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GRAD 2010: Diplomas in hand, high school graduates cheer as they gather in the field for a class photo. See the valedictorian's speech and more photos on page B9, and watch for additional photos in Friday's Weekender publication.

ISLANDS TRUST Video standoff disrupts trust meeting

Trustees to consider recording proceedings

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Thursday's Salt Spring Local Trust committee meeting suffered close to an hour-long delay after a local videographer refused to turn her camera off during the proceedings.

Citing a "constitutional right" to film the meeting, Tracy Smith stood her ground as LTC chair Sheila Malcolmson recessed the meeting twice to consult with staff, determine the proper protocol and try to reach a compromise.

"We have to get this on record," Smith told trustees and participants assembled at the meeting. "[Staff at the Islands Trust] are representing fiction and I am representing the common man."

"I stand here on my constitutional right to defend the common man and myself."

Smith said she intended to film the meeting to ensure there was an accurate record of what transpired, and that she was there in support of her friend John Quesnel, an island resident who is engaged in legal proceedings with the Islands Trust.

"I am going to exercise my constitutional right to just stay here at the meeting and keep this camera running — no ill will intended. And that's all I have to say,"

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GAS

Ganges Gas offers fuel at Victoria prices

Use of rebate cards part of the deal

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Drivers filling up their gas tanks today will see a significant price drop at Ganges Gas. Business owner Strick Aust has pledged to deliver Salt Spring gas at Victoria prices to encourage local fill-ups instead of off-island travel.

"I think most people on island would like to support local businesses," Aust said Monday. "I really think the only way we're going to be able to do that is offer a similar price structure [to Victoria's]."

Salt Spring residents have heard a variety of reasons in the past as to why gas costs so much more on the island than other in areas, amounting to as much as 20 cents more per litre than in

Victoria. Recently, it was tagged as the highest gas price in Canada.

Aust confirmed Monday that shipping charges are part of the problem, but said they only add four cents a litre to his costs.

Other operating costs include staff wages, property lease, repairs and utilities bills. Aust's business takes approximately \$340,000 a year to run, and with local sales volumes, a 15 cent price increase is required to cover costs and ensure profitability.

According to Aust, sales volumes are the biggest factor affecting the price at the pump. Between 10 and 11 million litres of gas are consumed on Salt Spring each year, but around four and a half million of those are purchased off-island.

The three Ganges stations each sell around two million litres per year, while similar-sized stations in Victoria probably sell six to seven million litres in the same period, Aust said, adding they could therefore sell their product for less.

Aust plans to raise the overall number of litres sold on Salt Spring throughout the summer, and to keep up that higher volume in the fall.

If a higher volume is sold, he said, the business can keep selling for less and still operate profitably.

The plan is risky, Aust said, but "I just decided it was never going to happen if someone didn't do it. And I may be wrong — it might not work."

"Maybe this will encourage the other businesses to do it, and if we do increase volumes each of us should be able to operate within that

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NEWSBEAT

DEATHS

Passing of Ganges character mourned

Lorne Martin found Sunday morning

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring residents were saddened to learn of homeless man Lorne Martin's passing after he was found dead by searchers on the morning of Sunday, June 5.

A tall figure known by his yellow lumberjack jacket and baseball cap, Martin was often seen walking around town or having coffee at one of the local cafes.

RCMP began to search for him on Saturday after people reported not seeing him for awhile.

Salt Spring RCMP said a ground Search and Rescue team assisted in the search, but was not successful in locating him.

A police dog found Martin's body in a downtown creek on Sunday morning.

RCMP report there was no indication of foul play and that Martin was known to suffer health problems.

An autopsy conducted today (Wednesday) will determine the cause of death.

Mel Divers, owner of B-Side Clothing, remembers Martin kindly.

"I didn't really know him, but I had a soft spot for him," she wrote in a post to the Salt Spring Community Exchange.

According to some of the stories Divers heard, Martin was a former logger and log house builder whose father had owned a mill.

His life apparently came apart shortly after his partner left, leaving him distraught and eventually homeless.

Many islanders tried to look out for Martin, including those who attempted to get him into shelters or passed on money for coffee.

Divers recalls slipping him \$10 bills — she pretended he must have dropped them to avoid wounding his pride.

"The last time I saw him I asked him, 'How are you, Lorne?' He replied 'Oh . . . it's a tough life,' and he walked away. That was about a week ago," Divers wrote.

"I personally will miss seeing him walking around doing his rounds in town, but I hope he has found peace."



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Lorne Martin found dead Sunday morning in Ganges.

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Local gas station matches Victoria prices

GAS

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extra margin," he added.

Prices at Ganges Gas will be posted at five cents higher than those in Victoria, but will be on par with rebate and resi-

dents card programs. The price will most likely change twice weekly with fuel deliveries.

Aust said Ganges Gas will not try to match Duncan's prices, where business are in a different regional district and therefore face different

levies.

He also could not speculate on what kinds of prices will be offered at the new Mid Island Co-op station on Jackson Road, but noted as the island's only self-serve location it will likely appeal to a

different clientele.

"On Salt Spring all of the stations have always been full service," Aust said.

"I think that's one of the things people like about here — they don't like the prices, but they like the service."

Trust will investigate filming own LTC meetings

VIDEO

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Smith told trustees. "It's my right to be here and it's everybody's right that's not here for me to be here recording this."

Smith was asked to turn her camera off after some people in the audience indicated they felt uncomfortable being filmed by an unaccredited videographer.

None of the roughly 25 people at the ArtSpring meeting said they objected to having the Driftwood film the meeting.

"The intention [of asking Smith to turn off her camera] is that some people are saying, especially if they don't know how the film is going to be used, that it could inhibit their participation at the meeting," Malcolmson said.

"It may be that we have to talk more

broadly about a policy, but at this point my prime responsibility as meeting chair is to ensure that meeting participation is as comfortable as possible."

Trustee George Ehring agreed that filming should only proceed if audience members have no objections to being recorded.

"We must take our guidance from the people who are here," he told participants. "If they object, then [filming] shouldn't proceed in my opinion."

Smith eventually agreed to a compromise that would allow her to film trustees and willing speakers during the meeting's town hall session.

Acting on a motion forwarded by trustee Christine Torgimson once the meeting eventually resumed, trustees voted unanimously to have Trust staff inves-

tigate the feasibility and cost of having Salt Spring LTC meetings filmed in their entirety and posted to the Islands Trust website.

The issue of video recording equipment being used by participants at Salt Spring LTC meetings first made headlines when videographer Paul McGowan was asked to turn off his camera after some participants indicated they felt uncomfortable being filmed at the April 8 event.

Malcolmson said the issue has not come up in any other of the Trust's 12 local Trust areas or single island municipality (Bowen Island).

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AIRCRAFT SAFETY

Floatplane operators say life vests not the answer

Passenger awareness, egress enhancement favoured for accident survivability

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A federal review of floatplane safety regulations aims to prevent tragic deaths, but misses the mark with one recommendation, local operators say.

Transport Canada Minister John Baird said his office will look at enhanced egress (exit methods) and passenger safety training as part of a new safety review.

The review was announced after a recent floatplane crash outside Tofino and will consider recommendations made repeatedly by the Transportation Safety Board.

According to the board's report SA9401, A Safety Study of Survivability in Seaplane Accidents, almost all seaplane accidents occur during take-off or landing periods. In a study of 15 years, 77 per cent of the deaths that occurred during those periods were due to drowning.

However, the safety board's recommendation that passengers wear life vests for all or part of their trip isn't flying with carriers.

"I think the most important thing is not to have accidents in the first place — to do everything to mitigate any chance of that happening. Having passengers wear life vests won't do anything to prevent [accidents]," Salt Spring Air co-owner St. Clair McColl said.

"At this time we feel the life jackets that are out right now are not designed for being worn multiple times . . . and would be more of a hindrance to getting out of the aircraft — especially if they are inflated when you're inside the aircraft," he added.

McColl said life vests are stowed during Salt Spring Air flights. Passengers are instructed on how to put them on after exiting the plane.

"We highlight the fact that survivability hugely increases if the lifejacket goes on after you're outside the aircraft."

Like Salt Spring Air, prevention is seen as the most important safety measure at Harbour Air.

"We concentrate on taking the time, energy and capital to



A floatplane flies over Ganges Harbour.

PHOTO BY DAN FOGARTY

ensure incidents don't happen and that is where we believe the discussion should be focussed," CEO Greg McDougall said in a news release dated June 4.

Harbour Air does not support a lifejacket requirement because of the difficulties they pose if inflated inside the plane.

According to the press release, the company has "proactively adopted the same safety systems as used by large commercial airlines like Air Canada and WestJet" and intends to improve its preflight training for passengers.

Ideas for improved egress such as pop-out windows are

also supported.

McColl said his airline practices stringent preflight safety instruction and requires passengers and pilots wear their seat belts (as mandated by Transport Canada).

He agreed that enhanced egress systems should be looked into and feels the government should help the industry make those improvements.

Transport Canada announced a safety awareness program for pilots and passengers but has not said if the review will result in new regulations.

News briefs

Hendren responds

CRD director Garth Hendren has called the resignation of alternate Darlene Steele an unfortunate event.

In a phone message for the Driftwood, Hendren said:

"I wish to take this opportunity to thank Darlene for all the hard work she did for me over the year and a half that she acted as alternate. It's unfortunate that she chose to resign . . . I'll miss her for her advice and the ability to work with the various groups that I chose to have her work with."

Steele resigned from her appointed position last week after attending a Parks and Recreation Commission meeting where pool fee recommendations were to be discussed.

In a Viewpoint article submitted to this week's Driftwood she says Hen-

dren undermined the democratic process by handing down a decision on fees without taking part in the discussion.

Steele said Tuesday she has nothing negative to say about Hendren.

Hendren could not be reached in person to confirm whether he had appointed someone new as alternate.

Counterfeit bills in circulation

Salt Spring resident Robert Sturrey discovered a counterfeit \$10 bill last Saturday after visiting two local businesses. He was checking his bills after a friend received a phoney \$10 as part of her change from a Saturday market stall that same day.

Sturrey learned from his friend that the counterfeit tens are missing the holographic stripe on the left

side. They also are missing the watermark and have a rough texture.

"It's actually very easy, as I've been checking my money and doing transactions, to look at the left hand corner and see that shiny stripe — that's what will alert you," Sturrey said.

Local RCMP had not received any reports regarding \$10 bills but recently alerted the public about counterfeit \$100 bills. Phoney bills of any kind should be turned in to police.

Consumers can watch out for bills such as Sturrey's with the serial number FEL8579073.

Summer schedule announced

BC Ferries passengers travelling between Vesuvius and Crofton should be aware of schedule changes going into effect June 30.

Ten minutes will be added

between some sailings to accommodate summer's heavier traffic.

An earlier break time on Saturdays will see the 10 a.m. sailing replaced by one at 10:50. Passengers will gain later crossings from Friday to Sunday nights, with final sailings leaving Salt Spring at 10:05 p.m. and Crofton at 10:35 p.m. The schedule reverts to the regular season's schedule on September 7.

In other ferry news, media relations director Deborah Marshall said staff shortages are no longer a problem for local service. Marshall said the Queen of Nanaimo's late sailing on June 1, which occurred after waiting for a crew member to arrive, was an unusual incident.

"It was a problem in the past, but recently we've had some good success recruiting on Salt Spring," Marshall said regarding crew shortages. She noted that qualified personnel such as engineers are the exception.

Saturna hosts Trust Council

Elected representatives from local Trust committees across the Islands Trust's jurisdiction meet on Saturna Island on June 16 and 17.

The meeting kicks off Wednesday morning at 9:30 with a special presentation to recap the latest happenings with the Gulf Islands National Park Reserve.

A session on marine shipping safety and the ongoing use of Plumper Sound by ships headed to the Port of Vancouver begins at 10:30.

Delegations and a town hall session take place between 3:15 and 4:15 p.m.

Trustees will address information and decision items on Friday between 8:30 a.m. and noon. Decision highlights include the naming of this year's Community Stewardship Award winners and an update from the Community Hous-

ing Task Force.

Transportation to Saturna from Salt Spring is available by Gulf Islands Water Taxi departing Ganges Harbour at 6:35 a.m. or on BC Ferries via Swartz Bay.

Grad entrance video posted

Video footage of a portion of the graduates' procession has been posted on the Driftwood's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/gulfislandsdriftwood.

See grads dressed in their formal wear.

Viewers are encouraged to leave comments about the video on the Driftwood's Facebook wall. Photos from the event will also be posted.

The GISS graduating class of 2010 celebrated their successes thus far, as well as their future ambitions, at a graduation ceremony on Saturday, June 5 at the high school.



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ISLANDS TRUST

PARC proposal far from slam dunk

Farmers' Institute opposes Burgoyne Valley park plan

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring trustee George Ehring's predicts the Parks and Recreation Commission's proposal to purchase 50 acres of land in the Burgoyne Valley for use as a mixed-use sports and recreation venue may face more hurdles than anticipated.

"This is another difficult situation where we have to balance off community interest versus neighbourhood interests and it's going to be a challenge," said Ehring during Thursday's local Trust committee meeting at ArtSpring.

Ehring spoke while discussing PARC's application to allow non-farm use on land in the Agricultural Land Reserve.

PARC must receive permission for non-farm use from the province's Agricultural Land Commission before it can proceed with the sports field proposal on the Furness Road property.

"I'm going to be very up front. I am very concerned

about the traffic on Furness Road. As a dead-end road, nobody goes up there and there's no reason for anybody else to be on that road if they are not a resident," Ehring said.

"This has the potential to change that dramatically and that is a real concern for me, so I am going to ask you to continue to explore access off Burgoyne Bay Road.

"In addition to the issue of whether it's appropriate to take agricultural land for this purpose, that access issue is really going to be front and centre in my mind."

Though consultation with community recreation groups is ongoing, PARC's initial plans for the site call for development of a trail network, two soccer fields, four baseball diamonds, a tennis court, a community garden and public washroom facility.

Speaking on behalf of PARC, manager Kees Ruurs told trustees the land in question was selected by commissioners following an exhaustive search.

"The commission, over the past two decades, has tried to find a location for additional playing fields but hasn't been

successful," he said. "There are simply no other locations around the island that are level enough for the development of playing fields and certainly none for more than one field."

PARC management plans released in 1992 and 2010, Ruurs added, note a strong demand by island residents for a south-end recreation property.

The majority of an estimated 65 people who attended an April 26 public meeting about the proposal supported the recreation plan, Ruurs added.

"In general, comments were very positive," he said. "A few concerns were expressed and there was the odd person who was opposed to development of this property."

While representatives of island sporting groups favour the plan, the Salt Spring Island Farmers' Institute has indicated its opposition to the plan on grounds that it cannot support using agricultural land for non-agricultural purposes.

"The directors unanimously passed a motion opposing this non-farm use of ALR land in the Burgoyne Valley," reads a letter submitted to the Islands Trust by institute president Rick Vipond on May

25. "This position is consistent with our objective of protecting potentially productive agricultural land and seeking a better understanding and appreciation of agricultural priorities in local government planning."

The Farmers' Institute's opposition comes even though PARC says the property has had no historical agricultural use.

Before trustees vote to forward the application to the ALC, the application will be referred to the island's Agricultural Advisory Committee for review and comments.

The AAC is an advisory body comprising island residents appointed by the Salt Spring LTC.

Such commissions, in place in municipalities and regional districts across the province, are intended to provide a link between local government bodies and the agricultural community.

The application will be on the agenda in time for the committee's next public meeting. More information about the AAC meeting's location, date and time will be available from the Islands Trust office at 250-537-9144.

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OUTER ISLANDS

Serial sex tourist builds Mayne Island home

School district calls for calm

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The superintendent of the Gulf Islands School District urges Mayne Island parents to stay calm and keep things in perspective in spite of news that a convicted child sex tourist has decided to build a home on the island.

Since confirming last week that Kenneth Robert Klassen and his brother have begun construction of a home on the island, superintendent Jeff Hopkins said he's spent lots of time speaking with residents in an effort to quell the sense of unease that's spread across the island.

"A lot of it was about calming people and reminding them about the tools they have to keep safe," Hopkins said. "It's important not to panic and

stay realistic."

The Mayne Island school serves approximately 45 students, mostly between kindergarten and Grade 8.

As is the case with other schools in the district and across the province, Hopkins said, teachers and administrators devote considerable effort to educating students about what to do when their intuition tells them something isn't right.

"It's a reminder to prepare kids to think independently, be self-reliant and act on intuition," he said. "Teachers have always done that."

Klassen pleaded guilty on May 21 in B.C. Supreme Court to 14 counts of having sex with underage girls in Cambodia and Columbia, and importing child pornography.

Hopkins said rumours about Klassen moving to the island began circulating among the tightly knit community last week. He confirmed Klassen

was building a home with his brother after contacting the Outer Islands RCMP detachment.

According to RCMP corporal Darren Lagan, Klassen spent less than a day on the island.

Lagan said it's still unclear if Klassen ever intends to move to the island full time.

Based on Klassen's bail conditions, the Burnaby resident must respect a curfew between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., report regularly to a bail supervisor, be subject to electronic monitoring, not come into contact with girls under the age of 18 and not leave the province.

"Detachment officers are very aware of who he is, aware of his conditions and acutely aware of the community's concerns," Lagan said.

Lagan said the bail conditions make it extremely difficult for Klassen to make a day trip to the island without

violating conditions of his release. Spending the night anywhere other than at his Burnaby home is out of the question, Lagan added.

Outer Islands RCMP officers will schedule a community meeting to address residents' concerns.

The nature of Klassen's offences, none of which involved the luring or stalking of children, superintendent Hopkins added, should provide some comfort to parents and other Mayne residents.

Hopkins had no details about how many other convicted sex offenders live on Mayne Island or in other parts of the Gulf Islands School District.

Mayne Island is home to approximately 900 full-time residents.

Klassen's sentencing hearing takes place in Vancouver on July 22. Crown is reported to be seeking a 12-year jail term.

CLEAN-UP

Drop-off day for invasive weeds set for this Saturday

Broom, gorse, blackberry and more welcomed

For many folks, cutting a broom plant down to the ground or yarding out a patch of ivy is the simple part. The big question is, "Now what do I do with this stuff?"

In response, the Salt Spring Island Conservancy and PARC have organized a free drop-off day on Saturday, June 12, for invasive plants like broom, gorse, blackberry, ivy and others.

From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., volunteers will be on hand at the Highways gravel pit on Fulford-Ganges Road, (opposite numbers 1583 and 1601), to direct traffic to the forty-cubic-yard walk-in container donated by Pam and John Ellacott.

The plants will then be trucked, courtesy of Salt Spring Garbage Services and the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission, to the Fischer Road Recycling Depot in Cobble Hill.

According to the depot's Jason Adams, the plant material will be ground, then composted for 10 days at 65 to 70 degrees Celsius to kill any seeds. Tipping fees have been covered by the CRD, thanks to Salt Spring's electoral area director Garth Hendren.

Although this is the perfect time to cut broom plants, they are also forming seed pods. Organizers ask that you take great care not to spread any seeds when transporting the broom.

For more information on the broom committee or to lend a hand on June 12, call Jane Petch at 250-537-0880.

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NEWSBEAT

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Grade 5 student initiates pathway to Blackburn Road's centre school

Leadership project inspires determined walker

Salt Spring Centre School student Aidan Haigh is contributing to the island's pathways by overseeing a project on Blackburn Road.

Haigh, a 10-year-old student completing Grade 5 this month, developed the idea as his project for the Centre School's leadership class.

The pathway will run from Fulford-Ganges Road to the school along Blackburn Road.

Haigh's past experience volunteering on Island Pathways projects with his dad Andrew inspired him to create the safe route for pedestrians and cyclists.

As he told Jean Gelwicks of Island Pathways, "There is a lot of traffic on this road and lots of trucks and they travel very fast, so it is not safe to walk on the road, especially if you are a kid. I want parents to be able to drop off their kids at Fulford-Ganges Road and have them walk to the school on a safe pathway."

Gelwicks said her organization was impressed by Haigh's commitment and ideals.

"Studies have shown that daily exercise helps kids learn and focus on their work, so Aidan is right about this being a good way for students to start their day," she said.

Gelwicks mentored Haigh for the project by helping him work through the necessary steps.

Haigh's work plan included preliminary research, fundraising, community outreach, commissioning a survey



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Pathmaker Aidan Haigh.

and working with a civil engineer. He helped take survey measurements and learned how to read a survey and started the physical clearing work by repeatedly

walking the proposed route.

Throughout the process, Haigh gained support from the school's neighbouring property owners and even received a letter of congratulations from MLA Murray Coell, who thanked the student for undertaking the project.

And taking an active role in a meaningful project has opened the possibility for more.

"If I, a kid, can do it, then maybe that will encourage others to do it," Haigh said. "If people learn that a kid my age was responsible for putting in a pathway, then they should be able to say, 'I can do this too' and we might have pathways popping up all over the island."

"I wish there were more pathways everywhere on Salt Spring so kids, people in wheelchairs and everyone could walk and get to places safely without driving a car, if they want to. I want us to build pathways everywhere," he added.

Haigh's project will likely not be finished by the time the school ends for the year, but he plans to work on it over the summer until it is completed. Despite his hard work, he won't there to enjoy the finished project: he will be starting at the middle school this fall.

However, he hopes his younger sister and other students will continue packing down and improving the trail after he's gone.

In addition to building a skill set few adults possess, Haigh has learned one valuable lesson from the leadership class: "Everyone can make a difference," he said.

For more information, call the Centre School at 250-537-9130.

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ISLANDS TRUST

LTC paves way for new Ganges retail space in 'uptown' location

Property owner ponders Park Drive development

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Salt Spring Local Trust Committee's decision to amend a split-zoned property at the corner of Park and Lower Ganges roads is a major step in an island property owner's decade-long effort to construct a new retail space in uptown Ganges.

In an interview following Thursday's local Trust committee meeting, Al Cunningham expressed relief to have finally crossed such a significant milestone in his effort to construct a 7,000-square-foot retail space.

The new single-storey building would be constructed on the site occupied by Laurie's Recy-

cling and Waste Services.

Cunningham said it's premature to announce which tenant or tenants will occupy the proposed building. He is in talks with the owners of a low-cost retail chain about the proposal.

"It looks favourable," he said. According to project plans available at the Islands Trust office, the new building will be roughly the same size as the former Fields store in the Country Grocer complex.

Providing island customers with low-cost retail products, Cunningham said, would discourage many residents from shopping off island and reduce islanders' carbon footprint.

Based on trustees' decision to approve the zoning amendment, the property now has a uniform Commercial 6 (C6) classification. The property had been split-zoned C6 and C6(a).

Because the C6(a) zone excludes credit unions and banks as permitted uses, Cunningham said, he had difficulty obtaining financing for the project.

The zoning amendment was included among a series of "housekeeping amendments" subjected to a Wednesday, June 2 public hearing and subsequent vote at Thursday's LTC meeting at ArtSpring.

According to Trust staff, Cunningham must apply for a new development permit before any construction can proceed.

Cunningham credited trustee Christine Torgrimson and regional planning manager Leah Hartley for resolving the matter in an efficient, cooperative and seamless manner.

Approval of the LTC's decision is contingent on approval from the Islands Trust's executive council.

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NEWSBEAT

EDUCATION

SSI the spot for serious SmartLearning

Leaders in education converge

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Close to 70 teachers and school administrators from across B.C. and Alberta were on Salt Spring over the weekend to attend a leadership conference on SmartLearning techniques.

Participants polished their understanding of how the brain works and learned how to bring that information back to the classroom at a two-day event held upstairs at Gallery 8.

Susan Close, a part-time Salt Spring resident and founder of SmartLearning, has worked for many years researching brain activity and applying that to real learning situations for school children.

She won the top award in B.C. for innovative teaching at age



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Conference participants gather in Ganges for a photo.

27 and from there moved through every level of the school system, continuing her writing and research long the way.

Now retired, she continues to mentor other educators to improve students' reading and writing skills.

Close told the Driftwood she can't seem to really retire because "what we do makes an incredible difference to student learning."

School District 40 (New Westminster) would have to agree: after placing dead last on foundation level tests in 1998, the dis-

trict hired Close as the district's director of instruction.

Writing achievement in the district steadily improved after Close helped teachers implement SmartLearning techniques.

The simple exercises she teaches can stimulate the brain's power for any age group: she recently gave a presentation to 80 people for Salt Spring's Probus group, including a 98-year-old woman.

But working with children probably brings the best sense of reward.

"When teachers see

it in action they get very excited," Close said, "because they see the children in a different light."

Educators here for the conference represented classroom, school and district level professionals who have already incorporated SmartLearning techniques and are now at the leadership level.

Close decided to host the conference on Salt Spring because she felt the participants would be inspired by their environment, both in its natural state and at the Gallery 8 space.

"Surrounding edu-

cators with exquisite art, created by Gulf Islands artists, seemed like a perfect environment for deeply exploring what we know about developing human potential," Close said.

"The art will stimulate some pretty exciting things, I think."

Keeping the conference to a minimum footprint was important to Close, who said all the materials and food were purchased locally.

Bocados Restaurant provided several meals, while the Salt Spring Inn gave a high tea before goodbyes on Monday.

Harlan's Chocolates made conference-themed starfish treats and Rendezvous French Patisserie was the source of a delicious dessert evening.

Other participating businesses were the Harbour House Hotel, TJ Beans, Salt Spring Air, Barnyard Graphics, Between the Covers B&B and the island's visitor centre.

"I think people will go away with a very special feeling about Salt Spring and about how learning happens in a beautiful place," Close said.

HEALTH

NDP health critic Dix encourages public action to save local surgery

Closure put in context of increasing health care cuts

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Opposition Health Critic Adrian Dix is calling for Salt Spring residents to take an active role in determining the future of their health care.

Speaking to an audience of about 40 participants at a meeting hosted by the Save Our Surgery committee, Dix said the community should not be passive and accept recommendations to close Lady Minto's surgery.

"This can't be the end of this process because the consequences for the future of this island are too serious for that," Dix said.

"If people accept that process and go away they will get nothing," he said at another point.

Dix is the MLA for Vancouver-Kingsway and a prominent member of the NDP caucus. Political commentators have called him the "best and toughest critic on the Opposition benches" and praised his previous work as critic for Children and Family Development.

His well-timed visit gave islanders their first chance to vent the surgery closure, coming just five days after the release of the Salt Spring Island Health Review, a report commissioned and assembled by the Vancouver Island Health Authority.

According to Dix, VIHA's report

is symptomatic of a province-wide trend of health care cuts, taking place in a period where social services in general are under attack. Accepting the surgery's closure will not mean the end to local cuts, he warned, but instead open the door to a series of service withdrawals.

"This train only leads in one direction," Dix said.

He described the report's recommendations to reallocate surgery funds to other areas as vague promises unlikely to be fulfilled. He also said that adding mental health nursing and improving senior care on the island are important priorities, but that islanders should not have to give away their surgery in order to get them.

Participants at the meeting presented a variety of viewpoints during the question and answer period. Ann Heeley-Ray said the community should be able to decide what happens here, whether that means keeping the surgery or not, although she was personally opposed to the idea.

Former CRD director Gary Holman recalled his part in securing funds to help VIHA renovate the surgery just six years ago and questioned why the organization had completely reversed its view in such a short time.

"I really think we're in danger of buying a pig in a poke here," Holman said, repeating Dix's opinion that no real promises were being made.

Robert James argued that surgical services are unique and

should not be considered in the same context as other service cuts. He noted Salt Spring's problem is not limited to attracting a resident surgeon but would include maintaining an entire surgical team. Moreover, he cited academic research showing that small surgical teams are less efficient than larger, more specialized ones. In his opinion the report's recommendations placed island health priorities where they should be.

Jill Evans called attention to the closure's impact on patients. People who have to travel off-island for surgery may have no friends or family nearby.

"I think it's more important for an island to have a surgery than many of the places we've been compared with," she said, noting that in other places visitors can drive to the nearest hospital.

SOS chair Phyllis Bolton said VIHA has not made a real attempt to hire a local surgeon. She also said the committee could be thanked for the report's recommendation to continue offering endoscopy service on island.

Dix urged islanders to become active participants in the decision, noting that the general discontent around the HST is creating a political climate where elected officials should be ready to listen.

"These are decisions we can change if we speak loudly and in one voice," Dix said.

He suggested a wide-reaching public meeting with VIHA staff and MLA Murray Coell in attendance is necessary.

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EDITORIAL

Policy required

Two months on and the controversy surrounding the use of video camera's at meetings of the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee seems to have gone viral.

The debate came to a head at Thursday's meeting where trustees and staff spent roughly an hour contemplating how to handle a videographer's request to film a part of the proceedings.

The scene included plenty of puffed chests and crossed arms, lots of finger pointing and a good dose of head scratching. The only thing in short supply was any long-term solution about how to avoid the same kind of standoff from becoming a regular occurrence every time the LTC gets down to business.

The camera controversy has been brewing ever since a local videographer attempted to film parts of an LTC meeting back in April.

What began as an effort to obtain an accurate record of matters relating to a Trust lawsuit against island resident John Quesnel has become a debate over freedom of the press, the distinction between mainstream and citizen journalism, and the need for open and transparent government.

THE ISSUE:

Video cameras and the LTC

WE SAY:

Firm policy required

To their credit, trustees

George Ehring and Christine Torgrimson passed a motion calling on Trust staff to assess the costs and feasibility of having all Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee meetings recorded and made available online for any and all island residents to watch at their leisure.

The result, however, could very well redefine the notion of leisure time itself.

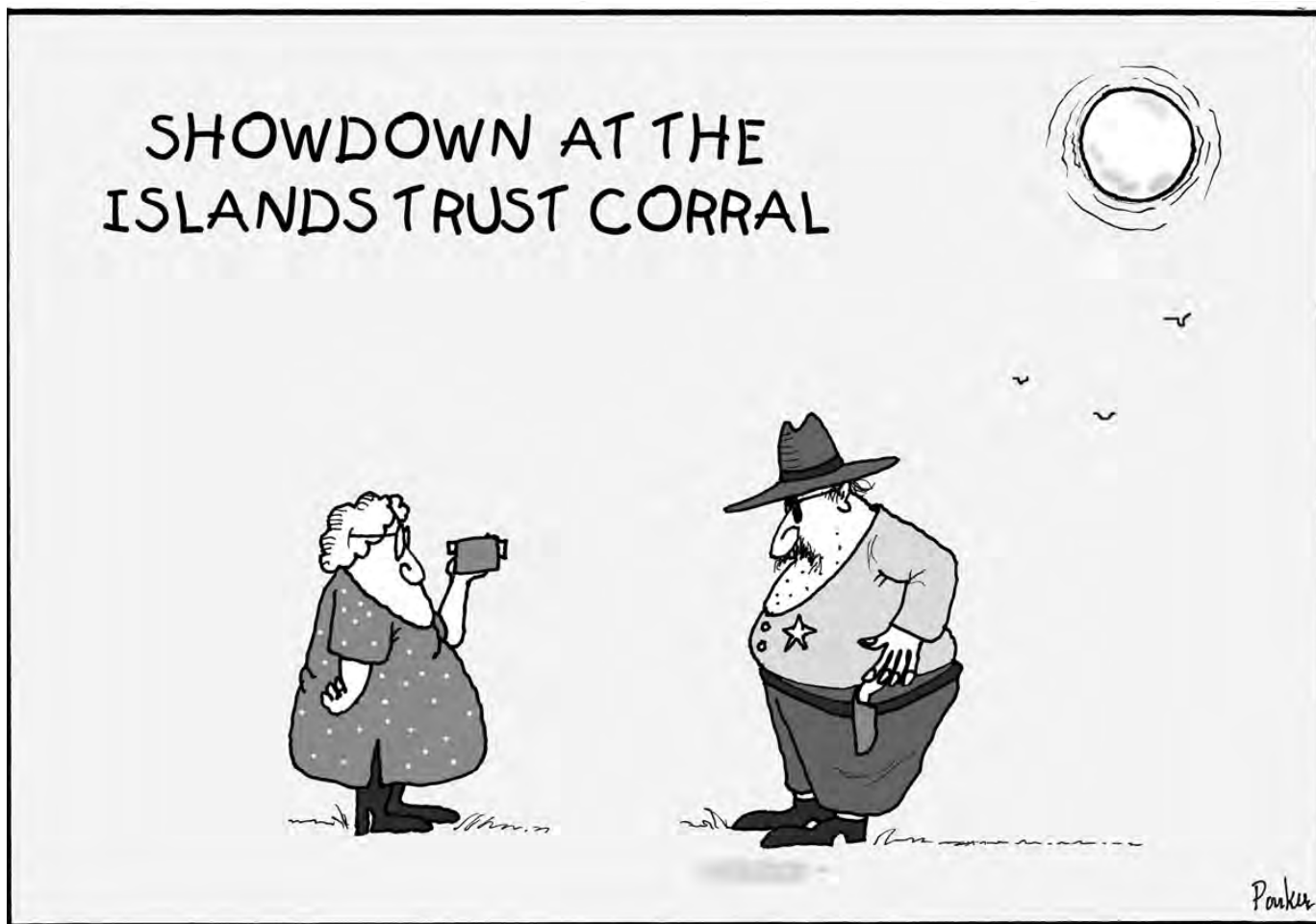
A typical LTC meeting runs in excess of five hours and much of that time is spent combing over application logs, adjusting long-term priority lists and tabulating expense reports.

Such are the moments that will undoubtedly leave viewers looking to the likes of CPAC and the B.C. legislature channel to perk things up.

Should the Trust eventually decide to spend whatever amount of taxpayers' money to have meetings made available online, the question of whether participants can film, be they from "accredited media" or not, will remain unanswered.

Until such a time as the Trust develops a real policy, delays and confusion will be commonplace.

The issue may have never come up before, but it's come up now and it's time to find a fix.



Why I resigned as CRD alternate director

BY DARLENE STEELE

I resigned as Salt Spring's alternate CRD director because Garth Hendren, our CRD director, usurped the democratic work of the Parks and Recreation Commission. I do not trust his integrity and therefore it is time for me to resign.

PARC had been researching and discussing the pool fee bylaw for 2010-11 for approximately two months.

We had done a review of the entire operation of the Rainbow Road Pool; we had requested more data on attendances in all categories and we had asked the staff to get pool admission fees from other pools within the CRD and on Vancouver Island.

This information was discussed at the PARC planning meeting on May 10.

At that time it was decided that the staff would prepare a number of alternate fee structures for consideration.

PARC commissioners were to take time to deliberate these and other possibilities.

The meeting on May 31 was to be the night the decision was made.

Commissioners had done their homework as requested; and when we came to the meeting there was a staff worksheet with four choices outlined; plus two separate resolutions, one from a PARC commissioner and one from myself; and a letter with ideas from an absent PARC commissioner.

When we were about to debate the options, the chair told us that Garth had sent an email. In the email he stated what resolution he intended to take to the CRD Board.

That aborted debate and all further discussion on the topic. The formality of passing his stated intent occurred and I voted against the motion.

VIEWPOINT

"I believe in discussing all possible options and then voting . . ."

Garth's timing on this was very interesting indeed; that email was dispatched from his computer at 1:19 that afternoon.

He had given no prior indication that he wished to enter the debate and he had all the prior minutes of the meetings and was party to any earlier discussion through emails.

He waited until the very last minute, indeed, he waited so long that a number of the people at the table had no idea he had sent an email, and I was one of them.

So Garth did what I would call an "end run" around the PARC commissioners and myself.

I believe in the democratic process. I believe in discussing all possible options and then voting on the best of them.

I believe in the majority rule and the minority being treated respectfully. It's like hockey; you play your best game and sometimes you win and sometimes you lose to play another day.

I do not believe in sucker punches, or high sticking.

Who knows what would have happened if the democratic process had had an opportunity to play itself out.

Now we will never know. But what I do know is that it is time for Garth Hendren to stop being a back seat driver.

If he wants to sit at the table then he needs to do the work, put in the hours and show up for the debate. It is time for him survive on his own merit.

The writer was alternate director to the CRD for Salt Spring Island until resigning last Tuesday morning.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK:
 "This is another difficult situation where we have to balance off community interest versus neighbourhood interests and it's going to be a challenge."

GEORGE EHRLING, ISLANDS TRUSTEE

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: Any World Cup-watching rituals/traditions planned?



SIMON HAYDAR
Putting the kids to bed.



MARSHALL HEINEKEY
I don't have a favourite team until half way through; then I pick at team and champion that team on the couch with a beer.



WILL CORNWALL
I just turn on the TV.



SARAH WESTERN
Usually we make our own jerseys out of T-shirts.



RAINER FUNK
I'm getting together with people for major games to bet, cheer and drink beer.

Letters to the editor

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Time for some balance

About that coffee smell (or not).

Mike Butler's pronouncements on the issue ("Ganges tea party" letter of June 2) suggest little regarding the greenness or propriety of the applicant and decision, but speak volumes about the ideological motivation which seems to have been driving the Trust's actions in the matter.

By bringing Ayn Rand and Sarah Palin into the conversation, Mike may as well have dragged Hitler along as well, and of course Bush (or did I just miss his mention?). Perhaps we need an expanded version of Godwin's Law to stifle hate mongering rather than simply trying to stifle debate.

One wonders what goes on within the camera- and recorder-free chambers of the Trustees conclaves — perhaps homage to Stalin, Marx or Lenin.

Like many others, I have as much scorn for water-melons (green on the outside, but red on the inside and perhaps a little seedy) trying to run my life, as Mike has for capitalists. What we really need here is balance, not "out-there" idealism.

MARK FRASER,
 SALT SPRING

Industrial land task

The May 26 Driftwood had an interesting article pertaining to the Salt Spring Coffee Company's decision to move off the island ("SS Coffee Co. exit disappoints local chamber").

The comment by Leah Hartley, the Trust's regional planning manager, regarding the process of rezoning for more industrial land was illuminating. Evidently the process may be streamlined when and if the Trust chooses to address the recommendations brought forward by its own Industrial Task Force.

It seems that the Trust is content to squander time and money on something (i.e., greenhouse gas emissions) over which they have little authority and even less impact. Yet they seem disinclined to consider the needs of our homegrown businesses to have a place in which to expand and thrive.

If the Trust has the authority to identify suitable land for an industrial park, they have been negligent in dealing with it, and it speaks to the need for a different breed of trustees.

Conversely, if the Trust lacks such authority, it speaks to the need for a different form of governance.

GRANT ECKBERG,
 SALT SPRING

Realistic appraisal

The Vancouver Island Health Authority has released its community study of Salt Spring, and provided a range

of recommendations for the organization of health services on the island.

There will be some who will be disappointed in the recommendation that the island not support a general surgeon. However, the case for not renewing surgical services on the island is clearly established. Amongst several reasons, the surgical volume is insufficient to sustain a surgeon's income, to reinforce her or his skills, and the volume is simply not there to sustain a vital, high-quality, pre-operative, intra-operative and post-operative surgical service with all its human and infrastructure requirements.

While some will focus on what is not in the report, it is important to highlight what is in the report: a call for support for the general practitioners on the island; a clear recognition of vast deficits in our ability to meet the considerable burden of psychiatric disease and drug addiction on this island; the pressing importance of car-

ing for our seniors, and plans to respond to those needs. These plans, combined with the recognition that Lady Minto Hospital is reaching the end of its lifespan and needs replacement, reflect a realistic appraisal of our community's strengths and challenges.

The recommendations are broad and, in general, well justified. Recommendations are clustered around several themes, including geriatrics, mental health, hospital infrastructure, human resources, as well as recognition for increased integration of community services, and support for our GPs. The recommendations are well thought out and represent, in the main, a set of coherent priorities. The recommendations regarding terminating the surgical services (but sustaining endoscopy) will be controversial, but when seen as part of a larger package of improvements to our community health services, the package of recommendations reflect,

on balance, a coherent and sustainable vision for community health.

If I have an objection to the report, it is that it fails to document and address the distressing and potentially catastrophic levels of susceptibility of our children to vaccine-preventable diseases. This public health priority merited more attention than was provided in the document.

As a community we would be wise to endorse these recommendations and to focus our attention on the opportunities and promises of support expressed in the report. My question is this: How quickly will VIHA, Community Services, the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation and other agencies on the island move to implement these recommendations? (Oh, and please, let's not forget about childhood immunizations!)

ROB JAMES,
 SALT SPRING
MORE LETTERS continued on A10

Banking on the Experience (card) with BC Ferries

I had a sudden epiphany the other day. As I pulled up to the ticket booth at Swartz Bay and pulled out my BC Ferries Experience card, I was informed by the ferry attendant that the card had to be topped up to the new minimum level of 85 dollars. This was a rise of 10 buckeroos from the previous minimum.

That's when it hit me. This card was no longer just a method for island commuters to save money on ferry transit. It wasn't merely a technological step up from those shabby "old school" books of paper tickets that frayed at the corners and became mouldy if stashed in the glove compartment over winter.

No, the Experience is much more than that. The little girl in floppy hat and red tee-shirt peering over the deck railing on the front of the card is speaking directly to you. She is welcoming you to the new millennium. She is saying, "Thank you for investing in the Bank of BC Ferries."

That's right. You are banking with the BOBCF. You are giving them your money and letting them invest it as they see fit. Instead of interest or dividends, they are returning the favour in the form of fare discounts on some of the ferry corp.'s shorter routes.

Nobody asked me, but it seems we could be getting a lot more bang for our buck.

Even though we can't just walk across the street and do business with another ferry company, we should still be able to make our voices heard if we act together.

For instance, why aren't we being awarded credit on repetitive use of the ferry system? We should be collecting "sea miles" or "frequent floater points." This incentive alone would increase ferry traffic and raise profit margins. Who wouldn't make an extra trip or two if they knew their points could be cashed in for a free trip to Tahiti, Pango Pango, (or at least Saturna)?

We should also be able to defer taxes with RRRSPs (registered reboarding sailing passes) and GICs (guaranteed inter-island certificates). We should be eligible for a line of credit or "overload" to protect us from having to needlessly sit in parking lots an extra two hours waiting for the next ferry.

After all, we are not mere clients or passengers here. That sparkling blue Experience card is not just another debit card. It shows that we are members of an exclusive club. Is it too much to ask that we receive monthly statements and official invitations to the annual general meeting?

Why not give occasional perks to share-



Shilo Zylbergold

NOBODY ASKED ME BUT

holders to show appreciation for our support and loyalty? Wouldn't it be wonderful if the next time you stopped your vehicle in front of the Wealth Management Service Representative Agent (ticket booth), you were offered a free iPod or set of Bose speakers? Even a complimentary floater jacket would show some level of gratitude.

I guess what I'm looking for is a little respect here. After all, I happen to be a card-carrying charter member. I shouldn't have to feel like just another Joe rolling up to the ticket booth. I am a major player here, a man of distinction. When I flash my glossy blue card I want people to stop what they're doing and look up. I want them to ooh and aah. I want them to think dividends, financial planning, portfolios and Swiss bank accounts.

The way I see it, my BC Ferries Experience card entitles me to more than just the privilege of banking with the ferry corp. This shiny piece of blue plastic heralds my entrance into a world occupied by high rollers such as shipping magnates and others of that ilk. I envision myself as a major shareholder in the corporation. I want to have more of a say in some of the crucial

corporate decisions. I need my "Experience" with BC Ferries to take a more "hands on" approach.

How is the market looking today? If it's feeling a little bullish, perhaps we should be looking to diversify. Maybe it's time to sell off some of our less lucrative assets and invest wildly in some futures. That Howe Sound Queen has been a black hole in our holdings for years. We could dump that old tub on some unsuspecting Third World country and pick up trading options for the new "Submarine" class of ferries.

Perhaps these Strait of Georgia routes are saturated and we should be expanding into new markets. We should have our people do some feasibility studies on some under-utilized destinations. How does the Queen of Saskatoon sound to you? The Sahara Queen?

Sailing the friendly seas of BC Ferries is now more than just a way of getting from here to there. Your Experience card is making a social statement which speaks louder than any gold or platinum credit card. It shouts that you are a member and shareholder of one of this planet's major financial players.

Isn't that an "Experience" worth lining up for?

thyme2001@hotmail.com

OPINION

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LOBSTER MANIA:
 From left, Pascal Dugas, Vincent Theriauld, Frank Marrek, Marie Joelle, and Patricia Theriauld-Marrek prepare New Brunswick lobsters at last Sunday's fundraising Lobsterfest. Some 100 islanders feasted on lobster and listened to Canadian jigs and reels performed by Paula Kiffner and Carol Wright. Organizers hope the event, which supported an indoor tennis facility on Salt Spring as well as the Copper Kettle, will take place again next year.



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Wasted water

I keep seeing Driftwood articles about water conservation plans for this island ["Myth of water abundance shattered," June 2]. I can't help feeling that these truly important plans will come to nothing because of CRD administrative incompetence.

Did you know that as much as 40 per cent of treated water is lost through leakage from aging distribution pipes in systems presently under CRD jurisdiction? Well, fix the pipes, you say. That's Phase II of the system upgrade process, but we're not going to have the money to do that.

Phase I, completion of the water treatment facility that was a condition of entry to CRD jurisdiction, is double the original estimate on its way to tripling by the time the project is completed 18 months from now. That's the CRD's ETA. If it's accurate, this will have been an 18-month project for seven years.

Meanwhile, we're paying an egregiously elevated parcel tax, an egregiously elevated usage rate and as much as \$300,000 in contract administration fees, about which there was no CRD disclosure until we were already under that agency's thumb.

When we ask for explanations from the CRD, the response involves payment of additional fees. In one instance, we paid about \$300 per hour to be threatened by the CRD's lawyer.

How can the CRD act with such arrogance? They rely on provisions of the Local Government Act interpreted by them to mean that all costs of the ser-

vice, including costs resulting from CRD incompetence, must be paid by service area subscribers. The CRD has admitted to errors, in writing, many times — including that they did not always follow their own project administration guidelines; but, in their view, those are all costs of the service.

We're not sure that the CRD's interpretation of the act is correct, but it will cost us a lot of money to find out. That's what the CRD is counting on, it seems.

The Minister of Community and Rural Development, the Hon. Bill Bennett, says that the CRD is doing everything right. What he likely means is that, since we don't vote for his party in elections, we shouldn't expect much in the way of support. In fact, I usually do vote for his party. I'm reconsidering because it looks like I need a strong opposition voice in the legislature.

But there will not be water conservation on this island until residents are rescued from CRD administrative and financial mismanagement that prevents us from taking the necessary steps toward conservation. Until then, we will continue wasting 40 per cent of treated water and struggling to pay for it.

MICHAEL FRIEDMAN,
 SKY VALLEY ROAD

Not rolling over

I have to admit that I was dismayed by this past week's editorial ("Community pulse").

The person who wrote it must have been taken in by the pretty graphs and the largely irrelevant information given in the Salt Spring Island Health Review. A careful read will show that the review is one of

those exercises (such as denying global warming) written to support the ideas of the writer, not to provide an independent perspective.

There was only one commitment, to eliminate the surgery, and everything else was couched in weasel words: recommends, top concerns, enhance. Nowhere is there a single promise. And who would argue with the need for better mental health services? Certainly not the Save Our Surgery committee.

VIHA has avoided its responsibility to provide the Save Our Surgery committee with the requested statistics, now three months over the required time limit. If the information requested were supportive of their perspective, surely it would have been provided. These figures did not figure in the review.

Ours was the only "public" group consulted; we have been told that in at least one other case the people consulted were required to agree to secrecy before their interview with the VIHA representative.

Careful reading and we see that the author of the review barely acknowledges (and perhaps the newly arrived physicians should be reminded) that Lady Minto Hospital in one form or another is virtually a century old and exists because we live on an island and getting away on short notice can be difficult or occasionally impossible. That is why our predecessors and older residents were deeply involved in the building, maintaining, financing and supporting of this facility and its furnishings. That is often why Salt Spring was chosen over other islands by people who came here.

There are many stories that illustrate how lives have been saved or enhanced because of our surgery. With the closure of the general surgery, travel, accommodation, absence from work and related costs are now downloaded on families.

That is why hospital volunteers, Raging Grannies and others felt so reinforced by the guest speaker and local contributors at last Tuesday night's public meeting. And the 1,000-plus community members who have already signed their concern will not be rolling over. Just watch us.

IRENE WRIGHT,
 SOS COMMITTEE MEMBER

Sign petition

Re: Oil on the coast

On May 29, Nathan Cullen, MP for Skeena-Bulkley Valley, spoke on Salt Spring about the threat posed by a pipeline proposed by Enbridge, which would link the tar sand development in Alberta to the port of Kitimat.

He spoke of the risks (it would "cross 785 rivers and streams") the opposition of most First Nations along the route and the fact that the 220 super tankers a year would open the door to further oil installations — namely drill rigs.

And then the headline in the Thursday, June 3 Times-Colonist reads "B.C.'s door open to oil rigs, tankers."

The oil industry's takeover of the coast seems to be progressing even faster than Mr. Cullen predicted. If you find this as much of a nightmare scenario as we do, please sign the online petition at www.nathancullen.ca.

JAN AND FRANCES HAVELAAR,
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OPINION

Braving the home energy audit (and surprised by the results)

The idea of “home” goes deep. Human story-telling spills over with iconic tales like the Bible’s prodigal son, the 10-year struggle of Odysseus to return to Ithaca after the Trojan War, Dorothy outwitting evil witches and rescuing the flawed trio of Scarecrow, Tinman and Lion to get back to her humble home in Kansas, and the heart-twisting despair of Spielberg’s E.T., the wide-eyed extraterrestrial mistakenly abandoned on alien Earth, three million light years from his home planet.

It’s because “home” has that kind of near-magical, safe-place status in my own life that my living-climatically challenge for May, to have an “energy efficiency evaluation” done of my house, was an uncomfortable thought. After all, I caused this house to be built. I made the decisions and the compromises in its construction. I knew there were choices that I made — energy options I didn’t know about then and others I couldn’t afford — that have been sucking up energy ever since and increasing my carbon footprint.

So the house is far from perfect, but it’s still where I



Judi Stevenson

MY YEAR OF CHANGING CLIMATICALLY

want to be when the sky is falling. And I found myself very reluctant to have “some guy” come in and evaluate it, rate it — let’s face it, tell me what’s wrong with it, at least from an energy efficiency standpoint.

How ironic, given that I’m an evaluator myself by training, as well as a social programs and projects evaluator. So at least I also knew that the point of an evaluation is not to find fault, not to be disapproving or dish out blame. It’s to help some organization (or some home owner) find out how to be better at what they are doing.

And that’s exactly what Neil, the certified energy advisor dispatched to my house earlier this month

by City Green Solutions of Victoria, wanted to do too. He wanted to help me figure out how make my house better, i.e. more energy efficient. City Green’s literature points out that if you make the changes their advisor recommends after the audit, your home will be more comfortable — warmer, drier, less drafty — your heating bills will go down, AND you’ll cut your greenhouse gas emissions.

Alright, alright, clearly I had to get my small, 18-year old, no-frills house evaluated. I was pretty sure some of the problems would be my big windows and skylights, maybe my baseboard and woodstove heating, definitely my unfinished “crawl space” (though you can stand up in it). Not small items.

First thing after he arrived, Neil sat me down to tell me a few things about houses, as well as what he was going to look at and measure, using the EnerGuide rating system. He’d be looking at the size and characteristics of the house, the equipment being used (e.g., for heating and cooling, water heating, etc.), the insulation, and the overall air tightness using the very fascinating “blower

door test.” (More about that in a moment.)

As we walked through the house together, Neil didn’t seem too critical of the windows and doors or the heating system, though he said that the blower door test would tell us more about their performance. The basement, however, was another story.

I was expecting that my built-on-the bare-rock basement would be a problem, but I thought I had done a pretty good job with it. It’s well vented to the outside; its ceiling is insulated (albeit just with fiberglass batts and who knows to what standard); and a year or two ago I had new thicker plastic laid down over the rock and sealed up around the edges to the degree possible. The water heater, I was expecting, might need more insulation. Maybe he’d recommend a solar water heater? Or some kind of on-demand thermostat?

What he actually recommended was something much more radical: seal up the basement to the extent possible; close off the outside vents which do let cold air in to fill the air space (thereby chilling the upstairs

living area); upgrade the insulation in the basement ceiling; install mechanical ventilation; make sure there is no moisture leakage on the uphill side of the foundations; insulate the foundations. Oh yes, and please move the water tank. Yikes.

Then came the blower door test. A big fan in a frame of metal and canvas was placed in my front door frame, the purpose of which was to suck the air out of my house, pulling outside air in through every point of leakage. Then we walked around, feeling the exaggerated drafts. Quite a brilliant apparatus.

To my relief, the windows and doors were good, very little air movement. The biggest problems were a complete surprise: my pot lights (all through the house), my pocket door, and my plug and light switch boxes. The wind just whistled through those holes, and the worst offender was the pot lights. Absolutely typical, I was told. Who knew?!

When Neil went up into my newly insulated attic, he wasn’t too happy with what he found there either. The blown insulation was not as deep as reported by the installer; there were

gaps in the partition insulation; the reno crew had not put everything back where it was supposed to be; and there seems to be a major ventilation problem affecting the “cathedral” ceiling over one part of my living space. Again, yikes.

All in all, my house rated 64 on the EnerGuide scale of 100, but the average for a house that’s the age and construction type of mine in B.C. is 67, so that wasn’t soooooo bad. If I do everything Neil recommended, I could make it to 79.

So now what? To be honest, I don’t really know. I’m still digesting the news. Apparently there are seals I can get for the switches, and I’m going to look into newer, better insulated pot lights — although Neil did say I should replace the whole kit and caboodle with track lighting. I’ll report in later in the year on all this. In the meantime, get in touch with City Green to book your own energy evaluation (1-866-381-9995). Right now, there is a \$75 rebate on the cost.

Next month: a closer look at lighting. Are compact fluorescents really the answer?

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VIHA protest

Would a flotilla of small craft manned by pajama-clad “patients” heading to Victoria make a passionate protest about VIHA’s health review and the high cost of ferries? Islanders, please consider!

When the June 2 Driftwood editorial called “Community pulse” seems to find us apathetic or resigned, calling losing the OR “predictable” and noting a “lack of outcry” about the issue, and Dr. Shane Barclay, chief of staff, says he thinks the review

reflects the views of a majority of Salt Springers, I think we haven’t raised the right ruckus!

Dr. Barclay did not take up the offer from the qualified island surgeon who would have served until a permanent replacement was found. Seeing him oversee sending the expensive OR equipment the community purchased to a northern hospital was particularly painful, since that was paid for with the love and cake-baking efforts of caring islanders. But when the Driftwood doesn’t seem to think we care . . .

Two unelected autocrats are shaping life on our rock, and doing it to our detriment. David

Hahn (BC Ferries CEO) and Howard Waldner (VIHA CEO) are making projections and decisions about the quality of life we could be enjoying here.

Let’s join forces with a major, imaginative and powerful protest that makes our voices heard! The on-going Save Our Surgery group will be scheduling a meeting next week. Please get involved! This could be our last chance.

YANTARA WALKER, FULFORD

Exams then diplomas?

Well it’s that time of year again. Graduation; a time for the high school seniors to reflect on the achievements of their 12-plus years in the schools and to look forward to . . . final exams?

Salt Spring Island is a whacky place, indeed, but the practice of awarding diplomas before the final exams have been passed is truly putting the cart-before-the-horse. Why, back in my day (Are you there, Dad?) we were forced to actually complete school with passing grades in order to be awarded a diploma.

One may be tempted to ask, “Who’s idea was

this, and why was it taken seriously?”

Certainly, GISS staff can stick around for a few days after the exams are finished in order to pay tribute to and honour the students who have successfully finished their studies. As a proud parent of two GISS students, I feel they deserve it.

LAWRENCE MELIOUS, SALT SPRING

Supportive team

The last few months have been most eventful in preparing for the seventh annual Big Bike Ride for Heart and Stroke.

I am very lucky and proud to have such a supportive committee of Tanja Akerman and Karen Hartley, along with my employer and colleagues at Island Savings. To my home life: Russ, family and friends, I thank you.

The enthusiasm that our island showed was more than I could have asked for. We should be so proud and honoured to live here. Our day event had local input in sharing the knowledge that made this day so much more, along with our invited guests Dr. Hister and Ms. Simon.

We are so grateful to all

who could participate and support our riders in one way or another. Just like the ripple effect, you have touched someone or a family who is going through heart and stroke disease.

Our gratitude and kindness to those who helped accommodate Dr. Hister and his wife Ms. Simon on their recent stay on Salt Spring are for the following: Salt Spring Air and Salt Spring Rotary provided travel, Nikkie Moore and Bob Czarnowski, Driftwood, Salt Spring Island Radio, Thrifty Foods, Salt Spring Coffee, Celia Devitt, Arthur Black, Debbie Cade and Leslie Kadow, Lorne Shantz, Paul Bryans, Val Konig, Braiden and Seth Crouse, Jeremy of Salt Spring Inn, Harry Manx, Mark and Terena of Tree House Café, Sue Coates of Mistaken Identity Winery, Rainbow Trading, Gulf Island Framing, Russ Crouse and Susannah Devitt, Salt Spring Island Chocolate, Aroma Crystal Therapy, SeaChange Seafoods, Brent and Claire Cooper, Michelle Beekmeijer, Phil of Itzphil Ceramics and the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce.

Hugs and blessings.
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OPINION

A new moment of faith

BY RAFFI CAVOUKIAN

Friends of children are invited to join a campaign of global importance.

After months of heartbreaking news of the widespread sexual molestation of children by officials of the Roman Catholic Church, the crisis has drawn an awkward response from an institution apparently more concerned with its image than protecting the children of its parishes.

Let us not despair, however.

The church has a golden opportunity to atone for its sins: not only by fully addressing this issue, but also by wholeheartedly affirming the sanctity of the child. On that point, Salt Springers can make their voices heard.

Abuse is not the word that describes the sexual violation of children. Assault is — assault of a child's psyche and spirit, a gross betrayal of trust between the powerful and the vulnerable. Substance abuse pertains to the use of substances such as alcohol or caffeine.

But children are people, people are not to be used, so we cannot speak of children in abuse terms. Sexual violation of the young is a sin — a crime which, in other sectors (sports, education, medicine), is punishable by law.

There's much more at stake here than a church needing to make amends.

I believe that the moment is ripe for a breakthrough. These times cry out for humanity's spiritual leaders to stand together in unprecedented support of the world's children. Such a new moment of faith could impact human behaviour for generations.

The growing recognition that children are people who are worthy of respect is enshrined in recent human rights treaties and movements.

The 1989 UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is the most widely ratified international treaty for children assuring them of provision, protection and participation.

In 1999, A Covenant for Honouring Children recognized children as whole people, "original blessings, here to learn their own song." The Dalai Lama has echoed the call for honouring children. Graça Machel, Nelson Mandela and UNICEF formed the Global Movement for Children. (Despite this progress, the UN's vision of "a world fit for children" remains elusive.)

Will Pope Benedict XVI seize the moment and add his voice to this chorus? Would he join with other faith leaders in a new covenant to love and protect humanity's children?

The Golden Rule bids us "do unto others as you would have them do to you." If, in the word "others" we include children — and we must — here is the basis for according not only the normal respect given to adults, but also the special consideration due to children's unique status as formative beings at the start of life.

How we regard and treat them is etched in their brains, hearts and minds for a lifetime.

Maltreatment of children has no place in an enlightened world. Various forms of violence — threats, smacks and beatings — whether in monastic settings, the classroom or the home, are counterproductive and harmful.

The tragedy of child soldiers, child prostitution and sexual slavery, child poverty, female genital mutilation and other forms of violence and child maltreatment persist in the contemporary world. This is a travesty that maims generations, but it's entirely preventable.

Religious leaders can inspire their faithful to forgo the outdated view of children as incomplete adults to be coerced or taken advantage of.

The Centre for Child Honouring invites individuals and organizations to join its online Sign the Plea campaign — www.childhonouring.org/plea — urging faith leaders to stand as one in a proclamation upholding the sanctity of the child.

Let's start a Century of the Child, and spark a hundred years' peace.

The writer is an internationally renowned troubadour known to millions as Raffi and the founder and chair of the Centre for Child Honouring.



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CAMERA WARS: Budding photographer Anika Otsu holds her camera as she checks out Driftwood photographer Derrick Lundy and his camera when the two met at a recent public gathering.



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- and
- Proposed Bylaw No. 181 – cited as “North Pender Island Land Use Bylaw 103, 1996, Amendment No. 3, 2009”

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at **9:45 a.m., Thursday, June 24, 2010, at Pender Island Community Hall, 4418 Bedwell Harbour Road, North Pender Island, BC.**

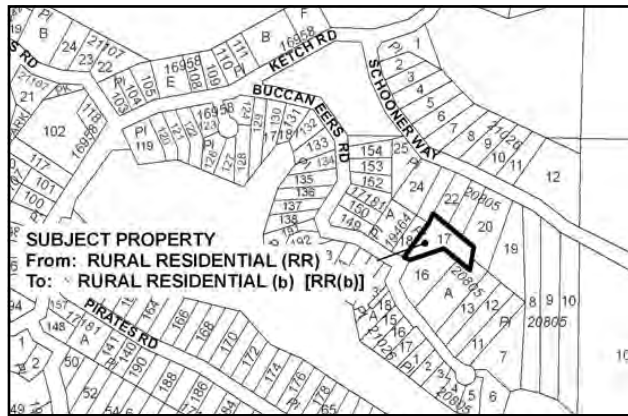
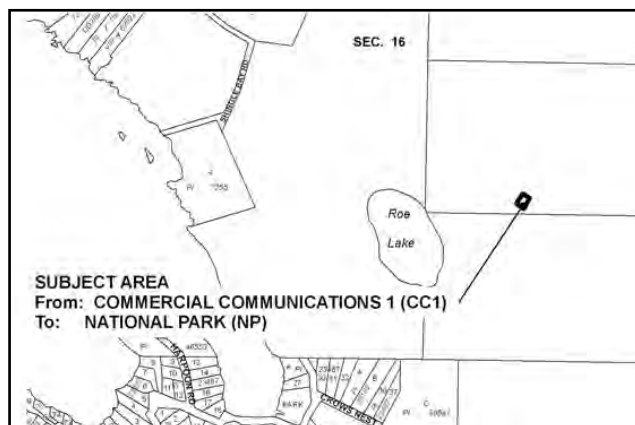
At the public hearing all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws.

Proposed Bylaw No. 179 – cited as “North Pender Island Land Use Bylaw 103, 1996, Amendment No. 1, 2009”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 179 is to update the Land Use Bylaw, provide clarity in the use and interpretation of the Land Use Bylaw, and remove regulations that are beyond the jurisdiction of the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee.

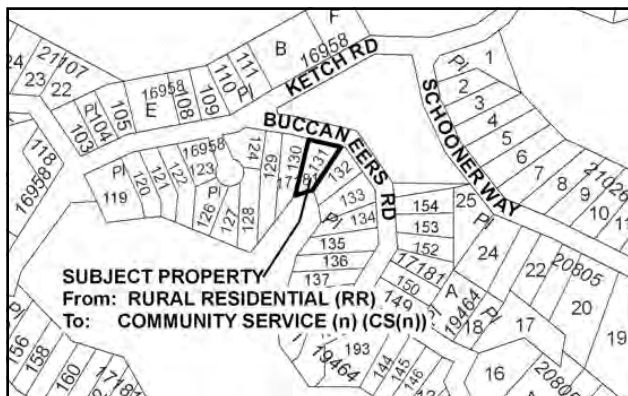
Schedule D (Zoning Map) will be amended as follows:

- Site Specific Zone to permit storage of goods, materials and equipment, other than dangerous or hazardous materials, salvaged motor vehicle parts and scrap, accessory to Capital Regional District Parks and Harbours operations.



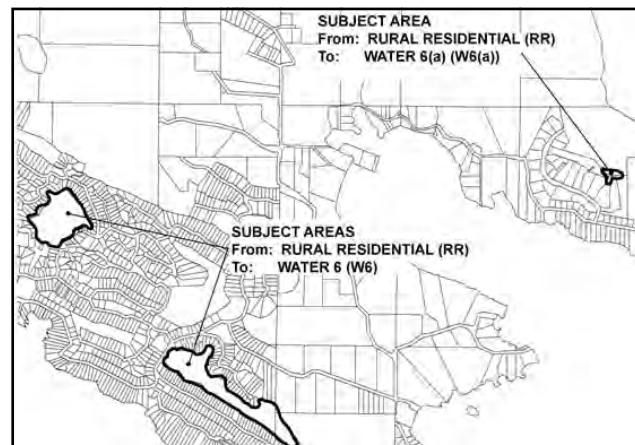
- The Commercial Communications 1 zone is to be deleted since it is federal jurisdiction and also located on national park lands.

- Site Specific Zone to permit a church use.



Proposed Bylaw No. 180 – cited as “North Pender Island Land Use Bylaw 103, 1996, Amendment No. 2, 2009”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 180 is to include lot averaging provisions for the Rural Residential and Rural zone, and amend the agricultural regulations for clarity.



Proposed Bylaw No. 181 – cited as “North Pender Island Land Use Bylaw 103, 1996, Amendment No. 3, 2009”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 181 is to introduce a water zone for Buck Lake, Magic Lake and Gardom Pond.

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 June 9, 2010 and up to and including June 23, 2010.**

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 North Pender Island, B.C., commencing June 11, 2010. The proposed bylaws can also be viewed on the internet at www.islandstrust.bc.ca and selecting www.islandstrust.bc.ca/ltc/np/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, by Fax (250) 405-5155 or can be sent on-line by going to the Islands Trust Website at the following URL: www.islandstrust.bc.ca/ltc/np/meetings.cfm and completing the “Public Hearing, June 24, 2010, Submission Form”, prior to 4:30 p.m., June 23, 2010;
2. After 4:30 p.m., June 23, 2010 to the Trust Committee at the Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m., June 24, 2010.

The public is asked to send any electronic response by using the on-line public hearing submission form. The Islands Trust does not guarantee that any email submission will be received by the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide email submissions, if they are opened and received, to the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee for consideration, but the public should not rely on email as a means of providing a written submission.

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

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Andrea Pickard, Planner, at (250) 405-5189 or, for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

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

Kathy Jones, Deputy Secretary

OPINION

Phosphorus control is key to lake health

BY JOHN BORST

Another beautiful Salt Spring summer approaches. An important part of this summer is swimming, boating, and fishing in our lakes and the use of their waters in our homes and gardens.

Recreation in the form of swimming, boating and fishing depend on healthy lakes. Resorts around our lakes depend on their health and beauty. Property values depend on the availability of good drinking water and the beauty of the island. Businesses and the hospital in Ganges require safe drinking water.

But the quality of the water in our lakes is not guaranteed and is a serious issue we, as Salt Springers, must face.

INDEPTH

The primary problem of water quality is due to the growth of algae and bacteria. Phosphorus, like oxygen, is necessary for life. However, an overabundance of phosphorus in our lakes is a major factor leading to the excessive growth of algae and bacteria. The resulting algal blooms and bacterial growth can lead to serious health problems. The decay of the algae, if severe, can lead to a decrease in oxygen in the water and to the death of fish and other aquatic plants and animals.

Water temperature is another factor affecting the growth of algae and bacteria: the warmer the water, the more quickly algae and bacteria grow. Since our summers are predicted to become longer and hotter, it is likely the algal blooms will worsen. Unable to control our weather, control of phosphorus in our lakes is the key to healthy lakes.

Eighty per cent of the water we drink on Salt Spring comes from St. Mary, Cusheon, Maxwell and Weston lakes. St. Mary and Cusheon lakes have been studied in detail (St. Mary and Cusheon Watershed Management plans). Phosphorus levels in St. Mary Lake are high and the algal blooms have become so serious that two expensive aerators have had to be installed in the lake. These aerators process the phosphorus at the bottom of the lake making it unavailable for algae and bacteria. Cusheon Lake has had algal blooms since the 1970s. The most serious of these was accompanied by a cyanobacterial bloom in 1999 and again in 2003. Cyanobacteria, under the right conditions, can produce a liver-damaging toxin which cannot be easily removed from water.

These conditions and the deaths in Walkerton, Ontario 10 years ago have led to the upgrade (not yet complete) of water treatment facilities on Cusheon, St. Mary and Weston lakes. However, the amount of treatment these facilities must perform depends on the quality of the water in the lakes. The poorer the quality of the water, the more treatment needed to make the water safe.

The good news is we can control the algal and bacterial blooms in our lakes, but only if we control the amount of phosphorus in them. The major sources of phosphorus in our lakes are soil erosion and surface runoff, septic system seepage and regeneration of phosphorus from the lake bottoms. With 53 per cent of the phosphorus in Cusheon Lake due to erosion and surface runoff, controlling erosion in this watershed is the most important step that can be taken. In the case of St. Mary Lake, if the aerators are successful in controlling phosphorus from the lake bottom, septic systems will be the major contributor of phosphorus.

Water quality is linked to water quantity. Each year, the rains of the fall, winter and spring refill our lakes. After the lakes have been refilled, the excess water flushes some of the phosphorus and algae of the previous summer down the rivers to the ocean. This yearly event is necessary for the health of our lakes.

Both Cusheon and St. Mary watersheds now have management plans to address the issue of water quality. These plans suggest steps to control the levels of phosphorus in our lakes. One important step, not previously mentioned, is to protect existing vegetation along the shores of our streams and lakes or, where the plants have been removed, to replant the stream and lake sides with naturally occurring vegetation. This vegetation not only catches phosphorus before entering our lakes and streams but also encourages a healthy biodiversity.

The health of our lakes and the beauty of our island can be assured if we — the various levels of government, the water companies, other businesses and the public — collaborate and take the steps necessary to control the levels of phosphorus in our lakes.

The writer is chair of the Cusheon Lake Stewardship Committee and this piece was submitted by the committee. It was also endorsed by the Beddis and Cusheon Area Residents Association.

OPINION



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

BIG BIKE, BIG MONEY: The Jocks and Jockettes team was among eight teams which raised more than \$16,000 as part of Monday's Big Bike Ride. The annual event is held across the country to raise funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.

Up his nostrils

Re: "Trust roasters out to lunch," June 2 Driftwood.

In Greg Spendjian's apologetic letter to the Trust's actions concerning the Salt Spring Coffee Co.'s application, I detect the weasel-words of the diplomat: a little hint here, a draw there, a nudge maybe, and nary anything of substance to address "the elephant in the room," i.e., the loss of up to 40 jobs on Salt Spring.

I also detect the slightest whiff of hypocrisy: what would Mr. Spendjian think if I moved in next door to him and tried to get his entrepreneurial show, the Eat Me Treats bakery, closed on grounds of, say, objectionable odours?

Also the whiff of superiority: he's OK, Jack. Correct me if I'm wrong, but he does not have to rely on a day's work to earn a crust of bread. I've never seen him pumping gas. Nowhere does he address the issue of providing work, on-island, to island residents who do not have those luxuries.

The Trust's mandate he quotes is to "preserve and protect" rather than merely to facilitate matters for the business sector. There has to be balance, and this was addressed in several of the original letters (the majority of which were on the Salt Spring Coffee side).

You can't divorce land-base and environmental protection on the one hand from social and economic consequences on the other . . . unless, that is, one is so academically left-wing and anti-business and anti-working-class at the same time, anti-jobs for the young, and Talibanesque in a desire to revert to the caves, in which case one is beyond the bounds of absurdity and deserves to be marginalized and laughed off the island.

I have to say that rich, smug, comfortable people, NIMBYS and INNOBYS who can afford not to work, who militate against those trying to get ahead and those trying to put a crust on the table, they get up my nostrils.

When Mr. Spendjian calls for a "steeper personal tax rate for

the wealthy could go a long way to generating needed revenues," we've heard all this before (and I hope Mr. Spendjian will be first to step forward, but, to quote his phrase, "I somehow doubt it"). Maybe creating a sustainable tax-base (where local revenues can match more-or-less local expenditures) is a far healthier solution and works best to provide a preserved and protected, viable, inclusive community, balancing the needs of residents and the land-base and environment.

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A **Public Presentation** will take place to present the findings and recommendations of the review to interested citizens, businesses and other stakeholders. A question and answer period will follow the presentation.

Date: Monday, June 14, 2010

Time: 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Multipurpose Room, Gulf Islands Secondary School 232 Rainbow Road

Attendees are recommended to come for the presentation and stay for the question period. VIHA staff will be on hand to answer questions, discuss the recommendations and listen to your thoughts, issues and ideas.

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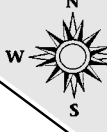
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This Week's Horoscope by Michael O'Connor

Tip of the Week:

The Jupiter/Uranus at 0 Aries seed is now germinated and in the early stages of its gestation. The cyclic nature of reality always includes germination, growth, birth or sprouting, growth towards independence then flowering, then growth of the fuller measure of the fruits, talents and characteristics promised by the seed. Growth continues until the flower bears fruit and ripens to its fulfillment. Then the harvest occurs and it is symbolic of the Full Moon and the Opposition aspect in Astrology (180 degrees) – the same angular relationship between the Sun and Moon when it is in its full phase. Like nature, humans undergo this process as well. That we are more complex than plants and undergo multiple overlapping cycles should be quite obvious. Looking to planetary alignments we can see similar patterns and the many cyclic relationships shared between any two planets manifest as synchronistic events here on earth. Many wonder how and why anyone would believe that we are in such relationship with the planets. Thus is the delusion of the lower mind assuming that we are simply 'in' nature and mercilessly subject to it verses the fact that we 'are nature', one of its many expressions and so one with it. It's an old story but the lower mind, the ego, is persistent and stubborn. The mystics of old and the advances of science now have assured us of our inherent communion with life yet there remains this belligerent attitude to deny the implications of this fundamental truth. Thus many live short, relatively selfish, desperate, distracted rather uninteresting and unconscious lives hoping for more; more pleasure, more time, more money more success, comfort, security and assurance that the short cycle that we call life is not all there is. Due to our imbalance and disconnect with nature in an essential and reverent way, we are killing the environment. Astrology 'proves' that we are one with nature? Perhaps this Jupiter/Uranus seed conjunction that occurred on June 8 will produce the flowers and fruit of new wisdom for us to see the obvious. We are one with nature and it encompasses the entire universe and our big/tiny solar system is our local cosmic environment.

Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20)

Ready or not... Change is the law and it is knocking at your front door. It is compelling you to take deliberate action. Are you ready to go to work? A whole new level of commitment is rising for you. Unless you are in deep denial, you will feel ready for it. If the former is the case, the insights Astrology can offer can help a lot. Otherwise, expect a lot of errands communications this week.

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 21)

You are in the midst of a grand awakening or wake up call. Welcome to the club. You will be guided to seek new understanding, knowledge, training and/or apprenticeship. Gaining new skills and meeting new people is featured. The important thing is to commit to doing something you genuinely like. Avoid the high cost of just going just for the money, but do aim for a secure income.

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21)

The light of a new day is inspiring you to pioneering initiatives. Taking a leap of faith is likely. While commitment is implied in this risk, so too is freedom. Opening yourself to new relationship prospects and patterns is featured. Expect changes in your home. Renovations or simply making your world more colourful and uplifted will feel really good.

Cancer (Jun 22 – Jul 22)

Big changes in your public and professional life are affecting you close to home and vice versa. Sometimes change comes suddenly and this may be such a time. All the warning signs have been

present though; we you noticing? You may not be sure whether to charge ahead, run away, or hide. Let go as necessary, look for the silver lining and negotiate a new deal.

Leo (Jul 23 – Aug 23)

The planetary picture suggests an image of your crown chakra opening and a shaft of light is illuminating your mind. A grand eureka is awakening you to a new vision. Some measure of ambition is woven into this divine design. Expect your intuitive abilities to increase. Communications and exchanges with other key players is ordained as well.

Virgo (Aug 24 – Sep 22)

You are in the limelight now. You are finally getting some well-earned attention. A spirit of enthusiastic energy to make the most of it is present as well. However, in order to take hold of the new opportunities you may have to let go of existing things, status, relationship.... Success and power have their price and those who are willing to pay achieve them.

Libra (Sep 23 – Oct 22)

Sometimes we are willing to go really big while at others something really big gets us going. Which is it for you, or is it both? Your world is shifting and shaking and all you have to do is to accept, remain calm and as reasonable as you can and decide to shift along with it. Reign in your imagination from conjuring some negative future and stay in the moment.

Scorpio (Oct 23 – Nov 21)

A great awakening and healing process has begun. The operation implied may not be so pleasant, but is necessary. For your part, keeping a really open mind is an important and wise choice. Knowing where and when to push and/or yield may prove especially helpful now. Important new teachings, inspirations and tools are coming to you – accept them.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 – Dec 21)

Healing on relationship fronts is a current theme. There is a simple rule in life, if you are involved at all you are responsible for being there. Playing the victim is a ploy of the ego. We can be victimized but only by laying claim of responsibility to we access whatever power we have to do something about it. All efforts to find out how now will earn rewards.

Capricorn (Dec 22 – Jan 19)

A big boost of confidence or a big kick in the butt, perhaps both, are helping to push you onward and upward now. Paying close attention to the details is part of the deal. Gathering facts and learning everything you can and feel you must to succeed is important. You are in the mood to assert your position and sharpen your mind. There will be distractions so concentrate!

Aquarius (Jan 20 – Feb 19)

The time has come for you to make your next big play in the life game. This will include many new perspectives and modes of expression. Fortunately, your ambitions are on the rise. Like a butterfly working its way out of its cocoon, you are almost there. With the help of all your senses you know and feel full flight will occur soon.

Pisces (Feb 20 – Mar 20)

Settling in to nurture some neat new ideas, perspectives and possibilities feels right now. You are ready to make some key moves and changes. More money, power, adventure and simply new learning experiences are guiding your visions. Support given in the past is coming to you now and just in time to follow through.

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ARTBEAT

Unique style transforms natural world

Garry Gray exhibit at ArtSpring until June 16

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

An artist with a background in biology and landscape ecology presents a major show at ArtSpring's Bateman Gallery this week.

Raised on the Sunshine Coast and now residing on Salt Spring, Garry Gray makes nature the subject of reverent watercolour and acrylic works.

His emotional underpinning steers his paintings away from the representational into an exuberant expressionism.

According to Gray's statement, his work "accents seasonal and light modes and effects, combined with a near mystic perspective on nature," while his "unique approach emphasizes man's need to regain an integrated presence in the natural world."

Using richly saturated pigment in his watercolours and psychedelic primary colours in his acrylics, Gray's landscapes are bursting with life and energy.

Shapes and forms are transformed by Gray's eye, often being abstracted to geometric fragments but with rounded edges rather than sharp lines.

Sunset on Langdale Beach #2 is a good example of this style. Loops of bright green and blue stand in for the trees on the shore, while deeper blue fragments make up the beach and water.

A line of bubble-like boulders at the beach's edge finds a repeated theme in the rounded ends of driftwood in the foreground. In each colour block, Gray leaves the top edge free of paint with a band of light and makes the



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Garry Gray with one of his paintings at his ArtSpring exhibit.

bottom edge dark, creating a rounded, bubble-like surface overall.

This technique is seen again in Northern Winter Landscape #1 and #2. Gray relies almost entirely on a

deep blue, with soft red to create purple shadows. These two views are even more abstract than the coastal landscape, with shapes in the bubble fractals suggesting trees against snow and

the northern lights.

Forest Life and Redrot is an ancient totem glimpsed from within the rainforest, composed in abstracted form.

Deeply saturated dark green, blue and black, and bright yellow and green highlights make up the forest, which recalls the intensity of Rousseau's Pacific jungle scenes. Jagged, triangular fern fronds in the foreground break up the heavy background, while the totem gleams in rich orange cedar.

Gray also demonstrates a fine illustrative hand in some of his less mystical pieces. Fulford Harbour Booms is a delicate treatment that leaves plenty of white space, a portrait of two old-time characters standing on the boom. Gray moves through the spectrum with the men outlined in yellow, the boom in yellow to red and the water in streaks of blue and green.

Paddle Wheel Graveyard #1 combines an even simpler palette of blue, green and yellow with an impressionist view of splintered boards on a river bank. Low green hills and rushing water are backed by a windswept sky.

The same scene comes to life in incredible detail in the large format Paddlewheel Graveyard #3.

This version is more like an illustration, and contains an image of the artist's hand working on a sketch in the immediate foreground.

Gray includes bright pink fireweed, a fox, beetles chewing leaves and a distant settlement on the river's other shore, in the kind of scene that delights the viewer as more and more is discovered.

Gray's exhibition continues at ArtSpring through Wednesday, June 16 and is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Deadline is June 30; festival runs Aug, 13-15

The Salt Spring Jazz Festival runs from Aug. 13 to 15 this year, with a theme of "Celebrating the Good Life on Salt Spring."

Seven shows will be held at the "good life" venues of Salt Spring Island Cheese, Mistaken Identity Vineyards and Salt Spring Vineyards for the fifth annual festival hosted by the Salt Spring Jazz and Blues Society.

Paul Mowbray, the festival's artistic director, said there will also be non-stop jazz and blues music in the evening at seven supporting pubs and eateries, a family day in the park with Swing Shift and a free percussion workshop by Salt Spring's own Jose Sanchez.

A main part of the festival is education and community, explained Mowbray.

He said this year sees the launching of a new program called Meet a

Mentor, which "selects local applicants, 18 and younger, who want to get a chance to play a tune with one of the festival's participating bands."

The successful applicant will be put in touch with a group member and helped to a successful performance.

"We think this is a real opportunity for the young player to get more experience in the real world of performance and to make new contacts in the jazz community."

The society encourages applications until a deadline of June 30. Application information can be found at www.saltspringjazzfest.org. It will also be made available to the school music programs and to local music teachers. Successful applicants will be chosen by July 14 by the board of the jazz and blues society.

"So if you're a blues guitarist, a jazz singer, a sax player, or can convince us that playing the spoons has a place in hard bop, and if you're under 18, please apply and let's make it happen," said Mowbray.



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Alice in Wonderland

First, a disclaimer: I have almost no prior knowledge of the history of Alice in Wonderland, be it Carroll's novel from 1865 or Disney's animated film from 1951. Second, an admission: I was prejudiced against Tim Burton's 2009 version if for no other reason that — to quote an opinionated student of mine — the trailer looked as if "Tim Burton had thrown up all over the screen."

That said, it is pretty miraculous that I didn't end up hating the film. Maybe it was a matter of being so predisposed to disapproval that it could only end up being better than expected, but overall it is certainly an entertaining, attractive and thought-provoking piece of Hollywood fun.

Unlike earlier versions, Burton's Alice (Mia Wasikowska) is 17 years old. Facing a marriage proposal from a mealy aristocrat, our heroine heads for the forest in a moment of panicked apprehension. There falls down a really, really deep rabbit hole into a fantastic, colourful, yet frequently frightening world where the Evil Red Queen (Helena Bonham Carter) holds sway.

In order to defeat the Red Queen and bring the White Queen (Anne Hathaway)

to power, Alice not only needs the help of a few famous friends (the Mad Hatter, the Cheshire Cat, etc.) but must find herself. Burton's Alice in Wonderland is one of the most blatantly feminist cultural artifacts of recent times, and works surprisingly well in this regard.

It's not just a matter of Alice's inevitable return to the real world with a newly minted attitude adjustment that lets her (big surprise of a spoiler) turn down the would-be husband and take control of her own life. Alice's will to power comes largely of her own accord. There is no hero on a white stallion in this story; most of the male figures are evil or crazy, or subservient to an assertive female leader.

Burton's Wonderland is truly a wondrous place, dynamic and intentionally hyper-artificial. It was shown in theatres in 3D, but (as with Avatar) probably looks better in the more subtly prismatic 2D. I was surprised by how restrained, if that is the word to use, Burton was in creating his world. It's not the chaotic, distracting, overly quirky mess one might expect given the circumstances, and in fact has moments of sublime beauty I hadn't seen in a Burton film since Edward Scissorhands. Nice job, Tim, you've won me back.



Jason Tudor

DANCE REVIEW

High school dancers make every move count — from graceful and serene to upbeat and sassy

Last dance show of school year at ArtSpring

BY MEGHAN HOWCROFT
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

It was yet another week with the Gulf Islands Secondary School in the spotlight, this time with the end-of-year dance show taking place at ArtSpring last Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

Shifting Inclinations featured new works of choreography from the Levels Two and Four dance classes at GISS. As dance teacher Sonia Langer explained to the crowd on Tuesday night, this semester's classes were a "real gift" because they were so small.

"This allowed us to move," Langer said, indicating how the dancers were better able to utilize ArtSpring's stage.

The show kicked off with a Level Four group piece entitled Waiting for the Sun, choreographed by Langer. There was some lovely presentation in the opening of the piece, the entire class moving through standard ballet movements with shoulders back, necks long, chests open. The costumes, featuring black bodysuits and wrap-around orange, yellow and red skirts, fit the mood of the piece beautifully. The number was graceful and serene, highlighting the skills of the beautiful young women it was created for.

Anna Melious' self-choreographed solo was a real treat. Featuring some cool, spotty yellow lightning and exquisite and well-rehearsed choreography, this reviewer was impressed, especially by Melious' flexibility and extension. She most definitely danced with purpose and made every movement count.

Je Veut Tout, a dance by Rowynn Lloyd-Butler, Anna Melious and Sanja Zandorf, was an intriguing routine, ending with a lovely pirouette a la seconde by Zandorf.

Jai Ho! was also interesting, featuring dancer-choreographers Yuna Uemaru, Chelsea Harris, Helen Brindle and Anja Moczek. Although the dancing was a bit too reserved for this usually hyper-lively Bollywood-style genre, it did include some lovely handwork and big smiles, which I'm always glad to see.

Dancer-choreographers Hannah Bielert and Deena Whitcutt brought down the house with their hip-hop routine Move, Shake, Drop (music by DJ Lady Pista). Included was some killer arm and foot work that made the routine fast, sassy, intricate and fun to watch. One of my favourite pieces of choreography of the night, I loved that they incorporated a little bit of everything: some mild krumping, waving and even a bit of pop n'lock.

I hope they will continue to communicate their thoughts, feelings and intentions through the art of movement.

Sleepwalker, choreographed by Bielert and danced by Burgess, Matheson, Rowynn Lloyd-Butler and Bielert, was anything but sleepy and I was impressed to see the dancers giving it their all. In I Wish I Was Your Favourite Girl (choreographed by Sanja Zeindorf and danced by Ruby Barnard, Melious and Zandorf), the choreography utilized three black chairs and featured some amazing leaps. The piece was most definitely telling a story and the movements seemed like a kind of sign-language of the body.

Langer also choreographed Touch Your Toes!, a fun and

colourful Level Two group piece that was super groovy and featured some stellar formations. Madison Greggains, Lloyd-Butler, Zundorf and Bielert were fantastic storytellers in People, a humorous piece with choreography by Merrilee Rowse. I especially enjoyed the strong partnering (who says you need a male dance partner?) and the upper body isolations in this cute number.

Save Me, with music by Evanesence, was another stand-out routine, choreographed and danced by Matheson and Burgess. These two blonde beauties danced with real passion, whipping each other around and across the stage in an intense emotional and physical battle.

The evening came to a close with Langer's Level Four group number. Featuring warm, purple lighting, the piece included some beautiful pirouettes and made great use of the entire stage. While Langer's choreography never disappoints, the dancing seemed slightly under-rehearsed at first, although the performers put more energy in and became more focused as the piece progressed.

Marv Coulthard and Clover Fedoruk-Russell provided fabulous, colourful lighting that dressed up the entire show, and the thoughtful and innovative costumes complemented each number perfectly. Props also to Diane Lehmann for some very professional stage managing.

The show, in general, seemed less energetic than other GISS dance events I've attended, although this could have been attributed to the smaller class sizes, the smaller crowd, or pure exhaustion after three weeks of other high school events. Despite this, these young dancers should be proud of what they accomplished and I hope they will continue to communicate their thoughts, feelings and intentions through the art of movement.

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Geoff Berner with his accordion.

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CONCERT

Whiskey Rabbi returns to the island with David P. Smith and accordions

Klezmer mongrels unite for June 12 house concert

Geoff Berner is only a little disappointed that he was not sued by the provincial government or VANOC for his song "Official Theme Song for the 2010 Vancouver/Whistler Olympic Games (The Dead Children Were Worth It)."

But, he takes solace in the words of his manager.

Berner explains, "My manager feels that for anyone who would have sued me over this song it would have been like wrestling a pig. Everyone gets dirty and the pig likes it."

Never one to rest on his laurels for

long, Berner announced his signing to Mint Records and plans for a new album on Home Game Radio on CFSI 107.9 FM.

"They will help me make a record in Montreal with a guy named Josh Dolgin, who is also known as Socalled. He's a studio wizard that does mash-ups of klezmer and hip hop and other stuff. There will be my trio and some other people in addition. I'm expanding the sound."

According to press material, Berner says it feels a little risky to collaborate his songs and emotions with someone who is such a wizard in the production studio, but he's still very excited to work with someone with such a large knowledge of old klezmer music.

Berner is looking forward to playing his new music in a stripped-down solo performance on Salt Spring Island with his accordion playing confidant David P. Smith.

Smith has been creating music in Victoria for the past 20 years and has just released a new album called Mantennae.

"Generic is not a word you can use to describe David P. Smith," says Scott Henderson, Victoria recording engineer and musical icon.

Berner and Smith will perform at Cedar Lane Studio on Saturday, June 12 with the doors opening at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets cost \$15 with all money going with the artists at the end of the show. Tickets are available at Acoustic Planet or by calling 250-538-7262 to reserve.

THEATRE

GISS drama takes Cyrano outdoors

French classic gets energized at skatepark and gazebo

Many people are no doubt familiar with the French classic Cyrano de Bergerac.

But this weekend the Acting 11/12 class at Gulf Islands Secondary will present it in a form that is "anything but your typical theatre experience."

As GISS drama teacher Jason Donaldson explains, "Though in the past the students have

performed their end-of-the-year show on the ArtSpring stage — learning the skills that come with performing a scripted piece in a theatre — this year they have turned their attention to improv and the unique skills that are needed to perform in an outdoor venue."

On Friday, June 11 at 8:30 p.m., audience members can expect to be dazzled by the unique postmodern resetting of the show at the skatepark.

"With the many levels, exciting urban expectations and

colosseum-like staging, the class has created something very unique," said Donaldson.

The next day at 1 p.m., students will perform under the gazebo at Centennial Park.

With the natural amphitheatre appearance, Donaldson said, it was an exciting choice for an outdoor venue on the island, and will be sure to attract the attention of any Saturday market goer with its sword fighting, raps and live music.

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ART REVIEW

Trees showcased in living format at Woodworks

Nicola Wheston exhibit on until June 13

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

That trees are valued by the Salt Spring Woodworks Gallery is not in question: their loving treatment produces the innovative and appealing furniture regularly showcased there.

The current exhibition of paintings by Nicola Wheston celebrates trees in their living format, providing a leafy complement to other artists' polished works.

Wheston's talent as a figurative painter has expanded in the past decade to include landscapes — the direct result, she says, of living close to nature in places like Salt Spring.

"For most of my adult life I have been interested in nature and all the different ecologies, bird watching and understanding the seasons and what the changes they bring," Wheston explains in her artist's statement.

Her eye for landscape seems to be influenced by the same qualities that make a human subject interesting, and with trees often the focus of her paintings, they become almost portraits of maples, cedars or dogwoods.

Using oil paint as her medium, Wheston builds with the paint's thick texture to maximize the appearance of three-dimensional space and perspective.

In long views her trees are set in space that stretches back to the horizon and forward to the viewer. Branches and leaves



Nicola Weston's Morning Light Cedar.

provide multiple surfaces to reflect light and cast shadows, and to imply movement.

Spring Dogwood is perhaps an example of Wheston's fascination with "oddity in nature," in this case the old bent tree seeming to strain under an "outrageous amount of blossoms."

But this piece is also a prime example of how the artist pulls all the elements

together for a technically accomplished and visually appealing impressionist work.

Growing in a field of new spring grass, the dogwood's heavy blossoms are echoed in the puffy, darkening clouds above.

A dark line of trees dissects the field from the sky and contributes to the sense of perspective and space. Red and yellow areas in the field suggest wildflowers and

textured, rather than flat terrain, while red flecks in the white blossoms provide warm contrast.

Twin Oaks is a similar view, with the same sensitivity to space and perspective, with the trees appearing to reach out toward the viewer.

Malcolm Island is a scene from the beach, looking across water at the line of hills on the opposite island.

The foreground is a mass of tumbled driftwood, including the tangled branches of a downed tree.

The busy scene is the perfect playground for Wheston to explore the complexities of light and shadow,

Morning Light - Cedars is a closer view, with one large trunk taking up most of the canvas from left to middle ground.

Pale yellow light filters through the surrounding thicket of thin alder trunks, while green cedar fronds hang down from outside the frame in toward the centre.

The cedar's thick trunk contains all the implied texture of its fibres, with multiple cracks and crannies holding shadows.

Again, Wheston applies sparing touches of red for wonderfully effective contrasts and highlights.

Maples is another close view, seen as if looking up at the leafy canopy from midway up the trees' height.

Wheston recreates a moss-covered trunk with satisfyingly thick smears of different greens, yellow, cream and deep magenta.

Wheston's exhibition continues at the Woodworks on Churchill Road through June 13.

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CONCERT PREVIEW

Music lovers can go 'pop' with Starlight

June 19 show set for ArtSpring

Salt Spring residents have a rare opportunity next weekend to hear one of Victoria's most exciting choirs in a "one-show-only" performance.

Starlight Pops Choir, a 65-member mixed-voice choir directed by conductor and vocalist Sue Doman, presents their June concert called All We Need is Music! at ArtSpring on Saturday, June 19 at 2 p.m.

The program reads like a wish list of favourites from yesterday and today.

"We have a great Johnny Mercer set, dance music from American Bandstand, favourite Motown hits, classics from Etta James and Eric Clapton, music from the '80s, as well as some beautiful arrangements of The Prayer and Bach's Air on the G String," said Doman.

When you come to a Starlight Pops concert, you know you're going to hear lots of music you know and love.

audiences love to hear.

The choir performs programs of favourites from the hit parade, '50s doo-wop, show tunes, contemporary favourites and close-harmony vocal jazz, together with well-known light classical music.

"When you come to a Starlight Pops concert, you know you're going to hear lots of music you know and love!"

In addition to the choral lineup, there will be special performances by Doman herself and the supporting ensemble, the Starlight Pops Combo led by well-known Victoria pianist Phil Hallman.

An added treat at this concert will be a guest appearance by the Four Neat Guys, a vocal quartet that have been performing the hit off-Broadway show Forever Plaid in and around Victoria for the past four years.

"We're so excited to be bringing our pops concert to beautiful Salt Spring Island," states Doman.

"Performing at ArtSpring is a rare opportunity that we're really looking forward to."

Tickets are available at the ArtSpring ticket centre at 250-537-2102.

For more information, visit www.startlightpopchoir.com



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

SIMS SINGS: Shane Hooper sings and plays the guitar at Salt Spring Island Middle School's band and choir concert at ArtSpring last week.

ART EXHIBIT

Silent Warriors at Pegasus

Eric Klemm's festival images

Work from the critically acclaimed Silent Warriors series by photographer Eric Klemm will run for a two-week exhibit at Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art.

The show runs at the Ganges gallery from Saturday, June 12 until Sunday, June 27.

Widely exhibited around the world and called the most important series of photographs of the North American Indian since Edward Curtis, Silent Warriors was published in a splendid book form this year by Steidl Press of Germany.

"In a departure from Curtis' portrayal of Indians on the reservation, Klemm has chosen to take his camera and plain white backdrop to the streets and to festive gatherings," states a press release about the show. "What you see is the subject in stark modern reality."

While many of the photographs the artist took are of people who seem disenfranchised and street weathered, it is the images of First Nations people from festivals that will be shown at Pegasus.

"They are a celebration of the proud renewal of a people reclaiming a culture."

Klemm lives on Salt Spring but his work is known around the world.

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FRIDAY (JUNE 18) 8pm \$6
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Watch for the special theme related classes throughout the catalogue, which will be distributed the first week of July. Check out the Fall Fair Focus in each Driftwood newspaper....some articles are time sensitive and you may need to get on with the project to be ready for entering at the Fair. The section coordinators are providing snippets of interesting classes, instructions for entries, and general information about the Fair - it's all a good read.

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Wed. June 9

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Music & Munch. Sounds Like Treble piano and vocal duo perform in the free recital at All Saints. 12:10 p.m.
Ted Cook. Live music at Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

GI Board of Education Meeting. School board office. 1 p.m.
Taoist Tai Chi Open House. And free introductory class at All Saints Church. 7 to 8 p.m.

Thurs. June 10

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Mic. Hosted by Stephanie Rhodes at The Local. 8 p.m.
Adam & Antonia. Live music at Shipstones pub. 7 p.m.
Simone and the Soul Intentions. Live music at the Pub at Fulford.
Vaughn Fulford. Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.
Gary Preston. Hosts blues night at Moby's. 8 p.m.

Fri. June 11

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Cyrano de Bergerac. Acting 11/12 students of GISS perform a unique rendition of the French classic at the Kanaka Road Skatepark. 8:30 p.m.
Heyboy Heygirl. At Moby's. 8 p.m.
Adam & Antonia. At Shipstones. 7 p.m.
Lane 31. At the Pub at Fulford.
Tom Hooper. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.
Alan Miceli. Harbour House lounge. 6:30 to 9 p.m.
Silk. Live music from 2 to 4 p.m. along with local wine and food tastings at Salt Spring Vineyards from noon to 5 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

StoryTime at the Library. Alphabet Soup: a great mix of alphabet storybooks to celebrate the final StoryTime of the season. Stories, activities and fun for early grades and preschool children. 1 p.m. at the library.
Open Garden. Irises, rhododendrons, peonies and more at the Bakers' garden for the last Friday and Saturday of the year. 185 Furness Rd.
Kundalini Dance - Crown Chakra. Ganges Yoga Studio. 7-9 p.m.

Sat. June 12

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Cyrano de Bergerac. Acting 11/12 students of GISS perform a unique rendition of the French classic at the bandshell in Centennial Park. 1 p.m.
Geoff Berner with David P. Smith. In concert at Cedar Lane Studio (210 Cedar Lane). 9 p.m.
Paul Mowbray & Circle of Friends. Live music at the Pub at Fulford.
Julia Beattie & Friends. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.
Big Al & Tubob. Harbour House lounge. 6:30 to 9 p.m.
Lane 31. Live music at Moby's. 8 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Broom & Invasive Weed Drop-off. Drop off broom, gorse, blackberry and other invasive weeds at the gravel pit on Lee's Hill, across from #2 1583 and 1601. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Open Garden. See Friday listing.
Car Wash. Fundraiser for GISS volleyball trip. Country Grocer from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sun. June 13

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Preston & Bonkowski. Jazz at Moby's. 7 p.m.
Stephanie Rhodes. Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 a.m.
The Barley Bros. At the Pub at Fulford.

ACTIVITIES

New Moon Transformational Journey. With Astara at Beaver Point Hall. 7 p.m.

Mon. June 14

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Mishras. North Indian classical music and ragas from Deobrat and Prashant Mishra. All Saints. 7:30 p.m.
Live Music. TBA at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Giant Book Sale Drop-off Day. At Country Grocer parking lot. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Salt Spring United Soccer Club AGM. GISS multi. 7 p.m.

Tues. June 15

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Stage with David Jacquett. Live at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.
Gene Grooms. Live music at the Harbour House Lounge. 6:30 to 9 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Salt Spring Island Conservancy AGM. With a presentation on Living in the Rarest Ecosystem in B.C. Lions Hall. 7 p.m.
Salt Spring Literary Society AGM. United Church. 3 p.m.
Market in the Meadow. First Tuesday farmers market of the year runs next to the SS United Church on Hereford Avenue in Ganges. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wed. June 16

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Music & Munch. Charley and Lisa Erck play downhome music in the free recital at All Saints. 12:10 p.m.
Richard Cross. Live music at Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Shared Space Meeting. For non-profit groups interesting in sharing community space. Community Gospel. 10 to 11:30 a.m.; 7 to 8:30 p.m.

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The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo - Facing prison time for slander, discredited journalist Mikael Blomkvist is hired by a reclusive industrialist for one last job; to solve a long unresolved family disappearance. Aided by the mysterious and troubled computer hacker, Lisbeth Salander, the two uncover a darker world of brutality, deception and ritualistic murder. Alone and not knowing who to trust, they must fight for their own survival and reveal the truth

The Last Station and **The Back-Up Plan** play next at The Fritz! **Prince of Persia** and **The Last Airbender** coming soon!

EXHIBITIONS

- **Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art** mounts a small exhibit of photographs from the **Silent Warriors** series by **Eric Klemm** from Saturday, June 12 until Sunday, June 27.
- **Garry Gray** has an exhibition of paintings in the **Bateman Gallery** at **ArtSpring** through June 16, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **How I See It** is an exhibition of work by **Julianna Slomka**, with **Terri Reid**, running in the **ArtSpring** multi-use gallery through Sunday, June 13, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Point Gallery** shows **A New Wilderness**, photographs by **John Denniston** in the Upper Gallery, and **Mine Sites**, photogravure by **Steven Dixon** in the Lower Gallery, daily until June 20.
- **Gallery 8** hosts a new exhibition of work by **Joyce Greig**, **Helen Ormiston Smith**, **Karin Marita Jones**, **Bob Leatherbarrow**, **Lore Schmidts**, **Gail Sibley**, **Donna J. Hall** and **David Young** running daily through Saturday, June 12.
- **Nicola Wheston** shows new work at **Salt Spring Woodworks** from Thursdays through Sundays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Exhibit runs to June 13.
- **Susan Haigh's** new studio and gallery displaying her vibrant floral paintings and cards at **289 Cusheon Lake Rd.** will be open on June 12, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or by calling 250-537-8912 for an appointment.
- **Darryl Snaychuk: Hide Your Face** is the June exhibit at **Salt Spring Coffee Co.** cafe in Ganges.
- **Salt Spring Painters' Guild** has a showing of artwork at **Island Savings Credit Union** until the end of July.
- **R.M. Dupuy** shows more portraits of islanders and exciting new Salt Spring landscapes, painted with knives, in the **ArtSpring** lobby. Runs through June.
- **Starfish Gallery** is showing work by **Diana Dean**, **Stefanie Denz**, **Birgit Bateman** and **Andrea Collins**.
- **Tina Louise Spalding** shows her **Celestial Collection** at **Cafe Talia** through June.
- **Jim Standen's** photo exhibit, featuring Salt Spring-grown produce, is now being displayed on the walls at **Bruce's Kitchen**.
- **Shari Macdonald** shows new photos at **Jana's Bake Shop**.

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The Mishras back for a cultural musical feast

All Saints hosts Indian group on Monday

From their home city of Benares, an ancient spiritual centre of traditional music and Hindu culture, the Mishras are bringing classical North Indian ragas and folk music to Salt Spring.

The Mishras will perform at All Saints By-the-Sea on Monday, June 14 at 7:30 p.m.

According to press material, Pandit Deobrat Mishra, the son and disciple of Pandit Shivrath Mishra, was born into a well-known musical family in the Benares music tradition.

"Following his father's footsteps, Deobrat Mishra is one of India's pre-

miere and most talented young artists," states a press release.

He has been touring the world with his father since 1994.

He performed his first concert at the age of six and played on All-India Radio at the age of 11. In 1995, he was chosen as the best young sitarist in India by the All-India Youth Festival.

Prashant Mishra is considered the best young tabla player of the Benares music tradition.

He studied tabla at a very young age with his family, continuing a long familial tradition of world-famous tabla players.

Prashant has accompanied Pandit Shivrath Mishra and Deobrat Mishra in a concert tour of Europe and in Japan.



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

RECITAL READY: Iminah Amal-Hill and Brenna McIntyre warm up for Sunday's Acoustic Planet Music recital, which took place at All Saints By-the-Sea.

MUSIC & MUNCH

Erck duo shares down home music style at June 16 recital

Rare chance to hear Charley and Lisa before return to Hawaii

Salt Spring has a way of attracting lovers of music and song from many parts of the globe: Witness the arrival of Ray and Virginia Newman and family in 1971, and Jim and Lauren Stubbs and family much more recently in 2007, with both families making huge contributions to the local music scene.



Lisa and Charley Erck.

Two other Americans emigrated independently in the late '70s — Charley Erck and his young son and daughter hailing from Texas, and Lisa Geller from Chicago.

Both made fast friendships in the musical community, new mutual friends bringing them together in 1982. According to Charley, when he "heard Lisa sing Hobo's Lullaby, that was it."

They were married on Salt Spring and, interspersed with much singing, proceeded to raise a family of five children,

Their music together took place in homes and various other venues, one of their favourites being in "coffee house" settings in St. George's Anglican Church hall at the corner of Park Drive and Lower Ganges Road (now All Saints By-the-Sea).

Both Ercks joined with other local musicians at the fall fair each September to perform on stage in song, Charley with his guitar and ukulele and Lisa with her standup bass.

In addition, both formed part of the very popular quartet Salt Lick along with Henry Baade on guitar and Carol Wright on banjo with Lisa on bass and vocals and Charley on dobro. This entertaining foursome performed for several years not only on the island but also at bluegrass festivals in Chilliwack and Coombs.

The Ercks left Salt Spring in 2002 to live in Hawaii where Charley with his carpentry skills is constructing their home.

They returned last fall (in time to perform at the fall fair) to renew old friendships and to attend the graduation of daughter Ruby from GISS.

Hawaii beckons them back later this summer, but in the meantime, the Music and Munch audience will have the pleasure of listening once more to their "down home" music styling, be it country, western swing, folk or just popular songs of years past.

The free performance begins at 12:10 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16 at All Saints, followed by a light lunch prepared by the Anglican Caterers for \$5.50.

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PLAY DAY: Shauna Lazzarotte enjoys the play equipment at Fernwood Elementary School.

PERSONAL GROWTH

Creativity at solstice event for women

McOuat, Gane and Lipsett team up to lead workshop

Women of all ages and backgrounds are invited to ignite their passions, engage their hearts, bodies and beings, and enjoy rich and fulfilling connection in a Solstice celebration of creativity on Saturday, June 19.

"In Full Bloom is an opportunity for women to explore a range of creative mediums in a playful, spontaneous way without concern for what they are producing," says poet/writer Lorraine Gane, one of the organizers of the day-long event at Beaver Point Hall.

"Our intention is to offer a gentle and joyful environment in which participants can flower into the fullness of their expressive abilities during this exuberant, fertile time."

Singer/songwriter, musician and educator Oona McOuat will begin the day's activities with simple chanting, toning and breath-work to "attune to the language of the heart."

"Learning to sing from deep within the belly, we'll experience how breath can root and amplify the power of the voice," says McOuat, who released her third CD, Honey and Holy Water, to international praise last year.

Painting sessions will be led by artist, educator and author Lisa Lipsett, whose book *Beauty Muse: Painting in Communion with Nature*, was published earlier this year to enthusiastic reviews. From her Salt Spring studio, other venues and online courses, Lipsett helps participants "break away from thinking and go where their hands lead," creating vibrant organic patterns and images without the use of brushes.

"This is a highly intuitive process, initiating a joyful, heart-filled creative response," she says.

Sessions of writing in the morning and afternoon will be guided by Gane, who has taught writing workshops on the island and other parts of Canada for the last 20 years. She will guide participants in a deep process of creative opening and transformation beginning with an excursion into the surrounding natural environment, followed by writing.

The author of several poetry collections, among them the upcoming *Blue Halo*, she says, "Each session will build and interweave with the previous ones, culminating in an integrated spoken word/movement finale that will bring all the threads together. The experience will be deeply enriching and enlivening for all who attend."

No artistic experience is needed to attend In Full Bloom, which runs from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with a potluck lunch at Beaver Point Hall. The cost is \$85, or \$75 with registration and payment by June 10.

For more information or to register, contact Gane at 250-537-5294 (ganegoodger@saltspring.com); or register online: www.creativebynature.ning.com.

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Valedictorian speech from GISS graduation ceremony, June 5

BY QUINCY KAY
GISS 2010 VALEDICTORIAN

It's good to see that we all made it here today. I know some of us had our doubts. There are countless things I'd like to say right now, but what can I say that hasn't been said before?

We've all heard the speeches made by people that simply faded from our memories as time went by. But some things have stuck with us for our entire lives. I can only hope that my message today will stay with you all.

I'm not entirely sure what chain of events led me here today, but in being valedictorian I want to be able to send a message that truly means something.

We're the grad class of 2010, and that should mean something more than just a number. We're the class of what was once thought of as the distant future. A place with flying cars and incredible science. Maybe one day we'll see something like that, but for now we'll have to deal with the mistakes of yesterday. We are the grad class of 2010, and should at least acknowledge that we can create a brighter future.

We've all come from different places and different cultures, but what brings us together today is that we have just completed one of the challenges of life.

Before writing this speech, I thought about this class, about the people who will one day be leading our world. That thought scared me a little. But the truth is, I can't imagine a better group of people to handle the problems the future might bring.

Our future is uncertain. It always has been, but it seems so much more real today. Maybe someday we'll look back on these days and laugh. Kind of like how we look back on Y2K. That was all just a way to make some money, but the problems of today are a little more serious than that. What we need to remember is regardless of what happens in the next few years, we don't have to let it control our lives.

I've thought deeply about the nature of this particular grad class. I asked a few people around the school to describe our class. Most didn't have a solid opinion, but a few made some good points. We're a diverse group of individuals with many different talents, some more visible than others. We're a group of people who are so



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Among the many sights at Grad '10 celebrations on June 5 were: at top, Molly Black, Wyatt Fullbrook and Kiera Tak; above left, Deva Middleton, Eli Balec, Oliver Schnare, Cyrus Galea, Dustin Saunders (on the ground); and Hana Mulder, joining grads at an "after grad" event.

different than the rest of the world, and yet so similar to it. We all still have problems. We all exist in harmony despite our differences, problems and fears. Suffice it to

say that we're an interesting and powerful bunch who do things a little differently.

Graduation creeps up on you. I can remember a time when I never even

thought about high school. Those were the days. Those carefree days before we realized that the real world involved work.

Before we realized that we'd have to go out on our own. Before we could even see the top of the mountain that was this part of our lives. Well, today we reach the top of that mountain. This is the moment where we realize that there's just another mountain in front of us.

Once we reach the top of that mountain, we'll find the next one reaches even higher. That's the way life goes; there's always another challenge waiting at the end of the road. The climb never stops, but that's no reason to quit. That's the reason why we can't stop. If we try hard enough, we can do something no one else has ever done. Something no one ever thought possible. Hey, I don't know how the future is going to turn out, but the challenges of life are what keep us going.

I know for a fact that no one graduating here today is going to fail in life. This group will never give up. In today's world, giving up isn't an option. We have to fight today, so we'll have something to be proud of tomorrow. We aren't sure of what the future will hold, but then no one has ever known what the future will hold. We can guess and prepare ourselves for the worst, but we'll never move forward until we stop being afraid of what might happen.

We may be diverse, but we all share that desire to succeed which will bring us a brighter future. I know that some of us aren't too optimistic about our future, even about their own future, but we can't let that stop us from moving forward. I'm an optimist, and yes, I do still watch the news.

Aspects of our world may not be great right now, but the future is still up for grabs. We're the ones who are going to take the world and change it into what it should be. But regardless of what happens, we can remember what we've accomplished here in the last four years and be happy.

I know that I've met a lot of great people and learned a lot of interesting things. I hope the same can be said for all of you. When it comes to the future on the horizon, and we look at the next great challenge, I always remember those words sung years ago. "In time, we'll be dancing in the streets all night. In time, everything will be alright, but it'll take time."

Oh, and good luck, and peace out.

See the grad book insert in this week's Driftwood for a bio of Quincy Kay.

BOOK SALE

First drop-off day now set for Community Ed's giant, annual book sale

Monday, June 14 at Country Grocer

Book collecting for the Salt Spring Community Education's fourth annual Giant Book Sale has once again begun.

Donation bins have been set up at the island's three financial institutions — Bank of Montreal, CIBC and Island Savings — and the first of two drop-off days is set for Country Grocer on Monday, June 14.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., people can bring their donations of books in good condition to a tent set up in the parking lot and manned by volunteers.

Organizers stress it's important that no magazines, textbooks, computer books or books that really belong in a recycling bin are

donated.

Volunteers are needed to transport books from the financial institutions to the sorting locale, and from there to a unit at Salt Spring Mini Storage on Upper Ganges Road. Anyone who can volunteer should contact Michelle Kay at kaymichelle66@yahoo.ca.

A second drop-off day at Country Grocer is set for Saturday, Sept. 25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Books will not be accepted at the Farmers' Institute in the days leading up to the sale, set for Nov. 6-7 this year, but between the drop-off bins at island banks and the two drop-off days, people have five months to assemble and unload their books.

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MONKEY SOCKS:

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expert ADVICE

Real Estate

What do you think of Real Estate as an investment?

Ask the question and you will inevitably encounter many differing opinions...

I don't believe that there is a right or wrong answer. I know there are varying situations and circumstances for every individual that drives their investing decisions. I recently read an article published in the Globe and Mail that speaks in detail of the financial states of various countries trying to pinpoint an investor's best bet.

Most people are now aware of the global economic conditions either in depth or on a surface level; interest rates, currency value, economic growth, market value being affected, debt ratios, etc.

Many of these aspects can affect a decision to invest in real estate, and buyers still want good value. Eric Reguly (article author) finishes his article with this food for thought "Gold and productive real estate, like wheat farms, may be the defensive investor's only remaining assets of choice."

Put simply, if you invest in a piece of property that provides shelter, the possibility of growing your own food and is a hard asset that can't literally disappear in a market downfall, then you've really got something!



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The important thing to remember is your beneficiary — changing your marital status or even changing your will does not automatically affect who will receive the insurance money when you die. You must sign a form with your insurance company to change your beneficiary. Similarly, if you change your name, make sure to request a form from your advisor to update company records. You may find this is a good time to review your coverage: You hope to have a lifetime together — protecting your shared future is another way of saying I love you!

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Golf Professional

Golf anyone?

All golfers ask the same question: "Is there a secret to playing good golf?" Truthfully, not really. However, an understanding of the basic fundamentals of the golf swing are very important in order to help you play good golf. What is the number one basic that we as professionals teach to all golfers? How to grip the golf club. Your grip is your only connection to the golf club.

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One of the most common errors among golfers is a weak left-hand grip that is too much in the palm, which produces a shot that slices and lacks power. For a visual demonstration on a proper golf grip and more information on your golf game, feel free to contact Head Golf Professional, Steven Marleau at the Salt Spring Island Golf & Country Club at 250-537-2121.



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What do anti lock brakes do for me?

Most new cars and trucks are equipped with anti lock brakes and some form of traction control. The weakest link in these systems is the driver. If used properly your anti lock brakes and traction control enable you to steer while in a panic stop situation or just trying to stop on slippery roads. With the old brake systems, in a panic stop your wheels would lock up making it impossible to steer without letting up on the brakes enough to let your wheels rotate and get enough traction to turn. The old adage [pump your brakes when in a skid] worked when you didn't have a computer controlled system doing it for you at a rate you can never match. If you pump your brakes on an ABS system it makes it harder for the controller to keep the wheels from locking up and possibly throwing you into a skid. Read your vehicle owners manual. There will be a section in it describing the system and how to get maximum benefit from these great new safety systems. If you get the opportunity, practice using the brakes on a slippery surface until you become accustomed to the noise they make and the feel of the pulsing brake.

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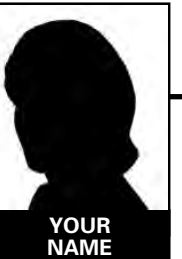


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PARENTS

Small Town Chicks site offers network for moms

Website provides stimulating connections

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Play groups can be as important for parents as they are for kids.

They're the chance to meet with other grown-ups, a few minutes to exchange laughs and parenting woes, to mention a good book or a quick supper idea.

But talking while watching kids is a disjointed affair achieved in small snatches that may or may not connect back to a coherent thread. A new website for local moms could extend the crucial support network into after-hours time, says creator Michele Akerman.

A marketing professional who recently moved to Salt Spring from Vancouver, Akerman knows what it's like to adjust to small town living.

"I've been coming here for 15 years with my husband who was born and raised here, and I used to spend all my summers in Comox," Akerman

said. "But to actually live here on a daily basis is a big adjustment from the city."

"I see a lot of lonely moms," she said.

With the Small Town Chicks site, Akerman is working to assuage that loneliness by providing pages that echo the topics people normally talk about during play groups: food, relationships, a book someone's just read or the music she's listening to. Website features include recipe cards with photos, parenting advice and exercises to do at home. Akerman plans to update the recipes and articles each month.

At the same time as building a local support network, Akerman is creating a business venture that will support other home-based business efforts. While starting with a Salt Spring focus, she plans to expand her base to include Vancouver Island communities, advertising small businesses to a greater market.

"For me, it adds a little texture," said Akerman about running a home-based business. "You're a wife, you're a mom, but there's so much more you can add."



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CHARITABLE GROUPS

SSI Foundation celebrates 25 years with a new image

Community steward message

BY PAT BURKETTE
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

If you see golden arches and big boxes as symbols of a lost civilization, you're going to like the Salt Spring Island Foundation's new logo. With an artistic rendering of a windswept Douglas fir and stylistic shoreline

set into a bluish-green, rock-shape oval, the logo symbolizes the natural beauty and strength of our island community.

"I wanted to reflect that we are an island and that we are here for the long haul, solid as a rock," says logo designer Michela Sorrentino.

Sorrentino was asked to create a logo that would represent the enduring qualities of

both Salt Spring and the foundation, which has just celebrated its 25th year of funding worthy community charities and projects with donations from generous islanders. Since its inception, the foundation has given over \$1 million to island organizations.

"We thought we needed to look into the future and find something that

will serve us well for another 25 years," says Judy Norget, foundation communications-donor relations chair.

The logo is part of Norget's initiative to put a professional face on the foundation while continuing to enhance its strong community presence.

"We are responsible for almost \$3 million that we have to manage and share professionally," adds Norget. "We want to convey the message that we are really good community stewards."

Islanders will see the new logo on foundation brochures, reports, website, signage and plaques, many of which are produced by another island business, Barnyard Graphics, because for the foundation, working with the local community is what it's all about.

As is to be expected for a local artist living in one of the most scenic



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

Michela Sorrentino, left, and Judy Norget, with new SSI Foundation logo.

aged seven and 10. Creating the foundation logo was a good fit for Sorrentino, who was originally a textile designer and now works with her husband in their Hermani+Sorrentino Design business, as well as helping out on the family farm. An exhibit of her paintings was recently held at the Ferry Building Gallery in Vancouver.

"I've been much busier here than I ever was in Vancouver," says Sorrentino.

For Norget, the foundation logo is a real Salt Spring symbol, illustrating the strength and beauty of our natural world while evoking an equally strong and vibrant island community.

She hopes islanders will continue to keep this community strong and connect their giving with island needs through donations and bequests to the foundation.

spots in the world, Sorrentino says that from the get go she started designing a logo with nature in mind. "We talked about some kind of recognizable natural symbol," says Norget, and Sorrentino settled on the Douglas fir.

As firs were also part of the old logo, this also gives a message of continuity.

"The new logo is an abstract shape representing Salt Spring, the island, with a kind

of Japanese woodcut look," explains Sorrentino.

She hopes that the image will appeal to new foundation donors.

"Now, with a fresh image, the foundation may be opening doors to a younger generation of donors."

Certainly Sorrentino and her husband have much in common with the island's young families. The couple moved here 10 years ago and now have two children,

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Now in its ninth edition, the B.C. Seniors' Guide is available provincewide in Service BC, government agent and MLA offices and in a variety of health-care offices, or can be downloaded at the new website for B.C.

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Copies may also be ordered through the Health and Seniors' Information Line at 1-800 465-4911.

In September 2008, government launched Seniors in British Columbia — A Healthy Living Framework, the province's action plan to support seniors in living healthy, active and independent lives.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Welcome Wagon still going strong in Canada

Salt Spring service sees about 10 households per month

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Imagine being welcomed to a new home by a smiling neighbour with a basket of treats.

That kind of experience is what people moving to small towns may hope to find — but one they probably don't expect will actually happen.

"Most people are usually surprised by how much is in there — by how generous the community is. A lot of people describe it like early Christmas."

HALEY BOTT

Welcome Wagon rep

On Salt Spring, the Welcome Wagon tradition is still going strong, backed by a nationwide organization celebrating 80 years of service

COMMERCE

Market in the Meadow sprouts for another year

New vendors on tap to set up

Salt Spring's annual Market in the Meadow returns for another season on Tuesday, June 15.

Then every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the "meadow" next to the United Church and Island Savings, the market will set up with vendors of beautiful cut flowers, French pastries, exotic mushrooms and sprouts, gourmet smokies, local apple juice and, of course, fresh fruit and vegetables.

"This year will also see new vendors join the lineup, with everything from Japanese rice balls to organic sauerkraut," said market coordinator Laurent Dubois.

Shoppers are still strongly encouraged to bring their own cloth bags and to reuse plastic bags for their groceries.

However, those who forget their bags at home can purchase plastic, produce bags from a centrally located stand at the market.

"Knowing your farmer is the best assurance that the food you buy is responsibly grown, with consideration for the impact that agriculture has on the environment, wildlife, the consumers who eat the food, the farmers who grow it and the community in which it is grown," said Dubois.

The Victoria Master Gardeners will also be making an appearance in the meadow on June 15 and every other second or third Tuesday of the month. People at their "help desk" can answer everyone's gardening questions.

The market will run until Oct. 5 this year.

For more information regarding the market, contact Dubois at 250-537-0824, or ssifoodmarket@gmail.com.

in Canada this year.

The practice is a way to help people adjust to some of big life's changes by connecting them with locally available information and businesses.

Started in 1928 by Memphis-based newspaperman Thomas W. Briggs, the idea harkens back to the days of the wild west.

Wagon-travelling pioneers would hear the call of "Welcome, wagon!" as they pulled into a settlement where people hoped to entice them to stop and join the community.

Although the modern take on the idea was well-received at first, the practice has now ceased almost entirely within the United States, where home visits no longer exist and the basket is delivered by telemarketers.

Ironically, even Vancouver — the site of Canada's first-ever Welcome Wagon visit in 1930 — no longer offers a city representative.

However, most of Canada enjoys the opposite phenomenon.

Welcome Wagon Ltd. reports that more than 1,000 representatives introduce over 13,000 businesses to more than 300,000 households each year.

Haley Bott, Salt Spring's Welcome Wagon representative since last June, said the organization is well-utilized by local busi-

nesses and their potential customers.

Two programs serve the community: one for new residents and one for new parents.

"Most people are usually surprised by how much is in there — by how generous the community is," Bott said. "A lot of people describe it like early Christmas."

Local recipients are presented with gifts from over 40 businesses and health professionals, along with information on local parks, trails and beach accesses, and groups like the Capital Regional District, Islands Trust and the career resource centre.

Businesses also usually include a voucher to be redeemed in person, encouraging newcomers to see for themselves what each location offers.

Salt Spring Books owner Adina Hildebrandt said her store probably sees around six new people each month because of the Welcome Wagon.

Having people come in with their vouchers gives proprietors the opportunity to introduce themselves and the unique aspects their businesses offer.

"It's a way of acknowledging we are a small kind of place. We want to shake people's hands,"

Hildebrandt said. "I think it's a way to open the conversation, too. It's an exchange."

Bott visits people of all ages, from late teens to retirees, and sees an average of 10 households a month. Some people respond to the Welcome Wagon ad inviting newcomers to call. Others have friends call on their behalf or are told about the program from people already established in the community.

"One of the things I enjoy about the job is the diversity and the interests of people that live here and choose to live here," Bott said. "People come from all

over the world. I think Salt Spring's quite unique that way."

Bott has seen people come here from Alberta and B.C.'s interior, as well as more exotic locales such as Japan, the United Arab Emirates and Mexico.

Bott's home visits are always fun, she says, because who doesn't like getting a basket full of gifts? Recipients have reported the self-directed visits afterward are another enjoyable part of the experience.

"It's kind of like a Salt Spring scavenger hunt," Bott said. "It really gets you out there, which is important to do when you move somewhere

new. You get to know where everything is and really know what the island is all about."

For their part, island businesses have been longtime supporters of the program. Pharmasave, Mouat's and Island Magic Hair Cuts have all been involved for 25 years.

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HIKING

Setting off on island's haute route

High peaks circuit brings wilderness within reach

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

When Gary Quiring says he's going out for a hike in the woods, he's not kidding around.

One of Quiring's most recent outings was a seven-and-a-half hour trek across more than 30 kilometres and over more than 1,500 metres of old logging roads, game trails and untamed bush.

Quiring's completion earlier this month of what he only half-jokingly refers to as "Salt Spring's seven summits" represents the fourth time he's done the circuit in 10 years.

It turns out that seven and a half hours is only a tad off his usual pace.

Unlike the real seven summits, a reference to the highest peaks on each continent, Salt Spring's big peaks offer a relatively stunning wilderness experience available to any islanders with a penchant for hiking off the beaten path.

There's no expensive mountaineering permits, visa costs, long-haul airfares and, perhaps best of all, no ferries to catch.

Quiring, an avid backcountry skier and mountaineer, has built up experience about what it takes to travel light and fast without compromising safety on his many excursions in Vancouver Island's Strathcona Park and the Kootenays.

As with so many others who share his passion for the high country, forget about asking why he did it.

"I've always been into hiking and I run regularly," Quiring said in a recent interview, adding that he's often trekked up the island's highest peaks on his own or with friends and family.

"I thought it would be great to be on every one in a day."

Equipped with a sturdy pair of trail runners, a couple of water bottles, some food and energy gels, Quiring set off from the end of Mountain Drive near Cape Keppel, gained the ridge at Mount Tuam and proceeded north towards Mount Bruce, the island's highest peak at 709 metres. Quiring then made his way further north to Mount Sullivan, through Burgoyne Bay Provincial Park, up Bruce Peak and on towards Mount Belcher and Mount Erskine.



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

Gary Quiring — going to new heights.

"I think there's a lot more adventure on Salt Spring than people think."

GARY QUIRING
 Hiker

The network of old and rarely used logging roads that ring the slopes of Salt Spring's southern ridges makes it a great place to explore for those with a sense of adventure and a tolerance for getting a little scratched up along the way.

"I think there's a lot more adventure on Salt Spring than people think," he said.

During his latest high peaks tour, Quiring spotted only three homes, a few power lines and not a single other person.

Though never more than 10 kilometres from a major road, he said, it felt and seemed, especially while hiking between Mount Sullivan and Mount Maxwell, that he was alone in the wild.

While he recognizes the dangers of publicizing a journey that gets much of its value by virtue of the solitude and tranquility it can offer, Quiring said he believes it's worth letting people know the extent of wilderness still available on Salt Spring.

The more people who know about the island's remaining wild places, he said, the more voices are available to speak out, protect them, lobby for improved trail development, access and monitoring.

Aside from a few pockets of privately controlled land, he said, the foundation of a cross-island trail is already in place.

Encouraging the development of such a backcountry trail, he added, has the potential to become a huge draw for wilderness lovers from on and off the island.

Given there's practically no signage and that many of the easements across private land aren't indicated for the time being anyway, Quiring recommends anybody considering such a trip plan ahead, provide an itinerary to a friend or family member and obtain updated maps from the Parks and Recreation Commission office, or call him for advice.

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SPORTS & RECREATION



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Above, Grace Morgan takes fifth place in the 100-metre event, and Kevan Brown wins fifth in the 800-metre race.

TRACK

GISS students reach top five in championships

Grade 11s maintain a winning pace

Gulf Islands Secondary School students ranked among the best in the province at the B.C. High School Track and Field Championships last weekend.

Grace Morgan and Kevan Brown competed at Swangard Stadium in Vancouver at events taking place June 4 and 5.

Morgan took fifth place in the province for the 100-metre race with a time of 12.67 seconds.

She finished in fourth place for her 200-metre run with a time of 24.51 seconds.

Brown also landed in the top five, taking fifth place in the 800-metre race with a time of 1:56.26 minutes.

Coaches say it was an excellent achievement by Morgan and Brown, whose competition pool included students in Grade 12 as well as Grade 11.

SENIOR GIRLS' SOCCER

Scorpions succumb to the 'pool of death' at B.C. soccer event

Girls meet their match in season finale in Kamloops

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

With grad weekend on players' minds, a slew of injured starters and a berth in what coach Doug Pearson dubbed "the pool of death," it's amazing the Gulf Islands Secondary School senior girls' soccer team even showed up at the provincial AA championships in Kamloops over the weekend.

What's even more amazing, Pearson said, is that the team overcame all these obstacles to pull off some of the season's best soccer, in spite of ending the tournament 13th out of the province's top 16 AA teams.

Pearson said he was disappointed the girls weren't able to bring home any shiny hardware, but is confident the team learned plenty of lessons during the three-day tournament.

"They played far better than is reflected in their 13th place," Pearson said.

"I think we had the strongest team we had in a long long time."

With star striker Sierra Lundy sidelined with a knee injury and fellow players Kaylea Kray and Alanna Hillis unable to play the entire tournament, Pearson commended the team's younger players for meeting the challenge of competing at such a high level.

The offensive firepower and finesse that defined the girls' squad for much of the season was in short supply as the team completed Thursday and Friday's opening round-robin play with a 0-1-2 record.

Rookie Hannah Pearson scored the team's lone goal in round-robin action.

Friday morning's 2-0 defeat to tournament hosts Sa-Hali Secondary marked the Scorpions' first regulation time loss of the season and was enough to dash any hopes of a top-three finish.

"The team squandered several scoring chances and vastly outplayed their opponent, but just couldn't score any goals," Pearson said.

With the cream of the team on its way home for the 2010 graduation ceremony, the Scorpions' rising stars pulled off a surprising 2-1 victory over Kamloops' Valleyview Secondary on Saturday, thanks to goals by Jody Pringle and Elise Pearson.

The team finished the event with a 2-1-2 record.

"The girls learned that nothing ever goes according to form at the provincials and that is one of the reasons sports can be so exciting on the one hand and heart wrenching on the other," Pearson added.

Player Erica Rimmer was named to "the commissioner's 11" in recognition of her consistent effort throughout the five-game tourney.

Pearson said he's eager to take another run at the provincials with a talented pack of aspiring players.

"Things bode well for next year," he said.

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GROUP MATCHES JUNE 11 - JUNE 25			
Friday June 11			
Replay ~ Opening Ceremony	Noon	Sunday June 20	Monday June 28
Replay ~ South Africa vs. Mexico (Match 1)	1:45 pm	Live ~ Brazil vs. Cote d'Ivoire (Match 29)	Live ~ Round of 16: 1G vs. 2H (Match 54)
Replay ~ Uruguay vs. France (Match 2)	4:15 pm	Replay ~ Slovakia vs. Paraguay (Match 27)	Replay ~ Round of 16: 1E vs. 2F (Match 53)
		Replay ~ Italy vs. New Zealand (Match 28)	4:15pm
Saturday June 12			
Live ~ England vs. USA (Match 5)	11:15am	Monday June 21	Live ~ Round of 16: 1H vs. 2G (Match 56)
Replay ~ Korea Republic vs. Greece (Match 4)	1:45pm	Live ~ Spain vs. Honduras (Match 32)	11:15am
Replay ~ Argentina vs. Nigeria (Match 3)	4:15pm	Replay ~ Portugal vs. Korea DPR (Match 30)	1:45pm
		Replay ~ Chile vs. Switzerland (Match 31)	4:15pm
Sunday June 13			
Live ~ Italy vs. Australia (Match 7)	11:15am	Tuesday June 22	Live ~ Round of 16: 1F vs. 2E (Match 55)
Replay ~ Algeria vs. Slovenia (Match 6)	3:15pm	Live ~ Nigeria vs. Korea (Match 35)	11:15am
Replay ~ Serbia vs. Ghana (Match 8)	5:45pm	Replay ~ Mexico vs. Uruguay (Match 33)	1:45pm
		Replay ~ France vs. South Africa (Match 34)	4:15pm
Monday June 14			
Live ~ Italy vs. Paraguay (Match 11)	11:15am	Wednesday June 23	Live ~ Quarter-Final: 6 vs. 8 (D) (Match 60)
Replay ~ Netherlands vs. Denmark (Match 9)	1:45pm	Live ~ Australia vs. Serbia (Match 40)	11:15am
Replay ~ Japan vs. Cameroon (Match 10)	4:15pm	Replay ~ Slovenia vs. England (Match 37)	1:45pm
		Replay ~ USA vs. Algeria (Match 38)	4:15pm
		Replay ~ Ghana vs. Germany (Match 39)	6:45pm
Tuesday June 15			
Live ~ Brazil vs. Korea DPR (Match 14)	11:15am	Thursday June 24	Live ~ Semi-Final: A vs. C (1) (Match 61)
Replay ~ New Zealand vs. Slovakia (Match 12)	1:45pm	Live ~ Denmark vs. Japan (Match 43)	11:15am
Replay ~ Cote d'Ivoire vs. Portugal (Match 13)	4:15pm	Replay ~ Slovakia vs. Italy (Match 41)	1:45pm
		Replay ~ Paraguay vs. New Zealand (Match 42)	4:15pm
		Replay ~ Cameroon vs. Netherlands (Match 44)	6:45pm
Wednesday June 16			
Live ~ South Africa vs. Uruguay (Match 17)	11:15am	Friday June 25	Live ~ Quarter-Final: 2 vs. 4 (B) (Match 59)
Replay ~ Honduras vs. Chile (Match 15)	1:45pm	Replay ~ Korea DPR vs. Cote d'Ivoire (Match 46)	9:00am
Replay ~ Spain vs. Switzerland (Match 16)	4:15pm	Live ~ Chili vs. Spain (Match 47)	11:15am
		Live ~ Switzerland vs. Honduras (Match 48)	11:15am
		Replay ~ Portugal vs. Brazil (Match 45)	11:45am
		Replay ~ Chile vs. Spain (Match 47)	2:15pm
Thursday June 17			
Live ~ France vs. Mexico (Match 18)	11:15am	ROUND OF 16 JUNE 26 - JUNE 29	
Replay ~ Argentina vs. Korea Republic (Match 20)	1:45pm	Saturday June 26	Live ~ Round of 16: 1C vs. 2D (Match 50)
Replay ~ Greece vs. Nigeria (Match 19)	4:15pm	Live ~ Round of 16: 1A vs. 2B (Match 49)	11:15am
		Replay ~ Round of 16: 1A vs. 2B (Match 49)	7:15pm
Friday June 18			
Live ~ England vs. Algeria (Match 23)	11:15am	Sunday June 27	Live ~ Round of 16: 1B vs. 2A (Match 52)
Replay ~ Germany vs. Serbia (Match 21)	1:45pm	Live ~ Round of 16: 1D vs. 2C (Match 51)	11:15am
Replay ~ Slovenia vs. USA (Match 22)	4:15pm	Replay ~ Round of 16: 1D vs. 2C (Match 51)	6:45pm
Saturday June 19			
Live ~ Cameroon vs. Denmark (Match 26)	11:15am		
Replay ~ Netherlands vs. Japan (Match 25)	1:45pm		
Replay ~ Ghana vs. Australia (Match 24)	4:15pm		

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WATER POLO FIGHTERS: Fireman play a little inner tube water polo as they take on the RCMP in a special match at Rainbow Road pool last Saturday.

Bridge players aspire to royal positions

Insurgencies name of the game on May 31

BY JILL EVANS
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

It was Victoria Day on May 24 and six full tables courted favours, Gisela Welsh and Joanne Elizabeth being crowned the winners. Jeff Bell and Prem Margolese duked it out to second place, while marchionesses Tilly Crawley and

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Lynn Thorburn marched into the third rank. Countesses Terry Wilkinson and Blanche Poborsa accounted well for themselves and came fourth.

The remaining common herd aspired to upward mobility another time.

There was indeed a regime change and an uprising on May 31, when Ian Thomas and Zelly

Taylor became triumphant, with George Laundry and Paul Retalack in the second spot. Joanne Elizabeth and Gillian Mouat gained the third position, and returning Nancy Arnold, partnered by her sister from northern California, Susan Butler, were fourth in line.

Will there be further insurgencies next time?

For information about these contests, please contact George Laundry at 250-653-9095 or pas-torale@shaw.ca.

LADIES' GOLF

Georgeson Cup win spawns case of the missing trophy

Hardware is somewhere on Pender Island

BY SUSAN RUSSELL
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Though the weather has been spotty, lots of ladies' golf has been played in the month of May.

The Georgeson Cup, which is the annual competition for Gulf Islands ladies, was won by the Salt Spring team this year, led by Darlene Wellington. When the cup is found by the Pender golfers (and polished!), we will be happy to display it in our trophy case.

The ladies' golf executive has been working hard to improve our knowledge of the game, including the rules for competition.

They have introduced several different formats for us to try, besides regular stroke play. The month started with an alternate-shot competition on May 4. This was a great chance for the slugs among us to get in shape. Julie Tyler and Franki Johnstone won low gross with 103, and Linda Woodley and Marcie Hogan won low net with 81. Deb Hamilton won the KP.

On June 1 there was a Stableford competition, where a little more attention had to be paid to the scoring. Franki Johnstone won with the

most points, and Janet Butler was the runner-up. Femmy Schuurmans was the putt-pot winner, with Darlene Wellington winning the KP.

The big competition for ladies was the Rose Bowl, with the qualifying round being played on May 18. Due to the weather (again!) there was not a huge turnout, and we only played nine holes, but the 20 ladies have been reduced, and the winner will be among the group of Alice Richards, Franki Johnstone, Lynda Joyce and Dora Reynolds, the four finalists.

Considering the cold wet weather at the Shipley Cup, there was a good turn-out of 25 teams. The couples played low net, and Don and Gail Sharpe were the winners with low net of 68. Congratulations to the runners-up in this stiff competition, Richard Weatherall and Pearl Gray, Tracey Mustoe and Cheri Cornachione, and Doug and Darlene Wellington.

Mark your calendars ladies, with a change in the date of the Ladies Club Championship. In order to encourage more lady players, the date has been changed to Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11 and 12. By that time all your summer guests will have departed, the weather will have cooled, and there will be no excuses not to enter the premiere competition of the season.

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