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GLOWING REPORT: Rumiko Kanesake of the Japanese Garden Society unveils new interpretive panels detailing the history of charcoal kilns located in Mouat Park. The panels and a new book published by JGS on the topic were both launched Tuesday afternoon.

TRANSPORTATION

Salt Spring Transit celebrates 10 years

Service expansion planned

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

BC Transportation Minister Claire Trev-ena visited Salt Spring on Friday to help recognize a milestone anniversary for Salt Spring Transit.

The award-winning system achieved 10 years in service in January and is recognized as the best performing bus service in the province when compared to similar-sized communities.

“I’d say it’s momentous — 10 years of transit for a community the size of Salt Spring. I’m not just here to celebrate; I’m here to learn from it, what we can take from this and use in other communities,” Trev-ena said.

SSI Transportation Commission chair Robin Williams MCed the event at Centennial Park, where Trev-ena recognized all the partners who helped create the service, from BC Transit, the Capital Regional District and the transportation commission to the people who use the bus. Gary Holman, who was the CRD’s electoral area director for Salt Spring at the time, was singled out for special thanks for all the work he did to ensure the service was mobilized.

Holman received a certificate of merit along with four other early transit advocates: John Cade, Bob Fenske, the Salt Spring Lions Club and Ineke de Jong, Salt Spring Transit’s current and only operator.

“It is a great example of government and BC Transit listening to people,” Trev-ena said of the amenity’s inauguration. “People wanted the service and 10 years later we’re talking about expansion.”

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HOUSING

Dragonfly plan shifts to rental

High costs and need for housing prompt change

BY MARC KITTINGHAM
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Dragonfly Commons will no longer be a home ownership project, after increased regulations have made it financially impossible to continue in that direction.

The new goal of the project will be to provide affordable housing for younger working people on Salt Spring. Affordable rentals will be easier to move forward than ownership, though philosophically, project owner

Fernando dos Santos wishes it could be the other way.

“I’m not going to stand on principles and get nothing done,” he said. “I’m willing to change my mind. If I’m wrong, I’m wrong.”

The most recent roadblock comes from the provincial government. B.C.’s Water Sustainability Act says that if a single water source has more than four hook-ups, the owner of that source needs to obtain a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN).

Having a CPCN makes the owner a water utility, which comes with a large financial deposit and stringent reporting and maintenance requirements that would dramatically bring up the cost per unit at Dragonfly.

“The sliding scale [to become a water utility] starts at \$500,000 and goes to \$2 million, which for most affordable housing projects is a death knell,” said dos Santos.

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High farebox return recognized



PHOTO BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

Celebrating Salt Spring Transit's 10th anniversary on Friday were, from left: Wayne McIntyre, Ken Barnes, Ineke de Jong, Bob Fenske, Erin Pinkerton, Transportation Minister Claire Trevena, John Cade and Gary Holman.

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"I was talking to Robin [Williams] about how we can get a larger bus, how we can ensure this service grows, because it is well used and it is the most successful rural transportation service," Trevena said.

Trevena added there would be nothing to celebrate without the people on Salt Spring who ride the bus and so strongly support public transit, because a system cannot be sustainable if relying on seasonal tourist traffic. Salt Spring also remains the only island to have BC Transit involved, although some others are

starting to introduce community transit society models.

"One of my key priorities as minister is how we can green transportation, how we can get people out of their cars, onto transit [and] onto their bikes," Trevena said. "So I'm so pleased to see a shining example in Salt Spring of how it is possible."

BC Transit's acting CEO and president Erin Pinkerton was also on Salt Spring for the event and revealed her personal connection to the system. She shared the story of managing BC Ferries' terminal operations and having the request for bus access rights to Fulford terminal come

across her desk. As a brand new concept, Pinkerton's higher ups said it wouldn't be possible. Pinkerton stamped her approval anyway and then defected to BC Transit.

"I actually feel like I've been part of this system for 10 years, because that bus is on Fulford," Pinkerton said.

Pinkerton reiterated the impressive statistic that the community of just over 10,000 supports 100,000 rider trips per year.

The Centennial Park event was followed by a rider give-away at the bus shelter outside the Salt Spring Visitors Centre, which the Lions Club donated to the community and Mouat's hosts free of charge.

Land Act:

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The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is **Crown Land File # 1414773**.

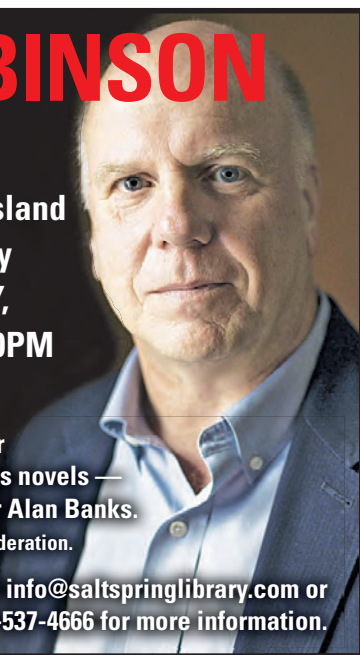
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BC FERRIES

Queen of Cumberland back Friday

Salish Raven issues investigated

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Queen of Cumberland is set to be back in service by Friday, May 18, making holiday travel to the Gulf Islands a less daunting prospect for the upcoming Victoria Day long weekend.

A BC Ferries press release states that with Queen of Cumberland repair work progressing as planned, the vessel will return to service on the Swartz Bay-Southern Gulf Islands route. Regular Southern Gulf Islands schedules as published on bcferries.com will be in effect.

With a busy holiday weekend anticipated, BC Ferries has also

added extra sailings on major routes from Thursday, May 17 to Tuesday, May 22.

The Queen of Cumberland was removed from service last month due to a malfunction with a rescue boat davit. The piece of equipment that raises and lowers the rescue boat is being replaced and the vessel will be recertified prior to returning to service.

Various other ships helped cover the Swartz Bay-Southern Gulf Islands route in the meantime, which led to some lack of coverage on the Tsawwassen-Gulf Islands route and chaos due to scheduling changes.

"We appreciate your patience and apologize for any inconvenience you may have experienced as a result of the temporary service that has been in place," BC Ferries told customers.

Passengers on travelling to the Gulf Islands aboard the Salish Raven meanwhile had additional delays both on Monday and during the previous week, when the visor door to the car deck failed to open properly. The Raven arrived at Long Harbour just 30 minutes late on May 14, but the experience was not welcome for some.

Salt Spring resident Connie Kuhns tweeted her frustration, "Last week, we had to go out into the ocean, turn around and back our cars out. Looks like we are going to do that again. Is anybody listening?"

BC Ferries communications director Deborah Marshall said Tuesday the problem was fixed later that evening, and engineering crew had added extra lubrication to the mechanics. Technicians will also provide a more in-depth inspection.



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ENVIRONMENT

Activist group promotes stewardship of Salish Sea

PNW Protectors promote new website

BY MARC KITTERINGHAM
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A Salish Sea conservation group launched a new website on May 2 to help build a sense of environmental stewardship and protection for residents of the Pacific Northwest.

PNW Protectors is an environmental group based in the San Juan Islands in Washington. They were formed by Cy Scammell and Snow Seychelle as a way to help promote the beauty and fragility of the waters around their home. They focus on using storytelling as a medium that promotes awareness and protection of the Salish Sea and the southern resident orcas that make the waters home.

"The last straw was when J52, which was Sonic, the little two-year-old southern resident baby, passed away in early September," Scammell said. "My wife and I were just like 'My god, we're watching this beautiful species disappear right in front of us.' We used to see these whales pretty regularly and it is becoming less and less frequent. . . We needed to do something about it."

Seychelle works as a conserva-

tion artist and had built some connections with other environmental organizations over the years. They reached out to Keiko Conservation and learned how to build a foundation from there. Though many groups are bringing awareness on the scientific or political sides of things, PNW Protectors is more focused on what regular people can do.

"What it really comes down to is the individual. That's where we really wanted to separate ourselves. We wanted to instill hope . . . and to bring it back to the essence of what the real issue is," Scammell explained. "Most people just don't realize what the choices they're making are doing. One way or another, it is either going to be a way to better help this world or a way that makes it a bit more challenging to get back to health once again. We are trying to let people know about the decisions they're making every day and the ramifications one way or another."

The website was launched after six months of web design and building. The goal is to bring awareness to all of the problems faced by the Salish Sea, with a focus on the southern resident orcas and the lack of salmon for them to eat. The site features a section profiling each of the whales who make up



PHOTO BY CY SCAMMELL

Snow Seychelle swims through the Salish Sea as part of PNW Protectors' awareness campaign for the myriad issues facing the area.

the southern residents, as well as a video section for Scammell's short films and a section with Seychelle's art.

Much of the content featured on the website shows the beauty of the area with hopes of promoting stewardship, based on their dives. Seychelle and Scammell are both free divers, and they believe swimming in the Salish Sea and showing the underwater ecosystem will help

promote the beauty of the area and make more people want to protect it. While they do not have any planned dive days, they are open to bringing people along with them to experience the area.

Seychelle's art reflects the beauty found there, and Scammell's underwater video and photography illuminates the natural wonders just under the water.

"The future to me is storytell-

ing," Scammell said. "Through video, photos and art we can tell our story to get people to fall in love with the area. We know that we protect what we love . . . We want to help people fall in love with it so they want to fight for its well-being."

The issues facing the Salish Sea are international ones, and they have an effect on both sides of the border. Since the launch of the website, PNW Protectors has been reached by groups in both countries to help promote events and spread the word about various activities in the area.

"People reach out to us at least on a weekly basis, whether that is to promote a watershed that needs some protection or it's beach clean ups or anything that goes on, we try to make ourselves available to all of the different groups."

"Since the website has gone live we've had two other organizations reach out to us who want to talk about next steps. We're just kind of taking it day by day right now, working on our Instagram and on making films letting people know that there are good choices to make and helping them feel confident in their decisions each day."

PNW Protectors is on Instagram at @pnwprotectors. Their website is www.pnwprotectors.com.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Capital Regional District approves pay raise for managers

Average Increase of 2.67 %

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Capital Regional District voted to approve an average 2.67 per cent pay increase for its management staff at last Wednesday's board of directors meeting.

CRD executive director Bob Lapham explained the organization has an internal pay ladder system. An adjustment occurs every three to five years to ensure the pay scale balances external market factors and internal pay relationships, and aligns with the median rate paid by a set of comparable organizations.

With an increasing budget and more complicated projects, risks and responsibilities,

the market value of skilled managers has also increased. A staff report from the CRD's human resources department said the current lag in annual wage adjustments is beginning to have implications on recruitment and retention.

The 2018 review compared the CRD to Saanich, Abbotsford, Burnaby, Coquitlam, Kelowna, Richmond, Surrey, Vancouver, Victoria, Metro Vancouver and the Regional District of Nanaimo.

Director Ben Isitt, who is a member of Victoria City Council, said he opposed the pay raise as well as the CRD's policy of meeting the median rate of other government organizations.

"Certainly all of our managers and exempt staff work hard and they deserve to be compensated fairly, and arguably even generously,

but I think that this is too generous, and it's going in a direction that's not supportable in light of the incomes of most residents and the incomes of the [unionized] employees," Isitt said.

Isitt added that applying a set pay level tied to positions means even newly hired staff start at an elevated rate without having to prove themselves.

The increase will be in addition to the annual increase for inflation, and will add an estimated \$280,000 to the budget. According to the CRD's 2016 financial statements, three people in Salt Spring management positions earned combined salaries of nearly \$335,000.

Director Colin Plant of Saanich agreed it was difficult to award the large amount but said the CRD was bound by a previous decision.

"It's never something we like to do when we see such significant cost increases, but our job as governors is to follow policy; if we don't like the policy we have to go change the policy," Plant said. "And unfortunately, since 2006, we haven't done that . . . I don't think we can just walk away from the policy because we don't like the numbers the policy results in."

Also at last Wednesday's meeting, the CRD voted to approve a salary increase of up to 14 per cent for directors, excluding any inflation adjustment. This increase was stated as a one-time exception to offset the elimination of the federal tax exemption that allowed a one-third tax free non-accountable expense, that was included as part of the compensation package in the past. The decision will add another \$84,000 to the budget in January 2019.

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Deadlines for the Gulf Islands Driftwood Wednesday May 23 edition will be as follows:

Display Advertising deadline: **Thurs., May 17, 12 noon**

Classified Display Deadline: **Fri., May 18, 3pm**

Classified Word Deadline: **Tues., May 22, 9am**



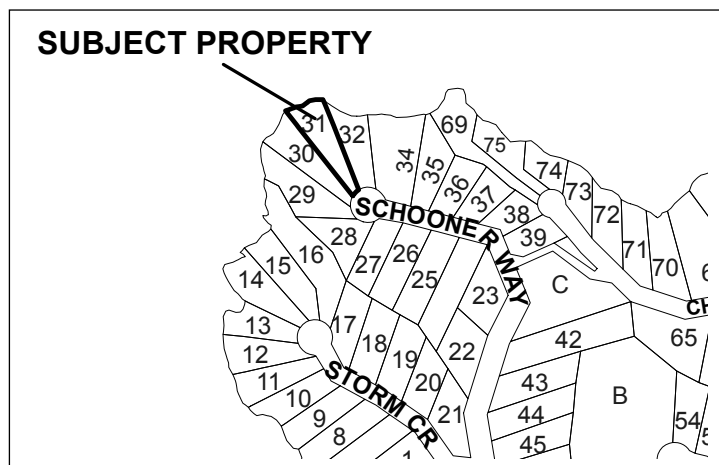
NOTICE NORTH PENDER ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NP-TUP-2018.2 & NP-TUP-2018.3

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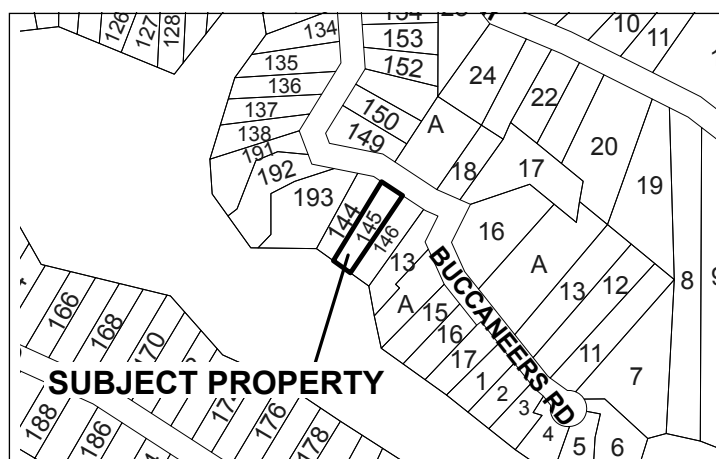
- Lot 31, Section 9, Pender Island, Cowichan District, Plan 22335 (PID: 000-785-733), located at 1602 Schooner Way; and,
- Lot 145, Section 8, Pender Island, Cowichan District, Plan 17181 (PID: 003-905-217), located at 4729 Buccaneers Road.

The purpose of these temporary use permits would be to permit "Short Term Vacation Rental within the Dwelling Unit(s)" on the subject properties. The establishment of the temporary use would be subject to a number of conditions specified in the permits. The permits would be issued for up to three years and the owner may apply to the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee to have it renewed once for up to an additional three years.

The general location of the subject property located at 1602 Schooner Way is shown in the following sketch:



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A copy of the proposed permits 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, **May 11, 2018** and up to and including **May 23, 2018**.

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 permits may be inspected at various Notice Boards on North Pender Island, B.C., commencing **May 11, 2018**.

Enquiries or comments should be directed to Phil Testemale, A/Planner 2 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., **May 23, 2018**. 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., May 24, 2018**, at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall, 1344 MacKinnon Road, North Pender 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

ENVIRONMENT

Abandoned barge causes alarm



PHOTO BY MICHAEL BYERS

A derelict barge from an oyster farm operation anchored near Hawkins Island, which is protected under the Gulf Islands National Park Reserve.

Islands Trust derelict vessel count at 16

BY MARC KITTERINGHAM
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

An abandoned oyster float near Hawkins Island has gotten islanders' attention, but determining who is to clean it up is proving to be difficult.

Salt Spring resident Michael Byers sounded the alarm on the structure, and first saw it two years ago. The barge is part of an old oyster farm and is sitting off the shore of Hawkins Island on the east side of Prevost Island. It is covered in plastic trays once used to harvest the oysters. Now the plastic trays are at risk of falling off the barge and into the ocean.

"That location is like a pristine oasis in the middle of the Southern Gulf Islands and it's badly marred by this derelict oyster float," said Byers. "Someone has to raise the

alarm."

Though all levels of government have an interest in cleaning up the waters, jurisdiction and cost often make the process difficult to negotiate. This particular vessel is located near one of the protected islands in the Gulf Islands National Park Reserve. However, it is not in waters that are protected by the park, and does not fall under Parks Canada jurisdiction. Parks Canada has notified Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Province of B.C. about the barge and trays, according to an email.

"The barge is located literally 30 metres away from an island that is part of the reserve and is so protected that you're not allowed to set foot on it," Byers said.

Determining who should deal with the problem is often difficult and depends on the case. If the wreck is polluting the waters or in navigation channels its disposal is taken care of quickly, but if there is

no direct threat to the environment or any risk to shipping it can take longer. The Canada Shipping Act defines pollutant as any substance that degrades the water quality or plant and animal life in the water. The language in the act is mainly concerned with oil and gas seeping into the water and does not specifically mention plastics.

Though the vessel is not obviously leaking oil or any other contaminants into the ocean, the plastic trays sitting on top of the barge are a pollution risk. It is also located in a place that is frequently visited by kayakers, recreational boaters and crab boats.

"It would be so incredibly easy to clean this up that it's almost like the perfect test case for the federal government's commitment to protecting our coastline," Byers said.

The Islands Trust has created an inventory of abandoned boats and vessels and is working on applying for federal funding. The organization cannot remove boats, but is working to coordinate with multiple agencies to clean up the waters around the Gulf Islands. The inventory was set up in the fall of 2017.

So far, 16 derelict vessels have been added to the inventory in the last six months. According to an email sent by the Islands Trust, there are plans for Transport Canada to fund the removal of 18 abandoned boats from the Salt Spring area.

"It's only provincial and federal governments who can actually do anything about it," said Salt Spring trustee Peter Grove. "The plan is to keep them informed of what's going on. The Trust has no powers to remove these hulks."

People who want to report derelict vessels can do so at www.islandstrust.bc.ca under the advocacy section.

Land Act: Notice of Intention to Apply for a Disposition of Crown Land

Take notice that, **John Gregory Gale from Bellevue, Washington** has applied to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNR), for a **Specific Permission for Private Moorage - Private residential moorage** situated on Provincial Crown land located at **Charles Island, Lot 7 Cowichan District.**

The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is **Crown Land File # 1414697.**

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ISLANDS TRUST

LTC clarifies on housing position and enforcement

STVR enforcement letters set to go out

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Ongoing calls from the community for quicker and more effective action on affordable housing have led the Salt Spring Local Trust Committee to clarify matters with an official position statement, which they approved and released at Thursday's business meeting in time for the noon town hall session.

"The Salt Spring Island community has been very clear: we face a

housing crisis on Salt Spring. It is a crisis that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee is keenly aware of. The chronic shortage of affordable housing impacts all of us, directly or indirectly," the LTC's statement begins.

Community members attended the LTC's last town hall in April en masse to speak about the issue, and a number of people returned for the same topic at the May 10 session. Speakers included Alex Gay, who implored the LTC to crack down on illegal short term vacation rentals that may be displacing long-term rental stock. Others asked the trust-

ees to direct bylaw enforcement away from illegal long-term dwellings.

With no ability to hold land or build affordable housing itself, the LTC's housing policy outlines a three-pronged approach involving land-use planning projects, affordable housing applications and their processing, and bylaw enforcement.

A standing resolution on enforcement of long-term dwellings limits it to cases where there are multiple dwellings on a property, or there are significant concerns related to health, safety or the environment.

In terms of STVR enforcement,

Island Trust staff said Thursday that letters are going out to people that have advertised their unlawful accommodations on booking websites.

Staff confirmed STVR operators can seek to make their accommodations bylaw-compliant by applying for a temporary use permit, among other measures.

"That is really good to know because I wasn't clear about it, and I always feel that if there's something that I don't know or have got wrong, there may be other people who have also got it wrong," said trustee Peter Grove.

STVR owners can also seek to become compliant by changing their operations to meet the guidelines of a lawful bed and breakfast facility as defined in Salt Spring's land use bylaw, or by submitting a rezoning application to permit commercial accommodations.

In all cases, the owners are directed to stop advertising and cease operations until the use actually becomes lawful.

Regional planning manager Stefan Cermak said he expects some 30 to 40 new applications may enter planning staff's work stream as result of the enforcement program.

PARKS AND RECREATION

PARC commission okays bike park

Project to move forward for June construction

BY MARC KITTERINGHAM
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring Island community bike park plans were approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission at their monthly meeting on May 14, with construction scheduled to begin in June.

Project manager Elizabeth FitzZaland from Green City Builders presented the draft of the plans. She noted there is still some room for changes, but at this point in the process those changes will be minimal since community consultation in March has already been considered.

The bike park is designed to be a place where children and their families can go to spend the day learning cycling skills. It will not be a jump park and riders will eventually advance beyond the scope of the park.

"I think that what this park does is it offers a family oriented place for kids to hang out with their families and bike,"

FitzZaland told the commission. "Once they get older they can go mountain biking in Channel Ridge or if they're more confident they can actually go on the road."

Dan Ovington, Parks and Recreation Manager, agreed with FitzZaland, saying that the park "provides a safe place for people to learn how to bike and to progress. In fact, they can take bikes into any of our [CRD] parks and any of our trails."

Though the plan does not explicitly include the removal of any more trees from the area, there is concern about one tree that may prove dangerous to taller riders. The tree is not in the way of any of the planned trails, however it does grow at an angle and may be too low for taller kids to ride under safely.

"We really did want to design around the trees, not the other way around," FitzZaland said. "It looks like there might be one ... that is in conflict with the project."

If the tree does need to be removed, PARC requested that an arborist's report come to the commission before any work is done to allow the public to know about

it beforehand.

Other suggestions made were to take emergency access and structure durability into consideration in the final stages of planning. Commissioner John Gauld voiced his concern about wooden fences, features and kiosks rotting over time and made suggestions about more durable materials. He also encouraged the plans to include a wider access trail for CRD staff and emergency services vehicles.

While there has been some opposition to the park, PARC made the decision to support it knowing that not all community members agree. The developers worked to include suggestions made during the design and consultation phases. The commission will write a thank you letter to the residents who gave feedback on the project for their input.

The plans were approved by the commission subject to an arborist's report concerning any further tree removal and that the project manager take into consideration suggestions made at the meeting.

Cost benefits gained

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The project will still have 30 lots of affordable housing available on a 10.5-acre Drake Road property. The homes will be small and detached, with a communal building for residents to share. The non-profit project spearheaded by dos Santos and his wife Tami is intended to keep costs low enough to offer low rent for people who qualify.

Despite changing from a homeowner to rental model, tenants will still find secure housing, dos Santos said.

"On the positive side, even though people wouldn't own it, they would have security of rental," he said. "Nobody is going to sell the house out from under them and nobody is going to be able to raise the rent on them in any justifiable way."

Other benefits to the change are that affordable rental projects are easier for the govern-

ment to work with, and rentals have access to more grants and government aid. Dos Santos explained that government grants would allow the developers to have up to 70 per cent of the construction costs paid for by outside agencies. The lower construction costs along with the increased density on the property means that rents will be able to stay low.

"It's a non-profit so there is no motive to raise the rates," he added, saying that renters would "probably be paying the same amount ten years from now."

The costs will also stay down because by changing to a rental model, the property will not need to be subdivided and those costs will no longer apply. The developers only need to go through with rezoning, which could dramatically speed up the process.

Dos Santos said that they expect to be able to begin construction by spring 2019.

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Gold - Best Cartoonist (Dennis Parker)



EDITORIAL

Long summer

The jump from winter to full-blown summer can be an abrupt one in the Gulf Islands.

Just a few weeks back we were scrounging in our woodpiles for the few last slips of bark to make it through the final damp stretch. Then the cosmic switch flipped and record-breaking temperatures began.

Mostly sunny skies and temperatures up to 23 degrees are predicted to continue through the weekend. Mother's Day already saw scores of people wandering through the Mouat's Mall parking lot with ice-cream in hand. While holiday Mondays are usually quieter, if last week is anything to go by, we can expect an even busier time than usual coming up.

The Victoria Day long weekend — or May-long as it's more commonly known in these parts — signals the real start to our annual influx of summer visitors. Islanders will find their patience tapped as tourists

coming for the Saturday market mix with two major sporting events, the Salt Spring Challenge Cup tourney and the Round Salt Spring sailing race.

Since this is the time of year when increased traffic is combined with drivers who may not be

THE ISSUE:
Island traffic

WE SAY:
Patience needed

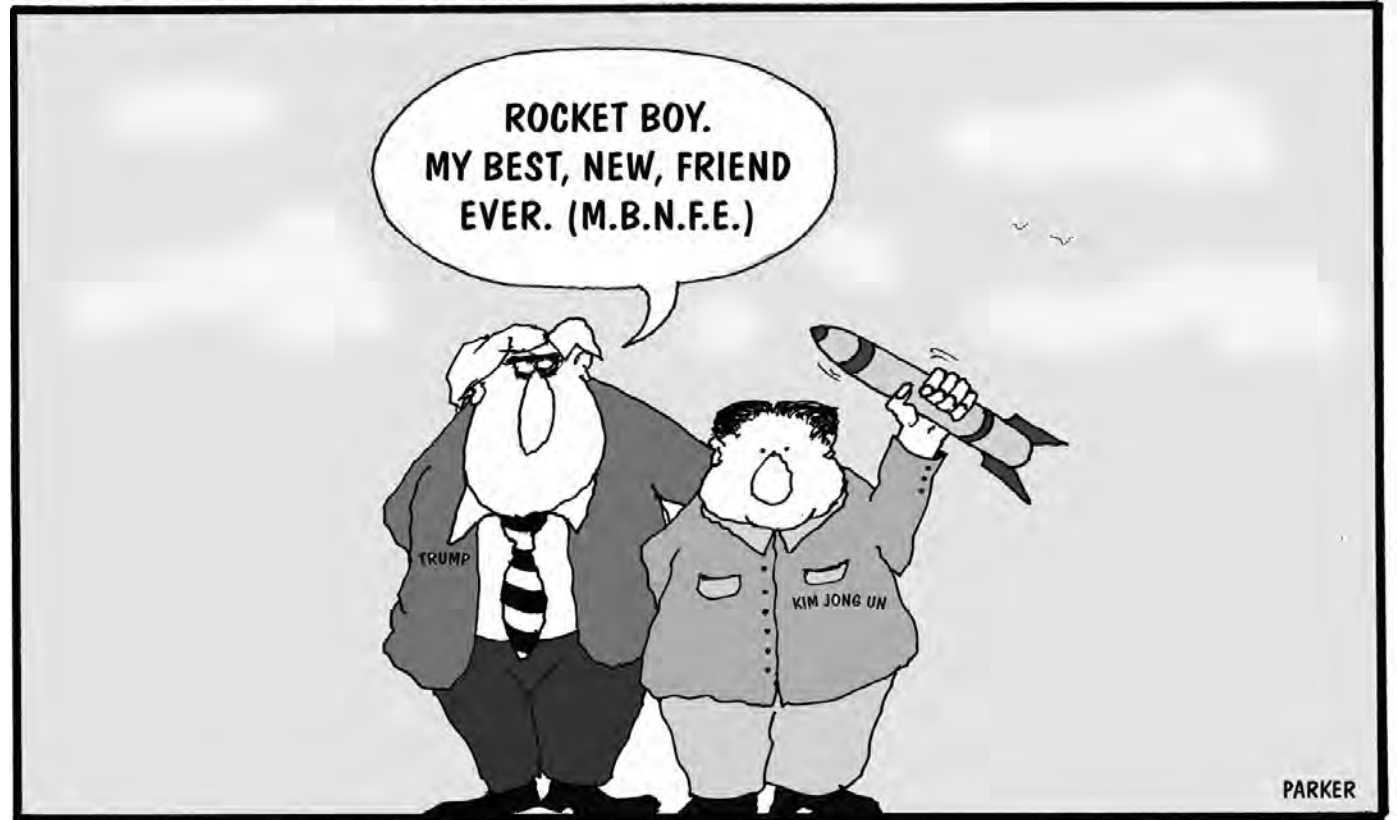
overly familiar with local roads, this is also the time when locals should put extra restraint and patience into practice for the long summer ahead. The weekend's major special events often have an element of drinking involved, providing even more reason for caution.

To reduce the potential sources of danger and frustration while avoiding feeling trapped at home, why not use this opportunity to employ some car reduction strategies? Carpooling with a designated driver (who hopefully has a seven-seater minivan) is one excellent choice. Those who have yet to fully make use of the island's award-winning transit system — lauded this week for its extraordinary success over its first 10 years — can think about planning their day around the local schedule.

Active transportation methods are also good to explore, despite the extra traffic. Walkers and mobile scooter users can enjoy the growing pathway network, and cyclists can scout out the alternate routes that take them off the busiest roads.

Long weekends can be a real headache for locals. Let's make this one a positive learning experience instead.

MAKING THE WORLD A SAFER PLACE



VIEWPOINT by *Melissa Grace Kodaly*

Who looks after Saint Frances?

Some weeks ago, Geri Ramsey contributed a thoughtful article to this paper, on the topic of honoring non-humans in our community. That has inspired my comments today.

It was my privilege and pleasure to witness incredible beauty this spring.

Saint Frances lives next door. Hopefully, this poetic description captures my meaning, and yes, my change of spelling is deliberate, because in this case, our saint is a woman. She is calm and nurturing, and her kindly ways give her a charisma that transcends species distinctions. My "own" cat is so smitten he decided he needs two homes, hers and ours. The neighbour dogs on the other side bee line for her, every time they are allowed out of doors. Small children invite her to their birthday parties, because they know a true friend when they meet one. My horses sleep better and are quieter at night since she began inhabiting the patio that adjoins their yard. I love her too.

So, it was no surprise, but pure delight, when her admirers expanded to include quail over the last winter and spring. It began with a little seed strewn near their brushy cover. Soon, however, their trust of her grew, and so did its display. At times when she was expected to make an appearance, the most beautiful sounds emerged from their thicket, a billing and cooing music, exuding happiness, contentment, and eager anticipation.

They became quite bold, and grew in numbers, the flock bigger than I could count, but she knew them individually. She provided a venue for them to meet and greet, and pair up. Soon the thicket was full of nests and the burgeoning bodies of very pregnant quail came right up to her door, talking amongst themselves, and clearly, to her.

For me, it was a refuge from worry, and an antidote to the despair with which I am often filled when I hear news of the world. It was easy to imagine, they would soon be bringing their babies to show

her. Incidentally, said cat and dogs never harassed nor harmed a single bird while in her sphere. I realized with a start, that while I have lived with quail for decades I had never before been witness to quail living without fear.

Sadly, it ended suddenly, and violently. A major "clean up" of her yard, conducted by off-island landlords, in preparation of the sale of the house, stripped bare every last bit of cover. All 40 quail were gone.

I struggled with myself about writing this. Part of me just wanted to recognize and remark upon the beauty I had witnessed. And say, in my best Mr. Rogers voice, "Some of the people in my neighborhood are quail." There is much tragedy around us, what good can it do to report even more? But the experience resonates with many issues facing all of us today, regardless of our species or our community associations.

On our island, in our province, nation, continent and world, homes and habitat are under threat. Affordable housing and tenants' rights and privileges are sore points simply because there is a dearth of both.

My heart extends to my loving neighbor, because her home is as tenuous and threatened as that of her quail friends. She not only lost her friends and chief source of joy, she was served a lurid reminder of what could easily happen to her in the near future.

Saint Frances looks after everyone. But who looks after Saint Frances?

As a community, we can rent homes, not vacation venues. We can listen to the quiet voices, and save the bush from clean up. And we can tread lightly.

The writer is a musician, animal lover and longtime island resident.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

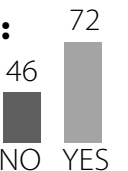
Should Walker's Hook Road stay car-free?

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:

Should ALR land be used for growing marijuana?



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ISLAND VOICES

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "I'm not going to stand on principles and get nothing done. I'm willing to change my mind."

FERNANDO DOS SANTOS, AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPER

SALT SPRING SAYS

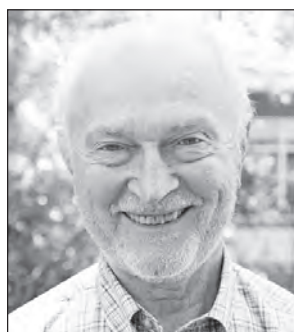
We asked: What should be done about derelict vessels?



GEORGINA HOPE
I would say take the ones where it is impossible to communicate with the owners and use them for salvage. Recycle them.



MANFRED BURANTT
I think they should go back to the original owners. It's their responsibility. The taxpayer shouldn't have to foot the bill.



RON PUHKY
My sense is that we should have a clean harbour. If boats are derelicts they should be removed. Not only for aesthetic reasons, but they can be hazardous as well.



ZELLY TAYLOR
They should be towed away and made available for recycling.



GREG HALL
I think they need to be cleaned out. It's ridiculous, to be honest.

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

Road transformed

Ever since the rains washed away huge sections of Walker's Hook Road, my wife and I have watched in amazement as fast-moving motor vehicles have been replaced by many more walkers, joggers, bikers (including youngsters never before seen on a road prone to speeding vehicles), skateboarders, moms pushing baby strollers, an elderly gentleman with a cane taking a daily leisurely stroll, and dog walkers who now feel it is safe to let their animals explore the area unleashed.

With one storm Walker's Hook Road has become a

destination place for tourists and locals, enjoying this amazing stretch of level road next to the ocean. The temporary closure has created a safe place for exercise, exploration, and conversation. What a difference a pedestrian pathway has made in creating an opportunity for community.

And yes, the washed out road has added an extra kilometre to our visit to the Fernwood Road Café and Twig & Buoy, but it is worth it. One neighbour shared how her visiting grandchildren love the fact they now have permission to ride their bikes on the road (something they were forbidden to do before the temporary closure).

I admit there is at least one neighbour who would rather not drive the extra kilometre to pick up groceries, but with the need to repair so many of our roads could our tax dollars be better spent?

All in all it is an entirely different world here on Walker's Hook Road ever since the rains created a temporary dead-end.

GARY AND RADHA BELLO,
WALKERS HOOK ROAD

We want a clean coast

I am so grateful for the upsurge in opposition to the Kinder Morgan pipeline over the last months.

I first heard about the pro-

posal by Kinder Morgan over seven and a half years ago. I signed up to speak against the Northern Gateway Pipeline at the National Energy Board hearings. I did this to learn to understand the process we would need to undergo to stop the pipeline.

I am no expert, but feeling my home threatened by a 700 per cent increase in tanker traffic along the shores of Mayne Island made me feel it important enough to learn all I could. I am now so grateful to know so many people who have taken on the torch to say "no tanks" to Kinder Morgan.

Prime Minister Trudeau, we here on the B.C. coast understand the big picture: Indigenous land and water

rights, global warming, low fossil-fuel market value, leaking pipes and tanker spills are some of the many reasons why transporting the remains of dinosaurs must be a thing of the past. Onwards to a clean economy for Alberta and a clean coast for us all.

ANNETTE WITTEMAN,
MAYNE ISLAND

Gratitude

I have come through a major medical care crisis involving multiple surgeries and two separate infections that left me with major mobility and attitudinal issues. It appeared that my "golden years" had gone to dust and my usefulness as a contributing life partner had

vanished.

Today, I am once again walking the trails of my beloved Channel Ridge — albeit with a cane — and assuming my share of our domestic responsibilities. I love life again!

How did this happen? I owe a huge debt of gratitude to Salt Spring Physiotherapy and Dan Speiss. The knowledge, skill and compassion of Dan and his team gave me the understanding, tools and support I needed to break through the fear and pain. Dan, thank you for all you gave me.

LES BROST,
SALT SPRING

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Beefy boys with pickup trucks come in handy

"A man should have sons." I'm sure I read that somewhere and if I didn't, I heard it. Or imagined it. Or simply made it up, but whatever, it sounds vaguely scriptural and is in any case quite a lot true.

A man should have sons, ideally sons who are useful, which is to say plumbers, carpenters or at least general handymen. Better still, plumbers who charge less than \$90 an hour and do a bit of dentistry on the side. Above all, a man should have great beefy sons who own great beefy trucks and live just around the corner.

A man could also have had great beefy daughters, of course, but I have a boatload of sons, three to be precise, fine strapping lads, all whom live as far from around the corner as you can possibly get. In fairness, my eldest does live in Calgary, which is just around the corner in Canadian miles and like every true Calgarian owns an SUV that is only slightly smaller than a school bus.

The other two own dinky little European cars which are fine if you're planning to transport toothpicks or doilies, and in any case, they are in France and England, so no amount of Skype time is going to get my important stuff shifted. Important stuff like the \$100 tree I almost bought in Duncan before I discovered it would cost me a further \$150 to have it delivered because it wouldn't fit in my car without reducing it to kindling.



Paul McElroy

AND ANOTHER THING

is an engineer, which might sound useful, but unless you want a very, very large hole dug in your yard and Greenpeace on your doorstep, forget it, while the other two have jobs that are so important that I don't really understand what it is they actually do. Suffice it to say, neither involves fixing leaking taps, repairing dilapidated decks or loading my trees and lengths of my fencing into the backs of their trucks.

I blame myself. I should have taken a firmer hand in forging their futures, directing them along certain paths by, for instance, giving them boxes of wrenches and washers for Christmas instead of books and video games, or taking them to Sleggs for their birthdays instead of Chuck E. Cheese. At least none of them is a journalist, a singularly dissolute occupation that barely gets a foot on the Ladder of Usefulness. If there is a profession that equips a man to be entirely without a practical use it is that of scribbler,

One of my boys (and I use "boys" loosely because all three seem to have become essentially older than me as I slip towards my second childhood)

A man should have sons, ideally sons who are useful, which is to say plumbers, carpenters or at least general handymen.

without accidentally ripping the screw bit from the glass part.

But as luck would have it, the boys' mother, aka my wife, has a body full of practical bones and a genius for doing useful stuff. She knows, without having to read the instruction manual, that a screwdriver has more uses than simply opening recalcitrant jam jars and that hammers weren't designed merely to crack coconuts. She's a bit challenged on the heavy-lifting front though, and I was particularly disappointed at the time it took her to load the piano onto the roof of the car, despite my coos of encouragement from the front deck.

But in every other aspect she is what could best be described as "dab-hand-

assuming there are no professional origami folders. Shakespeare was an indisputable literary genius, but I'd bet my last goat he couldn't change a light bulb

ed." Painting, for instance. Her years at art college weren't wasted and she is able to paint the side of an entire house without getting paint on everything but the side of the house. Furthermore, she mostly does it without complaint, despite a set of brushes and rollers that were second-hand when Michelangelo was working on the Sistine Chapel.

I've also played my part by making sure she never wants for anything... she has her own mattock and several shovels, a shed and a space in the garage for her hammering, sawing and chiselling. How many husbands do you know who offered their wives a pneumatic drill for Christmas, eh? She turned it down, but it's the thought that counts.

And talk about willing! Perverse as it may sound, I rather think she enjoys manual labour and approaches most tasks with a smile and a cheery whistle despite a set of knees that gave up the ghost years ago.

But alas, no one is perfect and I'm feeling just a little disappointed today. The fridge is in need of repair, the car needs servicing and I find I am having to contemplate paying for the work because her London art school didn't have appliance repair and motor mechanics on its curriculum.

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SSI Residents are Prepared

Salt Spring Island has a neighbourhood program called POD which connects neighbours to neighbours specifically for emergency preparedness/mitigation. There are currently 58 PODs identified on Salt Spring Island with 350 leaders. If you would like to be a part of the POD program or find out more information please contact Laurel Hanley at ssidpc@crd.bc.ca or leave a message at 250 537-1220.

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Revisiting 'densities'

With all the conversations about the housing crisis, the word "densities" keeps coming up.

With it is a concern about how more densities will affect our impact on the environment and our natural resources.

It appears like as this moment, a "density" is defined by the number of cooking stoves in a building. Now what does a cooking stove have to do with the impact on the environment and our natural resources?

A 7,000-square-foot mansion with 10 bedrooms, eight ensuite bathrooms, a five-car garage and an indoor pool may contain one cooking stove, so it is one density.

A 600-sq. ft. humble cottage with a little sustenance garden and a tool shed may contain one cooking stove, so it is one density.

How does this make sense?

I strongly feel that we need to revisit how we define density by looking at the square footage, both footprint and total square footage used for residential purposes, on any lot. And being able to split that square footage up in creative ways to suit the owner(s), so that housing more than a single family on a large enough lot becomes possible. Just like at this moment, the Land Use Bylaw defines the square footage to be used for home-based business – which varies with the lot size.

Our OCP recognizes the importance of "communal stewardship of land." At this point our outdated land use bylaws do not even allow for the possibility.

The term single family (based on the stereotype of Joe meets Mary, they get married, buy a house, have 1.5 children, and live happily ever after) is not the reality of many people today.

Single parenting is a big reality, and community living is a dream of many. We need to create flexibility in our regulation for this.

I am currently urging the Islands Trust to create new land use bylaws that reflect the actual impact of residential purposes through square footage. In combination with better practices and monitoring around water usage, this has the potential of making housing accessible for a lot more people without jeopardizing our environment.

FREYJA SKYE,
SALT SPRING ISLAND

New public alert system tested

On Monday, May 7, the Highland Water System was compromised and for the first time ever, an alert went to the affected residents using the new CRD Public Alert Notification System.

This is an notification system that is utilized to notify residents of potential threats to their safety and well-being. The system is managed by CRD Protective Services and the Salt Spring Emergency Program.

Residents were sent notifications regarding the compromised water system utilizing their land lines, cell phones, e-mails and/or text messaging. Of course only residents that had signed up to the system would have received this notice. The SSI Emergency Program also posted notices on our Facebook page and began reaching out to residents to encourage them to sign up to the program.

With any new system there are some glitches and the emergency program is working closely with CRD Protective Services to ensure that these glitches

are fixed.

We recommend that all Salt Spring residents sign up to this program in order to receive local emergency alerts. There are over 1,200 people signed up to the program but we are still a far ways off reaching all 10,000 residents.

Each subscriber can choose which devices they would like to receive notification on and may include: home phone, cell phone, work phone, email or SMS text message. When a notification is issued, multiple attempts will be made on each device until you confirm receipt of the message.

You will only receive notifications if you sign up for this service. However, information will still be available through media coverage and your local emergency program. Your local emergency program will continue to be a vital part of any response to an emergency in your area.

If you need help in signing up, please phone 250-537-1220. To do it yourself go to <http://www.crd.bc>.

ELIZABETH ZOOK,
SALT SPRING EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

Water concerns must be met

Two thumbs up for Greenwood and Pepin's concise and thoughtful review of the Croftonbrook project.

We would like to add a few words concerning the issue of access to water. It may not be widely known that the population of Salt Spring tends to double during the summer months. Moreover, climate models imply that Salt Spring summers will become hotter and drier.

There are three possible responses to this looming crisis.

One is increased extraction of water from the environment. Two is increased conservation of water. The third and most likely option is some combination of one and two. It is incumbent on IWAV to spell out likely future water needs and how these are to be met. Failure to do so will simply invite a disaster.

JOHN & JOYCE PROTHERO,
SALT SPRING

Bus appreciation

I was recently invited to the 10-year Anniversary Celebration for the local bus service. Robin Williams, who has done an excellent job as the chair of the local transportation commission, invited me to the event when he saw me in town last week. I was impressed that he thought to invite me as I am a member of the public who takes the bus and in the past I presented many delegations on transit issues. Robin has always been willing to speak to me in town on my opinions on the bus service.

I felt that the people who came together on May 11 reflect all of the aspects of the community needed to make this service work, including the riders. Many were honoured, and I will leave it to the official records to give the names, however, I felt that it was a great step to see this service pass the 10-year mark.

Although I hope that the service keeps growing and does not rest on its laurels, so to speak, the anniversary was a marker of a very successful time for transit here.

I lived here in 1996 when John Cade worked hard to keep services going and I know that there was a lot of behind-the-scenes effort to get to this point, with many contributors.

My hopes for the future would be to see a shuttle to Charlesworth and back to town, the continuation of Ross Road service while Walker Hook Road is closed, still hoping for the family travel pass, service extensions to other areas

of the island, later weekday evening service leaving Ganges for the Fulford bus and so on. The bus service has the potential to bring workers into Ganges and to enable those living in housing outside of town to make it in to work, and also to assist the issue of parking in town. These aspects are hopefully always being considered for the future.

However, I feel happy to have been able to have my feedback heard over the years by Robin and the other commissioners at the monthly meetings, happy we have the bus here and happy to see people of all political stripes come together in solid cooperation on an issue on Salt Spring Island.

Congratulations.

JENNY MCCLEAN,
SALT SPRING

Housing action now

It took JFK's leadership to get Americans on the moon in eight years from inception to execution.

Why, might I ask, can the combined resources of Islands Trust, CRD and all other administrative players not get this widely recognized housing mess sorted out in the time since identification and enunciation in 2003, after 15 years?

I have a lot of sympathy for our current crop of elected representatives, since they have largely inherited today's problems from what can only be construed as an abject failure to address the issues by their overly pedantic "Preserve and Protect" predecessors perhaps we can have some explanations from them?

I would also like to inquire what percentage of those whingeing about the affordable housing crisis voted against municipalization? Had the YESS side prevailed, we would have the future open to us to make our own independent decisions about planning policy and in particular on affordable housing.

ROSS KING,
SALT SPRING

Beware of Norton scam

I am writing today about fraudulent activity I experienced recently with Norton Security/Antivirus, hoping to warn others not to go down this road.

I purchased a new version of Norton and planned to install it when the previous subscription had expired. I had done this many times before with no problem, but during this current process I was unable to download the new version. An error code kept coming up and after trying several times was unsuccessful.

I went onto the internet and "Googled" the Norton customer support help-line number. I contacted this number and was told they could definitely help me. To make a long story short, I have since found out after having them repair my computer by logging on to have access and complete the installation, that it was not Norton at all but a hacker. This set off a chain of events that included having my bank account compromised and \$2,500 taken, and then they crashed my Windows so that my computer was not only inoperable and unable to recover anything, but I also had to pay to have it totally set-up again.

I contacted the head office of Norton in California, and told them of my bad experience. They confirmed the worst, that the people I dealt with were no connection to Norton. Apparently they do not have a customer service telephone number and there is only online contact via their website.

Note to self: be extra cautious with anything online, since apparently there are very clever hackers out there.

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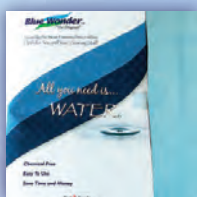
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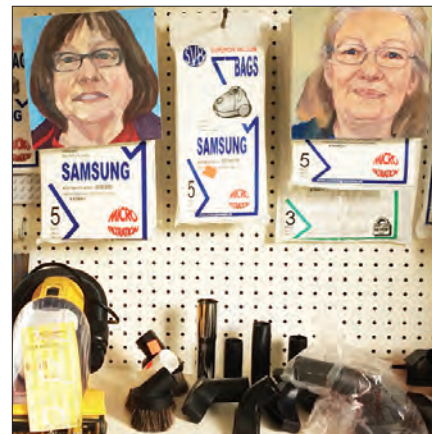
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All Store profits are used to assist in the operation of the Salt Spring Island Transition House, counselling and outreach programs, and The Cedars.

Transitions Thrift Shop is gratefully accepting donations everyday of the year.

Merchants' Mews complex anchors homegrown businesses

Merchants' Mews - Women @ Work

Jana Roerick has been in business on Salt Spring since 2003 and loves sharing her passion for good food. Her daily showcase features baked goods made in small batches for take away, and she specializes in pies and cakes made to order. Jana and her staff of two bake with organic ingredients and local products whenever possible, resulting in delicious baked goods that are gently sweetened, soulful and classic.

Jana supports many local charities including the food bank, Royal Canadian Legion, Artspring, Ride to Conquer Cancer and our local schools. She also enjoys music and cycling. In the Spring of 2019, Jana is publishing a new cookbook featuring 80 delicious easy-to-make recipes. It is called "The Little Island Bake Shop" *Heirloom Recipes Made for Sharing*, you can preorder your copy now. Come see why Jana's baking is famous. Open Monday-Friday 8-5

Barbara Poerschke is a certified Orthopedic Shoe Technician with over 15 years of experience. Together with her husband Markus she operates Salt Spring Footprints, your local provider for orthotics, sandals and comfort footwear.

Her love of design and high quality craftsmanship has led her to create her own line of sandals, which are both, attractive and functional.

Barbara enjoys helping people at their new and convenient location in Merchants' Mews.

Racheal Doucette at 19B Barbershop has been cutting hair on Salt Spring for 15 years. She is a barber not a hairstylist. Racheal and her 2 employees create a warm and inviting place where you can come in and let your hair down. Their goal is to leave you feeling great about your haircut with a smile on your face. Racheal loves gardening and up cycling in her spare time.



Merchants' Mews is home to a variety of businesses including professional offices, food producers and artists' studios.

Daina Deblatte has been a professional artist for 15 years. Growing up living on the shores of the Kapuskasing River as it moved powerfully into James Bay forged her connection to the land and the water which is the inspiration for her art.

She studied photography and figure drawing at Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. Later, she taught herself to paint and has been teaching art to adults and children since 2006. Following her passion to spread the joy of creativity, Daina relocated Ocean Art Studio & Gallery from Nova Scotia to Salt Spring

Island in 2016, an ocean-inspired fine art gallery and teaching studio where she holds workshops and art camps in all media.

You can find her at the Studio painting or teaching from 12-4 daily. The Studio is located at 19A-315 Upper Ganges Road in Merchants' Mews above the Barber Shop. To learn about upcoming workshops and art camps, visit www.oceanartstudio.eventbrite.com or visit www.oceanartstudio.ca.

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Linda Koroscil

Visitors to the store are often impressed by the quality products.

Love My Kitchen keeps it fresh

Linda's grandfather landed on Beddis Beach in 1884 with the intention of homesteading. The original house and barn still stand on the corner of Rourke Road, where there have been many near collisions of vehicles and

The shop carries a remarkable variety of items in an extremely efficient way.

animals with that barn. Remember the barn was there first!

Love My Kitchen has been bringing high-quality kitchen products to Salt Spring for 27 years,

after Linda Koroscil and Elsa Fraser decided to go into business in 1991.

Linda had spent seven years cooking at the Vesuvius Inn, where she became famous for her Mexican cuisine, ribs and cheesecake — but she was exhausted by the experience.

"I was turning into a dragon lady; everybody needs a change," she observes.

Love My Kitchen has proved to be just the place to keep things fresh offering all the latest in kitchen gadgets. Visitors to the store often are impressed to hear really great music on the sound system while they scope out the quality, durable, long-

lasting products from Europe and Canada Love My Kitchen is known for. Though small in scale, the shop carries a remarkable variety of items in an extremely efficient way.

"If you can't find it, ask. We know where it is!" Linda says. Special orders are also welcome.



Pizza, Sarcasm and more...



Lianne Fidler and Ingrid Vergalen

Lianne Fidler bought Pomodoro Pizza in 2016 after having worked there for many years. Both Lianne and Ingrid Vergalen started working there in 2009, then left for a couple of years when it changed ownership. Lianne then bought the business when it came for sale with the provision that Ingrid Vergalen came back to work with her! (so she can get things from high shelves!)

Located at 142 Fulford-Ganges Road, Pomodoro pizza and more offers a huge range of pizzas as well as wraps and subs. See saltspringpizza.ca for a full menu.

At Pomodoro's, Lianne and Ingrid pride themselves on using high quality ingredients and buying local whenever possible. Most items are made from scratch and the crusts are rolled with a unique twist. They are also making an effort to be as green a business as possible by recycling,

composting and reducing waste.

Lianne started cooking at Vesuvius Inn in 1985, then was asked to cook at The Harbour House. She was one of the first cooks to work at Moby's when it opened in 1990, then made the pub's desserts for for eight years, while staying home to raise her two children, You may remember seeing Lianne delivering mail for Canada Post as well.

Ingrid moved to Salt Spring when she was seven years old, left for three years after high school then returned and started working at Pomodoros. She loves working with her best friend and getting to know their customers well. Part of the perks for Ingrid at work is creating the art on all the pizza boxes.

Both women pride themselves on their sarcastic wit and "customer harassment"



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Historic business plays central role in our community

Women key players in providing customer service excellence

Mouat's Home Hardware is proud that women have been key to its success since the store began in 1907. More than 50% of the staff is women which is unique for a hardware store, also women hold key positions within the company.

Kim Young started working at Mouat's in 1994 and is planning to retire this year after 25 years with the company. She started as a cashier, and over the years has also worked in toys, paint, buying, kitchen design and then started management training in 2001. She has been the manager since 2005. Her coworker Barb Kinnear says "Kim takes the time to talk to people and is a wonderful manager who will be missed". Kim has worked hard and its proud of what she's accomplished in her career. Her hobbies include gardening, reading, hiking and she loves dogs. Although she loves Salt Spring, she will be moving to Port Hardy to care for her aging parents.

Barb Kinnear has been with Mouats for 28 years and has also worked in many departments and positions. She now works in accounts and computer support as well as wherever she is needed. When she's not at work, Barb likes to snorkel, knit, read and play games on her iPad. She likes working at Mouat's because it's like a family, and it's a casual and relaxing work atmosphere. She says "It's not a chore to come to work"

Kim and Barb are big fans of the GISS salad truck and eat there every day, they are proud of the culinary class.

Gloria del Rosario has been employed at Mouat's for 12 years and is in charge of buying and customer service for the paint department. She enjoys working on home improvement projects herself so is able to share her expertise (and mistakes) with customers. Gloria's hobbies include painting on canvas, crafts and refinishing old furniture and she is happy to offer advice to Do It Yourselfers. She encourages other to try new techniques and not be afraid, it is fun!



Michelle Kay



Carol Perry



Barb Kinnear



Gloria del Rosario



Dora Reynolds



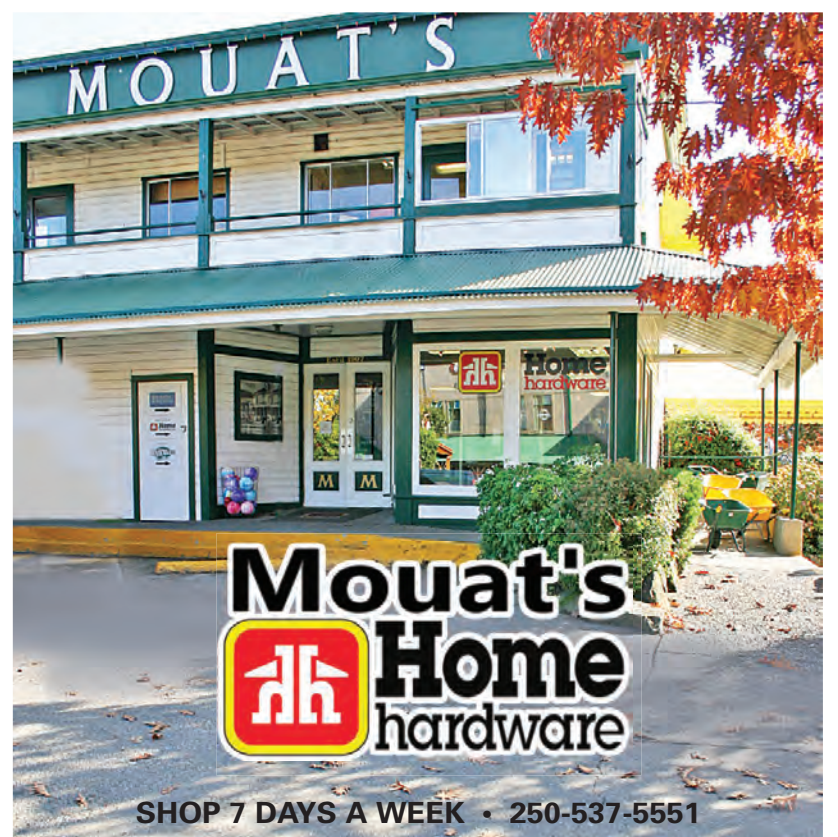
Kim Young

Women have been an important part of Mouat's ever since the store opened in 1907.

Dora Reynolds works in the hardware department and is the buyer for the marine and fishing departments. Since moving to Salt Spring in 1983, she's pumped gas, waitressed, delivered papers as well as being a cabinetmaker for 25 years and raising 4 children. Over the years, she also coached gymnastics, soccer and softball. She has been at Mouat's Home Hardware since 2007 and it's a great company to work for, employees are treated very well. Dora loves the challenges of her job and finds satisfaction in solving the customer's issues and sending them on their way happy. When not working, Dora enjoys golf and volunteer work.

Carol Perry, an employee for 15 years at Mouat's in housewares, prides herself on stocking a little something for everyone! The main reason she loves her job is the wonderful customers, and she is dedicated to providing unique, quality products at a reasonable price. Carol believes it is important to enjoy your job so that customers enjoy their shopping experience. You can find her downstairs sharing a chat and a laugh and solving problems.

Michelle Kay loves getting products for customers who need them. She has been doing this at Mouat's for 8 years and is the buyer for the pet department. Michelle prides herself on giving personal service and will place a special order when needed. She works hard to provide competitive prices to keep people shopping local. In her spare time, Michelle helps the SPCA, walks her dog and loves to cook.



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AUTHORS

Library to host Alan Banks series creator

Peter Robinson visits May 23

Best-selling crime writer Peter Robinson will visit the Salt Spring Library on Wednesday, May 23 for a discussion of his Detective Chief Inspector Alan Banks series starting at 7 p.m.

Press material notes Robinson is a well-known Canadian mystery author who has been writing crime fiction since 1987 with the publication of his first book, *Gallows View*. He is best known for his novels featuring Alan Banks. He has also published several other novels, short stories, poems and articles on writing.

Robinson has received numerous awards such as the Edgar, Barry and Martin Beck awards and the Arthur Ellis award several times. In 2018, he is releasing the novel *La Seven Years* (Bibliomysteries), and a new novel is also planned for publication.

Detective Superintendent Banks is deter-



Author Peter Robinson.

mined to track down a gunman after a mass shooting in *Sleeping in the Ground*, the thrilling new installment of Robinson's internationally bestselling series.

Banks is called in to lead the investigation after a shocking mass murder occurs during a wedding outside a small church in the Yorkshire Dales. An exhaustive manhunt ensues and the shooter is run to ground as the investigation follows its inevitable course.

But Banks, his colleague DI Annie Cabbot, and the newest and youngest team member, DI Gerry Masterson, are plagued by doubts as to exactly what happened in the churchyard

that day, and why. Have they apprehended the right suspect? Is there more to uncover? Struggling with the death of an old flame and the return of profiler Jenny Fuller, a former love interest, Banks is compelled to dig deeper into the suspect's past and motivations, and as he does, he uncovers forensic and psychological puzzles that lead him to long forgotten secrets. It's possible that eventually they'll provide the answers he is looking for, but will he piece together the clues in time?

"Chilling, suspenseful, and deftly plotted, *Sleeping in the Ground* will keep long-time fans and new readers guessing to the very end, and it proves without a doubt that Peter Robinson is a crime writer at the top of his game," promises the press release.

Robinson grew up in the United Kingdom, and now divides his time between Toronto and Richmond, Yorkshire.

Sleeping in the Ground is the 24th book in the Banks series.

ART REVIEW

Women offer studied approach to nature



Lichen on Log by Sibeal Foyle.

Land Act:

Notice of Intention to Apply for a Disposition of Crown Land

Take notice that, **Bodega Ridge Lodge and Cabins Ltd from Galiano Island BC** has applied to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNR), for a **Specific Permission for Private Moorage – Adventure Tourism** situated on Provincial Crown land located at **Lot 11, District Lot 83, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, Plan 21831**

The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is **Crown Land File # 1414687**.

Written comments concerning this application should be directed to the Section Head, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development at 142 - 2080 Labieux Rd, Nanaimo, BC, V9T 6J9, or emailed to:

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News Updates

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Observational powers at work in Duthie's Woodlands show

**BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF**

Springtime glories outside find an echo indoors at Duthie Gallery this month, where four artists meditate on leaf and bark in the *Observations: Woodlands* show.

The gallery has become somewhat smaller as of late with the back room being re-purposed for bread-making operations. The current show therefore provides space for a just few examples from each participating artist. Like a chef's tasting menu with small bites of perfectly composed flavours and textures, this show reveals the results of careful study and translation.

Sibeal Foyle has been working to a smaller scale since moving to Salt Spring a year ago and the loss of a bigger studio space. Her energetic, layered paintings make way here for fresh-looking botanical studies rendered

on bright white paper. In Foyle's interpretation, something as simple as lichen growing on a log becomes as treasured as a finely woven silk scarf.

Rosalie Matchett is consistently inspired by nature, but the character of her encaustic works changes with the subject matter: the grey of barren beaches splashed with blood red conjures scenes of Nordic bow whale graveyards, for example, or busy, buzzy warmth comes to life in a series on bees.

New works from Matchett's *Salt Spring Idyll* series are lush, and reminiscent of some Emily Carr paintings in the way frames are completely filled with green fronds and the rich red-brown of cedar, the viewpoint directed into the heart of the forest without any glimpse of sky. There is a beautiful contrast of cool and warm tones within the major colour notes. Matchett's encaustic medium also lends itself well to expressing the visceral nature of forest immersion.

Susan Benson has made people a primary focus lately, as seen

so impressively in her *Salt Spring* portraits show at Mahon Hall. For something completely different, she has tackled the natural world with the same attention to form and underlying character. A stunning tree in mixed media is set on a plane close up to the viewer, its many individual moss-covered branches glowing with the exact shade of photosynthesis in action. Benson has brought to life the type of scene the eye wonders at but the camera can rarely reproduce.

Janet Dwyer has just two works on exhibit, but both amply display her sophisticated use of the digital scanner as a high power camera, and her equally sophisticated knack for composition that overcomes the flatbed's limitations. *Feralia Deceptiva* exhibits an incredible sense of texture with its arrangement of soft fibrous cocoons, crumpled leaf skeletons and one velvety green moth over an equally plush green leaf with similar patterns.

Observations: Woodlands continues at Duthie Gallery Thursdays to Mondays to June 5.



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CONCERT PREVIEW

Jasper Wood and David Riley collaborate

Award-winning performers play together on May 24

ArtSpring is thrilled to present violin virtuoso Jasper Wood in concert on Thursday, May 24 with pianist David Riley.

The duo's program for the show that begins at 7:30 p.m. includes works by Prokofiev, Dvorak, Vitali, Kroll and other composers.

According to ArtSpring, Wood has established a flourishing reputation as a violin soloist through his frequent performances with many of North America's finest orchestras. He has also garnered acclaim for his dazzling performances as a recital-

ist and chamber musician, and is associate professor of violin and chamber music at the University of British Columbia.

No stranger to the airwaves, Wood is regularly heard on the CBC, Bravo, the Knowledge Network, and National Public Radio in the United States. Winner of two of the most distinguished prizes awarded by the Canada Council for the Arts — the Sylva Gelber Award and the Virginia Parker Prize — he is an in-demand teacher and adjudicator for prestigious competitions all over the world.

"As an added gift, violinist Jasper Wood played . . . with a gorgeous sound and brilliant control of his instrument," wrote a Halifax Chronicle Herald reviewer. "Wood sounded like an entire violin sec-

tion unto himself."

Many will recognize pianist Riley from performances on BBC Radio with renowned pianist Jeffrey Kahane (Mendelssohn 4-hands), NPR Performance Today and Morning Edition, CBC radio, and WQXR and WNYC in New York City.

In 2008, Riley won the Canadian Independent Music Awards' Favourite Classical CD category and Best Music at the 2007 Silver Wave Film Festival for performances of Beethoven, Ives and Kroll on CBC television.

Along with Wood, Riley received the 2004 East Coast Music Awards' Best Classical Recording honour for a CD of violin and piano works of Igor Stravinsky.

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PHOTOGRAPHY

Stunning images at Eclectic Visions

Opening reception this Friday at Gallery 8

One of the island's most exciting annual photography events takes place this month when the Salt Spring Photography Club presents Eclectic Visions.

Beginning with an opening reception on Friday, May 18 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Gallery 8, the show features nearly 70 images from approximately 30 club members. The show continues daily until May 30.

"Every member of the club sees a

unique 'vision' through their lens," explains a club press release, "and this exhibit seeks to showcase the variety and diversity of members' ideas and creativity, presenting an 'eclectic' collection."

"This year's assembled collection is even more stunning than last year's," said club president Pierre Mineau. "Many images are digitally enhanced, merged, scaled or colourized. Technology is continuing to play a part in the evolution and in the presentation of photographs. However, the purist can also find direct from the camera photos

that showcase aperture and shutter speed."

The SSPC was founded in 2009 as a group intended for the exchange of ideas and technical knowledge regarding photography. The organization has 125 members, representing a wide range of photographic knowledge and experience, from beginners to retired professionals, united by a common love of photography, with an enthusiastic willingness to support and encourage each other.

More information is available at www.ssphotog.ca.

ARTS COUNCIL

Call for 2019 Easter Art curator sent out

Ideas for next show invited

Fresh with the memory of Portrait of an Island, Susan Benson's stunning anchor exhibit of the 12th Annual Easter Art Show, the Salt Spring Arts Council is inviting members of the community to submit curatorial proposals for the 2019 exhibition.

The Arts Council has presented the Easter Art Show (formerly Easter Art Tour) since 2007. Press material from the group explains that originally, the exhibit was intended to kick off the spring gallery season and to provide a venue for artists working in photography, painting and sculpture.

"In 2016, the EAS introduced a dynamic program of public artists' talks, performances, workshops, and a popular youth exhibit, all inspired by the anchor exhibition. The result has been a burgeoning interdisciplinary dialogue and a swell of public participation. This year's 10-day show welcomed a

record 1,600 visitors to Mahon Hall, both to see the exhibit and to take in the associated events."

The Easter Art Show seeks to promote artists and the arts in the community as well as to support the development of curatorial expertise. The fine art exhibit remains the central pillar of the Easter Art Show, with a guest curator responsible for its vision and execution.

Past exhibits have included single artist surveys, duos, group and themed shows, all featuring artists from the Southern Gulf Islands. The selected guest curator will work with the EAS Committee to direct all aspects of the 2019 fine arts exhibit. A generous honourarium is paid in recognition of the vital role they play in the production and development of the annual show.

The Arts Council is accepting submissions until Friday, June 15. Full details are available at: ssartscouncil.com/call-for-curators-easter-art-show-2019/.

EXHIBITIONS

Natural world celebrated in collographs

Evelyn Russell presents print works at Salt Spring Gallery

Recent longtime islander Evelyn Russell will share new prints depicting a connection to the natural world with Flora and Fauna, opening this Friday, May 18 at the Salt Spring Gallery.

A press release explains the series of hand-pulled collograph prints is a celebration of spring.

"Flora, wild and cultivated, beneficial and beautiful includes depictions of plant life both wild and cultivated. Some of the plants are beneficial herbs of simple beauty such as rosehips and kelp, others are food

for the soul such as the crocus or cherry blossoms. Fauna, wild and domesticated, feather, fur and fin, reminds us of our responsibility to respect and nurture animal life."

Ocean dwellers such as the octopus and the sea turtle feature prominently in the show. Bees and butterflies also have a strong presence.

The collograph form of intaglio print-making creates a wonderful textured surface that is enhanced by colour and theme. As an artist, Russell is constantly surprised by the collograph's beauty and versatility. With a heritage rooted in traditional print-making coupled with a fully modern sense of experimentation, collography has given

her room to discover a thoroughly unique and personal aesthetic.

"My hope is that the work inspires the viewer to preserve our balance with the natural world, and that we not feel separate from it," Russell said. "I would like Flora and Fauna to be a reminder to take moments to acknowledge and appreciate our connection to the natural world."

To see more of Russell's work visit her website at <http://villageartworks.wixsite.com/evelynrussell> or find her Facebook page under Evelyn Russell, Artist and Printmaker.

The opening reception at Salt Spring Gallery runs from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday. The show runs to May 30.

ECLECTIC VISIONS 18

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Land Act:

Notice of Intention to Apply for a Disposition of Crown Land

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what's on this week



Wed. May 16

ACTIVITIES

Bittancourt House Museum. Museum open at the Farmers' Institute. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday through June 29.

Film Screening: Hippocratic. Part of the End of the Reel film series presented by Salt Spring Hospice, Hippocratic centres on Dr. Rajagopal, an Indian palliative care doctor. Salt Spring Public Library Program Room. 7 p.m.

SS Community Hall Board Meeting. Public welcome to attend board of directors' meeting. Salt Spring Community Hall. 7 p.m.



Thu. May 17

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

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

Open Mic With Jesse. Thursdays at Moby's. 8:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Bittancourt House Museum. See Wednesday's listing.

Birding in Burgoyne. Peter McAllister leads a birding walk in Burgoyne Bay Park beginning at 6 a.m. Meet at the road, near the barns. Wraps up by 8 a.m.

Thu. May 17

ACTIVITIES

National Theatre Live: Julius Caesar. At The Fritz Theatre. 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. shows. Reserve tickets at thefritz@hotmail.ca

Community Economic Development Commission. May meeting. Library program room. 4 to 6 p.m.

Fri. May 18

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

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

El Jose's Cuban Band. Live at Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Bittancourt House Museum. See Wednesday's listing.

May Story Walk. StoryWalk is an exciting program designed to bring literacy and the outdoors together for both children and adults to enjoy. Follow the story from the Library, through Mouat Park, to the Rainbow Road Aquatic Centre. All day starting at 10 a.m., plus crafts and stories in the library at 10:30 a.m.

Family Movie Matinee. Kids movies shown every Friday in the Salt Spring Public Library program room except for statutory holidays and school-in-session days. 2:30 p.m. See event site for schedule.

Fri. May 18

ACTIVITIES

Art Show Opening: Flora & Fauna. Opening for show of new works by Evelyn Russell at Salt Spring Gallery. 5 to 7 p.m.

Art Show Opening: Jill Louise Campbell. Opening reception for Inspired Salt Spring, a show of new paintings by Jill Louise Campbell at the Jill Louise Campbell Art Gallery. 5 to 8 p.m.

Art Show Opening: Eclectic Visions. Opening reception for the Salt Spring Photography Club's annual Eclectic Visions exhibit at Gallery 8. 5 to 8 p.m. Show continues through May 30.

Sat. May 19

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Tom Hooper and Suzanne Little. Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Voyager. Live band at the Legion. 8 p.m.

El Jose's Cuban Band. Live at Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.



Sat. May 19

ACTIVITIES

Aurora Sensoralis. Exploring the horizon of human creative expressions. Two-day art, music, workshop event at Beaver Point Hall starts today.



SSI Challenge Cup. Weekend soccer tournament with games at GISS, Hydro and Portlock Park sports fields starting at 10:40 a.m., plus beer garden and food stands.

Celtic Wisdom Workshop: An Introduction to Celtic Spirituality. Two-day workshop with Meri Fowler at Salt Spring Centre of Yoga starts today.

Round Salt Spring Sailing Race. Watch boats leave Ganges Harbour at 10 a.m. See www.roundsaltspring.ca for race direction details.

Spring Harvest Dinner. Featuring chef in residence Julian Obererlacher at Bullock Lake Farm. 5:45 p.m.

Spring Alive Gala for Hospice. Harbour House dinner, entertainment by Nicky MacKenzie and live auction. Harbour House Hotel. 6 to 10 p.m.

Sun. May 20

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Bobfest IX. The Tree House Cafe celebrates its 9th year celebrating Bob Dylan's birthday, with performances by David Jacquest, John Duffy, Shelagh Kuin, Robert Johnson, Andy & Susheila Meyers, Bill Nash and more. 6 to 10 p.m.

Ange Hehr. Dance/rock music at Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Junk in your Trunk Sale. Participants sell "stuff" from the back of a vehicle or table. Rainbow Road Aquatic Centre parking lot. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Salt Spring Island Responsible Water Alternatives. Free seminar by Gord Baird of eco-sense.ca on composting toilets, alternative greywater systems, water-saving practices and more. Lions Hall. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SSI Challenge Cup. See Saturday's listing, except games start at 9:10 a.m.



Get the party started! Jose Sanchez and his Cuban Band play Moby's this Friday and Saturday nights.

Wed. May 23

ACTIVITIES

Bittancourt House Museum. See last Wednesday's listing.

SSI Garden Club. Guest speaker Connie Kuramoto gives talk on how to be a "lazy" gardener and still produce a satisfying harvest. Meaden Hall. 6:45 p.m.



Author Event: Peter Robinson. Canadian mystery writer Peter Robinson discusses his Detective Chief Inspector Alan Banks series. Salt Spring Public Library Program Room. 7 p.m.

Kirtronica. With Jaya Lakshmi & Ananda at Beaver Point Hall. 7 to 9 p.m.

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EXHIBITIONS

- Salt Spring Photography Club** presents Eclectic Visions, an exhibit of works by some 30 club members, at **Gallery 8**, beginning with an opening reception on Friday, May 18 from 5 to 8 p.m. Show continues through May 30.
- Evelyn Russell** present Flora and Fauna, collograph prints inspired by nature, at the **Salt Spring Gallery**. Opens with an artist's reception from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, May 18 and runs to May 30.

EXHIBITIONS

- Jill Louise Campbell Art Gallery** presents Inspired Salt Spring, new paintings of Salt Spring by **Jill Louise Campbell**, beginning with an opening reception on Friday, May 18 from 5 to 8 p.m.
- Fault Line Projects** presents In the Way: Photographs from a Lost World by **David Wisdom**, accompanied by the soundtrack Music for Art Galleries.
- Duthie Gallery** shows Observations: Woodlands - paintings, drawings and photographs by **Susan Benson, Sibeal Foyle, Rosalie Matchett** and **Janet Dwyer** on Thursdays through Mondays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. until June 5. Today, Wednesday, May 16 is the last day to see **Charlotte Erlandsson's** show My Story is Long — painting, photography and poetry inspired by the Nordic creation myth and female Viking ancestry.
- Catherine Tam** shows her artwork at the **Salt Spring Public Library Program Room** through May.
- Rolando** and **Kisumi** show ceramics and paintings through May at **Kizmit Galeria and Cafe**. Open Thursdays through Sundays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

EXHIBITIONS

- Jeanne Lyons Exhibit:** Exiles, Witnesses and Guardians, including works on paper using graphite and coloured pencil, shows in the **ArtSpring** lobby through May.
- Hedgerow House** shows paintings by **Daina Deblatte** of **Ocean Art Studio** through May.
- Venter Gallery** exhibits work by **Kathy Venter, Deon Venter** and **Wim Blom**.
- Vivienne Challandes** shows her artwork of all-recycled materials in **Island Savings** through May.

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GISS

High school club explores world's different religions

Group hopes to help build understanding and empathy for others

BY MARC KITTERINGHAM
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A student club at Gulf Islands Secondary School is exploring different religions and cultures to promote better understanding and tolerance.

The World Religions and Culture Club was formed by Grade 12 student Adele Olender Mark in January 2018. She formed the club to help people understand different religious beliefs and to celebrate them rather than stigmatize them.

"My hope is that it will encourage them to ask questions to other people and not be afraid if someone's different from them," Olender Mark said.

Club members have learned about Judaism, Christianity and Buddhism from local religious leaders, and are planning sessions on Islam and Hinduism. There will also be a talk by Holocaust historian Julius Maslovat, who will be sharing the story of the youngest prisoner at the Buchenwald concentration camp.

In addition to presentations, Olender Mark prepares religious meals to share with the club and the presenters bring in religious symbols and items to show to students.

The club builds on regular school lessons about different religions. While teachers in high school social studies classes give a good framework on how faiths work and their practices, Olender Mark thinks the club helps students see religion from a more human point of view.

"I think what the world religions club does is make connections so that you can relate to that person and it touches you more. It makes you really feel how strong their faith is, even if that is not what your faith is," she said. "I think you can really connect to it and understand."



PHOTO BY KAREN OLENDER KIPNIS

Peter Levitt discusses Buddhism with the World Religions and Culture Club at GISS.

Religion has been one of the main causes of conflict throughout history. By learning about the different religions, Olender Mark hopes that people can come away with a more empathetic view of other cultures.

"It's totally good to be different. It's good to say what makes us different and understand it instead of pretending that we're all the same. We're not," she said. "It really helps that all of the presenters that we bring in are so open-minded themselves. They are aware that everyone who is coming is probably a different religion

than them and everyone is open to each other's views and just understanding each other a bit better."

Though Olender Mark is graduating this year, she has been working with the leadership class and some Grade 11 students to continue the club into the future.

Teachers and community members are welcome to join in as well. The group meets once per month on Wednesdays, depending on the availability of the presenters, at GISS during lunch hour.

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The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is **Crown Land File # 1414802**. Written comments concerning this application should be directed to the Section Head, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development at 142 - 2080 Labieux Rd, Nanaimo, BC, V9T 6J9, or emailed to:

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Players have reason to trust Mondays

Liz Mycyk's return also
celebrated

BY JILL EVANS

DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

"Monday, Monday, can't trust that day,
Monday, Monday, sometimes it just
turns out that way,

Oh Monday mornin' you gave me no
warnin' of what was to be..."

And so it goes with Monday evening
bridge and the local mamas and papas and
friends. April 30 was chilly in more ways
than one, also being the shivery income

BRIDGETRICKS

and Brent Vickers who had things turn
out well for them. George Laundry and
Terry Clement were next in line, and it was
Flo Laundry with Lynn Thorburn in third
place. Fourth place saw a tie between the
Bob Morrisette-Patricia Hewett pair and
the Al Wilke-Nadene McCoy twosome.

Then as the weather is wont to do these
days, it turned really summery on May 7
and there was nothing taxing about it so
five and a half tables celebrated the change.

tax deadline. A
mere three and a
half tables made
it to bridge, and
it was Jeff Bell

Change indeed — it was Nick Beringer and
Patricia Sutherland rejoicing in their first-
place triumph, with Don Nemeth and Don
Sharp coming second. Jeff Bell was part-
nered by Prem Margolese this time making
the third spot, and the Morrisette-Hewett
pair were fourth, untied this time. Another
reason to celebrate was the return of Liz
Mycyk partnered with Terry Wilkinson,
who is back here for the summer. Maybe
they're singing "That (next) "Monday even-
nin' you would still be here with me" and
having better luck next time(s).

For info about these games, contact
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**Specific Permission for Private Moorage – Private
Residential Moorage** situated on Provincial Crown
land located at **Lot 28 of Lot 1, North Saltspring Is-
land, Cowichan District, Plan 17161**

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Permission for Private Moorage – Private Residen-
tial Moorage** situated on Provincial Crown land locat-
ed at **Lot 18, District Lot 9, Parker Island, Cowichan
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GARDEN CLUB

Club hosts Kuramoto

Topic is 'The Lazy Gardener'

The Salt Spring Garden Club will host guest speaker Connie Kura-
moto at their May 23 meeting for thoughts on how to be a lazy gar-
dener and still have a great vegetable garden.

"Sometimes we tend to make gardening far more work than it
really has to be, and by the end of the season we can tend to wonder
whether those bushels of tomatoes and zucchini were really worth
it. By using some tried and true permaculture ideas, and some good
old-fashioned common sense, Connie Kuramoto will help you enjoy
your garden more, while working less, whatever you are growing," a
press release notes.

Kuramoto has been growing gardens most of her life and has
turned her love of plants and gardens into a long career. She studied
botany at the University of Massachusetts before she came to the
west coast, where she worked at market gardening and in green-
houses before going back to school at VIU in horticulture. She soon
got hired by the Horticulture Department at VIU, and spent 20 years
as an instructor and technician there teaching hands-on horticul-
tural skills.

Since retiring in 2008, Kuramoto has taught for Gaia College in
their Organic Land Care diploma program, and for North Island
College in their Horticulture Apprenticeship Program. She also gives
workshops and talks on all aspects of horticulture throughout the
Vancouver Island area. Her latest venture is co-managing the Mid
Island Public Market, a new market held in Parksville on Sunday
afternoons.

The meeting takes place at Meaden Hall starting at 6:45 p.m.

FUNDRAISER

Farm-to-table dinner series kicks off menu

Tickets available for
Bullock Lake Farm event
this Saturday

The Salt Spring Agricultural
Alliance is hosting a 2018 Farm-
to Table dinner series, with the
very first event taking place this
Saturday, May 19 at Bullock
Lake Farm.

The popular dinners raise
money for local farm initiatives,
such as The Root — a planned
community facility envisioned
to help farms with the process-
ing, wholesaling and distribu-
tion of local produce — and
improvements to the commu-
nity abattoir. Meals take place
at a variety of farms around the
island and showcase the host
farms' produce and/or meat, as
well as other local food.

"This is a great opportuni-
ty to enjoy locally grown food
prepared by talented chefs in a
picturesque setting. A 100-yard
diet!" said Sue Earle, a proud
farmer and host of one of last
year's dinners. "What a great
way to support farmers and eat
an incredible meal."

Saturday's event will see Bull-
ock Lake Farm's new chef-in-
residence, Julian Obererlacher,
focus on Night Owl Farm beef
and gets started at 5:45 p.m. For
tickets and more information,
visit www.bullocklakefarm.com/events. Tickets are also
available at Foxglove Farm and
Garden Store up until 5 p.m. on
Friday.

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dinners, "like" the Facebook
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LOCAL HISTORY

New book examines charcoal kilns

Mouat Park panels also installed

Canada's Asian History Month has special significance in the Gulf Islands this May with the publication of a new book exploring the history of Japanese charcoal kilns.

Published by the Japanese Garden Society of Salt Spring Island, *Island Forest Embers: The Japanese Canadian Charcoal Kilns of the Southern Gulf Islands* is the work of six contributors. Steve Nemtin, Brian Smallshaw, Chuck Tasaka, Suanne Fournier, Munehiko Iwaya and Rumiko Kanesaka all participated in the investigation of this unique cultural artifact.

Two charcoal kilns built by Isaburo Tasaka in the early 1900s have been discovered and restored at Mouat Park, and 13 others have been identified in the Southern Gulf Islands. The 68-page booklet gives the history of charcoal and its local production, and some insights into the lives of early Japanese Canadian settlers in the area.

"Our story began with the restoration of one of the two Salt Spring kilns in 2015," press material for the book's May 15 launch explains. "While we were working on the restoration, we learned from local historical kiln expert Steve Nemtin that there were a number of similar kilns on Galiano, Mayne, Saturna, and possibly the other islands too. Steve has been fascinated by the kiln

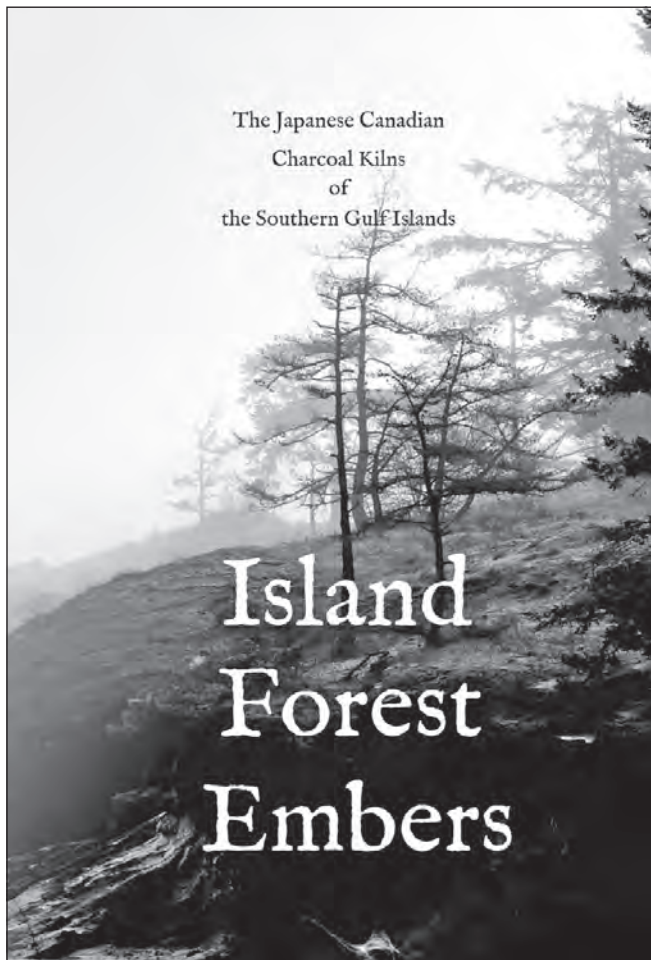
ruins of the islands and began researching them over 30 years ago. Nobody else seemed to know anything about them, while the kilns themselves silently returned to the earth. The Japanese Garden Society decided to embark on a research project to learn more about them, and managed to secure funding."

Little is known about the kilns' builders because the entire Japanese Canadian population of the coast was forcibly removed to internment camps in the B.C. Interior in 1942. To learn more, the contributors spent a year visiting kilns on private properties on the other Gulf Islands and long hours digging through the archives.

"Despite the scarcity of archival data, a clearer image of the Japanese Canadian pioneers on the islands has slowly taken shape. We know that the most important market for charcoal at the turn of the previous century was the salmon canneries on the Fraser River, where it was used to heat solder to seal the cans."

A small promotional pamphlet published in 1902 and held by the Salt Spring Archives listed charcoal production as one of Salt Spring's four largest exports. In that same year, another record tells of a group of Japanese Canadians making 20,000 bags of charcoal.

"Not many people are aware of the thriving Japanese Canadian communities that existed on the Southern Gulf Islands before WW2. [Our book] is an effort to



Cover of a new book investigating the history of Japanese charcoal kilns in the Gulf Islands.

reconnect with the forgotten past and reevaluate the contribution of Japanese Canadians pioneers to the social and economic life of the islands," the authors state.

The research project was carried out in partnership with the Galiano Club and the Mayne Island Lions Club, and supported by the "British Columbia-Canada 150: Celebrating B.C. Communities and Their Contribution to

Canada" grant program and the National Association of Japanese Canadians.

Books can be ordered by sending a cheque to cover mailing costs of \$3 plus a suggested donation of \$10 to Salt Spring Japanese Garden Society, Box 657 Ganges PO, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2W3.

May 15 also saw the installation of several visual panels describing the charcoal kilns' history in Mouat Park.

FILM SCREENING

Pipeline battle mapped

Fundraiser night for Pull Together campaign

Directly Affected: Pipeline Under Pressure, a new film with everything people need to know about the Kinder Morgan pipeline battle, will be shown at ArtSpring on Friday, May 25 at 7 p.m.

The evening is a fundraiser for the Pull Together campaign, a joint effort between RAVEN and the Sierra Club BC, providing access to justice for Indigenous Peoples who are opposing the project's approval in court. A panel discussion with Vancouver photographer and filmmaker Zack Embree follows the screening, and also features local journalist Briony Penn and Tarah Stafford, co-founder of Conversations for Responsible Economic Development.

According to a press release, Directly Affected: Pipeline Under Pressure "weaves together the stories of people impacted by the Trans Mountain Pipeline Project, the broken National Energy Board review

process used to approve the pipeline, Canada's commitments at the Paris climate talks and the innovators working towards the low-carbon economy."

Embree set out on a mission to understand the impacts of the Kinder Morgan pipeline on local communities and give a voice back to those who had been ignored by the National Energy Board process. He interviewed residents affected by the 2007 inlet drive spill and covered the protests on Burnaby Mountain. He journeyed to First Nations' communities such as Fort Mackay, Alta. to witness the impacts of fossil fuel extraction, to New Brunswick where many of the energy workers are from, and to France for the Paris climate talks.

Local organizers say the evening is an opportunity to get up to speed on what barriers remain to placing an oil sands pipeline through the Salish Sea, and to find out how to get involved.

Tickets are available through ArtSpring. Youth under 12 are free.

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DEATHS

Joan E. Wilson (nee Shrimpton) 1918 - 2018

Joan passed away on March 6, 2018, at her summer home on Salt Spring Island, BC, with her family in attendance.

Joan was 99 years old and was born in New York City on August 8, 1918, in the Borough of Manhattan, on the upper west side.

Joan was predeceased by her husband, Stanley J. Wilson (July 26, 1917- April 13, 1999) and is survived by her sister, Gloria Van Doren, her two sons, Michael & Stephen (Loretta), two nieces, Karla Muto (Homer) and Linda Wilder, nephew Scott Wilson (Sharon), five grandchildren; Stephanie, Charles, Caitrin, Ian and Elizabeth, and five great-grandchildren; Travis, Alivia, Chloe, Erin and Lily, along with many great-nieces & nephews.

Joan lived a long and interesting life, she was a remarkable woman. When she was young she worked for Walt Disney Studios as an inker, and she was a natural artist. She and her husband travelled all over the world, and made lifetime friends everywhere they went. She was an avid photographer, gardener, reader, animal lover and wordsmith!

She will be missed dearly, as she played a very active role in her family's lives. She loved games, cards, puzzles and taught her grandchildren so many things about life and the world they live in.

Joan's family would like to thank her friends and neighbors who were always available to help her, especially in her later years. We would also like to thank Access Care Management and her caregivers who made it possible for her to stay in the home she loved on Salt Spring Island. Thanks to Margo, Marnie, Lisa, Marianne, Jenny, Zosia & Deb.

There will be a service for Joan & Stanley in the near future at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Glendale, California.



Joan E. Wilson

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees 28 May 2018 beginning at 7:00 P.M.

Trustees of the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District have scheduled a special meeting of the Board of Trustees to be held May 28, 2018 at the Training Room Fire Hall No. 1 beginning at 7:00 P.M.

The business of the meeting will be to receive and consider proposed policies recommended by Standing Committees of the Board of Trustees.

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WORKSHOPS

Water use seminar on offer

Alternative water uses and ways to conserve to be discussed

BY MARC KITTERINGHAM
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A free seminar about responsible water alternatives will be held at Lions Hall on Sunday, May 20.

The talk will be put on by Gord Baird, owner and builder of Eco-Sense, a certified Living Building Challenge house in Victoria. Baird will be discussing alternative water sources, reducing water consumption and preparing the home for hotter drier summers.

The talk will be divided into four sections. The first discussion will be about composting toilets and the new legislation around them. He will then talk about grey water systems and the regulation that has made that possible for homeowners in B.C. His third session will discuss rainwater harvesting and how to do that for potable and non-potable water. Finally, he will finish with landscaping and which plants will handle climate change better than others. Each of the sessions

will tie into the main theme of climate change and what to expect in the area.

“A real focus for me is climate change and what can be expected on Salt Spring with regards to not just our water, but also our food,” said Baird. “We need to think about and be prepared for potential things coming at us in the future.”

Water access is a major issue on Salt Spring. The amount of water that falls on the island through out the year is substantial, but the summer drought period drives supply way down. Potable rainwater harvesting has the potential to be a large part of water sustainability in the coming years. However, governmental policies have not kept up with the technology.

“Right now for single residential homes we have a vacuum of rainwater policy locally, provincially and also federally,” Baird explained. However, “rainwater harvesting for potable water is just a way of life for many people. It can be done safely.”

Conserving water is the most substantial action people can take.

According to the 2011 Municipal Water Use Report, homes in B.C. use on average 353 litres of water per day.

“Once people are conserving water, they can also then look at the alternative sources like rainwater,” Baird said.

The Baird family lives in the first home to have received Petal recognition in the Living Building Challenge — the strictest green building rating standard in the world. Their home is in the Victoria Highlands area and was built entirely by hand out of cob. All of their water is saved from rainwater and their energy is produced sustainably through solar panels. Since they built their home, the Bairds have set up a consulting business for water systems, integrated systems and sustainable lifestyle.

“We’ve really worked hard to create a lifestyle or mindset and also policy around how we conserve water, have sustainable energy, not make waste and do that in a scientifically engaged, productive and beneficial way for the rest of society,” Baird said.

The seminar is free to attend and will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



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WORD CHAMPION: Concession naming contest winner Rebia Bartrim stands outside the new Muddy Cleats Cafe, operated by Salt Spring United Soccer Club volunteers at the Portlock Park building. The concession is open during spring soccer games and will be active for the long weekend soccer tournament this Saturday and Sunday. Sales help raise funds to keep soccer registration fees as low as possible. Volunteers are essential to the effort: anyone who is able to help should contact Maggie at 250-537-7125.

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Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 19) It may feel as though you have taken a sudden sharp turn. And the setting at least feels like the city as opposed to the relaxed pace of the country. Positively, you have been able to get a lot done and even scratch some itches too. This turn is leading you to really get down to business. As though embarking on a journey, you are exiting the city and beginning to accelerate.

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 20) Can you feel it? The feeling may be compared to that of entering a new country. In any case, circumstances and an inner resolve are pushing you to breach barriers. While these might appear to be external, that is probably more internal than you may realize. Breaking through fear, resistance, procrastination... are examples of it. Name it and you are 51% there.

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21) A breakthrough of some kind is indicated. The impact may be especially on your financial status. It could manifest as shifting into higher gear and taking big action. It could be a good time to play a lottery or two, even though leaning on such a bet is seldom wise. The better bet both materially and spiritually is to have a plan and mobilize your focus.

Cancer (Jun 22 – Jul 22) The current planetary alignments indicate an interest in new investments and creative ventures. These will likely include invention and innovation. Taking an alternative route is likely. One thing seems certain; you are in the mood to take a risk, or two. However, you will likely want to be as sure of success as you can and will not take a casual approach.

Leo (Jul 23 – Aug 23) A series of activations in your public and/or professional life are pushing you to take new strides and initiatives. These will include practical approaches subject to a constructively critical approach. Improvement and refinement are key themes. This focus also includes social outreach. However, you may again soon want to focus behind the scenes for a while.

Virgo (Aug 24 – Sep 22) You are learning to see and integrate a larger perspective on reality. This includes how to reach out to successfully engage and communicate with others. Gathering tools and learning skills to this end is likely, and ideal. You are also busy on a variety of fronts and this may include inner work. Acknowledging and confronting obvious or hidden fears is highlighted.

Libra (Sep 23 – Oct 22) Your focus on financial considerations is getting deeper by the day now. Positively, you are either identifying or literally receiving new streams of income and these may be coming from unexpected sources. Negatively, the reverse could be true and paying taxes, for example, could be presenting a challenge. Yet, it is likely that the scales are tipped in your favor.

Scorpio (Oct 23 – Nov 21) Expansion and increase is often a reason to celebrate, yet it can also come with costs. As well, unexpected changes in your financial situation are indicated. How you are handling these is the main question. Circumstances are likely pushing you to rise to meet the challenge. Doing so will likely require that you dig deeper than you have for a while.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 – Dec 21) A steady flow of change in your daily rhythm and routine continues. In fact, you can expect that these are leading you to a new norm. Success may depend on your ability to breakthrough habitual perspectives. The first key to overcoming these is to recognize and acknowledge them. The second key is to accept that they may have worked before but probably won't now.

Capricorn (Dec 22 – Jan 19) The stellium of planets in Taurus is destined to activate your creative impulses and inventiveness is highlighted. Fortunately, your ambitions are on the rise to engage these inspirations. These may well include new attractions and love interests. These need not necessarily be romantic and might otherwise include hobbies, but they could be.

Aquarius (Jan 20 – Feb 19) Although a steady flow of change has been brewing, it should by now be very evident. Yet, in some respects it still all may seem like a dream due to a variety of unknowns. As well, circumstances will push you to give more than you have for a while. Positively, doing so will push you to draw on your resources, talents and hidden reserves of faith.

Pisces (Feb 20 – Mar 20) This New Moon cycle is pushing you to new realizations and perspectives. These include the need to take a more proactive approach, perhaps especially towards your financial situation. To this end, you will likely have to do as much inner work as outer, perhaps more. Be open to any and all tools and resources that can support you to realize greater success.

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Lots of opportunity to view boats

An estimated 100 sailboats will be in fine racing form this weekend for the 44th annual Round Salt Spring Race hosted by the island's sailing club.

All types and sizes of boats from the Pacific Northwest participate in the 42-nautical mile event, says race chair

Pete McGovern: "From small sports boats to fast ocean going vessels that have competed in the Vic-Maui race to cruising and club racing sailboats."

Boats are split into six or seven divisions with five-minute staggered starts, he said, beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 19 from Ganges Harbour.

For those interested in viewing the race, the race direction will be posted on the race website at www.roundsaltspring.ca and Facebook page once it

has been announced. The best viewing points are at Beddis Beach, Ruckle Park, Vesuvius, Southey Point and Fernwood Dock.

Assuming some wind comes up during the race, faster boats can be expected to begin returning to the harbour in the early evening, while stragglers may be struggling to make it back by the cut-off time of 10.30 a.m. on Sunday morning in time for the Lions Club pancake breakfast and prize giving.

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GOLFTEES

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The Men's and Ladies Leagues are looking for newcomers. Each have three golf groups per week. For the men they are the Thursday Night Tournament (TNT), Tuesday Night Therapeutic Nine (TTN) and Sunday Morning Variety Games group. The ladies have the Monday Night Ladies, the 18 Hole Ladies morning group and the Thursday Nine Hole morning group. Both leagues offer opportunities to play other clubs on Vancouver

Island.

The first of the Men's Inter-Club matches started on May 9. Brian Dunbabin took his team of 13 players from Salt Spring to Mt. Breton. Six mixed teams competed for low net. SSI visits Mt. Breton later in May to complete the competition.

The Ladies' first InterClub game saw Salt Spring at Ardmore last week. The team of Kathy Luke, Elaine Shaw, Darlene Wellington, MaryLou Bompas, Joni White, Linda Tremblay, Karen Davies and April Wright posted their first win of the season. Wright recorded the first birdie of her golf career.

Upcoming tournaments open to all players are: Choices on June 2, the Legion on June 9, and the Dod's Cup, for lefties only, on June 16.

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