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Josip Budimcic stands with his family — Vedran, Tatanya and Nina — surrounded by supporters at a rally on Salt Spring Sunday.

**FIRE DISTRICT**

## Island fire budget up 25%

Dissenting trustee hopes to stem tide in future

BY GAIL SJUBERG  
DRIFTWOOD EDITOR

Fire protection services will cost Salt Spring taxpayers \$1,625,880 in 2008, following the fire board's passage of its budget bylaw Monday night.

The sum represents a 25 per cent increase over last year's roughly \$1.3-million plan.

"We don't feel we are paying any more money than it takes to do the job we are required to do," said board chair Michael Schubart when fielding questions from members of the public attending the meeting.

Trustee Wayne Wrigley was the sole dissenting trustee. He told the meeting he doesn't agree with the process used to create the document and the size of the resulting budgets.

"I don't feel [the process] works in our situation," he said. "We tend to end up with big increases year after year."

Previous years' operating budgets rose 34, 16 and 21 per cent, respectively.

Wage costs, including new paid positions established this year, account for just over \$100,000 of the increase, noted Wrigley, with general expenses covering the rest.

"At this rate our budget in five years will be over \$4 million," he said.

Wrigley said Tuesday that while he does not blame staff for rising expenditures, he feels

**BUDIMCIC CASE**

## Rally supports refugee "Joe Somebody"

Fundraiser aims to help pay Josip Budimcic's legal bills

BY MITCHELL SHERRIN  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Scores of islanders marched in protest, shared sentiments of support and met for a community picnic fundraiser to help a local man who's been dubbed a "war criminal" and faces deportation to a 15-year jail sentence in Croatia.

But Josip Budimcic, known around the island as "Joe Somebody," wasn't on hand for the protest march or for the speeches made by prominent islanders on behalf of his wife and children and his personal freedom.

In characteristic fashion, Budimcic was busy working at the barbeque preparing food for his well wishers, who numbered over 100 by the time lamb was served at an "Oktoberfest" held on the

Farmers Institute fairgrounds.

"Thank you very much to the community for friends who do this for me and my family," Budimcic said when he was found working in an open-air kitchen.

The local handyman greeted people with twinkling eyes and large calloused handshakes as well-wishers offered hugs and patted him on the back.

"I'm just glad I live in this kind of community, it's a godsend," Budimcic said.

Flanked by his wife Tatanya and their children Nina, 22, and Vedran, 17, Budimcic described how his family has been overwhelmed by community support.

"So many people called and said they couldn't come today, but that they are definitely on my side."

In some ways, he is actually looking forward to a hearing before the Immigration and Refugee Board (IRB) scheduled for December 3. He even agreed to an open hearing so that the public can hear his story.

"I want to clear my name. I will tell everything."

People who gathered at the event offered numerous stories of how Budimcic had touched their hearts with his generosity and friendship since he moved to the island in 2003.

"We know Joe, and we know that he is the genuine article. That he is a rare, fine, generous, competent, big-hearted man, and that his word can be believed," said Budimcic supporter Jack Woodward, who also told Budimcic's side of the story to the crowd. (See story sidebar.)

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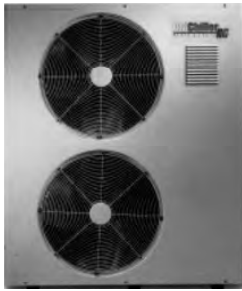
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# NEWSBEAT

## HARBOUR AUTHORITY

# Labour dispute dredges harbour AGM

Board defends controversial firing

BY MITCHELL SHERRIN  
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Discussion over a recent personnel issue dominated discussion at the Harbour Authority of Salt Spring Island (HASSI) AGM on Monday night.

Some 35 islanders attended the meeting and many spoke passionately on behalf of Bart Terwiel, who was released of duties from the harbour manager position following the last HASSI meeting on September 13.

"As is true with all decisions made by people in positions of authority, there are undoubtedly questions and concerns about some of the actions Mr. Terwiel has

taken. However, we feel that discussion, not dismissal in absentia, is the way to handle such disagreements," Marjolyn Van Zanten read from a letter signed by 19 islanders on behalf of her son.

Following an audit report of HASSI financial statements, harbour authority chair Rod Macdonald explained that the board was compelled to dismiss Terwiel because he had not followed explicit accounting directions that led to a \$23,480 shortfall this year.

Terwiel was previously directed to conduct daily account reconciliation and daily deposits following a \$3,537 shortfall in 2006, Macdonald said.

"The board directed the manager to put a number of changes in place in the han-

dling of cash to address the problem," Macdonald read from a prepared statement.

"This year's audit showed that not only was the problem not solved but had worsened substantially."

Several islanders in attendance noted Terwiel's contributions to the harbour, vouched for his integrity and expressed concern about the possibility of a wrongful dismissal suit.

"No one is being accused of taking any money," Macdonald said.

Terwiel was terminated because he did not follow HASSI directions to implement accounting procedures and failed to meet his responsibilities as the manager of harbour finances, Macdonald explained.

Terwiel appealed to the

board to reconsider termination.

"This course that's been taken, no one is going to win. We all lose."

In other HASSI news, four positions on the board come available this year.

"These members have agreed to stand again, but anyone can throw their hat in," said Macdonald.

HASSI will notify their members to cast ballots at the harbour authority office. Prospective members can be elected to join HASSI under recommendation from an existing member (with a 30-day wait period).

The HASSI board also expressed interest in reviving the Ganges Harbour Management Plan that has been stalled since Terwiel was terminated.

# Some trustees concerned about rising costs

## FIRE BUDGET

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trustees should be more involved with budget preparation, perhaps through creation of a finance committee.

Wrigley used the example of a new utility vehicle purchase in the 2008 budget, questioning whether it was needed to replace the six-year-old unit. Other fire districts he researched replaced their equivalent vehicles

between eight and 20 years.

The example prompted fellow trustee Mary Gillies to comment that "these comparisons with other municipalities are not apples to apples. We are not living where we can get mutual aid [from another fire department] in 10 minutes."

Gillies also noted the board had acknowledged Wrigley's concern about the vehicle expenditure, which was originally put in the budget as a lump sum (first

\$70,000, then \$50,000) to be paid in 2008, by now spreading the cost over the next five years.

Trustee Tony Kennedy said he was also concerned about the rising operating budget, and some members of the public commended Wrigley on speaking out.

In other fire news:

• The current volunteer recruit drive has seen seven individuals sign up, reported trustee and

volunteer association rep Mark Wyatt.

Ideal recruit class size is 10, so it's hoped more people will make inquiries about joining the department.

• Saturday, October 27 has been set aside for an open house at the hall to discuss the SSIFPD proposed 10-year strategic plan.

People can pick up a copy of the plan at the Ganges fire hall, or online at saltspringfire.com.

## FIRE DISTRICT

# Compressed air foam fire truck purchase approved

Counter-petition process complete

Salt Spring should have a new fire truck within a year, as a counter-petition seeking taxpayer approval for the purchase prompted only 46 petitions opposed.

On Monday night the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District board gave first and second reading to the bylaw authorizing the borrowing of up to \$575,000 to purchase a new compressed air foam (CAF) engine.

Current engine No. 2 will accordingly be moved to the Central fire hall and tender No. 3 will be sold.

The move allows the district to meet Fire Underwriters' Survey recommendations that two pumper trucks be available at the Central fire hall.

Some 750 petitions — or 10 per cent of qualified electors — were needed to force a referendum on the fire-truck purchase issue.

"The new truck will be a welcome addition to Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue," states a press release.

"Compressed air firefighting foams

have proven to be four to five times faster than water in suppressing fire, which means less water is used, less time is spent on scene, along with reduced firefighter and equipment fatigue. CAF accelerates the cooling process, thereby reducing risk of rekindles."

The purchase will cost an estimated two cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value per year for the next 15 years, or an average of \$10 per year for a \$500,000 property.

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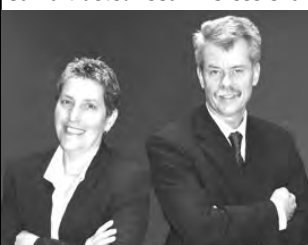
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SCHOOL DISTRICT 64

# Saturna centre brings environment, students together

New curriculum challenges students to lead

BY CHRIS STEPHENSON  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A is for Arbutus; B is for Bald Eagle; C is for Cedar. This is how students of Saturna Island learn the ABCs. It may not be traditional, but it works with the environment, says the coordinator of the Saturna Ecological Education Centre (SEEC).

Steve Dunsmuir is the founder and coordinator of SEEC. With a masters degree in Environmental Education and Communication from Royal Roads University, Dunsmuir put the centre together to keep the school on Saturna alive and create an environmental focus for the students.

"It has always been my desire to make a school a little different," he said during an interview at SEEC last Wednesday.

The centre has seven elementary school kids from Saturna and eight high school students from the surrounding Gulf Islands and Nanaimo.

Without the off-island students, Dunsmuir said, it would be difficult to keep the school running with such a low enrolment.

The programs offered are all integrated with the environment. Students still learn the core of the B.C.'s education curriculum, but it's highly specialized. Part of the course is learning to be a teacher and leader.

"We build the whole teaching and learning idea."

Young leaders have the opportunity to mentor other students who come to the island on field trips. Mentors help develop activities and goals for the students and assist in teaching. The process is completed under supervision from the school's Gulf Islands Centre for Ecological Learning (GICEL) educators, who ensure things run smoothly during the course.

SEEC's younger students also take part and help the older leaders with mentoring. Dunsmuir hopes to have over 150 students come through for field trips by the end of October.

Last Wednesday, 23 students from Salt Spring Elementary visited the island for a field trip, along with 13 adults.

Clorisa Simpson, who led one of the groups through a series of activities and challenges during the day, is a SEEC student. Simpson, like all high school students at the centre, studies on Saturna three days a week. She also attends Gulf Islands Secondary one day a week.

"I was really impressed," she said. "On our first day we did an eight-hour hike. It's different from what we do every day," adding, "It doesn't feel like I'm at school."

Simpson led students through activities such as identifying camouflaged creatures in the school garden, putting together the alphabet using local plants and animals, making bracelets and hiking in the forest.



PHOTO BY CHRIS STEPHENSON

SEEC student Matt Burnaby helps a group of kids from Salt Spring Elementary place wildlife and plant cards in a row from A to Z.

Independent studies is another aspect of the SEEC program. All students must develop a project that involves a mentor and it must benefit the community. Some proposals include making a documentary film about the Mayne Queen ferry, which services the Gulf Islands, creating a field guide for Winter Park Cove on Saturna and developing a field trip on a local sheep farm.

This is the centre's first official year of operation. It replaces the old curriculum on Saturna, but remains in the same school building. Jessica Reveley, ecological educator at SEEC, feels lucky to have the opportunity to teach in the birth year of the centre. She said it's a real bonding experience for her and the students.

"All the students are super fantastic. It will be sad to see them go."

Andrew Marchand, a student teacher from Malaspina University-College in Nanaimo, said the program is great for high school kids because they get a chance to manage groups. As well, he said, the student-teacher ratio is approximately four to one, which is a definite benefit for learning.

Marchand, who finishes his practicum in six weeks, said the program is something he didn't quite expect.

"I didn't bring proper clothes for hiking." Still, Marchand is delighted to have the experience to teach and learn in and outside of the classroom.

The future of SEEC is just beginning to unfold. Dunsmuir said they will soon need to recruit more students for future semesters despite the fact the ones currently attending would like to stay.

"For some students this is place to be," Dunsmuir said.

## News briefs

### Opposition voters seek unity

A new "Shun Lunn" website aims to avoid vote splitting among Saanich-Gulf Islands candidates in the next federal election.

According to the website, the Shun Lunn movement "is a non-partisan, grassroots campaign currently encouraging the riding to undertake a democratic process that delivers appropriate representa-

tion for the riding's majority.

The result should establish one candidate to run against and defeat Gary Lunn, the Conservative incumbent and natural resources minister, in the upcoming federal election."

Shun Lunn promoters aim to hold a pre-election "run-off" style vote among the three opposition candidates (Green, Liberal and NDP) within the riding.

The Shun Lunn website (<http://members.shaw.ca/shunlunn>) was launched on October 9.

### Creek diversion halted

Diverted water from a property bordering Swanson's Pond was an unwelcome sight for Ministry of Transportation (MOT) officials during a site visit last Thursday.

MOT area manager Greg Galpin sent notice to Salt Spring Ventures Incorporated (SSVI) representative Eric Booth that the province would not accept additional

water flow diverted from the property.

"We put him on notice that we don't accept the additional flow down Park Drive and if it affects the infrastructure, he could be held accountable."

Galpin noted that SSVI hasn't done anything illegal on the MOT right-of-way, but that the developer could be held accountable for any adverse affects resulting from the diversion.

"If there's additional flow, we'll see if we can handle it this winter."

SSVI plans to build 33 units of seniors housing on the property.

Islands Trust planner Mark Brodrick confirmed that the Trust will review a development permit application following submission of design sketches and layout by SSVI applicant Booth.

The development permit was originally filed by the previous property owners in 2005, Brodrick said.

### Cops bust grow show

Salt Spring RCMP seized

220 marijuana plants from an indoor growing operation after police responded to an abandoned 911 call on Thursday.

The investigation is continuing, local police reported.

In other RCMP news, two men are under investigation for impaired driving following roadside stops last week.

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## NEWSBEAT

### BC FERRIES

# Smart Card poised to replace commuter ticketing system

Advisory committee questions card benefits

BY CHRIS STEPHENSON  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The winter launch for a B.C. Ferries "smart card" will allow passengers to access discounts and receive a tax credit, but some members of the Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee (FAC) wonder at what cost.

Rebecca Bailey, manager of corporate marketing for B.C. Ferries, gave FAC members a presentation of the electronic swipe card last Thursday on Salt Spring.

Bailey said the card is loaded with cash or credit from the user and swiped at the ticket booth, online or by phone.

She also said users who travel frequently can benefit from a transit tax credit similar to riders of public transportation.

"As of December the core features will be available," she said.

To receive discounts on the card, users must load funds in increments of \$40 for passengers and \$70 for vehicles.

This can also be done through the ticket booth, online or by phone.

Users must also register personal information when they apply for the card if they want the discounts, which will be at the same

level as the presently used paper commuter tickets.

Card holders who want to apply for the tax credit must take at least 32 one-way trips during an uninterrupted period of not more than 31 days.

### "Why complicate it?"

BOB JONES  
FAC chair

Users must also provide a receipt for the cost and use of the card.

FAC chair Bob Jones questioned why passengers would bother to use the card if they must load it in certain increments to access the discounts.

"Why complicate it?" he asked during the meeting.

Committee member Gary Holman also questioned the use of the card.

"Why not just use a debit card?" he asked.

Bailey said users need to fill the card in increments of \$40 and \$70 to make the discount system fair for everyone.

The cards will be released in December and will eventually replace paper pre-paid tickets.

They have no expiry date and have transfer abilities between passengers.

Thru-fare passengers will have to get a boarding pass from ferry staff and present it at one of the major terminals if they wish to use the smart card.

# Charity to aid Tony, Marcie

BY CHRIS STEPHENSON  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Community members are raising funds for a well-known homeless couple after they were evicted from their camp along Ganges Harbour late last month.

Copper Kettle coordinator Cherie Geauvreau said since that incident, residents who know Tony and Marcie have asked her what they can do. Copper Kettle, a community partnership organization, decided to help set up a charity fund to get them off the streets.

"The government is doing nothing and we have no other recourse."

Geauvreau said the long-time couple need the community's help. She hopes to collect enough donations to cover a damage deposit on housing.

"The largest barrier is that the government doesn't give out money for a damage deposit."

As of Driftwood press time Tuesday, 12 people and groups have shown support for the project.

Geauvreau said she hopes to find a compassionate homeowner to rent space for the couple. She emphasized the landlord or landlady will have the community behind them.

"The people renting are not going to do this alone."

Island resident Roberta Temmel said the situation with the couple requires more than money.

"We need to reach out to make this happen in small steps."

She believes the couple need a sense of community to lean on for the plan to work. She hopes they will be off the streets before winter hits.

Temmel has contact with Marcie daily. She said Marcie is now sleeping in her car.

The couple lived under the boardwalk along Ganges Harbour since last winter until Capital Regional District bylaw enforcement officers decided it was too much of a fire and health hazard.

"We took everything away from them. We've cleaned the shoreline, but we're talking about people here."

She said Salt Spring is not set up to deal with homeless issues but that has to change.

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# NEWSBEAT

## Rally draws out supporters

**BUDIMCIC**  
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Despite the questions and doubt regarding "kangaroo" Croatia war-crimes trials, said Woodward, Public Safety Minister Stockwell Day initiated an IRB hearing, scheduled for December 3, claiming that Budimcic misrepresented himself when he sought refugee status.

"The Crown's case is incredibly flimsy. They rely on the same evidence that was filed in the Croatian court," said Woodward. "You couldn't prosecute a parking ticket in Canada on evidence like that."

Unfortunately, Budimcic will face a hearing in front of an immigration official instead of a Canadian court, Woodward noted. And the islander will need to prove facts about events that happened during the fog of a civil war some 17 years ago in a place that still harbours ethnic bitterness.

"It is almost impossible for Joe to prove his case, this late in the day and this far away."

Consequently, Budimcic supporters are seeking financial aid to finance a Vancouver immigration lawyer and bring witnesses to speak on his behalf.

"This could cost \$30,000-\$50,000 or maybe more. It's a crippling cost for anyone to bear," said Woodward.

He urged islanders to "dig deep to the point where it hurts" in order to support Budimcic.

"If ever there was a day to stand up and be counted, today is the day," said Mary Ann McColl.

"Josip and his family deserve apologies from his own government, but also from the Canadian government for the gross injustices that he has endured as a result of these false accusations," said McColl.

And she asked to be the first Canadian on record to apologize to Budimcic and his family for the way they have been treated.

"There is absolutely no doubt in our minds that Josip's [Croatian war crimes] trial was one of 'ethnic cleansing' and conjured evidence," she said.



Daniella Benloulou gives Josip Budimic a hug as son Vedran Budimic also gives his support.

Rally organizer Robert Reindl noted that everyone he met wanted to help Budimcic.

"He's a wonderful person being treated very badly."

And Ross McIlvenna urged islanders to send e-mails to MPs Day and Gary Lunn, and to Prime Minister Stephen Harper's office.

"Pressure starts at the top with these guys."

Unfavourable media attention from the National Post, which even published stories by a reporter who went to Croatia and talked to alleged victims, and other CanWest newspaper affiliates, hasn't helped Budimcic, he noted.

Community members who carried placards during the march offered similar sentiments of support.

"If we had more Canadians like Joe, this would be a tremendous country," said Carol Walde.

"He's an asset to the community, him and his family, for sure," said John Ellacott. "He's a keeper."

Dave Hogarth said that he'd trust Budimcic with his life and asked that the islander be treated as fairly as anyone else in Canada.

He believes that newspapers and politicians have blown the incident out of proportion.

"Just because it's on the internet doesn't make it gospel."

John Gauthier called Budimcic's immigration hearing, "A 15th-century crusade," comparable to the highly publicized Maher Arar case.

"He's an honest, hard-working guy," said George Welch. "It would be a shame if he gets sent out of our country."

## Budimcic 'love story' shared

At Sunday's support rally for Josip Budimcic and his family, local lawyer Jack Woodward described how "Joe Somebody" was accused of war crimes following the civil war in former Yugoslavia after Budimcic and his family escaped in 1995.

"This is a story about injustice, but it is also a love story," Woodward said.

Budimcic (a Croatian) and his wife Tatanya (a Serbian) were victims of racism because they had formed a "mixed marriage" during a vicious civil war, Woodward explained.

"At first, Joe and Tatanya lived in the Croatian part of the country, but the Croats hated them because Tatanya was Serbian."

Then the couple with two small children crossed into Serbian-controlled territory and Josip got a job with the police force because Tatanya's father was a chief of police, Woodward said.

"But because [Josip] was a Croat, the Serbs never trusted him with a gun or any responsibilities."

And the Budimcics found themselves just as unwelcome in Serbian territory as they had been in the Croatian sector because of their mixed ethnicity.

"Facing the real danger the family would be murdered, they came to the sanctuary of the Canadian Embassy and were given refugee status."

The Budimcics didn't completely escape the grip of the brutal war. In 1996, Josip was accused of executing and torturing Croatian prisoners, he was found guilty of war crimes and received a 15-year prison sentence by a Croatian court.

"Joe was not present at the trial — which took less than an hour. There were no witnesses and no cross examination. There was no case led for the defence."

Statements read at the trial were made by Croats who

were outraged that Josip (a Croatian himself) was fortunate enough to find a job during difficult times and that he escaped to Canada, Woodward said.

"It was pure spite, jealousy and the re-kindling of old

hatreds between Serbs and Croats."

Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International and Justice Watch have all criticized Croatia courts for bias and lack of procedural safeguards, Woodward noted.

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More participants needed for non-credit courses

**BY CHRIS STEPHENSON**  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The University of Victoria (UVIC) may pull the plug on continuing studies courses available on Salt Spring unless enrolment increases.

The non-credit courses, which are anthropology and archaeology based, are offered through UVIC continuing studies. No prerequisites are needed to attend.

Janet King, program co-ordinator at UVic, said enrolment has gradually decreased over the last two years so the university is now losing money. If the situation doesn't change, the courses will be cut completely on Salt Spring.

"The people that do go love it, but the numbers are still low."

She said each of the four classes needs 20 students to stay afloat. At this point UVIC has nine to 13 registered for the next session. Courses are held each winter and spring. This November the classes include the archaeology of southwest Asia and Paleoanthropology.

King first put the classes together in 2002 because a group of islanders who commuted to UVIC showed an interest. At that time, she said, there was a high demand.

Courses are a success for Salt Spring students who do attend because of the intimate setting with the teacher, she noted.

"We have a core group of people who want [the classes] to remain."

One Salt Spring student is Heidi Crouse. She has attended most of the courses since 2002. Crouse returns year after year because of

the instructor and her classmates.

"I like the group a lot and the professor is amazing."

She said Chris Mundigler, who teaches the classes, presents the material in a way to engage the students.

Mundigler's teaching methods involve using a wide variety of photos he took while travelling to the places in the courses.

"I leave feeling I've been to those places," Crouse said.

Another reason Crouse attends is because of her classmates and the opportunity for lots of discussion.

"It's a great way to meet people."

The first sessions begin on November 10. Costs vary from approximately \$20 for one session to \$120 for five.

For more information, contact King at 250-721-8827 or by e-mail at [jkings@uvic.ca](mailto:jkings@uvic.ca).



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
SALT SPRING ISLAND  
LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE  
Proposed Bylaw No. 431**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing concerning **Proposed Bylaw No. 431**, 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 bylaw shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions. The information session and public hearing for this bylaw will precede the regular monthly Local Trust Committee Meeting to be held on the same day.

**DATE:** Thursday, November 1, 2007  
**LOCATION:** ArtSpring, 100 Jackson Avenue, Salt Spring Island  
**TIME:** 1:00 PM – 1:30 PM – Public Information Session  
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM – Public Hearing

**1. Proposed Bylaw No. 431, cited as "Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw, 1999, Amendment No. 2, 2007".**

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 431 is to amend Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw No. 355 as follows:

- by creating a new Commercial Accommodation 1 Zone Variation (g) – CA1(g);
- by changing the zoning of That Part of Lot 1, Block B, Section 1, Range 4 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 1371, Lying to the East of a Boundary Parallel to and Perpendicularly Distant 40 Feet from the Westerly Boundary of Said Lot, from Commercial Accommodation 1 Zone Variation (e) – CA1(e) to Commercial Accommodation 1 Zone Variation (g) – CA1(g), as shown on Plan No. 1, in order to permit an increase in the maximum allowable lot coverage from 33 percent to 60 percent, to legalize existing buildings and structures, and to add new exterior decks and storage structures.

**Plan No. 1 – Proposed Bylaw No. 431**



Copies of the proposed bylaw, and any background material that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee, may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, 1-500 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, between the hours of 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM, Monday to Friday inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing Friday, October 12, 2007 and up to and including Tuesday, October 23, 2007 at 4:30 PM. Proposed Bylaw 431 may also be viewed on the Islands Trust website at: [www.islandstrust.bc.ca](http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca)

Enquiries regarding the proposed bylaw may be directed to the Islands Trust at (250) 537-9144. 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 as follows:

- By mail to the Islands Trust at 1-500 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2N8; by Fax to (250) 537-9116; or online at the Islands Trust website via the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/ltr/ss/meetings.cfm> by completing the **Public Hearing, November 1, 2007, Submission Form** before 4:30 PM on October 23, 2007.
- To the **Local Trust Committee at the Public Hearing.**

Email comments should not be considered as complying with the requirements of this notice. The Islands Trust does not guarantee that any email comment will be received by the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide email comments, if they are opened and received, to the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee for consideration, but the public should not rely on email as a means of providing a written comment.

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 THE PROPOSED BYLAW WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.**

Pauline Brazier  
Deputy Secretary

**TENNIS BUBBLE****PARC rescinds proposal to put more money into tennis bubble**

Lower-cost options now being explored

Salt Spring's Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) stepped off its most recent tennis bubble path Monday night to examine less expensive alternatives.

According to PARC chair Rosemary Trump, PARC unanimously approved three motions:

- to reconsider the September 10 resolution that reaffirmed PARC would be prepared to contribute \$100,000 of its funds to the infrastructure needed to accommodate a Farley Group bubble. The Salt Spring Tennis Association (SSTA) was willing to buy that structure with accumulated funds in the bubble trust fund; and
- to advise the SSTA that in view of new information received by PARC regarding

lower-priced bubble alternatives, PARC cannot at this time accept the bubble offered by the SSTA; and

- to invite the SSTA to discuss the possibility of repairing the existing bubble and anchoring system so it can be reused for one more year while the above option is fully explored.

Trump told the Driftwood that new information had come to light suggesting it may be possible to buy a different kind of bubble that would not require the approximately \$150,000 in infrastructure costs the previous plan demanded from the PARC budget, even though the SSTA was willing to help reduce that total.

"It was not a very happy thing to do, but I think it was the right thing to do," she said of the motions.

Ideally, she said, the alternate plan would require no extra funds from PARC.

**BC FERRIES****Smoking regulations on all ferry routes**

Designated light-up areas deemed a success

**BY CHRIS STEPHENSON**  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

B.C. Ferries tightened its grip on smoking this week by enacting a policy to butt out on certain areas of the vessels' outer decks.

New regulations will officially start on October 15.

Mark Stefanson, executive director of public affairs for B.C. Ferries, said the policy extends to the 28 larger vessels in the fleet.

Smoking will be allowed on the outer deck in certain locations only on those vessels. He said the eight small-

er ferries will remain 100 per cent smoke free, noting the regulations follow other service industries in B.C.

"Society is going that way and it reflects society's values."

Smoking is also prohibited in terminals and on car decks.

Stefanson said the program was gradually introduced to the fleet.

During the summer, B.C. Ferries implemented designated areas for people to light up on their major routes between Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland and the Sunshine Coast.

Stefanson said the passenger response is very positive.

"It's a fact of life. People

don't like second-hand smoke."

Stefanson said so far the rules are to encourage people to smoke in the designated areas and no fines are handed out.

"Usually it's no problem."

Chris Frappell, marine superintendent for B.C. Ferries, said passengers are monitoring the situation themselves by telling smokers where it is appropriate to light up.

He said during a Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee meeting last Thursday that new signs are currently being posted to ensure the public knows about the new smoking rules.

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## DID YOU KNOW THAT THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CURRENT OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN (OCP) COULD NEGATIVELY AFFECT YOUR PROPERTY VALUE AND YOUR OWN USE & ENJOYMENT OF YOUR PROPERTY?

Land Use Zoning on Salt Spring Island is regulated by the Islands Trust. Permitted, regulated and prohibited uses of land vary from property to property depending on the zoning of that property. The Islands Trust sets out what property is in what land use zone, and what is permitted, regulated or prohibited in each land use zone. The resulting zoning is found in Salt Spring Island's Official Community Plan.

The Islands Trust is currently working on a new Draft Official Community Plan and is currently circulating Preliminary Policy Proposals resulting from the recommendations of several focus groups. As Realtors and active members of the Salt Spring Island Community, we have no idea if any or all of these Proposals will be incorporated into the Draft Community Plan and whether any or all of the resulting Draft Official Community Plan will be passed or amended.

However, if any or all of the Preliminary Policy Proposals are incorporated into the final Revised Official Community Plan, **there could be significant changes from what is currently allowed under the current Official Community Plan.** Some, but not all, of the proposals include; to quote:

- a) "To regulate the maximum size of residential dwellings and accessory buildings."
  - i) "An aggregate allowable size for dwellings and accessory buildings could be considered."
  - ii) "No house of more than 2,000 sq. ft. should be allowed on a lot of less than ½ acre. This idea represents a minority view of the Focus Group."

*\*defn: Aggregate: To gather into a mass, sum, or whole. To amount to; total.*

- b) "Amendments to the LUB: The maximum allowable house floor area **will be 3000 square feet.** Except for properties actively engaged in agricultural operations, two outbuildings are permitted: one up to 1000 square feet, and a second up to 300 square feet."
- c) "Shoreline protection provisions should be extended to include all land within **30m\* from the natural boundary of the sea.**"

*\*30m = 100 feet*

- d) "Replace the 10 metre shoreline setback with a 30 metre setback for all new building, and a minimum height above high tide of 2 metres. The Local Trust Committee will need to consider the implications of this recommendation. This requirement may compromise use of some smaller shoreline lots and/or curtail the possibility of rebuilding or extending existing residential dwellings."

- e) "What is the policy proposal (down zoning of large parcels)"
  - i) "Adjust the overall density of the island through decreasing by 20% the density of parcels with 5 lots subdivision potential or greater."
- f) "We would like to see new buildings required to meet LEED standards. Note: We endorse the suggestion that Salt Spring adopt restrictions on house size."

Your island realtors have used "... as all of the above proposals have been taken verbatim from the Official Community Planning Focus Groups Final Reports "as posted on the Islands Trust web site".

**For information on the LEED Program:**

[http://www.cagbc.org/building\\_rating\\_systems/leed\\_rating\\_system.php](http://www.cagbc.org/building_rating_systems/leed_rating_system.php)

### ASK YOURSELF THIS QUESTION: DO ANY OF THESE PROPOSALS AFFECT ME?

THIS LIST IS BY NO MEANS EXHAUSTIVE. Property owners & potential buyers **should download a copy of the Preliminary Policy Proposals** from the following web site <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/lrc/ss/projects.cfm> and review it.

Realtors will attempt to answer questions. However, since the Islands Trust is the most knowledgeable group with regards to these Preliminary Policy Proposals, it is recommended that questions about specific changes relevant to property owners & potential purchasers be directed to the Islands Trust directly by calling (250) 537-9144, or you may wish to contact your two island trustees: **Peter Lamb; [plamb@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:plamb@islandstrust.bc.ca)** or **George Ehring; [gehring@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:gehring@islandstrust.bc.ca)**

Salt Spring Realtors do not know what will happen with these Preliminary Policy Proposals. We do know that it is important to bring this issue to your attention so property owners & potential purchasers can make as informed a decision as possible.

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## NOTICE OF SALT SPRING ISLAND OCP REVIEW PUBLIC MEETINGS

Meetings for consultation with the public will be held at the following locations and times:

**Wednesday, October 17, 2007**

from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm AND 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Artspring (100 Jackson Avenue)

**Sunday, October 21, 2007**

from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm- Lions Hall (103 Bonnet Avenue)

**Monday, October 22, 2007**

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EDITORIAL

## Public voices

For those wanting serious input into Salt Spring's new official community plan (OCP), the next few days are crucial.

The Salt Spring Local Trust Committee (LTC) has scheduled 15 hours of daytime and evening meetings where public discussion can take place. No one can criticize the Trust for not providing ample opportunity to provide input and ask questions.

While nothing is carved in stone at this point, and a public hearing on a final, as-yet-to-be-created bylaw is needed before the process is completed next summer, this is the time to make one's views heard.

For those intimately involved in a long-range planning process like an OCP review, it's exciting to create a theoretical community.

But unlike the review undertaken in the mid-1990s when a tattered, ancient community plan needed wholesale updating, the 2007 version of the exercise feels somewhat like a make-work job.

**THE ISSUE:**

OCP review

**WE SAY:**

Time for islanders to speak

The current OCP, which became law in 1998, is nothing if not comprehensive, so focus group members were no doubt challenged to come up

with some original ideas, or ones that are actually needed to address real concerns.

What has prompted a call for restricting house sizes, for example, or increasing shoreline setbacks to 30 metres (100 feet) from 10 is questionable. We hope a few highly visible buildings have not kick-started a movement that could unnecessarily cause problems for a huge number of other present and future property owners.

Trying to solve Fulford village's ferry-related traffic woes with an OCP policy document is also clumsy.

The only substantial problem that arose from the past OCP – besides individuals' apparent ignorance of the existence of development permit areas – was conflict surrounding density transfers. Those can still be a useful tool, but the density receiving areas should be narrowed, as was suggested by the environment focus group.

Much work has already gone into revising Salt Spring's OCP, and many of the ideas are sound and not harmful. Volunteers, trustees and staff should be commended on the time and energy expended. Now it's the general public's turn to do some work and say their piece.



## Proposed OCP changes have financial impact

BY JIM STANDEN

Let me begin this note by thanking the local real estate firms for bringing this topic to my attention with their notification in the Driftwood of October 10.

The topic was titled "Did you know that the proposed changes to the current community plan (OCP) could negatively affect your property value?"

I also thank the hard-working members of the Islands Trust and the members of the OCP focus groups. Theirs is a most challenging position and I applaud their initiative towards proposing solutions to solving the pressing issues of the day.

I believe the community needs to consider the potential ramifications of the new proposals and consider other creative options. This note will consider just one of the proposals, specifically:

Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw: "Replace the 10-metre shoreline setback with a 30-metre setback for all new buildings."

It would seem to me, and I am perhaps quite innocent on this topic, that the result of the proposed bylaw could lead to the lowering of the value of the affected properties — those who own buildings within 30 metres of the ocean high water mark. My rationale is that property is valued to some extent by its versatility and if options such as building additions or replacement at the existing location (after a fire, or perhaps, by a new owner) are no longer allowed, the property would lose a considerable portion of its value.

There is a property located close to my home which is an extreme example. The home is now legally located beyond the current building setback of 10 metres and is quite a desirable property. However, located 30 metres from the shoreline are extremely steep banks. Should fire destroy the home, the pro-

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posed rules would prevent replacing it. Should the present or new owner, decide to rebuild, they could not. It would be very difficult to estimate the value of such a property, one that you can own, but never build on. Who would purchase a property, no matter how beautiful, if they cannot live on it?

In addition, I think there could be potential challenges from such agencies as insurance companies (who would provide building replacement insurance if that option is no longer available?) and mortgage companies. If property tax assessments are lowered to match the newly appraised value, it would mean reduced tax revenue for the community.

Such changes to the values of assets can be quick and fatal. You only have to watch the plummeting values of income trusts following the Conservative government's announcement to tax them last October 31.

Can we be creative here?

Restrictions such as an "X" metre rule remove the opportunity for an owner to take their own initiative to implement creative solutions.

I would propose that a possible solution is to have a grandfathering clause applied to all existing waterfront properties, and to apply the new regulations to newly created properties. I'm sure there are other options.

I would encourage the property owners on Salt Spring to have a close look at the proposed changes to the OCP, and to express their thoughts at either the public meetings, or by e-mails or letters to our island trustees, Peter Lamb or George Ehring. Additional information on the new OCP is available at the Islands Trust website at [www.islandstrust.bc.ca](http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca).

*The writer is a retired project manager from the University of Calgary.*

**"Such changes to the values of assets can be quick and fatal."**

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# IslandVoices

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:**  
 “You couldn’t prosecute a parking ticket in Canada on evidence like that.”

JACK WOODWARD ON THE CROATIAN COURT PROCESS AND JOSIP BUDIMCIC

## SALT SPRING SAYS

**We asked:** Would you use an electronic smart card to pay for B.C. Ferries travel?



**BETTY BALL**

*I'm not on to computers yet. I know these things are happening and I do it with groceries without too much trouble.*



**DALTON WOOLCOCK**

*Yes I would. Some people don't like to travel with cash.*



**KAREN POTTER**

*Yes I would. It's easy and to keep up with the times.*



**KATE NASH**

*My parents give me the paper tickets so maybe I can't use the card. Everything is moving to technology. The card isn't as flexible as the tickets.*



**SARA MACKINNON**

*Why not, instead of using paper?*

## Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 350 words or less. Letters may be edited for brevity, legality and taste. Writers are also asked to furnish a telephone number where they may be reached during the day, and to sign their letters with their full name. Thank you letters will not normally be considered for publication. Read and reply to Driftwood letters online at [www.gulfislands.net/blogs/blog\\_letters](http://www.gulfislands.net/blogs/blog_letters)

### Ask questions

I am writing to strongly urge everyone on the island to take a good look at what is currently proposed in the OCP review.

I have only recently read the reports myself, and I was shocked at how extreme some of the proposed changes are. I'll not pass negative or positive judgments on the reports here, but I will say there are colossal changes that will certainly affect nearly every person on this island in some way.

Do you rent? Do you own, or hope to one day own property? Do you have waterfront? Do you use a burn pile? Are you for vacation rentals? Are you against vacation rentals? Do you plan to or hope to ever build a house, an addition, a garage, a woodshed or even put in a driveway on

this island? If so, you need to come out to these meetings this week and see what is being proposed. Please ask questions if anything seems unclear, and don't assume anything.

Often the only time people stand up and take notice is when they are finally personally affected by the world around them. I have been guilty of this myself, but neighbours, now is that time.

**NEACOL MILLER,**  
WILDWOOD CRESCENT

### Full steam ahead

Oh boy! Here we go again with another incorporation campaign!

Right on schedule, too . . . the “Yes” faction has waited the usual five years for islanders to forget that we overwhelmingly rejected incorporation in the

last referendum, and now it's “full steam ahead” once more! Perhaps they hope that enough “newbies” have arrived by now, all expecting the same services and amenities they enjoyed back in the city, to tip the scales.

Now, just watch: enough time has no doubt also elapsed for the Yes faction to receive another \$100,000 or so from the provincial government to “study” the issue. Not to promote incorporation, you see, but to “study” it.

At least this time around, perhaps, those participating in the “study” won't have the gall to pretend that they are neutral, as they did last time. That really ended up being quite embarrassing for them, didn't it?

Ever wonder why the “No” faction never receives any money to promote, er, I mean study their views on the incorporation issue? I

have wondered about this quite often, and certainly don't have the answer. Can anyone tell me?

**JIM RUSSELL,**  
SALT SPRING

### Look above bottom line

Last week, the Salt Spring realtors ran a full-page ad urging people to come to public meetings the Trust is organizing to receive comments on the official community plan (OCP).

The ad contained useful and accurate information about a few of the recommendations we have received, but I was disappointed by its inflammatory headline, that proposed changes to the plan “could negatively affect your property value.”

A great many of the recommendations we received could affect your property

values in a positive way, but the realtors chose not to point those out.

The realtors suggest that you should come to the meetings to “protect your largest asset.”

As a society, we have a much greater interest in many things beyond our property values: our health care system, the education of our children, the security and safety of our jobs, our freedoms and values. Of course like all local governments, the Trust doesn't deal directly with these issues, but as citizens they have to concern us more.

As a community, though, there are many things that directly affect our property values not mentioned in the realtors' ad.

What's your property worth if the community's drinking water supply becomes polluted as a result of careless growth and envi-

ronmental damage?

What's the future of our community if none of the children growing up here can afford to stay on the island?

What's the fate of Salt Spring Island if our agricultural land is lost, and our opportunity to grow food is gone? What's your house worth if it floods as a result of rising sea levels and increased storm surges? If we fail to protect our local environment and preserve healthy ecosystems, what then?

Like the realtors, I hope you will come to the public meetings starting today, and get involved. I also hope we can lift our vision above the bottom line and look at the bigger picture.

**GEORGE EHRLING,**  
SALT SPRING TRUSTEE

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## Gore asks right questions at Victoria presentation

**BY JEAN GELWICKS**

I had tea with Al Gore at the Empress on September 29 — a thousand others and me.

I had no intention of going, but a dear friend gave me a free ticket, so I went and I'm glad I did. I came back feeling more positive than I did when I went.

There were two rooms full of people listening to Gore. One room was full of “suits.” They gave him three standing ovations and it made me feel change might just be happening. The other room was full of UVic students. We have put this crisis square on their shoulders (they will be the ones going into careers to help dig us out of this mess), and they seemed energized. Their numbers and passion heartened me.

The crisis has gone mainstream. But as Al Gore said, “We don't have enough national leaders showing leadership.” And what we need now is strong moral leadership and courage from all our leaders.

Al Gore has gotten really good at what he does. He is definitely the right man in the right place. He is confident and passionate (even after giving this speech a thousand times). He did not stumble over words once, used silences brilliantly and spoke for over an hour with no notes. I took notes so I could share his remarks with others.

Gordon Campbell introduced Gore. “It is up to us to protect our planet not just for humans but for all life.” He got that right. We

### GUEST COLUMN

get so human-centric in our thinking. We forget all life is interconnected in ways we understand and don't yet understand. What hurts a part of life, hurts all life. The health of our eco-systems are directly related to the health of its animals. And we, first and foremost, are animals.

I paraphrase Gore:

We are in the most serious crisis we have ever faced. The Chinese word for crisis has two meanings — danger and opportunity.

On the equinox, scientists take a snapshot of the northern polar ice cap to see how much it has melted over the last year. It is melting far worse than expected. Experts are now saying the polar ice cap could be gone in 23 years. If the polar ice cap disappears, the earth will change drastically. The polar ice cap is one way the planet cools itself.

All around the world we are experiencing the effects of global climate change. We are having trouble with insects we have never had before (such as the pine beetle infestation reeking havoc in B.C.) There are more fires and droughts in places like Australia. Storms are bigger. Seas are rising. Glaciers are melting.

Soil is drying out and disappearing and there are tornadoes where they have never

occurred before. We are in a planetary crisis.

There was all this carbon being stored in the ground for hundreds of thousands of years and in a very short time we put it all into the air. The earth exists because it has most of its carbon in the ground and because of that we have a nice temperature that promotes life in great variety and abundance.

The polar ice cap melting should be “an alarm bell ringing in the night” — danger, danger. It is our opportunity and our responsibility to get over our cowardice and face up to the facts. This is our moment. We need to find the moral courage and make this our moral purpose. Gore uses the term “moral” a lot and quite frankly I find it refreshing. We (especially in North America) have lost a sense of moral authority and purpose.

Our population explosion has radically transformed our impact on the planet and we need to transform it again. This is a war that needs to be fought globally and the enemy is us. We have to change our behaviours and help everyone else change their behaviours at the same time.

Undeveloped countries have a very small CO2 footprint on the world. Developed countries like the U.S., Canada and Australia have by far the worse CO2 emissions. Historically they have been the worst for the longest. But now countries like India and China want

what we have had and they have the potential to become like us. The U.S. particularly, and Canada and Australia, have the economic resources to fix the problem if they redirect their priorities. Developed countries cannot expect developing nations to pay the price for developed countries' transgressions. They have not historically been the worst or created this problem, but they can completely put the world over the edge if they behave like we did.

Individuals must do their part, but laws must change, so our way of doing business is forced to change. We cannot rely on voluntary compliance. It has proven not to work. We have to create a world where not being responsible for global climate change is obsolete and absurd. We need a shift in conscience . . . A new way of thinking. We need to get our moral compasses out and get them directing us towards a sustainable world for all nations and all life and we need it now. It is our moral imperative.

Gore says, “Our children are going to ask us questions. Which one do you want them to ask? 1. What in the world were you thinking to let this happen? Or 2. How did you find the moral courage to change things around?”

We must take this opportunity to make our children proud. It is an interesting time to be alive.

*The writer is a Salt Spring resident.*



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# Salt Spring Island – Shaping the Future

## Official Community Plan Review: Community Consultation

Early last year, the Local Trust Committee began a review of our Official Community Plan. After months of hard work by many focus groups, receiving many individual comments, and initial staff review, the Islands Trust is now moving into a public consultation phase of the review. We would like your feedback on the many ideas that have been recommended to us. Your comments will help the Local Trust Committee instruct staff to develop policies to amend, enhance or confirm existing OCP policies.

The Local Trust Committee wants to provide community members with a variety of ways to communicate with the Trust, and make sure that everyone has an opportunity to be heard. We are now holding a series of public meetings where you will have the opportunity to address the trustees and your fellow community members about the OCP.

## NOTICE OF SALT SPRING ISLAND OCP REVIEW PUBLIC MEETINGS

Meetings for consultation with the public will be held at the following locations and times:

- Artspring (100 Jackson Avenue) – Wednesday October 17, 2007 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm AND 6:00pm to 9:00 pm**
- Lions Hall (103 Bonnet Avenue) – Sunday October 21, 2007 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm**
- Fulford Hall (2591 Fulford-Ganges Road) – Monday October 22, 2007 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm AND 6:00pm to 9:00pm**

### Where We Are Now

On October 10 and October 17, the Driftwood will publish articles with short statements that have been developed from the focus group recommendations and individual ideas. **Look for these elsewhere in the paper.** We hope you will think about these statements and come to the meetings ready to discuss those that most interest you. The themes of these recommendations have been organized into the following areas:

- The Future of Ganges Village and Harbour
- Ensuring Healthy, Adequate Water in the Future
- Preserving and Protecting the Environment
- The Future of Fulford Village
- Assuring our Agricultural Future
- Building a Sustainable Economy
- Addressing our Housing Needs
- Mitigating the Effects of Climate Change and Managing the Use of Energy

The full texts of these statements are also available at the Islands Trust office and on the website. At the meetings, you will be able to look over the material and then speak and listen to the trustees and other community members. If you can't attend one of these scheduled public meetings, please feel free to provide your comments on this material to the Island Trust office.

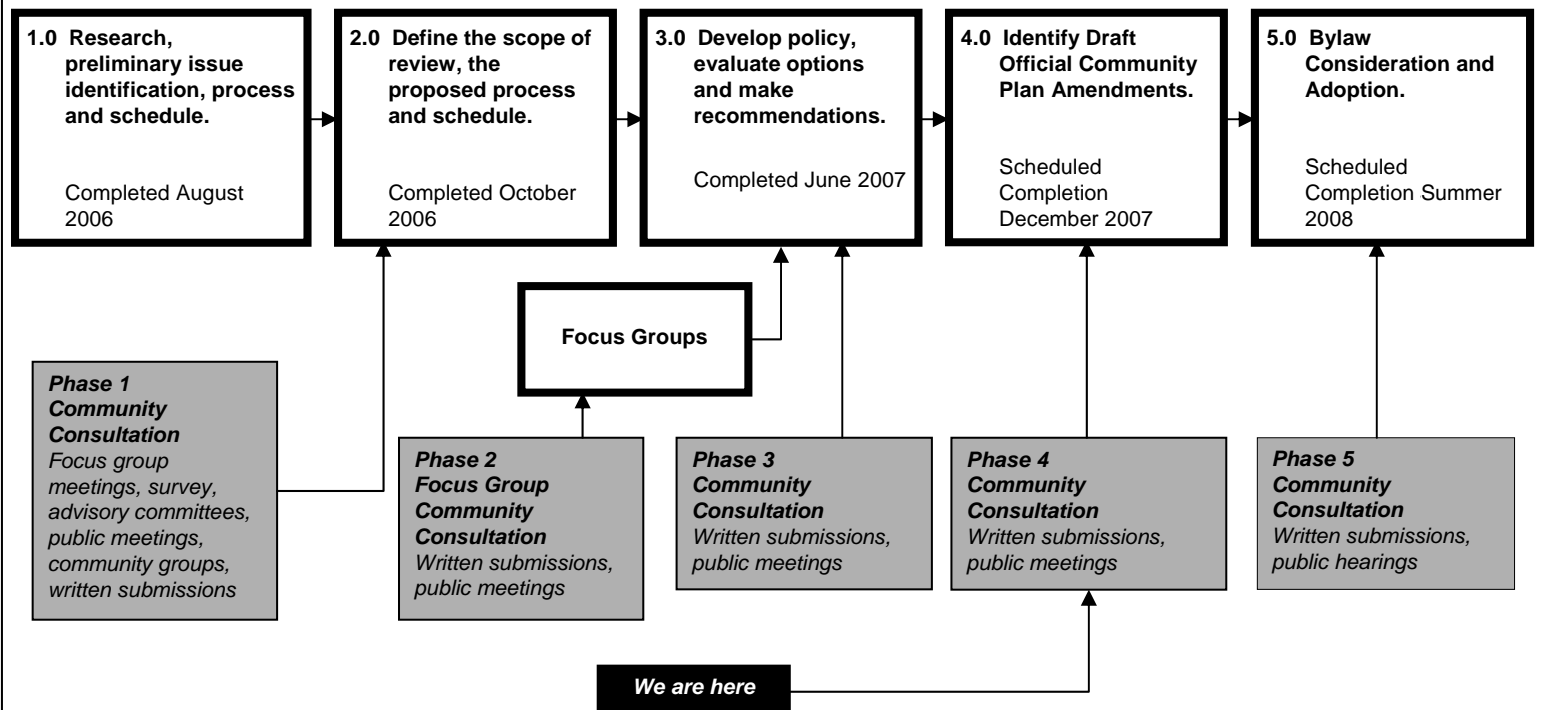
### Next Steps

Later this fall, after receiving community comment, the Local Trust Committee will give Islands Trust staff detailed directions to prepare draft amendments to the Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan. The next phase of the public review will allow you to comment on the draft policies once they are ready.

While this is happening, Islands Trust staff are also consulting with governmental ministries, other agencies, and First Nations that have a legislative interest and mandate in our OCP, and with the Ministry of Community Services, which must approve the OCP prior to adoption. We are also taking this opportunity to update the mapping in the document.

We expect to begin the final steps of the OCP review process in the new year, including first reading of a draft bylaw and the final phase of community consultation. At that time we will hold more information meetings and formal public hearings.

## Official Community Plan Review 2006-2008 Schematic Process Diagram



### How You Can Get Involved

Attend these meetings in October. They are an opportunity to provide feedback to the trustees as we enter the stage of the review when draft amendments to the OCP will be prepared. At any time, all community members are encouraged to participate in the OCP process, particularly those who have not done so in the past. Please call the Islands Trust office to receive email updates on the OCP review or to let us know how you might like to get involved. We can be reached at;

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## Community vision

On behalf of the Friends of Fulford (FOF) I want to encourage all members of our island community to attend at least one of the OCP public meetings. They begin at ArtSpring on October 17 and end in Fulford Hall on October 22. I urge those of you who can attend to engage our trustees in a frank discussion about OCP renewal.

FOF's position is that OCP renewal should enhance community well-being — that it "do no harm." Still, we witness this process march ever onward, proposing expansion of our village boundaries by 100-plus acres so that it can accommodate between 250 and 1,000 new densities (Islands Trust GHG Study, July 2007).

Trustee refusal to remove or even moderate their position on boundaries — when the community has, without exception, told them that this is an unwanted and harmful measure — casts doubt on the community-mindedness of this process. Today, there are fewer than 90 homes in Fulford. It is a wonderful, pleasant and oddball kind of place where pedestrian values rule — regardless of regularly scheduled automotive snafus.

Do we, as an island, want to preserve and protect this place? Or will we follow recommendations to build hundreds of new homes at 12 units per acre? People who live in and adjacent to Fulford have already made their choice. They say fix the ferries first — then let's consider the boundaries question.

OCP renewal is a once every 10 years process. Let's make this OCP into more than a paper tiger. Let's leverage our participation to enable a community-based vision of renewal, development and well-being.

**JOHN ROWLANDSON,**  
FULFORD

## More on Lyme

The column on Lyme disease by Peter Vincent and the letter by Diane Mortensen (Driftwood, October 10) were very accurate.

The bacterium causing this disease is widespread in B.C., in a small proportion of ticks and rodents. Before he retired from the B.C. Centre for Disease Control, Dr. Satyen Banerjee surveyed many parts of the province and found evidence of the bacterium in 90 per cent of locations. These included 13 places on the mainland, five on Vancouver Island and six in the Gulf Islands, including Salt Spring.

There is a lot of information about symptoms available on the web and from Lyme disease associations in Canada and the U.S. Anyone who

thinks they have acquired the disease will probably have to push very hard to get treatment. There are many tragic cases of people who suffered for years because the disease was not properly diagnosed. The official medical establishment is in a state of denial about the disease, and your local doctor is likely to follow the misleading advice given by the establishment. Even internal medicine specialists in Victoria can be part of the denial scenario. Currently, the doctor in B.C. who really knows about Lyme disease is Dr. E. Murakami (nice name) in Hope.

**JOHN B. SPRAGUE,**  
SALT SPRING

## Invest in Joe

Those of you who missed the rally, fundraiser and BBQ for Joe (Budimcic) Somebody, his wife and two children missed a heartwarming and empowering event. To see the volunteer support of community and friends for Joe and family was joy for me.

Joe is stuck in the middle of a quagmire of politics, bureaucracy and sensationalist journalism. His hearing in December is his only chance to clear his name and that of his family.

If you know Joe, you know that he is as genuine and generous as they come. If you know his family, you are no doubt equally impressed. If you want to invest in your community and invest in Salt Spring, invest in Joe. His family and this community need you. This is someone you don't want to lose.

Cheques should be made out to Clement, Murphy and Woodward in Trust, #1-105 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2V5.

**RON ATEAH,**  
ISABELLA POINT ROAD

## Fueled in Fernwood

I also ran the Victoria Marathon, although my name wasn't mentioned in last week's report.

I had a personal best time of 3:41.52 — at least that was what the overhead clock read when I dashed/staggered across the finish line. It's also a qualifying time for the Boston Marathon in my age group. I then discovered that the electronic time chip fastened to my shoe had come off sometime during the race. Thus, my finish was not recorded or counted.

Nonetheless, I had meant to thank all the drivers in and through the Fernwood/Walker Hook area, where I did my training runs. During most of these I was pushing my infant son in his stroller, and we hardly ever encountered the speeding or erratic drivers we do while walking elsewhere on the island. One could venture that a runner is only as peaceful as the roads on which she

runs. Because Fernwood always felt like a safe and kind sanctuary (aside from drivers actually slowing down, it's teeming with friendly residents and pedestrians), I was able to concentrate on my runs — and the beautiful ocean views — rather than my safety. So thanks, Fernwood drivers, for going slow. You've made me faster.

**CARRIE COGAN,**  
SALT SPRING

## Tackle ferries

Exciting news! B.C. Ferries is "going to begin collecting information from the public during the 2009-10 fiscal year as part of the company's master plan studies for the Fulford, Long Harbour and Vesuvius terminals." (September 26 Driftwood article).

We've also heard that the expansion of the Fulford terminal has been included in B.C. Ferries' long-term capital planning program for five years, more likely 10 years — who knows. Sound familiar? Well, much the same was said 10, 20 and maybe even 30 years ago.

Our local Trust committee seems to have accepted that nothing can be done to change this because B.C. Ferries is a private company. Maybe, but the only shareholder of the company is our own provincial government, which is 100 per cent owned by the people of this province!

Something can be and must be done now if the parking and traffic congestion problems created by the Fulford terminal are ever to be resolved. Action must be taken now by the residents of Salt Spring Island. Otherwise, we will wake up 10 years from now and find that nothing has been done and the problems are much much worse.

How can the Trust official community planning process even consider expanding the boundaries of the Fulford village — and concentrating future high-density building development within these boundaries — until a meaningful consultation has been conducted with the people of Fulford and a signed letter of commitment has been received from B.C. Ferries to expand or replace the Fulford terminal? They have been studying this for 30 years! Three years to project completion, including the study and approval phases, should be achievable.

The trustees appear prepared to tackle the impact of climate change and the move to more sustainable development, both admirable objectives, which many would support. However, they appear unwilling to tackle B.C. Ferries in order to resolve more immediate, long unresolved problems, for which there are known solutions.

**MARTYN DAY,**  
FULFORD

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# OPINION

## OCP PROPOSALS

# OCP statements on economy, ecology, Fulford and water

BY GEORGE EHRLING AND PETER LAMB

We're entering the next phase of our review of the Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan (OCP).

During the next several days, we'll be holding three public meetings to give community members an opportunity to make comments on the ideas that the Trust has received — from our focus groups, advisory committees, other groups, and individuals.

See our full-page ad in this issue for details of the meeting schedule and the timeline for the OCP process.

In order to help stimulate discussion and give you something to think about, we've prepared a series of statements that are based on the recommendations we've received.

No decisions have been made about any of these recommendations — they're for the community to discuss, and we hope you'll let us know what you think.

Of course these statements don't represent all of the recommendations we received, but they're a good start on the key ideas.

Here are the statements about the Economy, Potable Water, the Environment and Fulford Village. (In last week's Driftwood, we published the statements regarding Housing, Ganges Village, Climate Change and Agriculture.

(A complete list is available on the Trust website ([www.island-trust.bc.ca](http://www.island-trust.bc.ca).)

## OCPREVIEW

Go to the Salt Spring Island page, click on "Projects, Bylaw Reviews and Reports," and look for OCP Summary Statements. You can also pick these up in advance at the Trust office.

We hope to see you at one of the public meetings.

### Building a Sustainable Economy

- Expand opportunities for home-based businesses by allowing more employees and relaxing rules about the square footage they may occupy in a home.

- Encourage locally owned small businesses, especially those that provide year-round employment, that build on the existing human capital on the island, and that expand local production to meet the needs of islanders.

- Ensure that zoning provides for an adequate supply of affordable business and office space, especially in island villages.

- Facilitate careful expansion of light industrial activity on the island by allowing for new clustered sites for low-impact industrial development.

- Help protect the long-term future of the tourist industry by ensuring that its growth is managed and that its activities protect the important environmental and ecological features that are important reasons why tourists come to the island.

- Protect local businesses by putting an upper limit on the size of commercial and industrial buildings.

- Help diversify tourism by encouraging shoulder and off-season activity, "green" tourism and low-impact tourist activities.

- Create opportunities for educational and training facilities.

### Preserving and Protecting the Environment

- Strengthen regulations in development permit areas (DPAs) and extend measures to protect sensitive ecosystems.

- To provide better guidance for trustees and landowners, update our definition of "sustainability" in the OCP in order to protect the environment and maintain healthy ecosystems, ensuring the preservation of the island and its natural beauty for future generations.

- Protect environmentally significant areas by considering the downzoning of larger properties, or encouraging transfer of density from larger undisturbed areas to more settled areas.

- Reduce impacts on the environment and provide clarity for landowners and developers by implementing a "development approval information process" that would require applicants for development permits and rezonings to provide an assessment of possible environmental impacts and a plan to avoid or mitigate

such impacts.

- Strengthen reference to the precautionary principle.

- Create a core greenway and protected areas network.

- In order to better protect undeveloped land, amend density transfer policies so that densities can be transferred only to existing more densely settled areas, or those within a planned hamlet or public transportation corridor.

- Review amenity zoning provisions, ensuring that community benefits are substantial and that appropriate measures are in place to evaluate the benefits of proposals.

### Ensuring Healthy, Adequate Water in the Future

- Undertake a comprehensive water management plan for Salt Spring Island, and coordinate governance of water management issues.

- Control growth in areas supplied by surface water to ensure a balance of supply and demand, and ensure that all new development provides a plan to address all water-related issues.

- Create a DPA for all community watersheds.

- Protect future water supplies by requiring adequate minimum lot sizes in areas served by groundwater.

- Develop an island-wide water conservation policy, including measures for rainwater catchment and water recycling.

### The Future of Fulford Village

- Resolve ferry traffic congestion by working with B.C. Ferries to expand the terminal at Fulford into the harbour, ensuring that the capacity of the parking area is large enough to accommodate a full load of vehicle traffic, crew parking, a safe drop-off and pick-up area, and spaces for walk-on passengers.

- Ensure that the character of Fulford village is maintained by including in the OCP a separate development Permit Area for the village area.

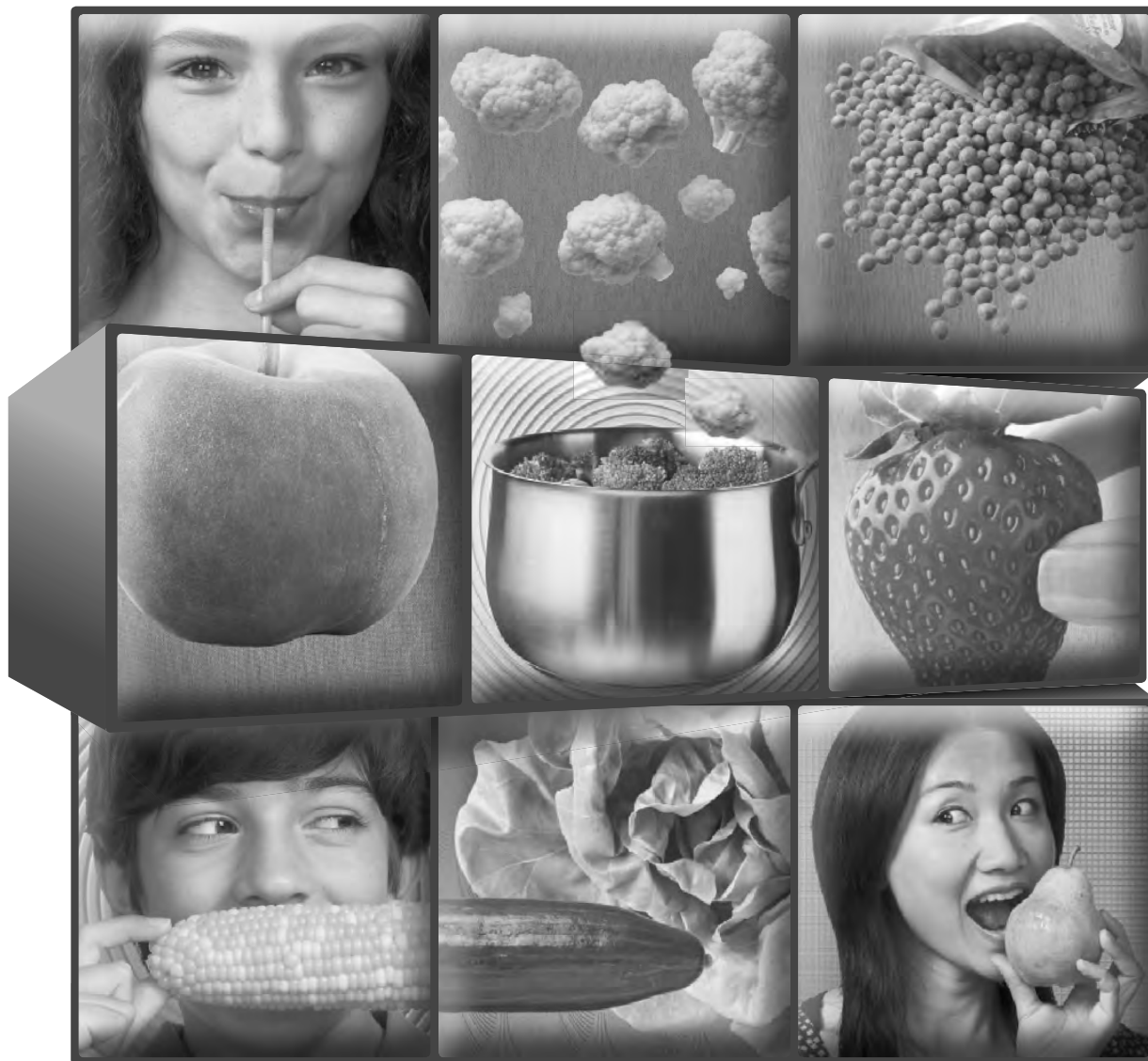
- Preserve the historic character of Fulford village by designating a heritage conservation area for the historic village core.

- Ensure that future development of Fulford village does not exceed available water supply and safe sewage treatment capacity.

- Provide emergency access (only) to the upper Morningside neighbourhood by allowing for an emergency connection from South Ridge to Sunnyside.

- Review the areas where future commercial growth and increased residential densities would be permitted by carefully considering the location of the village boundary.

- Enhance pedestrian and cycling safety by supporting installation of a sidewalk and bicycle path along the inland side of the Fulford-Ganges Road in the village area.



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# OPINION



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**FALL FISHING:** Fishermen move quietly through the water of St. Mary Lake in an early-morning expedition in the mist last week.

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### Outraged

I send one very large arrangement of black roses in repugnant stagnant water to whoever was responsible for throwing their dead pet dog into the water on the outside shoreline of Vesuvius Bay.

I cannot express my outrage enough. If you could not dig a hole or have your pet cremated, you should have reached out to this community.

Help you could have found. What a place this would be if we all decided to throw our dead pets off shore.

Instead, your shallow heartless thinking has left a permanent heart-wrenching image on my mind and in my soul for always. You had no right to impose your loss on myself and others who swim in our beautiful waters all year long.

May the Lord have mercy on the spirit of your dog. May he also help myself and others to diminish the profound picture we carry in our hearts and minds.

As for you in your time of death, may you live long enough to feel remorse over your actions.

**TRUDY SAVAGE,**  
SALT SPRING ISLAND SEALS  
GROUP MEMBER

### Eco-sanctuaries

I congratulate the North Pender trustees on their intensive and terrific work with cell-phone billionaire Craig McCaw on James Island.

James, the largest member of the North Pender associate islands, has undergone a two year re-zoning process that will transform this island from its degraded state as a weapons-manufacturing dump to an eco-sanctuary.

More than 20 per cent of James is now under conservation covenant, and a strict ecosystem approach to development was followed, overseen by the Trust, the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC), the Canadian Wildlife Service and scientists from UBC.

Every possible envi-

ronmental concern was addressed, including an archaeological reconnaissance.

McCaw must restore almost extirpated plant species, continue to get rid of invasives and clean up the industrial waste of the last decades.

On James, McCaw will be able to build 80 houses. These houses will no doubt be bought by very wealthy Americans.

Which is fine.

I'm glad our conservation bureaucrats are using the expertise we taxpayers largely paid for, on behalf of our neighbours. So generous.

Little doubt too that McCaw will pony up for all the work our government performed to make him comfortable, or has.

But now, could they work for us? Or are only the rich able to live in eco-sanctuaries?

Why could not the Crown, the NCC, the Trust or any of the dozens of conservancies in British Columbia release an island from their extensive land banks?

They could do similar due diligence and use much of the skill set no doubt acquired during the impressive collaboration on James, and sell small holdings to the many middle and working class urban dwellers in our region, whose only exposure to our islands are during day or camping trips.

And while we're at it, what about those eco-villages? If Gordon Brown can seed eco-villages across Britain, as he has promised, isn't it time we tried one here?

We have on Salt Spring scores of hard-working men and women in their '20s and '30s, who cannot even begin to dream about a quarter-acre on which to build a small house.

There are thousands of unused hectares on Salt Spring alone, some of which would be well stewarded by our young adults.

American billionaires create eco-sanctuaries a stone's throw away, while we cannot house our young families.

This is so unfair as to render me speechless.

Well, not quite.

**ELIZABETH NICKSON,**  
SALT SPRING

### Generous support

The Terry Fox Committee of 2007 would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for their support of the Terry Fox Run. We had a wonderful day and so appreciate the support of the community.

We would like to thank GVM, Thrifty's, Embe Bakery, TJ Beans, Sports Traders, Columbia Fuels water company, the Salt Spring Pipers, Salt Spring Island gymnastics club, Rob Reid of Front-runners, School District #64 (Marie Mullen, John Malcolm, Rod Scotvold, Dave Morgan, Kristie Spencer and Tom Graham), John Charlton and Main Road Contracting, the fire department, Royal LePage, Perry Ruehlen and the Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club, the Driftwood, the tai chi group, the Bank of Montreal, BC Hydro, Kathy O'Neill, Marianne Banman and Dawn Beattie, Rocky Kinahan and the volunteers at registration (Laurel Bauchman, Pat Desbottes, Mary Anne MacLaughlin and Judy Francis), Iroko, Donn Tarris, Trish and Gord (Synergy), Trimmen, Mardon Dary and Anne Mae, who did massage, Rick and Juliette Laing, Stan Peters, John Rowlandson and all the flaggers, Merv Anderson and Island Savings, Sandy Thibeault and the cyclists who swept the route (Ann, Geoff, Gord and Chris), Cindy Brooks, Catherine Bennett, Kate Parker for arranging the high school volunteers and every single other volunteer who made the event so successful.

We would also in particular like to thank Phyllis Waltho, who continues to be an astounding fundraiser for cancer research and an inspiration for all of us. We would also like to thank Darrell Fox for participating at this year's run and for his very touching and inspiring speech beforehand. And Shilo Zybergold! What a wonderful MC you were for us again. Thank you for keeping everything on track.

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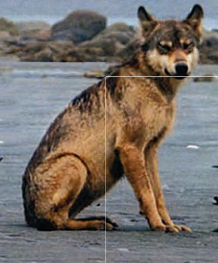
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### Walking the Talk . . .

Local hero—Dorothy Cutting



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**NEWSBEAT**

**YOUTH SUPPORT**

**Group set up to address youth alcohol, drug issues**

Part of new Alternatives to Addiction program

An alcohol and drug youth support group begins meeting on Salt Spring next week.

The facilitated group will meet on the second floor of the Core Inn beginning Friday, October 26 from 7-8:30 p.m.

As explained in a press release, the alcohol and drug youth support group is a priority in a new program initiative called Alternatives to Addiction, organized and facilitated by Helani Davison.

The program addresses all aspects of drug and alcohol abuse and its effects on family and the community through ongoing public education events as well as group support.

"Numerous youth have expressed a need for a support group for people their own age," said Davison. "It's important to intervene with youth before substance use progresses to addiction."

The support group "is anonymous and confidential and takes a holis-

tic, eclectic and creative approach to recovery," she said. "Peer input regarding the needs of local youth and program design is encouraged. Training in the role of peer support and co-facilitation of the group will also be provided."

The advocacy program is a community effort supported by institutions such as Salt Spring Community Services, Gulf Islands Secondary School, Lady Minto Hospital, RCMP, Community Justice Program, and Umbrella, an established addiction advocacy program in Victoria.

Davison is a certified addictions counselor, seasoned in the field of addiction in both a professional and volunteer capacity for 24 years. She also draws from her own recovery experience of 24 years from multiple debilitating addictions.

"I believe that those who have been there can reach those still struggling in a way that others can't," said Davison.

"We are fortunate to have Helani Davison in our community," said Carolyn Flam, youth and family counsellor

at the island's middle and high schools.

At this point the Alternatives to Addiction program that includes the Southern Gulf Islands is run on a volunteer basis. Funding for the non-profit society is being sought, including an application for a grant-in-aid from the Capital Regional District.

**"I believe that those who have been there can reach those still struggling in a way that others can't."**

HELANI DAVISON  
*Facilitator*

Donations of money, services and materials from the community are appreciated.

For more information, contact Davison at 250-537-8978 or helani@saltspring.com.

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**Rants**

To all those drivers who exceed the 50 km/h speed limit on Lower Ganges Road and to all those who don't stop for people entering crosswalks. Every day as pedestrians, cyclists and people with disabilities, our lives are threatened. Please slow down. ML Johnstone

Rants to those who tailgate and/or honk at drivers who attempt to follow the posted speed limit approaching the crosswalk at Rainbow Road during school hours. 30 km/h? Impossible under those circumstances. Any speed below 45 seems to induce impatience towards the law abiding driver. It's there for a reason, people! Sue Wood

Bundles of rants to the person or persons who thoughtlessly dumped four large bundles of Scotch broom on my private property. I spend countless hours pulling out every Scotch broom plant I see. To find these bundles on my property was most distressing. May you be doomed to rot in Scotch broom. Sandy Brainerd

**Roses**

Sandboxes full of roses to George Horel for using his backhoe to move our sand mountain and distribute it for play. Your kindness is appreciated. The children are delighted! Tree Frog Daycare kids and staff

Thanksgiving roses and thanks to all who support Island Comfort Quilts—for the beautiful quilt. John & Edna

Rose-lined lanes to Ian Marcotte for grading and graveling our driveway. We thought we had made a wrong turn the first day after! Our cars thank you, not to mention all the parents and staff of Tree Frog Daycare

A big bunch of hand-stitched organza roses to Sheila Bull, Carol Leach, Susan Paynter and Karen Tottman for their exhibition of machine stitchery presented at Stitches on October 12-13. They spent two years studying experimental stitch and design at Creative Studies Center in Oak Harbour, Washington. These four island artists are nothing short of inspiring! Thanks, ladies, for sharing your incredible creations. AAB

Great big antique roses to the North Salt Spring Waterworks District crew who worked long hours Friday through Saturday to get the water flowing throughout Ganges.

A coal scuttle full of black roses to Mark Rithaler and Slegg for their continuing support of the 4-H Blacksmithing kids.

The North Salt Spring Waterworks crew would like to send dozens of roses to all our customers in the Ganges area who were so patient and understanding during the watermain breakdown through Friday night and Saturday.

A lifetime of roses to all the amazing people who helped find our little dog Avery, who was lost during apple festival day. Maggie Smith and

Emma finally found her, cold and wet, shivering beside the road, and she was returned to us. We are delighted. Blessings to the whole team.

Roses and apples to the incredible apple team who worked together to put on such a great apple festival on Sunday, September 30. Despite the rainy weather, we still had over 700 happy apple lovers enjoying our unique Salt Spring farms and marvelling at the 271 different apple varieties on display at Fulford Hall. Thank you for your effort, your enthusiasm, your creativity and your knowledge.

An armload of fragrant roses to one of our Salt Spring treasures. Every week, Dennis Parker's cartoons give us a laugh, a thought and a new insight into some island issue. It is amazing that you can produce a few new ones every week. Keep up the great work and thanks.

One large happy sunflower to the driver behind Apple Photo who calmly changed sides of the road while I drove into the carpark in a blissfully unaware British moment! Sorry and thanks for not panicking. Rasma

A bouquet of red roses to John, who helped me spring mom from Extended Care. Thank you. SA

Truckloads of roses to Grant Tamboline for help with organizing and expediting the moving of "Sand Mountain" from our parking lot to its rightful home in the boxes. Hugs and smiles from all of us at Tree Frog Daycare

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## NEWSBEAT

## CRIME

## Community returns stolen statue



Cathy Ward with the Buddha that was stolen from, and then returned to, Family Jewels.

PHOTO BY CHRIS STEPHENSON

Missing items tracked down

BY CHRIS STEPHENSON  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Buddha is back safe and sound at Family Jewels after the sculpture was stolen along with approximately \$10,000 in jewellery on June 28 of this year.

Store owner Cathy Ward said after the Driftwood published a July 4 article with a photo of the statue, residents rallied around her and kept a lookout for the stolen items. Later in the summer her jewellery started trickling in, as did the Buddha.

"I was surprised and touched by the residents," she said.

Ward said three islanders approached her on August 22 to express their concern they had bought or were given the stolen items.

In a letter Ward wrote to the Salt Spring RCMP detachment on August 25, she stated someone had given a girl a pendant that came from Family Jewels.

"The girl wanted to return the piece as she didn't feel right having it," she wrote.

Later the same afternoon a couple, who had invested in some jewellery they believed was from a store going out of business, approached her.

"Now they thought that was

not true and wondered if [the jewellery] came from my store when I was burglarized. I told them I would like to meet with them."

About 10 minutes after she closed her store on Fulford-Ganges Road, a man approached her with a silver bracelet.

"He told me about a girl that used to be a tenant of his and had tried to pay her rent with bags of silver jewellery and chains. He told her he didn't want it, she later hid it in his room and he confiscated it as he felt she owed him money for damage she had done to his property. I showed him a silver pendant I own and he said, 'Yes, there were other pieces like that.'"

With the help of the Salt Spring RCMP, she met with all residents in possession of the stolen items. So far, half of what Ward lost has found its way back to the store.

Ward said everyone who returned the stolen items will have good karma in the future.

Now that the Buddha statue is back at Family Jewels it is no longer for sale.

"It will watch over the place," she said.

Salt Spring RCMP Cpl. Kerry Howse said a female suspect was caught with some of the items but charges have not been laid yet.

## ISLAND SEPTAGE

## Liquid-waste pilot primed for compost

Committee AGM celebrates long-time goal

BY MITCHELL SHERRIN  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Good news can bloom in unexpected places, given just the right conditions, as was discovered at the Liquid Waste Disposal (LWD) local service committee AGM on Friday.

LWD committee chair Terry Bolton was delighted to report that, following a few more administrative hurdles, byproducts of liquid-waste treatment on Salt Spring will finally become converted into compost, a goal of the committee since its inception in 1993.

"It has not been financially or technologically possible during the past 13 years to proceed with a pilot test, let alone a full-scale composting operation," Bolton said.

Several factors contrib-

## WATER SERVICE

## Burst water main cuts water flow

Islanders might've noticed "water, water everywhere but not a drop to drink" when a burst water main caused temporary shortages to Ganges residents and businesses Saturday morning.

"It affected everyone from Ganges Hill all the way through to the hospital," said North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) general manager Trevor Hutton.

Following a call to the emergency pager, NSSWD crews worked alongside an excavator through the early hours of the morning Saturday to replace a three-metre section of 200-millimetre pipe that burst along Herford Avenue, Hutton said.

Two 133,000 imperial-gallon tanks located at the top of Ganges Hill leaked into the drainage system until the supply was shut

uted to the move that will eliminate 600 tons of land-fill material, provide a valuable Class-A soil amendment and reduce LWD hauling and tipping costs by as much as \$100,000 annually.

Recent upgrades to the treatment plant now remove more liquid from the final "cake," long-term debt (\$425,000) used to purchase the 18-acre LWD treatment-plant site on Burgoyne Bay reaches maturity in 2009 and the Capital Regional District (CRD) has been developing a new solid-waste licence that could provide wood chips that will be mixed with bio-waste to create the final compost.

Bolton commended the numerous committee volunteers and staff from the LWD, the CRD and the Islands Trust who have worked toward this composting project.

"We've had our tough times over the years, but it seems to be working very well."

Earlier this year, the LWD-

approved expenditure of \$210,000 for site electrical improvements, septage processing equipment improvements, installation of a water well and distribution system, and design and construction of the pilot compost facility.

Now the LWD only needs approval from the Agricultural Land Commission, a development variance permit from the Islands Trust and a final thumbs up from the province to satisfy the Organic Matter Recycling Regulation before it can begin composting bio-waste, hopefully by the end of the year.

"Within a month of getting our approvals in place, we will be able to begin composting," said CRD operations engineer Ted Robbins.

Until local wood chips become available, the LWD will contract hauling of amendment materials from Vancouver Island.

"We see that as a short-term solution as part of the pilot," Robbins said.

down, he added.

"It is difficult to measure how much was lost."

But a NSSWD water balance at the end of the year will catch the total volume of leaks in 2007, he said.

"I'd like to thank the general public for their consideration and the crews for stepping up to the plate," Hutton said.

NSSWD was unable to determine how the water main broke.

The failure could have been caused by seismic activity, heavy traffic loading or a part defect, he suggested.

If residents discover that water service has been shut down, it's recommended to flush the system with a garden hose to remove muddy silt and air pockets, Hutton noted.

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For more information contact: Ron Hawkins 537-5052

# NEWSBEAT

## COURT DOCKET

# Grow-op operator reaps \$1,500 fine in Ganges court

RCMP acted on landlord's hunch

BY SEAN MCINTYRE  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A Provincial Court judge ordered 26-year-old David Cooper of Salt Spring Island to pay a \$1,500 fine after he pleaded guilty last week to his role in operating a 70-plant grow-op.

According to RCMP records, Cooper indicated he didn't think it was illegal to grow marijuana and that growing such a modest amount "wasn't such a big deal" when officers entered the home he was renting in April of 2006.

Nathan Battaglio was ordered to pay a \$500 fine after pleading guilty to possession of marijuana. RCMP officers charged Battaglio after they found him on the scene

when police executed a search of the property.

RCMP arrested Cooper on a later visit to the home, where he tried to prevent officers from entering the premises.

Police obtained the warrant after the property's landlord noticed the smell of marijuana emanating from the home while he worked on the roof.

When they arrived at the site,

police discovered 20 full-grown plants and 50 starter specimens in two basement rooms. Police subsequently confiscated the plants and all production equipment.

As a result of the plea, Cooper is not allowed to use or possess firearms for 10 years and must forfeit all equipment used in the production of marijuana confiscated from the scene.

"Like so many young people,

he seems to believe production is not an offence and, like so many other people, Mr. Cooper did not feel like it was a big deal," said Justice Judith Kay, when handing down her judgment in Ganges Provincial Court on Tuesday, October 9. "Until such a time as the Criminal Code of Canada is changed, however, production of marijuana remains an offence."

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### Shopping list:

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- 1 can whole kernel corn
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- Salsa (optional)



### THE GANGES VILLAGE MARKET SOUTHWESTERN CORN CHOWDER

Short cuts to cooking for one or two © with Sarah Lynn, 2007

**Chowder:** The French word for cauldron, *chaudière* or *chaudron*, is often pointed to as the origin of the English name chowder but the word *jowler*, meaning fishmonger, and its dialect variations, *chowter* and *chowder*, were being used in Cornwall and Devonshire, England, in the 16th century. On September 23, 1751 the *Boston Evening Post* published the oldest-known printed recipe for fish chowder. It read: "First lay some Onions to keep the Pork from burning Because in Chouder there can be not turning; Then lay some Pork in slices very thin, Thus you in Chouder always must begin. Next lay some Fish cut crossways very nice Then season well with Pepper, Salt, and Spice; Parsley, Sweet-Marjoram, Savory, and Thyme, Then Biscuit next which must be soak'd some Time. Thus your Foundation laid, you will be able To raise a Chouder, high as Tower of Babel; For by repeating o'er the Same again, You may make a Chouder for a thousand men. Last a Bottle of Claret, with Water eno; to smother 'em, You'll have a Mess which some call *Omniun gather 'em*." The directions reveal the method of layering chowder ingredients, which was how all chowders were made at the time. Who created the first chowder? The most likely possibility is it originated amongst French and English fishermen plying Newfoundland's fishing banks. The basic staples carried aboard most fishing vessels in the 1700s -- salt pork, hardtack (ship's biscuit), and fresh fish -- make it easy to believe that chowder originated at sea. As John Thorne points out in his book *Down East Chowder*, given the limited staples aboard fishing boats during this period, one would "come to wonder not how chowder came into existence. **cup golden elsdragon stirfry sauce:** at." How fitting that corn can be used as a base in which crab or fish taste divine. The early American Indians gave the world corn. In their languages corn means "our life," or "our mother," or "she who sustains us." Corn chowder whether made with seafood or, as here, southwestern style served with corn bread or corn chips and salsa is a must for winter appetites. I hope you add this recipe to your collection of quick meals.

Sauté 6 slices of bacon until browned and crisp. Crumble and set aside. In a stock pot combine 2 peeled & diced potatoes & 1 minced onion. Add 1 cup water, cover and simmer for about 15 minutes until vegetables are tender. Stir in, 1 1/2 cups of milk or light cream, 2 cans of cream style corn, 1 can of whole kernel corn & the reserved bacon. Heat through but do not boil. Add salt & black pepper to taste. Serve with corn bread or taco chips. (As an option, add 2 tablespoons of salsa to each hot bowl just before serving.)

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Glynn Shannon of ConstructoGroup carries cedar siding to a rip saw as he works on a Salt Spring house.

## WINTER RENOVATIONS

# Cool wet weather no excuse to pack up the tools

Winter projects span aesthetic to functional

BY SEAN MCINTYRE  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

As long as it doesn't involve raising the roof, the Gulf Islands' mild climate means just about anything goes when it comes to winter projects around the house.

One of the biggest changes Mouat's Hardware manager Kim Young notices at the store around this time of year is the flood of folks looking to make their homes warmer, cozier and more welcoming during the darker winter months.

Stockpiling light bulbs, applying weather stripping to windows and doorways, buying space heaters and even blankets are common requests when the air shows a chill.

"More people are moving indoors and comfort things top the list," Young said.

Because entertaining moves indoors, she added, there's often a big rush on kitchen wares, not to mention covers to help protect all that unused patio furniture until spring returns.

According to Paddy Petersen, a contract sales associate at Slegg Lumber, moving indoors and sealing up the home for the winter means people, especially owners of older homes, should pay special attention to their home's ventilation.

Without adequate air circulation, that cozy winter home can easily become a breeding ground for mildew and mold. If left untreated, she added, the result can lead to serious respiratory problems for residents and major structural damage for the home.

"If you don't have good ventilation, you're going to get mildew," she said. "You want your house to breathe

**"You want your house to breathe through the winter. All you need is a ladder and a few tools."**

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Petersen said a number of products are geared to prevent the spread of mildew and mold when bleach and water just won't do.

"All it takes is 30 seconds," she added.

Products may be sprayed onto problem areas in

corners and around window frames before the mold penetrates the house's studs.

"That's when you get a much more serious problem and a major reno by professionals is required," she said.

Before it comes to that, she said, people can venture into their attics and crawl-spaces to make sure their home is adequately insulated, and check that doors and windows have adequate weather stripping to keep the moisture outside where it belongs.

For those of you with the mildew under control, Windsor Plywood's Mike Stefancsik recommends looking into an array of manageable do-it-yourself reno projects ranging from applying a fresh coat of paint to installing new flooring.

"You see a lot more people trying to wrap up [their homes], but as long as you can open the windows and keep the fan moving, there's no trouble switching to interior work," he said.

Flooring options cost anywhere from one dollar to nearly four dollars per square foot, depending on the quality and type of material used.

So far this autumn, Stefancsik said he's seen a strong demand for tight-edge-grained fir flooring.

"Because of the area, wood is always very popular," he said.

Tips on interior painting, the installation of new doors and drywalling projects, he said, are available to those who want to do more than spend a winter staring at the walls.

# FALL FIX-UP

## GARDEN TIPS

# Gardener's duties continue in backyard through fall

Tackle the weeds before winter hits, say experts

BY CHRIS STEPHENSON  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The warm summer days have left with the cold damp wind, but green-thumb enthusiasts shouldn't abandon their backyard pursuits yet, as experts say it's time to put on the gloves and break out the cutters one more time before winter.

Chris Schmah, owner of Foxglove Farm and Garden Supplies, said about a thousand things need attention outdoors before the cold season hits.

"I feel behind just standing here," he said during an interview last Friday at his store.

Schmah said now is the opportune time to plant perennials like daylilies, crocuses or tulips as they can develop a strong root base over the winter.

He also suggested planting fall rye or winter wheat in the garden to help with weed control during the rainy months.

Schmah said for stone fruit trees like peaches, gardeners should apply a dormant spray to kill bacteria and keep the trees safe for the winter.

For the backyard, Schmah advises putting away any patio furniture that may get damaged from the rain and cold temperatures.

"People forget to do that and it rots."

He also suggests anyone with ponds should clean out all the sludge. If fish live in the pond, their feeding time should be reduced since they don't eat much in the colder months.

"The fish really slow down in the winter," he said.

Salt Spring horticulturist Marsha Goldberg said once the leaves are gone from the trees it's time to take out the cutters. She recommends pruning fruit trees, roses and



Chris Schmah at Foxglove Farm and Garden Supplies.

PHOTO BY CHRIS STEPHENSON

anything yellow or rotting.

She said when gardeners prune it is important to clean the cutters to prevent the spread of disease, which can happen quite easily.

"I take a jug of peroxide with me and clean it up. This will save you a lot of grief."

Goldberg, who is the director of the seed sanctuary on Salt Spring, said gardeners should clean their vegetable patch and take out any tomato plants.

"They are so prone to disease. You should never compost tomatoes and never let them

sit around."

For lawns, Goldberg said people should keep leaves off the lawn, cut the grass once in October and then leave it to grow for the winter.

After the final cut, pull out the weeds.

"It's best to get rid of any broad-leaf weeds like dandelions. They really pop up in the moisture."

Goldberg advises waiting until springtime to spread fertilizer on the lawn.

"A lot of people like fertilizer, but I don't recommend it. It gets washed away [in the

winter] and if it's too cool it doesn't activate."

Permaculturalist Patti Bauer offers another idea for lawns or grassy areas: turn parts of them into a vegetable garden for the spring by using a sheet of mulch.

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MARSHA GOLDBERG  
Horticulturist

Gardeners can place a sheet of cardboard on a section of lawn and cover it with mature manure and straw or hay.

Then create a trench around the area for water drainage. Over the winter the grass will die and earth worms will eat the cardboard and stir up the soil. The manure and straw will act as a fertilizer.

"It will be a beautiful spot," Bauer said.

Bauer, who works with the Salt Spring Energy Strategy, said if residents already have a garden planted with winter greens, now is a good time to cover it with a floating plastic or cotton sheet, called a cloche, to prevent damage.

She also said residents should mulch their garden by putting organic material such as leaves, straw or hay on top of the soil.

"Do not leave any soil exposed."

Bauer also said that planting winter-growing legumes like fava beans is beneficial as they increase soil fertility to help plants grow in the spring.

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BOAT MAINTENANCE

## Vessels need some TLC for upcoming cold season



Laynie Ryan, co-owner of Cleancraft Marine Detailing, spends a sunny Friday afternoon buffing the side of a boat on the docks of Salt Spring Marina.

Boat owners put in elbow grease before winter

BY CHRIS STEPHENSON  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

It's time to dig out warm sweaters from the closet and chop wood for the fireplace. But as harsh storms and cold temperatures approach, boat owners should not forget one of their most important duties — giving their vessels a little love before the winter season hits.

Ken Perry, operator of Ken's Mobile Marine Service Ltd., said that before the cool season sets in, boat owners need to flush out liquids that might freeze and change all the fluids in the engine.

Perry, who started his business in 1983 on Salt Spring, said outboard motors need to be flushed with fresh water to avoid salt build-up, which leads to corrosion. The motor should be started with a fresh water hose or adapter hooked into the water intake. For best results he said the engine should run until it warms up to normal temperature. He recommended the gas tank be filled and fuel conditioner added.

"Air space in the tank [leads to] condensation, which means water."

When the engine is running smoothly, disconnect the gas line and spray storage sealant into the carburetor. He said the

spray will create some excess exhaust fumes, but it effectively seals the engine parts for the winter.

But Perry also cautioned, "When in doubt, check with a mechanic."

Perry also suggests changing the fuel filter and oil on all boat engines.

If the boat is equipped with a marine head, Perry recommends flushing the system with anti-freeze and giving the toilet a few pumps to clear out any water. He also said it is important to drain any water systems to avoid line freezing.

For the finer details of boat cleaning, Matt Gallop from Cleancraft Marine Detailing said a wash and wax is beneficial before taking any vessel out of commission for the winter.

Gallop, who provides a washing, waxing and cleaning service on Salt Spring, offers a few tips.

He said it is important to scrub the vessel with boat soap, then use metal polish on any metal to prevent rust or corrosion from developing.

Then Gallop suggests using a liquid wax, then a sea power paste wax. Generally Gallop buffs boats by hand, but if the vessel is large he does it in sections.

To protect boat covers from the elements, Gallop recommends spraying them with teflon. He added that running a heater in the cabin is an efficient way to prevent mold and rot.

"You would be surprised at the tons of mold that can develop."

If no electricity is available for heater use, Gallop said a moisture-absorbing product such as silica will pull wet air out of the cabin.

Salt Spring Marina Ltd. owner Barry Green cautioned that anyone doing their own winterizing should keep in mind that all boats are different. He said if people want to service their vessel, they should call a licensed boat mechanic.

"Tell us what you have and we'll tell you what to do."

Green said if boat owners plan to leave their vessel on a trailer for an extended period of time, it should be jacked up and put on blocks to take the weight off the tires. This prevents damage to the wheels and rims and keeps the tires ready to roll for spring.

Other tips include taking care of the electronics. Boatworld.com states in an online article that owners should disconnect the battery and make sure it is fully charged if it is on dry land. However, if the boat is in the water, it is best to leave the battery connected so the bilge pump will continue to function if needed.

The article also suggested all valuable marine electronics and dock items such as flotation devices be removed in order to prevent damage from the elements.

## LAWN AND GARDEN

## CRD roundtable finds support for pesticide bylaws

Survey results released

A detailed study of pesticide use by Capital Region residents shows overwhelming support for measures aimed at reducing the non-essential use of weed killers and other pesticides in their lawns and gardens.

The Ipsos-Reid study, commissioned by the Capital Regional District (CRD) and paid for in part by some area municipalities, electoral areas, the Islands Trust and the Canadian Cancer Society, indicates that 76 per cent of local residents would

support their municipality passing a bylaw restricting pesticide use in the home and garden.

At the same time, 54 per cent of respondents expressed a willingness to try non-chemical products and practices, citing concerns about their health and the environment.

One-half of those surveyed reported practising some form of alternative weed or pest control within the last year.

"These results show a strong willingness among local residents to accept proposed pesticide bylaws and educate themselves

about eco-friendly alternatives," said Paul West, chair of the CRD Roundtable on the Environment's Pesticide Reduction Subcommittee.

"It means that through education and regulation we can work together to make our environment safer for future generations," said West.

The roundtable produced a model pesticide bylaw that was distributed to all area municipalities. A number of municipalities, including Victoria, are moving toward or have expressed an interest in adopting a similar bylaw.

The CRD has been meeting with representatives from some area municipalities and the Canadian Cancer Society to discuss ways to cooperate on educating the public about pesticides and their alternatives.

Using the survey results, the CRD and participating municipalities plan to launch a public education campaign to inform residents about the risks of using pesticides, the use of non-chemical products and practices, and proper disposal of hazardous household materials.

"People seem willing to

change, but this study suggests they need more information," West said.

The Ipsos-Reid survey involved 800 telephone interviews with CRD residents conducted between August 27 and September 11, 2007.

Some other findings:

- 84 per cent of respondents dispose of pesticides and other hazardous household materials at an approved recycling or disposal facility.

- 44 per cent of respondents reported using pesticides on their lawn or garden in the last two years.

- 46 per cent of respon-

dents suggested the CRD undertake a public education campaign to teach homeowners about alternatives.

- Almost one-quarter of respondents said they would likely continue using pesticides.

- Among the barriers respondents cited to changing their habits were the perception that natural methods are less effective than pesticides (12 per cent), a lack of information (11 per cent) and time (10 per cent).

The report can be viewed in its entirety at [www.crd.bc.ca](http://www.crd.bc.ca).

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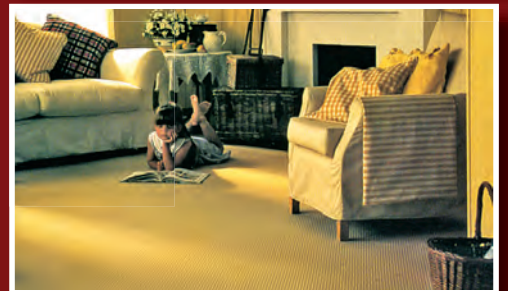
**FRAMED:** Stephen Lentz works on a door frame at a Salt Spring Island home.

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## HOME HEATING

### New-technology woodstoves improve burning efficiency

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More than one million Canadian families heat their homes at least partly with wood. The benefits of wood heating include having control over the fuel supply, security from electrical power interruptions and shelter from the rising costs of more conventional forms of energy.

To help you make sure your wood heat is "done right" this winter, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation has a number of tips for enhancing the effectiveness, safety and efficiency of your wood heating system, including:

- Newer technology woodstoves burn up to 80 per cent cleaner than traditional stoves. If you're planning a new wood heating system or think it might be time to replace your older stove, upgrade to an EPA/CSA B415-certified, low-emission, high-efficiency woodburning appliance to save time, effort and money.

- For efficient heating all winter long, use only good quality, seasoned firewood that's cut to the right size for your woodburning appliance.

- When storing firewood,

split the wood into a variety of sizes ranging from 8 to 15 cm (3 to 6 inches) in diameter, and cut the logs into pieces that are at least 8 cm (3 inches) shorter than your firebox and probably no more than 40 cm (16 inches) in length. Plus, remember that wood should be stored fully sheltered from rain and snow.

- To build a fire with little or no smoke, start by removing excess ash from the firebox. Next, open the air control fully, locate the place where the main supply of combustion air enters the firebox, and build a kindling fire with dry wood that is finely split to produce numerous edges where fire can catch.

- To keep your wood heater operating safely and efficiently, try to prevent the wood from smouldering excessively. After an overnight fire, remove a small amount of ash from the front of the firebox, and rake any coals left at the back of the firebox towards the inlet where the combustion air enters.

- Lastly, remember that wood burns best in cycles, so make sure to burn each load of wood down to coals before reloading your stove.

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## HOME INTERIORS

# Moving from clutter to "flow" in a busy family home

Fall the perfect time to create new space

BY DAWN HAGE  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Life in the 21st century is busy, and whether at home or out in the workplace, most of the parents that I know are running at warp speed.

It's a huge challenge to keep on top of clutter, mess, laundry, lessons, sports, bills, dishes, homework, recycling and lost socks and still feel that you can come home to an environment that doesn't make you want to scream or turn on your heel and walk right back out the door.

When your home is constantly messy and cluttered, it's really difficult to accomplish all the other tasks that we expect to perform both for ourselves and for our families. Rather than a comforting place of refuge it becomes yet one more brick on an already too heavy load.

"Fixing your home, one room at a time, is like meeting your needs one step at a time, until your very home moves your life into the design you dream for it," writes Kathryn L. Robyn in *The Emotional House*, a room by room guide to designing a home that functions at a high level both practically and emotionally.

My own theory on how to permanently defeat the clutter falls in line with the concepts in *The Emotional House* and I have recently discovered that you can create a living space that actually functions very well for a family, is easy to keep clean and even allows one to find an occasional moment of calm.

The theory involves first identifying the true function of a room and then removing any extraneous items that interfere with the function, no matter how attached you may be to them. This creates a "flow" and when a room flows, it simply works like a dream.



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

The writer's son Daniel with puppy in newly-organized space.

When I have found the correct arrangement in a room, I'm amazed by how quickly I can pull it back together after heavy use. When a room flows, it takes minutes. It also tends to stay reasonably ordered all the time, and generally looks and feels open and clean.

The first challenge is defining the true function. You have to look at how a room is really being used, not how you would ideally like it to be used, particularly in families with children. Also, be aware that as kids grow, this function will change, and a room

that was working beautifully for a few years can start to block up and will need to be reassessed from time to time.

The foyer or entranceway to my house provides a perfect example of the principle of flow.

"The entryway's importance should not be underestimated — it is where you are received every time you arrive home," writes Robyn. "Your front hall has a very transitional function: it's a bridge between the outside world and your inner sanctum."

My foyer is a big room and tends to be a "dumping" ground for whatever anybody brings in the door. Over the years, I have tried to create storage solutions for all the stuff, hoping that if everyone had a hook or a cubby or a drawer, that the floor would remain uncluttered.

It simply didn't work — the hooks overflowed, the storage bins were stuffed full and forgotten and the daily items continued to fly in the door and get dumped wherever they landed.

"The environment and decor of your entryway is truly a barometer of the atmosphere that lies ahead," notes Robyn. "Is yours a warm welcome or chaotic reception?"

Chaos, without question. I knew that I first needed to define the function of the room and then I needed to eliminate absolutely everything in it that didn't contribute to that function.

What was the function? A way in and out of the house — a welcome home to family and visitors — a place to kick off shoes and boots and drop a knapsack, and a place to find a coat, hat, mitts, summer flip flops and soccer cleats.

I realized that the storage solutions I had engaged while trying to corral the clutter were actually contributing to the problem. The room felt crowded and out of control. There were way too many places to hide and shove things and although I could create

a superficial appearance of clean, I knew I was simply glossing over layer after layer of clutter.

Once the problem was identified, I moved to the next challenge and, with the help of a third party who had no attachment to my "stuff," I was able to clear out, give away and recycle almost everything in the room.

Once everything was emptied and cleared out, I eliminated the storage containers themselves. I got rid of two small tables, a bench, about five Rubbermaid bins (now empty) and a bookcase (previously full of books but hidden behind a door.)

The room now contains hooks on the walls (that remain uncrowded because the only coats hanging on them are the ones we use all the time), a rug on the floor, a small corner table where we put mail and movies to be returned, and three stacking wire cubes that contain the few hats, mitts and summer flip flops that we actually wear.

That's it. And the room is always clean, clear, open and friendly. The kids can come home from school and drop their knapsacks because there is a huge empty space to do that and/or an available hook to hang them. Nothing else gets dropped or piles up because there is nothing to drop it on or pile it into. All I have to do is sweep or vacuum the rug occasionally — it's absolutely amazing.

We continued throughout the house in the same manner and now (after about 20 trips to thrift stores and the recycling depot) my bedroom, living room, family room, dining room, kitchen and hallways have the same open, clean, warm, flowing feeling. They were blocked before by clutter, too much furniture and a misplaced idea of how they should be used. Now that they flow, the whole house feels calmer and more inviting.

"After all, a house is truly only a home when it reflects and supports the occupants, from entry to attic," concludes Robyn.



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**TOUCH OF TILE:** Don Monteith works on tile installation at a house on Salt Spring.

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## HOME HEATING

# Heat pump keeps wood in the shed

Ductless system proves worth so far

BY GAIL SJUBERG  
DRIFTWOOD EDITOR

This summer, my partner Michael and I nervously abandoned a decades-long romance with wood heat and put more than a few eggs in a heat-pump basket.

Sure, we had electric baseboard heaters too, which quite easily kept smaller rooms toasty, but there's no way we could ever rely on electric heat if we wanted to stay warm in our mile-high, open-air living room.

As many islanders know, relying on wood heat means either lots of sweat — if you have to gather it yourself — or tears when it comes to paying someone else for seasoned, dry wood. Even though it seemed to take longer “to get the wood in” in the last few years, it wasn't so much the hard work involved as environmental concerns that prompted us to consider heating options.

We had heard of heat pumps, but it wasn't until Michael stumbled upon an installation in action while walking by TJ Beans that they appeared as an option. Mark Devereaux of Gulf Islands

Heating and Refrigeration was installing an innocuous-looking air-conditioner-like unit for the cafe that he explained was part of a ductless heat pump system, and the latest rage. Mark expounded on its virtues and planted a terribly exciting seed.

A couple of months later, we had taken the plunge with a Fujitsu Halcyon wall-mounted 18000 BTU unit from Mark. It cost about \$3,500.

The “work” involved with heating 1,300 square feet of living space now consists of sliding the remote control out of its sleeve and pointing it high up on our wall to set the temperature. Our unit is a small one, yet it still seems to pump the heat from the living room up a long hallway to the kitchen.

It's hard to imagine that a change of heating system can be so life-altering, but that's what it's been.

The only unanswered question at this point is how much higher the hydro bill will be, but heat pumps are supposed to be economical to run. We've got lots of dry wood stacked in the woodshed, just in case, but I think and hope it will be saved for “special occasions” like blizzards and power outages.

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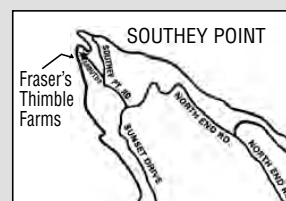
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## WATER SYSTEMS

# Well cap regulations come into effect this month

Part of ground water protection plan

All wells (except geotechnical wells and drainage wells) must have a secure well cap in place by October 31 to be in compliance with British Columbia's Ground Water Protection Regulation.

This requirement applies to all existing wells, as well as newly constructed wells.

Environment Minister Barry Penner advises well owners that a secure well cap is one of the most cost-effective ways to protect a well's water quality.

For example, a secure, vermin-proof cap for a domestic well costs about \$80. Caps prevent contaminants or animals from entering the well.

In addition, they prevent



Provincial environment ministry photographs show the proper way to cap a well (at right), and the improper way to do the job (above).

contamination of the larger body of ground water the well and neighbouring wells get their water from.

If a well does not have a cap, one must be securely

installed on the well by the end of this month.

Caps for most wells are commercially available and can be purchased through a qualified well pump install-



er. A well cap can either be installed by the qualified well pump installer or by the well owner. If a commercial

well cap does not fit a well, a qualified well pump installer or well driller can usually design, fabricate and install

a cap for a well that meets the standards of the regulation.

The well cap should be secured on the well at all times, except when it is necessary to disinfect, or perform maintenance or repair work to the inside of the well or the well pump.

If a cap is removed, it should be re-installed as soon as possible. It is an offence to tamper with or destroy a well cap installed on a well.

Placing a bucket over the top of a well or keeping a piece of plywood on top of a well with a rock are not secure well caps and would not meet the regulatory requirement.

For more information about the Ground Water Protection Regulation and requirements for wells, visit [www.env.gov.bc.ca/wsd/plan\\_protect\\_sustain/groundwater/index.html](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/wsd/plan_protect_sustain/groundwater/index.html).

## GARDEN CLUB

# Day in the life of an orchardist featured at garden club meeting

Apple expert is guest speaker

Harry Burton is the guest speaker at the Salt Spring Island Garden Club's meeting on October 24.

After the success of the Ninth Annual Apple Festival last month and the mentions in many magazines, including Harrowsmith and the WestJet in-flight periodical, Burton says, "The most important thing is that the message is getting out there."

There is also a four-page article about him in the most

recent Gardenwise fall magazine.

"The message" is that Salt Spring Island has over 350 varieties of organically grown apples on its many farms.

Burton arrived on Salt Spring a little over 20 years ago and says, "Apples have always been a part of my life and once I saw Salt Spring and the incredible growing potential here, it was the start of everything."

The evening is entitled A Day in the Life of an Orchardist and there will be apples to see, taste and discuss, followed

by a slide presentation of Apple Luscious Organic Orchard.

It has been a busy year for Harry Burton. He was a recipient of a Countryside Canada Award and just recently the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce awarded Apple Luscious Organic Orchard the Farm/Agricultural Business Award of 2007.

The Salt Spring Garden Club meets at 7 p.m. at Meaden Hall. New members are very welcome to attend and \$5 is the suggested donation for non-members.

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# FALL FIX-UP

FARMING

## Growing organic nothing but fun for new islanders



Ben Luna (centre) is seen with his family (and four-legged friends) at their Giacomuzzi Farm on Salt Spring.

PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY.

Doctors turned farmers take their own advice

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A handwritten quotation by a friend, taped beside the refrigerator reads: "If this is a dance, the farm is leading." That may be so, but Ben Luna is surely the happiest dance partner in the world.

Not everyone would be so joyful after a year of learning the farm trade from scratch, including 12-hour days, excessive water and tragic animal deaths. But joyful is the best way to describe Ben and his wife Kiki Roumel, the new owners of the former guest house and farm on Chu-An Drive — though you might at times consider using terms like gleeful, ecstatic, or simply blessed.

Kiki and Ben came to Salt Spring around a year ago, bringing their three sons and leaving behind careers as naturopathic physicians in Portland and their original home, Washington, D.C. While Kiki admits she came here "kicking and screaming," Ben had been armchair farming for years and was convinced it was time to make the change.

"A typical prescription for city doctors is for patients to get back to nature . . . we decided to take our own advice and get out of Dodge," Ben explained during a tour of the farm. "You know, a tenet of natural healing is 'food is your best medicine,' but the part that's often forgotten is growing your own food and farming your own food is just as important as making your own food, so now we're trying to farm our own food."

The couple found an ideal location, a working farm for 15 years before they purchased it, with many mature fruit trees,

outbuildings and a lovely farmhouse. They renamed it Giacomuzzi Farm, after Ben's grandmother in Italy.

"There's lots of Giacomuzzi farms in Verona, so we're hoping they send us their good vibes."

The two have implemented many improvements, growing only organically and using heritage techniques. Having only just secured working visas as "farmer/investors," the past year has been all about learning and experimentation, with plans to go commercial next year.

Even after the end of a dismal summer, a walk through the farm reveals a wealth of production. There are fig and filbert trees, many varieties of plums and apples, strawberries and blueberries still producing, and tomatoes and hot peppers in the greenhouse. Sheaves of 18 varieties of heritage wheat stand ready to be threshed, and Ben is especially excited about his haystacks "made the old-fashioned way."

Chickens run free in the yard, while a beautiful jersey cow and calf graze in a small paddock, which changes location daily to avoid overusing the land. The family is crazy for dairy products and make their own butter and yoghurt. They also keep bees.

"And here we are," said Ben, "a beautiful island, a beautiful part of the world, amazing neighbours, an incredible farming community that's been so welcoming and supportive of us even though we're so fledgling and have so little idea what we're doing."

Part of the attraction to Salt Spring is what they call an unusually vital and high density community of organic growers, a community that has been completely welcoming for theoreticians who "never planted a thing until we got here."

"The people are so cool here," said Ben.

"Island Natural Growers, the Bright Farm, Charlie and Judy and Bree, and Darren and Vanessa at Farias Family Farm — so many people have been so incredibly generous with us with their time and taught us."

"Dan Jason to me is the coolest — I mean, I assume he's won many awards. He should win a lot more, he's so inspirational."

Ben and Kiki also note the extreme generosity of time and information given by Island Natural Growers, Marsha Goldberg, Susan and Julia Grace at Moonstruck Cheese, Craig and Cathryn Seedhouse of Natureworks, and Chris Schmah at Foxglove.

The huge outpouring of support and goodwill has helped convinced Kiki that Ben was right after all; and they both agree it's been wonderful "to get to be somewhere where we could learn and grow with such a progressive community."

With all their progress over the past year, there have also been the inevitable mistakes. When Kiki was away this spring, for example, Ben harvested the earliest shoots in the asparagus field, which turned out to be horse tails. "I was cutting them and sautéing them in butter and the boys were aghast . . ."

But it's the animals that have caused the most problems, especially the chickens, which they find "very strange animals."

"Farming is all about sadness and death!" joked Ben, though in fact they've had the tragedy of delivering a stillborn calf and a malfunctioning chicken guilotine.

Overwhelmingly, however, Ben and Kiki seem uniquely fortunate in finding exactly where they should be in the world, even if they insist on regarding it as fun.

"We're just cracking ourselves up, mostly."

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# Arts & Entertainment

## FASHION HISTORY

# Vintage clothing expert tells all

Seeds for Malawi benefit

BY EMMA YARDLEY  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Ivan Sayers began collecting vintage clothing in 1965 and produced his first vintage fashion show four years later. He was taking a gallery curatorship course at UBC when his friends asked him if they could exhibit his clothing collection as their final project.

Sayers' mother was the seamstress for the Summerland community theatre, so while growing up he was always surrounded by magnificent costumes, which influenced his future career. He went on to become one of Canada's leading experts in women's vintage fashion and a curator with the Vancouver Museum.

"I've always been interested in the history. I wheeled and dealt in antiques, less so in clothing, and put myself through school. But I kept all the good stuff, of course!" said Sayers. "History is about understanding society and people. I do that through clothes."

This past Friday a sold-out ArtSpring mostly female crowd was treated to "the good stuff" as Sayers took to the stage with live models and the accumulation of a lifetime of collecting, and led them through a hundred years of elegant women's fashion.

Beginning in 1900 with a bodice and skirt, and ending in 2007 with one of his model's graduation gowns, Sayers uses fashion to illustrate the changing role of women and their relationship to men.

"I hope to help you understand the aesthetics, rules and regulations," began Sayers, "and show how women's clothes went from objectifying costumes to liberation."

Before World War I, women didn't have a public life, so their only way of social communication was through their clothing. The amount of cloth needed to make the then-fashionable multi-layered dresses was costly. The more layers you wore, the more wealth you had.

"It's all about status and



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Ivan Sayers discusses clothes modelled by Melanie Talkington in the second of two shows.

proving yourself better than your neighbour," said Sayers. "I'm from a small community — I know how it is!"

Sayers went on to explain that men in their midlife were considered in their prime, with established careers and maturity, therefore women of the same age were also deemed the most attractive.

This was reflected in fashion with high-necked dresses, long gloves and hats covering everything but the face. It was for sexual modesty as much as it was to hide the creping of aging skin.

As the ideal man changed from the mature man to the young soldier, so too did the ideal of middle-aged woman

change to a young girl. Enter the flapper dress.

"She became a little girl playing dress-up in her mother's clothing," explained Sayers. "The waistline moves way down, long beads make her look smaller and low-slung hats shrink her head."

After extensive research and years of hunting at garage sales, theatre companies, the Internet and family estates, Sayers builds each outfit from shoe to earring, more or less how it would have been worn the first time around.

"Too many pieces were being ruined," said Sayers. "They were being used for costume parties or cut up to

make beaded lampshades. It was disgraceful so I started holding onto them."

His knowledge of fashion and onstage showmanship is unquestionable, but where does he find the closet space to house a hundred years of history? He laughs, "I own a three-bedroom house and I sleep in the dining room!"

A Matter of Taste: What Makes Fashion Beautiful was a Salt Spring Island Weavers and Spinners guild benefit for Seeds for Malawi and was organized by Mary Paddon.

A second and different show — titled I Can't Believe She Wore That Dress! 100 Years of Ugly Dresses — ran Saturday afternoon.

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## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

### ISLAND AUTHORS

# Blossom returns for more adventures in book sequel

Pam and Linzi Adams team up for chicken book

BY MITCHELL SHERRIN  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

A local mother and daughter have teamed up to share their memories of a special group of island chickens for a new book.

Salt Spring writer Pam Adams worked with her adult daughter Linzi to create a new children's book, Blossom to Blondie, as a sequel to her locally renowned, Blossom and Friends, (1999).

It has just been released by Morriss Printing Company Ltd. of Victoria, and a reading/launch runs at West of the Moon on Saturday, October 20 from 2-3 p.m.

For islanders not familiar with the Blossom books, Pam Adams has recounted the real-life adventures of a plucky chicken and her feathered friends in a series of short stories that were written to be read aloud.

"She was unique, a real legend and she had charisma," Pam smiled as she recalled the real chicken named Blossom.

"Not just your average chicken," Linzi said.

For the first Blossom book, noted island artist and Adams' family friend Robin Currie embellished her stories with charming watercolour illustrations, but he died before the work was published.

"He gave a lot of heart and soul to those chickens," Linzi said.

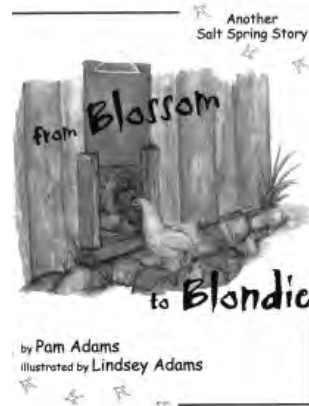
Now, Linzi has picked up the reins to add her own intimate vision of chicken stories that were part of her childhood.

"The more time you spend with them, the more anthropomorphic they become," she said.

Within Linzi's art education, she studied classical animation at the Vancouver Institute of Media Arts, but it's still been a challenge to maintain images that match Currie's style, she added.

"I'd never tried to draw a chicken before, in all my years of drawing and sculpture."

Pam has been thrilled with the humour and whimsy in Linzi's art.



by Pam Adams  
illustrated by Lindsey Adams

"Young people are more closely connected on a communication level with animals," said Pam. "And she lived with these chickens."

As an example of poultry awareness, Pam recalled a time when her chickens once showed an eerie recognition of a certain set of raingear, three years after someone wore that same raingear to butcher roosters.

"Any family that lives closely with animals, you get closer, especially if the family lives with the animals instead of acting as a master with animals that must conform," Pam said.

Accordingly, within Blossom and Friends, Pam wrote about a time when one chicken snuck into the house to eat cat food and another chicken later snuck in to watch TV.

As for hints about new stories, Pam said readers will just have to pick up a book.

"They've been in suspense for seven years. They can wait a little longer."

One of the charming things about these books is that while the stories are told from the chicken's perspective, unlike most children's stories, the chickens act and think the way one might expect a real chicken to conduct itself.

"These are definitely stories from a chicken's point of view," said Pam. "As told by our feathered friends," added Linzi.

"That's all I could write about because that's all I knew," said Pam.

The original 32-page illustrated book featuring local chicken adventures might've been aimed at children aged three to eight, but it's also targeted for an older set of readers, Pam noted.

"One thing I learned as a parent is that if I enjoyed the bedtime book, it was picked up more frequently and enjoyed," she said.

Pam first created the Blossom stories when she was too tired to read one night, she noted.

"It's written for tired parents."

Based on local sales carried by word-of-mouth on the islands, it appears that the Blossom books have been appreciated by the toughest read-aloud critics.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## FABRIC ART

# Creative process revealed through riot of colour and texture at Stitches

Women show results of fabric art intensive

Four local fabric artists showed and talked about their work at Stitches last weekend.

The exhibition, which continues this week, represents the learning process and final project results from an advanced course in design and machine stitching at the Gail Harker Creative Studies Center in Washington State.

Sheila Bull, Carol Leach, Susan Paynter and Karen Tottman are the artists who participated in the course. The four Salt Spring women travelled once every three months over the past couple of years to take part in a class of 13. Paynter said the idea behind the course was playing with sewing machines, learning new techniques and the possibilities they hold, and stretching themselves as artists and sewers.

The vast amount of work on display shows how intensive this program was and how the women really did stretch. A riot of colour and texture, somewhat bewildering to the untrained eye, is in fact many practice samples of different types of stitching, materials and methods of achieving effects.

Besides their many samples, many of which make appealing art pieces collaged together and hung on the walls, each woman had her work study scrap book on display. Here one could delve into the intricate thought process behind the final projects, which had to be some kind of book



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Sheila Bull shows her fabric book at Stitches.



**Elizabeth Nolan**

### ARTBEAT ON THE ROCK

but were otherwise open to interpretation. It is fascinating to be given that glimpse into the creative process — and to see just how much work went into creating the final results.

Paynter's "book" is at first

glance a very beautiful piece of fibre art, in the form of a cedar tree wall hanging that comes out into three-dimensional space. The delicate fronds are extremely realistic and created through a very time-consuming process of sewing back and forth on a stabilizer, then applied to Styrofoam. One can see the many attempts that Paynter went through to get the perfect look in her workbook.

Hung on a three-armed towel rack, the piece actually opens up into four "pages."

On the back panels of the pages, Paynter has included text by Emily Carr and Bill Reid. Her book is "a social statement against logging and clearcut logging."

Leach is an art school graduate who has used this project to work through her emotions regarding her mother, a once vibrant character now suffering from Alzheimer's disease. Some of Leach's samples are recreations of her paintings done in fabric, incredibly bright and appealing abstract flowers and plants. Her final project is the least like what one thinks of as a book: the table-top sculptural piece is a garden of beautifully stitched flowers and leaves, supported by and caged by a metal fence and trellises.

Bull's book Four Seasons resembles a standing screen in miniature. The six panels are framed by wood dowling and held together with wire. On either end is a round mirror piece, referencing Lewis Carroll's Through the Looking Glass. The four central panels are themed for each season with an arbutus tree in winter, cherry blossoms, ripe cherries and fall leaves.

Tottman's book also resembles a mini screen in four panels, which is the background for a diorama-type seascape. Her inspiration came from a photograph of multi-coloured nets tangled on the beach, which she is skilled at translating — bright green, orange and yellow strands have been recreated, tangled yet distinct.

Each of the artists on show displays a level of skill and creativity only to be seen at advanced levels. We are lucky on Salt Spring to have access to their work.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## POETRY REVIEW

# Graham writes poems you want to read

*What Someone Wanted* by Shirley Graham, Windsor, Ont.: Black Moss Press, 2007, 87 pp, \$16 paper.

BY TANYA LESTER  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

If you could hold Shirley Graham's poems in *What Someone Wanted*, their structure would feel like smooth polished gems that you could not help but turn over and over in the palm of your hand.

Not that these poems could ever actually be held any more than the theme of this poet's first collection can be.

It is about wanting what is no longer there, has never been there or will never be there, even in a million years. In a prose poem called *Hummingbird Tea*, a secretary drinks hibiscus tea:

*More than once she pictured herself gathering the glow from the red tea bag and shaping it into a ball of semi-liquid nectar. Then she carries the glowing ball to the window at the end of the south corridor and holds it out to the sky. From above, between skyscrapers, a giant iridescent hummingbird swoops down, shatters the window with its needle-beak and sucks the nectar in her hands, its tail curving in toward the sidewalk below the building.*

It is also about wanting to fix things, to help others heal. The women in *Club Footed Pigeon* are "crazy in their passion for the wounded"

*Every lunch hour  
the old women of the park make sure  
he's the first to eat.  
He stations himself  
At strategic junctions  
and lets the manna fall  
straight into his beak.*



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY  
Shirley Graham is seen with her son Tai as she signs her new book at a Lions Hall launch.

*Happy club foot!  
Lucky lady killer!*

Graham slyly jokes that, at this rate, who we would call the sick one has got it way too good to ever want to heal.

It's similar to the protagonist of the prose poem called *A Conversation Overheard Between Robert Walser And a Visitor at the Herisau Asylum*. He is quite content in the mental health hospital despite those who want him to heal. In fact, he knows others, even the heads of state, might

benefit by doing the simple things he does, like shelling peas.

... And the pea shells, the green caves from which my population springs, fit so satisfyingly in the palm of the hand that only the joy of adding them to the beautiful pile below one's feet is sufficient incentive to let them go.

These are Graham's poems: smooth as the outside of a pea pod. To be really satisfied, what you have to do is dig inside for the true meaningfulness, the splashes of colour. The reds, the blues, the greens and even the whites, that are always there.

## ISLAND WRITERS

# Locals add culinary images to new Hedgerow release

Smart also makes award shortlist

Briony Penn and Christine Smart have found themselves in literary news this month.

Smart's book *Decked and Dancing*, published by Hedgerow Press of Sidney, was recently nominated as a finalist for the 2007 Acorn-Plantos Award for People's Poetry.

Smart is one of six finalists for the award, based on judges' reviews of works submitted.

Penn and Smart are also featured in an unusual book set for release on Saturday, October 20 at Winchester Galleries in Oak Bay.

Asked to think about how and when they learned to cook, 32 writers and artists contributed their memoirs, artwork and recipes to *Apples Under the Bed: Recollections and Recipes from B.C. Writers and Artists*, also published by Hedgerow.

"In a variety of styles and moods, the authors take us back to their childhoods in many different parts of the world, offering glimpses of creative lives not usually found in standard biographies," states a press release.

Smart begins her essay in the book with poems.

She writes of learning to bake bread and cakes on the Ottawa Valley farm where she was raised, about an

aunt who went around the countryside baking from recipes "of her own composing" for overworked farm women.

Then she turns to prose to write amusingly of the new food ideas brought home from the wide world by each of her sisters in turn.

Environmentalist and politician Penn provides the unexpected.

"I have never been a cook," she writes. "A cook by definition likes to cook and I like to gather and eat things raw."

Penn's essay turns into a hymn of praise for the berries and seafood so prolific on this island. She evokes the colours, tastes and textures of each berry in its sea-

**"A cook by definition**

**likes to cook and I**

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BRIONY PENN  
Writer

son with some strong comments about environmental awareness along the way.

*Apples Under the Bed* also contains essays and full-colour illustrations from nine B.C. artists.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## ON STAGE

# Island blues in new Filkow comedy

Salt Spring Blues opens Nov. 1

BY GAIL SJUBERG  
DRIFTWOOD EDITOR

Islanders love their comedy, especially when it shines a light on where they live and who they know.

Inveterate island comedian, playwright and actor Sid Filkow will give islanders a double dose of navel-gazing comedy when Salt Spring Blues opens at ArtSpring at the beginning of November.

"Hopefully people will recognize someone, but not themselves," he said last week.

Salt Spring Blues is about relationship breakdowns, island style. While the subject may not sound like fodder for a comedy, Filkow assures people that is the case.

The script began its life several years ago as a two-hander, which Filkow and island actor Rachel Jacobson performed at Lions Hall.

"Over the last few years I've kept working on it and expanded it to six characters after several revisions. I've tried to add depth to it, but kept it island-focussed."

Filkow said he's drawn on his personal experience and observations of years of island living to dissect factors that cause marital break-ups on Salt Spring.

"So there's a big real estate component in the play," he jokes.

Salt Spring Blues actors are busy preparing for opening night on November 1, which is a two-for-\$25 ticket event. (Regular ticket cost is \$16.)

Filkow has assembled a cast of well-known island



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Salt Spring Blues writer-director Sid Filkow (right) is ready to let his cast loose for a run of comedy from November 1-3 and 8-10 at ArtSpring. From top is Randie Clark, Stewart Katz, Marck Shipley, Wendy Beatty, Therin Gower and Marit McBride.

actors in Marit McBride, Randie Clark, Wendy Beatty, Stewart Katz, Marck Shipley and Therin Gower, who he said have been great to work with in his own directorial

debut.

Moving into a director's role is new, he said, but he thinks he has a facility for the job.

"It's an amazing creative

process to make changes and find better ideas," he said.

"I like to challenge the actors to go beyond their normal way of doing things."

**"It's an amazing creative process to make changes and find better ideas."**

SID FILKOW  
Director

Filkow also hopes Salt Spring Blues will inspire other island writers to create "indigenous" theatre material.

"I think we should be doing more on this island to create and promote original plays," he said.

He also wants to add to a body of West Coast creative work.

"We don't get much attention that way and I think what comes out has to be mostly grassroots."

Salt Spring Blues' script is also entered in a Theatre B.C. competition.

"As frightening as the prospect is of putting myself and my work out on stage, there's no point in writing a play and seeing it put in a drawer somewhere."

Salt Spring Blues runs November 1-3 and 8-10 at ArtSpring, beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through the ArtSpring Ticket Centre.

## ARTSPRING

# Retrospective, slide show and Halloween

Here's the rest of October's activities at ArtSpring.

- Monday, October 22, 7:30 p.m.: The Last Wild Wolves — presented by Salt Spring Books and ArtSpring. Author Ian McAllister lived for 17 years on B.C.'s north coast documenting the lives of B.C.'s last remaining totally wild wolves. Tonight he presents a slide show and film as he launches a new book called The Last Wild Wolves.

- October 22-30: Amarah Gabriel: A Painter's Journey, Retrospective and Celebration. Join the Salt Spring artist as she shares some secret memories and art created in such diverse places as the Gaspé, Toronto, Colorado, Pender Island to the present new works produced on Salt Spring Island. The exhibition will include paintings, drawings, journals, writings and a video presentation of work in progress. A slide show and talk about some of the concerns that inform her work promises to be

## FINE ART

# Lore Schmidts art captures 'play on the senses'

Entities exhibit at Salt Spring Art Salon

On Saturday, October 20 and Sunday, October 21, islanders will have the opportunity to view some new entities.

Lore Schmidts is an island painter who will display 24 of his newest paintings

dubbed "entities" at the Salt Spring Art Salon.

"Entities are paintings . . . abstracted from the landscapes of tropical jungle walks and rain forest hikes where the Trickster plays on the senses," explains press material.

"Some of us, for just a moment, are visited by glimpses of beings or subtle flashes of hidden faces. They

disappear just as stirring, raising doubt as to whether they were there in the first place. One could swear they saw something."

These images, press material states, stay with us, emblazoned in our minds forever, begging us to question reality and inspiring one to recreate this "fleeting brush with the divine."

## WHAT'S ON AT ARTSPRING

an intimate journey into the mind of this creative artist. Opening night celebration is on Tuesday, October 23, 4-9 p.m.; slide show and talk is on Monday, October 29, 8 p.m.

- Wednesday, October 24, 8 p.m. Canadian comedian and singer/guitarist Lorne Elliott is back with his inimitable evening of song and comedy theatre. He sells out ArtSpring each time he visits.

- Friday, October 26, 8 p.m. and Saturday, October 27, 2:30 p.m.: Salt Spring Concert Band presents Return of the Demons. The band and director Dawn Hage are back to spook, scare, excite and entertain with Return of the

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## POP MUSIC

# Mowbray & Mills duo land on Salt Spring for CD release bash

Game let loose at Steffich Fine Art

A former Salt Spring resident with continuous ties to the island is releasing a new CD at Steffich Fine Art on Saturday.

Guitarist-vocalist Paul Mowbray has teamed up with violin player and vocalist Tracy Mills to release a CD called Game. The duo will perform at the Grace Point Square art gallery in a casual

release event from 1-3 p.m.

According to the Mowbray and Mills website, the pair met two years ago when Mills contributed to Mowbray's solo acoustic album Prairie Stop.

"What started as a three-song experiment has since blossomed into a fully engaged writing and performing effort," writes Mills.

"Paul has been a guitar and songwriting teacher for over 20 years and draws musical influence from Dave Mat-

thews, Shawn Colvin, Elliot Smith and Leonard Cohen. I grew up on classical Suzuki violin, then developed my improvisational and songwriting ear playing pop/blues/rock. Together we end up delivering a pop/classical fusion mixed with blues/jazz tones, that can move luxuriously or energetically."

Mowbray now lives in Victoria, but still performs on Salt Spring. Game can be acquired from the musicians, through www.bull-

frogmusic.com, or Acoustic Planet Music in Ganges.

Acoustic Planet is also selling coffee and treats at the no-cover October 20 release party with all proceeds benefitting the Giving Everyone Music and Art (GEMA) program.

As explained by Michele Mackenzie of Acoustic Planet, GEMA is an Acoustic Planet program that ensures kids who cannot afford lessons or rentals can still have access to them.

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## DOCUMENTARIES

# Third cafe season starts

Cuban health care film 'knocked socks off'

Film Festival Cafe's third season will open at Barb's Buns featuring a special menu for the evening, on Thursday, October 25.

¡Salud! a new film about Cuba, which just screened at the Vancouver International Film Festival, will be followed by a facilitated discussion. Doors are at 5:30 p.m., the film is at 7, and entrance is by donation.

Film festival coordinators and their team have been previewing films and attending film festivals since May.

"We're very pleased with the quality of films we're seeing this year," said Dick Grier, one of the festival's coordinators. "We are receiving film submissions directly from filmmakers via our website, as well as attending festivals and doing research on the Internet. ¡Salud! came in the mail this summer, unsolicited. We watched it several weeks ago, and it knocked our socks off!"

The film's website gives a synopsis. "¡Salud! tells the little-known story of Cuba: a poor country overcoming its lack of resources to provide universal health care and help other developing nations do the same.

"A feature documentary, ¡Salud! is directed by Academy Award nominee Connie Field (Freedom on my Mind) and co-produced by Gail Reed. The film spans three continents to look at the philosophy and health professionals placing Cuba on the map in the worldwide movement to make health care a global birthright."

Our Island, Our World Film Festival 2008 dates are March 7-9. More information about Film Festival Cafe and the festival can be found at the website: <http://www.saltspringmediagroup.com>.

More info on ¡Salud! is available at <http://www.saludthefilm.net/ns/index.html>.

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



**PUMPKIN PATCH:** Chi Chi Smallwolf finds a perfect pumpkin for Halloween at the Saturday market in Ganges.

PHOTO BY DERRICK SLADY

## ISLAND ARTISTS

# Amarah Gabriel hails artistic life with retrospective at ArtSpring

Slide show and workshop also planned

Sixty years ago, on a stately street in downtown Toronto close to Lake Ontario, Amarah Gabriel began a journey as she was introduced to the beauty and love of nature and art.

As Gabriel celebrates her 60th birthday, the journey continues at her garden studio overlooking the water on Salt Spring Island.

"The colour and form of lush flowers, vegetables and the swift deft strokes of colour on canvas by her beloved aunt were some of her earliest and treasured memories," explains a press release.

"Walks by the lake, sunlight dancing on water, the energy, power and mystery of waves elicited deep emotions. Trips to the Art Gallery of Ontario excited a fascination with the art of great artists such as Van Gogh, Rembrandt, Emily Carr and Georgia O'Keefe. She has continued to develop her lifelong passion for colour, light, art and nature throughout her life's experiences."

Gabriel will share her passion and years of work in a retrospective exhibition running Tuesday, October 23 through Tuesday, October 30 at ArtSpring.

The opening reception is on October 23 from 4-9 p.m.

Gabriel offers a slide show and artist talk on October 25 from 7-9 p.m. and a painting workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, October 29.

Gabriel has been an enthusiastic advocate and activist during her career.

She helped create Stella Maris Artist Co-operative on Pender Island, an auction and art work for Friends of Clayoquot, animal masks for the Salt Spring Women's Calendar project, a backdrop and T-shirt design for Vagina Monologue performances in the Gulf Islands and her latest, art cards that feature her apple paintings for SOLID to raise money for orphans in Africa.

She has also created two public murals, Landmark and Salt Spring

Island Butterfly, with her partner, Timothy Hume.

**"Walks by the lake, sunlight dancing on water, the energy, power and mystery of waves elicited deep emotions."**

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The ArtSpring exhibit will include paintings, three-dimensionals, drawings, journals, writings and a video presentation of work in progress, created in such diverse places as the Gaspé, Toronto, Colorado, Vancouver, Pender Island and the present Garden Dreams series produced on Salt Spring Island.

The October 25 slide show and talk will explore some of the concerns that inform her work.

## CELEBRATIONS

# Island kicks off peace celebrations on weekend

Saturday event raises awareness

A Salt Spring peace party planned for this weekend brings islanders together for music and dance.

This year's event, called Planet Peace, is sponsored by Peace Works! and the Copper Kettle Community Partnership organization. Co-ordinator Cherie Geauvreau said the party is about countering the effects of war and violence in the world.

"Really it is to bring out the community for peace."

Planet Peace starts at 3 p.m. on Saturday, October

20 at Mahon Hall. Geauvreau said entertainers like Stagecoach Kids, Danz Kidz and Aaron Ableman will kick up the party during the day and evening.

As well, organizations like the Burma awareness group and the Japanese Garden Society will have booths set up to raise awareness about how people can get involved on Salt Spring.

Live and silent auctions are also scheduled at the event.

Items for sale include art works by Patricia Brown, Jonathan Yardley and Osman Phillips, and the silent auction includes approximately 50 contributors.

Ableman, who will play some tracks from his new CD, said the peace party comes with a message.

"On a community level, peace has to start with the heart and then radiate out."

He said peace is a world issue and islanders need to find effective ways to reach out to the community.

One way for Ableman is to play music.

He is also involved with a musical theatre group that deals with global issues called Planet Express.

The group will perform during Saturday's party.

He hopes to raise capital for a fall tour.

"I want to get young people inspired and interested in their incredible gifts."

Another peace event on Salt Spring this month is the second annual Child and Youth Peace Gathering.

Kids from all over Salt Spring will come together at Salt Spring Centre School on Wednesday, October 24 to discuss peace.

This year participants will create a huge scrapbook on why they love to live on the planet.

The gathering starts at 1 p.m. and the public is welcome to attend.

For information on either event call Geauvreau at 537-1027.

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# What's On This Week

Wed. Oct 17	Thurs. Oct 18	Fri. Oct 19	Sat. Oct 20	Sun. Oct 21	Mon. Oct 22	Tues. Oct 23
<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Simply Organic.</b> Organ recital with Barry Valentine at All Saints. 10:10 a.m.  <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Kundalini Yoga Classes.</b> Paradise Found Yoga. 6-7:30 p.m. 537-9299 <b>Soul Food &amp; Co.</b> Community Song Circle Wednesdays. Mercer Gallery. 7:30-9 p.m. Info: 653-418. All welcome. <b>The Joy of Collecting Art.</b> SS Painters Guild hosts a presentation on Canadian art by Ian Sigvaldason of Pegasus Gallery in the ArtSpring Theatre. 9 a.m. to noon. Public welcome. <b>Partners Creating Pathways.</b> Work bee for Lower Ganges Rd. path. Meet at Islands Trust parking lot. 10 a.m. Info: Jean, 537-4859. <b>Texas Hold'em.</b> Wednesdays at The Local. 7 p.m. (6:30 p.m. for newbies.) <b>Stitch Dimension Quilt Guild.</b> Meets every other Wednesday at Baptist church, at the back. 7 p.m. Info: Gwen, 537-2443 <b>SSI Aquatic Society.</b> AGM at Portlock Park portable. 7 p.m. <b>OCP Review Meetings.</b> Give feedback on OCP proposals and statements. ArtSpring. 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Open Mike With Tess.</b> Fulford Inn Pub. <b>One Night Stand with Matt &amp; Tom.</b> At Shipstones. 8 p.m.  <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Soul Food &amp; Co.</b> Community Song Circle Thursdays. 705 Beaver Pt. Rd. 7:30-9 p.m. Info: 653-4186. All welcome. <b>Species at Risk.</b> With Robin Annschild. Continuing Ed/SSI Conservancy lecture. Sign up through 537-0037, 537-1184 or kd1184@telus.net. <b>Bingo.</b> At Meaden Hall. 7 p.m. Early bird games at 6:30. <b>Troubled Waters: Conflicting Treaties in the Gulf Islands.</b> With guests Eric Pelkey and Douglas Harris. Lions Hall. 7 p.m. (Doors at 6:30) <b>SS Weavers &amp; Spinners Guild.</b> Topic is texture as a design in weaving, knitting and spinning. ArtSpring. 10:30-noon. Newcomers welcome.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Doug, Tim &amp; Friends.</b> Fulford Inn Pub.  <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Fair Wares &amp; Finery Sale.</b> Supports AIDS-affected communities in southern Africa. Gypsy Island Tribal Boutique. 10:30-4. <b>Rollerblading.</b> Fridays at Fulford Hall. 7:30-9 p.m. <b>Feldenkrais Awareness Through Movement.</b> Learn to move with more ease and less pain. 10-11 a.m. Info: Anna, 537-5681. <b>Parent Child Mother Goose.</b> Fun morning of stories and song for parents and their children aged 18 months to four years. Core Inn. 10 a.m. Pre-register at 537-9176 or familyplace@ssics.ca. <b>Book Explorers at the Library.</b> For 6-9-year-olds. Free at SS Library. 3-4 p.m. Children From Other Lands is the theme. <b>Story Time at the Library.</b> Free at SS Library on Fridays for 3-5-year-olds. 1-2 p.m.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Mowbray &amp; Mills.</b> Release Party for CD called 'Game'. Steffich Fine Art. 1-3 p.m. <b>Second Annual Grape Harvest Ball.</b> Oyster bar, grape stomp, dinner, music from Black Velvet Band, Nico & jazz group, Valdy & DJ Simone Lamers. Fulford Hall. Advance tix from The Local or SS Vineyards.  <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Nature Plant Gardening Workshop.</b> With Patricia Johnston. Limited space. Call Andrea LeBorgne at 537-8464 for info. <b>Fair Wares &amp; Finery Sale.</b> Supports AIDS-affected communities in southern Africa. Gypsy Island Tribal Boutique. 10:30-4. <b>Green Drinks.</b> Meet to discuss a SSI Green Map project at I-SEA-sponsored gathering at Fulford Inn. 5 p.m. <b>Planet Peace.</b> Presented by Peace Works! and friends at Mahon Hall. 3 p.m. <b>Sounder Sleep.</b> Workshop with Anna Haltrecht. 1-4 p.m. Register: 537-5681 or anna@bonesforever.com <b>Writing Workshop.</b> With Kathy Page at SS Library. Register through www.writerstrust.com. <b>Blossom to Blondie.</b> Book launch and reading of the Blossom & Friends sequel with author Pam Adams. West of the Moon. 2-3 p.m. Face painting by Amanda.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Magical Talent of Tess &amp; Buck.</b> At the Fulford Inn. <b>Flora Scott Trio.</b> Dinner jazz at Salt Spring Inn. 6-9 p.m.  <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Introduction to Letterpress Printing.</b> Workshop from 10-4. Info: 537-4155; info@mothertonguepress.com. <b>United Nations Day.</b> Unitarian Fellowship of SSI. Fulford Hall OAPD Room. 10:30 a.m. <b>Hide Tanning Workshop.</b> Part of Sunday Discovery Series for Adults & Teens. Register: 653-9122 or instinct@saltspring.com <b>Apple Press and Juice Sale Fundraiser.</b> Presented by Paul Linton for Tree Frog Daycare. Fulford Inn, 10-4. <b>Kundalini Yoga.</b> Sundays at Ganges Yoga Studio. 4:30-6 p.m. <b>OCP Review Meetings.</b> Give feedback on OCP proposals and statements. Lions Hall. 1-4 p.m. <b>Introduction to Letterpress Printing.</b> 10-4 workshop. Register: 537-4155 or info@mothertonguepress.com	<b>ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Osho Kundalini Moving Meditation.</b> Drop-in. 5:30 p.m. Info: Amrita, 537-2799. <b>Eckhart Tolle Practising Presence Group.</b> Drop-in. 7:30 p.m. Info: Amrita, 537-2799. <b>Beginners' Yoga.</b> Mondays with Celeste at Ganges Yoga Studio. 7 p.m. <b>Toastmasters.</b> Meet Mondays at ArtSpring. 7 p.m. <b>Soul Food &amp; Co.</b> Community Chanting Circle Mondays. 705 Beaver Pt. Rd. 7:30-9 p.m. Info: 653-4186. All welcome. <b>Bones for Life.</b> Bone strengthening program classes. 4-5 p.m. Info: Anna, 537-5681. <b>Kundalini Yoga Beginners Class.</b> Mondays at All Saints. 5:30-6:30 p.m. 537-9299 <b>The Last Wild Wolves.</b> Ian McAllister book release and slide show at ArtSpring. 7 p.m. <b>OCP Review Meetings.</b> Give feedback on OCP proposals and statements. Fulford Hall. 1-3 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.	<b>ACTIVITIES</b> <b>The Poetry Club.</b> First of 6-Tuesday sessions begins. 7-9 p.m. Info: 537-4155; info@mothertonguepress.com. <b>Morning Sadhana.</b> Paradise Found Yoga. 4 a.m. Call to confirm: 537-9299. <b>West African Dance Classes.</b> Live percussion dance classes at Beaver Pt. Hall. 6-7:30 p.m. All ages. Info: 653-2431.  <b>Wed. Oct 24</b> <b>ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Eye Diseases &amp; Help Available.</b> Informative talk by Dr. Ian Chisholm and CNIB support staff. SS Seniors. 2 p.m. <b>Day in the Life of an Orchardist.</b> Presentation by Harry Burton at SS Garden Club. Meaden Hall. 7 p.m. <b>Lorne Elliott.</b> Famed comedian and musician performs at ArtSpring. 8 p.m. <b>Life Drawing.</b> At ArtSpring. 9-noon. Drop-ins welcome. Phone Jose, 537-1121. <b>Child &amp; Youth Peace Gathering.</b> At SS Centre School. 1 p.m.

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 Coming soon — Across the Universe; Elizabeth: the Golden Age; Michael Clayton & more.

### CABLE TV

• **Attention Shaw Cable TV Channel 11 viewers** — The Daily is your source for stories reflecting Salt Spring and southern Vancouver Island people and places. The program is about half an hour in length and repeats continuously during the day and evening with new stories added daily. On Wed., Oct. 17, see a feature on Saving the Creekside Rainforest. On Tues.-Wed., Oct. 23-24, watch the Salt Spring A&E Report. Also tune in for community messages, weather and news headlines. For further details about community programming, call 537-1335.

### EXHIBITIONS

- **Entities** — Lore Schmidts shows 24 new paintings at the **Salt Spring Art Salon**, 601 Upper Ganges Road. Sat., Oct. 20, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun., Oct. 21, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Amarah Gabriel** celebrates her 60th birthday and a life of art with an October 23-30 exhibit at **ArtSpring**. Opening reception on Tues., Oct. 23, 4-9 p.m.; slide show and talk on Oct. 25, 7-9 p.m.; and a workshop on Oct. 29, 9-4. Exhibit open daily in the ArtSpring gallery.
- Fabric artists **Sheila Bull, Carol Leach, Susan Paynter** and **Karen Tottman** exhibit results of an advanced course in design and machine stitching at the Gail Harker Creative Studies Centre in Washington State. At **Stitches** on Hereford Avenue this week.
- **Salvaged** — a mixed-media group exhibition of new work made from old materials runs at the **ArtSpring** gallery daily until Sat., Oct. 20.
- **What Remains** — new photographs by **Birgit Freybe Batemen** at **Galleons Lap Atelier-Gallery** are on display until Mon., Oct. 22. Gallery open Wed.-Sat., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment or chance.
- **Lineage ... "in the company of daughters"** features work by **Ronald T. Crawford, Janaki Larsen** and **Klee Larsen-Crawford, Michael and Aja Robb**; the late **LeRoy Jensen** and **Gabrielle Jensen**; and **Nicola Wheston** and **Asha Robertson**. At **J. Mitchell Gallery** through Wed., Oct. 24.
- **Kathy Robertson** — **Close to Home** — shows new paintings at **SS Woodworks** on Churchill Road.
- **Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art** shows works from the private collection of Cowichan carver **Simon Charlie**, among work by other acclaimed artists.
- **Michael Hames** has new work in graphite and sculptures at **Steffich Fine Art**.
- **Jewels of the Westcoast**, a collection of mixed media and acrylic abstract paintings, featuring West Coast landscapes by Salt Spring artist **Teresa Gaye Hitch** is on display at **Island Savings** until November 1.
- **Kate Leslie** and **Nicola Bishop** are having a two-person show at **Roasting Co.** in Ganges through October.

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**BY ANDREA RABINOVITCH**  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

When retired people ask me to be on a board or to volunteer, I list the full-time job, two part-time jobs, the occasional volunteer committee, two kids, one international student, one husband and a house that take up all my time as the reason I'm unable to help out.

Please note that cultivating friendships, staying in reasonable shape so I don't die while teaching dance, time to myself and sleep are nowhere on that list.

I'm not whining (although that last paragraph belies that statement), but it's hard to have an identity when you're spread so thin.

As your vehicle so identifies you as a certain type — a friend of mine did her masters thesis on the correlation of Corvette owners and their sexual self-esteem — what vehicle does a multi-tasker like myself drive?

When I asked Victoria Hyundai manager Colby Perkins the demographic of Santa Fe drivers, he replied, "Everybody from soccer moms to real estate agents." I'm kind of both, so taking a test drive in the 2007 Santa Fe seemed to make sense.

Last Saturday, after getting up at five to catch the 6:15 ferry, taking my son to the Royal Winnipeg Ballet audition and master class, schmoozing with all attendant arts types, shopping for

**SANTA FE** continued on B10



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### SANTA FE

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the hair dye that allows me to still teach hip hop at almost 50, watching As You Like It at the Canadian College of Performing Arts, eating breakfast and lunch at fast food joints, we fit in test driving the 2007 Santa Fe at the beautiful brand spanking new home of Victoria Hyundai on Gorge Street.

As I loaded up the spacious back that could be a seven seater if you

so ordered it, I had a familiar feeling.

Hopping into the comfy driver's seat while talking to my son about how to take the picture, putting on makeup so the camera wouldn't break, and worrying about getting something to eat before catching the ferry, we headed out.

I didn't even think that I was in a vehicle that wasn't my own. This one was a tad cleaner and had that new car smell, but if *deja vu* applies to test driving, I was exper-

riencing one.

There was little traffic noise, a nice response, the wheels gripped the road, it was big enough to feel safe but not too big for manoeuvrability — these were all thoughts that bounced around my head as I checked the dials, the radio and the nice big side mirrors, which took care of my usual harrowing experience of travelling in reverse.

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CLASSIC CARS

## Fabulous fliptop hits the road with a little help

'Go-to guy' drives Ford Skyliner

BY ALYN EDWARDS  
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When Fred Davies drove his 1959 Ford Skyliner for the first time last year, it wouldn't have been remarkable except that Fred has been working on his car since buying it in 1972.

The restoration wasn't quite finished. But Fred didn't care. He just wanted to drive his car.

This consummate classic car restorer has worked on dozens of cars for other people over the past three decades. Fred has come to be known as the "go-to guy" to fix these complicated hideaway hardtops.

The Ford Skyliner was designed for Ford in the mid-1950s by a then 27-year-old body engineer named Ben Smith. Ford was heavily involved with concept cars and bringing innovations to the marketplace. The first Skyliner was a 1954 Ford model featuring a plexiglass see-through roof over the front seat.

But Ford became intrigued with the idea of having a two-door hardtop car that could convert into a full open car with the touch of a button. The Ford executive group originally planned the hideaway hardtop for the 1956 Lincoln Continental. But Ben Smith got the design job after convincing the company that he could build the Skyliner as a specific model in the



Fred Davies is front and centre with his friends who surprised him with his car ready to drive at a birthday party held last year.



The 1959 Ford Skyliner owned by Fred Davies pictured with a brand new Volkswagen retractable convertible. Both vehicles were displayed at the surprise birthday party for Fred held by his friends at an Aldergrove farm.

regular Ford car series to be introduced in 1957.

Smith used a series of small electric motors and screw jacks controlled by limit switches to perform the seven individual functions that make the huge trunk open backwards and the top fold into the back. It took just 40 seconds to turn this two-door hardtop into a full convertible. Today, many of the world's finest cars have refined Smith's design to make much more compact "retractable" convertibles.

Ford manufactured approximately 48,000 of the Skyliner hideaway hardtop models from 1957 to 1959. They were largely viewed as a gimmick car and Ford ended production when the novelty was wearing off and sales became sluggish.

For Fred, the 1959 Skyliner is the prettiest of the three-year run for this model. He bought the car from high school friend Randy Jensen, who ran an auto wrecking business

in Langley. The car had been sideswiped on the driver's side and then spun into a pole, causing damage to the other side and rear of the car. It was a sad sight when Fred finally picked the 1959 Skyliner up in 1972.

Since then, he has been fixing the body and gathering new parts to make this car look like the day it hit the showroom floor.

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The problem is we still like to open the door to a clean vehicle.

After all, we aren't the only ones that will be enjoying the ride and who wants to get caught with interior dust, grime and debris?

Here are a few tips on how to get maximum results with minimum effort.

### Keep it clean

Every time you leave your vehicle, take a look around. Get the kids involved to remove those gas receipts, beverage containers and snack wrappers. When you are ready to do the interior you will save a lot of time if there is no debris to gather up and remove.

### Get some help

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### Polish it up

Cleaning windows doesn't have to be a major chore. Use a little window cleaner and wipe it off with some newspaper. They will be streak free in no time.

### Finish it off

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## Friends and family pitch in

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continued from B12

He was getting closer when he was stricken with cancer last year.

His biggest fear was that he would never drive the car that had been with him for more than three decades. But his friends weren't going to let this happen.

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was slipping badly.

Others worked to make the complicated top mechanism work and install many of the parts that were never put on the car.

This car was going to be finished.

In mid September of 2006, friends of Fred Davies gathered at a Fraser Valley farm to display their cars alongside the beautiful Wedgewood Blue 1959 Ford Skyliner that had been part of Fred's life for so long. It was a surprise birthday party for the car's owner.

His son had brought the partially completed car over on a trailer and the sight of his car surrounded by all his friends brought tears to the very surprised owner's eyes. After the birthday celebra-

tion, the work continued. Vancouver upholsterer Al Decker and visiting upholsterer Nando DeFrancesco from Annapolis Custom Upholstery in Nova Scotia pitched in volunteering their time to cut, sew and install the complicated tri-coloured seat upholstery in just one day.

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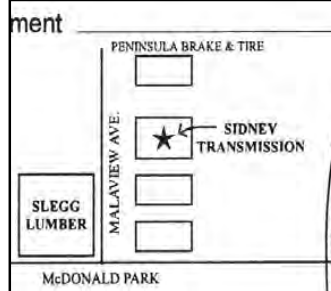
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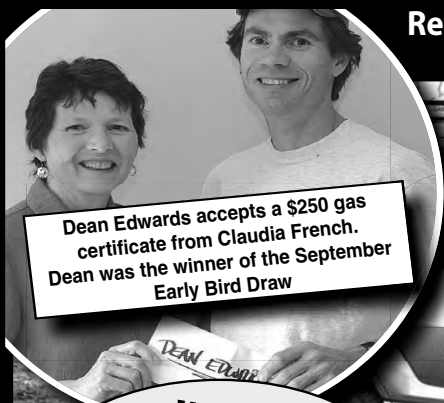
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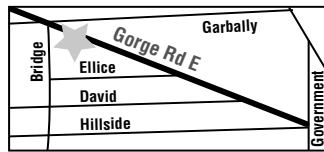
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#### OFF-ROAD VEHICLES

## Youth ATV riders' safety on track with program

Adventure Trails offer instruction

Two off-road organizations have joined forces to educate young all-terrain vehicle riders on how to ride safely.

The Canadian Off-Highway Vehicles Distributors Council (COHV) and the All-Terrain Vehicles Federation of New Brunswick (NBATV) recently introduced an Adventure Trails interactive CD and activity book to be used by ATV clubs, law enforcement, safety organizations, schools and the general public.

"Studies show that with proper legislation, including mandatory size limitations and adult supervision, it is safe and it is responsible to allow youth to ride age-appropriate youth-sized ATVs and off-road motorcycles," stated COHV president Bob

Ramsay. "The introduction of this CD and activity book is just one more tool for us to help reach our youth and their parents in our efforts to ensure that everyone enjoys safe family recreation."

According to the COHV and NBATV, banning youth from riding age-appropriate ATVs or for government to introduce legislation around education, training and mandatory supervision requirements has been discussed.

A detailed statistical analysis by Heiden Associates, a product safety and economic consulting firm in the U.S.A. found that ATV safety legislation in Kentucky, New Jersey and Texas resulted in significant improvements in youth safety.

For more information on the Adventure Trails program, visit [www.adventuretrail.ca](http://www.adventuretrail.ca).

#### SMART DRIVING

## Safety tips shared during car safety month

October is cars safety month in Canada, says a non-profit advocacy group in the automotive industry.

Car Care Canada, which promotes safety and maintenance of vehicles, said there are five ways in which drivers can actively participate.

Drivers should conduct regular maintenance on their vehicles and follow a scheduled plan. This includes changing the oil and filter regularly and maintaining proper air pressure in their tires.

Car Care Canada also rec-

ommends a brake check on the vehicle in case drivers need to make a quick stop on a cold winter night.

Winter drivers should carry an emergency road kit that includes jumper cables, blankets, matches, flares and water.

Car Care Canada also offers three driving tips for the coming season. The advocacy group said it is important to understand the ability of the driver.

"Driving is a skill and it is important to recognize and change old habits," Car Care

explained on its website. "For example, look down the road instead of the bumper ahead of you."

Also be aware of the surroundings. Drivers can get easily distracted by music, mobile phones or talking with passengers.

"By limiting the distractions in your vehicle, drivers can focus on the task at hand."

Third, the advocacy group recommends having a good attitude. This includes being respectful to others on the road and obeying all signs.



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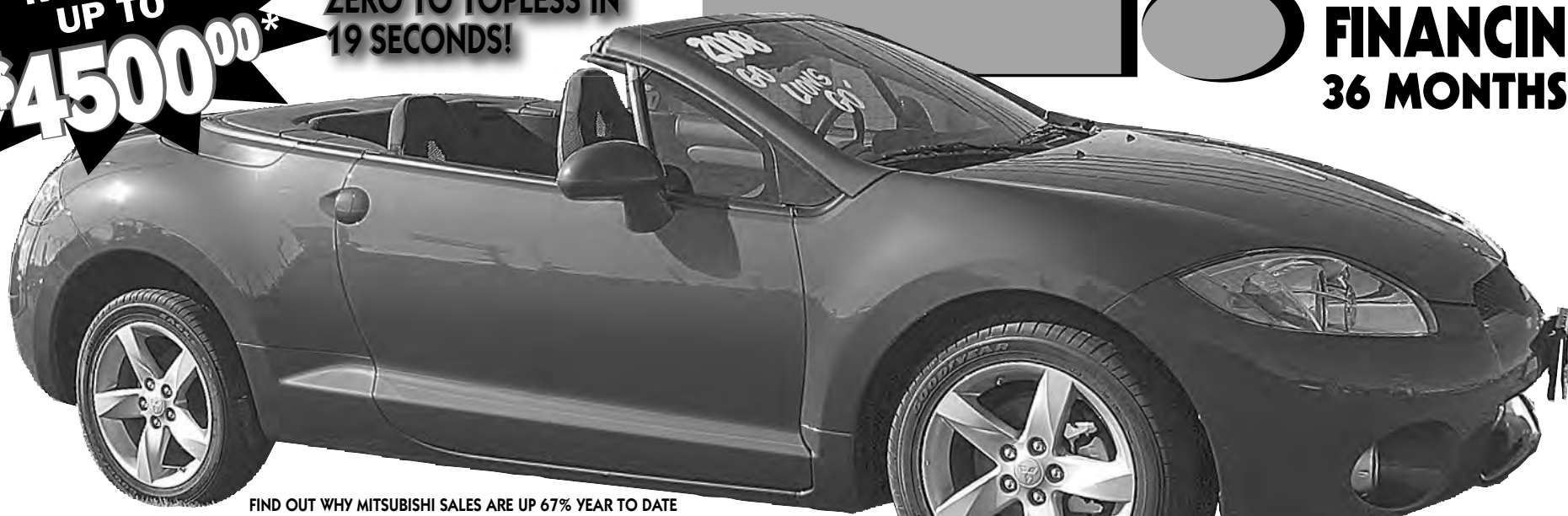
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**SAFE DRIVING**

## Wet roads signal time for drivers to slow down

ICBC offers some seasonal driving tips

As the West Coast heads from fall to winter driving, ICBC reminds motorists to slow down.

In 2006, during the months of September and October, police attended approximately 400 crashes on B.C. roads, in which bad weather (rain, snow, sleet or fog) was a contributing factor.

These crashes resulted in approximately 250 injuries and five fatalities.

Rain creates slippery road conditions by mixing water with oily substances from vehicle exhaust.

During dry weather, oil, grease and dirt settle into the pavement.

The first hour of a steady rain draws the oily mixture to the surface.

If it rains long and hard enough, the mixture will wash away, but then the water itself becomes the hazard.

Traction is the key to keeping your vehicle in control in

both situations.

When the roads are wet and slippery, motorists are advised to:

- Slow down.

It can take up to three times the normal stopping distance to come to a complete stop on a wet or slippery road.

- Turn off the cruise control.

Wet roads can cause wheels to spin and lose control.

The only way to stop wheels from spinning and maintain control is to immediately reduce power.

An activated cruise control system applies continuous power, keeping the wheels spinning.

By the time you disengage the cruise control, you may have lost control.

- Stay in the middle lane. Water tends to pool in the outside lanes.

• Don't drive with bald or badly worn tires.

Check your tires' tread, and ensure the tires are properly inflated.

- Turn on your headlights and wipers.

Daytime running lights do not activate the tail lights. Instead, turn on your low beam headlights which also illuminate your tail lights.

**The only way to stop wheels from spinning and maintain control is to immediately reduce power.**

This will ensure you have optimal visibility of the road ahead, and that other motorists can see you.

ICBC invests in road safety to save lives and reduce crashes. Reducing the number and severity of crashes also helps keep insurance rates low and stable by reducing claims costs.

For more information on road safety, visit [www.icbc.com](http://www.icbc.com).

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Bronwyn Stocks and her son Benjamin Stocks dig in the sandbox together during a morning play session at the Early Learning Family Centre at Salt Spring Elementary School.

## Island youngsters learning at play

Salt Spring well served by ELF and Mother Goose

BY EMMA YARDLEY  
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Benjamin Stocks told his mom he felt left out when his older brother started going to school. Luckily for Benjamin, this year the newly opened Early Learning Family (ELF) Centre at Salt Spring Elementary School has given him a chance to do just that.

ELF is a free school-based program for children ages five and under and their caregivers and is part of the StrongStart B.C. project funded by the Ministry of Education.

"Salt Spring really needed it," said Bronwyn Stocks, who goes to ELF with Benjamin while her older son is at preschool.

"It's 'Mommy and Ben' time. He gets to figure things out on his own, not just following his big brother."

They're joined by other moms, dads, grandparents, babies, toddlers and young kids.

It is not an early literacy program but rather a fun and stimulating place where parents stay with their kids to play and learn together with the guidance of a certified early childhood educator (ECE).

"It is structured in that it's all set up here. It's a space completely designed for kids with paints, play dough, a nature station and all that messy stuff that can be hard to get into at home," said program facilitator and ECE Janet Hoag.

People are welcome to drop in and out throughout the session, which runs Monday to Thursday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. They also have use of the gym and

outdoor playground. Parents and children pitch in to help set up activities and put everything away afterwards.

"Behind the play is teaching . . . kids don't know that they are learning, but they are," said Kathryn Akehurst, the early year coordinator for School District 64. Together with Hoag, Akehurst recognized the importance of programs that "lead from behind" and instigated Salt Spring's ELF centre.

"It really empowers parents to realize they are the first teachers and gives adults the time and permission to play."

Reading out loud, singing nursery rhymes and asking your kids open-ended questions are all building blocks of future learning.

"You need understanding of the spoken word before you can learn to read," says Hoag.

"My hope is that parents will learn the stories and songs, take them home, snuggle down, and read and sing with their children."

The education ministry has provided funding to open the doors of 80 similar programs across the province after the success of 16 pilot projects that ran last school year.

One of the goals of the early learning programs is creating and supporting social networks. Parents have a chance to hang out with other parents of young children, while kids get used to being around other kids, learn how to share, take turns and follow instructions.

"We're social beings and we need to learn how to get along. Modelling that behaviour and creating strategies to deal with different situations is so important during these years."

Another StrongStart B.C. objective is

to connect early learning centres with existing family resource programs.

Family Place, a Salt Spring Island Community Services initiative, offers a number of free family resource programs for parents and young children, including an unstructured drop-in play session Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

"It gives parents an opportunity to meet in an alternate play environment and use our resources . . . [such as] books and a children's clothing exchange," said Ragnhild Flakstad, the Family Place coordinator.

Also, Parent Child Mother Goose, a nursery rhyme and singing program led by Lisa Dodds and Melanie Dashwood, has begun for another year at the Core Inn.

"These programs are also a gateway to meet in an alternate play environment and use our resources . . . [such as] books and a children's clothing exchange," said Ragnhild Flakstad, the Family Place coordinator.

Parent Child Mother Goose, a drop-in program for kids aged 18 months to four years and their caregivers, began October 13 and runs to December 12.

Flakstad says they're already setting up meetings with the school district to discuss resource sharing with ELF, which she hopes will better serve the whole community.

For now, Benjamin Stocks can go to "school" with his mom and be happy in the knowledge that with such supportive learning centres on the island he will never feel left out.

For more information on ELF call Janet Hoag at 537-5548 ext. 606.

To contact Family Place, call 537-9176.

## Hard work saluted in memorial company publication

Nathen Wvong finds sales niche

A former Salt Spring resident was recently featured for his business success in a specialized publication.

Nathen Wvong, who graduated from Gulf Islands Secondary in 2000, took a tourism management course at Capilano College and lived on the island since 1994, was recognized for sales achievement at Westlawn Memorial Gardens in

Edmonton in the summer 2007 edition of the Arbor Record.

"Nathen is always the first person in the office in the mornings, and usually one of the last to leave," states the story. "He is well on his way to making a six-figure

income in his first full year of sales at Westlawn."

The story notes that Wvong, 25, left Salt Spring in May 2006, and had to hitchhike to Edmonton from Radium Hot Springs when his 1966 Chevy Nova broke down.



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vador, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Venezuela."

People interested in taking part in this project must first decide if their gift will be for a boy or a girl and then select an age category: two to four, five to nine and 10 to 14.

"The fun starts when you fill the box with toys, school supplies and hygiene items."

A donation of \$7 is requested to help with the shipping costs.

Boxes, along with a brochure that supplies labels and gives other important information, are available by calling Nancy Richardson at 537-1816. Boxes are due back to the Community Gospel Chapel by November 4.

For further information on the program and Samaritan's Purse, see [www.samaritanspurse.ca](http://www.samaritanspurse.ca).



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**FIRE FOCUS:** Christopher Pouliot and Alex Cote check out the open house at the Ganges fire hall on Saturday.

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### PERSONAL GROWTH

# How to live deeply while facing death

Toronto practitioner visits Salt Spring

A Remembrance Day weekend workshop on Salt Spring brings life and death together to teach people how to live and die well.

Organizer Christopher Roy said the workshop is geared towards people who are struggling with death; either themselves or someone close to them. Mentor and teacher Stephen Jenkinson will conduct the workshop over a three-day period from Friday, November 9 to Sunday, November 11.

"Dying is very much a part of living and [this workshop] teaches us how to die well," Roy said.

Roy, who was involved with pallia-

tive care in Toronto, said medical doctors in North America talk a lot about technical symptoms of dying, but not about how it affects families, or the spiritual aspects.

"Stephen does a lot of work. He gives people things that they can really use."

Roy said when people are about to pass away, the tendency for others is to watch over them, but Jenkinson teaches caregivers to sit with the dying and see what they are going through.

Roy's wife Natasha Kong said participants can expect not only to learn to be useful caregivers, but how to live life deeply by facing death.

"The skills he has given me are about living well," said Kong. "It's like savouring the food you eat; the time you have."

She added, "It touches a nerve. Everyone knows death is coming, but no one understands it."

Jenkinson's background is varied. He is the co-leader of the Max and Beatrice Wolfe Centre for Children's Grief and Palliative Care at Mount Sinai Hospital in Toronto and assistant professor at the University of Toronto's School of Family and Community Medicine.

He has helped over 1,000 people die. During their funerals he engages people with the deceased instead of talking about them.

The workshop, called Caring for the Dying is Carrying the Dead, will take place at Beaver Point Hall.

For more information or to register, call Roy or Kong at 537-1817 or visit [www.orphanwisdom.com/events](http://www.orphanwisdom.com/events).

### INTERNATIONAL AID

# Paradox of altruism explored in SOLID workshop

On the weekend of November 2-4, SOLID will host a fascinating and stimulating workshop on Salt Spring Island focusing on the challenges of "helping" Africa in this time of the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

The workshop will complement the highly successful Community to Community Conferences held in 2004 and 2006 on Salt Spring that featured a variety of workshops and speakers.

"This two-day workshop is for people already working in Africa, people wanting to go there to help, and those who

want to be involved but prefer to stay in Canada and support from afar," said organizer and SOLID director Anna Callegari. "We are very pleased to welcome workshop leaders Bonnie Dalziel and Heather Ferris, offering decades of combined experience working on Africa issues, in both Africa and Canada."

Workshop participants will benefit from their expertise in leading sessions, as well as their many years of experience in development work in Canada and Africa to bring a deeper understanding of the African

situation, people and our role in supporting them.

The workshop will include self-awareness exercises, exploring the African context through stories, slides, information, activities and skill building. Included will be practical examples of existing projects that support those in need, informal fundraising ideas and inspirational concepts for getting started and seeing a project through.

Held at the Ango Retreat on Salt Spring, the event will challenge popular notions of how to help and refine the under-

standing of altruism, particularly in the African context.

"Many people are moved to try to help the people of Africa that face such dire circumstances, but are unclear of how to go about helping," said Callegari. "This event is designed to tackle head-on the notions of what constitutes 'help' and guide participants to an understanding of acting in solidarity, rather than out of charity."

For more information and registration, visit <http://www.solidandsaltspring.org>, call 537-0863 or e-mail: [info@solidandsaltspring.com](mailto:info@solidandsaltspring.com).

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**SINGING FOR "SUPPER":** Salt Spring Gelato soccer team sing a small snippet of an ice-cream based opera for their sponsor Marck Shipley at Harlan's.

### B.C. WILDLIFE

## Images of rare coastal wolves at ArtSpring slide presentation

Environmental concerns addressed

BY CHRIS STEPHENSON  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Elusive wolves hunt for salmon along the untouched coast of the Great Bear Rainforest. It's an image that represents decades of documentation and photography for Ian McAllister's new book, *The Last of the Wolves, Ghosts of the Great Bear Rainforest*.

McAllister will launch his new project through slide show images capturing the essence of the animals and their environment at ArtSpring on Monday, October 22.

McAllister's book follows the untold story of two wolf packs of the Great Bear Rainforest along the northern coast of B.C. He hopes to promote his environmental concerns for the area.

"The wolves are very much threatened," McAllister told the Driftwood.

He said Gary Lunn, Minister of Natural Resources and MP Saanich and the Gulf Islands, is pushing to lift the moratorium to allow ocean tanker traffic along B.C.'s coast.

McAllister worries about large vessels travelling near the delicate rainforest and the potential for oil spills and other pollution that could affect the area and the wolves.

"[The minister] should know this is a very serious environmental issue."

The temperate rainforest is comprised of two million hectares just north of Knight Inlet to Princess Royal Island. McAllister said the coastal wolves depend on the land for hunting and travelling. The wolves eat seals, squid and salmon, and sometimes

swim between the islands along the northern coast.

McAllister said the wolves were never documented before and have little contact with humans.

"These wolves have escaped hundreds of years of destruction of habitat, trapping and poisoning." He added, "They are very elusive animals and very intelligent and have a good sense of smell. I knew the only way [to photograph them] was to gain their trust."

McAllister, who lives in the heart of the Great Bear Rainforest on Denny Island, would spend days along the coast trying to befriend the animals. The only way to travel to the area is by boat.

"I had to be part of the landscape, just a guy out there with a tripod."

Eventually the wolves trusted him and he began to photograph them.

The material and photographs he captured are shown through the eyes of the wolves. McAllister hopes to inform the public about what could be lost if environmental concerns are not addressed.

"The issue is largely void of what's really at stake."

McAllister's first book was the *Great Bear Rainforest*, published in 1997. The author is a nature photographer and filmmaker. He is also the founding director of the Rainforest Conservation Society and has spent 20 years working to save B.C.'s temperate rain forest from destruction.

Monday's show starts at 7 p.m. and costs \$5. The event is co-hosted by Salt Spring Books, ArtSpring and the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, with proceeds benefitting ArtSpring and the conservancy.

McAllister will also be available to sign books.

## Island bridge players entertained despite night-time power outage

Impromptu piano recital soothes dark night

BY JILL EVANS  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

October 1 was a bit unusual at the Gulf Islands Duplicate Bridge Club. Five full tables of players trooped happily in to the Seniors main room and settled down for the 27 or so rounds of bridge.

Bids could be heard, and the click of cards being snapped to the table. At the end of each set of boards, people got up and changed tables. A couple of hours

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passed and then, suddenly, lights out. Purses were dug into for flashlights (nothing can daunt a fanatic) and hands were played out under the glowing haloes, sometimes benefitting from a borrowed gleam.

Eventually it was decided to give it another 10 minutes, after which if the lights didn't come back on everyone would call it a night and head home. They didn't come back on.

But there was one winner that evening — Bob Morrisette, who surprised every-

one by playing the piano expertly in the dark during that last 10 minutes and made the frustrated players cheerfully forget about the lost bridge games.

October 8 saw a return to normal, with four and a half tables playing. George and Flo Laundry ended up ahead of the pack and Gillian Mout with Jennifer Quick were not far behind. Joan Conlan and Boodie Arnott followed in third place and the rest had to hope for better luck (and playing) next time.

Those who would like to have a go at this kind of fun can give George Laundry a call at 653-9095 or e-mail him at [pastorale@shaw.ca](mailto:pastorale@shaw.ca).



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- Bylaw No. 197 – cited as “Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 1, 2007”
- Bylaw No. 198 – cited as as “Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw 127, 1999, Amendment No. 1, 2007”.

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at **11:00 a.m. Saturday, October 27, 2007 at the Galiano Activity Centre, 1290 Sturdies Bay Road, Galiano Island**. A community information meeting will be held starting at 10:00 a.m. prior to the public hearing to discuss the bylaws.

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

## **Bylaw No. 197 – cited as “Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 1, 2007”.**

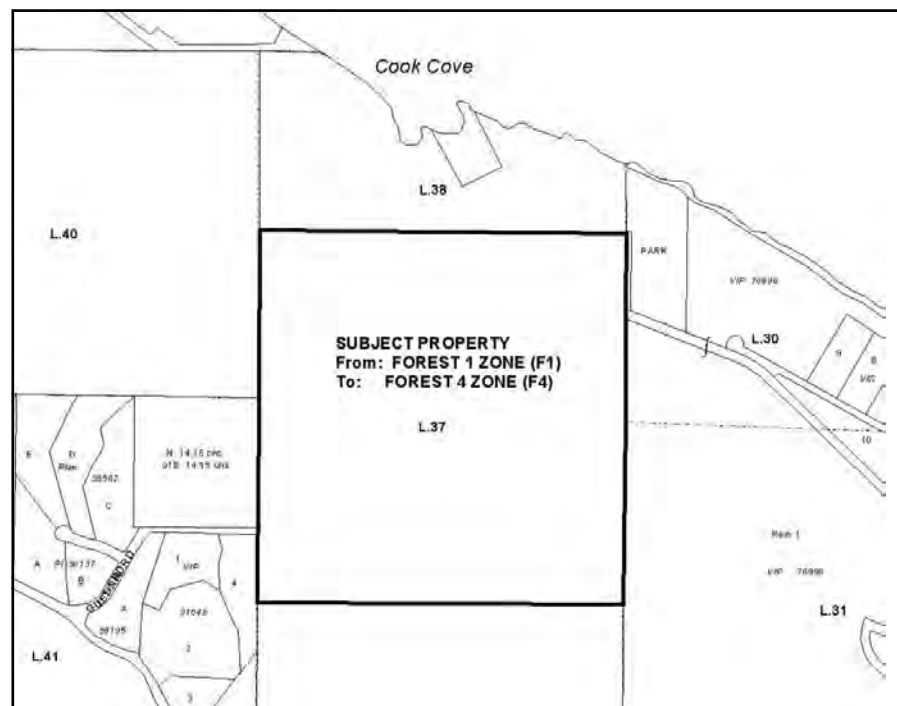
In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 197 is to amend Schedule “C” of the Galiano Island Official Community Plan to generally provide new or amended objectives, policies and mapping that relate to transportation, trails, emergency access, road and highways and amends or adds options for rezoning of Forest designated lands. The bylaw provides:

1. Three new Land Use policies and new and amended Forest policy that outlines options for rezoning of Forest lands to F2 and F4; subdivision restrictions with respect to Forest land; policy options to rezone F1, F2 and F4 zoned lands to RR and FH zones; policy regarding the location of buildings and structures in the Forest lands; covenant requirements for rezoning of lands to F2 or F4 and transportation access requirements to allow a dwelling on Forest land;
2. Amended Land Transportation objectives;

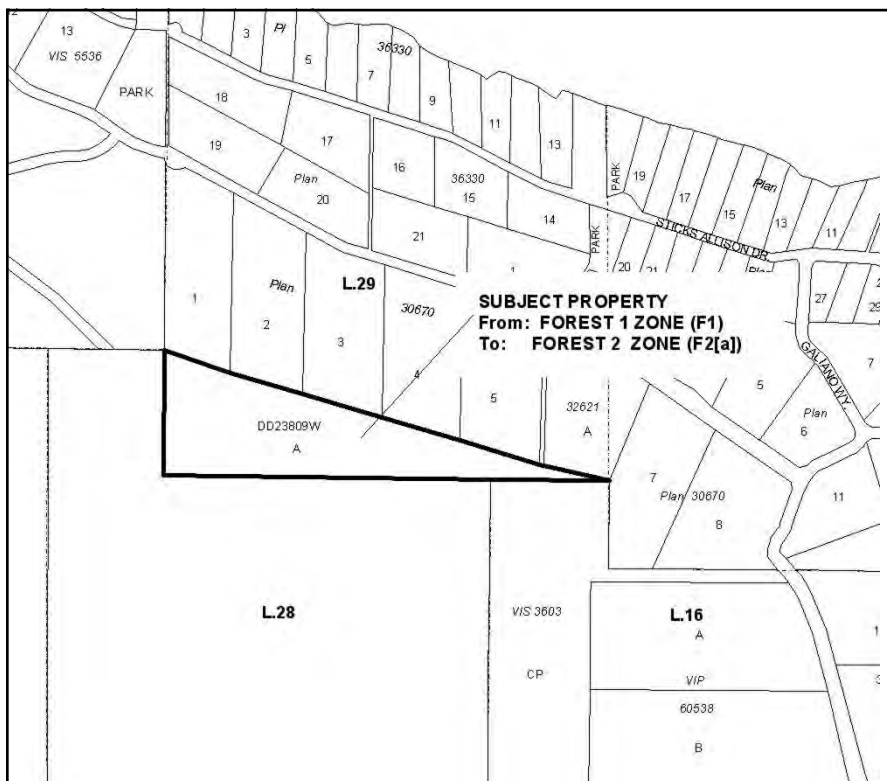
3. Two amended Land Transportation policies and four new Land Transportation policies that provide guidance to the management of proposed highway and emergency access locations and possible trail and utility routes, access requirements for Economic Activity Zones, and guidance as to the development of highways and statutory rights of way for emergency access at the time of subdivision;
4. New definitions that assist in the interpretation of proposed objectives and policies; and
5. A revised Map Schedule “C” that outlines existing and proposed highway and emergency access routes and road standards, land status, beach access locations, bicycle routes and roads that may be defined under Section 4 of the *Highways Act*. Various notations are provided on the map to assist in its interpretation.

## **Bylaw No. 198 – cited as “Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw 127, 1999, Amendment No. 1, 2007”.**

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 198 is to introduce means to: rezone lands and identify exception regulations by map notation on Schedule B; amend the screening requirements for F1, F2, F3 and FLR zoned lands; amend for purposes of clarification the setback requirements in the F2 and FLR zones; establish a lot coverage restriction for a lot zoned F2(a) being a new exception clause to the general F2 zone requirements; amend for purposes of clarification the regulations that apply to permitted residential density in the F3 zone; introduce regulations with respect to a new F4 zone, add policies with respect to public access to water bodies; make various amendments to clarify references to subsections; add a new definition for “lot coverage” and by changing the zoning of lands legally described as District Lot 37, Galiano Island, Cowichan District from Forest 1 (F1) Zone to Forest 4 (F4) Zone. The location of the property is identified on the following map;



and by changing the zoning of lands legally described as that part of District Lot 29, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, lying south westerly of a straight line adjoining the south east corner of District Lot 31, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, with the south east corner of said District Lot 29, to which parcel of land the registrar hereby assigns the distinguishing letter “A” from Forest 1 Zone (F1) to Forest 2 Zone with the assigned map zone designation (F2(a)) to denote the application of an exception clause. The location of the property is identified on the following map. (below)



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 October 12, 2007**.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2)(e) of the *Local Government Act*, a copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may also be inspected at the Galiano Island Trustee Office, when the office is opened by Local Trustees. The binder will be in the Trustee Office by October 19, 2007.

Also 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 Galiano Island, B.C., commencing October 12, 2007 and can also be viewed on the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca> and selecting <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/ltc/gf/bylaws.cfm>

Written submissions may be delivered to:

1. the office of the Islands Trust by mail at #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, or by Fax (250) 405-5155 or can be sent on-line by going to the Islands Trust Website at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/ltc/gf/meetings.cfm> and completing the “Public Hearing, October 27, 2007, Submission Form”, prior to 4:30 p.m., October 26, 2007;

2. after 4:30 p.m., **October 26, 2006** to the Trust Committee at the Public Hearing at **11:00 a.m., Saturday, October 27, 2007**

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Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Regional Planning Manager, at (250) 405-5170 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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**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 17**

5:00 PM	The Simpsons	Grand-papa (N)	Timothy (/:10) Mama	(4:30) NHL Hockey - New Jersey vs. Pittsburgh (Live)	CHEK News	Full House	Early News	CTV News	Punjab Times	A Channel News at 5	The Ellen Degeneres Show (N)	My Wife and Kids	Malcolm in the Middle	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	Being Ian	MLB LCS Pre-Game
	Arrested Pilot	L'Union fait la force	(:35) Babar			King of the Hill	Global National		Phoenix World News		CityCooks	That '70s Show	The Simpsons	ABC World News				CBS Evening News	Sabrina Teen Witch	MLB Baseball
6:00	News	Le Téléjournal	Kratts' Creatures		News	The Simpsons	News	News									CBC News: The National	News	SpongeBob SquarePants	National League Championship Series - Game 5 - Arizona vs. Colorado (if necessary) (Live)
			Popular Mechanics			Friends			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	That '70s Show	Family Guy		KING 5 News				Drake & Josh	
7:00	Coronation Street	Virginie (N)	Meerkat Manor	SportsCentre	EI News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	Etalk (N)	Police Woman	Star! Daily	Wheel of Fortune	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Ask the Governor	Thunderheads (N)	Entertainment Tonight	Malcolm in the Middle	
	Marketplace (N)	L'Epicerie	Wild at Heart		The Insider	The Simpsons	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Pure in Heart	Friends	Jeopardy	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Christiane Greigore		The Insider	Fresh Prince of Bel Air	
8:00	Little Mosque (N)	Le match des étoiles (N)	Ancient Clues	PGA Golf Grand Slam - Day 2	Kid Nation Viva La Revolution! (N)	Home Improvement	Back to You (N)	Private Practice (N)	Vancouver Nights	The Collector	America's Next Top Model (N)	America's Next Top Model (N)	Back to You (N)	Pushing Daisies The Fun in Funeral (N)	Deal or No Deal	Wired Science (N)	CBC News: The National	Kid Nation Viva La Revolution! (N)	Prank Patrol The Wrestler	
	Opportunity Wasted (N)		Abydos and the Afterlife		Home Improvement	Home Improvement	'Til Death (N)		Iranian Pop	The UFOlogist			'Til Death (N)						Fries With That?	
9:00	the fifth estate If Justice Falls (N)	Une heure sur terre	What the Ancients Did for Us The Romans		Bionic Woman Face Off (N)	The Standard	Bones Death in the Saddle	Criminal Minds Children of the Dark (N)	Sabor Latino	"Along Came Polly" ★★ (Com, '04) Ben Stiller.	"Underworld" ★★ (Fant, '03) Kate Beckinsale.	Gossip Girl Dare Devil (N)	Kitchen Nightmares Olde Stone Mill (N)	Private Practice (N)	Bionic Woman Face Off (N)	The War A Deadly Calling	CBC News: The National	Criminal Minds Children of the Dark (N)	Futurama	Sportsnet Connected
						Insights Into Sikhism													Pinky & the Brain	
10:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	Why Democracy? Please Vote for Me (N)		Simple Life/Camp Sunset Tan (N)	Cold Case Discretions	Life What They Saw (N)	CSI: NY Time's Up (N)	Hola Que Tal		Seinfeld	Q-13 Fox News at Ten	Dirty Sexy Money The Chiavennasca (N)	Life What They Saw (N)			Thunderheads	CSI: NY Time's Up (N)	Naruto	Sportsnet Connected
											Seinfeld The Label Maker								Shadow Raiders	
11:00	The Hour	Le Téléjournal	Season Child Origins of Human Aggression	SportsCentre	News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Frasier The Placeholder	Family Guy	News	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	Mystery Hunters	Sportsnet Connected
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12:00 MID	Arrested Pilot	La zone	Stuarts Did for Us	Off the Record	(:05) Chelsea Late Show	Coach Puppy Love	(:05) Ent. Tonight	(:05) The Daily Show	Jai Fiji	Show With Jay Leno (N)	(:05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park Chickenpox	RENO 911!	(:05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	Mystery!		The Hour	Futurama	Pratt & Taylor	
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**THURSDAY OCTOBER 18**

5:00 PM	The Simpsons	Grand-papa (N)	Timothy (/:10) Mama	Boxing - McCline vs. Peter	CHEK News	Full House	Early News	CTV News	Punjab Times	A Channel News at 5	The Ellen Degeneres Show (N)	My Wife and Kids	MLB Baseball American League Championship Series - Game 5 - Boston vs. Cleveland (if necessary) (Live)	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	Being Ian	MLB Baseball American League Championship Series - Game 5 - Boston vs. Cleveland (if necessary) (Live)
	Arrested Top Banana	L'Union fait la force	(:35) Babar			King of the Hill	Global National		Phoenix World News		CityCooks	That '70s Show		ABC World News				CBS Evening News	Sabrina Teen Witch	
6:00	News	Le Téléjournal	Mentors (N)	Poker World Series - Satellite Event	News	The Simpsons	News	News									CBC News: The National	News	SpongeBob SquarePants	
		Oniva	Reach for the Top			Friends			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	That '70s Show 5:15			KING 5 News				Drake & Josh	
7:00	Coronation Street	Virginie (N)	Profiles of Nature (N)	SportsCentre	EI News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	ER Gravity (N)	Police Woman	Star! Daily	Wheel of Fortune	The King of Queens	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	The Nature of Things The Bear Man of Kamchatka	Entertainment Tonight	Malcolm in the Middle		
	Who Do You Think (N)	Infoman			The Insider	The Simpsons	Ent. Tonight Canada		Pure in Heart	Friends	Jeopardy	The King of Queens	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Ask This Old House		The Insider	Fresh Prince of Bel Air		
8:00	The Nature of Things (N)	Tous pour un Céline Dion	A History of Britain Burning Convictions	In This Corner (N)	"I Me Wed" (Rom, '07) Erica Durance.	Home Improvement	Survivor: China Love Is in the Air (N)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (N)	What's in Vancouver? Main Office	Smallville Cure (N)	Ugly Betty Grin and Bear It (N)	Smallville Cure (N)	Q13 News	Ugly Betty Grin and Bear It (N)	My Name Is Earl (N)	Perilous Fight Wrath (D-Day and V-E Day)	CBC News: The National	Survivor: China Love Is in the Air (N)	Prank Patrol	
						Home Improvement							Malcolm in the Middle		The Office Money (N)	Nova Ghost in Your Genes		China Love Is in the Air (N)	Fries With That?	Sportsnet Connected
9:00	Doc Zone How to Stop a Hurricane	Enquête	Feast India Divali	Boxing HBO After Dark - Pacquiao vs. Barrera and Diaz vs. Diaz	The Standard	The Office Money (N)	The Office Money (N)	Teri Meri Duniya Sadabaha Naghmae		Supernatural Bad Day at Black Rock (N)	Supernatural Bad Day at Black Rock (N)	King of the Hill	Grey's Anatomy The Heart of the Matter (N)	The Office Money (N)	Nova Ghost in Your Genes	CBC News: The National	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (N)	Futurama	Sportsnet Connected	
			Feast India		Messages					Terminal City	Seinfeld The Butter Shave	Seinfeld The Race	Q-13 Fox News at Ten	ER Gravity (N)	Frontline Cheney's Law	The Nature of Things The Bear Man of Kamchatka	Viva Laughlin The Pilot (P) (N)	Naruto	Shadow Raiders	
10:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	The Lost Gods	SportsCentre	News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Realty Television	Frasier I'm Listening	Family Guy	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	Mystery Hunters	Sportsnet Connected
			Wild at Heart						CTI News		Star! Daily	Frasier	Two and a Half Men	(:35) News Nightline	(:35) The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	Nightly Business		(:35) David Letterman	Prank Patrol Bigfoot	
12:00 MID	Arrested Top Banana	(:15) La fosse aux lionnes	New Tricks Casualty	Off the Record	(:05) Chelsea Late Show	International Laser Clinic	(:05) Ent. Tonight	(:05) The Daily Show	Punjabi Vibes	Show With Jay Leno (N)	(:05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park Freak Strike	RENO 911!	(:05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	Smart Travels	The Hour	Futurama	Pratt & Taylor		
	Canadian Reflections			Motoring 2007	(:35) Late, Late Show	PR Maxx	(:35) E.T. Canada	(:35) Colbert Report	Desi Rhythms	(:35) Conan O'Brien (N)				(:35) Conan O'Brien (N)			(:35) Late, Late Show	Malcolm in the Middle		

**FRIDAY OCTOBER 19**

5:00 PM	The Simpsons	Grand-papa (N)	Timothy (/:10) Mama	CFL Football - Calgary vs. Winnipeg (Live)	CHEK News	Full House	Early News	CTV News	Punjab Times	A Channel News at 5	The Ellen Degeneres Show (N)	My Wife and Kids	Malcolm in Middle Zoo	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	"The Addams Family" ★★ (Com, '91) Anjelica Huston.	MLB LCS Pre-Game Prime Time Sports
	Arrested Development	L'Union fait la force	(:35) Babar			King of the Hill	Global National		Phoenix World News		CityCooks	That '70s Show	The Simpsons	ABC World News				CBS Evening News	News	
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		Canada en amour	Kratts' Creatures			Friends			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	That '70s Show Sparks	Family Guy		KING 5 News					
7:00	Coronation Street	Du cœur au ventre	Northern Wilderness Across the Great Divide	SportsCentre	EI News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	Etalk (N)	Police Woman	Star! Daily	Wheel of Fortune	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	the fifth estate	Entertainment Tonight	(:05) Storm Hawks	NHL Hockey - Los Angeles vs. Vancouver (Live)
	Coronation Street				The Insider	The Simpsons	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Pure in Heart	Friends	Jeopardy	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Rick Steves' Europe		The Insider	Team Galaxy	
8:00	RCAF: Farce Live (N)	Paquet voleur	By the Book Cider with Rosie (N)	SportsCentre	Deal or No Deal	3D Dialogue	Numb3rs Thirteen (N)	Ghost Whisperer No Safe Place (N)	Weekly News Forum CTS Night Club	The Next Great American Band Auditions (P) (N)	"Entrapment" ★★ (Cri, '99) Sean Connery.	Friday Night Smackdown (N)	The Next Great American Band Auditions (P) (N)	20/20	Deal or No Deal	NOW (N)	CBC News: The National	Ghost Whisperer No Safe Place (N)	Naruto	
	Rick Mercer Report													Women's Murder Club Train in Vain (N)	Washington Week (N)	Bill Moyers Journal (N)		No Safe Place (N)	Avatar	
9:00	Torchwood Ghost Machine	L'heure de gloire		ATP Tennis Masters Series - Quarter-final	Women's Murder Club Train in Vain (N)	The Standard	Friday Night Lights (N)	Moonlight Fever (N)	Hwang Jin Yi						Friday Night Lights (N)		CBC News: The National	Moonlight Fever (N)	"Fullmetal Alchemist: Conqueror of Shamballa" (Ani, '05) Voices of Vic Mignogna.	Sportsnet Connected
						The Voices of Religion													Invader Zim	
10:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes The Three Gables		20/20	Cold Case Yo, Adrian	Las Vegas Run, Cooper, Run (N)	CSI: NY	Open Concert	To Be Announced	Men in Trees Chemical Reactions	Seinfeld The Scofflaw	Q-13 Fox News at Ten IQ Weekly	Men in Trees Chemical Reactions (N)	Las Vegas Run, Cooper, Run (N)	"Fiddler on the Roof" ★★ (Rom, '71) Chaim Topol.	the fifth estate	Numb3rs Thirteen (N)	Eureka Seven	Sportsnet Connected
																			Storm Hawks	
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	Kenny vs. Spenny			In This Corner	(:35) Late, Late Show	Kingstar			Music Bank	(:35) Conan O'Brien (N)		South Park	M*A*S*H Dreams	(:35) Conan O'Brien (N)		(:35) Late, Late Show	Invader Zim			

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# Sports & Recreation



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**ON THE BALL:** Salt Spring Alumni player Jude Shugar, left, and Old Boys player Ben Cooper fight for the ball in a weekend match-up between the two local teams. The Alumni won the match 6-0.

## SPORTS COMMENTARY

# Crossing the line — Kesler/Boulerice fiasco

No room in NHL for vicious hits

With the recent controversy surrounding the now infamous cross-check to the face of Vancouver Canucks forward Ryan Kesler, the National Hockey League (NHL) has responded by giving Philadelphia Flyers enforcer Jesse Boulerice a 25-game suspension.

But the big question still remains, is it enough?

After spending the better part of last week watching various replays that showed different angles of the vicious hit, I came to the conclusion that there is just no room in the world of professional sports for players like Boulerice and even a million apologies wouldn't change the fact that what he did was totally unacceptable and he should not have the privilege of playing in the NHL.

The cross-check to Kesler follows a trend of ugly hits that have ruined the reputations of once-respected hockey players such as Todd Bertuzzi, who most people in British Columbia remember as being a big part of the Canucks'



Patrick Cwiklinski

## LET'S TALK SPORTS

success in the early part of this decade, but across the league he's better known as the man responsible for ending the career of Colorado Avalanche rookie Steve Moore.

There's nothing wrong with playing a physical game.

Everyone loves to see a big hit or good fight every once in a while, but throwing cheap shots at players, especially while your team is up by 7-2 in the third period, is disgraceful.

Furthermore, Boulerice was banned from the Ontario Hockey League (OHL) for a similar incident and yet he is still an active member of the NHL... go figure.

The Philadelphia Flyers have also had bad luck this season with the suspension to Boulerice being the second one the team has received this year. In the pre-season, Steve Downie was suspended for 20 games for a late

hit on Ottawa Senator Dean McAmmond, which resulted in him having to be rushed off the ice on a stretcher.

Dozens of tough and aggressive players in the NHL have had 15- to 20-year careers without a single suspension and can still intimidate and constantly involve themselves in brawls.

The difference is these players use their heads and know how much is too much, never crossing that line from physical to brutal.

So what's next for Jesse Boulerice?

What happens when he gets back from serving his 25-game suspension? Can we expect a changed man who will never lay a finger on another player again? The answer... fat chance.

And as long as the NHL lets its players miss a mere 20-30 games on attacks this premeditated and cowardly, I guarantee this will not be the last time we see this happen.

*Patrick Cwiklinski is a sports fanatic and a new contributor to the Driftwood's sports pages. Watch for Let's Talk Sports in future issues.*

## GISS SOCCER

# Boys grab 10-0 win

Five players hit net

The Scorpions senior boys soccer team jump-started their season last Thursday as they attempted to claw their way back into the play-off picture.

Travelling to Ladysmith with a 1-2 record, the Gulf Islands Secondary School team players were all business from the opening whistle.

Playing a 4-4-2 with Calum Gunn shifting to centre back, and Felix Payer moving to centre midfield, the team found an early rhythm, moving the ball quickly and creatively while squelching any Ladysmith attack.

By half time the Scorpions were up 3-0 with goals by Payer, Rodrigo Cruz and Cardin Davis. In the second half Jeff Pringle found the target, as did Ricky Goller and Cruz with his second goal.

However, the day belonged to Davis, a veteran with four years on the provincial team and stints with the national program, who blasted home five goals en route to a 10-0 drubbing.

According to coach Doug Pearson, other team members are beginning to turn some heads as well.

Captain Bobby Byron has taken hold of the midfield in the past couple of weeks and added great leadership.

Liam Johnston is also having a break-out season playing left back.

Kevan Brown, who at age 14 is by far the youngest player, has gained a prominent role as a starter at left back.

This week the team travels to Cedar before a home game on Wednesday, October 24 at 3:30 p.m. against Woodland, which currently holds first place.

## WHAT'S ON This Week?

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## Sports Schedule

### Women's Soccer

Salt Spring Dragons vs. Vic A's  
Gulf Islands Secondary  
Sun., Oct. 21 at 12:30 p.m.

### Football

GISS Senior Varsity Scorpions vs G.P.  
Vanier Secondary from Courtenay  
Gulf Islands Secondary  
Thurs., Oct. 18 at 3:15 p.m.

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# Flick Pick

28 Weeks Later — artistic propaganda or a purely fun time



Jason Tudor

28 Weeks Later is the sequel to the wildly successful 28 Days Later, in which the "Rage" virus wiped out the entirety of England by transforming practically the entire population into homicidal, bloodthirsty maniacs.

At the beginning of 28 Weeks Later the "Infected" have all died of starvation and a U.S.-led NATO force has begun to repatriate the island. In a tiny part of London, 15,000 are just beginning to live a new life.

One of them is Don Harris (Robert Carlyle), recently reunited with his two children, but forever pained by the memory of leaving his wife to be munched on by the Infected. When the two kids run off to find souvenirs of their dead mom at home, they bring something back that threatens to start the zombie apocalypse all over again.

Oh, who am I kidding. This

is a zombie film, and rule #1 of said genre is that humans are fallible and the victory of the brain eaters is inevitable.

What makes 28 Weeks Later really interesting is its alarming social subtext. When the Infected break out in the newly-repatriated Green Zone, causing all manner of panic, the U.S. military decides to go Code Red. Which eventually means killing everything that moves.

This sets up truly heartbreaking sequences in which snipers kill everything in a courtyard without regard for friend or foe, where a mass of repatriates are forced into a locked shelter and end up trapped with the virus, and fighter jets firebomb the masses in a hellish conflagration.

It's genuinely horrifying, and not-so-subtly links the film's military amorality with the current American government's willingness to perpetrate its

own horrors in Iraq, Abu Gharib and even Patriot-Acted America itself.

Many zombie films use humour to deflate the intensity of their doomed world-views, but 28 Weeks Later pours on the dread all the way though to a climax that initially seems cheeky, but becomes more chilling the more you think about it.

You're probably asking if this review is really a recommendation. Sure, some people will probably find it a "fun time" . . . the same people that completely miss its political implications, no doubt. For me, it was almost an act of artistic propaganda that had a decidedly subliminal impact on the way I see the world.

I guess that makes it a recommendation for both types of viewer. Either you'll have fun, or you'll be politically educated.

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## SPORTS & RECREATION

### SIMS FOOTBALL

# Slayers hold onto 2nd place with fourth win of season

Home team fan support appreciated

BY BILL BARRETT  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) Slayers hosted the Parksville Titans Saturday in a defensive game that rivalled the CFL for excitement.

On offence, the Slayers were not able to run belly-option plays to the outside, as they were repeatedly shut down.

Quarterback Torin McIvor was frustrated at times, as his offensive linemen were not completing their assignments. After a time-out and motivational piece delivered by the coach, the offensive linemen were galvanized into action.

McIvor then switched it up and ran lead-option plays, handing off to full-back Aaron Hoffman, who then blew his way through the Titans defence with 24

carries for 158 net yards and two touchdowns. Sam Miles had 13 carries for 64 and McIvor had seven carries for 15 yards, a touchdown and the only convert.

At the end of the half the game was tied 7-7 and the final score was Titans 13, Slayers 19.

Highlights came from Grade 6 kicker Lukas Wenzel, with his consistent 40-yard plus kickoffs, and Grade 6 centre Noah Price, who had no fumbles with quarterback McIvor.

On defence the Slayers stood fast, with the Titans fighting hard to achieve first downs. This led the Titans to use their passing game effectively, moving the ball up field with huge gains, which resulted in their only touchdowns.

Defensive highlights came from defensive tackles Kayla Pultke for an interception and Tyler Layard for sacking the Titan quarterback. Strong side safety Hoffman

led in tackling, followed by Gordy Fraser, Miles, Derek Oswell, McIvor, Layard, Price, Ben Beaver, Pultke, Brady Moore and Barry Goodwin.

The last two minutes of the game saw the Titans march down field to the Slayers' three-yard line, but the Slayers held and the Titans turned the ball over "on downs," at which time McIvor took a knee to run the clock out for the win. It was an excellent game with excitement right to the end.

The Slayers still retain possession of second place and their next game is away on Saturday, October 20 against the Port Alberni Sea Lions.

The game drew the largest crowd of the season.

The Slayers would like to thank the parents for their support and encouragement, and Trish Hoffman and all the fans for supporting the team fundraiser.

### SENIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

# School team hits field united; takes 24-7 exhibition game win

Veteran player credits teamwork

BY PATRICK CWIKLINSKI  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Following a 38-0 loss to the Barsby Bulldogs the previous week, the Gulf Islands Secondary School Scorpions senior varsity football team realized they had to work harder in order to win.

A full week of intense practices and the return of head coach Doug Mitchell propelled the Scorpions to defeat the Belmont Bulldogs in a rematch exhibition game at home.

When asked what the team did differently from previous games in their win against the Bulldogs, player Ian Barrett responded simply by saying, "We played as a team, did our jobs and trusted each other."

Barrett, who played another amazing game, scoring all four touchdowns for the Scorpions and running for about 200 yards, also said that the presence of coach Mitchell was a definite boost for the team.

"He brings a different atmosphere to the football field. I'm very glad he's back and you can tell everyone is very happy to have him back."

The Scorpions got off to an excellent start with a 70-yard touchdown run from Barrett just minutes into the game, giving his team a 6-0 lead over Belmont after failing to convert for two points.

The Bulldogs fought hard to try breaking through the Scorpions defence, but Myles Raposo, who led the team in tackles with eight, and Sebastian Banks, five tackles and

an interception, would keep them contained and stop them from even getting close to running the ball in for a touchdown.

The second quarter, much like the first, was dominated by the Scorpions with more fantastic offensive and defensive play. Banks and Angus Fraser lit up the field and added some big yards of their own, giving the Scorpions some variety on offence and ultimately running the ball into the red zone where Barrett would pick up his second touchdown of the game, on a 10-yard run, taking a 12-0 lead over the Bulldogs at the half.

The Scorpions kept piling up yards in the third quarter and left the Bulldogs behind 18-0 after Barrett's third touchdown of the game with a 60-yard run into the end zone. Defensively, the Scorpion's solid play stayed consistent as Henry Lindemann, who had four tackles, and Kevin Abbott, two tackles and a sack, worked hard to try to keep the Bulldogs from scoring.

Patrick Poetsch left the game with an injury after four tackles and a sack, which gave Belmont an opportunity to get their first touchdown of the game, along with a field goal, and the score remained 18-7 until the end of the quarter.

The fourth quarter saw the Scorpions keep up the great work on defence and hold the Bulldogs off the scoreboard. This gave Barrett a chance to run 40 yards for his last touchdown of the game, putting the Scorpions ahead of the Bulldogs by 17 points with the final score 24-7.

The senior Scorpions are scheduled to host G.P. Vanier Secondary from Courtenay on Thursday, October 18 at 3:15 p.m.

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

# Dragons' wall of strength, focus lead to 3-1 win

Salt Spring Dragons celebrated a well-deserved 3-1 victory over Vic West on Sunday.

Vic West came out confident and scored the first goal, but within minutes the Dragons answered right back with a brilliant cross from Mardon Dary, which just needed a light redirection into the back of the net by Sue-Anne Donaldson.

The Dragons came out focused, determined and were

first to the ball in the second half, reported Donaldson.

"Our team capitalized on both of our corner kicks," she said.

One was a short ball assisted by Stacey Anderson and lifted just over the keeper's hands by Donaldson, and the clincher goal came within the final minutes of the second half. Clara Mackenzie executed a picture-perfect corner kick that landed on the penalty spot and was

shot through a maze of legs, again by Donaldson.

"Their team was unable to penetrate our solid defensive line, which was a wall of strength," said Donaldson. "Amy Gessinger had a stellar performance on defence. Our keeper Joanne O'Connor made some great saves, which ensured our lead."

The Dragons look forward to their next match at home on October 21 at 12:30 p.m. against the Vic A's.

## SPORTS &amp; RECREATION

## YOUTH SOCCER



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

U15 player Noah Van Hullebush is surrounded by Cowichan players as he fights for the ball, and referee Stuart Garside looks on.

## Battles on the soccer pitch

The Salt Spring U10 boys enjoyed super fine weather and a full roster at a mini-tournament this weekend.

In their first game against Lakehill, the boys were down 2-0 at the half, but kicked into gear with a goal by Josh Brown. Thomas Weatherby ferociously guarded the net in the second half, saving two shots in a row, before succumbing to another. Then Nik Graham scored, leaving Gabe Gold to pop in the final two goals and give Salt Spring a 4-3 win. Graham was also great playing keeper for the first time.

In the second game the players showed adept and practised passing and teamwork, playing hard and having fun against the well-unified Gorge team. The final score was 2-1 for Gorge, with Gold scoring the single goal on a tear-out breakaway. Chase Kazakoff put in a fine performance in net, and some honourable mentions go to Matt Traer, Isaiah Stonehouse, Daniel Davies, Andrew Sinclair and Nicholas Howe for their tenacity and heart.

• The Salt Spring U12 Team Kopetzki showed great effort and amazing foot control as they played their way to a 4-4 tie against Gorge last weekend.

Within a few minutes of the game's start, Justin Kopetzki drove in the first goal on an assist by Tai Levitt. Salt Spring dominated the first half, thanks to a goal by Levitt, assisted by Kopetzki, and to valiant and consistent saves from keeper Eldin Miller-Stead.

The Gorge team fought back with two goals, answered by Salt Spring's Cody MacQueen, who scored on a strong kick. The Gorge team evened the score to 3-3 in the second half, only to have Eric Weatherby drive in a fourth goal. The game ended in a tie, after a final goal from Gorge.

• Team Montalbetti U12 boys had a challenging home game against Gorge Ruxton on Saturday. It started fast with Gorge scoring in the first few minutes of play. Team M was undeterred and Wes Pickering scored minutes later. Gorge scored another just before the half-time whistle.

Gorge started strong in the second half, scoring two more before islander Sam Montalbetti scored three

### SOCCERKICKS

consecutive goals. Even with that, Gorge forged on and scored again. A minute later a battle in front of the Gorge net couldn't handle Jacob Weir's kick and he netted his first goal of the season.

This left the game at 5-5 and Team M with one win and two ties this season.

• Salt Spring's U14 Spartans boys came up short on a brilliant soccer Saturday in Sooke, losing 2-1 in a tightly fought battle. Unluckily, the game was ultimately decided by a highly contested penalty kick awarded to a sprawling Sooke player, on what appeared to the Spartans and their fans to be a clean slide check by Arthur Irwin-Cambell.

The bigger Sooke team carried much of the first-half pace. They were able to get one well-placed shot off a goal-mouth scramble past returning keeper Byron Mussell before half time.

Play in the second half began to turn in favour of the hustling Salt Springers, who found a second wind against the tiring Sooke midfield. Salt Spring fell behind 2-0 on the questioned free kick, before battling back with many chances in the final minutes.

A brilliant shot by Nick Slakov, assisted by a nice tip from Liam Simpson, was the only goal the Spartans could tally. The Spartans take their 1-1-1 record into Saturday's home game against Cowichan Valley (12:30 p.m. at GISS).

• Salt Spring's U15 Island Star Girls bounced back to win the second half of an extremely physical match against a tough Juan de Fuca squad in Langford on Saturday.

The game had already started as late-arriving islanders took to the field and war-painted Langford players nabbed an early 5-0 lead (with the aid of a few elbows, shoves from behind and an offside goal).

But the Island Stars responded with focussed intensity for an equally lopsided second half. Non-stop scoring opportunities came from Bonny Peter, Liz Fennell and Megan Jarman before Becky Edwards sent a beautiful free kick over a

wall of players and into the net.

Pressure from Ebony Ashford, Nicole McMahon and Clover Fedoriuk-Russell forced several more chances until Jody Pringle finished a crisp passing play to score a second island goal that was developed by the whole team.

A defensive line featuring Fennell, Jarman, Hayley Harkema, Amalia Smith and Christine Villadsen squelched all Juan de Fuca hopes in the second half.

Despite such a startling shift of balance in the game, the star of the match was clearly Salt Spring's Ashley Kilbourn, who maintained her composure to make repeated dramatic saves (on her birthday) during the 5-2 contest.

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## 6 DEATHS

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Anne was born in Sardis, B.C., to Rev. William and Mary Allan and grew up in the communities of Kitimat, Bella Bella, Skidegate, Port Simpson and Terrace. She moved to Salt Spring Island at age 17 when her father was appointed Minister of the United Church. Anne married Colin Mouat in 1936. A joyous and caring person, she gave selflessly to her family wherever they were, to the Ganges United Church and to her Salt Spring community at large. She always promised "to fight the good fight" and she did that to the end through her service to others. Everyone loved Anne and she will be deeply missed.

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A complete job description is available in the library.

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**Start Date:** January 2, 2008

Send cover letter and resume by email to [ming@saltspringlibrary.com](mailto:ming@saltspringlibrary.com); or by regular mail to Chief Librarian, Salt Spring Island Public Library, 129 McPhillips Ave., Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2T6.

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SOCCKER LEAGUE

## Referee shortage hampering local soccer league functions

Not too late to join October courses

The season is underway and the teams are finally settled as another Salt Spring Island Youth Soccer Association (SSIYSA) soccer season is in full swing.

This season we have teams at Boys U-18, U-15, U-14, two at U-12, two at U-11 and U-10, Girls U-18, U-16, U-15, U-13, U-11, U-10, and we also have lots of children playing in the mini program.

It is a very full program and the executive and technical director, Sue Spencer, of SSIYSA have put many hours into getting this all running smoothly.

There are four adult teams at this level with Salt Spring FC (Div. 1 men), Salt Spring Dragons (Div. 3 women), and Salt Spring Old Boys and Salt Spring Alumni both at Master C, all who have had good starts to their season.

The biggest problem the association faces right now, with the growth of teams, is a shortage of referees to cover all these games. As head referee, I've come up with a three-pronged program to try to alleviate this problem.

1. Offering a Class 5 referees course, with three sessions running between October 13 and 20.

2. Increasing the number of reserve referees: We hope some adults, particularly in the Super 6 and 8 groups, will take the Class 5 exam to become reserve referees. The course is free.

Reserve referees are used in the event we do not have a referee for a particular game. They must take the Class 5 course listed above.

3. Offering a free linesmen's course: Grant Eckberg will run the linesmen's course on Saturday, October 20 from 4:30-6 p.m. in conjunction with the Class 5 clinic.

Grant invites all to come and learn how to run a line at a soccer game, whether for fun, to help out their team or just learn more about the game.

As you can see, we are making attempts to rectify the lack of referees and after



PHOTO BY JOHN CAMERON

Referee Malcolm Legg lightens the mood during an exhibition match between two island teams last weekend — the Salt Spring Alumni and the Old Boys.



Malcolm Legg

### SOCCKER ROUND-UP

the course we will sit a little better with the younger referees, but we still need senior officials to help with our schedule.

If we can get 15 people to take a Class 4 course, then we can hold it here and get everyone properly certified to do all youth matches.

In other news, the raffle is coming together and tickets will be available soon, and October 26 is photo day with Dick Davidson.

Anyone with questions about the referee courses should contact me at mlegg@saltspringwireless.com or by phone at 537-4970.

YOUTH SOCCER

## U18 slam Sooke; stay undefeated

The U-18 boys retained their undefeated status on Sunday when they hosted Sooke at Portlock Park.

Within two minutes of the opening whistle, Rodrigo Cruz Carvallo won the ball and carried it deep into the offensive end where he executed an accurate pass to Jesson Motherwell, who pounded it low into the left-hand corner from outside the 18-yard box.

Shortly after, Felix Payer passed to Motherwell, who then laid it back to Payer, who scored on another low ball to the right-hand corner. The third goal was tallied from a beautiful driving header by Carvallo when Julian Smith chipped the ball just outside the six-yard box.

Early in the second half, Sooke scored in a one-on-one against keeper Brandon Shaw. When they landed another on a penalty

kick, the local squad retaliated.

In his first game since recovering from an ankle injury, Ricky Goller carried the ball outside the 18-yard box and as the keeper came out to defend his net, Goller passed to himself inside the six-yard box and scored on an empty net.

He followed up with another left-footed drive from the right wing to count Salt Spring's fifth goal.

The whole team played well with many excellent attempts on net by Dakota Saunders, Dustin Edwards and Jeremy Marchi. Jordan Girard and Quinn Temmel worked hard on the wings, and Liam Johnston and Julian Smith excelled in the defensive third.

Cameron Barter and Avery Hunter played in many different positions and rose to the challenge.



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## Harvest time



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