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Saturday was a beautiful day for soccer on Salt Spring, occupying the fields at Portlock and the high school. Here we see Salt Spring United battling Boys United of Victoria. More soccer news on pages 19 and 23.

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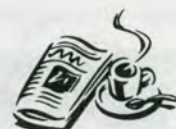
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news

Texada negotiating with TLC

by Peggy Abrahams

Texada Land Corporation and The Land Conservancy of B.C. (TLC) began negotiations yesterday on more than 1,000 acres of land for potential acquisition as parkland, pending government funding. In a letter to TLC board member Briony Penn, dated last Friday, Rob Macdonald, principal of Texada, confirmed key points of an agreement as a premise for negotiations.

The area under negotiation comprises more than 28 parcels around Burgoyne Bay. As part of the terms, Texada agreed to halt logging on these parcels until March 31. Penn explained that by then, it is hoped the Biodiversity Package, a \$110 million joint federal and provincial fund to purchase parkland, will be finalized. "TLC will put the option in until the governments position themselves. We'll just be there to jump in until the Biodiversity Package comes through," Penn said.

According to the letter from Macdonald, Texada has hired Ray Baker of Baker Oslund Appraisers, and Mike Stevens, registered professional forester, to provide appraisals on the land and timber on the parcels. TLC will also contract appraisers, and the final purchase price will be determined between the two parties' appraisers. "If they can't work it out they'll share the cost with a third appraiser who will come up with a deciding vote," Penn said.

Penn said that she was delighted at this opportunity. "I think it's fantastic. It's the first really positive sign, something we've been hoping for. It's not everything we've been hoping for."

She added that the next step is to work on legislative changes. "We still have 11 people facing charges.... We can't ride naked down Howe Street every time we need change. We can't buy every heron's nest and every Garry oak meadow, so we've got to have more protection in our laws and we've got to have businesses taking more responsibility."

Last Tuesday, the province announced the purchase of 32 hectares of Garry oak woodland from Texada for a price of \$465,000. Identified as lot 3, the parcel is next to the Mount Maxwell Ecological Reserve, and is to be preserved as an extension of the Reserve.

The purchase was made with cash from Forest Renewal B.C., a crown corporation funded from fees paid by forest companies for the right to cut trees on publicly-owned land. The acquisition was made under Forest Renewal B.C.'s private forest biodiversity programme.

The Vancouver-based Nature Trust of B.C., a non-profit conservation organization, has been working with Forest Renewal. The Nature Trust identified the parcel as meeting private forest biodiversity criteria, and recommended the purchase. Forest

Renewal released the funds to the Nature Trust, which purchased the parcel from Texada.

The Nature Trust is continuing negotiations on the purchase of the remainder of the Garry oak woodland owned by Texada, approximately 162 to 202 hectares (or 400 to 500 acres), on the north shore of Burgoyne Bay.

Garry oak woodlands are considered one of the most threatened of all B.C. coastal ecosystems. The Garry oak woodlands provide a habitat for a unique range of animal and plant life like northern alligator lizards, Easter lilies, shooting stars and camas.

The few remaining Garry oak woodlands in Canada are found only on southern Vancouver Island, the Gulf Islands and two isolated mainland groves. There are no longer any large intact Garry oak woodlands in California, Washington, or Oregon.

Public relations effort a new emphasis for PARC

by Peggy Abrahams

The Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) will proceed to curtail its role in administering community programmes, but will implement a new public relations effort aimed at better communication with the community, said chairman Wayne Fraser. "The broad decisions we've made, have been made," he said.

His remarks came in the aftermath of a heated public meeting last Monday. Almost 40 members of the public attended the meeting in the packed PARC portable, including several delegates who voiced strong opposition to PARC plans.

Sue Newman, who teaches dance courses through PARC, had drafted a petition to encourage PARC to continue with community programming. In a letter she read out loud to the commission, Newman said, "The fact that community programmes are

being compromised by an organization promoting community health is alarming."

Calling the change a step backwards, Marianne McColl said, "This is where we were 18 years ago when we moved onto the Island."

Referring to last year's PARC referendum, McColl said, "I wonder how the taxpayers would have voted if they'd known.... The community should be playing the tune you dance to—it's our tax dollars."

Other delegates objected to the fact that PARC neglected to consult the public in making the decision. PARC programme instructor George Ehrling said, "I can't imagine you would have paved over Centennial Park to save money on cutting the grass without involving the community."

Ehrling added that the commission also neglected to consult staff or

see PARC p10

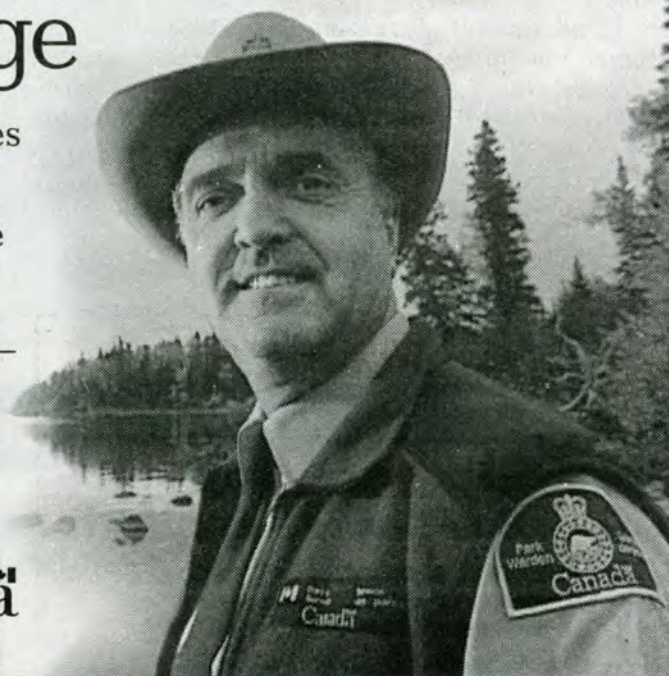
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Never completed, but now the boardwalk is in need of repair

by Peter Clarke

Just when talk of completing the Ganges waterfront boardwalk drops off the scale of sexy Island issues, here we go rebuilding the thing. But, as unfinished as it is, the once ambitious and forever contentious Boardwalk To Nowhere is in need of repairs. It's rotting.

To stem the decay, Salt Spring's Salmon Enhancement Society's fishermen and youth workers have taken up pry bars and hammers and with the material support of PARC, focused their considerable energy on the ailing structure. Once the work begun last summer in Centennial Park is completed, the restoration effort will move to the Rotary Park section beside Thrifty Foods. If all goes well the boards should stop flying by the end of March.

In 1984 Kathy Reimer and an assortment of concerned Islanders formed the Society. Since that ambitious beginning it has worked within the community to not only clean up and foster the teeming creek life but has built and maintained working partnerships with other Island groups such as PARC, the Ganges Fisherman's Association, the Harbour Authority, the Salt Spring Conservancy, the Salt



The boardwalk in downtown Ganges is in need of repairs.

Spring Island Residents Association and the Fulford Committee.

The boardwalk revamp is just one of the many downstream benefits generated by a Society otherwise preoccupied with its salmon hatchery, the release and monitoring of the fry, and the stewardship of the delicate and critical stream habitat that justifies the group's existence. Through its aggressive pursuit of Employment and

Fisheries grants, a tributary of unemployed fishers and youth finds work in a variety of community improvement projects that include, among other things, the miles and miles of access and trails throughout the Island's parkland.

Boardwalk to Nowhere and Salmon Enhancement Society. A parallel of sorts. Both are projects with no apparent end in sight.

Nation-building focus of open house

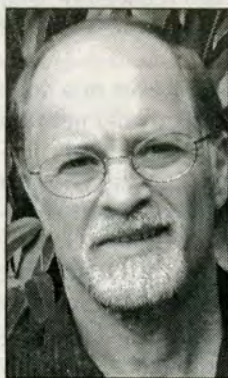
by Peggy Abrahams

The Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition (SSSIC) is holding a public meeting to engage Islanders in an open discussion about independence for Salt Spring, 7 p.m. on Friday, February 23 at the Lion's Hall.

A core group of SSSIC members has been discussing the concept of self-government for Salt Spring for two or three years, according to Bob McGinn, one of the organizers. The group went public after noting a growing public dissatisfaction following the recent federal election.

McGinn said that recent local events have illustrated how little control Island residents have over the future of Salt Spring. "Mostly they're dissatisfied with the way things are working now and they're looking for alternatives."

The concept of creating an independent Island nation is timely, he said.



Bob McGinn

"The support for the idea has been fairly overwhelming."

The purpose of the open house is to share some ideas, he explained. "Most people are interested in exploring the idea."

Other people have questions about how it's going to work. We wanted to share some ideas. We don't have a political agenda. There are a lot of good ideas out there and many ideas are being held back, mostly because of the associations we have with off-Island governments."

McGinn pointed out that there are

many examples throughout the world of successful independent self-governed island nations, like the Cayman Islands, Turks and Caicos, the Channel Islands, Cook Islands and the Isle of Man. "The models are out there. It is working around the world in different areas and we think it can work here."

From an economic standpoint, the SSSIC maintains that independence is feasible. "We can show from an economic point of view that we are capable of paying for what we want here. We aren't sucking money from the province or the federal government. I think we'll be able to show this," said McGinn.

The SSSIC plans to hold a series of lectures, featuring off-Island presenters who will discuss various aspects of independence. "We're going to go as fast or slow at this as we think people are ready for," McGinn said.

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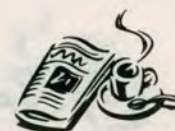
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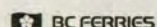
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Island Natural Growers:

Growers gather at Moonstruck Farm

by Kelly Waters

Stepping through the mud, I walked over to the group of people who were gathered at the edge of the paddock, ooh-ing and ah-ing in the late evening's growing darkness. On the other side of the fence, a woman talked about her dairy farm as a young calf showed off, wanting the audience's attention. It was willingly given. Flo, as the calf is called, was being particularly cute that evening, trying to be rubbed by her human friend, Susan.

For a former city girl like myself, getting mucky and inhaling the warm scent of hay and cow was like going on a little holiday. As I was to learn that night and over the next few days, organic farming requires hard work, but for those who love it, the satisfaction it brings can also feel like a dream come true.

Susan and Julia Grace of Moonstruck Organic Cheese played host to Island Natural Growers' monthly meeting last week. After a tour of both the barn and the cheese factory, the group got together for a delicious potluck dinner. Plans were made for Seedy Saturday this coming weekend, February 10, and enthusiasm mounted for both that event and the next International Federation of Organic Agricultural Movements' world congress, which will take place in Victoria next year. In short, the meeting was a gathering place for folks with a passion for food.

Island Natural Growers (ING) is a group of organic farmers, producers, and consumers who live in the Southern Gulf Islands. Surprisingly, many of ING's members aren't full-time farmers. They are artists, accountants, yoga instructors, consultants, nutritionists, and other ordinary people who have a love of organic food. As President Sheri Berkowitz said, "We all come with many skills and many backgrounds." Some ING members produce enough vegetables in their garden to feed their families. Others do that much, plus have a sufficient amount left over to sell at the Saturday Market or to the new food co-op. Still others make their living generating products from organics.

ING exists so its members can sup-



Mr. Moon, left, gives Foodforest Farm's Sheri Berkowitz a friendly kiss as Jupiter, Constellation, and Cassiopeia wait their turns.

port one another in their endeavors to provide a network of like-minded people who will share expertise, tools, or a congenial laugh when the need arises. This network also allows members to trade with and buy from one another. Mark Stevens of Echo Valley Organics, for example, grows product for Dan Jason of Salt Spring Seeds. Jim Proctor and Sheri Berkowitz of Foodforest Farm take the male and beef cross calves that are born on Moonstruck, strictly a dairy farm, to grow on their beef farm. They also sometimes help raise female calves for Susan Grace of Moonstruck Farm.

This group does not exist in a void: ING itself is part of a broader network of organic growers. It is the local chapter of the Canadian Organic Growers (COG) and is right next door to Vancouver Island's South Island Organic Produce Association (SIOPA). The slide show at Wednesday's meeting was provided by Bernward Geier, representing the International Organic Produce Association (IOPA).

All these names and acronyms may seem like so much organic hogwash, but they represent a growing trend in food awareness. These days, concerns about mad cow disease, pesticide spraying, pollution in the food supply, and genetically modified foods are

paramount in many people's minds. "People are becoming more and more conscious about these issues," said Berkowitz. "They want to know what they're eating. They want it to be safe." For this reason, many are turning to organics. Elizabeth White, whose passion for organic foods was evident at the ING meeting, related that a national conference which used to draw a couple hundred people for a one-day event has grown tremendously over the last few years. "In 2001, there were well over 1,000 participants over a four-day period," she said.

Organics aren't just vegetables, though. Flo, the calf at Moonstruck Farm, along with the rest of her herd, is free to roam around the farmyard. She can walk, lie down, and drink when she wants to. She has a relationship with the other cows and with her human caretakers, who handle her with love. The cheese I ate at ING's potluck came from a similarly happy cow. The lamb I ate a few days later had once been roaming free on a Salt Spring farm. And the lovely cows I met at Foodforest—Coco Chanel, Charlotte, Frega, Constellation, Jupiter, Joshua, Mr. Moon—will one day be someone's meal.

ING meets on the first Wednesday of every month at a different location. (February's meeting is cancelled because of Seedy Saturday.) The next meeting, on Wednesday, March 7 takes place at the Growing Circle Food Cooperative.



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"This work emphasizes our commitment to continued service between Long Harbour, Tsawwassen, and the Outer Gulf Islands," said Trafford Taylor, marine superintendent, in a press release. "We intend to retain this vital link between the Gulf Islands and the lower mainland."

The ferry corporation recommends people traveling from Salt Spring to Tsawwassen use the through-fare option via Fulford Harbour and Swartz Bay. BC Ferries staff will make every effort to help with connecting traffic at Swartz Bay. Note that for



Work has started at Long Harbour, but the dock is still open.

the duration of the project, the 6:20 a.m. sailing from Fulford Harbour will leave at 5:50 a.m. to accommodate passengers who intend to connect with the 7:00 a.m. vessel from Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen. Another option for travelling to the mainland is to use a combination of the Vesuvius to Crofton and the Duke Point to Tsawwassen routes.

During the construction time, the *Queen of Nanaimo* will tie up alongside the Long Harbour dock at night. It will not take passengers or vehicles, however, on its morning sailing to the Pender Islands for the first

scheduled run of the day.

The Long Harbour dock is expected to reopen Friday, March 16 for regular service in time for the beginning of the spring break holiday.

Valentine fitness

Once again, the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) is sponsoring a one-hour fitness class on Valentine's Day to raise funds for the BC Heart and Stroke Foundation. Everyone is invited to join all PARC fitness instructors at the Salt Spring Elementary school gym from 10:15 to

11:15 a.m. next Wednesday, February 14.

Participation is by donation and Cheerios will donate an extra \$10 for every friend brought along. Those attending are encouraged to wear pink, red, and white and to collect pledges to earn prizes. More information can be obtained by calling the PARC office at 537-4448.

Shepherds meeting

On Saturday, February 17 the Salt Spring Sheepbreeders, a committee of the Farmers Institute, will host a meeting at a local barn to discuss preparations for the lambing season. Several experienced shepherds will be present to answer questions. The Sheepbreeders' goal is to provide a safe, healthy lambing season, saving as many lambs and ewes as possible.

Although the discussion will focus on new and prospective shepherds, it will benefit experienced farmers, too, because each year brings new situations and new solutions. Everyone can learn a great deal by sharing experiences and information.

To participate in this free event, which begins at 10:00 a.m., call Margaret at 537-4535.

Money talks at lunch

BMO Nesbitt Burns is offering two talks on RRSPs and RRIFs on Wednesday, February 14 and Wednesday, February 21. Part of an ongoing programme called Lunch and Learn, these lectures will be given by Investment Advisor Norbert Schlenker.

These talks are not just about making RRSP contributions, Schlenker said. They will focus on what the people can invest the RRSP money in: GICs, stocks, bonds, and mutual funds. Because many Islanders are at an age where they have to start taking money out of their RRSPs and RRIFs, it is an important time to learn what can be done with the funds to keep them growing.

Future Lunch and Learn topics include tax planning and investing in a tax-efficient manner. To register for this seminar, call Sharon at

537-1654. The seminars run from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m.

Seedy Saturday

Island Natural Growers' Seedy Saturday moves to the Farmers Institute this year. The event, which runs from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on February 10, provides an opportunity for gardeners to meet experts, learn about local conditions, and acquire locally adapted seeds.

The highlight of the event is the seed exchange, where people bring seeds they have saved to swap with one another. The seeds are placed in small envelopes and labelled by volunteers. Then, anyone else can take the packet from the table. It's that simple. If folks do not have seeds to share, they can make a cash donation.

The funds raised at this year's Seedy Saturday will sponsor a person from a developing nation to attend the 2002 organic foods world congress in Victoria. A station will be set up to accept large donations and issue tax receipts.

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402	Ganges/Maple Bay/Telegraph Harbour	7:45am	Vanc. Harbour	8:15-8:45am	Mon.-Fri.
404	*** SUSPENDED ***				
406	Ganges/Maple Bay/Telegraph Harbour	9:30am	Vanc. Harbour	10:00-10:30am	Sat. only
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Editorial

Understanding is the key to power

You've undoubtedly heard the rumours around town about Salt Spring Island declaring independence: we should just abandon the mainland and go it on our own, create our own country. We gave a derisive snort when we first heard the idea and we suspect many of you are laughing, too. And while we don't expect Salt Spring will be crowning a prince or electing a president any time soon, we also recognize that nothing is forever, including political systems and national borders. Okay, so this adventure would involve a lot of work, but it would be intensely exciting, creative work, and well worth the effort just to see how far we could get.

We have the talent and creativity here to dream up the perfect system for ourselves, especially considering the bad examples at hand. And we have the idealistic, hard-working, experienced people to pull it off.

Over the next few weeks and months, we're going to be hearing a lot about government and politics: there's a provincial election coming, the incorporation study is going to come up again, various groups are going to continue to pressure politicians regarding the logging and aerodrome issues, and the Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition is making more of a racket regarding Island independence.

Now before you roll your eyes and bolt for the nearest (uncut) forest to hide in, keep in mind a common thread running through much of this: we don't seem to have a lot of control of our own lives. Decisions which affect us are being made by people in Victoria, in Vancouver, and in Ottawa. Who are these people? Why do they have so much power over us? What power do we have left and how can we take back some of what we don't have?

Only when we understand the answers to these questions can we begin to take back control over our own lives.

Here at the Barnacle, we're going to help by running a series of articles on how we are currently governed, examining the federal, provincial and local governments and talking to people involved. We'll also provide charts and tables so you can understand how the various governments, departments, and quasi-governmental bodies relate.

The Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition is pushing the educational effort by holding an open discussion on the concept of an Island nation, possibly followed by a lecture series on government, nation-building and sustainability.

Rather than simply railing at the political forces that toss us about hither and yon like chaff in the wind, take advantage of these opportunities to understand the wind. True democracy can only be achieved by an educated populace. Do not let anyone tell you that it's all too complicated for you to understand. Do not let anyone tell you that the forces are too great to change or that we are too small and powerless.

Learn. Understand. And then take power.



COMMENTARY

Can we lower St. Mary Lake a metre?

As the Manager of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD), Mike Larmour has recently cautioned the community regarding the expanding number of B&Bs within the St. Mary Lake watershed becoming a growing threat to the lake. A much greater danger may lie in the absence of awareness within our community of how desperate the NSSWD actually is.

In the mid-1980s the Islands Trust sold us all out by reserving St. Mary Lake water for Channel Ridge and a village the size of Ganges now scheduled to be built there. The water preservation people were silenced by being granted a large lot for their treasury—all this for the promise not to build under the cliffs along Tripp Road.

The lake's waters are already over-sold for all time. Thus, when the Ice Park Society inquired if water would be available on Rainbow Road for the proposed ice rink, NSSWD indicated no commitment would be forthcoming. This was surprising given that ice rinks see 90 per cent of their traffic during our wet winters, but the damage was done—you can't plan public rinks and pools around a doubtful water system.

There does appear to be enough water, however, for 50 new condominiums on Atkins Road, also to be built shortly, although water from Maxwell Lake is available to that development

through the new valve system. If I were the community planner, I'd reserve that water for a student dormitory of equal size, and hand Mouat Park, now downgraded by BC Parks, to Lawrie Neish and ask him to continue with his vision of building another Banff School of Fine Arts behind ArtSpring.

But no, we shall import more dog-tired retirees to the Island instead of the fresh faced student generation, currently Salt Spring's lost generation, that Lawrie's dream would bring us. Once alive with the heartbeats of youth in the 1970s, Salt Spring is now doomed to become Scottsdale North with an emphasis on tourism, because we are a political henhouse with no roosters, we are ruled not by reason but by tom-tom. The anarchists have won.

The recent throne speech has promised millions for endangered water districts across Canada, but we probably will claim none of that—we have no municipality. That money should be used to downzone Channel Ridge to buy back their ill-advised water rights. The resorts around the lake should be downsized to single-family zoning; such estates are worth more now than campgrounds. Their owners would all have to be fully compensated of course, but you can't administer a water reservoir and permit thousands of people from the city to come out here in summer to pee and swim in it, unless you are deliberately trying to breed pathogens within its waters

when it is most suited to oblige you.

NSSWD, in a hapless effort to meet its commitments, has gone so far as to commission an extensive fisheries study by Westland Resource Group on the impact of annually lowering St. Mary Lake by an additional metre. The report says that other than the salmonids dying off, it should be OK. This is like saying everything's all right in the mine, except that all the canaries seem to have died. And all the lake's waterfowl with them.

Meanwhile, to complete the farce, the Trust is arguing whether homeowners should stand back 30 or 60 metres from waterways on their property.

To have NSSWD plotting to leave the littoral riparian zone around the lake high and dry beneath the July sun, destroying the beaver lodges, stretching the lake's heat budget to the brink of eutrophication—this should tell the community that our water officials need political help badly, and right now. Mr. Larmour is heroically trying to feed the next 5,000 with every device he can conceivably command, but the lake itself cannot be engineered to undo the foibles of our past.

St. Mary Lake must be protected, not infected or pumped elsewhere and sucked dry, and buying back zoning for B&Bs, resorts, and a village while federal funds are at hand can prevent another Walkerton.

DWIGHT JONES

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Calendar funds

The recent reporting of a \$100,000 pledge to the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) fund, made in the name of the Salt Spring Women Preserve and Protect Calendar Fund, carries implications that must be corrected.

Shortly after the Texada lands changed hands in November 1999, partnerships were sought with government and non-government agencies in an effort to garner support to save the land from industrial logging. It soon became apparent that the area least protected was around Burgoyne Bay. It was not identified as an "area of interest" by any of the groups coming forward at that time.

When I introduced the idea of producing a nude calendar, it was determined that any proceeds would first go to support any bid to save Burgoyne Bay. It has been variously reported that these same funds are being disbursed by the Save Salt Spring Campaign Fund as well as the Save Salt Spring Society, neither of which carries the authority of the Calendar Committee to do so.

Maintaining the integrity of the calendar has always been a prime focus for me. It reflects a true coalescing of a widely disparate group of people who started out strangers but became a community. And what a community it is! A rich stew of passionate, tenacious, opinionated, funny, and smart people, all joined in common cause. From within this group, a committee was struck, each member contributing time and skills with unstinting generosity to bring it off, a commitment that continues to this day. We had a goal that carried us forward. We were a team.

The unilateral announcement of our calendar funds

being assigned to an area long protected as an "area of interest" by two active organizations, the NSSWD and the Water Preservation Society, flies in the face of the original mandate of the Calendar Committee and makes a mockery of all we stand for. The battle for the largest under-developed area left in the Southern Gulf Islands is still being fought. We of the Salt Spring Preserve and Protect Calendar Committee have a right to expect inclusion in the decision-making process. Anything less is unacceptable.

RUTH TARASOFF
Salt Spring Women
Preserve and Protect
Calendar 2001

Mail call for Elizabeth Nickson

Oh-oh. Not that easy to smile indulgently and shrug graciously when it is ourselves that are being written about in the media. Even when it is merely letters to the editor in the lowly *Barnacle*—but then barnacles have a way of getting under the skin. And I am surprised that you expected everybody to love you for what you had written about them. I thought you would have been a sensible, rational woman who knew a little about the media world and its ways. And defensiveness is not a particularly pretty posture in keeping with your otherwise impeccable pedigree profile.

My husband and I (as the queen of England would say) have been subscribing to *Harper's* for a decade or two and have sung its praises loud and clear so I could almost agree with your take on it. But that word "only"? Well, goodness me, we can all make mistakes. Even *Harper's*.

What really puzzles me is

why you neglected to read the letters that you are responding to. I thought you lived here; we all get the *Barnacle* in our mail boxes. And if you were in some more important place over an extended period of time, knowing about the world and its ways as you do, you must know about phones/couriers/emails/websites. I would think that writing a 500-word response to something that you have not read would compromise your self-described A-1 status as a writer.

Now, I do like that bit about taking intergenerational responsibility—the "we" and the "us" of it. Maybe you could submit it to the *Dead Dog Café's* Truth and Reconciliation Commission. But, then again, is it really true to say that You (plural, intergenerational) actually laid the sidewalks, built the water works, dredged Victoria Harbour? Did y'all get yer 'ands dirty?

Finally, if you are serious about being one of us, if you do actually live here, maybe the second half of the line of Shakespeare's stanza would have been a more appropriate title for your *Harper's* article. Maybe it should have been *There Suck I*.

But, take no notice of me; I'm just kiddin' around.

I hope I managed to hit the right warm/gentle/funny bone of one of the best literary writers in the English-speaking world.

JACQUELINE THOMAS

More from the Nickson mailbag

In response to Ms. Nickson's letter dated January 25, 2001 to Patricia Brown and me—you missed the point.

I'll repeat it. You are disparaging the people of Salt

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Passengers travelling between the Outer Gulf Islands and Salt Spring Island should plan to sail via the Gulf Island-Swartz Bay and Swartz Bay-Fulford Harbour routes. The regular Inter-Island fare will cover both trips.

Long Harbour is expected to reopen March 16, 2001, in time for the Spring Break holiday.

Note that service between Tsawwassen, Galiano Island, Saturna Island, Mayne Island and the Pender Islands will continue on the regular winter schedule during the Long Harbour closure period.

Also note that, for the duration of the project, the 6:20 a.m. sailing from Fulford Harbour will leave at 5:50 a.m. to accommodate passengers who intend to connect with the 7:00 a.m. vessel from Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen.

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Spring and you seem unable to accept accountability for unethical practices. You named and villainized someone you have never met and used some interviews from years ago, out of context.

Lineage, friends and notoriety have nothing to do with this issue. I stand by my original opinion.

HEATHER POTTINGER

Another for Liz

Dear Ms. Nickson:

I will respond to your letter with the assumption that you are again not telling the truth. How can you quote from Heather's letter, if you haven't read it? Your letter is full of self-importance and hierarchical thinking, supported, no doubt, by your "old money." The beauty of this Island, for me, is primarily in the way people respect each other based on their behaviour, not on their lineage or connections. The family history and biography you included in your letter are the masks I was referring to in my first letter, and it is obvious that they are very firmly attached to your person.

Your history does not assure honourable or dignified behaviour (a point you have clearly made). Condescending from your haughty heights will continue to isolate you, whether you "belong here" or not. And many of us believe that to belong to this community means to respect its fabulously diverse group of citizens.

PATRICIA BROWN

One more for Elizabeth

In answer to Elizabeth Nickson's description of me in her *National Post* column of January 26, 2001, I say that if,

when she and I pass on the road, I am wearing a "gruesome expression of loathing" it's most probably directed at the condition of the road. I don't know what she drives, and busy as I usually am trying to avoid potholes and still stay on the road, I don't often take either hand off the wheel when I do recognize a driver.

I'm responding to this because I was identified as her next-door neighbour in a national newspaper, and described as having certain attitudes that enhanced her premise in the column; she has no personal experience with me other than my offer some time ago of a warm meal and a bed if there were a prolonged power outage while she was without a wood stove. That was, of course, before I knew she was so capable of generating her own heat.

SHARON PERRY

Thanks, Chief!

I found our Fire Chief Dave Enfield's report on how the Fire Department responded to the widespread outage of phone service on Salt Spring quite reassuring.

As a member one of the many households which found our phone service dead on that Saturday evening, I tried to contact Telus to both report the problem and to find out how long it might be until service would be restored. With no service, there was no way to contact Telus' repair service at 611, or even the operator by picking up our receiver. However, I had recently purchased a cell phone for emergencies, with the thought I might need it when I was away from home, particularly on the highway, never expecting to find myself using it at home to report a loss of service in my regular phone.

When I finally made contact

with Telus' 611 service, the person immediately responded when I gave her our telephone number with, "Are you on Salt Spring Island?" She confirmed that a number of loss-of-service reports had already been logged, but could not at that point say either what the problem was or how long we would be without phone service. Fortunately, we did not face any emergencies ourselves that evening, but it did make me wonder what others without cell phone access might have faced in order to make contact with the hospital, the ambulance service, the fire service, or anyone else responsible for emergency services.

I've read and share many of the concerns voiced by the group on the Island opposing cell phone tower installation, but I was relieved when I went to sleep that evening, knowing that if we, or possibly our neighbours, did have an emergency we had an alternative phone service available to us.

SHERYL TAYLOR-MUNRO

Bare breasts did save Texada trees

I hope that Alan Webb is sufficiently embarrassed by his column last week ("Bare breasts won't save Texada trees," *the Barnacle*, January 30). Especially since the same day that issue of the *Barnacle* hit the stands, I heard the announcement, on CBC radio, about Forest Renewal B.C. buying the parcel in Burgoyne Bay for the Nature Trust. The CBC news story also included a promise

Dénouement

Great wisdom, great love, great deeds are small things to a baby's needs.

—Richard Cruickshanks

by Texada not to log in any of the areas while they are under negotiations.

Webb boldly stated in his piece that "If these lands are to be saved it won't be accomplished by exhibitionists on horseback, or so-called 'lock-downs' under logging trucks." If he did his homework, Webb might have learned that most social change that has happened throughout history was achieved through direct action.

If he wasn't so busy flipping past news stories and channel surfing, Webb might have noticed that there were indeed a few soccer moms (including Briony) who marched bare-breasted through the streets of Vancouver on that sunny, yet crisp Monday afternoon. He might have noticed that they were accompanied by many business leaders and nine-to-fivers, and that the dot.com crowd have stopped wearing Gucci, as they are no longer willing to support greedy corporations who take advantage of the lax labour laws in third world countries.

To Briony and all the others who have taken so many personal risks to protect these precious lands, there are not enough words to express my gratitude.

TINE CRUICKSHANK

Bad timing

Alan Webb's column last week was rather badly timed, since there were simultaneous Canada-wide headlines announcing that this second Godiva ride, like the first one

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a millennium ago, has been stunningly successful. In both cases the public good was being violated, and the responsible authorities either couldn't or wouldn't stop it. What to do?

First, find somebody well-informed, well-spoken, determined, unflappable, comely (or, as we say today, photogenic), and beyond the reach of mockers. Then do something dramatic.

This isn't the end of the battle for Salt Spring, but it is now clear that Mammon doesn't have all the weapons. All honour to Briony Penn and her gallant company.

ANDREW GIBSON

Penn courageous

In response to Alan Webb's "Second Thoughts" column:

Briony Penn's Lady Godiva ride through the streets of Vancouver was an inspired, courageous, heroic, creative, and noble act about raising awareness and respect for the laws of Mother Earth. She succeeded in persuading Rob Macdonald to stop cutting in the Burgoyne Valley until St. Patrick's Day.

Bravo Briony!

With thanks from the Burgoyne Valley flora and fauna,

NINA RAGINSKY

Penn impassioned

In response to Alan Webb's column:

I attended the Lady Godiva ride in Vancouver. I saw a woman, incredibly impassioned, trying to save her homelands.

Briony Penn, I believe, is almost as native as the native people of this area. Having a Ph.D. in geography also means she knows something about the subject at hand. She has also spent hundreds of hours in meetings and speeches, trying to protect these ecosystems. It's very frustrating not to get a response.

After last Monday's action, Texada Land Corporation has agreed to stop logging in Burgoyne Bay until March 30. The Nature Trust is purchasing the Garry Oak Lot 3 and who knows what will happen tomorrow?

What is needed now is for everyone concerned to sign the petition letters for the Bio-Diversity Project.

These letters are now available at several stores in Ganges.

MYNA LEE
JOHNSTONE

A challenge

This Island is in a state of emergency, as is our planet. Our environment is being destroyed with impunity. Alan Webb's waspish comments about the leadership and bravery shown by the women of this Island is deplorable. This is a time to pull together, not to nit-pick about the method of defence against our mutual enemies. Where does this young man obtain the authority for his assumptions? Perhaps he is the one who is embarrassed and apathetic. Perhaps he needs to put his shoulder to the wheel and forget his ego.

How much more evidence do we require before we admit that we are fouling our own nests? We are NOT living in a just society. We HAVE to protest, otherwise we are consenting to our own destruction. There are over 8,000 people on this Island. If we were not all such cowards, if we were not all so over-civilized, if we were not all too lazy to inform ourselves as to the true history of logging on this Island, of the true nature of the racketeers we are hosting and whose destruction of our Island we are by our silence condoning, our voices would be heard loud and clear by our members of parliament. Is there a court, is there a jail in this province large enough to deal with the outrage of 8,000 citizens?

I challenge Alan to put his energy where his mouth is and organise a mass demonstration on this Island. Does he have the imagination or courage to consider this? Can he mobilize the class of people he cites? Of course he can, if he dares. Is he able to take his clothes off in order to gain media attention? Of course he is, if he dares.

Meanwhile, as we argue, trees, animals, plants, birds, and watersheds, fall, which suits Texada just fine.

YVONNE ADALIAN

Self-exploitation

With regard to bogus Christian religions that condone and sanctify same sex liaisons, this is just further proof of how much more corrupt and perverted so-called Christian religions have become, not to mention bold-faced blasphemy against God

and Christ of whom they profess to serve.

As Christ said to the prostitute he saved from being stoned to death by a Jewish mob of holier than thou hypocrites, "Thy sins are forgiven, go and sin no more," not thy sins are forgiven, go and sin some more.

The definition of sin simply means breaking the divine and natural laws of God.

Bravo to Alan Webb for his column "Bare breasts won't save Texada trees." I couldn't agree more. So what's next gals, bare breasting your daughters and/or young girls?

Also, women can no longer blame men for exploiting them, because for a long time now, women have been doing a great job of exploiting themselves.

ANGELICA HAVENS

Hooray for health care

Two thumbs up for B.C. medical care!

On January 25, I ran into my doctor. I told Dr. Reznick that I didn't think I was doing so well. Well, it was like a giant machine started rolling forward. Within half an hour a test was performed and I was told that I had to stay in the hospital because of positive results.

That day, and for the next three days, I was given the best care by the entire staff of Lady Minto Hospital. During this time, a continuous search was made for a bed in Victoria. Finally, after what I believe to be at least 20 phone calls, Royal Jubilee called to say they had a bed for me. Within hours I was transferred and was immediately placed under the care of Dr. Petrunia. I arrived back on Salt Spring on Wednesday, January 31, once again healthy.

My sincere appreciation and gratitude go out to the following, for without their caring, and compassionate attitude I don't know what kind of shape I would be in today: Drs. Reznick, Crossland, Dawes, Shea, and as always, the exceptional nursing and technical staff at Lady Minto Hospital, Dr. Petrunia, his team, the nurses on Royal 3, and both ambulance crews. Thank you for a job well done.

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Powell River-Texada Island (return)	\$5.00	\$12.00
Nanaimo-Gabriola Island (return)	\$5.00	\$12.00
Chemainus-Thetis Island-Kuper Island (return)	\$5.00	\$12.00
Buckley Bay-Denman Island (return)	\$4.50	\$10.25
Denman Island-Hornby Island (return)	\$4.50	\$10.25
Campbell River-Quadra Island (return)	\$4.50	\$10.50
Quadra Island-Cortes Island (return)	\$5.50	\$12.75
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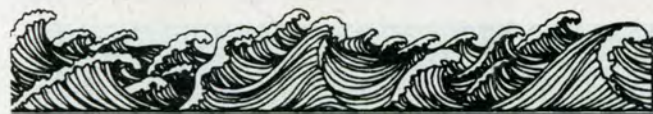


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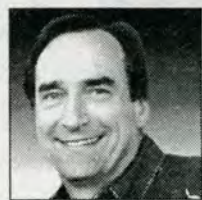
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Memories of a friend



Isle Say! ...

with John Pottinger

It was the early 1980s, and I was in Victoria attending a court case. I was a member of the board of directors of a national labour organization and I was there acting as a technical advisor and courtroom assistant to our lawyer. After several years of working together, Cathy and I had become good friends, thanks to our shared view that life is an absurd miracle, so unbelievable that every occurrence—every moment—must be viewed with a mixture of awe and humour. Mostly humour.

On the second day of the hearing we finished early, so Cathy and I went for a drive around town. Though it was mid-winter, the day was warm and bright: so mild that people were out strolling in light jackets or

sweatshirts. Being from Ottawa, Cathy wanted to absorb as much of this extraordinary day as she could, so we stopped at a beach, got out, and sauntered along the shore. Cathy spied a group of cubs (the young Boy Scout kind) sitting around a fire. She skipped on over to them and within seconds we were part of their group. We sang and played guessing games with them until the light began to fade, then we wandered off down the beach. As the sun set, we sat on a log and told stories about our families, and growing up, and school. We chuckled over memories of report cards with the same comments year after year: "A pleasant, positive student, though the chattering and social activities can be disruptive to the class." We talked about serious things, too, but only for so long. In the midst of a discussion about being afraid, Cathy started into one of her Monty Python accents, and the scene dissolved into a comic parody of our lives.

Cathy and I saw less of each other as the years stumbled by and we both moved on to other responsibilities. Sometimes two years would pass before we saw each other in person, most often bumping into each other at a convention.

At each reunion, Cathy would mention that special day in Victoria and we'd reminisce about how magical it was. Then we'd crack each other up with our latest jokes. We had a name for the people we encountered in restaurants, or elevators, or hallways, who stared sternly at us, assuming that anyone so animated must be drugged. We called them "grownups."

Saturday, January 27 of this year, was another bright shiny day in Victoria. In the early afternoon, as I was driving along the waterfront, I glanced out over the glossy water. Visions from a similar day, many years ago, began streaming from the caves of my memory. I smiled, and then laughed right out loud, as I saw Cathy singing and clapping along with a group of young kids gathered around a beach fire.

The next morning a friend called to tell me Cathy had

been killed Saturday afternoon. She was walking through her neighbourhood with two of her best friends (one dog, one human), laughing and telling stories right up until that last obscene second. She died instantly: hit by a speeding, out-of-control vehicle driven by a drunk, out-of-control human. Some say the car came out of nowhere, but it really came from a day-long drinking party. They called it an ice-fishing trip.

I can't explain *why* I thought of Cathy early Saturday afternoon in Victoria—saw her singing and laughing at the precise time she left this world. But I did.

I don't know if there's some great message here—some cosmic truth—but I know this: Cathy lived every minute as if it were her last. She didn't say that, or even think it, she just did it. She was, as her son said at her funeral, "ridiculously happy."

I think she had so much joie de vivre that when she died it simply burst out into the universe. And some of it sprinkled down on me as I was driving along beside the beach.

PARC *cont'd from p2*

instructors for input. He pointed out that 1,500 people registered for PARC classes last year, not including fitness classes.

At the meeting, Fraser said the commission will consider the comments made by the delegates. Later, he clarified the commission's intent. "When I said their comments would be considered, I meant that all the input we get from the public will help us in the future.... Peoples' comments may help us im-

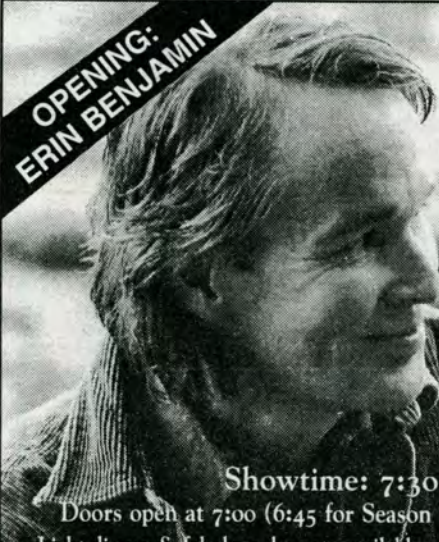
plement these changes so it will be more gentle."

In the future, PARC will advertise recreation classes in a newsletter instead of the familiar brochure. Instructors will handle registration and administrative details directly. Summer camp and pool programmes will not be affected by the changes.

Fraser explained that PARC took over community extension programmes in 1992 on a cost-recovery basis. Budget limitations drove the

commission to re-prioritize its resources this year. The new emphasis will focus on assets and facilities like parks and trails, rather than the delivery of services, he said.

He said PARC has been struggling because of a lack of funds to install lights and provide other security measures in parks. "We don't have the money to do things. It's not just fluff, it's liability issues, safety issues. We've put the public at risk by putting things off."



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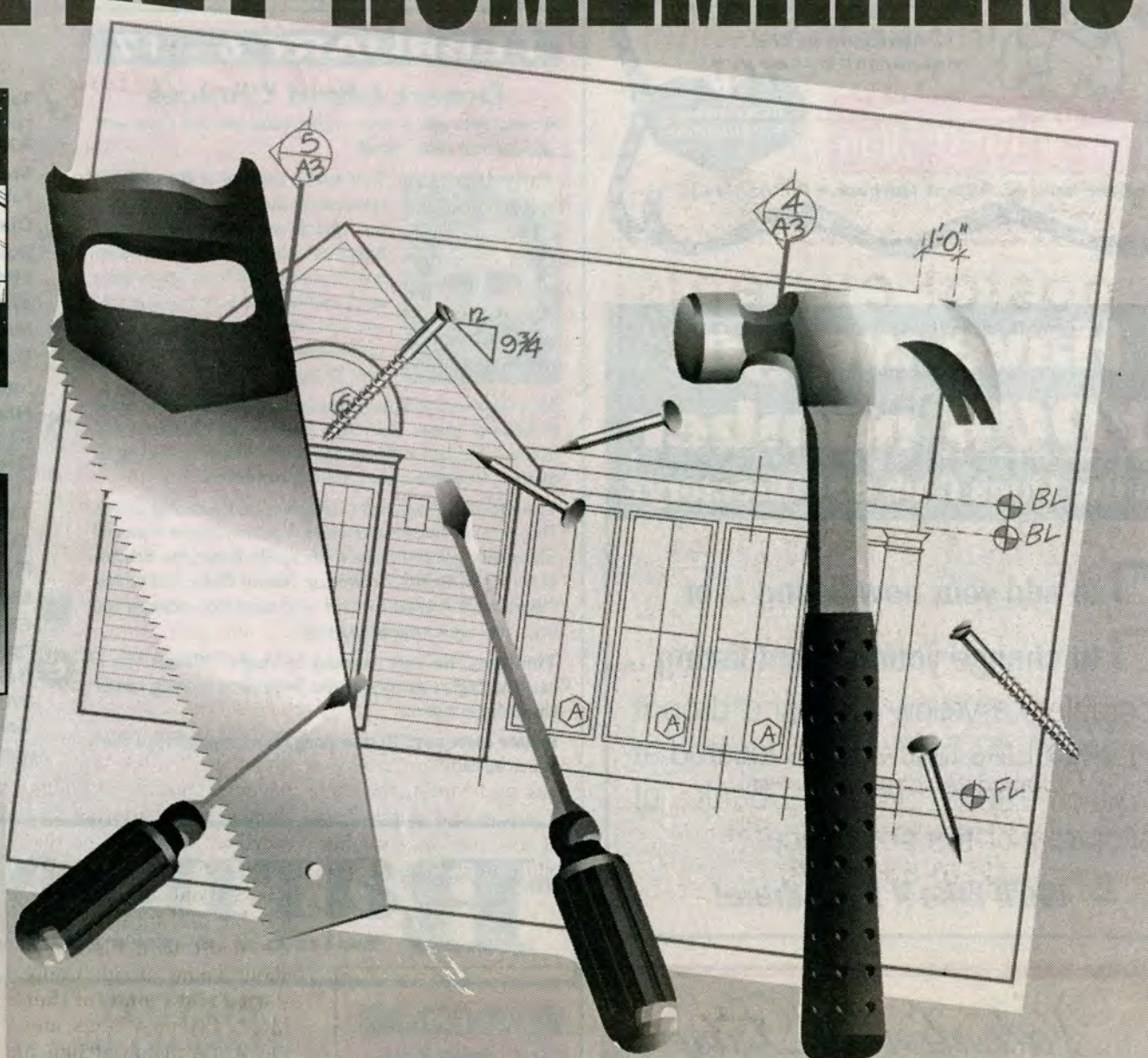
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FEBRUARY 6 - 17
Desert Island Choices
Reading, music and a visitor—what would you pick if you were stranded on a desert island?

This week's castaway is **Ron Max**, a professional actor and acting instructor whose workshop called **Actor's Bootcamp** is being offered this week-end. Ron, who hails from Los Angeles and New York, has been acting in theatre and film for over 25 years and successfully teaching the craft for over 20 years.

Since living on Salt Spring these last few years, Ron has acted in Edward Albee's *Zoo Story* (with Arvid Chalmers) and directed *The Lion in Winter* and *Chicks*. When not acting or teaching, Ron writes plays, stories, and novels.

The Book: I really like biographies and autobiographies. They help me understand where a person comes from and where they got to. I'd take *A Life* by Elia Kazan, the director of *On the Waterfront*, *A Streetcar Named Desire*, and Arthur Miller's work. A great director who came from poverty and made his way. A wonderful book.

The Disc: "The Look Ascending" by Vaughn Williams. This is beautiful English pastoral music. Sweet, airy, relaxing, restful. Like a day in a park.

Fellow castaway: "I'd take along Nancy, my girlfriend. She's fun to be with."

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**TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 6**

Toy Library
Portlock Park & Beaver Pt. Hall.
9:30-10:30am

Storytime for 3-5s
Public Library. 10-10:30am

Diana Thompson Surrey Art Gallery

Dana Pennington SS Roasting Co.

Stephanie Denz Island Savings

Victoria Leslie Bodyworks Collective

Maureen Garbarino Luigi's Pizzeria

Deborah Gainer Moby's Pub

June Boe Salt Spring Books.

Nia Fitness Dance
All Saints'. 5:15pm

Drop In Floor Hockey
Fulford Hall. 6:30-8:30pm

T.O.P.S. weight loss group
Call 537-2358 for private location. 7pm

Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9-10am

Cast Away
Cinema Central. 6:30 & 9pm

"Divine Ecstasy: Uniting the Beloved in All"
With Lalita Lane. Bodyworks Collective. 7-9pm

**WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 7**

Kindergym
Children 0-4. Comm. Gospel Chapel. 9-11am

Storytime
Fables Cottage. 10:30am

Afternoon Crafts
Ages 6+. Fables Cottage. 3:30-4:30pm

Music and Munch
All Saints'. 12:10pm

Wednesday Night Live
Open Stage hosted by Vaughn Fulford. Moby's Pub. 9pm

Argentinian Tango
Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm

Centering Prayer
Contemplative Centre. 8am

S. End Centering Prayer
St. Mary's Fulford. 11am

Caregivers Support Group
Seniors' Centre. 11am

Surfing for Seniors
Corinternet Café. 1-8pm

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Community Calendar
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LEGEND

- ★ Special Event
- 👶 Children
- 🎭 Performing Arts
- 🎵 Music
- 💃 Dance
- 🖼️ Gallery
- 🗣️ Interfaith
- 📅 Meetings & Lectures
- 🏥 Health
- 🏃 Sports and fitness
- 🎬 Cinema / TV
- ⚙️ Recreation
- 📖 Review in this issue

**MONDAY
FEBRUARY 12**

Pre-school Card & Board Games
Ages 3-5. Fables Cottage. 1-2pm

Classic Games
Ages 8+. Fables Cottage. 3-4pm.

Bill Morrissey
Salt Spring Folk Club. Fulford Hall. 7pm

Midnight Café
Acoustic Jam. Rose's Cafe. 7pm

Cats Pajamas Dance Class
Lang Road Studio. 7:30pm

Argentinian Tango practice
Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm

Vipassana Meditation
The Barn. 7:30pm

How to Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk
191 Lakefair Dr. 1:30-3:30pm

Cats Pajamas Feldenkrais Class
Lang Rd. Studio. 6pm

Life Model Drawing
United Church. 1-3pm

Psychic Development Group
Bodyworks Collective. 3:30-5pm

Fun Darts
Legion. 6:30pm

Cast Away
Cinema Central. 7pm

**TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 13**

Storytime for 3-5s
Public Library. 10-10:30am

The Decagogy (10 Commandments)
Video series. United Church. 3-5pm

History of Maracaibo
SS Historical Soc. Central Hall. 2pm

SSI Prostate Cancer Support Club
Guest: Dr. Myers. Lions. 1-3pm

Nia Fitness Dance
All Saints'. 5:15pm

Drop In Floor Hockey
Fulford Hall 6:30-8:30pm

T.O.P.S. weight loss group
Call 537-2358 for private location. 7pm

Flexible Strength
All Saints'. 9-10am

"Going Solo: Single Parenting in Our Time"
With Kim Hunter. Bodyworks Collective. 7-9pm

Cast Away Cinema
Central. 6:30pm & 9:00pm

**WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 14**

Valentine's Fitness Class
Fundraiser for Heart & Stroke Found. SS Elementary gym. 10:15-11:15am

Kindergym
0-4 yrs. Comm. Gospel Chapel. 9-11am

Storytime
Fables Cottage. 10:30am

Afternoon Crafts
Ages 6+. Fables Cottage. 3:30-4:30pm

Argentinian Tango practice
Lions Hall. 7:30-9:30pm

Centering Prayer
Contemplative Centre. 8am

Spell of the Sensuous
Book study. United Church. 10-11:30am

S. End Centering Prayer
St. Mary's Fulford. 11am

Caregivers Support Group
Seniors' Centre. 11am

RRSPs & RRIIs
Lunch and Learn. BMO Nesbitt Burns. 12-1pm. RSVP: 537-1654

SS Hours Potluck Meeting
Family Place. 6pm

GISS PAC meeting
Workshop on parenting teens. GISS library. 7pm

Surfing for Seniors
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~ The Festival ~

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The festival is organized by a small group of volunteers who hope to help foster awareness in our community of development issues and the links between local and global concerns.

Admission is by donation.

Childcare is provided by GISS students.

~ Friday, February 9 ~ Afghani Vegetarian Feast

Dinner at 6:00pm, GISS Cafeteria. Tickets \$25 at SS Books

Feature Film: 8:15 pm (40 min.)
Inuit Observations on Climate Change
Introduction by Larry Carpenter (featured in film)

~ The Schedule ~

Saturday, February 10

Multipurpose Room

10am-5pm Volunteer Fair -
over 25 SSI Community
Volunteer Groups
12:30pm Raging Grannies

Drama Room

10 am Reinventing the
Food System
11:15 Food for Thought
12:10 Defending the
Forest
12:50 Above the Law
2:10 Connect
2:55 Giant Sea Turtles
3:45 The Strength of
Indigenous People
4:25 Metal of
Dishonour

Room 212

10 am Ecopsychology
10:50 Barefoot College
Noon Working Like Crazy
1:20 Sacred Land;
Scarred Land
2:20 Good Wood
3:30 The Ad and the Ego

Saturday Evening
Multipurpose Room • 7:30 pm
*This is What Democracy
Looks Like*



Sunday, February 11

Drama Room

11 am Marker of Change
12:20 Our House
1:45 Long Night's
Journey into Day
3:40 Loyalties

Room 212

11 am The Golf War
12:05 Public Education
1 pm Of Hopscotch and
Little Girls
2:20 Unwanted Soldiers
3:35 Dirty Secrets

Room 205

11 am Crop Circles
Noon On Hostile
Ground

Music Schedule, Cafeteria

Noon Young Jazz Players
12:30 SIMS Choir
1 pm Wrangellian
Gumboot
Ensemble
1:15 Lisa and Charley
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2 pm Miranda and
Michael



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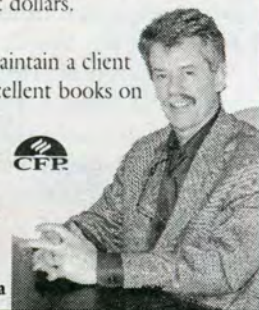


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A hundred cameras capture WTO protests

by Judy Harper

Saturday night's feature film, 'This is What Democracy Looks Like' will reveal a side of the WTO demonstrations in Seattle that most of us, thanks to mainstream media coverage, have not been made aware of. Compiled and produced by environmental lawyer Dan Merkle at the Independent Media Centre, it is an anthology of over 100 individual contributions from amateur and professional film makers who were present at the 1999 demonstration that brought together almost 50,000 people from all walks of life in a grassroots movement to demand the right to assemble and speak.

Powerful and disturbing, this film could almost be called a double entendre, portraying as it does the concept of direct democracy against the often violent backdrop of the political mainstream, and challenging the integrity of corporate owned media.

'This is What Democracy Looks Like' will be shown Saturday at 7:30 pm in the multipurpose room at GISS, following a short film about the Independent Media Centre. The evening will be hosted by Bruce Elkin and Dan Merkle, who will take time to answer questions following the screening.

Climate Changes An Arctic Homeland

by C. McEwen

Sockeye salmon don't belong at Sachs Harbour. They've never been seen there in fish nets—until recently. Robin and swallow aren't part of the oral history of the Inuvialuit. And when Larry Carpenter first reported thunderstorms to Environment Canada, he was told it was too cold at Sachs Harbour for thunder.

As predicted so long ago, climate change is being felt first in the Polar regions. The Inuvialuit, like other arctic indigenous peoples, living on the land and sea, have been the first to observe the changes to their arctic environment. They don't monitor the changes, they live them first hand. And the International Institute of Sustainable Development set out to document their experiences in the film, 'Sila Alangotok—Inuit Observations on Climate Change'.

Larry, like his father and grandfathers before him, calls Sachs Harbour home—a remote community of 120 Inuvialuit on the southwest edge of Banks Island in Canada's western Arctic. Their land is a magnificent wonder of tundra ecology surrounded by the Arctic Ocean. For generations, the land and sea have provided sustenance for the Inuvialuit—caribou, muskox, snow geese, berries, arctic char, whitefish, polar bear, and seal. Descended from nomadic hunters and trappers, the Inuvialuit have crafted their indigenous technologies to their ever changing environment. They have accumulated skills and knowledge honed to the conditions of their arctic homeland and to changes brought on by outside southern forces. Sachs Harbour itself is a modern community—a blend of traditional ways and the technology of the 21st century.

Even so, the challenges of climate change may pose a threat to the Inuvialuit lifestyle unlike any faced before. The impacts of climate change are immense and they are accelerating. For the Inuvialuit of Sachs Harbour, their homeland, to which they are so intimately connected for survival, is thawing.

"One day it's 20 below, the next day it's +4 and the snow's all gone... a lot of people can't get out on the land."

This story of Larry Carpenter and his people may seem remote from the comforts of our southern homes. Yet everything is connected. All is one. What's happening in the Arctic is like a distance early warning of the negative impacts of climate change predicted to occur elsewhere in the World.

'Sila Alangotok-Inuit Observations on Climate Change' will air on Friday February 9 at 8:30 pm in the multipurpose room, introduced by Larry Carpenter from Sachs Harbour. Carpenter is the Chairman of the Wildlife Management Advisory Council of the Northwest Territories, and is tying his visit to Salt Spring in with his recent trip to Edmonton to discuss Polar Bear Management.

~ Saturday, February 10 ~

The festival starts at 10 am. The Volunteer Fair in the Multipurpose room hosts over 30 community organizations. International Films are playing continuously in two venues.

In our Workshop Room we offer two sessions

with the Gulf Islands Film & Television School and seminars by Mort Ransen and Ken Heeley-Ray.

Lunch and snacks are available in the cafeteria. Saturday evening we show our feature film *This is What Democracy Looks Like*.

Above the Law II: the other side of the story

54 minutes. Splitting the Sky 2000
Producers: John "Splitting the Sky" Hill and Mervin Brown

This is the story of the Gustafson Lake stand-off in 1995, when the Canadian and BC governments turned a dispute over aboriginal land rights into the largest police action in Canadian history.

The Barefoot College: knowledge demystified

45 minutes. McNabb & Connolly 1997
Director: Ian Murray

In Rajasthan, India, the "Barefoot College" offers training in many trades. It has created a non-formal process for educating children, youth and adults to develop and maintain sustainable communities. Its successes have been reproduced in 13 other Indian states.

Connect: a new ecological paradigm

23 minutes. Video Project 1997

Delivered in an upbeat style, this film celebrates the ability of younger people to choose a lifestyle sensitive to the environment and to social justice issues. Full of music and incredible nature footage, this film inspires and entertains.



Crop Circles

Videography of Peter Sorenson

A simple concept? Perhaps a prank? This film views the crop circles near Stonehenge in Britain, from a helicopter. Their mystery, complexity and beauty leave you wondering.

Defending the Forests: campesino environmentalists of Guerrero

18 minutes. Chiapas Media Project 2000

Since the NAFTA, illegal logging has increased in rural Guerrero. Peasants have organized to force companies to stop work, but now the Mexican government and military have developed a campaign of repression and terror, and have imprisoned peasant leaders.

Dirty Secrets: Jennifer, Everardo and the CIA

56 minutes. IDERA 1998 Director: Patricia Goudvis

A noted Guatemalan rebel leader was "disappeared" by government troops in the early 90s. His wife, American lawyer Jennifer Harbury risks everything—even her life—to learn the truth about his disappearance. In the process she exposes the illicit collusion of the CIA in the repression of the Indian people of Guatemala.

Ecopsychology: restoring the earth, healing the self

26 minutes. Foundation for Global Community 1996

Directors: James & Wileta Burch

Ecopsychology is a new science which links psychology and ecology, nature and human consciousness, our mental health and the health of the planet. A discussion with historian Theodore Roszak, clinical psychologist Sarah Conn, and Carl Anthony, president of Earth Institute.

Food for Thought

28 minutes. McNabb & Connolly 1999
Director: Ed Schehl

Many of the foods in our supermarkets contain genetically engineered ingredients. Scientists are crossing species which would never breed in nature: tomatoes and fish, toads and potatoes, etc. These foods are not being tested for safety or labelled for informed choice.

Giant Sea Turtles

26 minutes. NFB 1998
Director: Gary Marcuse

For 100 million years turtles have cruised the seas, but today every species is threatened or endangered. This film visits the Arawak community in Guyana where young people are being trained to respect turtles rather than kill them for meat. Breathtaking underwater photography.

The Golf War: a story of land, golf and revolution in the Philippines

39 minutes. Anthill Productions 1999

Filmmakers:
Jen Schradie & Matt Devries

When Filipino villagers resist the conversion of their ancestral farmlands, their sole means of livelihood, into a golf course, they face a bloody struggle against developers and their government. Tiger Woods appears as a pawn in the propaganda battle.



Good Wood

48 minutes. CBC 1998 Director: Michael Allder
Shows how sustainable solutions to forest management can benefit us all by keeping people employed and preserving forests.

Inuit Observations on Climate Change

42 minutes. International Institute for Sustainable Development 2000

This film supports predictions that climate change would be felt first in the polar regions. This film was recently shown at UN meetings in Holland.

~ The Fi

The Ad and the Ego

57 minutes. 1996
Director: Harold Boihem

The Ad and the Ego is a comprehensive look at advertising's impact on our culture, creating a "psychology of need" omnipresent advertising sells us, our sense of "what is normal." You see the same way after viewing the

Long Night's Journey

90 minutes.
Director: Deborah Hoffmann & Frances Reid

When apartheid ended in South Africa those who had enforced it's rules wanted amnesty for their crimes. Their victims wanted justice. The Truth Commission was formed to bring perpetrators. This film shows the sal themes of conflict, forgiveness.

Loyalties

57 minutes. NFB 1999
Director: Lesley Ann Patten

A young black woman of Nova Scotia cover the provenance of ancestors she meets an older white woman were plantation owners in South return there to unearth their respective interlocking connections and memories.

Marker of Change

52 minutes. Moving Images 1998
Director: Moira Simpson

This is the remarkable story of a group of Vancouver women who placed a permanent marker to remember the day at L'Ecole Polytechnique December 6, 1989. The process of memorial proved to be as important as the event.

Metal of Dishonour: uranium

50 minutes. Peoples' Video Network
Director: Ellen Andors

This gives a stirring expose of the uranium in the Gulf War. It takes us to hospitals where children are suffering from sickness and its ugly consequences.

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Of Hopscotch and Little Girls

52 minutes. NFB 1999
Director: Marquise Lepage

Girls around the world play hopscotch. They also have common dreams of a better world. All too often the dreams are shattered by poverty, denial of education, forced labour, sexual abuse and other injustices.



On Hostile Ground

40 minutes. Aubin Pictures
Directors: Liz Mermin & Jenny Raskin

A small number of health care professionals in North America are targets in a civil war, and they face little public support and unpredictable opponents. This film enters the lives of three people who provide abortion services as one part of a large range of services to women patients.

Our House

60 minutes. Sugar Pictures 1999
Director: Meema Spadola

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21 minutes. BCTF 2000

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Reinventing the Food System

50 minutes. Director: David Springbett & Heather Macandrew

Des Kennedy hosts this thought-provoking program which looks at the challenge of devising a sustainable food system that is healthy, accessible and affordable. Innovative thinkers and creative ideas offer hope and inspiration.

Sacred Land, Scarred Land

30 minutes. Ecumenical Jubilee Initiative 2000

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The Strength of the Indigenous People

27 minutes. Chiapas Media Project 2000

This film traces the production of organic coffee from seedling to the roasted bean in the Mut Vitz Co-operative in Chiapas, Mexico. Beautiful rural scenery.

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60 minutes. Independent Media Center 2000
Directors: Jill Freidberg & Rick Rowley

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Unwanted Soldiers

48 minutes. NFB 1999
Director: Jari Osborne

When filmmaker Jari Osborne discovers the truth of her father's involvement in World War II, she uncovers a legacy of discrimination and politically-sanctioned racism against B.C.'s Chinese-Canadian community.

Working Like Crazy

55 minutes. NFB 1999
Directors: Gwynne Basen & Laura Sky

This film shows the struggles and victories of some former mental health patients who work in businesses owned and run by other psychiatric survivors. There are rare glimpses of their experiences of tears and laughter, isolation and friendship, rejection and acceptance. Work is seen as a process which rebuilds peoples' connections. A film about hope.



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Saturday, February 10

- 10 am GIFTS (Gulf Island Film and Television School) Workshop (2 hours)
- Noon GIFTS Video Selection of Student Work (60)
- 1 pm Mort Ransen, Socially Relevant Storytelling, Introducing Scholarship
- 1:45 Ken Heeley-Ray, Sound Man
- 2:30 GIFTS Workshop (2 hours)



Sunday, February 11

1 pm-5 pm • Local Filmmakers



- 1 pm Callianne Bachman
- 1:20 James Sharp
- 1:40 Donna Kuprowski
- 2 pm Peeter Prince
- 2:45 Gail Noonan
- 3:15 Marius Lohman
- 3:45 Trinity Forbes
- 4 pm Thomas Lundy
- 4:30 Sheila Harrington

~ Volunteer Festival ~

Saturday, February 10, 10 am - 5 pm

Multipurpose Room

A variety of local groups will be on hand to illustrate how their volunteer work ties into the theme of this year's festival—LIVING CREATIVELY—and enhances the quality of life for everyone in our community.

Here is a chance to learn more about the many active groups on the island, check out volunteer opportunities and maybe even take home a prize (or two)!

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| 1. Bessie Dane Hospice | 18. Raging Grannies |
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| 8. Community Services Society | 25. Salt Spring Appeal - Land Conservancy of B.C |
| 9. GI Seniors Residence Association | 26. Growing Circle Food Co-op |
| 10. Island Wildlife Care Centre | 27. Canadian Federation of University Women |
| 11. SPCA | 28. Mary Hawkins Memorial Library |
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| 13. SWOVA | 30. GI Women's Resource Network |
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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8

Family Walk Mouat Park. 10am
Storytime Fables Cottage. 10:30am
Sign Language
 Ages 3-teen. Fables Cottage. 1-2pm
Sing Along Group
 Seniors' Bldg. 2pm
Movements of Dance
 10-11:15am. Pre-register with PARC.
Salty Wheels Square Dance
 Central Hall. 7-9pm.
Community Meditation
 United Church. 11:15am-12:30pm
Soup's On: Free soup & sandwich
 All Saints'. 11:30am-1pm
Community Gathering
 United Church. 5:30-7pm
SSI Weavers & Spinners Guild
 ArtSpring. 10:30-noon
Flexible Strength
 All Saints'. 9-10am
Nia Fitness Dance
 All Saints'. 5:15pm
Climbing The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
Badminton Club
 GISS gym. 8-10pm
Survivor: Down Under
 Giant screen tv at Talons. 8pm

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9

Afghan dinner
 GISS cafeteria. 6pm
Our Island, Our World Film Festival
 GISS. 6pm
Rugbugger's: Potluck & Support
 Family Place. 11:30-1pm
Music and Me
 Parents w/ tots 0-2.
 Family Place. 9:30-11am.
 Registration: 537-4416
Storytime
 Fables Cottage. 10:30am
Myths & Fairytales for 7-10s
 Public Library. 3-4pm
Open Stage
 Rose's Cafe. 7pm
Open Climbing
 The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
Rollerblading to Music
 Fulford Hall. 7:30pm
Black light bowling
 King's Lane. 9pm-mid.
Cast Away
 Cinema Central. 7pm

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10

Nichola Howard Fundraiser
 King's Lanes. 9am-7pm
Our Island, Our World Film Festival
 GISS. 10am-5pm
Seedy Saturday
 Farmers Institute. 10am-3pm
Valentine Jubilee Fundraiser
 for Royal Jubilee Cancer Unit.
 Dinner/dance. Meaden Hall 6pm
Calligraphy Series
 Ages 8+. Fables Cottage. 12-1pm
Baking with Bob
 Ages 6+. Fables Cottage. 2-3:30pm
Barrington Perry
 Soft Jazz. Alfresco. 6-9:30pm
The Other Brothers
 Harbour House Lounge. 9pm-mid.
Library Book Sale
 Library. 10am-1pm
Nia Fitness Dance
 All Saints'. 9:30am
Valentine's Dance All ages.
 Beaver Pt. Hall. 8pm
Actor's Bootcamp
 Core Inn. 10am-5pm. Register:
 537-9187. Limited space.
Pottery workshop with Lynne Johnson
 ArtSpring. 10am-4pm.
Cast Away
 Cinema Central. 7pm

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11

Nichola Howard Fundraiser
 King's Lanes. 9am-7pm
Our Island, Our World Film Festival
 GISS. 10am-4pm
Tonight... Piaf
 ArtSpring. 3pm
The Other Brothers
 Fulford Inn. 6-9pm
Open Climbing
 The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
Badminton Club
 GISS gym. 8-10pm
Actor's Bootcamp
 Core Inn. 10am-5pm.
 Registration: 537-9187
Pottery workshop with Lynne Johnson
 ArtSpring. 10am-3pm.
 Registration: 537-2184
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Cast Away
 Cinema Central. 7pm

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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 15

Family Walk Mouat Park. 10am
Storytime Fables Cottage. 10:30am
Sign Language
 Ages 3-teen. Fables Cottage. 1-2pm
For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again
 ArtSpring. 8pm
Sing Along Group
 Seniors' Bldg. 2pm
Movements of Dance
 10-11:15am. Pre-register with PARC.
Salty Wheels Sq. Dance Central. 7-9pm.
Men's Breakfast United Church. 8-9:30am
Community Meditation
 United Church. 11:15am-12:30pm
Soup's On: Free soup & sandwich
 All Saints'. 11:30am-1pm
Community Gathering
 United Church. 5:30-7pm
SSI Weavers & Spinners Guild
 ArtSpring. 10:30-noon
Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9-10am
Nia Fitness Dance All Saints'. 5:15pm
Climbing The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
Badminton Club GISS gym. 8-10pm
Survivor: Down Under
 Giant screen tv at Talons. 8pm
Bingo Meaden Hall (Legion). 6:30pm

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 16

Rugbugger's: Potluck & Support
 Family Place. 11:30-1pm
Salt and Puppet Theatre
 Ages 6-12. 9-noon.
 Reg. 653-9253
Music and Me
 Parents w/ tots 0-2 yrs.
 Family Place. 9:30-11am.
 Reg.: 537-4416
Storytime
 Fables Cottage. 10:30am
Myths & Fairytales for 7-10s
 Public Library. 3-4pm
For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again
 ArtSpring. 8pm
Open Stage
 Rose's Cafe. 7pm
SS Potters Guild
 175 North View Place.
 8:30am.
Climbing
 The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
Rollerblading to Music
 Fulford Hall. 7:30pm
Black light bowling
 King's Lane. 9pm-midnight

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 17

Calligraphy Series
 Ages 8+. Fables Cottage. 12-1pm
For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again
 ArtSpring. 8pm
Sue Newman & Ramesh Meyers
 Harbour House Lounge. 9-midnight
Barrington Perry
 Soft Jazz. Alfresco. 6-9:30pm
Jack & Lefty Trio
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Tammy Fassaert
 All Saints'. 8pm.
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 Library. 10am-1pm
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Nia Fitness Dance
 All Saints'. 9:30am
Innovative Book Structures
 Bookbinding work-
 shop. PARC
 portable. 9:30am-
 3:30pm

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18

For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again
 ArtSpring. 2pm
Choral Evensong for pre Lent
 All Saints'. 4pm
The Other Brothers
 Fulford Inn. 6-9pm
Climbing
 The Wall. 6:30-9:30pm
Badminton Club
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Beneath: the preview



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One of the worst examples of this "spoiler" trailer, as it is called, is for *What Lies Beneath*. One would think selling a supernatural mystery thriller would involve only general hints, but in this case the trailers said everything that could be said.

The film stars Harrison Ford and Michelle Pfeiffer as Norman and Claire Spencer, a married couple whose daughter has just left for college. Claire, depressed and suffering from "empty nest syndrome," starts seeing and hearing things. Ghostly things. As the title suggests, there's something nasty going on.

As a favour to you, that's all I'm going to say about the plot. Robert Zemeckis directs with a predatory zeal, constantly setting us up for a scary bit and then delivering with gusto. There are several scenes where you *know* what's coming, but it doesn't matter—you still freak out when the hand wiggles over to grab the ankle, or the cat jumps out from the closet.

One critic even said that *What Lies Beneath* does for the bathtub what *Psycho* did for the shower. Comparisons between Zemeckis and Hitchcock have been made, and fans will note many references to the latter's films. Naming the main character Norman is a little conspicuous, don't you think? The film points to a deeper meaning: something about women, aging, and the family. This doesn't really work out, but so what? *What Lies Beneath* is about making you jump in your seat, not your brain.

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Good country fun at Fulford dance

by Gail Trafford

The Fulford Country Dance filled the school gym last Friday, February 2. Principal Judy Raddysh estimated that since most of the school's 139 students came with their families, the crowd must have numbered close to 300. Country dance caller Bruce Pearson had a mixed group of adults, teens, and tots swinging to the music of Crazy Creek.

Good food, good conversation, and lots of goods and services for the silent auction made it a delightful evening for all ages. The famous Gumbo Dancers entertained at break time and Lady Godiva made a spot-

light appearance to offer her wig on the auction block.

Thanks to all the volunteer help and a smoothly run event, the Parents Advisory Council (P.A.C.) raised over \$2,000 for student activities and school projects.

YJP to play at M & M

Taking the stage for the first Music and Munch programme of the year are YJP (Young Jazz Players). Formerly known as the SIMS Jazz Combo, these dedicated young players have delighted many audiences.

YJP's musicians are involved in either the middle or high

Pottery workshop will inspire all

by Joanne O'Connor

A unique look at Japanese influenced pottery methods will highlight this weekend's workshop sponsored by the Salt Spring Island Potters' Guild. Lynne Johnson, a potter with over 15 years of experience, will share her knowledge and skills while demonstrating various thrown and altered forms. Johnson has just returned from her fourth trip to Japan and promises many anecdotes to accompany her demonstrations.

The workshop will provide a showcase for Johnson's unique blend of traditional and individual techniques. "My work is constantly changing," Johnson admitted. "Each piece I do, whether it be a bowl or a plate, is different." She explained that slight differences are accomplished through various glazing and firing processes.

Johnson's pottery reflects her affinity for individuality. She mixes her own glazes and clay bodies, thereby integrating her love of clay with a

functional approach to pottery. "I don't decorate," Johnson explained. "I want the form and the piece itself to have its own personality."

Methods of firing reveal different characteristics inherent in the unadorned clay. Johnson uses a wood-fired kiln to fire most of her clay forms. A natural flame, generated by either wood or gas, adds more variables to the firing process. Johnson will discuss methods of firing during the workshop, including her "reduction-cooled" technique.

Although an experienced artist in the field of clay renderings, Lynne Johnson is quick to note that she is constantly acquiring fresh skills and developing new techniques. No matter what their background, those attending the workshop should enjoy an inspiring weekend of interactive learning.

A ski instructor prior to becoming a potter, Johnson was first attracted to Japanese culture after visiting

see POTTERY p15

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Binding her business

The dawning of the new year brought with it the opening of a new business to service the needs of book-loving Islanders. Jill Willmot was a practicing professional hand book-binder in Kingston, Ontario for 19 years before moving with her husband to Salt Spring Island in August of 1999. And after attending to several minor house renovations she has just set up her bindery here.

Originally trained in England, Willmot was one of three women who were instrumental in the founding of The Canadian Bookbinders' and Book Artists' Guild in 1983, a national organization which currently has a membership of 457. Over the years Willmot has done repairs and restorations, replacement and design bindings, and made-to-measure book boxes too numerous to count. The tools and techniques she uses are, for the most part, the traditional time-tested ones first developed in the Middle Ages and still used by all good hand binders today.

They have served Willmot and her many clients well,



Jill Willmot with some of her book binding tools.

among whom she recalls book dealers, university professors, budding poets, people wanting special bindings for gift-giving, and old-timers needing restorative treatments for their grandmothers' cookbooks

and family bibles. The oldest book Jill ever worked on was a 1652 edition of Dr. Martin Luther's *Divine Discourses*, and the one which in the end gave her the most pleasure was Kate Sterns' surrealist novel, *Thinking About Margate*.

Along the way Willmot has taken advantage of every possible opportunity to share her craft with others. She has demonstrated in period costume at heritage museums and craft fairs, and taught several different bookbinding courses

at various colleges.

Since moving to Salt Spring she has instructed a very successful four-day workshop in a barn in Cobble Hill, and for the past year has been a regular member of the book-repair team of volunteers at the Mary Hawkins Memorial Library. This spring, under the auspices of PARC, Jill will be offering two one-day workshops in non-traditional bookbinding (artists' book formats) on Saturday February 17 and six weeks later on March 31.

With her high regard for the accumulated knowledge and undoubted pleasure that most books provide, Willmot identifies with the statement made by Rochester, New York book artist Keith Smith: "the cover of a book should be like the door of a house: secure, distinctive, and inviting. It should entice the beholder to 'come' inside and explore what lies beyond." Willmot adds to this statement, saying, "In a world growing ever more noisy and clamorous, reading is one of the few quiet pleasures left to humanity. By re-involving myself with hand bookbinding on Salt Spring Island, I hope to sustain and enhance this pleasure in my new community."

Jill Willmot's bindery, which is located on the lower level of her house, is open to all. Call 537-8343 to book an appointment.

Pottery *cont'd from p14*

with some Japanese students. During her first trip to Japan in 1993, Johnson "got hooked on the language, the people and the pottery." The traditional attention to details of food presentation delighted Johnson. She explained that the seasons and the types of food often influence the choice of various bowls or plates. "I like the aesthetic of Japanese pottery," Johnson stated.

Those wishing to attend the workshop may still register or acquire more information through Beth Feller at 537-2184, or by email to katepwa@saltspring.com. The weekend begins with a potluck dinner on Friday, February 9, during which Johnson will share slides and stories of her recent travels in Japan. The workshop will be held at ArtSpring on Saturday February 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday February 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The workshop cost is \$85.

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Dolphus Cadieux:

Abstract sculptor works in a variety of materials

by Judy Harper

When Dolphus Cadieux pushes his medium to its breaking point, the resulting work of art demands a commitment of intellect and imagination from the viewer. The infinite variety of his sculptural materials, their textures, colours, and ultimate finished forms, defy categorization.

Cadieux, who refers to himself as a Northern artist, has worked with such diverse materials as recycled metal, natural rock, Great Slave marble, fibreglass, mosaic, paint, and most recently, alabaster and soapstone. In 1999, he and two other artists were chosen to design and build the mace of the Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories.

His work is displayed in galleries all over Canada, including The Art of Man Gallery at the Empress Hotel in Victoria. Born in Yellowknife, he has spent much of the past seven years travelling and working on commissions. This year he decided to move to Salt Spring, temporarily sharing a studio with fellow artist and long time friend Abraham Ruben, with whom he collaborated on a sculpture project for Victoria's

Inner Harbour during the Summer Games.

For the past 10 years, Cadieux has enjoyed artistic free-reign in his sculptural works which have been primarily abstract in form. He often works without mental imagery or plan, feeling that pre-conceptions of the end result restrict the flow of his creative process.

The results are surprising and lyrical.

His work vibrates with energy and tension, reflecting the equilibrium of life in the smooth, polished aspect of stone and raw surfaces reminiscent of organic matter. He often uses recycled materials in his work, and is currently building a three-metre tall monument of a trapper, using dismantled leghold traps. His creativity also frequently expresses itself in paint—large canvasses which reflect his free-flowing approach to sculpture.

Ever ready to tackle new challenges, he designed and created a masterful, huge ceramic tile mural in Yellowknife, though he had never worked in the medium before. His current work reflects more of his native heritage in his choices of materials and designs. One recent piece, carved in soap-



Dolphus Cadieux poses with one of his pieces

stone, is breathtaking in its complexity. Pushing the boundaries of the stone, he has carved a mother and child on one surface. Turn it to the side, and it all but disappears, the natural heaviness of the stone transforming itself into the delicately rising image of a loon. Though characterizing himself as innovative, rather than traditional, he always returns to the harmony and balance of nature.

Cadieux has a special place in his heart for snow sculpture. Perhaps the inevitability of the artworks' metamorphosis appeals to his artistic soul. He has participated several times in national and international

snow sculpture competitions in Ottawa and Quebec City, where he delighted in meeting artists from all over the world, and in 1990 won the Artists' Choice Award in Quebec City. In 1991, and again in 2000, he was asked to be one of the judges for Canadian Snow Sculpting Competition on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. He has hopes, in the future, to take part in a sand sculpture competition, but currently works full time to supply sculptures to his galleries.

When he gets settled down here, and finds the time, Dolphus is hoping to do an exhibition of works sculpted from locally-found materials.

Bill Morrissey plays Folk Club

by Peggy Abrahams

The Folk Club features New England folksinger Bill Morrissey next Monday, February 12 at Fulford Hall. The prolific recording artist has developed a reputation for his own brand of New England blues. His voice is said to be reminiscent of Hank Williams and Tom Waits, and his guitar style has been compared to blues guitarists Mississippi John Hurt and Mance Lipscomb.

The *New York Times* said, "Morrissey belongs to a modern acoustic folk tradition that goes back to Woody Guthrie and that includes not only the early Bob Dylan and John Prine, but also Bruce Springsteen and Tom Waits in their more folkish songs-of-the-common-man modes."

Morrissey grew up in Hartford, Connecticut and later, Acton, Massachusetts. While in high school, he bought an old Silvertone guitar with the names of the Beatles carved on the front. An early interest in rock and roll evolved into a new taste for the sounds of folk revival.

Morrissey, who has recorded eight albums, established himself touring the New England coffee house circuit. He first got the nerve to

start playing in bars when he was a college student in New Hampshire. His college career didn't last long, but he continued to perform.

A series of blue collar jobs—in factories and fast food restaurants, on fishing boats and at gas stations—fed him new material for his music. He got his first big break playing at the Newport Folk Festival in 1985. After that, he recorded a series of albums, the first in 1986.

Entertainment Weekly described Morrissey as the best folksong writer working today. His latest CD is the 1999 release *Songs of Mississippi John Hurt*, a tribute to the Mississippi bluesman who influenced him the most. Also an author, Morrissey published his first novel, *Edson*, in 1996.

This will be the second-to-last concert of this season's Folk Club offerings. Tickets are \$15 at Acoustic Planet and Stuff & Nonsense. Doors open at 7 p.m., season ticket holders are admitted at 6:45, and the concert starts at 7:30. Erin Benjamin performs the warm-up set. There's no need to eat first. Catered dinner, desserts and drinks may be purchased before the show and at intermission.

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Tales of Tuktoyaktuk:

Snow, cold, self-reliance features of Tuk in the 60s

by Judy Harper

When the float-plane bearing Sheila Peebles and her young children from Inuvik to the Native settlement of Tuktoyaktuk was forced to turn back because of the fog, it was a blessing in disguise, though she didn't know it at the time. Dressed for a day's outing in Canada's south in the early 1960s, Sheila was advised by a kindly nun that tripping down the gang-plank to the shores of the Beaufort Sea in high heels was not recommended, unless she had a mind to entertain the community.

Properly geared in boots and jeans, she once again boarded the plane and an hour later stepped into the balmy Arctic summer at Tuktoyaktuk to begin a new life that had all started with a bet at a card game.

A few months earlier, Sheila and Sam Peebles had been playing bridge with friends in Quesnel when a friend found an interesting ad in the local newspaper and dared Sam to reply to it.

Sam accepted the dare and landed a job with the Department of Northern Affairs. He was the new Principal of the Federal Day School at Tuktoyaktuk, one of Canada's northernmost settlements, population 335.

Sam and Sheila shared their Arctic adventures of over 40 years ago at Seniors for Seniors last week. The one-hour presentation began with display of hand-crafted boots, dolls, and bone utensils, souvenirs of their two years in the North, and continued with a slide show and discussion.

The realities of life in Tuktoyaktuk in 1961 were rugged, especially for southerners who were used to weekly grocery shopping, cozy insulated housing, TV, and the 24-hour availability of doctors. Sam showed slides while Sheila spoke of the view from their metal house of the flat white horizon broken only by the DEW line radar structure in the distance, of the three inches of ice on the inside of their windows,

and of never being warm. In "Tuk," the groceries arrived by barge down the Mackenzie River only once a year.

Sheila, who had assumed that she could purchase bread, quickly learned to bake it. A more pressing concern for the family was the lack of a doctor in the settlement, though a nursing station was built in 1961. During the Peebles' stay, their 18-month-old son Jack survived a red measles epidemic which killed five of the Native children.

The harshness of Tuktoyaktuk's life and landscape was only a backdrop for its warmth as a community. The Peebles showed slides of Inuit weddings and the regular Friday night dances held in the schoolroom; of dog-sled races at Easter and pic-



The Peebles' Easter picnic on a Tuktoyaktuk beach, 1962.

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nics in the snow in spring; of the return of the sun after the endless night of winter; and of Arctic anomalies like pingos, the giant frost boils which were used for food storage. Sheila told of Sam coming home for lunch in the dark of winter, and of trying to get the kids to sleep

when the Native children were outside playing at 2 a.m. in the summer sun. To supplement the social life of the settlement, the Peebles helped to build a curling rink, using ribs from an abandoned army base, and Sam wrote a letter to the Montreal Canadiens, obtaining ice

skates for everyone.

The Native creed in Tuktoyaktuk is, "you've got to do things yourself if you want to survive in the North." It was clear that although the Peebles spoke of hardships, the North has left an indelible impression on their lives.



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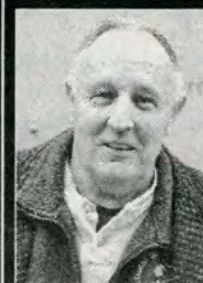


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Seniors Scene ... with Alan Fairlie

In my last column (January 3) I was writing about the many acts of kindness I had experienced during my recent flu attack. One of my readers phoned me last week to say she had an article on the subject. She produced the four-page spread given out by

the Alberta Teachers Retirement Fund announcing a Random Act of Kindness Week, which is being held February 12 to 18 in Alberta.

I don't think we need a special week here on Salt Spring—our "Random Acts" go on year-round because that's the kind of

people we are!

The paper goes on to suggest some kind acts for students and seniors. For example, Kindness Clown: "Create a clown holding felt balloons on your felt board. Encourage people to contribute kindness balloons with a thought on each."

We don't need all this organized promotion. After all, the first word in the title is "random"—let's leave it that way!

Taste a trip to Mexico



Let's Eat... with Linda Koroscil

Fresh towels, smelling of washing soap like gardenias. The scent of dusty earth and roasted meat. Clouds, like grey wool, scudding across the sky, making pictures. Birds hanging in the air, motionless. The thud of a diesel engine, just offshore. Motor scooters rattling by. The never-ending sound of hammer against anvil. The voice of the vendor—doughnuts and music, always music in the air—this is the Mexico I love.

We make eye contact as we walk up the street—people aren't afraid. Everyone speaks. Where are you from? Merida? Cancun? Valladolid? No... Isla Mujeres, Island of the ladies! Ah, Isla Mujeres, *es muy bonito, si?* One day rolls into the next. We walk past a tortilla maker—the heat of the oven can bubble the skin. One tortilla after another flips down the conveyor belt into a turquoise bucket. The *señora* watches carefully that they lie flat, one nesting atop the next one. Maybe that one will be the one I have for lunch with my *salsa picante* and my *cerveza*.

Shrines of Jesus adorn the cubbyholes in

doorways. They are of great faith, the Mexican people. A clean mind will bring a clean heart, they say. We meet a hammock vendor on the beach. His

name is Manuel. We ask him his theory on the Mayan pyramids. People have many ideas, he says. His grandmother told him that in those times the rocks were very light, and that they became heavy afterwards. Or maybe there was help from above—from another world. He believes this. How is it possible for their calendar to be so accurate? Deep inside the observatory, you can look up and see the stars in the daytime.

Chichen Itza is truly a magical place. We are back on the beach once more. The wind swirls sand in our faces, the salt dries on our lips in the sun. Soon the thirst will be quenched with the clean tang of the lime juice and the tequila. Nachos are munched, the sun drops beneath the horizon, and yet again we wait for another Mexican sunrise.

This style of eggs is addictive and it's better than *huevos rancheros*. I couldn't get an exact recipe from my Mexican friend, but it's easy to eyeball the amounts. The translations can be quite amusing—it was printed sometimes on the menu as *Eggs to the Mexican*.

Huevos Motuleños

Dice a couple of tomatoes with an onion, add a little water, chopped cilantro, garlic cloves, salt and hot pepper sauce to your taste. Simmer 1/2 hour, then blend to make a fairly thick sauce.

Fry corn tortillas quickly, then dip in sauce. Top each tortilla with a fried egg, then a little more sauce. Add diced fried ham, onions, avocado, and shredded mild cheese.

This was served with refried beans and fried banana. Was it good!

Gardening in February



Life in the garden ... with Joe Clemente

Well here it is, February already! I think most gardeners are thankful for this mild winter we have had so far. Temperature-wise, we have nothing to complain about even though the minimums this year are slightly cooler than last. This winter has also been drier, and we've had many sunny days to enjoy.

I was out gardening at the end of January and spotted a garter snake basking in the sun. I've also noticed many ornamental trees have started flowering. It's great to be optimistic and believe this mild weather will continue until spring. If it does, we may see a few more insects when the warmer weather returns.

In February there are still many things to do in and around your garden. Clean up

flower beds and any diseased leaves from your roses. It is still a good time to continue planting bare root roses and fruit

trees. You can also spray dormant oil, and at the end of the month you can spread dolomite lime on the lawn. Apply rotted manure to your plants and work it into your vegetable beds. You can also power-rake lawns in February.

Seeds are in abundance at local garden shops and so are seed catalogues. It's a good time to order your special seeds if you haven't already. Perennials can also be divided or transplanted. Be sure not to damage new shoots when you are splitting up your plants.

I don't know about you, but I have been gardening all winter. We are very fortunate to live in a mild winter area where we can get away with it. Soon we will be enjoying the daffodils and the folks back east will still be shovelling snow!

Myers speaks to support group

Doctor Charles Myers will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Salt Spring Island Prostate Cancer Support Group. Myers' talk will focus on nutrition, vitamins, hormones, and other natural aids for cancer patients at this meeting, which takes place at Lions Hall from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. next Tuesday, February 13.

The support group, which meets monthly, comprises approximately 60 members. Guest speakers are invited to every other

meeting; their time is donated. Although prostate cancer affects only men directly, women attend meetings to learn about their spouses' illness and to get support themselves. This can be especially important, since the disease and treatments can affect men's sexuality.

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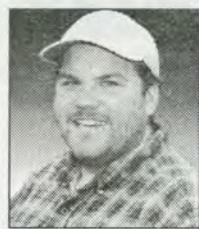
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*Fishing
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with Keith Newman*

Two weeks have past since my last column appeared and I have been barraged with questions about Chironomids, the fly I featured last time. In response, I am going to give the full story on these small, abundant insects.

The life cycle begins as the adult female inserts her eggs into the lake where they sink to the bottom and incubate. The most predominate species in these parts is the Chironomous plumous, whose larvae are bright red in colour and referred to as bloodworms. The egg hatches in a couple of weeks as a larva which resembles a tiny, thin worm. These creatures burrow in the mud and live there until they become chironomids. The term "chironomid" refers to a stage in the life of a midge or mosquito, when it swims free until it emerges from the lake. They are also sometimes referred to as Chironomid pupa, but this term would only refer to a specific period just prior to hatching. At this time it develops

a wing-case, the flighted insect is developing inside much the same as a butterfly in a cocoon except the midge does not lose its mobility.

The pupa head to the surface to hatch. They do this by punching through the skin-like layer of compressed water molecules created by the pressure of the atmosphere. It then splits its wingcase, pulls itself out, pumps up its wings, inflates its abdomen, and flies away. The truly amazing part is, the moment the chironomid breaks the surface until it starts to fly can take only five seconds.

Escaping fast is very important because of their vulnerability. Pupa are predominately dark colours such as black, brown, and olive—very easy to see against a white, cloudy winter sky. To further combat this they tend to emerge at dawn and dusk to avoid being backlit. Night may

seem like an ideal time, but another predator is waiting, a nocturnal one. Colonies of bats like the Little Brown Bat and others of the Myotis family take to the lake. These agile little creatures devour hundreds of insects each night and the noisy, slow midges don't stand a chance.

When there is no visible hatching going on chironomids can usually be found hiding in the depths in a layer of water that is a suitable temperature, or against cover near the bottom. Here is a pattern for flytiers and fishermen that sinks like a stone to help when fishing the bottom.

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The ultra chenille is a crucial ingredient of this pattern because it shows up well in the deep water, unlike other materials which darken when wet.

In fishing news, trout are still coming out of St. Mary Lake, fishing Power Bait or worms

along the bottom has worked great with trolling a spoon such as a Kro-

cadile coming a close second. Blackburn Lake is also producing fish on a worm, but rarely over the two-pound mark. Most fish are three-quarters to one pound, but there are lots of them.

The saltwater scorecard saw nearly a dozen winter Springs caught, mostly on the outside of Galiano Island. Several anglers gave glowing reports, saying trolling coyote spoons as close to the bottom as possible was the most productive method.

As John Clarke once said, "The best fish swim near the bottom" (quote circa 1639). Until next time, good fishing.

Island wins big in weekend soccer... except the Old Boys



Sidelines...

with Alan Webb

Sunday featured a full slate of games for devoted soccer fanatics.

Geezers win 5-2

The day began at GISS where the Geezers Over-40s played host to Victoria Centaurs. Lindsay McQueen notched a hat trick, while Darryl Lister and Henry Braak added singles in a 5-2 Geezer victory.

Nobody could quite remember the last time the Over 40s had played a league game—they're getting up there after all—and memory loss tends to set in hard on the heels of the big four-oh. Luckily Jack Braak hadn't forgotten how to cross a ball.

Braak is an insightful player with a left foot to match his brains. Given the time to operate on the left side of mid-field, he can slice a defense open like a clean incision. Victoria unwisely allowed Braak free reign.

Only two of Braak's passes resulted in goals but nearly every time he touched the ball he left Victoria's defense in chaos. Little brother Henry was just as effective, setting up two goals to go with his own marker and with a bit of luck could have scored a hat trick to match McQueen's.

Ziggy Karl was solid in goal, being beaten both times from the penalty spot,

the first of which he nearly pushed past the post.

Slackers win 9-0

Meanwhile, at Portlock, the Salt Spring Girls U-18s played their first round District Cup match against Bays United.

The Slackers, as they dub themselves, were anything but in a 9-0 romp over the visitors. Nobody could quite remember who scored all the goals, or indeed if the total stopped at nine.

Next Sunday the league-leading girls play their second round match at Portlock Park at 12:30 p.m.

FCs win 5-1

Next up was FC against Victoria Kickers. Harrison Jason scored in the second minute to decide this one. FC waited a full 13 minutes before striking again. A superb Dave McColl chip sent Josh Byron through to double the lead.

Calkin Brousseau scored from the spot five minutes into the second half. The Kickers managed a goal on a breakaway to lend the game some fleeting drama, but Jason put that to rest with his second, this time from the penalty spot.

Former Islander Daniel Bennett did his best to liven things up from the Kickers' goal. He made four sensational saves on Eric Jor-

gensen before the defender-turned-striker finally beat him on a breakaway to pad out the score to 5-1.

Old Boys lose 5-3 to Vic West in overtime

Another homecoming of sorts occurred in the Old Boys' match with Vic West. Former FC player Dave Toynbee's return was quite successful. Toynbee was stopped brilliantly three times by Old Boys keeper Chris Healy inside the first 10 minutes before finally scoring on an unstoppable header 19 minutes in.

Mike Davis tied it from a scramble on 23 minutes, but Vic West regained the lead on a dubious penalty on the half hour mark. A great run by Toynbee and an intelligent pass to the trailing Garry Thompson made it 3-1 for the visitors six minutes into the second half.

Two minutes later, a Mike Brown penalty was saved superbly by Ian Stewart. Antonio Alonso crashed the rebound against the post, but Damien Brazier deposited the loose ball to narrow Victoria's lead to one.

Less than 10 minutes later the Old Boys were level. Chad Little hit a brilliant ball over the defense for a charging Mike Brown. Brown took the ball off his chest and finished decisively for a 3-3 draw.

The next 20 minutes were hectic. Play ranged from end to end, as it did from opening to closing whistle. The

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Accommodation
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Salt Spring Island
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140 • COMING EVENTS

SWOVA IS calling all women -
poets, singer/songwriters,
musicians, and performers of
all ages to participate in:
"Girlhood to Womanhood:
Celebrating the Feminine
Cycles of Growth and
Maturation". A festive evening
on International Women's Day,
March 8th, 7:30 pm at the
Core Inn. If you would like to
participate, please contact
Myranda, at SWOVA @ 537-
1336 with a brief description
of your presentation. Each single
performer will have a max.
of 5 min, and each group will
have a max. of 15 min. We
look forward to hearing from
you! 0601

A SPECIAL Valentine week-
end at The Bodyworks
Collective. 1/2 price on Reiki
and Acupressure Treatments.
25% off all other treatments.
Feb. 16-18. Book ahead (538-
1988) or drop in at 5A-121
McPhillips, above Apple
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VEGETARIAN FEAST - a ben-
efit for Afghan widows & chil-
dren by the Voice of Women
for Peace. Friday, Feb. 9, 6 pm
at Gulf Islands Secondary
School. Tickets \$25 at Salt
Spring Books and Juliette's Hair
Studio. 0601

SWEETSTAKES - SEND your
sweetheart to ArtSpring for the
Pleasure of Seeing Her Again.
Free ticket draw! Drop name &
phone number at Island
Savings, Island Star Video &
Thrifty's. 0601

CLAIRVOYANT READINGS -
past life and auras - by Small
Medium at Large \$25. Call
537-5447 for appt. 0601

140 • COMING EVENTS

STOP IN the Name of Love at
The Bodyworks Collective and
gift your loved one to a once-
in-a-lifetime experience.
Valentine's specials include
discounts on: The Royal
Treatment, The Cleopatra
Treatment, Tune-in Tune-up
Energizer Treatment, Relax
and Tension Release
Treatment. Call BWC today at
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YOU'RE WELCOME to display
your event posters and meet-
ing notices for 2 weeks on the
Barnacle's Community Bulletin
Board located in our office.
Drop off during office hours. 0701

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
listings are free. Display your
meeting or upcoming event
on the Barnacle Community
Calendar for up to two weeks.
Drop by our office and fill out
a calendar form. Deadline for
the calendar is Thursdays at
4:00 pm. 0701

PRACTICAL SYMBOLISM:
Providing creative tools for bal-
ancing body, spirit, mind and
emotions. Gourmet vegetarian
dinner to follow. Sunday Feb
11 @ 1 pm. Call Glenda at
537-0644. 0601

COMMUNITY CALENDAR on
line! For a complete calendar
of coming events check out the
Barnacle Community Calendar
at SaltSpringCalendar.com or
visit our website at
DailyBarnacle.com. 0701

ARGENTINIAN TANGO
milongas (parties) Feb. 24,
Mar. 17 - 9-12 @ Lions Hall.
Phone Margie Korris for info
537-2707. 0601

JAZZ CABARET with Mother
of Pearl - March 9 - a celebra-
tion of women and rhythm.
Fulford Hall. Stay tuned. 0801

NICHOLA HOWARD
Fundraiser Feb. 10 & 11 - 9
am - 7 pm. Help us raise
money to help pay for medical
costs. Kings Lane Recreation
537-2054. 0601

SHOCKING! THAT'S the kind
of savings available if you were
driving an electric vehicle. First
meeting of E.V. Club 2 pm Sat.
Feb. 24th, Gulf Islands
Brewery. Bob 653-4513. 0601

VALENTINE'S FITNESS CLASS

PARC is sponsoring a
one hour fitness class
suitable for all levels
to fundraise for the
BC Heart and Stroke
Foundation.
Join all PARC Fitness
instructors at Salt
Spring Elementary
School Gym.

**Wednesday,
February 14
10:15am - 11:15am
(Doors open at 10am)**

The class will follow
with refreshments &
door prizes.

Participation is by
donation and
Cheerios will donate
an extra \$10 for
every friend that you
bring to participate.

Remember to wear
pink, red and white and
to sponsor yourself or
collect pledges to earn
prizes.

For more info
call the PARC office
at 537-4448.

 **PARC**

140 • COMING EVENTS

Open Discussion Forum

**SALT SPRING ISLAND -
CREATING AN
INDEPENDENT,
MODEL NATION
FOR THE 21ST CENTURY**
Islanders, come out to voice
your opinion or just listen.
**Lion's Hall - 7:00 pm
Friday, February 23rd**
Sponsored by the Sustainable
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Tuesday
February 20, 2001
7:30pm**
**SPECIAL GUEST
SPEAKER**
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A FILM and VIDEO FESTIVAL February 9 to 11

**GISS - Afghan
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GIFTS (Gulf Islands
Film and Television
School) workshop
and scholarship
Volunteer Fair
Food, music,
discussion

ADMISSION
BY DONATION
More info:
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LOVE is in the AIR

Send a Valentine's
greeting in the
February 13th issue
of the Barnacle.

\$3⁹⁵

Maximum 20 words
DEADLINE:
5pm Friday,
February 9th, 2001

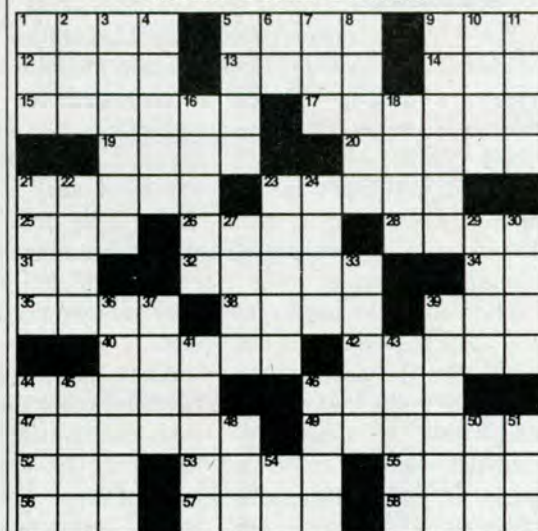


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Island Journal

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Ph: 537-4040
email:
barnacle@saltspring.com

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ACROSS

- 1 Engrossed
- 5 Suburb, for short
- 9 Oner
- 12 Egyptian Queen, for short
- 13 State
- 14 Badger, so to speak
- 15 About stars
- 17 Place in Newfoundland
- 19 Island
- 20 Middays
- 21 Joiner's cry
- 23 Korean city
- 25 Capital or human fol-
lower
- 26 Opaque gemstone
- 28 Trumpet selection
- 31 Vinyl recording, for short
- 32 Untrue
- 34 Credit rating
- 35 Aced
- 38 Eastern leader
- 39 Real estate listing svce.
- 40 Place in Nova Scotia
- 42 Painful infections
- 44 Ghastly pale
- 46 Baby carriage
- 47 Place in Manitoba
- 49 Hauling
- 52 Man's given name
- 53 Swedish furniture maker
- 55 Resonate
- 56 RN's forte?
- 57 Receptors
- 58 Contendere

DOWN

- 1 Cdn. military unit
- 2 Capone and Waxman
- 3 Minute
- 4 Body part
- 5 Bundle
- 6 Ultraviolet, for short
- 7 Rebel, for short
- 8 Place in Saskatchewan
- 9 African nation
- 10 WW2 Normandy battle-
field
- 11 Senses of self
- 16 Detached
- 18 Cause to turn tail
- 21 Venus de _____
- 22 Popular sports network,
abbr.
- 23 Place in British
Columbia
- 24 Actress _____ Lancaster
- 27 Duo
- 29 Shroud
- 30 Spunk
- 33 Place in Ontario
- 36 Racial
- 37 Three, in Hanover
- 39 Place in Ontario
- 41 Release
- 43 Containing oats
- 44 Assist a wrongdoer
- 45 Market
- 46 Pesetas, abbr.
- 48 Scene of Mohawk upris-
ing
- 50 Gretzky milieu, for
short
- 51 Sticky stuff
- 54 Hosp. hot spot

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140 • COMING EVENTS

ISLANDS TRUST

SHEEPBREEDERS MEETING

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 17 10AM

"Preparation for Lambing"

Pre-register (no charge)
537-4535 Margaret

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145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

DIAL-A-PRAYER - 537-4734. An interfaith recording by the United Church, 111 Hereford Ave., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2T3. The pre-recorded message changes regularly.

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Basic Care Foundation and Hospice

Trained volunteers available to visit and support the chronically or terminally ill at home or in hospital, providing relief for family and friends and on-going support for the bereaved.

537-2770

Salt Spring Island FOUNDATION

... your community foundation.

Help enhance the quality of life in your Island community. You can do this by contributing to our / your community endowment fund. Even \$10 will help make a lasting difference. All contributions are pooled and preserved in the endowment fund. The interest earned on it is distributed annually to a wide range of worthy island charitable organizations. These vary from year to year as community priorities change. You can help also by having your purchases at Thrifty's and at GVM credited to the SSI Foundation. Further information, including latest annual report, is freely available upon request, without obligation.

Phone 537-2501 (Bob Rush)

150 • MEETINGS

SCHOOL DISTRICT #64 (Gulf Islands)

A regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees will be held at the **Mayne Elementary/Jr. Secondary School** **Wednesday February 14 at 1:00 pm** **Public Welcome!**

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170 • NOTICES • BUSINESS

FREE LANCE writer/marketing consultant with flair, will develop professional quality brochures, newsletters, articles, marketing plans and more....for business, professional services, arts, hospitality, real estate and non-profits. Call de facto writing & marketing communications 537-0757.

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170 • NOTICES • BUSINESS

SEWING MACHINE Repair. Drop off at Salt Spring Dry Cleaning at 116 Hereford Ave., 537-2241. Local agent for Sawyer Sewing Centre of Victoria.

0901

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ISLANDS TRUST

NOTICE

The offices of the Islands Trust will be closed **Wednesday, February 14, 2001** for a staff meeting. Regular office hours will resume at **1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 15, 2001.**

Sorry for any inconvenience.

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0601

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Classifieds

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- ✓Gulf Islands Optical
- ✓Salt Spring Seniors

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370 • MISCELLANEOUS

3-WAY FRIDGE for camper \$300, 4 burner stove/oven \$200, two hydraulic camper jacks \$25 each. 537-5803.0701

NEW ENTERTAINMENT centre (by Sauder) \$750 obo. 14" Sony TV \$50. Big old word processor- cheap. 537-4486.

0601

NEWSPRINT ROLL ends now for sale at The Barnacle Office. 324 Lower Ganges Road. 537-4040.

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CEDAR DOOR for exterior. 3'0" with sidelight \$350. 537-1411.

0601

EAT, DRINK and **http://cetsi.net/BeMerry.**

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14' BOAT/TRAILER and 70 hp outboard, \$1,250. Tandem axle trailer, \$625. Utility trailer with pick up cap, \$250. Propane stove for boat/trailer/cabin, \$350. Universal gym, \$125. Antique, unique wall phone converted to dial, \$200. Singer industrial sewing machine, \$225. Call Dave 653-4147.

0701

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0701

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0601

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0801

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0601

Nichola Howard Fund RAFFLE

TICKETS available at the Barnacle, Ganges Village Market, Thrifty Foods and Windsor Plywood.

Donations to the Nichola Howard Fund may also be made at Island Savings Credit Union.

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380 • PETS/LIVESTOCK

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HOROSCOPES

For the week, by Michael O'Connor Ph. 1-877-352-2936



and save the wants for later.

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22) With the Sun,

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19) Unexpected surprises, sudden changes, illuminations and/or awakenings are bringing us all to new states of awareness and not least of all you. Your mood continues to be passionate and intense. You thirst for renewal and your dreams are being answered. Since life seldom turns as we suspect, acceptance is key especially now. Your explorations are on the threshold of an all out adventure. Your heart is eager yet you may feel fear in the belly. Let go into the mystery.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20) Change continues to seep through your life and you are at a very pivotal turn. If it were not for curiosity and good old risk you might have turned back already. Yet, here you are ready or not. You know that things cannot and will not ever be the same. The old ways either served their purpose or did not completely satisfy your needs anyway. A part of you is ready for anything yet another is a little afraid of the unknown. Take the time you need yet commit to the leap. Faith!

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) A bit of unusual mixed with a dash of unexpected is keeping things interesting this week. You are already in the mood to explore new interests and this will get stronger as the week progresses. With your ruling planet Mercury now retrograde, you do well to be extra flexible with people and events. Some rather deep changes are unfolding in your life and this is your chance to sneak in a little extra entertainment to keep yourself healthy and happy. The future beckons, but be here now.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22) Peer pressure goes a long way and then eventually we wake up and realize that our reasons for being are anchored more in the external than internal. Balance between the two is key and that is what you are learning. The swings from one extreme to regain centre are all a part of the process. Since you are more sensitive than average, the swings might seem to be relentless. To gain your centre you have to be true to yourself. Tend to your needs now

Mercury, Uranus and Neptune converging in Aquarius, your mind is soaring with actual changes and future possibilities. You are ripe and ready to plunge into the unknown and yet the universe has put things on hold for a spell. This is your chance to catch your breath and reconsider recent decisions. Take your time and reserve your right to reflect. You will be ready to charge ahead again starting late next week. In the meantime, play and prowl as you inclined.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22) Measurable changes in your daily routine and overall lifestyle and happening fast and furiously now. In many respects you welcome the change yet are challenged to tie up all the loose ends. You feel passionate and hopeful about the prospects. This is a good time to flirt with the prospects rather than make any firm commitments. Meanwhile, others yearn to be nurtured by your vision and wisdom. Selfless service is a key aspect of your destiny so keep others and your soul happy by working with the process.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22) It is a strange irony that you are at your best when you are transparent. This happens when you feel connected to everything without expectation, judgement or blame. Without really understanding the deeper mysteries you somehow know that there is so much more to reality than anyone really knows and in that regard we are all equal. Then there is the financial and material world tugging at and annoying you. Consider that worry will only compound issues. Laugh at it all and allow your spirit to shine forth and the weight will be lifted by your wings.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21) You are steadily awakening to the true nature of your individuality. There are many aspects to you that even you did not know about. This may prove to be a little frightening, at least, and perhaps pleasantly surprising. Independence is high on your list of priorities these days. Yet, you also yearn to be closer to those you love. It's cultural standards, the rules, the

old boss et cetera that you are happy to be free from. As you establish a new routine, put play and health front and centre.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21) You are like a racehorse in the gates chomping at the bit. Your sights are set on a hopeful future and you yearn to be free of bad old habits. New adventures are on the horizon and many new opportunities are showing up as well. You may still feel unsure about certain things for awhile so do your best to put firm decisions off for a few weeks. This is a good time to be on a trial basis. The key now is to exercise a beginner's mind. As you expand your perspectives you will expand your options.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) It is the time to re-evaluate the meaning of the words 'profit' and 'gain'. The only thing we take with us in the end is the essence of our experiences. Soul feeds on character strength and spiritual alignment. The outer material world can be very seductive and misleading. However, the quality of the experience we integrate into our life through physical interaction is spiritual too. It can all get very tricky to discern. Base your choices on unity and your investments will yield handsome returns.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) You are eager to plunge into the future, yet are unsure of which way to go. It is likely that a few blocks are in the way. Consider that these are reflections of your own habitual attitude. You are in the mood to take some measurable risks. Are your ambitions realistic or utopian? Thanks to the nature of your sign, the world is meant to be an evolutionary journey with plenty of revolutionary drama. This means excitement and change. Watch for your cue, then enter the stage.

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) How can a person be meditative and contemplative yet dynamic and exciting all at the same time? You must have an answer because that is how you are of late. Many changes are brewing in and around you. You are on the threshold of taking some key initiatives. You have some very special talents to share above and beyond the ones that you have already expressed. However, to claim them you must face any fears of failure. Break free of how things 'should be' and aim for could.

SALT SPRING ISLAND GOLF & C.C.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Requests for Proposals

The Board of Directors call for proposals from qualified, bondable parties, to provide Food and Beverage services for the clubhouse.

Please contact the Club Manager - Steven Marleau for more information

Mailing Address
Salt Spring Island Golf & Country Club
P.O.Box 242 Ganges Post Office, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V9
Telephone : 250-537-2121 Fax : 250-537-2121
Email : golf@saltspring.com Web Site : www.saltspringgolf.com

Classifieds

380 • PETS/LIVESTOCK

PICK UP your "Hair Miles" card at Bow Wow & Co and save on grooming. Don't forget our \$5 Toenail Tuesdays. 537-4676. tfn

MAKE TRACKS to Bark Avenue Grooming. February - nail clipping \$4. Kind, courteous & professional. Call Jane 538-1819. tfn

DOG TRAINING. Fun, positive, gentle methods. Lots of information. Starts April 5th for 7 weeks. Instructor: Sheri Standen. Call PARC 537-4448. 1101

"TWISTER" is a handsome 1/4H gelding. He's well handled, trailer loaded, cross tied halter and walker broke. Approx. 14 hands - \$1,500. Ph. 653-9939. 0601

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390 • WANTED

WANTED IKEA kitchen cabinets. Phone 537-9177. 0801

TRAINS! LOOKING for any used Brio or Thomas train toys etc. Please call Dayna at 653-4862. 0601

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420 • WORK WANTED

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420 • WORK WANTED

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440 • HELP WANTED

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F/T DENTAL assistant needed. CDA qualified. Pay commensurate with experience. Please submit handwritten cover letter with resume, call Dr. Hayden at (250) 537-1400 or e-mail rhayden@salt-spring.com. 2201-115 Fulford Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2T9. 0701

SSI Employment Services

Are you unemployed and need help with your job search? Are you thinking about retraining?

If you are receiving Employment Insurance Benefits (or have received these benefits within the last 3 years) we have a variety of programs to assist you.

Counsellor comes to SSI once a week and services are free.

Please call Marta at 1-888-993-2299

440 • HELP WANTED

ARTCRAFT MANAGERIAL POSITION

The GICAC is accepting applications from qualified individuals for the seasonal full-time position of Manager for Artcraft & The Guilds of Christmas Sale. Experience in retail sales management and good interpersonal skills are an asset. Responsibilities include: organization of set-up activities prior to both sales; the day-to-day management and running of the sales; supervision of sales staff and volunteers; budgets, press, advertising. For further information contact GICAC rep: Evelyn Oldroyd 537-9751. Submit resumes to: Gulf Island Community Arts Council, 114 Rainbow Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V5 440.tfn

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518 • BEAUTY

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		Total Pts.	This Mo.
GOLF	1 Bandido	494	157
COURSE	2 Rangers	492	128
POOL	3 Greenwood	477	125
Next meeting	4 Toronto	477	116
Fri., Feb. 9, 2001	5 Islanders	471	135
5:00 p.m. sharp.	6 Schure-Thing	466	111
	7 Paint Plus	461	122
	8 Nads	461	120
	9 Sleepers	430	101
	10 Dallas	419	110
	11 Hosers	415	104
	12 Edmonton	403	91
	13 Buffalo	379	118

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Next meeting
Wed., Feb. 7, 2001
7:00 p.m. sharp
at Dagwoods.

	Total Pts.	This Mo.
1 San Jose	489	136
2 Dallas	472	122
3 Edmonton	470	133
4 Anaheim	457	110
5 Philadelphia	455	126
6 Buffalo	453	127
7 Ottawa	445	90
8 Vancouver	425	116
9 Boston	420	131
10 Toronto	414	136
11 Atlanta	413	136
12 Phoenix	410	84
13 Pittsburgh	402	98
14 Islanders	401	113
15 St. Louis	378	100

Strikers 3, Lakehill 0

Jordan Borth recorded his eighth shutout of the season as the U-12 Strikers blanked Lakehill 3-0. With the game only six minutes old, Bob Byron opened the scoring to put the local lads up 1-0. This set the tempo for the game, with the ball being in

Lakehill's end for most of the first half. Attack after attack was just missing the net until the twentieth minute when Liam Johnson nailed the back of the mesh from a Charlie Stimpson set-up.

In the second half, the Strikers' pinpoint passing put the game out of reach for Lakehill. Marshall

Barter found Cardin Davis in the box, and Davis scored his seventh goal in four games. Strong performances by Stimpson, Barter, D. J. Lake, and Tavis Morton helped the team to the thirteenth win of the season.

Next Saturday the Strikers are at home against Peninsula at Portlock, 10:00 a.m.



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Soccer *cont'd from p19*

pace was furious but the play was skillful, intelligent, and ultra-competitive. Too bad a penalty had to decide it.

Dave Toynbee created the winner, first by driving hard into the Salt Spring box and drawing a foul, and then driving home the resulting penalty. Thompson added an insurance marker in added-on time to make it 5-3 Vic West, but what a superb game it was. Maybe the most competitive, well-played game I've seen this year.

Next week both FC and Old Boys travel. FC to Juan de Fuca, Old Boys to be announced. U-18 boys play at 10 a.m. Sunday at Portlock in the first Provincial Cup game.

Down the Alley... with Chip Chipman



GOLF LADIES: Lorraine Toller 244, Dena Marleau 210, Mary Carolsen 206.

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224, Ron Hall 227.
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SPECIAL OLYMPICS (Jan. 31): Gloria Dale 180, Sharon Way 160, Jimmy Beck 165, Terry Swing 142, Stewart Elliot 179, Dominic George 144.

FRIDAY A.M.: Eddie Gear 223, Jim Glen 250, Cliff Jory 236, Mary Campbell 213.

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Shashekum

Part of the Burgoyne Bay history, written by Chris Arnett, included with the Adopt-a-Tree cards.

The land was bountiful but it also harboured monsters intent on harming humankind. One was Shashekum "Wide open mouth" a marine creature that lived in the waters beneath Octopus Point opposite Burgoyne Bay on Vancouver Island. Smokwets used his sling to hurl large boulders from Tsawassen, but his aim was spoiled by Mount Maxwell. Smokwets called on Mount Maxwell to bend over, which it did, allowing Smokwets to score a direct hit on the Shashekum. The mountain was named Hwmat'etsum, "bent over place", to commemorate this early symbiosis of man and land to overcome destructive forces.

Adopt-a-Tree cards published

A series of five postcards depicting Burgoyne Bay scenery is being published to help raise awareness of the unique beauty of the area.

Nina Rajinsky, whose Adopt-a-Tree project has raised over \$23,000 towards saving old growth forest along Burgoyne Bay Road, is publishing the cards.

This is a consciousness-raising project, she said. The cards will be available singly or in packs of five with a printed sheet giving a history of the area, including native legends.

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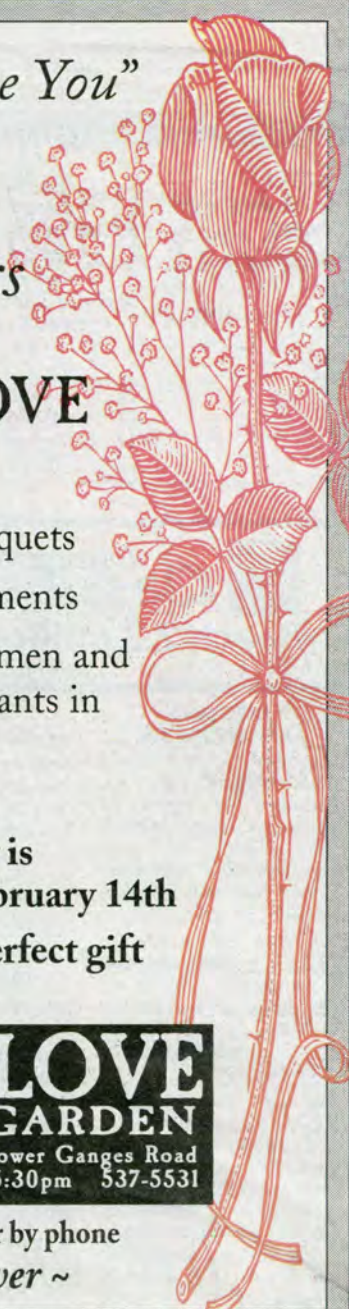
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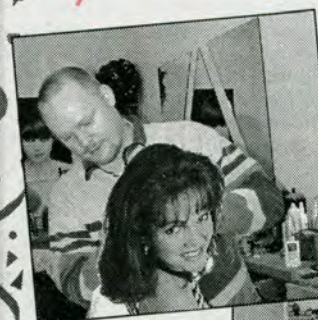
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