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MIGHTY BIG FISH: Darren Lee's 21.4-pound salmon wasn't quite big enough to win the top award of the third annual Moby's Fishing Derby, but it was a handful nonetheless at the weekend event that saw 81 fishermen from 31 boats participate. See story on page 19.

CANADA POST

Dispute threatens mail service

July 2 is deadline for settlement

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Canadians are being warned that Canada Post's mail delivery service could be disrupted next month if contract negotiations between the Crown corporation and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers are not successful by the July 2 deadline.

Rural postal workers' contract expired on Dec. 31, 2015, while the contract for urban workers expired at the end of January. Negoti-

ations have been ongoing, but "conciliations" officially ended on June 10, leaving a 21-day cooling off period before parties can take further action. This could take the form of labour disruptions by the union or a lock-out by the employer.

Union locals across the nation are taking strike votes this month to see whether they have the mandate to proceed with job action after July 2.

"There's been some movement on the table

on some issues since the strike votes started, so that's good," reported Victoria union rep Janet Barney, who also represents the Gulf Islands.

Key issues cited by the union in the proposed contract include decreased job security, changes to pensions for current and retired employees, and pay equity between urban and rural/suburban mail carriers.

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PARKS & RECREATION

PARC passes new playing fields budget

Delegations speak against Brinkworthy project

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring's Parks and Recreation Commission has reaffirmed its commitment to a goal of creating new playing fields at the end of Brinkworthy Road.

Commissioners voted to approve revisions to the project's budget during Monday's business meeting. Changes include additional funds for planning costs, offset by savings to a number of studies required for development applications with the Islands Trust. The total budget for the land purchase and application phase remains the same at \$695,000.

PARC heard two delegations speak against the project at Monday's meeting. Ron Hawkins objected to PARC's application to allow non-farm use of lands within the Agricultural Land Reserve, because of concerns about food security and the environment.

"I consider this a most serious issue and one that I caution you is a huge error," Hawkins said.

He suggested PARC could apply to use some of the former hay fields in BC Parks' property at Burgoyne Bay or schedule existing fields for full 16-hour days starting early in the morning.

Salt Spring parks manager Dan Ovington responded later in the meeting that BC Parks' plan is to restore native habitat at Burgoyne Bay and does not permit playing fields or agriculture. As well, he said the plan for the Brinkworthy fields is to keep the topsoil intact.

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WASTE MANAGEMENT

CRD drives work at Burgoyne septage site

New direction deemed 'welcome departure from negative history'

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

After nearly 10 years of false starts and head scratching, the Capital Regional District is moving ahead with work to restore its aging liquid waste facility near Burgoyne Bay.

"We are making progress," said Keith Wahlstrom, the project's lead engineer for the CRD on Salt Spring. "For a while we were trying to do everything at once. We want to concentrate on getting this project complete . . . then come back to the committee and say, 'This is where we should be going in the future.'"

Liquid waste gathered from the Ganges and Maliview sewage treatment plants and septic systems at island homes and businesses is stored in the site's two corroded metal tanks before it's transferred to a processing facility in Langford. About 4,300 cubic metres of liquid waste is trucked away from the transfer station annually. That's the equivalent of nearly two Olympic-size swimming pools and it costs ratepayers approximately \$300,000 per year to get it off the island.

A majority of Salt Spring voters passed a ref-

erendum in 2008 that granted the Liquid Waste Disposal Local Service Commission and the CRD approval to borrow up to \$2.1 million for new storage tanks, a treatment area and upgraded waste-composting facility.

"Ongoing challenges" since the referendum mean upgrades are long overdue, Wahlstrom said. Waste from the site has been shipped off island since the facility's dewatering, treatment and disposal components were decommissioned in 2011.

Speaking at Thursday afternoon's LWDLSC AGM, Salt Spring electoral area director Wayne McIntyre said the site is akin to a Third World infrastructure facility.

"It's one of the ugliest installations in the entire CRD," McIntyre said.

He called the district's work a welcome departure from the project's negative history.

CRD engineers took over the project earlier this year after fruitless planning with at least three engineering firms and the mass resignation of four frustrated volunteer commissioners in 2015.

Wahlstrom said the CRD is finalizing contracts to complete electrical, structural, geotechnical and drafting work for the new storage units. He voiced cautious optimism about getting the new tanks installed by early 2017 with leftover funds from the 2008 referendum.

"We don't have any more money so we want to make sure we are within our budget," Wahlstrom said.

How to pay and plan for further work at the site will be considered once the initial phase is complete, he added.

"It's one of the ugliest installations in the entire CRD."

WAYNE MCINTYRE
Electoral area director, Salt Spring Island

"These are pretty major changes, and I think those are good changes," said Rod Scotvold, one of only two LWDLSC members, during discussion about the work program at the June 16 AGM.

Scotvold sits on the LWDLSC as a mandated representative for School District 64. McIntyre fills the second committee seat as Salt Spring's elected representative.

"The challenge we have with this particular commission is that we don't have an actual quorum," Wahlstrom said. "We are kind of caught in a bit of a loop in that we cannot make quorum, but have to present information to the public."

THE 3 STAGES OF AN EVACUATION

STAGE 1 - EVACUATION ALERT. The purpose of the Evacuation Alert is to inform the population at threat of a potential or impending danger. An Evacuation Alert may allow for the affected population to begin an orderly preparation to leave the affected area while informing them of the hazard as well as identify hazard/emergency zone, evacuation route(s) and Reception Centres. Evacuation alerts do not require a declaration of a state of local emergency.

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Constructive solutions welcomed

BRINKWORTHY FIELDS

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"I think if there are any food security issues, the site could be repurposed for agriculture," he said.

Helen Hinchliff also spoke against the project, with a focus on problems with Brinkworthy Road. She noted the road's poor condition and narrow width, with damage bound to occur during the logging phase of property development. Hinchliff added that road-widening costs were not included in PARC's budget and said the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure is unlikely to see the road as a high priority.

Speaking during discussion on the project's budget revision, commissioner Brian Webster said that as a member of the island's agriculture community he is very concerned about removing agricultural lands from production, and that once lands are made into playing fields there isn't a real chance they will return to agricultural use.

However, he said, the opponents seem to argue either that playing fields aren't needed or there are other alternatives for their loca-

tion, which he doesn't believe is the case. Scheduling games into a 16-hour time period, as suggested by Hawkins, is not workable for families, he added.

"There is one modest-sized parcel [of ALR land] the community requires for alternate use and there is no alternative," Webster said. "If people have solutions other than 'you don't need it' and 'if you have kids you should move off the island,' I'd like to hear them."

Capital plan deferred

In other PARC business, commissioners voted to defer a decision on approving the 2017-2021 capital plan to their next meeting in September to give more time for its consideration. They also approved a motion to schedule financial planning sessions every spring, beginning in 2017, to prepare better for the vote later in the year.

Webster said as community representatives who must make recommendations to electoral area director Wayne McIntyre and the Capital Regional District board, commissioners need time to be adequately engaged and informed,

rather than making significant financial decisions "flying by the seat of our pants."

"[Wayne] depends on us and the CRD Board depends on us. No matter how great advice from staff is, we're responsible for working through it," Webster said.

Staff crunch

Salt Spring's senior manager for the CRD, Karla Campbell, remarked that local staff are currently overloaded with projects and are also pressed for physical space and computer use. Several items scheduled to take place this year should produce information to make next year's planning exercise easier, though, including a trails forum, completion of the Centennial Park master plan and the Brinkworthy application decision.

PARC commission member Sonja Collombin observed there will always be multiple projects on the go, and suggested getting more staff support should be a focus.

Staff said the CRD office's upcoming move to larger space in downtown Ganges should help facilitate such support.

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HOUSING

Online apps exacerbate Salt Spring's housing crisis

Islands Trust watching Galiano for enforcement lessons

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A recently published report by Salt Spring Community Services points to the rising popularity of online vacation rental websites as a key reason for the island's ongoing affordable housing crisis.

"More and more people are using their housing as Airbnb.com options for vacation rentals on the island and the housing stock is drying up more than ever," said Rob Wiltzen, a Community Services spokesperson.

Typing "Salt Spring" into the search bar on Airbnb's website yields 218 potential short-term visitor rentals; a similar query on a competing site called VRBO.com turns up 341 units. Search results range from secluded creekside cottages and forest havens to seaside farms and sunnyside suites. While many are legitimate bed and breakfast operations, most posters offer no indication that their sites operate in compliance with the island's land-use regulations.

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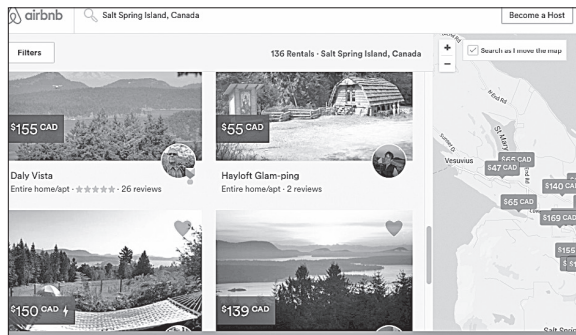
stay and party size for the website to process appropriate listings at the click of a mouse.

Prices for accommodations on Salt Spring range from less than \$50 a night for a backyard "glamping experience" to \$600 per night for cliff-top retreats. Most offerings in between are a mix of one- and two-bedroom self-equipped cottages and suites, the kind of places that would offer ideal longer-term rental accommodation for island residents, according to Wiltzen.

The prevalence of online rentals coincides with a SSCS report released in May that identifies Salt Spring as having the highest level of per capita homelessness in the Capital Regional District. The number of people who spend more than 30 per cent of their income on rent or mortgage payments, the report added, is also higher than ever.

Salt Spring is among many communities across the province faced with growing overlap between vacation rentals and housing needs. Municipal councillors in Vancouver, Whistler and Nelson have all taken steps to curb the vacation-rental rush.

In Tofino, where a tourism-based seasonal economy has created problems akin to those on Salt Spring and the Gulf Islands,



Housing advocates say vacation rental portals like Airbnb, seen above, are cutting into Salt Spring's affordable rental housing stock.

mayor Josie Osborne has overseen implementation of a system to monitor and regulate online vacation rentals.

"We are pro-actively undertaking education and awareness about the need to have a business licence," she said.

She said the town's council decided to act when the need for housing became apparent and local businesses had trouble finding workers for the busy summer season.

"Here we were coming to the busiest time of year and we can't operate at full capacity," she said.

Because many property owners

use the vacation rentals as a secondary income source to help with mortgages and costs, Osborne said, the discussion about how to proceed was initially difficult.

"Before, people were mum because it's their friends and neighbours," she said. "I hope the community [on Salt Spring] is able to talk about it more."

She said Tofino plans to take up to two years to implement the new system.

Peter Grove, a trustee on Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee, said the topic figured prominently at a housing conference hosted by

the Islands Trust last week in the Cowichan Valley.

"It is a concern. It's a nationwide issue, but I'm not aware of any bylaw enforcement going after these businesses on [Salt Spring]," he said.

Grove said the LTC's housing priorities have focused on existing affordable housing proposals and a potential to legalize more secondary suites and cottages.

Much of what will happen on Salt Spring depends on how enforcement proceeds on Galiano Island, where a rise in illegal online rentals has encouraged implementation of a temporary use permit system.

The Galiano Island Local Trust Committee is in the early stages of assessing the legality of online vacation rentals.

Thomas Loo, the Islands Trust's bylaw enforcement officer for Salt Spring and the southern Gulf Islands, said he's issued letters to property owners to determine who is in compliance with local rules. Responses are anticipated within the next two months.

Loo said he suspects very few of the Salt Spring rentals listed online conform to regulations that govern accommodation uses on the island, but staff and funding are not available to follow through with enforcement.

NEWS BRIEFS

Brakes put on two impaired drivers

Two drivers received 90-day licence suspensions last week after being stopped for impaired driving by local police.

On Friday, June 17, Salt Spring RCMP responded to a complaint of an impaired driver seen travelling on

Vesuvius Bay Road.

"The suspect vehicle was located on Rainbow Road, at which point the driver was given roadside sobriety tests," states a detachment news release. "The driver was issued a 90-day immediate roadside prohibition and a seven-day vehicle impoundment."

Another driver received the same penalty on Saturday after being stopped for driving erratically during

routine RCMP patrols on Lower Ganges Road.

Also among the Salt Spring detachment's more than 50 calls for service in the past week was the report of a clothing rack stolen from a local business on McPhillips Avenue on Saturday.

The complainant confronted the male suspect, who made off with the rack. Patrols undertaken to locate the suspect were unsuccessful.

CEDC seeks local business grant

Salt Spring's Community Economic Development Commission has applied for a "Rural Accelerator" grant from the provincial government, hoping to provide training, mentoring and access to financing for island businesses.

CEDC commissioner Holly MacDonald, who spearheaded the grant application, explains how the Rural Accelerator program will work: "A business would enter a 'cohort' and work with seven other businesses in that industry for a period of four months. Local mentors who have experience in that industry would provide guidance and insight on how to successfully navigate challenges that face island businesses and help them grow

their businesses."

The grant would pay for training sessions, mentor time, the development of a financing toolkit and various other resources.

According to MacDonald, the Rural Accelerator program has lots of potential.

"There's tremendous depth of experience and expertise on this island, and we want to steward an approach where islanders help islanders," she said.



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FIRE DISTRICT

Fire trustees still undecided about service-level choice

District misses June 30 provincial deadline

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Looming questions over the consequences of declaring a fire-service level means the Salt Spring Fire Protection District will miss the province's June 30 decision deadline.

"We're being told to declare something, and the training sort of flows out of that, but again we are promising the community something that

we can't always deliver," said fire trustee Norbert Schlenker, sitting in as chair of Monday night's meeting. "We absolutely cannot deliver a full spectrum of fire services in all circumstances."

Schlenker was one of three trustees voting against a motion to declare the department as full service.

The province requires service-level declarations from fire departments in conjunction with a review of the new Fire Safety Act. The Office of the Fire Commissioner asks that fire departments across B.C. declare a fire

service level by the end of the month. Declaration of "interior," "exterior" and "full service" levels are used to establish minimum standards of training for firefighters.

Current training of firefighters on Salt Spring is equivalent to a full-service standard, acting fire chief Arjuna George said at Monday's meeting, and once again recommended that a full-service standard be supported.

"We have already been at the training level for the past 10 years," he said.

Trustee Derek Hill said he worries about potential costs associated

with staffing increases that could result from a decision to go the full-service route. Trustee Michael Craig also voted against the motion. Trustees Howard Baker and Mitch Forest voted in favour.

Capt. Jamie Holmes, a firefighter and union president for IAFF Local 4467, used the meeting to attempt to reassure trustees that service levels are not cast in stone.

"What I'm sensing from the board is that they're concerned about staffing levels, and I think clearly what the OFC, the chief and everybody

else is saying — and what I am saying as the training officer — is that [the fire district] has the authority to change anything anytime they want," he said. "If you are concerned about staffing in the future you can change your service levels. If the 'big, bad union' comes and says, 'You have to hire a whole bunch of people,' then the [fire district] can say, 'We don't want to do that, we're going to change your service level.'"

The discussion about service levels will continue at the fire district's July meeting.



Islands Trust

ISLANDS TRUST GALIANO ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee will hold a community information meeting and public hearing within a Regular Local Trust Committee Business Meeting on the following proposed bylaws:

- Proposed Bylaw No. 259 – cited as "Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 2, 2016"; and
- Proposed Bylaw No. 260 – cited as "Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 2, 2016"

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw at **12:30 pm, Monday, July 4, 2016, at the South Community Hall, 141 Sturdies Bay Road, Galiano Island, B.C.**

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. 259 – cited as "Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 2, 2016"

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 259 is to amend the Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Schedule B (Land Use Designations) in order to re-designate the lands legally described as Lot A, District Lot 3, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, Plan 48087 as depicted in the map top right:

Proposed Bylaw No. 260 – cited as "Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 2, 2016"

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 260 is to amend the Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Schedule B (Zoning Map) in order to rezone the lands legally described as Lot A, District Lot 3, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, Plan 48087 as depicted in the map bottom right:

A copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may 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 22, 2016 and up to and including June 30, 2016.**

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2) (e) of the *Local Government Act*, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at various Notice Boards on Galiano Island, B.C., commencing **June 22, 2016.** The proposed bylaws can also be viewed on the internet at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/islands/local-trust-areas/galiano/bylaws/>

Written submissions may be delivered to:

- The office of the Islands Trust by mail at #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, by Fax (250) 405-5155 prior to **4:30 p.m., June 30, 2016**
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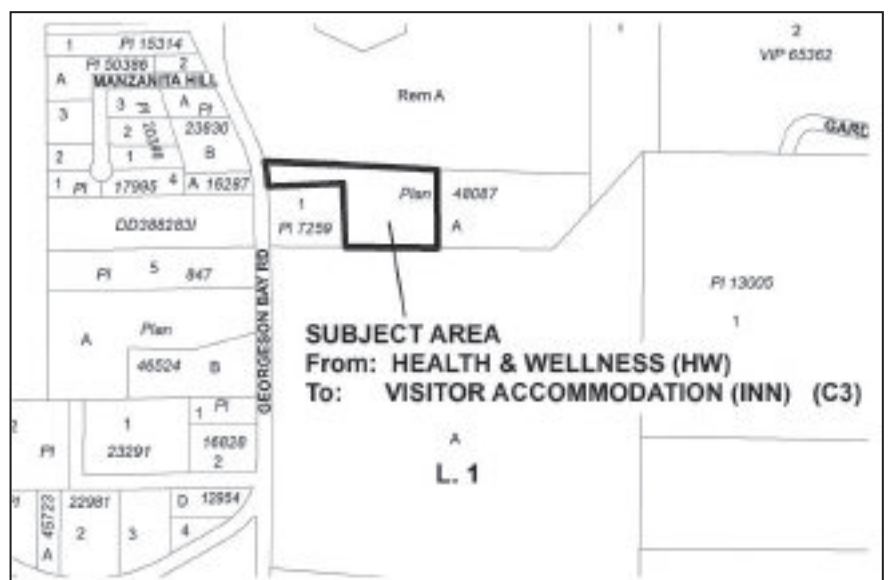
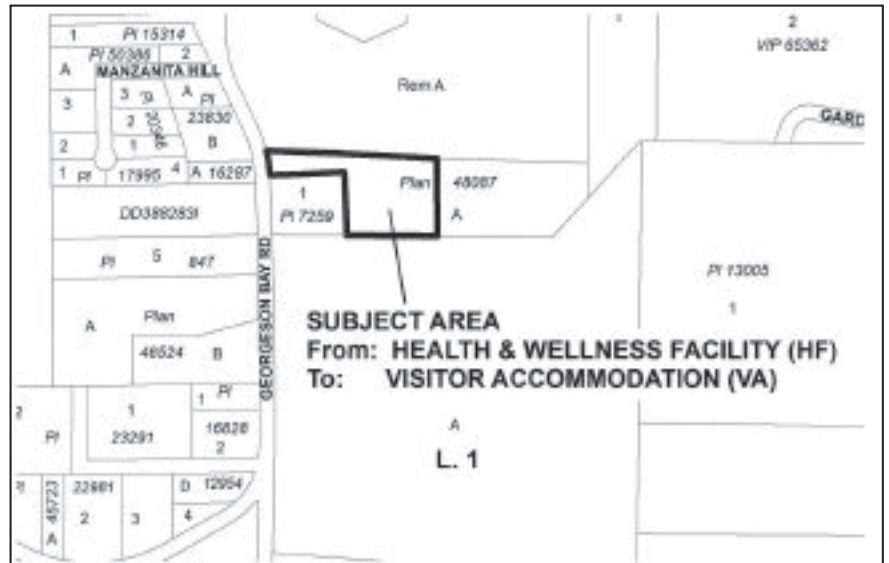
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Written comments made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

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

Sharon Lloyd-deRosario, Deputy Secretary



BREXIT VOTE

Salt Spring's U.K. expats weigh in on EU referendum

Voters set to decide Europe's fate

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Fish and chips, the Union Jack, double-decker buses and afternoon tea: one needn't look far to feel the yoke of empire on Canada's West Coast.

According to numbers from the 2011 census, Salt Spring residents with origins in the United Kingdom comprise the island's single-largest immigrant group. Of the 2,250 people born outside Canada who live on Salt Spring, 1,315 are from Europe, and more than 800 come from the U.K.

Given the island's links to the Land of the Rose, it's natural that many Salt Springers are

watching news of Thursday's referendum to determine the U.K.'s future in the European Union. Not unlike the rhetoric that's divided much of Europe in recent weeks, political opinion among expats on this side of the pond falls all over the map.

"I think it would be a serious mistake for the U.K. to leave the EU, economically and socially," said Peter Grove, a member of Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee. "It could also stir up, once again, separatist movements within the country."

Grove was born to British parents in Argentina but spent part of his early years studying in England.

He thinks British Prime Minister David Cameron erred seriously by underes-

timating campaigners who wish to leave the EU.

"Many are dissatisfied with the status quo and want change," he said. "Those who want out are also afraid of what is happening in Europe, particularly regarding what appears to them to be the possibility of overwhelming immigration that might impact their employment and culture."

Darryl Green, a consultant scientist who moved to Salt Spring in 2012, anticipates a vote to leave the EU may have negative economic repercussions, which could include a devalued currency and higher inflation.

"Brexit may leave the United Kingdom as a small nation on the world stage with diminished influence," he said.

Alan Wardroper, a science writer, jazz musician and aikido instructor with roots in Scotland, said the debate embodies a "populist casual racism" that's become prevalent in the U.K. He characterized the "Leave" campaign as ridiculous post-colonial blustering xenophobia.

"It's always easier to externalize the blame for a country's ills than to fix the real problems," Wardroper said.

Polls in the lead-up to Thursday's vote indicate the vote could go either way. The topic has divided U.K. citizens between "Leave" supporters who feel trade restrictions and immigration have weakened Britain economically and "Stronger in Europe" campaigners who feel the country is better off by staying in the

European Union.

A report released in April by the OECD noted that Canada's economy would be .25 per cent smaller in 2018 following Britain's departure from the EU. Newfoundland and Ontario would be the Canadian provinces most affected by the vote to leave, the report adds. The U.K. is Canada's fourth largest trading partner, behind the United States, China and Mexico. Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the governing Liberal party have expressed support for Britain's continued membership in the EU.

Not all are convinced, however, that keeping the status quo is the wisest way forward.

Tudor Davies, who moved to Salt Spring four years ago after retiring from a policing

career that started in Wales, has submitted a postal vote for the U.K. to leave the EU.

He said the economics of modern-day Europe place the U.K. at a significant disadvantage. He and many of his friends back in the U.K. are fed up with domination of the EU by Germany and France.

"The bureaucracy is stifling British trade," he said.

Peter Haase, an electrician and author of a recently released memoir called Liverpool Lad, said the time has come for England to step back from what he considers a failed European Union experiment.

"There's lots of reasons, but I don't like the idea of Brussels dominating the scene and dictating what happens to England," he said.

PROVINCIAL POLITICS

Liberals pick Roberts

Salt Spring resident wins three-way race

Card-carrying BC Liberals in Saanich North and the Islands have handily elected Stephen Roberts to represent the party in next year's provincial election.

The Salt Spring resident won the riding's Liberal nomination after receiving 74.5 per cent of ballots cast at Saturday's vote. He defeated Central Saanich councillor Carl Jensen and former North Saanich councillor Dorothy Harts-home.

"This is an incredible honour," Roberts said following his win. "I am humbled to be entrusted with carrying the BC Liberals banner into the 2017 provincial election. I plan to regain this seat for the BC Liberals and ensure citizens of Saanich North and the Islands are represented in the next B.C. Liberal government."

Roberts, a retired investment banker, lost to NDP MLA Gary Holman in the 2013 provincial election by 163 votes. The BC Green Party's Adam Olsen finished third, fewer than 400 votes behind the winner.

"In 2013, when we had just 49 days to campaign, we very nearly won," Roberts said. "As of Sunday morning, we'll have 324 days until the 2017 election."

Roberts said he plans to use the next 11 months to become a familiar public presence in the riding. Saturday's nomination win, he said, is the first step of a campaign that culminates when votes are counted on May 9, 2017.

"There's no room for complacency," he said.

Roberts currently chairs the Advisory Planning Commission of the local Islands Trust, as well as the Salt Spring Hospice board, and is on the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation board, among other volunteer activities.

Service impacts unknown

POSTAL DISPUTE

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"We are currently struggling to negotiate equal pay for the work of equal value done by our female-dominated rural and suburban mail carrier members," explained Mike Palecek, national president of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, in a press release.

The union also says the postal corporation is making profits, so its attacks on benefits and pensions are unwarranted.

Canada Post is projecting a more dire financial picture. Although it recorded improved profits in parcel delivery in its 2016 first-quarter earnings report, issued on May 27, there was also a continuing downward trend in letter mail volumes and revenue.

"Though both parcels and direct

marketing represent opportunity for Canada Post, their growth will not be enough to offset the decline in the core lettermail business and pay for the pension, or allow the corporation to invest in its network and customer service," the report states.

Barney said if the union receives a strike mandate, there are various ways it could be enacted. During the last contract negotiations in 2011, CUPW had rotating strikes that hit different communities on different days. Other types of job action include delivering mail not in uniform or refusing to work overtime.

Mail service could also be disrupted if Canada Post locks out workers, which happened in 2011.

In the event of a mail delivery stoppage, Driftwood subscribers who live on Salt Spring will be able to pick up their newspapers at the Driftwood office. Readers should stay tuned for an update.

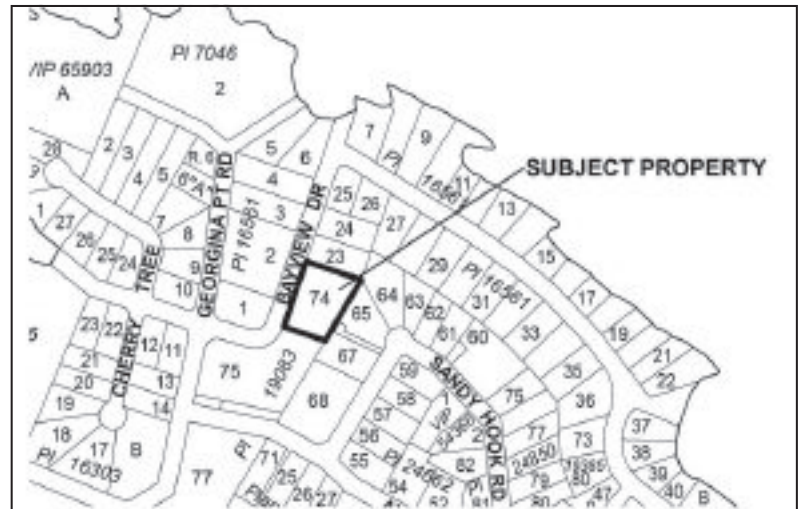


NOTICE MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE MA-TUP-2016.1

NOTICE is hereby given that the Mayne Island Local Trust Committee will be considering a resolution allowing for the issuance of a Temporary Use Permit pursuant to Section 493 of the *Local Government Act*. The proposed permit would apply to Lot 74, Sections 14 and 15, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, Plan 19083, (PID: 003-694-399), 504 Bayview Drive.

The purpose of this temporary use permit would be to permit the an accessory building to be used for bed and breakfast commercial acomodation on the subject property. The establishment of the temporary use would be subject to a number of conditions specified in the permit. The permit would be issued for up to three years and the owner may apply to the Mayne Island Local Trust Committee to have it renewed once for up to an additional three years.

The general location of the subject property is shown in the following sketch:



A copy of the proposed permit may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, 200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C., V8R 1H8, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, excluding Statutory Holidays, commencing, **June 13, 2016** and up to and including **June 24, 2016**.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 494(1) (a) of the *Local Government Act*, additional copies of the Proposed Permit may be inspected at various Notice Boards on Mayne Island, B.C., commencing, **June 13, 2016**.

Enquiries or comments should be directed to Gary Richardson, Island Planner at (250) 405-5157, for Toll Free Access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867; or by fax (250) 405-5155; or by email to: information@islandstrust.bc.ca, before **4:30 p.m., June 24, 2016**. The Mayne Island Local Trust Committee may consider a resolution allowing for the issuance of the permit during the regular business meeting starting at **1:00 pm, June 27, 2016**, at the Mayne Island Agricultural Hall, 430 Fernhill Road, Mayne Island, BC.

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

Sharon Lloyd-deRosario
Deputy Secretary

OPINION



2016 CCNA Awards
Gold - Feature Series (Elizabeth Nolan) | Gold - Environmental Writing (Elizabeth Nolan)
Gold - Special Section (Best of Salt Spring Island) | Silver - Community Newspaper Magazine (Gulf Islander)
Bronze - Local Cartoon (Dennis Parker)



2016 BCYCA Awards
Silver - Environmental Initiative (Elizabeth Nolan) | Bronze - General Excellence

EDITORIAL

Island hopping

Residents and visitors across the Gulf Islands will take to the water on Friday morning for the start of a three-day, inter-island celebration that's set to educate, inspire and entertain.

Hundreds of participants are expected to sign up for a taste of what living in the islands is all about. A \$20 membership fee with the Salish Sea Inter-Island Transportation Society provides unlimited access to travel on boats sailing between each of the Gulf Islands from Friday, June 24 to Sunday, June 26.

Special events are being continuously added on all of the islands, but opportunities for personal exploration to suit all tastes are also abundant. A visit with friends on Pender? Lunch on Saturna?

Browsing the Mayne Island market? A hike up Mount Galiano? Such are the opportunities afforded at this year's Tour des Îles.

THE ISSUE:

Tour des Îles

WE SAY:

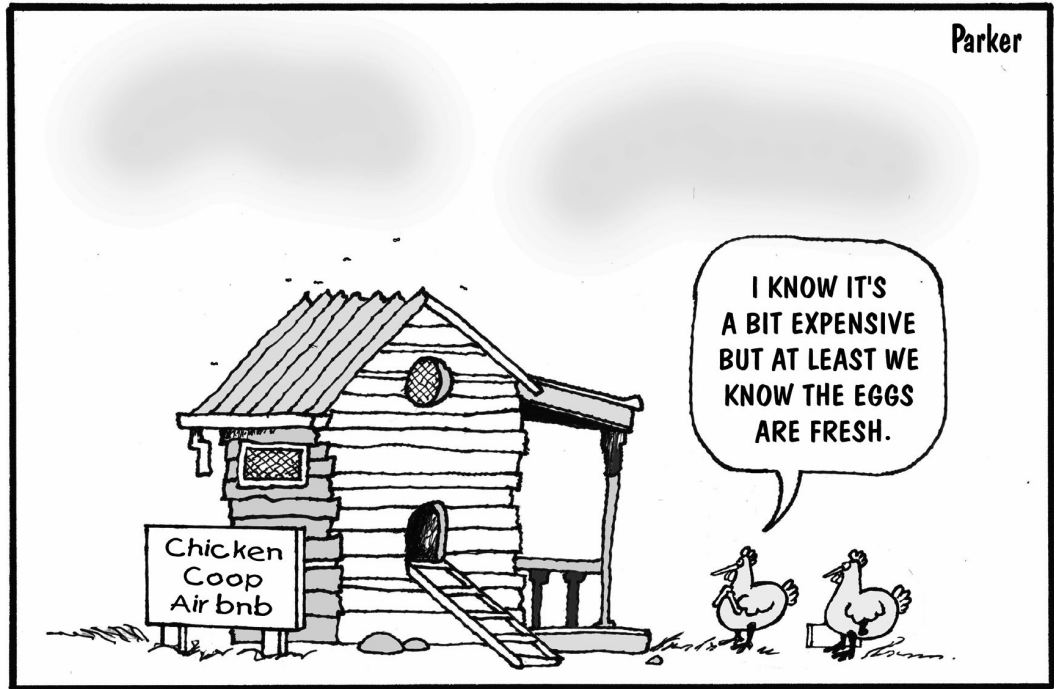
Islands have much to offer

The second annual "Tour" event is premised on the idea that the Gulf Islands stand to benefit from stronger ties with one another. Each of the Gulf Islands is unique in its own way, yet all have valuable lessons to share. Be it housing, business development or health services, residents devote much time to creating island fixes for common problems. Such solutions are too often unseen by other island communities.

Developing further links between the islands through initiatives like the Tour des Îles stands to put the region on the map as a marquee tourist destination unlike any other. More importantly, it will give islanders the chance to rebuild the historic bond between islands of the southern Salish Sea and find answers to those shared, modern-day problems. It's amazing what can be learned by speaking with our neighbours.

As if that wasn't enough of a boon, Tour des Îles festivities are a great way to head out on the water, take in some spectacular scenery and enjoy the start of another fabulous Gulf Islands summer.

More information about the tour is available at gulfislands.org.



VIEWPOINT by Izadoura Godchild

Don't destroy seniors' peaceful lives

The Agricultural Land Reserve property behind the Brinkworthy retirement community is most definitely a bad location for a recreational playing field. But this acreage is a perfect property for affordable rental housing for people aged 55 and over, combined with a medium-sized organic farm, whereby most of the land would stay in the ALR.

In my personal view, I believe that affordable housing for seniors is not only way more important than another playing field but is desperately needed, as the baby boomers are zooming into the growing demographic population by leaps and bounds. And more organic food and seed-producing farms should be a top priority for healthy food security, since huge corporations like Monsanto are rapidly controlling food industries with suicide seeds, GMOs and pesticide poisoning of the commercial food supplies.

As for the recreational playing field, the obvious reason why it's a bad-idea location is because this is a retirement community and the Brinkworthians need to protect their quiet, peaceful and tranquil lifestyles. They have been hardworking people all their lives and deserve the right to live the rest of their retirement lives in peace and tranquility.

I wish to point out that there are already some recreational playing fields that are not really used as much as they could be. For example:

- Portlock Park. This is a huge park and could be re-designed to accommodate a couple of different types of ball games. The running track is usually empty. It could be made smaller and put off to the south-west corner or some other spot.
- The large field across from the skateboard park and elementary school is not used very often.
- The high school has two large playing fields.

Now, here are a couple of suggestions for alternative places for a "new" recreational park.

• The old Fulford Inn property, which backs up to the Fulford Hall. Picture this: A recreational field on the bulk of that property and a little restaurant overlooking Fulford Harbour waterfront. Ahhh, how quintessentially Salt Spring.

• Mouat Park, which may already have recreational zoning, and if it doesn't, it is still a park and could possibly be sectioned off for a recreational playing field. I wish to make an additional suggestion, that instead of another outdoor playing field, it would be great to have an indoor year-round skating rink that the whole island can enjoy.

The following is a brief outline of how the Brinkworthians will be detrimentally impacted by this bad-idea location for a recreational field: Any outdoor recreational sports involve extreme yelling, screaming and maybe even some brawling. Alcohol consumption will inevitably get thrown into the mix in some way or another, since sports and booze go hand in hand. I'm guessing this sports park is going to be for adults and older teens, and not just for the "kiddies." This recreational park could also possibly become a teen party location as well. The huge increase in the volumes of traffic going in and out of this tiny residential road will be very problematic.

Even though I am not a Brinkworthian, I am a retiree, so I wish to appeal to the spearheaders and supporters of this bad-idea location. If perchance they are hell bent on going forward anyway, then this shows an abysmal lack of consideration and respect for the Brinkworthian seniors, and for the quiet neighbourhood in general.

In my view, this is not fair play, people.

The writer is a longtime Salt Spring resident.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

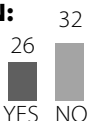
Should SSI vacation rentals be regulated?

Yes No

Cast your ballot online at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com before Monday at midnight or clip this box and drop it at our office before Monday at 4:30 p.m.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

Will a Brexit 'yes' hurt Canadian interests?



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ISLAND VOICES

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "If people have solutions other than 'you don't need it' and 'if you have kids you should move off the island,' I'd like to hear them."

SS PARC MEMBER BRIAN WEBSTER ON PLAYING FIELD OPTIONS

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What's your favourite thing about summer on Salt Spring?



NORMAN PAGE
I like the outdoor walking and bird watching, especially the ducks, herons and chickadees.



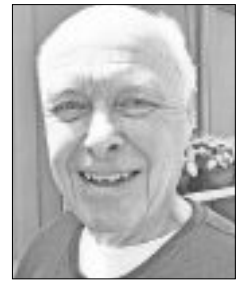
BARRY HAYNE
I love the sunshine and the warm lakes.



LINDA JACQUES
We're very new so we're mostly enjoying the beautiful weather and watching the hummingbirds.



CATHY LENIHAN
I like to see all the beautiful colours while out hiking and listening to all the different bird songs.



PETER HOWELL
I spend as much time as possible outside cycling, walking, gardening and boating.

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 350 words or less. Letters may be edited for brevity, legality and taste. Writers are also asked to furnish a telephone number where they may be reached during the day, and to sign their letters with their full name. Thank you letters will not normally be considered for publication. Send your letters to news@gulfislandsdriftwood.com

Quality of life impacted

Well, this place sure has turned to poo overnight.

Are we done inviting the world yet, or do we plan on squeezing another couple of pounds of paté out of the Golden Goose this summer?

It sure would be nice if those who are making hay off of this erosion of our quality of life would kick back a little to the rest of the community. Would that be too much like communism?

Just asking.
JOHN BARCLAY,
CREEKSIDE

Farmland decision needs food plan first

In the absence of a long overdue food security plan for Salt Spring Island, I believe no decision should be taken regarding the Brinkworthy lands in the Agricultural Land Reserve until the data and recommendations arising from such a study become available.

In her submission to the Driftwood on May

25 ("Land shortage for farming is real"), Elizabeth White demonstrates clearly that we already have a shortage of good agricultural land.

And two studies, one carried out in 2005 by Island Natural Growers and one for the Islands Trust (in collaboration with the Salt Spring Island Agricultural Alliance) in 2010 determined that produce grown on the island was sufficient to meet a mere five per cent (2005 study) to six per cent (2010 study) of island produce consumption needs, with the rest

being derived from elsewhere. These studies are available online at www.plantofarm.org.

This situation will have improved slightly since then, given initiatives and programs developed by our farming community, but we still have a long way to go should climate change result in shortfalls in global food supplies.

While a catastrophic shortfall does not appear to be likely, drought problems developing in major growing regions, such as those experienced in California (the source of half of American fruit, vegeta-

ble and nut requirements, and around 70 per cent of B.C.'s), have and will continue to cause shortages that will inevitably result in the kind of price increases we have already experienced over the past few years being continued into the foreseeable future.

This, over time, will translate into an increased demand for locally grown food and we need to ensure that the land resources will be available here on the island to meet it.

And the question of how much agricultural

land will be required to meet an adequate standard of food security would be in the domain of a food security study which, as stated above, is long overdue and urgently needed.

Therefore, until we have the results of such a study, it would be my recommendation that no action be taken on the CRD application to remove the Brinkworthy farmlands from the ALR.

ROGER MIDDLETON,
SALT SPRING

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Greater good should beat loudest megaphone

BY PETER VINCENT

I can state with a good measure of certainty that most, if not all, of the residents of Brinkworthy experienced some sort of childhood, complete with bicycles, dogs and playgrounds.

It's not a great leap to assume Brinkworthians (well, most Brinkworthians) laughed upon occasion, and cheered, and played hopscotch and skipped rope and joined fellow children in team sports. I venture to guess that some went on to produce progeny, who have in turn blessed them with grandchildren who also engage in fun things.

So let's assume that most reasonable Brinkworthians have some empathy for the children on Salt Spring Island and would have no objection to the little tykes having an adequate number of sports fields. Despite the questionable arguments voiced by a small but vocal contingent opposed to the proposed baseball diamond, the crux of the current baseball brawl is not "if" a ball diamond should be built, but "where."

And questionable arguments they are, ranging from putting beleaguered taxpayers into receivership, to playing the "Mother Earth" card, implying that the existing bog is home to "sacred headwaters." Every conceivable objection has been thrown up against the wall. The "prime agricultural land" card is out there, with the Agricultural Advisory Committee of the local Islands Trust recommending to outright reject the project. I would expect nothing less. It is the committee's unwritten mandate to take a very dim view of any and all proposals that may reduce the amount of farmland on the island one iota. On the other

hand, if the land were ever farmer-bought, it could transform into any number of noisy, gassy, pesticide agricultural enterprises, up to and including a pig farm. Be careful what you wish for.

There is the "if parents wanted their kids to play sports, why the hell did they move to Salt Spring in the first place?" There is the "marauding, beer-swilling hooligans" card. How about, to paraphrase, "pick-up trucks mowing down frail Brinkworthians?" This may be the first time in Salt Spring history where a group is actually opposing a major road upgrade. Generally, all of these arguments are thin at best, nonsensical at worst.

The alarmist rants go on and on. One would think there is a Walmart coming to town. But no. It's a ball diamond. And most of the time, for eight months of the year, the fields will be just that — fields. Empty fields.

The existing plan includes building a buffering berm between the fields and the nine mobile homes abutting the property. It includes a walking trail meandering around the perimeter of the entire site, with a number of Brinkworthy access points.

All the parking sites will be far, far away from the Brinkworthy homes. In other words, PARC is bending over backwards to mitigate any negative effects and actually enhancing the area for Brinkworthians. But of course, to a few, this is not enough. To a few, it will never be enough.

We have seen this time and time again, where a small but zealous cadre of naysayers speak into a giant megaphone to the point

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that after shouting loud enough and long enough, regular Salt Springers (and as importantly, Salt Spring Islands Trust trustees) begin believing they have a legitimate case.

The most memorable case in kind involved the Salt Spring Coffee Company, owned and operated by the McLeod family. They envisioned a coffee bean roasting facility operating on the island. It was to be a state-of-the-art facility, with classrooms, community greenhouses and much-needed local jobs. Over \$100,000 worth of studies confirmed this would be a fantastic, environmentally sound thing to do. Everyone was on board for this to happen. Everyone, that is, save a very small, very vocal minority.

That handful of naysayers was enough for one of the three local trustees to state that she "just couldn't shake the feeling" that it was the wrong location for the venture. A month later, the Local Trust Committee voted against the proposal, banishing the Salt Spring Coffee Company's roasting facility, with all its jobs, to the backwaters of Richmond on the Lower Mainland, and consequently catapulting Salt Spring into the pages of Canada's national newspapers as the nation's village idiots.

Granted, despite the berms and the trees, the proposed playing fields may affect noise levels in the back yards of nine of the 138 homes in Brinkworthy Place — for a few hours, on a few days, during the four-month baseball season. It really is an unknown, and of course, there is always an all-too-human natural fear of the unknown and resistance

to change — in this case, a preternatural fear. The dozen houses whose back yards border the road are completely invisible from the street side. It's a forest.

And so when does "the greater good" principle come into the mix? There are approximately 1,350 kids registered at schools on the island. There are at most nine properties whose back yards abut the proposed field. Incidentally, by the time the field is up and running, most of those 1,350 kids will no longer qualify to play kids' ball. That is the lengthy timeline on this. When the fields are up and running, Brinkworthians will have access to what will be a well-drained, manicured 15 acres and trails to walk their dogs and possibly even cheer on their grandchildren.

It seems obvious that "the greater good" should trump "the loudest megaphone." The proposed site is the latest in a 20-year search for a decent patch of land, and is the closest by far to being affordable and "the highest and best use" of an existing mucky patch of land.

As even handed as the current trustees are, they need to see community support to counterbalance the naysayers. If you can make it, please attend the Islands Trust meeting at the GISS high school multipurpose room on June 29 at noon.

Full disclosure: I have no children and thus have no personal axe here. In my opinion, it is just the right thing to do, as was the library, as was the swimming pool, as should have been the Salt Spring Coffee Company.

The writer owns North End Fitness.



ISLANDS TRUST MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Mayne Island Local Trust Committee will hold a Public Hearing within a Local Trust Committee Business Meeting on:

- Proposed Bylaw No. 165 – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2015
- Proposed Bylaw No. 166 – cited as “Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No.2, 2015
- Proposed Bylaw No. 167 – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 2, 2015
- Proposed Bylaw No. 168 – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2016
- Proposed Bylaw No. 169 – cited as “Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No.1, 2016

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at **1:00 p.m., June 27, 2016, at the Mayne Island Agricultural Hall, 430 Fernhill Road, Mayne 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. 165** – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2015”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 165, is to amend Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144 by adding a policy to the home occupation section that allows for the rental of a cottage as a commercial vacation rental provided its carried out as a home occupation.

- **Proposed Bylaw No. 166** – cited as “Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No.2, 2015”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 166, is to amend Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146 by adding wording to the home occupation section that allows for the rental of up to one cottage per lot as a short term vacation rental. The proposed bylaw also contains a definition of “short term vacation rental.

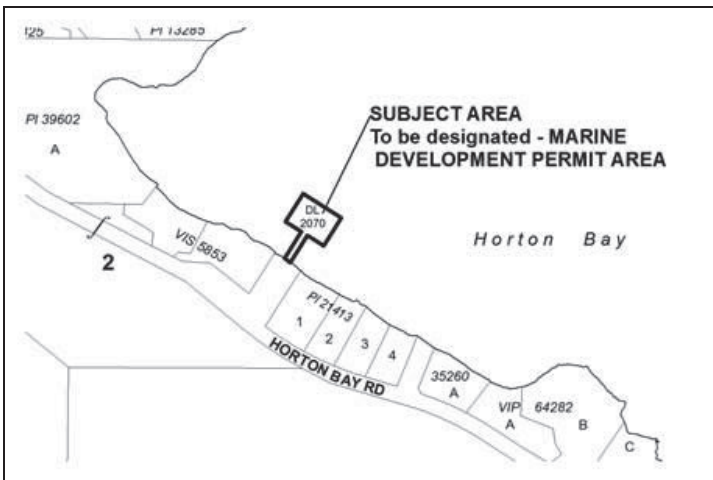
- **Proposed Bylaw No. 167** – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 2, 2015”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 167, is to amend Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144 by adding a list of guidelines to be applied when the Local Trust Committee is considering the issuance of a Temporary Use Permit for a Short Term Commercial Vacation Rental of a residential building.

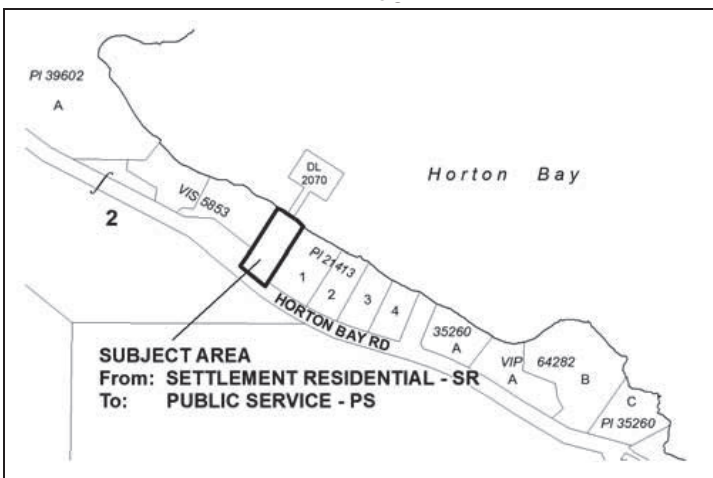
- **Proposed Bylaw No. 168** – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2016”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 168, is to amend Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144 by: 1) adding a Development Permit Area for the Protection of the (Marine) Natural Environment; 2) by placing the area of the proposed community moorage facility (DL 2070) fronting Anson Road in the new DPA as shown on Plan no.1 below; and 3) amending the Land Use designation on the upland portion of the proposed community moorage facility (Anson Road) from Settlement Residential to Public Service to accommodate the proposed new land use as shown on Plan no.2 below:

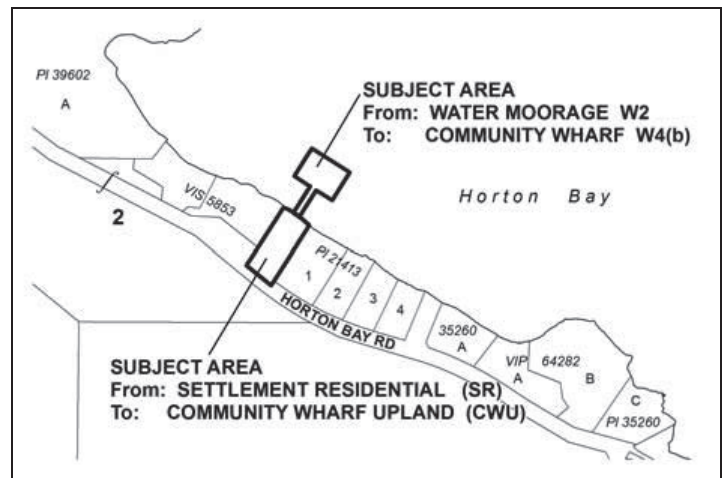
PLAN NO. 1



PLAN NO. 2



PLAN NO. 1



A copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may 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 15, 2016, and up to and including June 24, 2016.**

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2) (e) of the *Local Government Act*, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at various Notice Boards on **Mayne Island, B.C., commencing June 15, 2016.** The proposed bylaws can also be viewed on the internet at the following URL: www.islandstrust.bc.ca/islands/local-trust-areas/mayne/bylaws

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 prior to **4:30 p.m. June 24, 2016**
2. By email to: vicphsub@islandstrust.bc.ca
3. After **4:30 p.m., June 24, 2016**, to the Local Trust Committee at the Public Hearing at **1:00 pm, June 27, 2016.**

The public is asked to send any electronic response by using the email address vicphsub@islandstrust.bc.ca. The Islands Trust does not guarantee that any email submission will be received by the Mayne Island Local Trust Committee. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide email submissions, if they are opened and received, to the Mayne 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, Gary Richardson, Planner, at (250) 405-5157 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 MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Sharon Lloyd-deRosario, Deputy Secretary

Vigil a salve for sorrow, fear and anger

BY WENDY JUDITH CUTLER

I wrote this poem "the day after the day after" the mass shooting at the LGBTQ nightclub in Orlando, Fla. after attending a small "queer circle" on June 12. I read it at the June 15 vigil, which was lovingly organized by GLOSSI and others, and a deeply moving event to bring our communities together to mourn together.

The Day After the Day After

Now I see. The light as well as the dark.
Pulse. The impulse to come together to mourn and celebrate.
Latin night at Pulse, the gay nightclub that now will be remembered.
The tragedy - another mass killing - this, the largest counted dead.
A man firing guns onto the dance floor. People celebrating during Gay Pride Month. Another senseless, heinous, hateful act.
When you phoned and offered a gathering of a queer circle
I instantly knew I'd come.

And now I realize the power of the circle even more than before.
As we passed the sacred stone around in a heart circle,
we spoke and we listened and the circle, as it does its magic,
connected us to one another.

This is the power of our presence. This is how we can act in our efforts to essentially try to make meaning out of this event, the extinguishing of lives with so much living to look forward to.

Now I see, again and again, the principle of surrender, letting go, releasing, not personalizing, of bringing who we are together, to share the tragedies and highs, but especially the lows, the collective terrors, the mourning.

It's like coming out all over again. Not keeping it inside but coming to understand better and being ourselves, in our complexities and as yet unvalidated desires.



PHOTO BY MEGAN MANNING

Robert Birch speaks at the June 15 vigil at Centennial Park, with a large Pride flag in the background.

We come out, come to ourselves, come together and each time, each moment, our reach becomes wider and our breaths deepen, we trust ourselves and one another and the world brightens despite all the darkness and pain, like a salve for our sorrows, our fears, our anger.

We queers and others transform hatred and bigotry and violence into / heart opening and knowing we're in this together.

Wendy Judith Cutler is a writer, teacher and lesbian-feminist activist living on Salt Spring Island.

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Meaningless zoning

If my quiet lovely home in a cul-de-sac can be rezoned to have cars and buses zooming past, sometimes at great speeds, right in front of my living room window, then what is the point of zoning in the first place?

Surely on Salt Spring Island, where we flock to the tranquillity of nature, we can have faith that our rural country road will not transform into a city-style main street.

Please do not rezone the Brinkworthy neighbourhood. If it can happen here, it can happen anywhere on the island.

SHARON BRONSTEIN,
BRINKWORTHY ROAD

Feast of theatre

This is a heads up for theatre lovers. Two wonderful Salt Spring events are taking place on one day — June 30 — with more to come this summer. Mark these on your calendars!

1) If you've never seen James Corden before, or did see him and enjoyed his hosting of the

Tony Awards on June 12, or have seen him on The Late Late Show, you have the opportunity to see the National Theatre Live production of his amazing, outrageous Tony Award-winning tour-de-force performance in One Man, Two Guvnors. It plays at The Fritz at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 30.

2) If you go to the matinee show of One Man, Two Guvnors, then you can grab a bite, take your fold-up chairs and blankets, and head down to Mouat Park for the 7 p.m. exitStageLeft Productions/Graffiti Theatre opening night of a Midsummer Night's Dream with a stellar Salt Spring cast. It also runs six more times in July.

I feel so grateful to David Paul at The Fritz for bringing these brilliant National Theatre Live productions to the cinema, and to our intrepid live theatre community for providing us with such rich cultural performing arts delights.

And later this summer, with an opening on July 29, Just for Fun Productions will wow us with their original "Grand Illusion" show at ArtSpring. On Sept. 22, also at ArtSpring, exitStageLeft will present the iconic classic Cabaret.

How lucky we are! I hope you can catch it all.

RACHEL JACOBSON,
SALT SPRING

RANTS and Roses

Roses

A nice, clean jerry can full of sweet roses for Michelle Finch, who walked back from her car to the curve where my car had gently come to a stop — no gas. Michelle, with great efficiency and good humour, took me home to get my jerry can, then to the gas station, where she managed the pump, then back to the car. A pleasant little adventure and a wonderful help. Many thanks and much appreciation.

To my dear Natsuko: Thank you for the many times you've delivered my paper when I was unable to pick it up at the Vesuvius Store. You've gone above and beyond the call of duty. Love, Nancy

The 2016 Parent After Grad Committee would like to send a wheelbarrow full of red roses out to our community that helped make this year's after grad such a success! Pat Akerman, BC Ferries, CIBC, Chatters Hair Salon, Country Grocer, El Loco Taco, Farmers' Institute, Gulf Islands Secondary School, Harbour Air, Harlan's Fine Chocolates, Living Water Media, John Malcolm, Mouat's Home Hardware, North End Fitness, VJ Photon, Pomodoro Pizza, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92, Salt Spring Electric, Salt Spring Folk Club, Salt Spring Metal Recycling, Salt Spring Soapworks, Strait Construction, Thrifty Foods, Tracy Stibbards, TJ Beans, Windsor Plywood, and everyone else that contributed. A big thanks also goes to all the parents and grads who worked so hard to make this possible. Job well done!

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From left, opening night of ArtCraft and Peter Schnitzler's Moving Parts exhibit; part of Schnitzler's Prussian Number Two painting.

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Moving Parts on
 ArtCraft stage until
 July 6

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring artist Peter Schnitzler is the feature artist to open ArtCraft's 48th season at Mahon Hall, with a solo show of paintings called Moving Parts filling the Showcase stage gallery.

Schnitzler's grandfather Arthur Schnitzler was a well-known Austrian author and playwright who dealt frequently with themes of love, sex and death. The painter was influenced by his forebear's work. He also enjoyed the hippie scene in California, where he studied documentary filmmaking at UCLA and still returns for part of each year. He says in his artist's statement that his inspirations come from jazz and cinema vérité, with influences like Charlie Parker and Jean Luc Godard.

In addition to a lifetime of deep engagement with society and its issues, as seen in close to 200 films, Schnitzler has developed a painting practice over the past 10 years. His latest works appear to reflect some of the frustration of age, when the body is revealed to be a system over which we have little control. His series of disk-like shapes start off free, then enter a journey through a labyrinth

of gear-filled tunnels, but are mired in chaos in the end.

"There is a real sense of time and movement that flows from canvas to canvas, charting the ups and downs of life and the universe and then culminating gloriously in utter rage," writes ArtCraft manager Richard Steel.

"There is a definite progression to be seen, from the mechanical . . . to the less controlled, more explosive," Schnitzler agrees.

Steel points out that Schnitzler's style of abstract painting is entirely from his own imagination, not based on a reduced landscape or other genre. It is normal for the human brain to try to string together a narrative, though, and the painter is quite fine with our need to do so.

"My intention is to invite the viewer to participate, to create his or her own 'story,'" he said.

The earlier works in the series contrast backgrounds of a deep Prussian blue that appears nearly black with objects or marks in vivid yellow, green and red. Schnitzler scrapes off the thick blue paint so these marks are outlined with the evidence of his hand firmly in place. There is a remarkably luminous quality to the pigment. Objects, as he observes, seem lit from within.

Prussian Number One has a sea of colourful disks free-floating as if in deep space. They are like innocent atoms

yet to be activated. Prussian Number Two perhaps foretells the space they will have to navigate: a maze that closes in at its dark centre. This complex work involves much layering and depth to inhabit the objects themselves more fully.

Four paintings in a Mechanical-titled series convey more of the idea of the system, with a sense of less and less space between the interlocking components. The colours are cheerful, though, not dour, as the outlines' bright colours come to inhabit the objects themselves more fully.

Several works in the show feel like a break in the journey, a dream state where escape is possible. And then the viewer comes to the conclusion, which contains Schnitzler's most recent works. They are large canvases containing huge swirls of thick oil pigment applied directly from the tube onto the canvas in red, orange and toxic green.

What the cog comes to is not completion or acceptance but motion fuelled by anger — a fight for life against an inevitable decline.

Moving Parts continues until July 6.

The Salt Spring Arts Council's annual ArtCraft show and sale runs daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the hall.



Tsunami Circus!



PHOTOS BY JEN MACLELLAN

Salt Spring Middle School students gave an amazing performance at Tsunami Circus shows over the weekend. Clockwise from top left are dancer Atisha Roach-Lloyd, Malaya Hart-Weller, Eve Green and Maya Bellavance on trapeze, Julianna Akerman and Rebia Bartrim as clowns, and Avalon Beviere in the silks.

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CONCERTS

Canada celebrated in choral show

Viva Chorale presents Canadian-themed concerts this weekend

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Canada Day celebrations on Salt Spring will start early this year, with an exciting choral program of national-themed fare being offered by Viva Chorale the weekend before the official holiday.

Viva Chorale's spring concert called Coast to Coast to Coast will be presented twice at All Saints By-the-Sea. The first show begins at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 25 and the second is at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 26. Choir members say artistic director Caroni Young has introduced some great new tunes to their Canada Day repertoire with song selections that represent the country's amazing diversity.

A few of the Canadian composers whose music is included in the program are Donald Patriquin, Stephen Hatfield, Ian Tyson, Tobin Stokes, Stan Rog-

ers, Bill Henderson and Connie Kaldor.

"This concert is a celebration of Canadian culture. It's a fabulous way to celebrate Canada Day," Young said. "The concert will feature music from all across Canada and will take the listener on a musical journey from east to west."

"This concert will be a great celebration with moments of joy and contemplation."

CARONI YOUNG
 Viva Chorale director

The repertoire features classic folk songs and arrangements by Canadian composers such as Hatfield, who lives on Vancouver Island. His composition All Too Soon is a new take on the Celtic folk style of the Maritimes.

The Black Fly Song by Wade

Hemsworth and arranged by Earle Peach is a fun piece that can also get under the listener's skin. The choir will also perform Prairie Lullaby by Stephen Chatman, who is a professor of composition at UBC.

"This piece is a stunning composition whose text and melody can transport the listener to a quiet summer evening on the prairie," Young said.

Island resident Henderson is also featured in the concert with his song When I Sing, which was originally composed for the movie Bye Bye Blues. Young said the piece is both fun for choir members to sing and will leave the audience with a spring in their step.

"This concert will be a great celebration with moments of joy and contemplation. It makes me feel proud to be a Canadian and that our country is home to so many talented and creative musicians, composers and songwriters," Young said. "Viva Chorale is honoured to be able to promote Canadian music and to share in the joy of music making of our great country."

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what's on this week



Wed. June 22

ACTIVITIES

Salt Spring Elementary School 75th Anniversary Celebration.

Numerous special events take place throughout the day, with the public welcomed to SS Elementary School from 12 to 3 p.m.

Sizzling Succulents: Drama, Structure and Intrigue with Succulent Foliage and Flowers.

Phoenix Perennials is guest speaker at the Salt Spring Garden Club meeting. Meaden Hall. 7 p.m.

Poker.

Hosted by Albert and Rebekah every Wednesday at the Legion lounge at 7 p.m.

SongJam.

A pub-style singalong to the soundtrack of our lives. Moby's Pub every Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Thur. June 23

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Julia Beattie and Billie Woods.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Open Mic.

With Ross & Dave at Moby's Pub. 8 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Library Book Club.

Discussing The Beekeeper's Apprentice by Laurie R. King. Salt Spring Library Program Room. 1 to 3 p.m.

Poetry Reading With Zachariah Wells and Rachel Lebowitz.

Salt Spring Library Program Room. 7 p.m.

Fri. June 24

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Friday WineDown.

Enjoy live music at Salt Spring Vineyards every Friday during the summer from 4 to 6 p.m.

Marianne Grittani Trio.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Orquestra Brasileira de Jamaica.

Powerful 9-piece band plays ska rhythms. Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Tour des Îles.

Free with membership: all-day interisland boat service between Salt Spring, Galiano, Mayne, Saturna and Pender islands on June 24, 25 and 26.

Courtesy shuttle bus services running from the docks will take passengers to local island commercial centres and recreational facilities. Register, buy membership and find schedule at gulfislands.org.

Job Skills for Youth Workshop.

Learn about interview skills, resume writing and how to apply for funding for apprenticeships in this free half-day workshop. All youth under 25 are welcome. Salt Spring Library Program Room. 1 to 4 p.m.

Gulf Island Veterinary Clinic Open House.

Meet veterinarians Dr Justine Tedder & Dr Connor Silverthorn, win prizes in photo contest and scavenger hunt, bid on items up for silent auction, perform "banana surgery", watch the agility dog demonstration and more. Gulf Island Veterinary Clinic. 4 to 6 p.m.

Fri. June 24

ACTIVITIES

Potluck at Rainbow Road Community Gardens.

A Transition Salt Spring event at the Rainbow Road Allotment Gardens. Bring your own everything (forks, cups, etc. plus food). 5 to 7 p.m.

Sat. June 25

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Rob Butterfield.

Gallano talent plays set for Tour des Îles. Fernwood Road Cafe. 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Barley Brothers.

Every Saturday at The Local. 3 to 6 p.m.

Mike Alviano.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

The Costners.

Live at the Legion. 7:30 p.m.

Coast to Coast to Coast Concert.

Viva Chorale choir sings songs of Canada led by artistic director Caroni Young. All Saints By-the-Sea. 7:30 p.m.

Downtown Mischief.

Live funk, hip hop and jazz at Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Tour des Îles.

See Friday's listing.

Saturday Market in the Park.

In Centennial Park. 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Movement Intelligence Workshop.

Anna Haltrecht leads a two-day workshop on Movement Intelligence, based on the work of Moshe Feldenkrais. Cats Pajamas Studio. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Info/register: anna@bonesforever.com, or 250-537-5681.

Sat. June 25

ACTIVITIES

Cultivating the Love of Stillness.

A Salt Spring Island satsang and meditation retreat with Greg Marian at Ram Spring Wellness Sanctuary. 3 to 9:15 p.m.

SSI Agricultural Alliance Local Dinner.

The Salt Spring Farm Dinner Series 2016 featuring pork with chef Steven Overholt and host Rollie Cook. Redwing Farm. 5 p.m. Tickets at plantofarm.org.

ACTIVITIES

Basic Foodsafe Course.

Runs at the Harbour House Hotel. 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call Sheri to register at 250-537-1883.

Not-So-Silent Nights.

Gather at the Tree House Cafe site for music and more to express support for the transfer of Manson Laneway to the CRD and the return of 111+ consecutive nights of music at the cafe. 6 to 8 p.m. Every Monday until further notice.

Salt Spring Poultry Club Meeting.

At the Farmers' Institute. 7 p.m.

Tue. June 28

ACTIVITIES

Tuesday Farmers' Market.

Every Tuesday in Centennial Park from 2 to 6 p.m.

Sun. June 26

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Coast to Coast to Coast Concert.

See Saturday's listing, except the time is at 2 p.m.

Music in the Vines.

Enjoy live music at Salt Spring Vineyards every Sunday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m. during the summer.

Lazervirgin.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Tour des Îles.

See Friday's listing.



Mon. June 27

ACTIVITIES

Salt Spring Local Trust Committee Meeting.

Public meeting at Gulf Islands Secondary School Multi-purpose Room. 9:30 a.m. Town hall session at noon.

Poker.

See last Wednesday's listing.

SongJam.

See last Wednesday's listing.

Wed. June 29

ACTIVITIES

Centring Prayer Meditation and Workshop.

Led by Heather and Chris Page, it's the first event in a new Star of the Sea Centre for Spiritual Living and Practice program at St. Mary's Anglican Church across from Fulford Hall. 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please register in advance at 250-537-2171 or ssanglican@shaw.ca.



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This Week's Horoscope

by Michael O'Connor

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Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20) A shift from the social scene to the home front is underway. Communications with friends are getting rerouted to family and neighbors. You remain passionate about pretty much everything these days, but especially about your finances. Circumstances are pushing you to pay closer attention to the details, to be more realistic.

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 21) Tending to a variety of fronts continues. You have even more on your mind than your to-do list. At best, visions are becoming plans and you are getting clear on your goals. Outlining your talents, skills, gifts and resources, all as a part of deciphering your existing and potential net worth, is featured.

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21) The past several weeks have been a time of taking pioneering initiatives and exploring new territory. Now it is time to grow some roots again, to re-establish your center. Commitment remains a keyword these days. There is a spiritual silver lining in the fabric of it. Whether your destiny is to spiritualize the material or materialize the spiritual, or both, is the question.

Cancer (Jun 21 – Jul 22) Though your thoughts remain focused on other matters, you are on a forward march. As much as you may wish you were bursting out of the gates, circumstances may not be supporting such an assertive approach. With a lot on your mind and many fronts to attend to, it may be a challenge to focus on any one thing. Trust this flow.

Leo (Jul 22 – Aug 23) Stepping away from the spotlight to pay closer attention to your personal life is likely now. This can include a review of the past and it can involve literal connections with your roots, formative experiences in your past, your family. This focus may prove very revealing. If painful chords are plucked, take note and consider getting counseling.

Virgo (Aug 23 – Sep 22) Nurturing a steady flow of fresh ideas and realizations is important now. Deepened connections with family and friends is implied. This generally remains an expansive time. Yet there may be a need for new perspectives, interpretations, and strategies. Reach out to others and be willing to listen and learn.

Libra (Sep 22 – Oct 22) Things are beginning to take off in your public and professional life. This includes obtaining new knowledge, tools and skills. Paying attention to the details of the bigger picture is implied. Dealing with your emotional reactions to what you are seeing and experiencing of late may be a quite a challenge. Try not to take it personally.

Scorpio (Oct 22 – Nov 21) Questions about the deeper meaning of things are on your mind. Understanding your own core sense of individuality and uniqueness may be your main focus. On a more practical level, the focus is upon the realities of your lifestyle and choices. Desires to push through and forge ahead are brewing. Plan now to take deliberate action soon.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 – Dec 21) The time has come to clear the clutter. This can amount to stuff in the house or old thoughts and emotions that no longer serve. Tending to the stuff should be easy and straightforward, but you may need a little help with the rest. Now that your overall sense of responsibility in the world has increased, you may want to streamline your focus.

Capricorn (Dec 21 – Jan 19) Relationship involvements are taking on more importance now. Intellectually, a strong lean towards critical analysis is underway. How you mix these two could require extra care to avoid casuality with the delicate balance of harmony. Presenting your theories as personal opinions as opposed to facts will help.

Aquarius (Jan 19 – Feb 19) You have entered an important learning curve. There remains some emphasis on social interactions, but much less. Positively, returns for past performances are yours to enjoy. With this go-ahead cycle, however, it may be time to move on from previous commitments and the relationships associated with them.

Pisces (Feb 19 – Mar 20) A playful cycle is underway. It comes against a backdrop of increased professional responsibility and the opportunity for social expansion. So, it could prove challenging to relax and enjoy some merrier moments. But this time-window presents an important opportunity to fill your emotional tanks to support your future success.

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EXHIBITIONS

- **The Point Gallery** hosts 'cloTHING(s) as conversation,' an open studio with Mia Daniels through July 10. See also the Snow Fence labyrinth any time, any day until dark.
- Wednesday, June 22 is the last day to see the **Salt Spring Photography Club's** Eclectic Visions 16 exhibition at **Gallery 8**.
- Moving Parts, an exhibit of paintings by **Peter Schnitzler**, is the first Showcase exhibition of the ArtCraft season at **Mahon Hall**.
- **Margie Korrison** shows new paintings in her Colour Story exhibition at **Pod Contemporary Gallery** until July 14.
- **Duthie Gallery** presents New Work, featuring **Anna Gustafson, Paul Burke and Sofia Burke**, until June 30.

EXHIBITIONS

- **Christine Crombie** presents "Lost and found again," works in pastel, at **Kizmit Galeria/Cafe** this month.
- **Memories & Connections: An intergenerational art project of childhood memories** by SSE Grade 4/5 students and Greenwood and Braehaven residents is on display in the **Salt Spring Library Program Room** through June.
- **David Wisdom** exhibits London Belongs To Me, photographs and more, at **Fault Line Projects** in Grace Point Square through June.
- **Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art** presents Uncover Inuit Art - Art and Artefacts from the 19th century to the 21st century through June 26.
- **No Restrictions: Three Women, Three Journeys**, paintings by **Wendy Wickland, Dulcy Wilson and Judith Borbas**, is the June ArtSpring lobby exhibit.

LIVE MUSIC

Roots music venue gets new home

Southend Grooveyard now PitchFork Social

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Live Americana music has a new home base on Salt Spring, with David Youngson's popular concert series transforming under a new name and location.

Many music lovers were disappointed when Youngson's Southend Grooveyard announced its final concert date last September after four seasons of providing top-notch musical guests. The launch of his new venture, PitchFork Social at Bullock Lake Farm, should remove any sting, though, with the same team offering equally great events, only with more space and an extended evening format for socializing before concerts.

As the PitchFork Social website notes, Bullock Lake Farm "provides the perfect backdrop to a space that feels both historically authentic yet is ideal for modern day gatherings."

Youngson has invested the funds to build the custom-built performance space, which is designed to have seating for at least 200 audience members. It will also have more room around seats, bigger aisles and more aisles than the Grooveyard's modest digs could provide.

"We tried to make it comfortable, but at times I don't think it was," Youngson observed.

He added the new venue will also offer better acoustics — perfect for the new sound equipment he's acquired — and better space for the caterers providing evening meals.

Youngson was inspired to start offering concerts under the Southend Grooveyard moniker for a couple of reasons. One was having a building that wasn't being used on his property; another was seeing musician Gurf Morlix at an amazing house concert in Brooklyn, N.Y. Youngson connected with Morlix and through him was able to bring two Americana acts that happened to be coming to B.C. to Salt Spring.

"That got it going, in a way," Youngson said. "It put us on the map, not just on Salt Spring, but in the Americana music community. We're really known now as a different, interesting destination."

Southend Grooveyard's very first concert was booked at the last minute but still managed to attract 45 audience members, while the second had around 65. After that, the next and almost every offering over four seasons sold out. Youngson eventually had to boost seating with outdoor bleachers to accommodate up to 165 people packed tight.

Optional dinners before the show became part of the program after the first two years, a practice that will be continued and expanded at the new space. Youngson already has a full line-up of musical guests plus caterers for 2016, starting with a meal by chef Marcus Gill offered before the sold-out Darlingside concert on July 11.

"It's an organic farm, so it just kind of makes sense," Youngson



PHOTO BY ROBB STEY

Darlingside, a band from Massachusetts that won the 2016 Artist of the Year Award at the Folk Alliance Awards, is the first act at the new PitchFork Social venue at Bullock Lake Farm. The July 11 concert is already sold out, but six more events are scheduled for July through September.

said. "But I thought it was important because it just makes it a nice, well-rounded evening."

While in the past concert-goers spent a lot of time before the show lining up for a good seat, the new format eliminates the need, Youngson said. People can come for dinner, reserve their concert seat and enjoy a game of bocce or another classic outdoor game before the music begins. It's all part of having a truly "social" evening out.

Concertgoers will find the ticket prices have increased for some shows this season. Youngson explained that's not due to the new building but a result of the low Canadian dollar. With 90 per cent of the acts coming from the United States, the artists' payment has stayed the same but the cost to the Canadian hosts has risen.

"We've never been for profit and we're still not for profit," Youngson said. "We love the music, we love the interaction with the community, we still love doing it." He added the business plan is to break even, if possible.

In the meantime, Youngson has built on his reputation to bring in some world-class performers this season, including some sub-genres that haven't been heard in the series so far. Concert-goers can look forward to hearing the blues, a country rock band, secular gospel and Texan outlaws. The first show after the sold-out opener is singer-songwriter Hayes Carll on July 18, with pre-show dinner by Hank's Untraditional BBQ.

The full program is available at pitchforksocial.com. Tickets are available through the website, at Salt Spring Books and at Fever Tree.

As a side benefit of being the venue's host location, Bullock Lake Farm will be having a number of its own events at the new barn, including farm-to-table dinners, workshops and weddings.

The inaugural event will be a weekend of farm-to-table feasts prepared by the renowned Toronto-based chef Haan Palcu-Chang on July 1, 2 and 3. See the farm's Facebook page for more information.

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The purpose of this temporary use permit would be to permit:

- a) A Short Term Vacation Rental within the Dwelling Unit.

The establishment of these uses would be subject to the conditions specified in the permit. The permit would be issued for three years and the owner may apply to the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee to have it renewed once for an additional three years.

The general location of the subject property is shown in the following sketch:

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Enquiries or comments should be directed to Planner Phil Testemale at (250) 405-5170, for Toll Free Access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867; or by fax (250) 405-5155; or by email to: information@islandstrust.bc.ca, before 4:30 p.m., **June 29, 2016**. The North Pender Island Local Trust Committee may consider a resolution allowing for the issuance of the permit during the regular business meeting starting at **4:00 p.m.**, Thursday, **June 30, 2016**, at the Pender Island Anglican Parish Hall, 4703, Canal Road on North Pender Island.

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

Sharon Lloyd-deRosario, Deputy Secretary

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D.W. Salty is looking for material for his column, Streets of Salt Spring Island

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SENIORS SUPPORT

Thirteen new senior peer counsellors trained to help

Capacity for support bolstered through Seniors Wellness Program

Salt Spring Island seniors have had access to senior peer counselling services for more than 20 years.

But with the last training program offered seven years ago, the pool of trained peer counsellors was getting low.

"Having a solid group of skilled peer counsellors is critical to providing the real support that Salt Spring seniors need," said Shellyse Szakacs, seniors program coordinator with Salt Spring Community Services. "Seniors face many losses, from the passing of friends and partners to loss of independence as they age, as well as the whole range of challenges any individual may face. Emotional support to find meaning through these experiences is critical to well-being."

Szakacs, also a certified trainer for Senior Peer Counselling of B.C., recently graduated 13 new senior peer counsellors from the intensive 12-week, 60-hour training.

"The training was so deeply engaging we didn't want it to end," said Don Cockrill, one of the new counsellors and a retired United Church minister. "It opened many doors to more mindful living because we were living through the group process what we were working with in each training session. Ultimately it



Some of the 13 new volunteer senior peer counsellors serving Salt Spring, plus trainer Shellyse Szakacs at top right in the photo.

wasn't about any one skill but about being willing to do this service from a place of caring, of oneness."

Community Services' seniors program delivers the Better at Home program on Salt Spring as well as

the long-standing Seniors Wellness Program. Over the last three months, the program has provided over 1,200 unique services to more than 200 Salt Spring seniors, making it fully enrolled.

"Building capacity beyond the limitations of funding, extending the Better at Home program services by expanding on the previous Seniors Wellness Program, has been one of my goals since start-up two and a half years ago," said Szakacs.

Now with an invigorated group of new senior peer counsellors, the program is able to provide support to more seniors.

Senior Peer Counselling of B.C. has been providing training and resources for thoughtful, skilled support to seniors for almost 30 years. Salt Spring Island is one of a number of affiliate groups across the province.

The rigorous training offers in-depth practice in core counselling skills, crisis support, grief and loss, trauma and recovery, as well as understanding the key issues the seniors may face.

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GARDENING

Succulents take the stage at garden club

Phoenix Perennials owner shares knowledge and passion

Gary Lewis of Phoenix Perennials is the Salt Spring Garden Club's final speaker before summer break, with a presentation on Wednesday, June 22.

Lewis' presentation, which runs from 7 to 9 p.m. at Meaden Hall, is called Sizzling Succulents:

Drama, Structure and Intrigue with Succulent Foliage and Flowers.

Lewis holds a Master of Science degree in Plant Ecology from UBC and became the owner of Phoenix Perennials at the age of 28. In 2014 he was selected as one of Canada's "Top 10 Horticultural Professionals Under 40" by Greenhouse Canada magazine. He has received many awards which recognize his work to educate and inspire the gardening public through, for example, work-

shops, newsletters and diverse online content.

In Sizzling Succulents, Lewis will introduce people to the fascinating world of succulents for the garden. He will show a variety of hardy and non-hardy plants and will discuss their geographic origins, their biology, their value in design and how to grow them in the garden and in containers.

The club takes a break for July and August and reconvenes on Sept. 28 with a talk from Brad Jalbert, a rose expert and owner of Select Roses.

FUNDRAISING

Oahu trip the Phantom prize

Crucial Lady Minto Hospital fundraiser marks 20 years

The Phantom Ball is back, celebrating its 20th anniversary as a popular, low-stress fundraiser for the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation.

Rather than attending an actual event, like traditional fundraisers, the Phantom Ball lets people save money by not buying gowns or suits, or paying for babysitters or transportation, so they can give those unspent funds to the foundation instead.

"Every year funds raised from the Phantom Ball help to improve the hospital, purchase equipment and support

health-related programs and education," states a foundation press release. "The many AEDs at strategic locations on the island were made possible by donations to the foundation."

"Last year, the foundation was able to purchase a number of key equipment items and projects, including the RespiTrainer (equipment used for medical education), the acute care patio and garden project, additional colonoscopes for our endoscopy suite and a new electrocardiogram machine."

The Phantom Ball prize this year is an exciting trip for two to the luxurious Turtle Bay Resort on Oahu, Hawaii. The prize includes airfare courtesy

of WestJet, courtesy luggage from Uniglobe Geo Travel and a five-night stay in an ocean-view room with golfing at the Arnold Palmer Championship Golf Course, topped off with a sunset horseback ride — all courtesy of Turtle Bay Resort.

Donors to the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation Phantom Ball Campaign can enter their name in the Sept. 29 draw to win the prize package.

People should have received their Phantom Ball invitations in the mail, but if they didn't, they can visit www.lady-mintofoundation.com or drop by Lady Minto Hospital and pick up a brochure packet in the lobby.

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Tourney fundraiser supports Legion



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From left, Brent Duke, Sharon MacKinnon, Rick MacKinnon and Rebecca Cox have some fun on the fairway during the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92 fundraising tourney at the Salt Spring Golf Club on June 11. The event raised some \$10,000.

Plenty to celebrate locally during national 'Legion Week'

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Canada Day celebrations will cap off a month full of happiness for the Salt Spring branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, with a successful fundraiser and Legion Week in June to be followed by a special concert evening on July 1.

Prize donors, sponsors and golfers came together earlier this month to show some love to the local branch, raising \$10,000 in the process. The June 11 event attracted 91 participants to the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club, who played for prizes donated by local and regional sponsors, including a hole-in-one car prize from Saunders Subaru. All of the proceeds will be directed back to the community: the local Legion spread \$28,000 between more than 20 local groups in 2015.

"It is very apparent that there is a real need for service clubs such as the Legion to raise money in support of our community," tourney organizer Tom Woods observed in a letter to sponsors.

The Legion's poppy fund is specifically devoted to supporting veterans. Wendy Charlton, the club's secretary and events coordinator, said its other fundraising initiatives go to everything from Meals on Wheels to youth sports. Last year's list of beneficiaries included Lady Minto Hospital, the Salt Spring Film Festival and GISS Safe Grad, to name just a few.

"Our mandate is obviously veterans, but after that it's community," Charlton said.

With so much to offer, it's no wonder the governments of British Columbia and the Yukon have proclaimed June 24 to 30 as Legion Week. Salt Spring will be focusing its celebrations on the end of the cycle with a Canada Day concert evening featuring the bands Synergy and Happy Daze that's open to members and guests.

Changing needs and demographics have made it easier than ever to become a Legion member, and the local club hopes islanders will do precisely that with its "Just Join" campaign. Military service is no longer a requirement.

"You don't have to volunteer. Just joining keeps us in the business of paying our bills like the utilities," Charlton said.

The small yearly membership fee is enough to help the club keep the doors open for another major source of fundraising, its weekend meat draws. And as an added bonus of Canada Day, the membership fee for 2016 will drop to half price on that date.

Membership does have its privileges. For example, members enjoy a reduced ticket price for the Canada Day show and other special events, and can attend some shows like this Saturday's dance with The Costners for free.

Upcoming events in the Legion's calendar include another big show on the B.C. Day long weekend and a Vegas-style diva impersonator show later that month.

For more information on events and specials, visit saltspringlegionbr92.com, see the Facebook page at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92, or drop by the club on Blain Road after 12 p.m.

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THOMAS JOSEPH GRUNDY
July 25, 1928 - Hand Hills, Alberta
June 12, 2016 - Salt Spring Island, BC

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Thomas Joseph Grundy, on Sunday, June 12, 2016, at the age of 87 years. Tom's extraordinary life began on the day he was born, when he came into the world in the midst of wild horses thundering around him at the Hand Hills Lake Stampede near Hanna, Alberta. To have known Tom with his signature white cowboy hat (always tilted ever so slightly to the side), was to admit to a nostalgic era of by-gone days where the character of a man was not measured by what he said, but by what he did. It was a lifetime of character-defining moments that made this man so precious to those who knew and loved him. A journalist summed up Tom best when she wrote; "People write ballads about personalities like Tom Grundy. Nothing of his life is mundane; big wins, big losses, big struggles and big heart."

When he was 14 years old, Tom's mother, Sadie, passed away. Being the eldest, Tom left home to work and support his brothers and sisters, while his father was off working as a farmhand and labourer. It was from that time forward that Tom embarked upon a lifetime of adventure, from southern Alberta as a ranch hand on the Bennion Family Ranch, to building bridges in Lethbridge and on the Skeena River, to the oil fields of the Canadian Badlands.

No one had a love of horses like Tom. They were a significant constant throughout his life and a passion of his, from the time he was two years old until his passing. Tom rode horses for much of his life in spite of some significant health setbacks and when he was no longer able to ride, he could be found leaning over a hitching post, giving instruction and offering gentle guidance to a rider or a problem colt. One of his favourite stories to tell was how he rode his big bay mare, Sunday, through the back door of the Rimbye saloon, up to the long bar and ordered a drink. Another story he loved to tell was about how he rode from the stampepe ranch with 150 horses, forging rivers and felling trees to build makeshift corrals for over 200 miles to the Calgary Stampede.

Tom was in love with and happily married to his soul mate, Judy Grundy, and this past June 1st they quietly celebrated 48 years of matrimonial bliss. In their later years, Tom and Judy became pillars in the Salt Spring Island Lions Club where Tom was recently given the Humanitarian award for his enduring service in helping others less fortunate in the community. Tom was also a member in good standing with the local legion and could be found there from time to time enjoying a "beverage" with friends.

Tom is survived by his wife, Jeltje "Judy", his sisters, Janet Stout, Anita Alderwood, Pearl Stout (Jim), Grace Stout (Ted) and his family; Donald (Alda), Shane (Lana), Shevaun and Liam, Todd (Lynette), Austin, Tristin; James (Francisco), Jennifer and Ciele, Jayden; Robert (Kathy), Ellen (Clay), Lucas; Graham (Bonnie), Samantha (Chris), Shelby (Brian), Damien, Owen, and Haley; Michael (Angela), Brittany and Levi, Chanel and Mikhaela; Colleen (Kerry), Sheldon, Petr, Emily and Grace; Susan (Miles) and Olivia. He is predeceased by his parents William and Sadie, brothers Bill and Fred, brother-in-law Tom Stout and grand daughter, Lexi Jade.

Tommy was special to all who knew him and quick to offer a handshake and a smile. To his family, he was more often than not a quiet, considerate man who never spoke poorly of others and lead by example. He insisted that family take care of one another and love each other. He was a husband, brother, father, grandfather and uncle who was loved deeply and will be missed greatly.
Happy trails cowboy, until we meet again.

Justin Reynolds
April 3, 1994 - May 11, 2016

Justin leaves behind his Mother: Jennifer McClean, Father - Jim Reynolds (Burns Lake), Twin Brother - Austin, Sisters - Heather, Bonnie, Sonja and Ocea, Grandparents - Jim McClean and Joan Stevens (Duffy). He was predeceased by Great Grandparents - Charles and Patricia McClean and Jim and Olive Stevens.

Justin had a sudden cardiac arrest and was on life support from May 1 to May 11. Recovery was impossible. Justin donated organs and helped 7 people. No service at this time.

Dr. Barbara Wood

Dr. Barbara Wood, nee Katherine Barbara Laird, passed away on June 17, 2016 at Victoria Hospital, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Barbara grew up in Sheffield, England. During WWII she experienced many of the deprivations of war including the bombing of Sheffield and rationing, but she had happy memories of summers as a "farm girl" harvesting crops. Barbara graduated with a medical degree from the University of Sheffield Medical School. On June 1, 1950, she married fellow medical student and decorated RAF Squadron Leader, Ian Wood.

Leaving family and friends in Britain, Barbara and Ian immigrated to Canada in 1957, where Ian became doctor of the small town of Rose Valley, Saskatchewan. Barbara courageously adapted to the "evolving" indoor plumbing, running water and telephone service. She was a founding member of the Rose Valley Figure Skating Club. Choreography, costumes and mayhem management over long winter months resulted in the colourful and energetic Figure Skating Carnival. During Rose Valley summers, Barbara was occupied growing and harvesting a large vegetable garden and taking Jim, Angus and Kath to Greenwater Lake for swimming lessons. Barbara and Ian were very much a part of the Rose Valley community and had many friends there.

In 1968, the Wood family moved to Regina where Ian joined a private medical practice. Barbara became a member of St. Paul's Cathedral Women's Auxiliary, the Wascana Country Club and the Wascana Curling Club. She played bridge and dabbled in painting. After raising her three children she made the decision to go back into medicine, enduring 3 years of internship and residency to re-qualify. Barbara went into practice with Ian and enjoyed several years of fulfilling work as an appreciated and respected physician.

Barbara and Ian retired to Salt Spring Island, BC in 1989, leaving Regina friends (and harsh winters) to be near their long time friends Hetty and Alan Clews. Barbara volunteered at the SSI Library, played bridge several times a week and served on the Strata Board for Reginald Hill. She was an avid reader and member of an active book club. She enjoyed the "birthday lunch ladies" and the many wonderful productions at ArtSpring, often accompanied by her dear friend Mary Crickmore.

In 2014, Barbara moved to Winnipeg to be closer to her family and was a resident of the Parkway Retirement Community at the time of her death.

Barbara is predeceased by her husband, Dr. Ian Wood. Barbara is survived by her sister Elizabeth Marrison of Sheffield; son James (Greta), granddaughters Delaney and Brynn; son Angus (Maria); daughter Katherine (Stephen Berkson), grandsons Theodore and Tobias Berkson.

A memorial gathering will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in Barbara's name can be made to the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation.

Devon Metcalfe
February 15, 1925 - May 27, 2016

Devon Metcalfe, born 1925 in Toronto, passed away May 27, 2016 at Lady Minto Hospital on Salt Spring Island. She was surrounded by love with her daughter by her side. Predeceased by husband Fraser and son Christopher, Devon leaves behind daughter Rowan, grandchildren Jason and Amanda, and five great-grandchildren. It is impossible to describe this wonderful person's life in just a few lines. Devon was generous, kind, gracious, and talented. In addition to being a mother, she taught for many years, worked with teenage girls in transition, and later became events coordinator and historic interpreter for the Toronto Historical Board. When Devon retired in 1993, she moved to SSI where she volunteered for many organizations including the library, Transition House, Soup's On, Artspring, and Chemainus Theatre. From an early age Devon was involved in drama, dance, and choreography. She will long be remembered for the Christmas plays she wrote and directed. With support from many individuals and businesses, her last play was performed by members of the special needs community on SSI before a full house at Artspring. Devon, who also narrated the play, was proud of the cast who didn't miss a cue and received a standing ovation. Devon had a gift for reading. She read on the radio when she was a child, to her children when they were young, at Reader's Theatre, and regularly at the Anglican Church. Her voice, her twinkling eyes and her spirit touched many lives.

A celebration of Devon's life will be held at All Saint's by-the-Sea Anglican Church on Thursday, June 30 and 2:15pm.

V. Helina (Helen) Nicholson
March 13, 1932 - June 10, 2016

Mom passed away peacefully on June 10 after a brief battle with Cancer that she refused to accept. Born March 13, 1932 in New Westminster, BC to Rudolf & Emma Vapaavuori, both immigrants from Finland. She was raised in Vancouver and graduated from John Oliver High School along with the Love of Her Life, Bob and their BFF's (best friends forever) Maryanne and Kelly Hillman of Cobble Hill, BC and Bev and Nor Nielson, of Pt. Roberts, WA.

Mom was a talented Water Colour Artist and excelled in many mini careers throughout her lifetime. In 1964 the family moved to California where Mom found employment at the local Cadillac Dealership. After 10 years, she opened her own business applying Individual eye lashes to your own. It was a success (and a pre-cursor to todays fashion world).

In 1976 they moved back to Canada and Salt Spring. Life included building their dream house with Bob and working at Moutas again with Dad. In 1986 "Breadwinners" was opened by Helen and daughter Lisa. A small Bakery/Luncheonette, it was a "Success" (and a lot of work). After 5 years the business was sold and Helen decided to be a fantastic Grandma and enjoy life with Bob and her feline friends.

Helen was predeceased by her husband, Bob, just 11 months ago (July 2015) and leaves behind her son Grant (Tina) in Florida, daughter Lisa (Tom) Butler-Cole of Saltspring, 5 grand children, Andrea (Jordan) Lowther, Amanda & Robbie Nicholson, Adam & Ian Butler-Cole and 6 Great Grandchildren: Jackson, Neil, Emmerson, Austin, Cyrus and Rayne.

The family thanks Dr. Beaver, Dr. Butcher, the staff at Eagleridge Clinic, the loving and caring nurses of Home Support, Lady Minto Hospital and it's Palliative Care Unit and the Ladies of Hospice who sat with Mom when we could not. No service by request, donations to the S.P.C.A. appreciated.

Rest in Peace Mom and Dad.

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LINDA BEIL (RAMER)

January 9, 1950 - June 19, 2016

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Linda Susan Beil (Ramer) at age 66 in Nanaimo after a long courageous battle with cancer.

Predeceased by her father Stuart Moore, mother Barbara Jones, step-father Murray Jones, former husband Paul Ramer, and survived by her loving husband Rolf Beil, children Emily Ramer (Simon), Nigel Ramer (Miranda), Rick Beil (Cynthia), Bruce Beil (Carolien), Robin Beil (Drew), brother Torrie Jones (Janet), sister Patricia Jones and grand-daughters Jade and Scarlett Beil.

A service in Celebration of her Life will be held at Church Of Christ, 1720 Meredith Rd, Nanaimo, BC. On Saturday, June 25 at 2 PM.



ROY RAJSIC

June 2, 1937 - June 11, 2016

On Saturday night following a lamb roast surrounded by family and friends, Roy slipped away peacefully after a brief illness.

UBC... he represented Canada at international judo competitions, enjoyed every game of tennis he played and travelled the world extensively. A true scholar and educator, Roy's gentle soul and strength touched and taught all who knew him.

Flowers gratefully declined, please consider a donation to the Copper Kettle Society or the Bessie Dane Hospice Society in lieu.

The family would like to thank the amazing Salt Spring healthcare community including Dr. Robert Crichton and Jerry, all the staff at Lady Minto, the Palliative home care nursing team, Beacon's home support folks and members of the Salt Spring Hospice Society for their support.

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I wish to thank those who gave their time to be filmed and to speak to the children. Our section of the project was done by 2 hard working volunteers, out of caring about SSI history.

I would personally like to thank: Rose Murakami, Alan & Marilynne Cunningham, Don Cunningham, Ed Wescott, Jim McClean, Joan Stevens (Duffy), Elaine Young, Ken & Cecilia Sampson, Marshall Heinekey, Bob McWhirter, Tom McKeachie, Marie Beaudoin, Lorraine Hamilton, Shelly Johnson, Frank & Gain Neumann, Glenda Kaiser, Debbie Magnusson, Irene Wright, John Beardsell, Bob Rush, Ted Dodds, George Laundry, Garry Kaye, Bev Byron, Duncan Hepburn, Kathy Ramsey, Linda Ramsey, Casy Jarman, Mr. Foubister, Usha Rautenback, Malcolm Bond, Don Hartwig, Bronwyn Stooks.

I would also like to thank the following who offered help: Alan Layard, Natalie Horel, Susan Chew, Mary Piperno, John & Gladys Campbell. There are many more people I did not get to (yet). I am hopeful that we will get your stories of early Salt Spring Island on record in the near future.

- Jenny McClean

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PETS REMEMBERED



Sim

OCTOBER, 2000 - JUNE 20, 2016 Sim's song: "Quiet Fan for SK." PG Six

On the first day of summer, our beloved part-Siamese friend, who held a "Masters Degree in Purr Therapy", had to say goodbye to his family. Susan, John and Chris (human types) and his animal friends, Tina and Lizzy, plus many others who fit into both categories, will deeply miss him.

Sim was a fine companion to our parents and grandparents, Grace and Eric, spending endless lap hours with them in their later years. Eric used to say "You know Sue, that cat talks!" I thought our father must have the beginnings of dementia, but when we inherited Sim, I too found myself telling friends - "You know, that cat talks!" A bright "Hello" meow. A loud, long one for "I'm hungry" (which was most of the time). A soft, "wet" meow which signalled "Laptime and Love".

Ekhart Tolle writes that animals are our spiritual teachers. When Sim and I sat together and I listened to his soothing purr, the world felt safer, kinder and a better place.

May you make a swift transition into your next incarnation and continue your good works.

Many thanks to Malcolm and Harold Bond. Nora and June, for their heartfelt kindness.

In lieu of catnip, please make a donation, no matter how small, to the Salt Spring SPCA (Sim and his brother Sam were rescue cats).

~ Susan Bracher, John and Chris Newman

Maggie Parfitt

March 30, 2002 - June 14, 2016

Maggie my Dear Beloved Bassett Hound, passed away peacefully in the early morning of June 14th. In spite of 2 cancer surgeries, liver disease and recent blindness she still wagged her tail, managed short walks and navigated the house.

Maggie came into my life at age 2 in response to an ad in the Vancouver Sun "looking for a loving home" from an owner that did not have the time to take proper care of her. The owner said her name was Maggie and I knew right there that this was to be a very special relationship. It was destiny to have her in my life. My grandmother and my Aunt were both Maggie and it was also my middle name. As soon as we brought her home she became the constant companion and friend of my other Bassett Ralph who passed 4 years ago.

Somehow Maggie forged special relationships with several people, especially her Uncle Ken, as well as other dogs and cats. While living, overlooking Welbury Bay she would bark from our deck at an old Grey Seal who would swim over and tease her. Maggie loved life and even when sick, her soul and personality would shine through.

Maggie will be remembered forever, and forever loved. When you lose a loved one, they are never far away, for they live in our hearts always.

Very special thanks to Dr. Malcolm Bond & Stephanie Bond, Nora, Janet, Kaitlin, June and of course Dr. Harold Bond who always told me that Maggie is "ONE AMAZING DOG".

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Request For Proposals SS12016-017

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Contract Documents may be seen at the office of the Capital Regional District, 145 Vesuvius Bay Road, Salt Spring Island, BC on or after June 14, 2016, or may be downloaded from <http://www.crd.bc.ca/business>.

For enquiries regarding this RFP, please contact Dan Ovington, Manager of Parks and Recreation at 250-537-4448 or email dovington@crd.bc.ca.

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Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee

TEMPORARY USE PERMIT NOTIFICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will consider a Resolution to issue a Temporary Use Permit pursuant to Section 493 of the *Local Government Act* for Strata Lot A Section 78 South Salt Spring Island Cowichan District Strata Plan VIS 6760 PID 027-925-811 (1415 Fulford-Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island – Application SS-TUP-2016.2).

The purpose of the permit is to allow indoor container based composting of organic matter.

The location of the property subject to the proposed permit is shown on the following sketch:



Enquiries or comments should be directed to Planner Seth Wright at 250-537-9144, or by email to ssiinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca

A copy of the proposed permit may be inspected at the Islands Trust Salt Spring Island office at 1-500 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, continuing up to Tuesday, June 28, 2016.

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will consider the proposed permit at a meeting on **Wednesday, June 29, 2016** beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Gulf Island Secondary School, Multi-Purpose Room, 232 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island. Please refer to the posted agenda available on the Islands Trust website (www.islandstrust.bc.ca) at the beginning of that week for an indication of where this application is to be placed on the agenda.

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

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TRI-ING HARD: Some of the participants in Sunday's sixth annual Father's Day Triathlon were, from left, Walker Tottman, winner of the men's division with a time of 1:26:44; Emerson Hayden, who won the boys' race in 00:34:01; and Donna De Roo, girls' race winner with a time of 00:31:31. Women's division winner was Susie Gagnon (1:32:33). Rainbow Road Indoor Pool's eighth birthday celebration was also held in the afternoon, with a great chocolate cake provided by the volunteer Ssplash group.

FISHING

Toynbee and Reynolds nab top prize

Pacific Salmon Foundation the biggest winner

BY GAIL SJUBERG
DRIFTWOOD EDITOR

Organizers of the third annual Moby's Fishing Derby couldn't be happier with how the community event unfolded over the weekend.

"It was exactly what I was hoping for," said co-organizer Kurt Irwin on Monday.

The event saw 81 people and 31 boats head out into local waters to try to catch "the big one," with Irwin originally aiming to have 40 people entered.

Danny Reynolds and Tom Toynbee Jr. earned the top prize for the biggest salmon with a 24.5-pound spring reeled in on Toynbee's rod on Sunday morning. They caught the fish off Pender Bluff using anchovies as bait at a depth of 90 feet.

Having bet on Reynolds' boat, the Katrina C, they won both the salmon prize of \$1,000 and the Calcutta auction pot for a total of \$6,770.

Dale Schweighardt of Moby's said 22 salmon and eight cod were brought in during the daytime Saturday and Sunday morning derby.

"I think it went very well," he said. "It's the third year, so it was the biggest by far, and I think everyone had a great time."

Irwin was especially thrilled to see the multi-generational family members enjoying the derby together.

He and Schweighardt thanked the numerous sponsors and everyone who helped with the event, which saw a whopping \$6,455 raised for the Pacific Salmon Foundation, a group that works to improve the marine habitat of the Salish Sea.

People should mark their calendars for next year's derby, which will again be held on the Father's Day weekend.

One note about last week's story that mentioned the 2015 derby winner: Irwin had advised that Russell Spencer was the biggest-salmon prize winner last year, when in fact it was Bob Morrisette Sr. The mistake was also made last year, and then corrected, but resurfaced again.



PHOTO COURTESY MOBY'S FISHING DERBY

Tom Toynbee Jr., left, and Danny Reynolds, with their derby-winning 24.5-pound salmon.

GOLF

Lawler and Simpson capture Lucky Mashie

Fickle Fingers group welcomes players

GOLFTEES

BY MARCIA HOGAN
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

The past month has been a busy one for men's 18-hole play, which included the Lucky Mashie competition.

The trophy is named after the "mashie niblick," a wooden-shafted club used primarily before the 20th century, which has been replaced by today's seven-irons.

Winners were the team of Colin Lawler and Hamish Simpson with a score of 63. The next three teams tied

with a score of 64 and winning placement was determined on a count back, called retrogression, with the following results: second place went to David Tabb and Barry Scotton, third to Doug Wellington and Don McMahon, and fourth to Mike Winter and Brian Dunbabin. If nine holes are your preference and you prefer to play early so you have the rest of the day to do chores, then Salt Spring Golf Club has a group for you. The Fickle Fingers was organized by two ex-RCAF offi-

cers more than 40 years ago. In the air force, if anything went wrong it was blamed on the "Fickle Finger of Fate." They decided that the term applied very well to golf and founded the Fickle Fingers.

The original mandate for membership was that "fun, fellowship and camaraderie should be placed ahead of golfing proficiency!" This group tees off at 8 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and meets for coffee afterwards at the clubhouse. Everyone is welcome.

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