival.

Straight Up! contains footage from Sierra Leone where Douglas and his crew filmed the delivery of humanitarian aid. It also depicts the capture of

drug runners in Miami. The festival also includes four other films: Survival Island; The Secret of Life on Earth; Niagara: Miracles, Myths & Magic; and The Dream is Alive.

In 2002, Douglas was awarded the Kodak Vision Award, which has been presented to other distinguished members of the cinema industry.

Douglas and his wife Diane Roberts are already planning their next film, which will showcase British Columbia.

For more information on show times and ticket prices, contact the Royal British Columbia Museum at (250) 480-4887 or check on-line at www.imaxvictoria.com.

Epic American songwriter on stage for fire relief fund

Islanders are offered a special treat while aiding the Red Cross Kelowna Fire Relief Fund when Bill Staines comes to town Sunday.

Folk musician Staines has performed across North America at festivals, colleges, clubs and in concerts for more than 25 years.

He plays at Lions Hall on October 19 for a show that begins with opening act Lindsay Bryan at 7 p.m.

A New England native, Staines made his debut with the Boston-Cambridge folk scene in the early 1960s, and has been in demand as a performer ever since. He now averages some 200 concert dates each year.

"His music is a slice of Americana, reflecting with the same ease his feelings about the prairie people of the Midwest or the adventurers of the Yukon," states press material.

Staines is a master songwriter, with several of his songs recorded by artists such as Makem and Clancy, Nanci Griffith, Mason Williams and Jerry Jeff Walker.

His concerts are interspersed with traditional folk tunes and contemporary country ballads that audiences often know and sing along with.

Staines' discography con-

tains 18 titles, and his work has been published in four songbooks.

"Staines is folksy without tripping over his boots, and literate without showing off," wrote Sam Blackwell in the Southeast Missourian. "He is what every singer-songwriter ought to be — real."

Of his songwriting talents, another reviewer stated:

"Staines has a way of creating new music that sounds like it belongs in the ancient folk cannon, and makes us feel instantly that it belongs to us."

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Funny word, "week." Comes from an Old English word meaning "change" or "turn."

That's what happens, alright. We march like foot soldiers through the days of the week from Sunday to Saturday, and then like a well-drilled platoon we "turn" and start all over again at Sunday.

But why do we make it a seven-day sortie?

Other units of time — days, months and years — make solid sense. The length of a day is dictated by the rising and the setting of the sun. The waxing and waning of the moon tells us how long any given month will be. A year is determined by the rotation of the earth. But a week? That's a man-made convention.

And evidently a popular one. We've been using the

seven-day week unit faithfully for the past 1,700 years. Before that, there were other attempts to subdivide that undifferentiated stretch of time between a day and a month, but none of them lasted. Historians say that some early West African tribes observed four-day weeks.

The Type-A Egyptians opted for a 10-day marathon. The ever-practical Romans split the difference and came up with the "nundinae" — a nine-day week that conveniently ran from one market day to the next.

Then along came those meddlesome Christians with a whole new set of rules and regs beginning with The Ten Commandments. The fourth commandment decreed that once every seven days all folks hoping to earn a pair of angel wings should lay down their tools, quit drinking and dancing and "observe the Sabbath."

King Constantine made it the law of the land around 300 A.D. and most of the Western world has been observing it ever since.

More or less. There have been one or two attempts to re-jig the week.

Back in the late 18th centu-

ry, just after they'd stormed the Bastille and separated Marie Antoinette's head from the rest of her, rebels in Paris issued the first French Revolutionary Calendar. It included, among other innovations, a 10-day work week.

But that was too radical even for the radicals. It disappeared faster than a dab of Brie on a baguette.

In 1929 the Russians took a shot at streamlining the week. The Kremlin declared that all comrades would observe a five-day week, in which each fifth of the work force had its own day off, with no common day of rest shared by all. This screwed up Russian family and civic life even more than Stalin and his henchthugs had already managed to.

Russians drifted back to the seven-day week; the Kremlin pretended not to notice.

The ill-fated Communist offensive was the last official assault on the seven-day week, but that hasn't preserved it from further tampering. Even in my lifetime, the concept of Sunday as a day of

rest has changed beyond all recognition.

When I was a kid, there was no doubt when Sunday rolled around. The stores were closed. There were no baseball or hockey or football games. Movie theatres were dark. The only sounds were church bells tolling, kids whining about having to dress up for Sunday school and backsliding fathers snoring on the chesterfield.

Today, aside from the lack of traffic jams, it's pretty hard to tell Sunday from any other day of the week.

It's certainly no longer a day of rest. It's now a day of lawn mowing, mall shopping and catching up on work that didn't get done during the previous five days.

Napoleon would have loved it. He was a workaholic. Even while France's Reign of Terrorists were frantically trying to introduce the Revolutionary Calendar, Napoleon was putting in 16-hour days as a Consul.


"Do let's keep awake, citizens," he exhorted his colleagues as one meeting ground past the 2 a.m. mark.

"We must earn our salaries."

"God made Bonaparte and then rested" purred one sycophant.

Another less-enamoured councillor grumbled, "God should have rested a little earlier."

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Reloaded caters to Matrix nerds and fans

Leaving the theatre after seeing The Matrix Reloaded, a friend of mine exclaimed,

"That was, like, the worst movie I've ever seen!"

Hyperbolic simile notwithstanding, I was a little taken aback by her comment. Oh, come on? The worst?

Worse than, say, Pearl Harbor? Jaws 4? Ernest Goes to Camp?

Well, of course not. But some of the vehemently vicious responses, both from the reviewers and the masses, to the second instalment of the Matrix series seem to have more to do with high expectations than anything else.

The biggest complaint is that Reloaded is simply more of the same: more fighting, more "bullet time" and more metaphysical mumbo-jumbo.

And it's true. This time

around the antes have been upped substantially.

Neo (Keanu Reeves) flies around like Superman, performs major surgery without a scalpel, and butt-stomps not only one but dozens of Agent Smiths (the perfect Hugo Weaving). And if you thought you had a grasp on the Matrix and all its philosophical implications, forget it.

Reloaded takes everything you thought you know, flings it back in your face in pieces and laughs.

So is the fact that Reloaded is much like the first film, only on steroids, a problem? Not as far as I'm concerned. We have to take it as part of a series, and try to ignore the fact that the

first was so successful it utterly transformed the action film forever.

If the Wachowski brothers (the creators) had gone and changed everything on us, we all would have complained.

This is not to say that all of you will be enthralled by The Matrix Reloaded.

I think it very much caters to the nerds, er, fans, of the first movie (a group to which I have finally admitted membership), in that it requires a decent familiarity with

everything from technicalities to characters to the aforementioned metaphoric systems.

Basically, if you don't find the idea of a 20-minute car/motorcycle chase with kung-fu fights on top of semi-trucks, a babe in skintight leather, albino bad-guys who can walk through walls and Lawrence Fishburne wielding both a Mac-10 and a katana, you might as well rent something else — probably something with subtitles.


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Photoby Derrick Lundy

Kabbalah workshop leader feels 'island spirit, energy'

By CAREY RUDISILL
Staff Writer

Deborah Brockenshire stepped onto the ferry from Swartz Bay to Fulford Harbour and knew intuitively that she was going to a better place.

"I could really feel the energy on the ferry," she said.

Brockenshire recently relocated her healing practice called Energy2Go to Salt Spring.

And this Sunday she's hosting an intensive introductory course on the Kabbalah and the energy of Hebrew letters to understand cosmic law in individuals' lives.

The day-long course will be held on Sunday, October 19 at the Pan-ea Ma'at Light Centre. Cost is \$100, which

includes lunch and refreshments.

Brockenshire has been doing healing work for the past four years, including reiki, therapeutic touch and spiritual healing.

Her healing journey began after battling chronic fatigue syndrome and fibromyalgia.

"I spent 10 years of my life ill," she said.

She first began to experience problems in 1998 after she had finished law school.

"It took me about eight months to get a diagnosis," she said. "At that point I thought it's great — I have a diagnosis, I'll get a pill."

However, it wasn't that easy, Brockenshire said.

Modern medicine has its place, she said, but alternative therapies allow for a refreshing change in how

people perceive themselves and their health.

"The problem with modern medicine is that we're taught to wait until something is broken and then someone needs to fix it," she said.

"So we go to the doctor. In China, doctors are paid when people are well. If someone's ill they're up the creek," she said.

"What's important here is that our bodies were made to heal themselves, if only we would let them."

Brockenshire sees the island as a healing place.

"People here intuitively know what's important in life," she said. "We each have our own path and purpose."

For more information, call 653-4250.

Local children stay late for French class

By CAREY RUDISILL
Staff Writer

An after-school French program is meeting some island families' desires for a second-language experience.

Sylvia Louwman, a teacher on call with the Gulf Islands School District, runs the program at Fernwood Elementary School, although it is not an official school program.

The idea was spawned by a neighbour's interest four years ago.

"She wanted her son to have a second language," said Louwman. "So I started when he was about four years old."

Since then, the group has grown and split.

"I have two groups of kids," she said. "One I've been working with for three years, and the kindergarten and grade

ones just started this year.

"Most of them have parents who are really keen [for their children] to have some second language exposure."

She said that even children who aren't as enthusiastic as their parents still learn.

"Some are really excited about it," she said. "Others like my own son are just willing to attend but they're still intrigued and even if they don't participate they still get something out of it."

The younger group, consisting of eight children, meets twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m.

Six "old-timers" meet for an hour every Wednesday.

"The oldest one is nine and the youngest is seven," she said.

While she started the

French group at home, increased enrolment led her to ask Fernwood principal Richard Bennett if she could use a room at the school.

"I rent the space like any other community group would," she said.

Louwman, who moved to Salt Spring 12 years ago from Ontario where she was a French Immersion teacher, said she enjoys the classes.

"I love working with little children and feel that's a wonderful time for language development.

"Mostly we do a lot of poems and music. It has to be physical and moving because of the time of day and the age

[of students]."

Louwman said languages and music are her two passions.

"It's wonderful to do what you love," she said. "If I cannot do it in schools then I can do it out of school."

Louwman said she might make more changes in 2004.

"I'm thinking of having a class in the new year for kids considering immersion in the middle school," she said. "I haven't organized it yet."

She warned that there would only be a few openings.

"I don't want it too big because then there wouldn't be enough opportunity to use the language because it's only an hour," she said.

Food security night Oct. 16

Free-ranging discussion is expected when Saltspringers for Safe Food holds its first in a series of video and discussion nights about genetic engineering and food security issues.

Perils Amid Progress, a 39-minute video by Marion Appel, runs at the Salt Spring United Church lower hall on Thursday, October 16 at 7 p.m.

Coffee and tea will be served, and people are welcome to bring dessert goodies to share. Anyone with questions can call Diane Melen at 538-1750 or Michelle Grant at 537-9634.

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Friendly Visitors boon for seniors, volunteers and food connoisseurs

By **CAREY RUDISILL**
Staff Writer

Neileen Grant and Donna Jenkins would be excellent restaurant critics if they needed a job.

The two women are members of the Friendly Visitors program and eat out for pleasure every Thursday.

They've met for lunch for the past year-and-a-half, following Jenkins' retirement and search for volunteer work that suited her.

She realized she could easily "drive and visit people," she said.

Jenkins has been Grant's second visitor with the program since it began six years ago.

Friendly Visitors is an outreach program sponsored by Salt Spring Seniors Services Society and coordinated by Sharon Glover of Community Wellness Programs, along with seniors peer counsellor Lois Sprague.

Glover said the program is currently looking for more visitors, both male and female, and especially individuals from the south end.

"Visitors are paired with a senior who would like a weekly contact with someone for social reasons," she said.

Glover said the weekly visits usually take place at the seniors' homes. Meetings can consist of anything, she said, from a cup of tea to a walk.

Grant said she and her first visitor, Bev Cartwright, used to have lunch at Salt Spring Seniors.

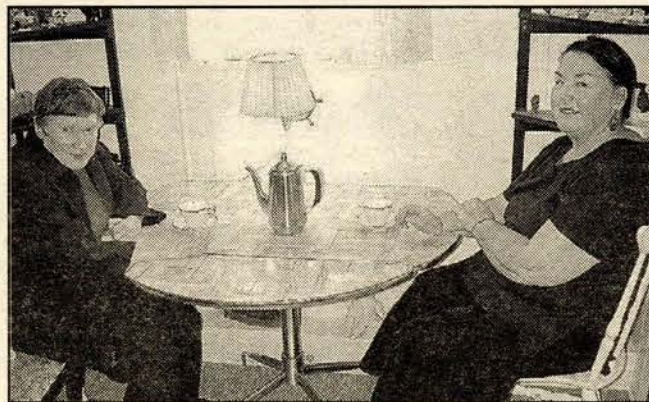
Now Grant and Jenkins keep up the tradition but also run errands together.

"Neileen's more active than others," noted Jenkins. "The program is more for shut-ins."

Grant said she looks forward to the lunches and enjoys "some of the cuisines."

Jenkins said the program helps everyone involved.

Donna Mort, Neileen's sister, appreciates Jenkins' work.



TEA FOR TWO: Neileen Grant and Donna Jenkins enjoy tea at Grant's residence as the two participate in the Friendly Visitors program.

Photo by Carey Rudisill

"It was nice because Neileen didn't know anyone on the island. We live up at the north end."

Mort said she and her husband moved to Southey

Point on the island in 1990. Neileen moved to Brinkworthy Place a year-and-a-half later.

Having a visitor allows Neileen to get out into the

community more, said Mort.

"The nice part is that Donna picks Neileen up because there's no bus system here," she said.

Visitors can also act as resource people, letting a family member know when their loved one isn't feeling "up to par."

"We see her every other day but it's good for Neileen to have other people in her life," said Mort. "Food is a real part of sociability."

Jenkins agreed that the program helps seniors expand their social circle.

"Everyone needs someone in their life other than family," she said.

People interested in volunteering for Friendly Visitors can contact Sharon Glover at 537-4607.

HEALING HANDS: Deborah Brockenshire works on tarot card reader Alwyn as the Eight Branches Holistic Health Centre and Tea Room stages an open house. The health centre is now under the new ownership of Brandy Glovka.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Christmas shoebox project seeks generous participants

Islanders are invited to be part of a charitable Christmas project aiding children in the developing world.

Community Gospel Chapel is again participating in Operation Shoebox, which sees boxes filled with toys, supplies and treats distributed to in-need youngsters.

Nancy Richardson is coordinating the Salt Spring effort this year.

Toys such as small cars, stuffies or dolls; crayons, pens, pencils and writing pads; hygiene items like soap, combs or toothpaste; and travel-proof hard candies are among suggested items to include in the shoebox.

People can fill their box based on a specific gender and age category, said Richardson.

Age groupings are two to four years old; five to nine; and 10 to 14.

Boxes are available at Community Gospel, although individuals can also use their own.

Deadline is November 13, and Tuesdays and Fridays are the best days to bring in the boxes.

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Your 25 word classified ad appears in the Gulf Islands Driftwood (Salt Spring & Pender Islands) and 15 community papers on V.I. Over 262,455 readers.

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Your 25 word classified ad appears in 15 community papers in the lower mainland. Over 525,455 readers.

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Your 25 word classified will appear in more than 110 community newspapers in BC and the Yukon. Over 2.3 million readers.

PAYMENT

- We can accept payment by cash, direct debit, Mastercard or Visa.
- Classifieds are prepaid unless you have an advertising account.

PLACING AN AD

- In person at our office at 328 Lower Ganges Road, Ganges
- By telephone, 250-537-9933, or fax, 250-537-2613
- By email to classified@gulfislands.net (no attachments please)
- By post to Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3.

POLICIES

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Notices

6 DEATHS

HUTCHISON, ROBERT George (Hutch) passed away peacefully at Greenwoods on September 29, 2003. Predeceased by his wife Evelyn, survived by his daughters Cora Lynn McCrea (Gordon), Alma Lee Allen, Norma Jean Scown (Jean), five grandchildren and four great grandchildren. The family wishes to thank the staff of Greenwoods, Home Care for such wonderful care. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Salt Spring Island SPCA.

SAMPSON, PAT. (nee McFadden) born Aug 4, 1912 passed away Oct 7, 2003. Leaves behind her loving husband Bill and three children, Les Howard, Shirley DeWolfe, Kathy Price and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The McFadden and Sampson families were one of the first pioneers to settle on the north of the island. She will be greatly missed.

HAYWARD'S FUNERAL SERVICE GANGES



PATRICK BEATTIE
Funeral Director
Box 315, Ganges P.O.
SSI, V8K 2V9
Tel: (250) 537-1022
Fax: (250) 537-2012

CAIRNS Catherine MacDonald

1905 - 2003

Passed away peacefully Sept. 29th with family at her side in Lady Minto Hospital. Born in Scotland and moved to Canada at age 3. Retired to Salt Spring from Vancouver, she became an avid golfer and gardener. She was a strong, wise, independent woman who will always remain an inspiration to all who knew her. Special thanks to Dr David Woodley, the staff at Greenwoods and the staff of the ECU Lady Minto for all their love & care of our Aunt Cathy. By request, no service.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

A LITTLE LATE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN!

GISS SCORPIAN JUNIOR VARSITY AND THE SS SLAYERS JUNIOR BANTAM FOOTBALL TEAMS would like to extend a very big thank you to the following businesses for their generosity in helping us raise money at the Fall Fair. These funds will aid us in purchasing quality equipment so the teams can play hard and play safe.

- Thank you to the following:
- B SIDE CURVES
 - AROMA CRYSTAL THERAPY
 - MOUAT'S CLOTHING
 - MARK'S WORK WEARHOUSE
 - TRACY STIBBARDS CINEMA CENTRAL
 - OYSTERCATCHER
 - EL ZOCALO CAFE
 - ISLAND STAR HOME HARDWARE
 - LAURIE'S RECYCLE & WASTE
 - BARB'S BUNS ISLAND ESCAPADES
 - CANADIAN DOLLAR STORE

7 IN MEMORIAM

A CELEBRATION OF the life of James Norris will be held at 151 Cranberry on Sunday, October 19 from 2 - 4 p.m. All whose lives were touched by James are invited to bring their memories and a snack to share.

17 MARRIAGE

MARK CHRISTIANSON and **Lyubov Markova** are pleased to announce their marriage in Moscow, Russia.

20 COMING EVENTS

NIGHT OF The Novelists: Saturday Oct. 18, 8pm at ArtSpring. Gail Anderson-Dargatz, Mona Fertig, Hiromi Goto, Lydia Kwa, Pearl Luke, Lee Maracle, Maureen Moore & Kathy Page. Tickets at ArtSpring \$12.

FOR A complete calendar of coming events check the Driftwood Community Calendar, in our office in the Upper Ganges Centre, 328 Lower Ganges Road, or on our website at <http://www.gulfislands.net>. Use the calendar for event planning, to make sure your date doesn't conflict with someone else's.

CHRISTMAS IS coming sooner than we think. The Home-based Business Christmas Craft Fair is November 29 & 30. All vendors please contact me regarding tables A.S.A.P. Lianne 537-9636.

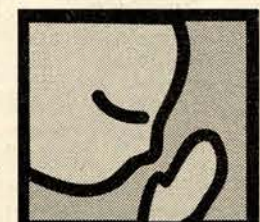
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for the Salt Spring Festival of the Arts, Monday, Nov. 3, 7:30 at the Core Inn, 134 McPhillips Ave. Everyone welcome.

COSTUME SWAP! Bring outgrown kids costume(s) and trade for a newer one(s), Saturday, October 18, 2 - 4 p.m. Fables Cottage, 112 Hereford. 537-0028. Must be here to do your own trading.

MAKE PLANS to shop at West of the Moon's store wide sale Nov. 6 through Nov. 9. Playmobile, wooden trains 15% off, everything else (except promo sets) 20% off! Don't miss this chance to start your shopping early! 4 days only! 537-1966.

EXPERIENCE BLISS! A special combination of hands on treatments featuring Thai Massage, hot stones and deep tissue therapeutic massage. Finest essential oils from Europe and Asia. Only \$90 per session. Licensed & registered. 537-1219.

TIMING EXCELLENT, nest pas? Sale, Sale, Sale in November!! 4 days only, Nov. 6 - 9 at West of the Moon. Don't miss these great prices!! Stock up on stocking stuffers!



FAMILY YOGA

PRENATAL - Relaxation postures encourage a more comfortable pregnancy and easier birth.

MOM & BABY - Stretch, relax, regain strength, & connect with other moms. [Newborn to just before crawling]

KIDS' YOGA - A fun and creative way for children to get in conscious touch with their own young bodies.

GANGES YOGA STUDIO
537-2444 • Upper Level, Grace Point Square

20 COMING EVENTS

BINGO
MEADEN HALL
Royal Canadian Legion
THURSDAY
Oct 16 - 7:00pm
Early Birds - 6:30pm
Sponsored by Ladies Auxiliary
Royal Canadian Legion Br. 92.
All proceeds to bursaries for Salt Spring Island students.

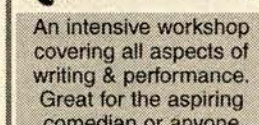
graffiti theatre presents

Seven Stories
a play by Morris Panych

Directed by Yvonne Adalian
October 31
November 1, 5, 6, 7, 8
ArtSpring
\$18 (Wed, Thurs) \$20 (Fri, Sat)
Box Office 537-2102

FULL DAY STAND-UP COMEDY WORKSHOP WITH CHRIS MOLINEUX

Oct 19, 9:00am



An intensive workshop covering all aspects of writing & performance. Great for the aspiring comedian or anyone looking to improve their communication skills. All workshop participants have the option of appearing in the evening performance.

For Details & Registration 604-947-2650 or email: bookings@happyfaceproductions.com
Workshop \$60 (includes performance)
Comedy Show 8-10pm
\$8 at the door
www.happyfaceproductions.com

WCB

Occupational First Aid

Level 3 First Aid Course
Saltspring Island
Oct 20 - 31, 2003 0830 - 1600 hrs daily
Cost \$655.00
Heather Haskett - Instructor
HeartSafe EMS Victoria
1-250-385-3223 1-877-503-2237

Yoga & Brunch

October 19th
at Beaver Point Hall

Yoga & Meditation 10:30 - 12:30
Organic Brunch by Jason 12:45

Do both \$18
Brunch only \$10
Yoga only \$10

RSVP for Brunch • Susan 653-YOGA
(families welcome for brunch)

20 COMING EVENTS

Get ready for **HARLAN'S**
First Annual **PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST**
Prizes for best entries as voted by our customers
See our ad next week

north end fitness

AEROBICS CLASSES!

MONDAY 9:15 AM
Sandi's Spin Class
MONDAY 5:15 PM
Rheona's Pilates
TUESDAY 9:15 AM
Shannon's Muscle Worx
TUESDAY 6:15 PM
Sandi's Spin
WEDNESDAY 9:15 AM
Shanon's Pilates Style
WEDNESDAY 4:00 PM
Sandi's Spin
WEDNESDAY 5:30 PM
Shanon's Pilates Style
THURSDAY 7:00 AM
Rheona's Pilates
THURSDAY 9:15 AM
Shanon's Muscle Worx
THURSDAY 6:15 PM
Leslie's Spin Class
FRIDAY 9:15 AM
Sandi's Spin Class
SATURDAY 8:30 AM
Shanon's Pilates Style
A.M. DAYCARE
NON MEMBERS WELCOME!
INFORMATION 537-5217

20 COMING EVENTS

Tickets: \$12 Acoustic Pinner/ \$15 at the Door
All Proceeds to FIRE RELIEF FUND
Singer-songwriter **Bill Staines**
in concert
Sunday Oct 19
7pm
Lions Hall
Opening Act
Local Artist **LINDSAY BRYAN**

OPEN STAGE

Thursdays 7-10pm
ALL ENTERTAINERS WELCOME
(Musicians, Comedians etc.)
Gasoline Alley 537-9911

Introduction to C. G. Jung

Discuss how Jung's psychology can bring greater consciousness

Friday, Oct 17th and Oct 24
7:30-9:30 pm
United Church, Upper Hall, Ganges
Admission \$8 each evening
For more information contact Lorna Wood
653-9881
lorna@wood@universe.com

THAILAND and LAOS

Jan 9 - Feb 1, 2003

Join our unique small-group cultural tour to the ancient kingdoms of Thailand and Laos accompanied by Kay Kos.

LAST CHANCE TO BOOK
(250) 537-5523
1-877-274-4169

UNIGLOBE

25 EDUCATION

APARTMENT/CONDOMINIUM MANAGER training program. Many positions available! Job placement assistance. All areas. Offered through government registered home-study format. Information/brochure: 604-681-5456 / 1-800-665-8339. www.rmti.ca

FOOD BANK

will be closed November 11 and opened November 10 instead.

FRED SCHNEIDER MUSEUM Estate Auction. Eston, SK., October 11, 12, 13, 10am. Contents of 3 level hip roof barn, blacksmith shop & horse-drawn equipment. Lloyd's Auction 306-962-4391. Cell: 403-575-1107. www.lloyds-auction.com.

25 EDUCATION

Teach a child good math skills and watch her confidence multiply.

With so many skills to grasp, your child may have a hard time understanding math. Call us now to help your child's math skills and confidence soar.

#213-80 Station St.
Duncan, B.C. V9L 1M4
Tel/Fax: (250) 746-0222
Limited spaces available on Salt Spring

25 EDUCATION

SPACES AVAILABLE for the morning pre-school program at Salt Spring Island Daycare. For information call Andrea or Susan 537-2114.

SALT SPRING Montessori has full and part time spaces available. Open Mon. - Fri., 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. for more info. call Heidi at 653-9228.

VETERINARY ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant program. Learn veterinary terminology, animal handling and office skills. Starts September, 2004. St. Albert Campus, St. Albert, Alberta; www.fairview-college.com. 1-888-999-7882. Will receive NAIT certification.

DIVE INTO a new career! Marine Service Technician program runs Monday to Thursday Noon. One year program. September, 2004. Campus in St. Albert, Alberta. Fairview College; 1-888-999-7882; www.fairviewcollege.com. Will receive NAIT certification.

26 LEGAL

IN COMPLIANCE with the Warehouse Lien Act, notice is hereby given of intent to auction a 1977 Chevrolet motorhome, belonging to William Thomas Antrobus, VIN CGL3374140748, on October 31st at noon, at 1450 North End Road, Salt Spring Island, to recover rental of \$1926 plus costs of sale. Previewing by appointment, 537-5773.

29 LOST AND FOUND

LOST: SEPTEMBER 14, pair folding, magnetic clip on sunglasses while visiting Ganges. Call 250-245-4906.

SINGLE KEY (? house key) found in post office parking lot. Claim at the Driftwood office.

32 MEETINGS

ABBYFIELD SENIORS housing A.G.M. October 20, 2003, 7:30 p.m. Fulford School Library 537-5828.

34 NOTICES

SEWING MACHINE Repair. Drop off at Salt Spring Dry Cleaning at 116 Hereford Ave. 537-2241. Local agent for Sawyer Sewing Centre of Victoria.

IF YOUR Driftwood subscription label has the date highlighted, now is the time to renew!

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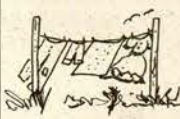
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34 NOTICES



Family Place

All groups are professionally facilitated. There is no charge. Please call Family Place at 537-9176 for information or questions.

Family Place Coordinator and Child Mental Health Counsellor Rona Robbins M.Ed., MFT is now forming limited enrollment groups for:

- parents of children aged 2 - 4 who might be interested in participating in a weekly observation nursery
- single parents of children aged 0 - 6 seeking a support group
- single, expectant mothers and single mothers of infants 0 - 6 months

ADVERTISING DEADLINES

DISPLAY
Friday, 5 pm
CLASSIFIED
Monday, 5 pm
TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
Tuesday, noon

PHONE:
537-9933
FAX: 537-2613



40 PERSONALS

NICE COUPLE, 40, looking to meet other couples for friendship, walks, dinners. Please reply to ssicouple@hotmail.com

HEAVEN IS A state of consciousness. Learn how to experience heaven now. Call Eckankar at 1-800-LOVE-GOD for a free book with answers. www.eckankar.org

DEBT STRESS? We can help you avoid bankruptcy through debt consolidation. Achieve peace of mind. Visit us online at: mydebtsolution.com or call toll-free: 1-877-556-3500.

BECOME ENCHANTED! Ancient psychic alliance casts? Miraculous? Spells? Banishes hexes! Brings instant love, luck, health, success, guidance! Free 24 hr psychic revelations! Call: 1-800-771-7422 or www.circleofpsychics.com

PAYDAY LOANS! Bad credit? No credit? No problem. Borrow up to \$1000 until payday. Have a job? Get a loan guaranteed! 1 hour approval. 1-866-3-PAYDAY 24 hrs/7 days. www.prdirect.ca

CANADA'S TOP PSYCHICS... Are you ready to believe in psychics again? Call now, you won't be disappointed! 1-900-451-7070 \$2.95/minute 18+.

DIVORCE SURVIVAL STRATEGIES... Before spending large sums on legal fees, call The Family Law Centre to understand your rights & obligations. Our lawyers will present you with your options & offer smart & proven strategies to help reduce your legal fees, safeguard your assets & defend your child custody & access rights. Don't be a victim! "Separate Smart"...Toll-free 1-866-879-3529.

CRIMINAL RECORD? Canadian pardon seals record. U.S. waiver permits legal American entry. Why risk arrest, licensing, travel, arrest, deportation, property confiscation? Canadian - U.S. Immigration specialists. 1-800-347-2540.

Employment

50 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

WEEKLY PAYCHEQUES! Simply processing mail part-time. Free details 1-800-279-0019 ext.93 or visit www.opportunity-depot.com

55 HELP WANTED

TRAVEL AGENT required: Minimum 3 years experience. Knowledge of sabre helpful, but not essential. Please apply with resume to Uniglobe Salt Spring. 537-5523.

LIVE-IN CARE needed for elderly Victoria couple. Experience with Hoyer-type lifts an asset. Reply to Dept Z, c/o The Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V3.

SALT SPRING Island Co-op Preschool accepting applications for E.C.E. position. Offering 3 full days per week commencing Nov. 2003. Fax resume and E.C.E. certificate by Oct. 22 to 250-537-2246. Phone enquiries 250-537-8350.

INDUSTRY DEMANDS create new certificate programs! Exciting careers in horticulture, irrigation, precision agriculture and sportsfields/parks technicians. September, 2004. One year stand alone or transfer to turf management. Fairview, Alberta, 1-888-999-7882; www.fairviewcollege.com.

TRI-STAR CHRYSLER, Peace River requires a parts person for their dealership. Apprenticeship is available. Interested applicant can send resume to: 9005 - 102 St., Peace River, AB, T8S 1H2 or fax to 780-624-1770. Attention: Ian Gardner.

INSURANCE AGENT - KELOWNA agency is currently accepting applications for experienced level I or II AGENT. This position will be of particular interest to motivated individuals seeking a role in the growth of our operations. We offer a positive dynamic work environment, benefits plan and a superior compensation package. Please reply in writing to: Kelowna Valley Insurance Services Ltd. #134-1676 Cooper Road, Kelowna, BC, V1Y 9N6.

HARD WORKING, PERSON-ABLE individuals for remote catering. Bakers, cooks, cook's helpers, camp attendants. We will be in Kamloops for interviews October 15th and 16th. Please fax resumes with references to 780-437-3630.

REQUIRED A CYLINDRICAL grinder operator with experience. Willing to train with minimal experience. Please provide references. Fax resume: 780-450-2899.

COUNSELLORS NEEDED. Clients are referred to counsellors in private practice trained by Counsellor Training Institute in all locations in Canada. Visit www.counselorinstitute.com. Call now 1-800-665-7044.

LAKESIDE PACKERS, Canada's largest beef processor, is hitting the ground running as our export markets reopen - and we are looking for more great production team members for our Brooks, Alberta facility. As a member of the Tyson Foods family (the world's largest protein producer), Lakeside is currently hiring to various departments, including slaughter, processing, hide plant, rendering and maintenance. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, be able to work in a physically demanding, fast-paced environment, and have a positive attitude. Starting at \$11.60/hour (or \$11.25 for day shift), production team members can be making \$16, or more in as little as 15 months, with an excellent benefit package, paid on-the-job training, and advancement opportunity that only the undisputed world leader can provide. Mobile recruiters will soon be scheduling information sessions in BC centres - depending on the response, we could be interviewing you near home to start a new career in Brooks with Lakeside. If you are interested, fax your resume or application (available on our website - www.lakesidepackers.com) to 403-501-2239 or call us at 1-888-700-0903.

TREE HOUSE Cafe is looking for a chalk board artist. To apply please phone 537-0182 and leave a message.

TREEHOUSE CAFE in Fulford is looking for a cook and a baker. Apply with resume in Fulford.

ENERGETIC, RELIABLE person wanted for presser/finisher position. This position offers 3 - 4 days per week employment, year round. Apply in person with resume Salt Spring Drycleaners 116 Hereford Ave.

FULL TIME positions for carpenter/foreman able to lay out and supervision, carpenters and helpers for long term bldg. project near Garden Bay on the Sunshine Coast. Please fax name and experience to (250) 537-1554.

OCCASIONAL SITTER for two very large, very friendly dogs. 537 - 8561.

A CALL for professional flag people to help flag traffic on Dec. 1 "World Aids Day" when we will hold "The World Aids Day Walk" on Salt Spring Island. Please call Liz at 653-2046 if you would like to help.

Home Sweet Home
A HANDY GUIDE TO SERVICES FOR HOME & GARDEN

204 ARCHITECTS
250-653-4931
www.yardleyarchitect.com
Jonathan Yardley Architect
Neil Morie architect
#4 Fulford Marina Bldg
ph 653-4812
fax 653-4813
creative design responsive to site craft and client

218 CLEANING SERVICES



Holly & Dave Thatcher
Gulf Islands Carpet & Upholstery Care
537-4944
FLOOD RESTORATION

55 HELP WANTED

3RD OR 4TH YEAR or journeyman technician required for a modern progressive Ford dealership in the Best Blooming Town in Alberta. Excellent work environment, competitive compensation plan with bonuses and full benefits. This is a career position. Send resume to: Westlock Ford, 9024 - 100 St., Westlock, AB, T7P 2L4 or email: rdford@telusplanet.net.

SSI EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Are you unemployed and need help with your job search? Are you thinking about re-training? If you are receiving Employment Insurance Benefits (or have received these benefits within the last 3 years) we have a variety of programs available to assist you. Counsellor comes to SSI once a week and services are free. Please call Marta at 1-888-993-2299

60 WORK WANTED

WIZARD BUILDERS. Fully equipped carpenter team available for new home construction and renovations. Call Dave 537-8568 or cell 886-0947.

WORLD FAMOUS on Salt Spring! Piko Renovations Ltd. creates excellent small- to medium-sized renovations, repairs, decks, etc. Peter Blackmore, 537-4382.

JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER available for work. Additions, renovations, new homes, sun decks, green houses, etc. Reasonable rates. Quality and integrity. Jim Anderson. 537-9124.

RELIABLE WORKER available for fall cleanup, brush removal. You supply tools, I supply labour. Island references. Call Stuart 537-8785.

Services

109 CAREGIVERS

SENIORS - AVAILABLE for doctor's appointments on and off island, shopping, etc. Experienced and very reasonable. 537-1291

220 CONCRETE
GULF COAST MATERIALS
Serving the Gulf Islands
Salt Spring, Galiano, Mayne, Penders
• READY MIX
• WASHED GRAVEL
• REINFORCED STEEL
• BAGGED CEMENT
• SEPTIC TANKS
• SCAFFOLDING RENTAL
537-2611
Rainbow Road

222 CONTRACTORS

"Quality Homes of Distinction"
Villadsen Construction (1980) Ltd.
Building Island Homes for three generations.
Kent John
537-5463 537-9857
Fax 537-5407

117 COMMUNITY SERVICES

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS - 537-8978

ALANON/ALATEEN A program for family and friends of alcoholics. For further information call 537-2941, 653-4288 or 537-4909.

ADULT CHILDREN Anonymous. For healing from any dysfunctional family background. Saturday afternoons 537-4315 for information.

FAMILIES OF Schizophrenics meet in homes for mutual support. Call 537-2543.

CRISIS LINE for Salt Spring - toll-free 1-877-435-7544.

DRESSINGS FREE to cancer patients by the Order of the Eastern Star. Contact Ida McManus, 537-5423.

Alcoholics Anonymous Services Meetings

- Salt Spring 537-7573
- Galiano 539-2222
- Pender 629-3631
- Women's only - Thursday nights 5:30 p.m. - 537-7573



SALT SPRING ISLAND FOUNDATION ...your community foundation.

Help enhance the quality of life in your Island community. You can do this by contributing to our/your community endowment fund. Even \$10 will help make a lasting difference. All contributions are pooled and preserved in the endowment fund. The interest earned on it is distributed annually to a wide range of worthy Island charitable organizations. These vary from year to year as community priorities change. You can help also by having your purchases at Thrifty's and at GVM credited to the SSI Foundation. Further information, including latest annual report, is freely available upon request, without obligation. Phone 537-2501 (Bob Rush)

118 COMPUTERS

COMPUTER REPAIRS & consulting, all makes, 15 years on Salt Spring. CollinsWorks 537-9297, pager 604-686-5311.

222 CONTRACTORS
WALTER HUSER & SONS
Construction Ltd.
Residential & Commercial
Personalized service from plans to completion
537-5247 - 537-5092
Salt Spring Island

SMALL RENOVATION WORK

Additions & Alterations
All work guaranteed by tradesman
PAINTING
Interior & Exterior
by Qualified Painters using Quality Materials
537-2732 or 537-6204
Reasonable & Affordable

225 DESIGNERS

LET'S GET STARTED!
Bring your sketches & ideas and together we'll design (or upgrade) your dream home. Through the use of computer-aided drafting, we'll quickly produce the working drawings you'll take to your contractor.
PLEASE CALL HELSET DESIGN 537-1037 and ask for Jim

236 FIREWOOD
KONIG & DAUGHTER FIREWOOD
Serving Salt Spring 22 years
Organically Grown Firewood
FIREWOOD LOGS WANTED
(will compensate owner)
537-9531

HONEST OL'S FIREWOOD
• GUARANTEED CORD
Cut, Split & delivered
• Cedar fence rails
653-4165

291 UPHOLSTERY

Blue Velvet Upholstering
325 Rainbow Rd.
537-4369

Home Sweet Home
The business directory for home and household services
Every week in the Classifieds!
Call 537-9933 for details
Driftwood

126 EYEGLASSES

Gulf Islands Optical
Tuesday-Friday 10:00-5:00
323 Lower Ganges Road (Lancer Building)
RICHARD WEATHERALL (Optician)
537-2648 Office
537-2214 Emergencies

142 MUSICAL SERVICES

HARD-DRIVING ROCK 'n' roll, tender ballads, sweet blues and upbeat reggae music for your birthday party, wedding reception or any excuse you may have to get friends together and dance. DNA is a six-piece Salt Spring band with lots of experience, good musical variety and professional sound, lights and effects. For bookings, call Dave: 538-0300.

148 PETS/LIVESTOCK

BED & BISCUIT dog minding. Quality in-home boarding and daycare. Reasonable rates. References avail. Convenient to ferry. Call Donna 653-4044.

156 RENTALS

PARTY RENTALS
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#1-327 Rainbow Rd. 538-0388

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From TENTS to UTENSILS
• NO GST • LOWEST PRICES • BEST SERVICE
Pick ups at Love My Kitchen
Susan or Joy 537-4577
537-0909 cell
partytimerentals@saltspring.com

173 TRAVEL

ESCAPE THE winter blues. Southern Portugal, self contained suite, steps from lovely beaches, \$400 per week. Nov.-Feb. Special \$1000 per month. Jorge 653-9242.

TIMESHARE RESALES - Rii@Stroman - Since 1979. Buy-sell-rent-exchange. Worldwide selection. Call now! 1-800-201-0864.

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Your local full service travel stop!
We now carry all sizes of luggage, travel bags, hip pouches and more.
Come in and see our
TRAVEL ACCESSORY CORNER!
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1-877-274-4169

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302 APPLIANCES

WASHER & DRYER recently reconditioned, full size \$200, 537-9389.

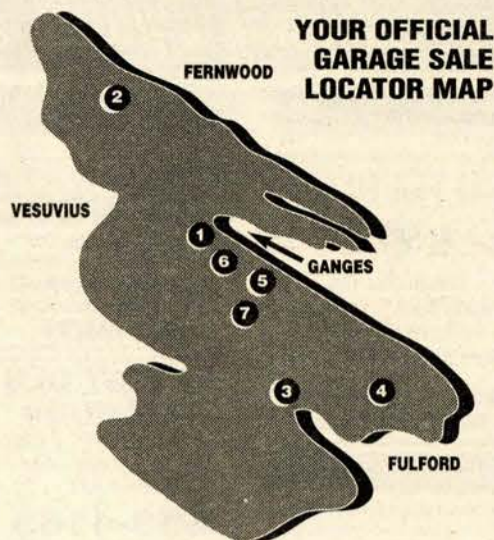
KENMORE WASHER and Moffat dryer, working condition, \$150 for both. 537-5755.

USED FREEZER, good working condition, \$50. 537-4405.

APPLIANCES

Kitchenaid, Whirlpool, Frigidaire, Maytag & more!

LARGEST SELECTION ON SALT SPRING ISLAND
537-2111
HOME DESIGN CENTRE



340 GARAGE SALES

1 LIONS GARAGE Sale: Friday & Saturday's only 10-12. Many household items. Note: We no longer offer pickups. We do not accept appliances. Drop offs accepted only on Friday & Sat morning. Please no garbage!! 103 Bonnet Ave.

2 TOYS, BABY items, kitchen wares & other great stuff. Come take a look 2470 North End Rd. Oct 18/03, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. No early birds.

3 FABULOUS FLEAMARKET at Fulford Hall. Sunday, Nov. 2. 10 - 2. Bargains, food, fun. Table rental, \$20 each, prepaid. Call 537-5482.

4 GARAGE SALE - 490 Reynolds Rd. Saturday Oct 18, 8-1 p.m., kid's stuff, household goods, concrete landscaping blocks & misc.

340 GARAGE SALES

5 ESTATE SALE: Oct. 18 & 19 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. @ 720 Beddis Road. Commercial fishing gear, engines, rope, power tools, leather sofa, king bed, desk, fax machine, lamps, stoves, exercise bike, lawn chairs, and lots, lots more.

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1989 F-250, 4 X 4, 5 speed, 230,000 km. & 1976 Vanguard camper. Both in great shape. \$7000 obo. Call evenings. 537-4458.

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1984 JEEP CHEROKEE 4 X 4, good condition, 90,000 original miles, new rebuilt engine, all records, \$2500 obo. 537-4408.

856 BUSES, VANS

WHITE 1999 GMC Safari 8 pass. van. 71K, tr. hitch (5700 lbs), bra, parked in underground garage 1 year, original owner, n/smoker, \$14,600 firm. 538-1789.

TOYOTA PREVIA, 4 W.D., full service records. 537-8434

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MATURE, MARRIED local businessman commuting to Salt Spring 1 or 2 nights mid-weekly, seeks a house-sitting/caretaking situation near Ganges. With a flexible schedule, able to vacate on short notice and for extended periods, willing to offset winter costs, this might be the right situation to keep your summer home heated and attended to over the winter season and still have full unfettered access yourself. Excellent local references available. Pls call Steve at 604-817-7744.

ARCHERY NIGHT, each Wednesday, 7 - 9 p.m. at Salt Spring Rod & Gun Club, 223 Long Harbour Rd, open to all members. Memberships available on site.

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SKYE WOLFE needs a place to rent close to town or north end, prefer private bachelor or 1 room suite/cabin. Longtime island resident. Excellent references 653-9898.

TREE SERVICE: Hazard tree removal, limbing for view or light. Climber specialist. Prompt service. Experienced and fully insured. 537-7039.

AUDIO, MUSICAL, Computer, Misc used items for sale on line at www.ssmerchant.ca/sidewalk/PIANO TUNING, fall special. Ken Ackerman Piano Service. 1-250-382-4527 or 1-250-217-0207.

1986 EAGLE 4x4, good body, drive train, and tires. Reduced to \$2,000. Also we need a good white electric clothes dryer. Phone 537-5657.

WANTED: FIREWOOD logs (will compensate owner). Will also deal with your windfalls and danger trees. König & Son Firewood, 537-9531.

ARE YOU a retired or professional woman who would like to share a fully furnished/ self contained cozy, architecturally designed home near the beach? \$650 plus util. (2 rooms available). 537-0717 or 604-915-5075.

SALTSRING FOLK Club presents Garnet Rodgers, October 27. Tickets available, starting October 14 @ Acoustic Planet, Stuff & Nonsense and S.S. Books, \$15.

STILL AVAILABLE! Season tickets for continuing Salt Spring Folk Club, now 5 concert series, @ office of Karin Dakin, C.G.A. www.saltspring-folkclub.ca.

GRAFFITI THEATRE - "7 Stories" by award winning Vancouver playwright Morris Panych. Oct. 31, Nov. 1, 5, 6, 7, 8. Tickets at Artspring. A must see!

NIPPONWARE & LUSTREWARE. A few interesting pieces recently arrived at RainCoast Gallery. Next to Embe's. Tel 250-537-4403.

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EXPLORING THE Ancient wisdom of Kabbalah with Deborah Brockenshire, R.N., LL.B. Oct. 19/03 9:30 - 6 Pan-ea ma'at Light Centre, 181 Beaver Pt. Rd. Call 653-4250 by Oct. 17. \$100 incl. lunch.

A CALL For professional flag people to help flag traffic on Dec. 1 "World Aids Day" when we will hold "The World Aids Day Walk" on Salt Spring Island. Please call Liz at 653-2046 if you would like to help.

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FRED KENKNIGHT. This American artist, now a Maui resident, has attracted collectors for almost 40 years now. Two of his early oils depicting Hopi cliff dwellings are available at RainCoast Gallery. Next to Embe's. Tel 250-537-4403.

FREE: BLUE jetted bathtub w. pump, works well, Fisher fireplace insert, 5 aluminum frame single-glaze windows, 653-4558.

AVAILABLE NOV 1st, long term, 2 bdrm, hot tub, W/D, south end, \$1000 plus hydro. References req. Leave message 653-4590. Non-smoking residents.

BOOKKEEPER, PART-TIME with computer skills to help with small construction business. 537-9858.

SALT SPRINGERS For Safe Food - video and discussion, Wednesday, Oct. 22, 7 pm, United Church.

DELUXE BATHROOM fixtures, bone colour, like new. Glass door shower stall, toilet, sink with vanity, jetted tub, 537-9545.

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FOR RENT: Oceanfront home, private beach, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, W/D, D/W, wood floors, fireplace, N/P, N/S, suit 1 or 2 quiet, professional. \$925. Oct-July 15 604-224-1001.

APARTMENT WITH a view. 1 bdrm. available in 2 br. upper level suite. Close to Bader's Beach, Mt. Erskin trailhead & town. \$425 + util. Immediately 538-0085.

LADY WITH Care Aid and Physical Therapy Diplomas looking for a live-in position on Salt Spring. Clean driver's license. Please phone 604-946-1974 or e-mail staveleys@hotmail.com for more info.

S.P.C.A. HAS a good assortment of young kittens seeking loving people to adopt them. Contact S.P.C.A. 537-2123.

N/S PROFESSIONAL COUPLE, quiet cat, seek quiet, sunny home, long term, south end preferred. Property management experience, references. Scott and Leslie, 653-9631.

DUPLEX FOR long term rental. 3 bedrooms, wood stove, washer & dryer, available Nov. 1. References required. \$850 per month plus hydro. Call 653-2346.

TINY CHARMING studio, suits one, south end, longterm, wood/elec heat, furnished or not, loft, skylights, shower, \$450 plus util. 653-9201.

Canadiana Crossword

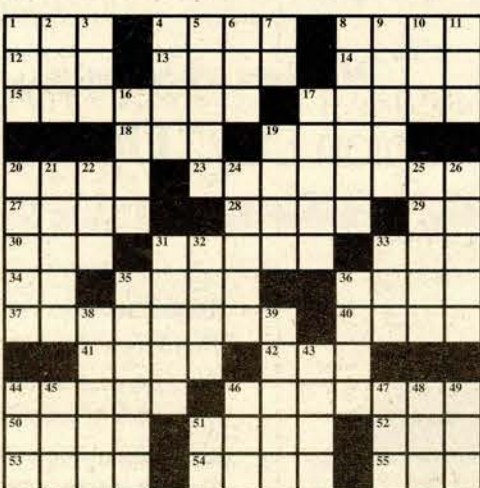
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- 1 Child's game
- 4 Baby goats
- 8 Alley
- 12 Age
- 13 Exploiter
- 14 Elevator maker
- 15 Stingy
- 17 Poet Birney
- 18 Parents and Teachers org.
- 19 Against
- 20 Rank
- 23 Futurist McLuhan
- 27 Old Irish tongue
- 28 Make a face
- 29 Shoe size
- 30 Colour
- 31 Thunderstruck
- 33 Druthers
- 34 Blood type
- 35 Thomson and others
- 36 Let
- 37 Noblewoman
- 40 Opening bet
- 41 Landed
- 42 Dads
- 44 Winter beverage
- 46 Actor Fox
- 50 Musical notation
- 51 Cabbage
- 52 Arafat's org.
- 53 Peasant
- 54 ___ and dashes
- 55 Salamander

DOWN

- 1 Pro
- 2 Aristotle, familiarly
- 3 Helium e.g.
- 4 Skater Browning
- 5 Muslim faith



- 6 Eastern title
- 7 RIF beneficiary
- 8 Despire
- 9 Heart chambers
- 10 None
- 11 Compass pt
- 16 Fencing sword
- 17 Follow
- 19 Lined up
- 20 Make well, slangily
- 21 Caribbean island
- 22 Toronto Mkt.
- 24 Collect
- 25 Tilted
- 26 Philippine island

- 31 Ancient Greek colony
- 32 No, in Novograd
- 33 Mole
- 35 Photographer Beny
- 36 Skin problem
- 38 Surin or Bailey
- 39 Overflowed
- 43 Ones
- 44 Metric units
- 45 Rah in Cadiz
- 46 China's Chairman, once
- 47 Imitate
- 48 Pixie
- 49 Destiny
- 51 Singer Lang



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THIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE



Horoscope for the Week of October 12, 2003

Tip of the Week:
In approximately one month from now on

Saturday November 8, 2003 thousands if not millions of people all around the world will celebrate the Harmonic Concordance. This event links to the Harmonic Convergence that took place back in 1987. Both these events have strong Astrological anchors that indicate a special cosmic opening and awakening for humanity. The Harmonic Concordance coincides with a Lunar Eclipse. The star pattern on that day includes a Grand Sextile, this rare aspect pattern occurs when six planets are each exactly 60 degrees apart. This event also coincides with many prophecies pointing to 2003 as a major turning point year. It would seem from this that the unprecedented occurrence in recorded history of Mars coming so close to our planet and synchronizing with heat waves and massive forest fires all over the world was the foreshadow. To many, the Harmonic Concordance is a celebration of the return of the Goddess to counterbalance the excessive emphasis on the male patriarchal influences in the world. Since she is Mother Nature, we might expect that she will come with natural forces cleaning and clearing the way for her re-established presence in consciousness. Some say that the whole of humanity stands to experience a sudden awakening to higher realities, in one form or another. Others yet claim that the fourth dimension is giving way to the fifth. In many respects, all of the above signify the same conclusion: something very powerful, beautiful and special is making its (her) way into the conscious awareness of the inhabitants of our planet. This is a special event to celebrate and rejoice. Mark your calendars; consider joining with others in your community and help to bring higher awareness to our planet Earth/Gaia. Many Blessings!

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
Love is in the air in your skies these days, along with all the hormonal activity that usually accompanies stirred romantic feelings. A new level of independence is emerging. You are on the threshold of initiations of one kind or another. The past does not equal the future and you are destined to build upon new foundations. Acceptance of things as they are is key to your peace of mind. Transition includes some measure of chaos so trust and enjoy the process.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)
A new you is emerging. You desire deeper connection in relationships yet you are aware of your inability and/or unwillingness to try to be all things to all people. Deciphering what you need to do and learn to feel more secure is a central theme. Along with a deeper sense of security, you also want to include passion in your life. You can have both as long

as you acknowledge what you desire. Clarity, focus and follow-through are the keys to manifestation.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)
The fun of love and romance is dancing in your mind these days. The work and the rest of the reality behind relationship are on the distant horizon. Re-discovering who you are at this stage of your journey is a part of the plot. Fortunately, you feel bold and determined to find and to exercise psychological and spiritual tools to see you through these confusing times. Put confidence into change now and let go of trying to preserve the status quo. Flow!

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)
Re-establishing a deep sense of your center continues. In many respects, this includes feeling more comfortable at home. Interior design and decoration inspires you now. You want to create a sacred space that meets with your spiritual aspirations. A quiet space that reflects the person you feel you are at this time might be enough. The space you are creating also implies a state of mind wherein service to others is a top priority. Help yourself to help others.

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 21)
Meetings, errands, jaunts, short trips, house gatherings and other such events are all likely possibilities at this time. By necessity or purely for the sake of interest, you are eager to connect with friends new and old. On a deeper note, you want to connect in body, mind and soul with significant others. You are awakening to levels of reality you only vaguely knew existed only a year or so ago. Expect this trend to continue for many years. For now, rise to the occasion and take a new lead.

Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23)
Building upon a new foundation of values on relationship fronts, continues. On the most basic level, this may include acquiring new possessions. At deeper levels, this implies deepening your commitment to what and to whom you consider truly worthy of your time and energy. From a wider angle, change continues to rumble through your daily life affecting personal and/or professional spheres. Acknowledge your needs and stay flexible.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21)
A pioneering mood continues. You desire more comfort, affection, passion and stability in your life. You can achieve this rather tall order in as much as you are willing to give to the situation fully. To this end, you are ideally willing to change habitual perspectives and beliefs about what you deem fair. Consider that everything you do for you, somehow. From this place, begin to reconsider that spirit in which you give and the quality of your offering. Give more to receive.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20)
A time of relative retreat, rest and contemplation continues. At worst, you feel like running away and are prone to substance abuse. At best, you are taking time

to re-connect with what you truly believe and value at this time. This is a good time to establish a strong inner reference with your heart and soul. The mass populations are outer referenced and so are seduced by limiting material objectives at the expense of inner peace and happiness. True peace is within.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20)
Making the dream a reality continues as a central theme. This may well include projects of one kind or another in which you are busy expressing your creative skills. Inventiveness is a part of this process. Renovations close to home are probable. Changes in the way you think and act are key aspects of the plot. New commitments in your life have helped to change your attitude. You may not feel as though you are on solid ground yet, though more stability is coming. Persevere.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19)
You are in a good position to exercise more power in the world. Authority figures will grant you favors and earned rewards now. You do have something special to bring into manifestation and the universe is behind you. As you deepen your commitment to home, country and your fellow beings, you will especially receive assistance. The universe responds most readily and fully to actions that indicate unity. This is so because division is a relative illusion. Consolidate your focus in unity.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)
Expanding your scope of interests to include more art and culture continues as a central theme. You are eager to break through lines of defense whether they are coming from without or from within. Gathering new tools and resources is key and these, in turn, link to activating and/or plugging into a dynamic network. If you feel alone then you are probably operating too much from your intellect. Shift your attention to and through your heart and reach out to others of like mind and interest.

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)
A process of deepening, clearing and purging is now in focus. You want to expand your scope and yet, in order to do so, you must eliminate and clear. Summoning the courage to follow through with your true feelings and aspirations is key. Though not all of your choices and actions now will prove popular, you must make way for the next phase. This implies gathering, reclaiming and centering your energies for the next intention. Feel the fear and do it anyway!

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FOR RENT - 2 bdrm, level entry home, near GVM. Looking for retired couple or responsible single person. \$850 per month + utilities. Reduced rent for some caretaking duties. 537-5268.

CEDAR FOR sale, great deal on odds & ends, 2 x 6, 2 x 8, 2 x 10, 6 x 6, 8 x 6, 10 x 8. .95 cents per bd. ft. or .85 cents per bd. ft. for the whole lot. About 650 bd. ft. left 537-5167.

FOR RENT: self-contained studio, 300 sq.ft., suit quiet N/S single, avail. Nov. 7, \$400. Also, 1 bdrm. furn. house, Nov. 1 - Apr. 30, comes with cat, \$700. 537-1503.

TRUCK FOR Sale: 1989 Chevy 3/4 ton extra cab, short box, 4 x 4 with canopy and box liner \$6500 537-2728.

FOR RENT: Large, spacious 1 bdrm house, clean, quiet, view, Fulford, \$785, N/S, cat ok. 653-4152.

AVAIL NOW. Small one bedroom cabin with deck. Will rent to one quiet N/S person. No dogs. \$450 incl sat. tv. 537-1968.

THANKS TO Paul Linton. Tree Frog sold out of juice at the apple pressing. Coming October 26th "The second pressing". Pre-order at 653-4998. It's the best!

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FOUND CATS: Very friendly black & white, short hair, found on Robinson Rd/Bullock Lake area. Also, a short hair female tabby, less than 1 year old found in Fulford Village. Contact the S.P.C.A. 537-2123.

FOUND PONY Stuffed toy at GVM parking lot. He has been freshly washed by the finder. Please claim at the Driftwood office.

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FOR RENT: 2 Bbrm house, Vesuvius Bay, private access to public beach. Long term \$1200 /mth plus utilities 537-2481.

GARAGE/ESTATE Sale, Saturday Oct 18. 10 am. 200 Collins Rd. All welcome!

1981 GMC PICKUP, 4 spd, 6 cyl, 1/2 ton. Runs well. Parts or island runner \$500 obo. Sweet 1984 GMC Touring van. Needs head gaskets. Offers? 653-4168.

FALL CLEARANCE sale at B-Side clothing. Up to 50% off storewide, Thursday to Saturday 121 McPhillips Ave.

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LOST HEART Locket - child's, in small white cloth bag. Sentimental value - given by grandmother 60 yrs ago. Hope to give to my granddaughter. Reward 537-0756.

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LIVING WITH DYING - third session in the series, Lawyer Jim Pasuta, Special Speaker "Preparing your Will: Making it Simple for your Loved Ones". Free talk, today, at Salt Spring Seniors 2:00 pm. All welcome.

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Kirkham won Ben's Lucky Dollar spree Autopsy prompted

40 years ago

In three minutes at Ben's Lucky Dollar, Fred Kirkham amassed \$95.97 worth of loot during a shopping spree he won from a Lions Club contest.

With a \$415.47 total, Salt Spring volunteers almost doubled their previous year's record of donations to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. A year earlier, donations totalled \$269.69.

35 years ago

Ganges urgently needed mooring space for small craft. The Chamber of Commerce was supposed to impress the need for a breakwater in Ganges Harbour to the minister of public works.

Annual flooding was getting worse, Mrs. Pirolo told the Chamber of Commerce. The slough was fed by two arms, one running down Rainbow Road and the second from the school grounds area.

DOWN THE YEARS

30 years ago

RCMP at Ganges wanted a pound where wandering and stray animals could be taken. Many islanders had expressed concern about the number of stray dogs, and sheep farmers had been incensed at dogs killing sheep.

New construction of buildings valued at approximately \$500,000 were approved on the island, bringing the year's total to \$4 million. Permits for 11 single-family homes on Salt Spring and five on the Outer Islands were issued.

25 years ago

Careless hunters made it into print when Georgina Marcotte discovered the remnants of a 12-gauge shotgun blast wedged into the wall of her Stewart Road home.

20 years ago

Determined to get aboard their ferry, foot passengers at Mayne Island charged a full Queen of Tsawwassen. Several people involved were arrested by police when the ferry docked at Tsawwassen.

More than 250 Salt Spring women chose Rob Tranter as Mr. Salt Spring during a Fulford Hall event. His strip show might have been the deciding factor.

15 years ago

Police seized 60 pounds (27.2 kg) of marijuana from a Cusheon Lake property. The pot had an estimated street value of \$47,000.

10 years ago

A seven-year hunt by Florida police for the murderer of a girl ended on Salt Spring Island. Newcomer Gordon MacIntyre, whose real name was Gerald Gervasoni, was arrested. The man was tracked

down, in part, through an American television show.

Residents shopping for groceries could buy a four-litre jug of milk for \$2.98, an apple pie for \$2.38 and a can of soup for 68 cents. A 150-gram bag of chips cost \$1.28.

5 years ago

Salt Spring Preschool Society launched its fundraising drive to raise \$50,000 by February 1999 in order to build its own premises. The society was given notice in November 1997 by Salt Spring Community Services that its classroom was needed by SSCS for an office.

Residents wanting to "buy a cop" had the opportunity to do it as tickets for the Full Mountie raffle went on sale. First prize was a gourmet dinner for four in cells served by RCMP officers dressed in red serge. The draw was to take place on Halloween.

An autopsy was performed Tuesday on a 55-year-old Burnaby woman found dead by family members on their Scott Point property shortly after midnight Saturday.

Salt Spring RCMP Cpl. Dave Voller said the autopsy was ordered because Marilyn Lupinc was only 55 years old and no one had witnessed her death.

"The attending coroner has ordered an autopsy in this case to determine if Mrs. Lupinc's medical history as indicated by family members was a contributing factor in her untimely death," stated an RCMP press release.



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Entries must be received by Monday, October 27th

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM - Select ONE (1) player from each of the 16 groups.

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1 <input type="checkbox"/> Peter Forsberg COL	2 <input type="checkbox"/> Markus Naslund VAN	1 <input type="checkbox"/> Joe Sakic COL	2 <input type="checkbox"/> Ziggy Palffy LOS	2 <input type="checkbox"/> Todd Bertuzzi VAN	2 <input type="checkbox"/> Paul Kariya COL	2 <input type="checkbox"/> Marian Gaborik MIN	2 <input type="checkbox"/> Milan Hejduk COL
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DELIGHTFUL DESSERT: Pat O'Neill and Irene Wright help serve up one of Wright's pumpkin pies at a Thanksgiving dinner held Monday at the United Church. Several island groups coordinated the event, which brought together people who would otherwise be alone or unable to afford a holiday meal.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Hearing loss topic of October 22 talk

"What Brings You Here Today?" is the title of an October 22 presentation by Dr. Arlene Carson at Salt Spring Seniors Society.

Carson, a Victoria audiologist and health researcher, will discuss the range of factors that influence people's decisions to seek professional help for age-related hearing loss, and the role of audiologists in rehabilitation choices.

"People with hearing loss related to aging often wait upwards of 10 years before seeking a hearing assessment," she said. "Why do people wait so long?"

"We know there's a stigma attached to hearing loss," she said, "but other issues are at play in the delay surrounding help-seeking."

This topic was the focus of her doctoral studies, completed in 2000 at the University of British Columbia and funded by the British Columbia Health Research Foundation (now the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research).

"My dissertation explored

help-seeking among older women who have presbycusis or aged-related hearing loss," she said.

At next Wednesday's free talk, Carson also plans to discuss the notion of self-assessment.

"Long before people book a hearing assessment, they're evaluating themselves," she said.

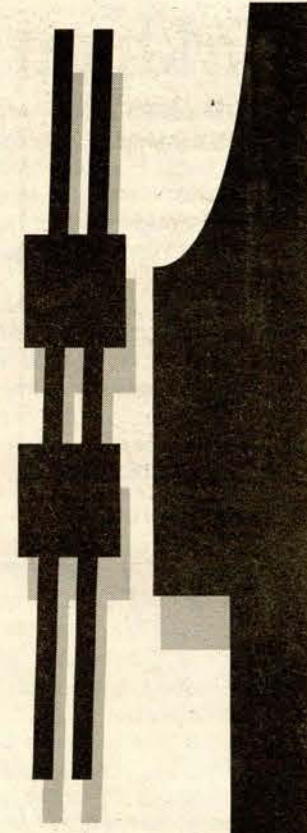
Carson's talk is set for 2 p.m. and will be followed by a question period.

"I'd like to open it up for some general discussion of hearing loss," she said.

She stresses that she is not working in an audiology practice setting, so is not in a position to give specific advice on the latest hearing technology.

Carson is currently a post-doctoral fellow of the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation at the University of Victoria and works with the Vancouver Island Health Authority.

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