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**Weather**

It's going to be sunny and hot this week with temperatures up to 28 C (today) Wednesday. A few clouds are in the forecast for Friday and Saturday. Lows down to 10 on the weekend.

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# Driftwood Gulf Islands

## Trust wins over marina

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Staff Writer

Ganges marina project manager Robyn Kelln was making good his word about stopping boats from tying up outside the marina's water lease when he came to the island Tuesday.

While he "did the deed" as demanded by the Salt Spring Local Trust Committee (LTC) at its July 25 meeting — by posting signs and making it impossible for boats to tie up, Kelln still hopes a different arrangement can be made.

"We were hoping for a compromise," he told the Driftwood Monday.

That included continuing to let boats tie up in the con-

troversial spot on a temporary basis, with the moorage proceeds being donated to a community cause.

The issue of boat moorage became caught in a wider net when a new B&B Ganges Marina Ltd. proposal to develop its waterfront lands and a parcel across the street was considered by the LTC at its last meeting. (The LTC asked the company to refine a plan for commercial and residential buildings, boardwalk completion in front of its property, harbour fill and dedication of a public park area, for further consideration by the LTC.)

Trustees Eric Booth and

**MARINA A3**

## Parker nets perfect Math 12 exam score

Grade 11 Gulf Islands Secondary School student Lucas Parker ended his school year on a high note by earning a perfect score on a Grade 12 provincial math exam.

"It didn't really hit me right when I heard. Later when I was having a shower, I started thinking about it. I started singing in the shower, and I'm not a singer," he said.

Parker finished Grade 11 math last fall and completed Grade 12 math in the spring, which led to his 100 per cent score on the exam he took a year ahead of schedule.

"I didn't do a lot of study-

ing. Math comes pretty easy to me," said Parker, who also enjoys soccer, volleyball and snowboarding.

He said he has to work a little harder at other school subjects than math, which is one of his favourite classes. In his other exams, he scored about 95 per cent overall.

The 17-year-old student hopes to maintain his high average next year to earn university scholarships. He also hopes the high school will offer a calculus class next year.

"I'm in it if they offer it," said Parker, who will likely study sciences in university.

## Three projects spark affordable housing hope

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Staff Writer

With three housing projects aimed at providing shelter for moderate-income islanders now in simmer mode, people hoping to find secure housing for purchase or rent may have some reason for optimism.

The long-dormant affordable housing project for the Catholic diocese lands between Charlesworth Road

and Bonnet Avenue is now being revived in a different guise and the Community Housing and Land Trust Society (CHLTS) has bought a piece of Horel Road property for its plan to build eight small single-family dwellings.

A small-lot subdivision of 26 single-family homes proposed for Norton Road has not reached the first-reading rezoning bylaw stage,

but water, sewer and traffic issues have been resolved, said Tom O'Connor on behalf of the Salt Spring Affordable Housing Corporation (SSAHC).

"The additional information requested by the Local Trust Committee at its March 31 meeting has now been provided to the Islands Trust," he said. "It's all positive. There's nothing standing in the way of the process

from here on in."

If all three proposals reached fruition, 87 more units of housing — deemed "affordable" by various methods of calculation — would come on stream in the next couple of years.

According to an Islands Trust staff report, Three Point Properties Ltd. has acquired an interest in the Bishop of Victoria Catholic church lands and also owns an abut-

ting one-acre property at 258 Fulford-Ganges Road with multi-family potential.

The complex proposal would see creation of 29 single-family lots and 24 community housing dwelling units, with the latter component managed by the Salt Spring Community Services Society.

**HOUSING A2**



**FLOWERS FOR PEACE:** Vladi Wien Kandil holds a sunflower as he prepares to place it on a Peace Park peace symbol created out of flowers. He and others were at the park Monday evening as part of Hiroshima-Nagasaki Day events.

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# Bowen ferries crew aids rescue

Bowen Queen crew members were involved in a marine rescue off Roberts Bank Thursday afternoon. Roy Griffith, who lives on the mainland and Salt Spring, was a passenger on the 2:30 sailing which left Tsawwassen on time, but was soon diverted to respond to a mayday call issued by the U.S. Coast Guard. He said two Zodiacs with crew members were launched from the Bowen Queen to aid people in a sailboat estimated about 22 feet in length. "It meant they had to deviate from their course quite substantially," said B.C. Ferries communications officer Ann Carpenter. The U.S. Coast Guard asked the Bowen Queen crew to drop a rescue boat and stand by. "They didn't have to take anyone on board," said Carpenter, "just to lend assistance and stand by and be available." "We all gave them a big hand when they came back," said Griffith. The ferry's arrival in Long Harbour was delayed by about an hour and 15 minutes as a result of the incident.

# Mill group wants two peer review studies

Community stakeholders made a unanimous August 5 recommendation that two firms should be hired to conduct peer review studies of Crofton mill emissions. Community representatives from First Nations, elected officials, Crofton residents, NorskeCanada employees, local business and the Crofton Airshed Citizens Group agreed that the community forum should receive the results of both peer reviews. Studies will be conducted by RWDI under an existing contract with Reach for Unbleached and by Senes under a contract with NorskeCanada. "We appreciate the community's effort and participation in this process," said NorskeCanada Crofton Division vice-president Don McKendrick. "People took our request for assistance very seriously, and they put a lot of thought and time into working together. It's clear we share common interests in environmental and community well-being and that we can find solutions for moving forward." The forum requested that separate peer reviews be done under common terms of reference agreed to by Senes and RWDI with reports tabled simultaneously for community review. The forum also agreed that the peer review process should start as soon as possible. McKendrick says he will act immediately to retain Senes. The three-hour meeting was chaired by North Cowichan mayor Jon Lefebure and also formed a subcommittee to refine governance of an ongoing community advisory forum focusing on mandate, membership, meeting frequency and logistics. A recommendation will be shared at the group's next meeting.

# AFFORDABLE HOUSING: On the go

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In all three cases, long-term affordability of the homes would be protected through housing agreements registered on title. But like most proposed developments on Salt Spring, they must survive stringent public scrutiny, and some level of opposition has already been expressed about the Norton and Horel Road projects, while the Three Point proposal has just gone public. Ellen Garvie, executive director of the CHLTS, made a brief presentation on her group's plan at the end-of-July Salt Spring Water Council meeting. It would see eight 850-square-foot homes constructed using a land trust model that separates the land and building values, thereby reducing the cost. Garvie said water and septic experts have examined the site. "Those people felt we could build septic fields for all the units without impacting the lake," she said. Biologist and water council member John Sprague was one of those individuals. "I believe essentially there would be no contribution to phosphorous leading to the lake," he told the water council meeting, noting the "worst case scenario" would be one kilogram of phosphorus from an estimated watershed total of 120. Water would be acquired through an easement to a nearby well. But Wayne Hewitt, president of the Salt Spring Water Preservation Society, expressed strong opposition to the plan. "I'm getting really tired of people trying to destroy this watershed," he said at the meeting. "The concern is that rezoning the land would require a change to the official community plan to allow upzoning in a watershed area," said regional director Gary Holman. Mike Larmour, former manager of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District, agreed with Hewitt and Holman. "I would be concerned we would be faced with a precedent and it would be difficult to say no to future applicants." Garvie said Islands Trust planning staff advised her the precedent concern could be addressed if the Horel Road property was made a zoning anomaly related to her group's non-profit status, that is, "something that could not be accessed by a private developer." She also pointed out the Three Point/diocese property homes would not come on stream for 18 months to two years. That project has received preliminary Islands Trust staff endorsement. "Staff considers the proposal to be appropriate land use planning in the community's interest and recommends that the preparation of the draft covenants proceed," states a July 24 Trust staff report. The proposed Norton Mews development is aimed at families with moderate incomes "at virtually half of the \$400,000 cost of a median priced home in today's market on Salt Spring Island," said O'Connor. He also pointed out that Norton Mews "is only the beginning, and that planning has already begun on another SSAHC housing development, this time targeting lower-income families and individuals." The Victoria Real Estate Board reported the average Gulf Islands single-family home sale in July at \$426,258, with a six-month average of \$346,669.

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# Donors choosing 'immortality' through skatepark cement

Salt Spring Skatepark Society members want community-minded islanders to make a concrete decision to firm up the foundation of the Kanaka Road skatepark. They're challenging people to follow the lead of others by donating the \$250 needed to buy a yard of cement — or to go as far as local businessman Norm Elliott, who bought multiple yards for the project. "Norm Elliott said he would help out and give us 15 yards of cement," said society executive member Bruce Ruddell. West of the Moon donated funds for two yards of cement, and Susan Brown, who Ruddell said picks a charity to support each year, has also joined the campaign. "We thought we would make it a community challenge for people to donate a yard of cement." Ruddell said it forms the project's biggest single expense. "We pay three times what they do on Vancouver Island although [the island company] is giving us a 10 per cent break. It's \$73,000 for cement." Between \$25,000 and \$30,000 in excavation work was donated to the cause by various contractors, noted Ruddell. The Salt Spring Lions Club also put \$100,000 into the project, including a \$20,000 contingency fund. The facility should be opened this fall. Anyone wanting to donate to the cement campaign can contact Ruddell at 537-5940.

## Island on Athens Olympics radar

Two Canadian athletes with a connection to Salt Spring are set to pursue dreams of winning an Olympic gold medal in Athens this month.

Twenty-seven-year-old Barney Williams, who was born and raised on Salt Spring Island, will compete in Olympic rowing events with teammates Jake Wetzel and Cam Baerg of Saskatoon and Tom Herschmiller of Comox.

Competitions run August 14-22 at the newly completed Schinias Olympic Rowing and Canoeing Centre, which can accommodate 14,000 spectators.

In 2003, Williams and his team took gold at the world championships in Milan, at the Lucerne World Cup and at the Canadian national trials.

After winning the world championships last summer, Williams told the Driftwood, "I feel very excited about the fact that I have a chance to put Salt Spring Island in the spotlight in such a positive way. It is a great community of people and a beautiful, peaceful, warm piece of paradise."

Williams' wife Buffy is an Olympic bronze medal winner and a member of the heavyweight women's rowing team.

Simon Whitfield, who has a cabin on Salt Spring, will compete in the triathlon event on August 26.

In the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games, he brought home a gold medal for Canada in the same event, which consists of a 1,500-metre swim, 40-kilometre bike ride and a 10-kilometre run.

The 29-year-old athlete was born in Kitchener, Ontario but is now based in Victoria.

Whitfield and Williams are part of the 266-member Canadian team at the Summer Olympics, which open Friday in Athens.

## Fire rating back up to 'extreme'

Because of last Friday's significant rainfall, Salt Spring's fire hazard rating dropped dramatically.

But the change was temporary as the rating quickly climbed back up to "extreme" by 2 p.m. Monday.

The fire department reported a fairly busy week with burning and chainsaw complaints due to some confusion in the public over what activities are permitted with the fluctuating hazard rating.

Chief Dave Enfield said a total shutdown will be in effect by press time.

• Kids also set fires to torches in the covered playground at Fulford Elementary last week, setting off all the fire detectors.

## MARINA: Complies with Trust

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**HAMMERING AWAY:** Ganges Marina project manager Robyn Kelln hammers a board on the outside edge of the marina's breakwater Tuesday to prohibit boaters from tying up in those spots. The move puts the marina in compliance with its Trust development permit and water lease restrictions.

Kimberly Lineger took the opportunity to raise the marina's non-compliance with its development permit over the boat mooring and demanded it be remedied.

Kelln said Monday the loss of revenue to Salt Spring merchants caused by boaters who would have spent their money on the island if those mooring spots were available will be significant.

"I strongly feel the overall economic impact to the merchants of our community has been somewhat overlooked and I feel this is a bitter mistake," he wrote in a letter to trustees and Trust regional planning manager John Gauld.

Kelln also requests that the issue be revisited at the next LTC meeting.

"The sad part about it is that I believe a compromise between the trustees, the Trust's bylaw enforcement office and the community could have been reached," he told the Driftwood.

He explained that the marina intends to apply for a 10-metre extension of its water lease from Land and Water B.C. and a reduction in the map reserve, which would provide enough room for the boats.

Susan Steele, spokesperson for Small Craft Harbours B.C., confirmed the marina has inquired about reducing the map reserve size.

"They have asked and

Small Craft Harbours has asked for a proposal in writing from the marina so that both the [Salt Spring] Harbour Authority and ourselves can see what the actual proposal is and what the impacts would be.

"Obviously our areas of concern would be related to the navigation channel from a safety and security perspective, because that is a very busy harbour."

Kelln said the company intends to commission a "Q850 marine traffic study" of the harbour to determine if the map reserve could be reduced without jeopardizing the safety of float planes and boating traffic.

He expressed disappointment with "the bad press"

and vocal people at meetings, as well as a certain perception about marina owner Rick Barbieri. He said some people think the marina has not complied with conditions of the LTC development permit about keeping the outside of the breakwater float clear because Barbieri wanted the extra money.

That is "not the case," he said, noting Barbieri's desire to donate the funds for community benefit.

Kelln said the company plans to soon host an open house barbecue detailing its development plans.

"You'll be able to stand on the mezzanine and see how small it is in comparison to the whole site."

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## Map and guide promote organic

A publication mailed to islanders in the past week puts Salt Spring organic growers on the map.

The Local Organic Food Guide is a list and map of organic growers and their locations with additional information about the environmental and health benefits of organic growing.

The food guide elaborates on both the global and local payoffs to organic growing and buying with benefits ranging from meeting the "One Tonne Challenge" on reducing fossil fuel use, to the potential economic boost to the local economy.

"Eventually we hope Salt Spring Island growers will be able to supply our local food stores year round with as much as 50 per cent of what they sell instead of the current tiny percentage, estimated at less than three per cent," said the Island Natural Growers press release.

"It would mean jobs and stability for the island. It would mean less pressure on the ferries. It would mean fresher food on your table and it would mean much less use of fossil fuels to bring things to us."

Organic farmers use a variety of methods, including crop rotation, to build healthy soils.

They do not use chemical fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides or genetically engineered seeds with the aim of protecting the environment, decreasing pollution and ensuring a high standard of animal welfare.

Copies of the food guide can be obtained by contacting Island Natural Growers at 537-5511.



**FOOD FOR THOUGHT:** Satsang takes place at the Salt Spring Centre as spiritual leader Baba Hari Dass makes his annual journey to the island for the centre's yearly retreat.  
Photo by Derrick Lundy

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## August 14 forum is set to feature First Nations elders

By JENNIFER MCFEE Staff Writer

Penelakut First Nations elders and Salt Spring Island Residents for Responsible Land Use have organized a roster of respected speakers for an educational and fundraising forum set for Saturday.

The event takes place at the Gulf Islands Secondary School's multipurpose room from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on August 14 (not August 15 as stated in an article last week).

The Syuhe'mun (Walker Hook) Protecting Sacredness forum will be chaired by Penelakut elder Myrus James, who said the event is not a demonstration, but rather an opportunity to share information.

"So far we've had 22 or 24 Penelakut elders committed to coming, some

from Cowichan Tribe and some from the Chemainus reserve," said James, chair of the Penelakut Elders' Committee.

"We're hoping to try and persuade the hatchery to quit using Syuhe'mun for a disposal area. That's what the Penelakut elders are hoping for. We're hoping that a lot of people will come to the forum and listen and join in."

James said he thought last year's gathering was successful, and hopes that Saturday's event will create even more interest in the protection of sacred burial areas.

"We're hoping that we're going to have more people than last year. This year there will be time for a question and answer period," he added.

The forum will feature talks from elders, and from

younger Cowichan Tribe member Tim Kulchyski.

Archeologists Kimberly Kornbacher and Eric McLay will address the audience, as will lawyer Renée Racette, who recently represented the elders before the Environmental Appeal Board in Victoria.

Donna Martin and Sharon Bywater will also speak on behalf of the Salt Spring Island Residents for Responsible Land Use. The forum is a unique chance for Salt Spring residents to hear Penelakut elders voice their concerns firsthand, Bywater said.

Entrance to the event, which is co-sponsored by the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, is by donation, with all proceeds going towards the Syuhe'mun defence fund.

Contact Bywater for more information at 537-5000.

## Vehicle towing stepped up

Salt Spring tow-truck operator Drew Clark wants islanders and visitors to make sure they're parking their vehicles where they won't cause problems or consume parking spots all day.

He said last week that he's been called upon more often lately by Ganges business owners and property managers needing cars removed.

"I would like people to be able to read something [in the paper] and then it doesn't get them mad at the merchants or me but makes them aware that we are all trying to do

our best to help everyone."

The laneway between the Creekside complex and Lock, Stock and Barber Shop should be kept clear, he noted, although vehicles are usually parked along the route. He was contacted to remove cars there last week.

Cars have also been left in the Gasoline Alley parking lot overnight on Fridays, contrary to posted signs, and required removal before Saturday Market in the Park vendors could set up.

"I hate to do it, but what can I do?" asked Clark.

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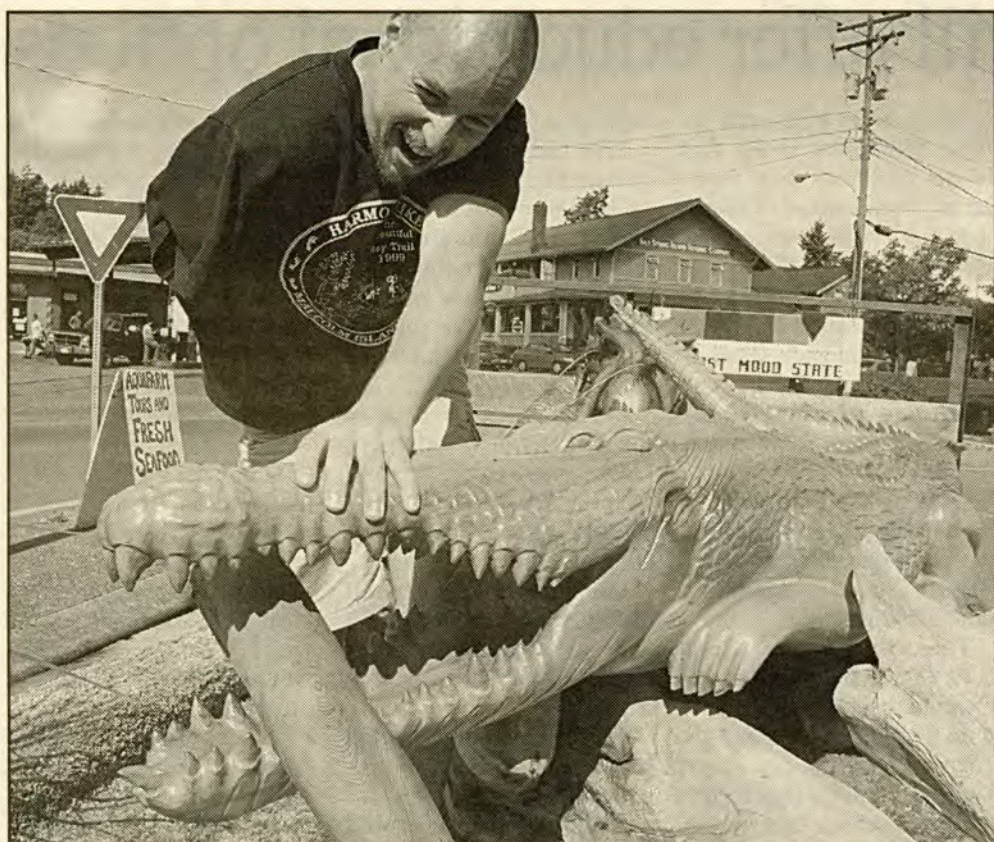
On July 19, Joan Conlan and Nancy Arnold were first, Jean Elder and Lynn Thorburn came in second, and Marsha Flad and Gordon McNeil were third.

On July 26, it was Blanche Poborsa and Gerry Nicholson in first place, followed by Flo Laundry and Joan Conlan, and Irene Hawksworth and Terry Wilkinson were third. On Canada Day, Ron Hall and Bob Morrisette topped the list, Patricia Hewitt and Tilly Crawley came in second, and Hawksworth and

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**OUCH!:** Sculptor Ryan Pakkalen has some fun with his eight-foot carved alligator that has an arm between its teeth. The wood carving drew lots of attention in Ganges last week, as Pakkalen set it on the back of a truck for passers-by to view.  
Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Higher Cusheon Lake coliform count causes no concern for VIHA

The fecal coliform count in Cusheon Lake was reported at an unusually high level in the August 9 bulletin from the Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA).

Although the count — at 33 fecal coliforms per 100 millilitres of water — is still considered to be in the “low” category of 0-50 and does not warrant any action by the health authority, the rating appears out of line with its own history and with the current count of other island recreational water ratings.

The Cusheon Lake rating ranks the fourth highest out of the 52 regional recreational water bodies sampled by the health authority in the weekly bulletin.

“As a rating for a multi-use recreational water body, 33 is still very low,” said Gary Gibson of VIHA. “We don’t really care if it’s 10 or 33, as long as it’s below a 200 average.”

The fecal coliform count is an indicator of pollution of water by human and animal or waterfowl excrement and, according to VIHA, denotes risk of gastrointestinal illness to swimmers.

Beach count warnings are

posted when counts exceed a 30-day geometric mean of 200 fecal coliforms per 100 ml of water, when values fluctuate dramatically, or when there is other evidence of beach contamination.

Weekly fecal coliform counts per 100 ml of water at tested Salt Spring sites were:

- Blackburn Lake — 3;
- Cusheon Lake — 33;
- St. Mary Lake — 2;
- Stowel Lake — 15;
- Vesuvius Beach — 2;
- Weston Lake — 9.

The 54-page draft management plan for the Cusheon watershed was recently released by the Cusheon Watershed Steering Committee.

Copies are available on request from the Islands Trust Ganges office, with some advance notice required so a copy can be made.

The steering committee wants islanders’ input on the document, and plans both a fall fair booth and a public meeting.

The management plan is envisioned as becoming a template for other watersheds on Salt Spring.

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## Barrier slated for lake danger spot

A metal barrier planned for North End Road should help keep cars from sliding into St. Mary Lake.

North Salt Spring Waterworks District manager Trevor Hutton told a recent Salt Spring Water Council meeting that the Ministry of Transportation has agreed to give the water district a metal barrier to place next

to a spot where cars have entered the lake in the past.

The district needs only to come up with the estimated \$1,000 in transportation costs.

A vehicle incident last winter required waterworks and fire department personnel to use clean-up equipment on the lake.

## Food bank is fine but more is always better

Salt Spring Food Bank manager Anne Williams quelled rumours Tuesday about the impact of Fulford Harbour beach dwellers on the local operation.

“Freedom camp/village” individuals are not depleting food bank supplies, said Williams, as suggested by Peter Vincent in his August 4 Driftwood column.

At the same time, she said, no one from the camp was refused food last Tuesday, as a caller reported to the Driftwood.

“Our policy is never to refuse anybody food, and we follow that policy to the letter.”

Williams did confirm that a confrontational “incident” occurred with one person.

“There was an incident. That’s all I can tell you about that.”

Williams said the food bank’s current supply of food is at an acceptable level, although more is always better.

“As I always say, this community is fantastically generous. But having said that, we can always use more food, donations and volunteers.”

The food bank is recruiting more volunteers now,

who would be used primarily for packing and serving on Tuesdays at Community Services.

“Right now we have about 12 volunteers and we like to keep that level but we could always take more. It’s not a desperate situation but we could use more volunteers.”

Interested people should call Williams at Community Services, 537-9971.



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# Fridays will offer educational options

By JENNIFER MCFEE  
 Staff Writer

Salt Spring residents have come up with creative options to enhance the four-day school week, which include hours of routine recreation, academic activities and language learning.

Teacher Kate Richer plans to fill Fridays with knowledge and fun in a program designed to round out the four-day school week for grades 3 to 5 students.

"My idea is that I want to take advantage of the opportunity of having that Friday free. The goal is to make academic activities engaging and fun, and to practise reading, writing and math skills," she said.

Kids may use their time to strengthen their skills in a specific subject area, or they may want to work ahead.

"It's a chance for the kids to hone their academic skills. I want to find out what they're interested in and focus on that, so it's not just a day of drudgery for them," said Richer, who completed an education degree at the University of Victoria last December.

"The other thing I want

to do is to let kids work on their homework at the end of the day from their regular program instead of doing it in the evenings or on the weekend."

In addition to academics, a physical education class will be included in each session, and local painter Susan Pratt will bring art to the classroom for several weeks in the fall.

"Having Sue Pratt is going to be a good thing. She's worked with students before. She brings out amazing things in them."

The classes will run from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Community Gospel Chapel, with enrollment limited to 10 pupils. Each day costs \$40, and students sign up for the entire school year.

For more information, contact Richer at 653-4474.

Recently retired teacher Robin Rudolph is initiating another educational alternative for students of all ages called Fifth-Day Languages.

With over 36 years of teaching experience, Rudolph will offer four-and-a-half hours of language instruction every Friday

beginning September 3.

"It's predominantly conversational. There's not going to be very much reading or writing," said Rudolph, who has a university degree in French and has participated in language immersion courses in Mexico and Japan.

She will teach French in the fall, with introductory classes in September and October followed by intermediate classes in November and December.

Introductory Spanish will take place in January and February, leading to intermediate Spanish in March and April.

In May and June, Rudolph will teach a session of introductory Japanese.

Rudolph said she would like to hear from people who are interested in courses she will offer later in the school year, in addition to those offered in September.

"It would be nice to know if anybody is interested in those courses as well so I can plan ahead," said Rudolph, who will gear the program to suit the students enrolled.

The extended length of the lesson will make learn-

ing languages easier than in shorter classes that run during the regular school week, she said.

"It's very hard to learn a language when you only have 60 to 80 minutes per week of class time. I thought it would provide a service to people on the island."

Each session will run for eight Fridays from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Rudolph at 537-1975.

Another option for the extra day is a possible extension of Camp Colossal, which would offer a once-weekly recreation-based program.

"We're still trying to decide if we should run it. We would be willing to run it if people are interested. We would welcome any feedback from parents. That would really help us out," said Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) member Rosemary Trump.

The day camp program would have a trial run in the fall and would continue in the spring if successful.

Trump requests that parents provide feedback to the PARC office at 537-4448.



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# Website boosts Keep Five Alive profile

The Keep Five Alive Coalition is launching its website today (Wednesday), as part of efforts to restore the five-day school week in the Gulf Islands School District.

People can check out: [www.keep-fivealive.ca](http://www.keep-fivealive.ca) for information on the four-day school week issue.

"It may be the most informative community website in North America on this issue," states a Five Alive

press release.

It includes research, a poll, people's responses, the school board's decision and photos of a May 1 education rally held on Salt Spring.

People can sign the online petition, request a special bumper sticker and join the coalition to restore the five-day school week in School District 64.

"Parents have the right and respon-

sibility to participate in the process of determining the educational goals, policies and services provided for their children," notes the press release.

The Keep Five Alive Coalition is a coalition of Gulf Island parents, teachers, students, workers and concerned citizens striving to restore the five-day school week in SD #64. It was formed in June 2004.

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# Tree removal aids in cottage relocation

By JENNIFER MCFEE  
Staff Writer

While a cottage removed from Mouat Park resulted in several trees being cut down, the building itself will aid the creation of a Salt Spring tree nursery.

The Salmon Enhancement Society (SES) has finished clearing trees to facilitate the transport of the former park caretaker's cottage to its new location on Rainbow Road.

"About 10 maple trees were just cut and they will grow back. We're leaving the roots of the maple in. Two large cedars that were dying were removed. We're going to replant," said SES project manager Kathy Reimer.

Following a Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) decision last March, SES bought the cottage for a nominal dollar and will pay for the relocation of the building.

"The cottage was on a highway easement and had to be moved. It's going to the wetland plant nursery at



**TREES DOWN:** Trees cut in Mouat Park will facilitate removal of a caretaker's cottage. Photo by Derrick Lundy

Rainbow Road so we can have a caretaker there. We're really excited about having it at the nursery. It will mean we can get electricity, which we don't have right now," Reimer said.

"It's going to help produce more wetland trees than were taken out. We plant thousands of trees from the nursery on the island each year."

She said the number of trees taken out is the same number they anticipated and no more will need to be cut.

"We will replant the whole area once the house is removed and the foundation is removed so it looks natural."

PARC operations and project manager Dave Gibbon said the caretaker's cottage was no longer being used

and required removal from Mouat Park because it was situated on a road right-of-way.

The cottage was built in 1998 through a Gulf Islands Secondary School program, and later found to be situated on a highways right-of-way.

In response to advertising for disposal of the cottage, the commission decided that SES made the most attractive offer, which included paying for relocation costs that could exceed \$20,000, he said.

"In order to get the building out in one piece, [SES] needed to widen the access road and remove a few trees. The group has agreed to plant replacement trees after the work is finished. The commission thought that was an appropriate way to deal with it. It's not been an issue that we know of," he said.

## Schools undergo seismic review

In response to province-wide concerns about school buildings' ability to stand up to an earthquake, consultants are currently probing the state of Gulf Islands schools.

"Basically, we've been doing quite a bit of work with most of our buildings. I think they'd fare quite well," said School District #64 secretary treasurer Rod Scotvold last week.

"Consultants are reviewing all of our buildings right now. The report will be out in a couple of months and that will let us know where we fit in compared to schools across the province. I'm kind of looking forward to hear-

ing what the consultants have to say," he said.

Scotvold doesn't anticipate problems, but said funding will be available if further upgrades are required.

"Without question, we're in a very different position than places like Victoria that have a lot of really old buildings with inadequate reinforcement," he said.

Current earthquake building codes were enacted in the 1970s, so schools built before that decade are of particular concern. Most of the school buildings on the Outer Islands fall into that category, as does Salt Spring Elementary School.

"Salt Spring Elementary

was built before 1950, but it's had a lot of structural upgrades done. The middle school was also built before 1970. Our biggest concern was the gym. When we re-shingled that, seismic upgrades were done on the roof," said Scotvold.

"We've done substantial work on our buildings over the past 10 years. We're certainly in quite good shape in regards to that."

The World Conference on Earthquake Engineering held in Vancouver last week heard that 800 B.C. schools in earthquake zones are deemed at greater risk of collapsing than other building types.

## Globalization focus of presentation

The effects of globalization on Latin America and the rest of the world will be examined when Raymond Plankey speaks to a Salt Spring audience on Tuesday, August 24.

Plankey's talk takes place at the United Church in Ganges beginning at 7 p.m. Plankey is an American Catholic lay missionary who has lived in Latin America for the past 42 years.

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## Library board reads need

The Salt Spring Public Library Association's decision to hire a part-time paid librarian has gone public with little fanfare.

In most communities, of course, a library staffing decision probably wouldn't fall into the realm of the controversial.

However, past suggestions to veer from the tradition of an all-volunteer library have faced surprisingly vehement opposition. A 1999 referendum to approve local tax support for the library — approval of which was required to qualify for the annual \$26,800 provincial library grant — passed by a rather small margin largely due to a no campaign that equated tax support with paid staff and an erosion of the library as a volunteer-run institution.

Some long-time volunteers may have difficulty with a transition to a paid "boss" — if the structure will even be altered to that degree — but as a newspaper exists to serve its readers, not its writers, the patrons' experience is what really counts at the library.

Taxpayers have also become more significant players in the Salt Spring library, with \$75,000 contributed through property taxes this year and, to help fund the part-time paid position, even more allotted next year — all within the amount voters authorized in the 1999 referendum.

Speaking at this year's library AGM, current chief (volunteer) librarian Grace Byrne was candid and insistent that a part-time, professional librarian was needed to ensure the library runs smoothly. Not only was there too much involved for her and other key volunteers to manage on a daily basis, but board members, whose mission should be to develop policies, take care of finances and deal with future needs, have been forced to address increasingly complex day-to-day operational issues better handled by a regular staff person.

It's admirable that Mary Hawkins Memorial Library can boast of spending an inordinately high percentage of its income on books, but a library is obviously more than the sum of the contents of its shelves.

So congratulations to the library board for courage in taking a positive step for library patrons, the community and, ultimately, the wonderful team of volunteers.

## Welcome to Salt Spring ... just don't pack a bag

By PAT FRASER

Don't misunderstand me. Visitors are perfectly welcome on Salt Spring — all you need bring is your return ferry ticket.

Day-trippers are ideal.

Try not to park while you are on our island, please, as it clutters up the streets.

And bikes on the roadways are a total irritation.

Travel fast and light. Just don't pack a bag and think of staying for a week. Not on Salt Spring!

One or two nights at a two-some-friendly B&B is fine if you plan ahead, and we certainly encourage you to visit (briefly) and spend money at our restaurants and galleries.

### VIEW POINT

During July and August we anticipate we'll have sufficient traffic to keep them open.

Should you fall in love with our island (while staying with friends) and wish to purchase a home here, well, we'll happily take your money.

But don't for a moment think you can just waltz back and forth enjoying the occasional week or so here until you retire.

It's full time or no time on Salt Spring.

Off-season rentals are frowned upon and summer vacation rentals are illegal.

Short-term occupancy by people we don't know makes us insecure.

You're creative? Excited by our Saturday market and music and studios? Think you too could happily live and work here?

Hold on just a moment. Tourism is not to be considered a major industry on Salt Spring, so naturally only independently wealthy artists are qualified for residency.

We'd much prefer it if you'd arrange to look colourful, contribute gently to the surface ambi-

ence on the weekends, and volunteer at something environmentally beneficial the rest of the time.

But, you ask, what about Salt Spring's legendary charm and atmosphere, creative free-spirited people and non-judgmental community?

Uh huh, that sucked all of us in for starters. Unfortunately, the image is a little like those wonderful, iridescent soap bubbles that fill us with joyful memories of uncomplicated childhood and dreams of how things used to be — not necessarily reflective of facts.

Many newcomers seem to experience a mental shift when

finally they move bag and baggage to our island.

The spontaneity, the innovation, the self-sufficiency of fellow islanders seems no longer quite as acceptable as it once was. Now that we think about it, conformity is the only real security.

So listen up folks.

We're bent on preserving and protecting our island at all costs. And if we are blessed with selective vision along the way, be assured we are taking the highest moral ground while doing so ... which would be Mount Maxwell if it wasn't so damn crowded.

*The writer owns Island Explorer Property Management.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Get involved

The public hearing on the Trincomali Land Corporation rezoning application, Bylaw #385, is scheduled for August 24 at 5 p.m. at Lions Hall.

This matter is of concern to all islanders, and particularly those who live in designated receiving areas, which include much of the rural land on Salt Spring Island. Every rezoning application that seeks to increase density in rural areas puts the island further at risk of losing its rural character.

Please stand up and be counted on this issue. The developer is applying for six extra lots to be added to the nine lots he is already permitted under present zoning in a forested rural area at the top of Trincomali Heights.

This is our last chance to address this issue which will be voted upon at the August 25 Local Trust Committee (LTC) meeting. Send an e-mail message to LTC chair

David Essig and trustee Eric Booth now, and attend the public hearing on August 24.

Public opinion does matter. Here is our chance to be heard.

**WENDY KAYE,**  
Southbank Drive

### Giving place

To Peter Vincent: Who are you? Where on earth do you think you live? What is your intent in penning such poison as published in the August 4 paper?

Peace Camp (a.k.a. Freedom Village or, simply, "the hippie camp on the Fulford beach") is a receiving place and a giving place. It is open to any and all who are on a healing journey.

Like Peace Camp 2000 (or, as it was also known, "the Direct Action Camp" of the Save Salt Spring campaign), Peace Camp 2004 is fully supported within the community. As such it provides people with food, shelter, pure clean water and excel-

lent care and compassion in times of profound crisis — in others words, home.

Unlike Peace Camp 2000, no one is expected to lock down, protest, picket, get beat up, arrested or engage in any other violent or confrontational behaviour in order to be welcome home.

Please participate no further in the counter-culture of hate, which seeks to kill the campers and Peace Camp 2004.

Remember Tony Jones — who was found dead on a beach near Ganges after he committed suicide at the end of March.

**S. CARROLL,**  
Fulford

### No ovation

I feel a need to express a different view from Mr. Vincent's "us versus them" August 4 Driftwood diatribe about the camp in Fulford Harbour.

First off, since they are

are on their own land. (Yes, mine and yours too, Mr. Vincent. You may also camp there if you wish.)

Before penning this letter, I visited the camp and immediately saw a huge flock of geese swimming by. I'm sure the "ecological damage" done by the folks there pales beside the pollution generated by the numerous "acceptable" power boats I also noticed there.

Mr. Vincent, where did you obtain the confidential information on who gets food from our food bank? Or is your own mind making up inflammatory stories to assuage your fear-based consciousness? As I've only experienced non-judgmental compassion at the food bank, I suggest you volunteer some time there and maybe some higher human awareness will rub off on you.

As far as the regrettable incident at St. Paul's, I learned this appears to be

Christian" conflict symptomatic of a centuries-old malaise of Western culture. Can you suggest any positive solutions for our society that generates anger of this intensity, Mr. Vincent?

I also take exception to your blanket statement that locals call the camp "Free-load Village," as I and no one I know has called it such. A more correct statement might begin with "A few locals ..."

And mentioning the "sadist" with the air horn, without condemnation, actually suggests you condone this action, whereas I say that spiteful daily rousing of sleeping human beings is incipient violence that should be snuffed out.

Mr. Vincent, please don't act as a spokesperson for untold thousands who protested in the 1970s. If you were there "to get laid," as you crudely put it, you were an insignificant minority, as

nuclear annihilation.

If you've achieved sexual maturity in the decades since, please come and join us at the next peace-promotion event.

I asked my Gabriola extended family about the incident Mr. Vincent mentioned, as they are 30-year residents with a multi-faceted community involvement. They had no knowledge of it, which aroused my curiosity about Mr. Vincent's source of information about the action he calls "coarse but effective."

In contrast, I believe such intimidation is, once again, a form of violence, unacceptable anywhere as a form of communication. Although I do agree with your statement that (most) Salt Spring folks deserve a standing ovation for our tolerance and acceptance, I'm still sitting on my hands regarding most of your vindictive column

**NOVA ELSON,**

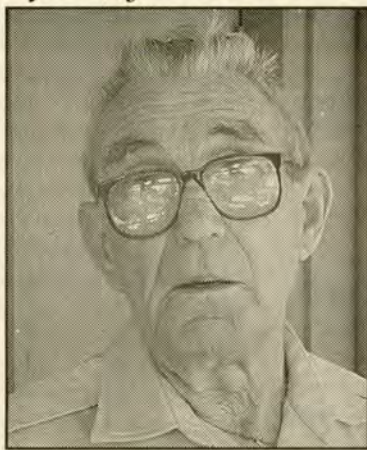
# SALT SPRING SAYS

**We asked:** *What's your favourite thing to do on Salt Spring in the summer?*



**Steven Kroeger  
(Victoria)**

*To look in all the shops.*



**Scotty Dickson**

*Go fishing.*



**Val Sreaton**

*Swim and garden.*



**Pauline Spencer**

*There are so many things to do. Visiting with family and friends is probably my favourite.*



**Pauline King**

*Possibly just sit on our deck.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Pettiness

The Driftwood's August 4 stories on the Ganges Marina, including "Moorage violation irks trustees," and the thumbs-down photo above it that you staged, confirm your leadership of the brown shirts who continue to attack this key public facility.

On the same page, a large ad advertising 15 other luxury condos a block away does not get your thumbs-down treatment. Now why would that be?

For some reason we must learn that the Farmers Institute, whose members resisted official community plan waterway regulations when they impacted farmers, now objects to some small infill at the marina that was approved in 1989. Do boaters run around to local organic farms, searching out pressure-treated fence posts?

Trustee Eric Booth fumes that "This is really, really wearing my patience — not thin — it's gone" in regard to the Trust's imposed limitation that no boats be tied to the outside of its breakwater.

It is not enough that the marina is applying for variance on this to the proper

authorities, to alleviate the present status that a canoe is legal, but anything wider is not. This dark farce around the breakwater saga has long since gone past the point of being amusing. It is now outright persecution.

The galling thing is that the Ganges foreshore leases were bungled by Mr. Booth's fellow bureaucrats in the past, to the extent that there remains no legal access to parts of the harbour. This is ignored, with no nimbys or reporters on that issue, while a small business attempting to survive during its two-month high season is relentlessly mauled and harassed by the same old gang of magpies.

You won't rest until the "developer" who rescued the marina from bankruptcy, and rebuilt it, finally sells out to a Seattle yacht club in frustration. There should be some good stories after that, about the planes trying to take off amid the mess of boats piled up outside a now-private marina.

You orchestrated the loss of our only air strip option last year, why not strangle us completely?

I say to the Driftwood and to Mr. Booth that your "concerns" ring of the most

horrific Orwellian pettiness, with a total insensitivity to the importance of this marina for struggling Ganges businesses. Your affected parochialism is self-serving, dangerous and destructive.

Fix the government leases first, if you must meddle in federal waters, and get off our key marina's back.

**DWIGHT JONES,**  
Langs Road

### Spend time

Re: Peter Vincent's August 4 column on the ills and evils of the Freedom Village in Fulford Harbour.

Who is "causing more damage to the ecosystem?" "Complete strangers" living in a scattering of old boats and buses, or hundreds of "complete strangers" plying the waters of Ganges Harbour in their huge yachts, cabin cruisers, floating gin palaces and their jet skis?

Our good columnist accused the Freedom Village inhabitants of causing the resident and migratory waterbirds to "slowly disappear from the estuary."

If our good columnist would take the time to spend a few hours at Fulford Harbour, he would notice a great diversity of waterbirds, including common mergan-

sers, mallards, kingfishers, least sandpipers, Canada geese, great blue herons, black oystercatchers, eagles and, if he looked carefully, a greater yellow legs.

Our good columnist could also spend a few hours with the migratory and resident dwellers of the Freedom Village. He could listen to their stories with "tolerance and acceptance" in his heart, for which we would give him a standing ovation.

**NINA RAGINSKY,**  
Coordinator, Waterbird  
Watch Collective

### Blind eye

I think I understand some of Peter Vincent's rage at the existence of this so-called "Freedom Village" (August 4 column).

It must be very irritating to have to listen to a group of off-islanders playing their bongo drums and robbing the environment of its amenities and peace.

I experience a similar problem: I live near the foot of Broadwell on Vesuvius Bay Road. And just up the street there's a gang of off-islanders who seem bent on turning our part of Salt Spring into a sort of urban subdivision complete with time-share condos, houses for the rich and, for all I know, Wal-Marts and gas stations.

The gang calls itself Channel Ridge Properties Ltd. It has, with its logging operations, done incalculable and irreversible damage and it seems intent on doing even more. And what it proposes to do to us makes the "Freedom Village" drumming and occasional plundering of food banks look like the feeble and pathetic bungling of rank amateurs.

I enjoyed Mr. Vincent's evocation of what may have happened on Gabriola Island a few years back. I found the vision of "good old boys" (in Mr. Vincent's words) with pick-up trucks repelling the invasion of off-island aliens most heartening. It conjures up images of a tribe of Anglo-Saxons intimidating a mob of Vikings.

But history and literature aside, I am no longer a person who enjoys violent confrontations, and if Mr. Vincent were to lead his posse of Gabriola vigilantes against "Freedom Village," I shall try to discourage him.

But if he were to lead it up Broadwell to Channel Ridge, I would probably turn a blind eye.

**JOHN MILLS,**  
Vesuvius Bay Road

### Outside box

Thanks to CRD director Gary Holman for refusing to

let us get sucked back into the incorporation vortex when the ink is barely dry on its defeat less than two years ago. (August 4 Driftwood story.)

It will not help the cause of protecting this community and its rural and natural environments for us to replay that divisive fight. Let's get outside the box.

We need more choices than "yes" or "no" to a municipal system designed for other places. We need a form of local government that is made-to-measure, one that flows from our unique circumstances as part of the Islands Trust and takes full advantage of the powers vested in the CRD. We need some creative thinking.

I've been disappointed at the apparent inability of the Trust in its current manifestation — including regional council, staff and local trustees — to take clear and decisive steps toward "renewal." But that's not to say that it can't be done.

The extraordinary people of Salt Spring and our sister islands are very, very good at thinking outside the box. Citizens' reform initiative anyone?

**JUDI STEVENSON,**  
Mount Belcher

**MORE LETTERS A10**

## Helping hands can aid the young and landless

Homeless people can live with some comfort in the summer, in the open and right under our noses.

Some — the young, in particular — band together and make an adventure of it.

This discomforts a lot of folks, as the vitriol coming from many corners of Salt Spring about the vagabonds living on the Fulford foreshore shows.

My grandma, a successful businesswoman, used to go on predictable rants about such "hippie" types, foreseeing the world going to pieces in a hurry if she gave them an iota of sympathy. Shape up or drop off the Earth was her wish.

Finally, in her last years, (she died seven years ago, at age 90), I found a way to stop her cold, at

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BY BRENDA GUILLED



least around me. She didn't dare invite twice what I said.

"Grandma, let me tell you about one of the worst of these people. I know of this young man who dropped out of school after trying to light his desk on fire, then he threw all his books out of the classroom's third-story window. And that was just the start."

Her jaw clenched; she knew exactly who I was talking about. I continued rapid-fire, so she couldn't interrupt.

"So he straggled around at odd jobs and got picked up for using

government tools to fix his old jalopy — theft, Grandma, and he only avoided a prison term because the judge was kind.

"He knocked up his girlfriend when they were 18, and none of their parents would let them get married. Her mom forced an adoption, then they fought for a year to get their son back, which they did by lying in court about being married — perjury, Grandma, big-time bad. They had no fixed address during that year, living in grotty rooms and his old car. They stole food from orchards and gardens to have any meal at all those tough days. When they got their son back, it hit national headlines."

She was furious and sputtering by then. "That was different!" she snapped. "You're being completely unfair! He turned out wonder-

fully. It was just a terrible time for some confused young people."

I wasn't letting her off. "Then they had a second kid, and he still had no particular skills or steady work. They lived in some real dumps, didn't they? And if you didn't help feed his kids, they'd have gone hungry. They were happy little bastards though, weren't they? Didn't know their parents were bums."

"You be quiet!" she said. "How dare you talk about your dad like that! You know what a hardworking, upstanding, solid citizen he is. You know what a great provider he is. He comes from a good family, and he's an exceptionally good man."

"So when," I asked her, "did he smarten up? Stop worrying you sick?"

"When he built the house for

you. That's what he needed."

Grandad spearheaded getting a lease on a town lot for my parents (we lived in Jasper National Park, where no one owns), and Dad built us such a good house that he went on to build homes for dozens of other families.

He became a construction superintendent, overseeing the building of B.C. schools, court-houses, bridges and more.

"So the turning point," I'd like to say to Grandma, who I can hear in my head ranting on about the Fulford campers, as ugly as anyone here who hates them can be, "was getting some help to get some land on which to make home, yes?"

She'd have to agree. My point — and theirs — exactly.

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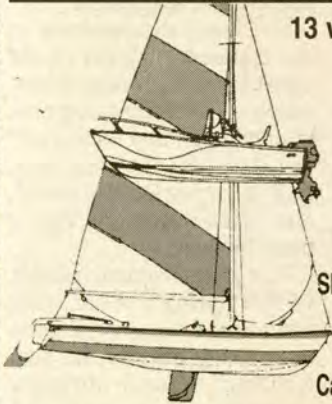
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### Cell news

As a fire trustee and a scientist, I was very interested to read the advice to Driftwood readers in Susan Foster Ambrose's The California Experience (July 21 Driftwood.)

I responded to Ms. Ambrose, but to date have received no reply.

After phone calls to the City of San Diego Personnel Health and Safety Office, and the San Diego County IAFF union president, I have discovered the following:

1. There appears to be no "San Diego County Cell Tower Task Force" to which Ms. Ambrose claims to be an appointee.

2. Contrary to Ms. Ambrose's allegations, the precautionary principle of science is alive and well in the southern Gulf Islands, thanks to the efforts of IROCA in negotiating with the Islands Trust a very significant reduction below Health Canada's Safety Code 6, for the North Pender Island cell transmitter.

3. The cell antennae in San Diego County, which concern Ms. Ambrose, emit a 105-watt signal, 13 times more powerful than the eight-watt repeater proposed for Ganges.

4. Ms. Ambrose alleges that "the vast majority of research upon which regulatory standards are based in North America has been funded by the wireless industry."

Not so in British Columbia, whose Centre for Disease Control recently commissioned an independent study of cell-phone installations in the vicinity of schools in the Lower Mainland. The study, carried out by the Royal Society of Canada, called Health Concerns of Cellular Transmitting Towers, can be found at [www.bccdc.org/content.php?item=56#7](http://www.bccdc.org/content.php?item=56#7) and is an excellent read.

5. Having grandchildren, I am very concerned to learn that the radiation emitted by a cell phone, when pressed

to the ear of its user, is 1,000 times more powerful than radiation levels at the base of the fire tower.

I hope that Ms. Ambrose and her friends here are aware of this.

**KEN LEE,**  
Trustee, SSI Fire Protection District

### No insurance

Did you know that no insurance company in the world will insure the telecom industry against claims of health effects caused by cell technology. Not one!

Industry makes every effort to paint objectors as wild-eyed nuts or as well-intentioned but sadly mistaken members of the community. But the ultimate arbiter of risk is the insurance industry, and they agree with us.

Even Lloyds of London, who since 1688 has been the world's leading-edge new risk insurer, won't cover this one. Lloyds will provide coverage against kidnapping and ransom, flood, space and aviation and cyber-liability, and even damage to Hollywood starlets' legs.

They paid claims in 1906 for the San Francisco earthquake [the first UK firm to cover U.S. claims]. In 1911 their first aviation policy was issued.

Yet they say nyet to telecom. Why? What do they know that we don't? The asbestos claims in the 1990s brought Lloyds to its knees financially. They aren't going to make that mistake again anytime soon.

They've looked at the independent, scientific evidence and their teams of analysts have determined the cell industry is way too big a risk to insure. So who is going to pay if the telecom industry's claims of safety are found to be unfounded?

Taxpayers. And maybe those decision makers in a position of influence who ignored the concerns of educated citizens.

I'd rather that the health of children is paramount, that precautions are taken based on scientific doubt and that eventual responsibility and liability are not left up to the courts years or decades from now.

**MILT BOWLING,**  
Executive director,  
EM Radiation Taskforce,  
Vancouver

### Unthinking

Shame on Peter Vincent and shame on the Driftwood for printing the virulent pile of odium that passed for commentary on the "Free-

dom Camp."

Peter accuses us of being spineless because we have not, like some other places, sent a group of "good old boys" to threaten and scare off people who are breaking no laws and are perfectly entitled to be where they are. Their biggest crime seems to be that some people, including Peter, don't approve of them or their lifestyle.

If Peter didn't approve of Channel Ridge or the ever-increasing demands of the Ganges Marina developers (a highly hypothetical case, I admit, in that I am sure that he would see nothing wrong in giving either of them complete freedom to develop as they wish), perhaps he would also advocate sending a group around to threaten them?

Is the fact that these people haven't been chased off the island just another reflection of the spinelessness of all of us on Salt Spring?

I think Peter identified his real problem when he told us of his '70s activism: he was there to get laid. Obviously he didn't and, as Freud might have predicted, the trauma has produced a red-necked, right-wing character perfectly willing to trample on the rights of those with whom he disagrees.

Come on Peter, get over it and try not to keep giving us this unthinking, neo-conservative nonsense.

**ROY RAJSIC,**  
Salt Spring

### Forget request

As part of a community, which by a referendum of 70 per cent rejected the idea of an incorporated Salt Spring Island municipality, I urge Murray Coell, the Minister of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services, to deny any new request by special interest groups on Salt Spring Island to revisit this issue so soon after the 2002 referendum.

Notwithstanding the obvious and continued waste of our tax dollars of which even the request for another referendum is but the tip of an iceberg of planned bureaucratic waste, the local political climate has not changed that much in two years to warrant any chance this would succeed.

Establishing a local municipality by definition shortens the reach into the taxpayers' pocket, so it's no mystery as to why islanders who purposely surround themselves with water have continually rejected this kind of regula-

tory encroachment each time the issue comes up.

Time and again we see where the municipal model fails the citizenry, complete with a raft of hidden taxes disguised as "fees" for anything from parking to entertainment, hotels and, of course, the ever-increasing business licence with the requisite additional bylaw enforcement expenses, ad nauseum.

And then there are always the new residents, often litigious types who view a municipality as an excellent target for every pothole and inadequate service provided, even though the rural nature of our community is obvious.

I trust that Mr. Coell, as our elected representative, will deny any request by our vocal minority on Salt Spring to re-open this tired old concept for local government. Surely he has a fiduciary responsibility to avoid referendum requests so soon after one loses to the degree this one was defeated.

On another topic, with so little governance on Salt Spring and I certainly like it that way, I am amused that the vacation rental people got what they deserved by not endorsing Dietrich and I in the last Islands Trust election on the issue of vacation rentals.

What is particularly disturbing of course is that trustee Kimberly Lineger fell on the other side of the issue and listened to that vocal minority who go to meetings and make it look like they are "90 per cent of the community" — they're not.

Equally disturbing of course is that Ms. Lineger needs to realize that if the two Salt Spring trustees don't stick together, then by default they forfeit our local democratic decision-making process to an off-islander, David Essig, the tie breaker. That's bad news!

I won't say much more as I am sure that when the hordes are at the gate one must feel the need to err on the side of self-preservation . . . but in point of fact, Kimberly Lineger's indecision and chosen view of the facts was not in the interests of our local economy and is going to create neighbourhood battles for years to come.

The best I can do is vote for David Borrowman in the next election as I am sure she will work well together with him!

Congrats to Eric Booth for the sliver of sanity he projects on occasion.

**PAUL MARCANO,**  
Salt Spring

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### Taking risks

1. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) 1996: "exposure to electro-magnetic fields (EMFs) has been linked to increased risk of diseases, including cancers such as childhood leukemia."

2. Statistics from the U.S. Center for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia: Immediately following activation of cell networks in 1996, 1997 and 1998, increased human mortality rates were recorded. Four major U.S. cities showed an increase in deaths between 14.5 and 30 per cent. Fifteen other U.S. cities also showed an increase in mortality rates immediately following PCS start-up over a two or more month period. No corresponding mortality increases were recorded during the same time period in cities where no cellular phone networks were activated.

3. The U.S. EPA in its draft report on EMFs in 1990 — "there is reason for concern" and "we advise prudent avoidance."

4. Szmiligielski's 1982 study found cancer acceleration in skin and breast tumors at 50-75 per cent of standard.

5. Michael Repaacholi, 1997: a significant increase in B-cell lymphomas in mice exposed to long-term, low-level frequencies in the cellular PCS range. This has implications for those living near transmitter sites, as changes in B-cells are implicated in 85 per cent of all cancers. The study found lymphoma cancer rate was 2.43 times normal with two hours per day of cell-phone exposure.

6. And one of the most damning of all: the former head (for six years) of the cell industry research/PR headquarters, Washington, D.C., George Carlo, Ph.D., M.S., J.D. — "They cannot guarantee that cell phones are safe. We've moved into an area where we now have some direct evidence of

harm from cellular phones. The industry said that there were thousands of studies that proved that wireless phones are safe and the fact was there were no studies that were directly relevant. They have shown total disregard for mobile phone users."

How many more hundreds of these do you need, Salt Spring fire trustees? Over this, you are going to believe Telus, with their multi-billion dollar bias?

To take the smallest risk is completely unacceptable, and you are taking far more than "the smallest risk."

**MICHAEL LINEHAN,**  
Salt Spring

### Explains it

Perhaps cell-phone objector Chris Anderson should look into the wireless networking equipment, cordless telephones and other radio transmitters operating at frequencies near cellular bands.

And be sure that microwave oven doors are in good condition.

That may explain some of the craziness on Salt Spring.  
**KEITH SKETCHLEY,**  
Saanich

### Barred

I am shocked and disappointed that your "community" newspaper published Peter Vincent's column on Freedom Village.

The tone of the article borders on incitement to hate and incitement to violence.

Vincent flings around a mixture of dubious "facts" and sarcasm to vilify the existence of a squat on our "most beautiful harbour."

Has Peter Vincent ever been homeless? I was — it is not a pleasant experience. Barred by racial prejudice ("No Irish or Coloureds") from many rooming houses in 1960s London, England, I was forced, for a while, to live on the streets.

How many of our "squatters" are barred by owners' greed ("No reasonable rents while I can cash in on vaca-



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tion rentals") from living in affordable accommodation?  
**HARRY WARNER,**  
Lee Road

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### Water facts

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A conditional licence has been issued and comes into effect when the weir on Duck Creek is completed. If this licence had been in place in 2003, then the peak day component of the current water licence would have been 49 per cent. Have a great summer, enjoy the water and use it sensibly.

**TREVOR HUTTON,**  
General manager, NSSWD

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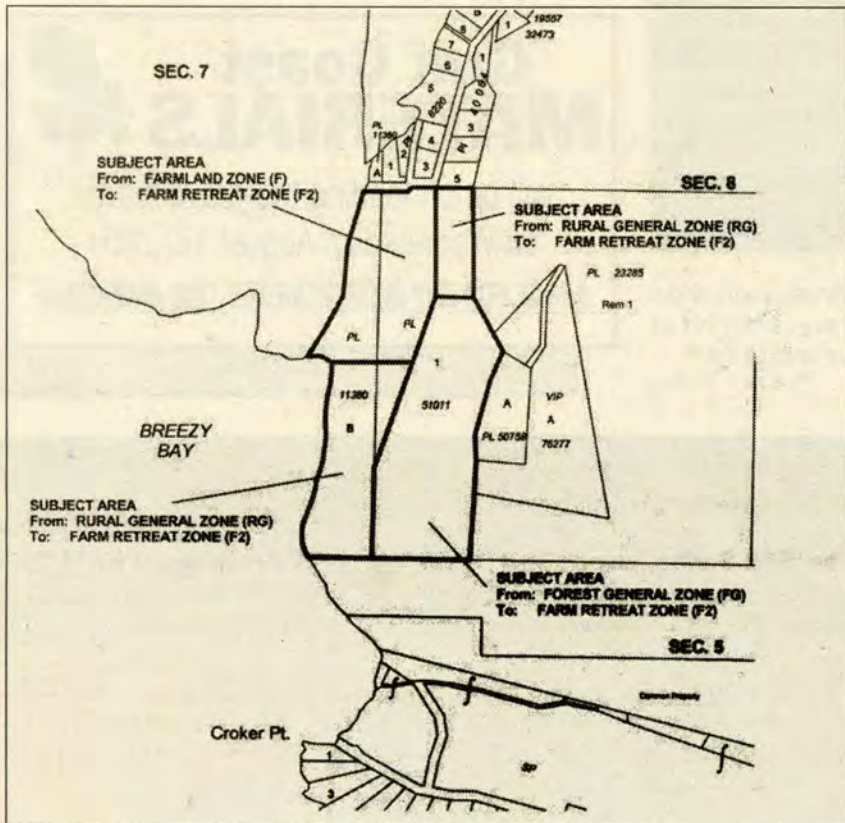
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE is hereby given that Saturna Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing on Proposed Bylaw No. 82 – cited as “Saturna Island Land Use Bylaw No. 78, 2002, A.m.endment No. 2, 2003”, for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw at 1:30 p.m., August 18, 2004 at the Saturna Community Hall, East Point Road, Saturna Island.

At the public hearing all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaw shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw.

**Bylaw No. 82 – cited as “Saturna Island Land Use Bylaw No. 78, 2002, A.m.endment No. 2, 2003”**

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 82 is to rezone the parcel legally described as Lot B, Plan 11380, Section 7 and Lot 1, Plan 51011, Section 8 both in Cowichan District, Saturna Island from Farmland Zone to Farm Retreat Zone (F2) and from Rural General Zone to Farm Retreat Zone (F2) and from Forest General Zone to Farm Retreat Zone (F2). The F2 Zone would permit uses such as farm use, educational and instructional uses and residential uses together with accessory uses such as visitor accommodation, special events such as weddings and retreats, the serving of food and drink, retail and rental uses and home occupations. The maximum density of the parcel is not to exceed 7 residences and 7 cottages. The parcel subject to Bylaw No. 82 is shown below:



A copy of the proposed bylaw and any background material that may be considered by the Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaw may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing August 4, 2004.

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 bylaw may be inspected at various Notice Boards on Saturna Island, B.C., commencing August 4, 2004 and can also be viewed on the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca> and selecting Saturna Island / Bylaws / Proposed

Written submissions may be delivered to:

1. the office of the Islands Trust by mail at the #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, or by Fax (250) 405-5155, prior to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 17, 2004; and
2. after 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 17, 2004, to the Trust committee at the Public Hearing at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 18, 2004.

Those persons who chose to make their written submissions by email prior to the time and date above provided ought to require confirmation of receipt on their email and in any event the risk that an email is not received lies with the sender. Email submissions should be sent to [ghamblin@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:ghamblin@islandstrust.bc.ca).

Written submissions made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaw may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Planner, at (250) 405-5158 or, for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

**NO REPRESENTATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE SATURNA ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.**

Kathy Jones, Deputy Secretary



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**RANTS**

Rants to whoever left three bags of household garbage for someone else to pick up along the side of Long Harbour Road on Sunday afternoon (Aug 1). That someone did not appreciate having to pay to have your garbage disposed of, along with the four bags of road litter collected that day. Nor did he appreciate the stink of your bags of wet smelly garbage in the car (at least road litter doesn't stink). That's what you get for trying to clean the place up a bit. Grant Gussie

Rants to those who buy businesses on Salt Spring in order to become landed immigrants in Canada, without knowing anything about running businesses or anything about the Salt Spring culture or about the Canadian culture in general. Don't blame Canadians when things go wrong for you. Tanya Lester

The Tuesday Farmers Market in the Meadow is struggling for survival. We are not getting much local support. I hope this doesn't mean there is no local support for local farmers. Not only do we provide the tastiest, freshest and most varieties of produce, but the Tuesday market also provides lots of parking and a beautiful, peaceful location. Local agriculture will only exist if locals support it by buying farm goods. Bless those who are supporting local farmers now. Harry Burton

Rants to the person/persons who stole all of the wasp traps from the Farmers institute this past weekend. They are placed there for the benefit and comfort of the public. We hope this is truly a "sting operation." Tony Threlfall

tos were beautiful. SC

Roses to Stan and Ying Lam on the birth of their first grandchild — it's a boy — last Wednesday, July 28. Their daughter and grandson are doing well. The Lam dynasty continues! TL

A big bouquet of roses to Sarah Smith from the GVM bakery. She made the most outstanding baby shower cake for our new granddaughter. It wasn't just a cake, Sarah, it was a work of art. Thank-you so much. CN

Drought-tolerant roses to the person/s involved in cleaning my gravel off the road in downtown. I forgot to clean the overspill off my back bumper, after being loaded. Oops, sorry. Also a big thank-you to the gravel pit manager who observed this happen and brought it gently to my attention. I promise to never forget again. PB.

Roses to John Pottinger for changing my luck in the Fulford Day raffle. MM

Roses to the Rainbow Road Recycling Depot for its dedication and courageous work during wasp and hornet season.

A couple of weeks ago my wife fell and badly injured herself in a hard-to-access area of Duck Creek Park. My son called the ambulance service and a crew of two paramedics and half a dozen firemen promptly arrived. They were as efficient and gentle as possible in the circumstances and soon had her at the hospital. A bouquet of roses to them, along with our heartfelt thanks. A pity some of them were wasp stung for their pains.

**ROSES**

A great big bouquet of roses to Bill and Rick from the Ganges Village Market for the loan of the tent. Greatly appreciated by all. B&B Pinchin

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### Psychopathic

In Nazi Germany the psychopaths of the country were allowed to come in from the margins of society and assume control. This was the conclusion of a prison psychiatrist Captain Gilbert at the Nuremberg War Trials of 1945-46 after conducting hundreds of interviews with war criminals and doing some very concerned thinking.

How could such an advanced country as Germany descend to such depravity?

But now consider the following events on this side of the Atlantic. In 1886 the U.S. Supreme Court made what is considered in legal circles a bizarre decision. Corporations were declared "persons" under the U.S. Constitution, which greatly enhanced their power vs. the rest of us.

A much later but related event is that University of British Columbia (UBC) professor Robert Hare developed a set of 40 questions used to identify psychopathic behaviour. His questions are now used world-wide to identify psychopaths.

Another related event is that UBC law professor Joel Bakan wondered what kind of "persons" corporations are. After answering Hare's list of questions he concluded that corporations are, in the main, psychopaths and he wrote a book called *The Corporation*. From it some very interested filmmakers made a film, also called *The Corporation*, which was recently shown here on Salt Spring.

The power of corporations, particularly the multinationals, is so great that our societies may have quietly slipped under the influence of their psychopathic behaviour.

Preventive war is now presented as acceptable and the Geneva Convention is now much ignored.

A group of Saudi Arabians attacked the World Trade Centre and the Pentagon on 9/11. In response, the U.S. did not challenge Saudi Arabia but instead attacked Afghanistan with some justification and Iraq with no justification. What is the real agenda?

We are now continuously kept on one degree of terrorist alert or another while our freedoms are slowly eroded and various U.S. policies continue to swell the ranks of terrorists world-wide.

Major psychopathic influences in our societies are not

coming from the intrusion of psychopaths from the margins of society, but from the activities of our largest corporations.

**GORDON BARNES,**  
Salt Spring

### Grocery store humour

A funny thing happened at the grocery store the other day.

I was in the cold cuts section, contemplating what to buy.

Another fellow came up and parked himself in front of all the hot dogs. He studied them all very carefully, reading contents, checking prices.

I am always curious as to which "poison pink missile" consumers choose. He was sort of in my way so I waited and watched.

He finally seemed to focus in on the hot dogs made from turkey meat as opposed to beef franks. He was seemingly in deep contemplation over this choice.

Needing to get by him, and satisfied with my dose of people watching, I suggested to him that the turkey franks were actually quite good, tasting the same, just with much less fat. I shared with him that due to the low fat content, they don't grill nicely — they're a bit dry.

He politely listened. I'm hoping he will buy them or move on.

Without hesitation, his first rather sheepishly expressed words were: "These are not for me, they are for my dog."

Of course I felt like a twit, thinking he is a vegetarian and that he would never eat these strange food products.

In a nearly embarrassed fashion, he went on to tell me that his dog could only eat turkey. The dog had been very ill, and he had spent \$4,000 trying to fix him. Finally, a \$400 allergy test showed that his cocker spaniel could only eat turkey products.

I told him that if God rewards extreme kindness at animals, his path to heaven was paved in gold.

He was crazy about this dog and went on for 10 minutes as to how special he was to him.

It just goes to show that there is often an interesting, sometimes amusing story very near us, if we are willing to chance a bit of interaction.

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Islands Trust

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE

Proposed Bylaws No. 385, No. 393 and No. 397

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing concerning proposed bylaws numbered 385, 393 and 397, 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 the public hearings will be preceded by a public information session.

**DATE:** Tuesday, August 24, 2004  
**LOCATION:** Hart Bradley Memorial Hall (Lions Hall)  
103 Bonnet Avenue, Salt Spring Island

**TIME:** As noted below  
2:00 – 3:30 pm: Public Information Session concerning all three bylaws  
3:30 – 4:00 pm: Bylaw No. 397 concerning existing liquor stores  
4:00 – 5:00 pm: Bylaw No. 393 concerning potable water requirements  
5:00 – 6:30 pm: Bylaw No. 385 concerning Trincomali amenity rezoning

### 1. Proposed Bylaw No. 397, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 3, 2004".

In general terms, the purpose of this bylaw is to define and regulate liquor stores as a separate type of retail store and to recognize and permit by rezoning the existing liquor store uses as follows.

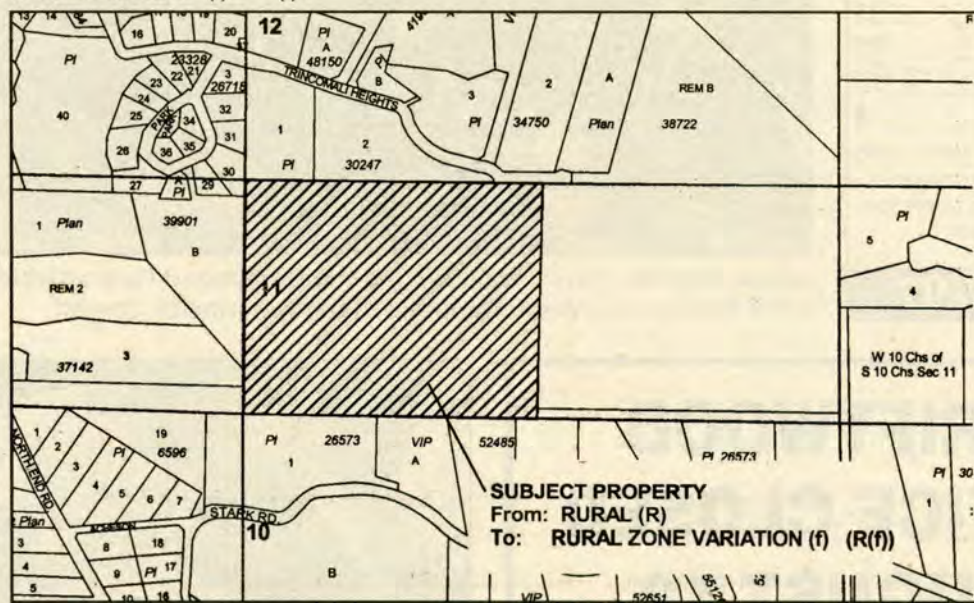
1. The BC Liquor Store (No. 204 Ganges), located at 1107 Grace Point Square, on lands described as Lot A, District Lot 474, 587, 595 and 657, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, and Section 1, Range 4 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 64427, by changing the zone classification from Commercial 1 – (C1) to Commercial 1 Zone Variation (g) – C1(g).
2. The Harbour House Cold Beer and Wine Store, located at 121 Upper Ganges Road, on lands described as Lot 1, Section 3, Range 3 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 11914, except Parts in Plans 56622 and 59981, by changing the text of zone classification Commercial Accommodation 1 Zone Variation (f) – CA1 (f).
3. The Local Licensed Liquor Store, located at 108-149 Fulford-Ganges Road, on lands described as Lot 1, District Lot 318 and Section 1, Range 4 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 39259, by changing the text of zone classification Commercial 1 Zone Variation (a) – C1(a).
4. The Fulford Inn Licensed Liquor Store, located at 2661 Fulford-Ganges Road, on lands described as Parcel C (DD380051) of Section 13, Range 1, South Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 59981, by changing the text of zone classification Commercial Accommodation 2 Zone Variation (b) – CA2(b).

### 2. Proposed Bylaw No. 393, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 1, 2004".

In general terms, the purpose of proposed Bylaw No. 393 is to delete general regulations respecting subdivision that require the proof of domestic water quantity and quality on each lot proposed to be created by subdivision.

### 3. Proposed Bylaw No. 385, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 2, 2003".

In general terms, the purpose of this bylaw is to increase the subdivision potential of the lands described as the West 1/2 of Section 11, Range 2 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, from 9 lots to 15 lots pursuant to the amenity zoning policies of the Official Community Plan, and by changing the zone classification from Rural – (R) to Rural Zone Variation (f) – R(f).



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 Friday, August 13, 2004, and up to and including Tuesday, August 24, 2004.

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 Friday, August 13, 2004, and up to and including Tuesday, August 24, 2004. Copies of Proposed Bylaws 385, 393 and 397 are also available on the Islands Trust website at: [www.islandstrust.bc.ca](http://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 3:30 pm on Tuesday, August 24, and
2. after 3:30 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  
Deputy Secretary

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# Letters

## Going to the dogs

I like dogs about as much as I like men. Taken alone they're usually tolerable, sometimes enjoyable, but when they start to run in packs, it's best to get rid of them.

Peter Vincent's not-so-veiled threats against the Freedom Campers come perilously close to encouraging violence against people who, at this writing, are doing nothing illegal. Maybe the people of Gabriola have no problem with a pack of "good old boys" intimidating new arrivals off their island, but that kind of intolerant and arguably criminal behaviour just won't wash here on Salt Spring.

Men without spines often resort to exhorting other men without spines to do their dirty work, much the same way that dogs in a pack will encourage each other to run down sheep. When that happens, it's best to get rid of them.

STUART SOLOFF,  
Victoria Street



Emma Rowlandson-O'Hara calls out the numbers while her dad, John Rowlandson, works Bingo magic at Saturday's Fulford Day event.



KC Kelly and Dave Roland were among the entertainers taking the Fulford Day stage.



Above, Maia Beauvais enjoy the activities, while below, the crowd is reflected in shades.



Above, children form a train around the Drummond Park activities, while below, John Webb competes in the watermelon contest.



# F U L F O R D D A Y



Always popular, a group of gumboot dancers takes the Fulford Day stage.

Photos by Derrick Lundy



Youths jump through the "race course" at Drummond Park as they compete in the ball-between-the-knees race.



Tom Burnett uses a creative flourish as he paints Amber Tuttle's face.



Kids take part in the "find the shoe" competition.

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# Salt Spring library has served its patrons well

By HETTY CLEWS

My age and former profession both stamp me as one who has been dragged kicking and screaming into the 21st century; my 15 years on Salt Spring have simply proved, if proof were necessary, that one can never retire.

During those years I have volunteered service at those island institutions I love best, and chief among them is the Mary Hawkins public library.

No, I am not a qualified (i.e. university-trained) librarian, and I recognize the offence given to those who are by our thoughtless labelling of ourselves as such. I am more simply one whose life has been shaped by reading, writing, teaching and a love of books.

I know a "modern" library should be more than a mere repository for the best that has been thought and written in our language over the centuries; more than a convenient exchange centre for cheaply acquiring the latest bestsellers; more even, in the past few years, than a free Internet café; and I recognize in Ms. Levine's July 28 Driftwood letter a description of two different models and perceptions of what today's library "could" (as well as one that it "should") offer its community.

It is a well-expressed polarity for which thoughtful readers can be grateful. I'm sure she would agree that there are, moreover, other paradigms — perhaps as many as there are elements in our island mosaic of diverse interest-groups.

But my aim is not to list or describe them, nor is it to rebut an opinion which I respect; rather it is to put on record some of the active, dynamic ways in which the Mary Hawkins has, in my experience, sought to serve its patrons.

I feel I owe this to my co-workers, particularly to pioneer Norma Keech, current chief "librarian" Grace Byrne, and Garth Hendren and his team on the library board, though I wish to make clear I do not presume to speak for any of these.

Here is a truncated list of library community outreach programs offered to my knowledge since 1989:

Art displays by UVic graduate students; "schoolchildren in library" program; the making of a Heriot video for airing on local cablevision; poetry readings in the library and in ArtSpring by local and less-local poets; youth summer reading programs;

## IN DEPTH

promotion, publication and sale of environmental posters and other displays; purchase and display of local artists' paintings; hosting of life classes for community painters; three annual "writers-in-libraries" visits, held, for lack of space, at All Saints church; regular publication of newsletters outlining recent activities; ongoing communication with Friends of the Library group; authors receptions; hosting of community "appreciation" events; hosting of book discussion groups; fundraising for and eventual purchase of computers; fundraising and personnel training for the computerization of cataloguing; computer-training sessions; ongoing expansion of virtual material holdings; organizing and duly reporting a statistical survey of client requests about the future of their library — responses that can be seen in the reference section at .027.

It should be noted that mooted literacy classes, cultural events and art exhibits require the extensions and renovations presently under discussion by the board and its appointed focus groups.

Certain of these listed programs failed because of the evinced lack of public support.

Schoolchildren are whisked off by bus or boat as soon as school is out; sadly they rarely frequent the library except as individual readers, and as such they are warmly welcomed and accommodated.

As the last listed item shows, last year's patron survey clearly demonstrates the need for expanded space, and the board has responded by appointing focus committees to examine and act on expressed wishes.

It is hard to discern among the evidence listed any sign that our library is or has ever been anything other than an energetic and active force in our community.

Does it really seem to be a "passive" approach we have been taking? Is it not because of the energy and commitment of volunteers that we are able to spend so much of our donated income on the finest holdings of any small library — anywhere? How will having a paid librarian affect this largesse?

Sadly, we who have chosen to live out our days here face yet another example of encroaching urbanization in our midst.

This is really what the


issue of active/passive library models is about. As a library volunteer I shall welcome the input of an energetic (and I hope young) trained librarian, and continue to give my best to those many clients who come to the desk to talk to me about books.

I shall endeavour to keep up my computer skills, and try not to show my unease with virtual reality. But I cannot change my personal orientation, which is toward the pleasures of reading and writing.

And so I shall continue to maintain with one of my favourite lexicographers, Dr. Samuel Johnston, of the first dictionary: "We must retard what we cannot repel; we must palliate what we cannot cure."

*The writer is a Mary Hawkins library volunteer and retired UBC professor who will be teaching a for-credit English novel course through the Salt Spring Continuing Education Society this fall.*

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Islands Trust

## ISLANDS TRUST MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that Mayne Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing on

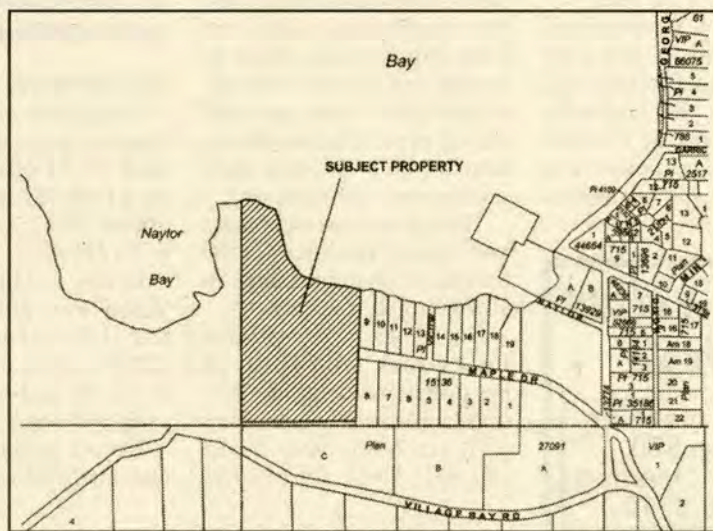
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- Proposed Bylaw No. 130 – cited as "Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 86, 1994, Amendment No. 1, 2004"
- Proposed Bylaw No. 131 – cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 2, 2004"
- Proposed Bylaw No. 132 – cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 3, 2004"

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at 1:00 pm, Saturday, August 28th, 2004 at the Agricultural Hall, 430 Fernhill Road, Mayne Island.

At the public hearing all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws

**Bylaw No. 129 – cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 1, 2004"**

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 129 is to rezone the remainder of Section 12, Cowichan District, Mayne Island as shown below to permit camping in a maximum of 15 campsites as an accessory use on the lot:



**Bylaw No. 130 – cited as "Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 86, 1994, Amendment No. 1, 2004"**

In general terms, the purpose of Bylaw No. 130 is to amend the Official Community Plan by adding policies regarding the location of golf courses.

**Bylaw No. 131 – cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 2, 2004"**

In general terms, the purpose of Bylaw No. 131 is to amend the Land Use Bylaw by deleting golf courses as a permitted use in the Agriculture Zone.

**Bylaw No. 132 – cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 3, 2004"**

In general terms the purpose of Bylaw No. 132 is to include the following definitions in the Land Use Bylaw:

"Temporary" means in relation to the definition of "Tourist Accommodation" only, the commercial provision of accommodation to any member of the travelling public for a time period not exceeding 45 days in any twelve-month period, not more than 30 of which may be consecutive. Notwithstanding any other requirement "Temporary" as it applies to the parcels legally described as Lot A, Plan 13929, Section 12, Cowichan District, Mayne Island (Springwater Lodge) and Lots 14 & 15, Plan 15114, Section 9, Cowichan District, Mayne Island (Blue Vista Resort) in relation to the definition of "Tourist Accommodation" only, the commercial provision of accommodation to any member of the travelling public for a time period not exceeding 90 days in any twelve-month period.

"Tourist Accommodation" means the commercial provision of temporary accommodation to any member of the travelling public.

Bylaw No. 132 also proposes to amend the exterior side lot line setback in the Settlement Residential Zone from 8.0 metres to 4.5 metres.

A copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing August 14, 2004.

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 various notice boards on Mayne Island commencing August 14, 2004 and can also be viewed on the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca> and selecting Mayne Island / Bylaws / Proposed.

Written submissions may be delivered to:

1. the office of the Islands Trust by mail at the #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, or by Fax (250) 405-5155, prior to 4:30 p.m., **Friday, August 27, 2004;**
2. after 4:30 p.m., **Friday, August 27, 2004,** to the Trust committee at the Public Hearing at 1:00 p.m., **Saturday, August 28, 2004.**

Those persons who chose to make their written submissions by email prior to the time and date above provided ought to require confirmation of receipt on their email and in any event the risk that an email is not received lies with the sender. Email submissions should be sent to [ghamblin@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:ghamblin@islandstrust.bc.ca)

Written submissions made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Planner, at (250) 405-5158 or, for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

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# Thirteen swimmers qualify for provincial event

Happiness and heartbreak ruled the Commonwealth pool last weekend as Salt Spring swimmers raced for provincial berths at the Vancouver Island Regional Championships.

After the water had settled, 13 Salt Spring Stingrays had qualified for 25 individual events and two relays at the provincial swimming championships, which run August 20-22 in Burnaby. Six island swimmers will also represent Vancouver Island on regional relay teams at the provincial event.

The Salt Spring team — which was acknowledged for achieving 98 per cent attendance at the regional meet — also gets kudos for placing fifth out of 13 clubs in the region, collecting more points for top place-

ments than several much larger clubs.

In fact, of the 13 clubs, only a handful of clubs are similar or smaller in size.

In all, over 1,200 swimmers are registered in the Vancouver Island region, and hundreds of swimmers were at the highly competitive weekend meet.

Swimmers, who could compete in up to four events, needed to take gold, silver or bronze in their age divisions to qualify for the provincial championships.

Many Salt Spring swimmers achieved personal best times in their races (see separate story), some swam to unexpected top-three finishes, and others were squeezed out of provincial berths by fourth-place finishes only milliseconds off third spot.

Three Stingrays swimmers and a coach qualified for the provincial championships in all four of their events.

Div. 3 swimmer Sierra Lundy took gold in all of her events, winning the 100-metre individual medley (IM) (1:22.48), 50-m breast (40.16), 50-m fly (37.89)



**GO STINGRAYS:** Swimmers with the Salt Spring Stingrays swim club take part in a team cheer on the deck at Commonwealth pool Sunday during the Vancouver Island Regional Championships. Photo by Derrick Lundy

and 100-m free (1:14.03).

Stingrays coach Kellie Rolston took gold in 100-back (1:11.60) and 100-m fly (1:09.35), and silver in 200-m IM (2:35.85) and 50-m fly (31.42).

In Div. 6, Miranda Logan-Webb won gold in 100-m free (1:03.05) and 50-m free (28.67), silver in 100-m back (1:12.09) and bronze in 50-m fly (34.66).

Nicola Temmel, Div. 7, also qualified in four events,

winning gold in both 200-m IM (2:38.47) and 100-m fly (1:13.28), silver in 100-m back (1:12.68) and bronze in 50-m fly (33.59).

Div. 5 swimmer Brendan Nickerson qualified for provincials in three events. He took silver in 50-m fly (30.80), and bronze in 100-m breast (1:19.00) and 200-m IM (2:33.82).

Two swimmers qualified with bronze medals in two events: in Div. 6, Noah

McColl won bronze in 100-m fly (1:17.92) and 50-m fly (32.67), and in Div. 4, Danica Lundy took bronze in 100-m back (1:19.00) and 100-m breast (1:28.32).

Qualifying for provincials in single events were: Div. 4 swimmer James Cameron, who won gold in 100-m breast (1:24.91); Div. 1 swimmer Connor Budd with a silver-place finish in breast (1:04.9); Eryn Gix, Div. 2, with a silver in breaststroke (45.91), Div. 4 swimmer Nina Fletcher, winning silver in 50-m fly (34.59), and fellow Div. 4er Olivia Budd, who took bronze in 50-m free (31.86).

Coach Chris Brodie qualified in 100-m back (1:09.06) with a bronze.

Div. 5 swimmer Victoria Budd came as close as one can get to nailing a provincial spot with a fourth-place finish in breaststroke that was only .07 of a second off third place.

Danica Lundy had a similar fourth-place finish in the 200-m IM, missing the mark by .08 of a second, and James Cameron was 17 mil-

liseconds off a third-place 50-m free spot.

Budd picked up another fourth-place finish in 50-m free, Brendan Nickerson just missed third place in 100-m fly, and coach Chris Brodie took fourth in 100-m fly.

But two Stingrays freestyle relay teams made the necessary top-two finish to qualify for provincials.

The Div. 8 girls team of Miranda Logan-Webb, Kellie Rolston, Nicola Temmel and Danielle Viozzi nailed an easy top-place finish in its freestyle relay, while the Div. 4 team of Olivia Budd, Nina Fletcher, Danica Lundy and Sierra Lundy qualified with a second-place finish.

Salt Spring will also have a huge breaststroke representation on Vancouver Island relay teams, with Connor Budd, Eryn Gix, Sierra Lundy and James Cameron all taking breaststroke spots.

Miranda Logan-Webb will swim freestyle on a regional relay, while coach Kellie Rolston will swim backstroke.

# School of Stingrays swim best times and finals

A record number of Salt Spring swimmers dived into competition at Saanich Commonwealth Pool last weekend, competing in the Vancouver Island regional swim championships.

Some 50 red-clad swimmers, aged seven to 17, competed at the event, collecting a total of 85 personal best times (BTs), making top-eight finishes and winning berths at the upcoming provincial championships (see separate story).

Swimmers needed to go all out in morning heats to make the top-eight placements that would springboard them into finals at the highly competitive meet, where in many events, over 40 swimmers vied for finalist spots.

Several island swimmers managed to pull off BTs in every race they swam, and almost everyone achieved at least one personal best.

Two swimmers — James Cameron and Danica Lundy — swam BTs in all four of their heats and finals, nailing a total of eight BTs each.

Arlo Bryn-Thorn, Brandon Shaw and Callum Gunn also swam BTs in each of their races, picking up five, four and four, while Brendan Nickerson pulled off 7 BTs in eight races.

Five additional swimmers picked up five BTs — Rebekah Lee, Sierra Lundy, Olivia Budd, Miranda Logan-Webb and Danielle Viozzi — and four others nailed four BTs: Nina Fletcher, Noah McColl, Victoria Budd and Eryn Gix.

Afternoon finals were streaked with Salt Spring's traditional red colours, with numerous island athletes coming within reach of provincial berths, and picking up fourth- to eighth-place regional championship ribbons.

Div. 2 swimmer Rebekah Lee made finals in all four of her events, swimming to a 5th-place finish in 50-m fly (48.47), 6th spot in both 100-m IM (1:40.90) and 50-m back (47.27), and eighth place in 50-m breast (51.30).

2 swimmer Eryn Gix placed 6th in 50-m fly (49.25) and 8th in 100-m IM (1:42.29).

In Div. 3, Mack Rankin took 6th in 50-m back (41.98), 7th in 50-m free (38.09) and 8th in 100-m free. Liam Budd won 5th in 50-m breast (45.98), Arlo Bryn-Thorn placed 6th in 50-m fly (47.99), and Grace Morgan tied for 7th but was given eighth by a place judge, also in 50-m fly (42.53).

In addition to winning medals, Div. 4 swimmers Olivia Budd, Danica Lundy, Nina Fletcher and James Cameron also had top-eight finishes.

Budd took 8th in 100-m free (1:15.18), 100-m breast (1:35.88) and 50-m fly (39.61); Lundy took 4th in 200-m IM (2:51.04) and 5th in 50-m fly (36.35); Fletcher took 8th in 100-m back (1:24.48), and Cameron placed 4th in 50-m free (31.47), 5th in 50-m fly (36.40) and 200-m IM (2:57.94).

In Div. 5, Victoria Budd placed 4th in 50-m free (31.94) and 100-m breast (1:28.27), and Amy Zacharias took 6th in 100-m breast (1:30.13) and 8th in 50-m free (33.60).

In addition to his medals, Brendan Nickerson placed 4th in 100-m fly (1:13.15) and Isaac Raddysh placed 8th in 100-m back (1:29.61).

In Div. 6, Danielle Viozzi nailed 7th in both 50-m free (32.05) and 100-m back (1:22.48), and 8th in 100-m fly (1:27.28).

Besides his medals, Noah McColl took 6th in 50-m free (31.00) and 7th in 100-m free (1:13.95).

Div. 7 swimmer Meaghan Toole won 8th in 200-m IM (3:08.13) and in Div. 8

in 100-m fly (1:10.34) and 5th in 50-m fly (30.09).

Top-eight placements and BTs at the regional championships were as follows:

**Div. 1:** Larissa Andrews, 2 BTs; Maggie Birch, 1 BT; Cassidy Fraser, 2 BTs; Zoe Hasenfratz, 2 BTs; Charissa Lee, 1 BT; Chloe Logan, 1 BT; Amelia Milner, 1 BT; Connor Budd, silver, 3 BTs; Liam Sinclair 1 BT.

**Div. 2:** Kaya Jones, 1 BT, Eryn Gix, silver, 6th, 8th; Rebekah Lee, 5th, two 6th, 8th, 5 BTs; Abby Rothwell, 3 BTs; Kimberly Rothwell, 1 BT.

**Div. 3:** Alex Crandall, 2 BTs; Emily Gix, 2 BTs; Adriane Harkema, 3 BTs; Sierra Lundy, four gold, 5 BTs; Grace Morgan, 8th, 1 BT; Christina Villadsen, 1 BT; Arlo Bryn-Thorn, 6th, 5 BTs; Liam Budd, 5th, 2 BTs; Evan Nickerson, 1 BT; Mack Rankin, 6th, 7th, 8th, 3 BTs.

**Div. 4:** Olivia Budd, bronze, three 8ths, 5 BTs; Nina Fletcher, silver, 8th, 4 BTs; Jess Harkema, 3 BTs; Rebecca Hylands, 1 BT; Danica Lundy, two bronze, 4th, 5th, 8 BTs; Olivia Morgan, 1 BT; Kirstie Shaw, 2 BTs; James Cameron, gold, 4th, two 5ths, 8 BTs; Callum Gunn, 4 BTs.

**Div. 5:** Helena Bryn-McLeod, 3 BTs; Victoria Budd, two 4th, 4 BTs; Amy Zacharias, 6th, 8th, 3 BTs; Brendan Nickerson, silver, two bronze, 4th, 7 BTs; Isaac Raddysh, 8th, 2 BTs; Brandon Shaw, 4 BTs.

**Div. 6:** Miranda Logan-Webb, two gold, silver, bronze, 5 BTs; Danielle Viozzi, two 7th, 8th, 5 BTs; Noah McColl, two bronze, 6th, 7th, 4 BTs.

**Div. 7:** Nicola Temmel: two gold, silver, bronze, 3 BTs; Meaghan Toole, 8th, 1 BT.

**Div. 8:** Kellie Rolston, two gold, two silver, Chris Brodie

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# Cardin Davis earns National Training Centre status with top-level soccer play in Surrey

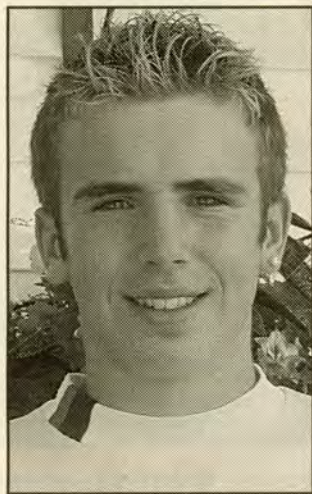
By **ROB WILTZEN**  
Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring's Cardin Davis has been named to an elite list of soccer players attending the National Training Centre this fall with the goal of making the Canadian team and competing in the international arena.

Davis was chosen for the U-14 group following the Boys' Soccer National All-Stars event held in Surrey from July 21-25.

Only 49 athletes from across the country are chosen to train at the five National Training Centres in Canada. High-level coaches determine who will be picked for national teams, as well as referring names to Olympic and World Cup coaches.

"I'm very excited about it," said Davis. "I heard the news and I couldn't believe that all the hard work over



**Cardin Davis**

the last three years finally paid off."

Davis will attend the National Training Centre in Vancouver where he will be introduced to the program described by the Canadian Soccer Association as "a

formative, structured path along which young players can move from introduction to international soccer at the age of 15, to international maturity between the ages of 18-20 under the direction of qualified professional coaches."

The training centre program is focussed on producing players for the Canadian National Youth (U-20) Team.

Over the course of the program, national team coaches will visit the centres for five "national scouting weekends" where players are assessed on technical, tactical, physical and mental areas of the game.

As well as training in Vancouver at the National Training Centre, Davis has been selected for the U-17 Lower Island Metro team. The team will play in a U-17/ U-18 pool against other U-17/U-

18 Vancouver teams where players are two to three years older than Davis.

Playing outside-left-midfield in the nationals event held in Surrey, Davis assisted the second goal for the B.C. provincial team, beating Alberta in the bronze-medal game 2-0.

He also scored the first goal for B.C. in a game that was ultimately lost to Ontario in the semi-finals to deter-

mine who would compete in the gold/silver final.

The games resulted in a bronze medal for the B.C. team.

Cardin thanked Arnie and Julia Hengstler, Norman Rothwell, Pat Akerman, Ken Marr and Windsor Plywood, Salt Spring Youth Soccer Association and the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92 for financial support in helping him attain his goals.

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# Gromme sinks baskets at national basketball event

Local athlete Kayla Gromme's accurate shooting helped the U-15 B.C. Girls Basketball Team earn gold at the 2004 Midget Championships in Halifax on the weekend.

Gromme scored nine points in the final game of the under-15 event held Saturday afternoon at St. Mary's University, contributing to the provincial team's 49-41 victory over Team Ontario.

Gromme's parents Lane and Jenny also attended the event in Nova Scotia.

Ontario girls took silver at the event, followed by the Saskatchewan team with bronze.

The B.C. boys' team brought home a silver medal from the event, with Ontario earning gold and Nova Scotia taking bronze.

Gromme, who is just entering Grade 9, was also honoured last year when chosen to play on an elite team in the Central Vancouver Island Basketball Association in Nanaimo.

# Seniors bowling meeting now set

Fall bowling action is revving up for another year with the Tuesday seniors bowling annual meeting and registration date set for Tuesday, August 24 at 1 p.m. at Kings Lane.

Bowling starts Tuesday, September 7 and more bowlers are wanted.

Call Kings Lane at 538-0338.

Following are high scores in Special Olympics summer bowling:

July 28: Stuart Elliott, 144; Sharon Way, 145; Mahjor Bains, 166.

August 4: Christopher Joynson, 144; Jimmy Beck, 146; Terry Swing, 149; Jason Newport, 154; Mahjor Bains, 163.

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**SS Invitational sees a men's tie-breaker and Iverson win**

There was plenty of action at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club under sunny skies over the weekend as the club hosted the 35th annual Salt Spring Invitational Tournament for men and women.

The field of 116 golfers included local members and visitors from the United States, Vancouver Island and Vancouver in the 36-hole medal play event.

For the first time there was a tie for the men's low gross with a score of 145 turned in

by Jim Charlton, of Salt Spring, and Andy Vickers, of Sara Bay, Florida, which resulted in a sudden death play-off starting on hole #8.

Both players birdied the hole and went on to play hole #9. Vickers hit his second shot to within six inches of the hole and tapped it in for birdie and the win.

Men's low net winner was Larry Nelson, from Salt Spring, with a low net score of 130.

In the ladies flight, the low gross winner was Melanie Iverson, from the Salt Spring club, with a score of 184.

Ladies low net winner was Joanna Barrett, also from the local club, with a low net score of 142.

The weekend ended with an awards ceremony and prizes at which club professional Steve Marleau acknowledged the support of community and club members who contributed to the success of the event.

• Babs Ross's 35.5 score made her low net winner of the Libby Noble Cup for women golfers aged 75 and over

Mildred Mitchell and Irene Hawthorn were runners up.

Jean Haines won the putt pott with 15.

A good turn-out of 14 golfers participated in the event.

• In men's day play, Bruce



Melanie Iverson accepts low gross trophy from Cheryl Foulis.

Photos contributed



Cheryl Foulis presents low gross trophy to Andy Vickers.

Kirwin and Campbell Blair tied in the par points event with 41. Fred Lyhne followed with 40, and Larry Davies and Gundy McLeod had 38.

Dennis Wheatley and Lee Hurd had KP in the high-handicap division, and Gundy McLeod and Mike Morgan were low-handicap KP winners.

• Fairway play saw Kathy Darling, Darlene Wellington and Rita Balachandran top the crowd in 18-hole women's play on August 3.

Pat Low was runner-up low net.

Hidden hole prize went to Marlane Rista.



**FICKLE WINNERS:** Winning team members in the August 4 Fickle Fingers golf league event are, from left, Gord Jenkins, Mike Arnott and John Lowther. Fred Lyhne is missing from photo.

Photo contributed

**Two over par gives Fickles the trophy**

The Fickle Fingers golf league at Salt Spring Golf and Country Club made an early start in its August 4 nine-hole, four-man, best-ball scramble tournament.

The first group greeted the dawn with a 6:20 a.m. tee-off followed by over 20 more players at staggered tee times.

The winning group posted a team score of a two over par 38, with 13 putts. Members were Gord Jenkins, Mike Arnott, Fred Lyhne and John Lowther.

Cloest to the pin on hole #2 winner was Bruce Kerwin, and Lowther shot the longest drive on hole #9.

All six winners received a small trophy and a sleeve of new golf balls.

The awards ceremony held in the 19th Hole Restaurant was chaired by Bill Sorrel, deputy captain of Fickle Fingers.

**Local woman in flight at disc golfing worlds**

Salt Spring is represented at the 2004 Professional Disc Golf Association World Championships, with Brook Holdack playing in the Grandmasters Women's Pool C division.

The competition runs August 7 to 14 in Des Moines, Iowa.

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# Soccer camps and fall registration part of summertime club activity

So what can possibly be happening in the world of Salt Spring in the dead of summer?

Well, believe it or not, there is plenty happening in the world of the Salt Spring Island Youth Soccer Association, as a quick review will reveal.

1) Registration: To date over 200 youths have registered to play soccer in the 2004/05 soccer season.

From the numbers to date we will have teams in the Girls U-10, U-11, U-12, U-13, U-14, U-15 and in the Boys U-10, U-11, U-12, U-13, U-14 and U-16. We hope to field teams in Girls U-16/18 and Boys U-15 and U-17/18 if the registrations pick up.

There is lots of room on these teams, although some are getting close.

Mike Barter, registrar, encourages all parents/players to get themselves registered and ensure a place on these teams. Fees are \$197 for U-10 and up, and \$121 for the mini program. Forms can be picked up and dropped off for payment at Island Savings in Ganges.

The association is also trying to sponsor a Girls U-21 team for players 18-21 years of age. For this and any other registration information, please contact Mike at 537-2446.

## Soccer camps

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### Soccer raffle

Our association is once again working hard to put our raffle out in September, under the leadership of Francis Haavelar.

We are hoping that this year's raffle will be the biggest ever, but need your help. Francis needs volunteers to help put it all together and we need people/groups/businesses to donate prizes for the raffle to be fully successful. If you can help, call Francis at 653-4501.

### Sponsorship program

Our association will be unveiling a new and improved sponsorship program to involve individuals/groups/businesses in joint partnership programs to assist us with running particular aspects of our program (e.g. referees, mini program, photos, etc.) or to sponsor our teams.

Our fundraising committee will be bringing forward this program in August, but if you have any interest at present, please contact myself at 537-4970 or e-mail at mlegg@saltspringwireless.com.

### Referees

I had the great fortune to participate in a B.C. Soccer referee development event involving the Canada Millwall exhibition game in Vancouver.

I worked with the head referee of the English Football Association as we assessed the U.S. referees and line-men on the game and then had a discussion with them after the match. It was a great experience.

If you have any interest in becoming a referee (Class 5, under age 14; Class 4, 14 and up), please contact me at 537-4970.

### Other news

At the June AGM, I was elected the new club president, since Ken Byron stepped down to a lesser role on the executive.

Directors Steven Stairs and Fraser Hope also stepped down and we will miss them

both, especially Steven and the fabulous job he did with our uniforms and equipment.

Our association is therefore at this time actively seeking at least two people to be directors with a group of progressive individuals working to improve youth soccer on Salt Spring.

We are also looking for volunteers interested in helping the association by contributing some time to specific projects.

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