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Eco-forestry 101—Clarifying the verbiage

by Peggy Abrahams

The purchase and subsequent logging of the Texada holdings on Salt Spring has led to debate in the last few weeks about forest conservation, the role of government in preservation and the legacy of these lands. *The Barnacle* asked local and regional forestry experts, as well as loggers, to define some of the terms being discussed, and provide informed commentary.

This is the first in a series of articles that will take a look at logging practices, forestry and eco-forestry, both historically and today.

Eco-forestry

Eco-forestry, or holistic forestry, involves looking at a forest in all its components and functions, according to local forester Terry Gordon of Sylvan Forestry.

"It includes various activities and revenues from all the merchantable products, like botanicals and medicinals. Even from only a financial point of view, if you maximize all the other sources of revenue from the forest other than the timber, you don't have to rely on the timber

so much. You can still harvest the timber, but at a much more peaceful and harmonious rate," said Gordon.

Sustainable forestry

Eco-forestry is a much broader concept than sustainable forestry, which is based on cutting trees at a rate not exceeding the annual growth rate. As Gordon explains, "Sustainable forestry is done at a

rate so that everything in the forest is healable. For example, X number of people could work on Mt. Tuam, pruning, spacing and harvesting, forever."

Gordon said that forestry should integrate economics and engineering. "There are three legs to the sustainable stool: engineering, ecology and economics. All three must be performed well or the sustainable

stool falls over," he said.

Merv Wilkinson has been practicing sustainable forestry in Ladysmith for 60 years. He says that this kind of forestry has been practiced in Europe and North America since the mid-1800s. "An operation in Nova Scotia has been harvesting the same volume of wood off the same acreage for 150 years," Wilkinson said.

In another example of sustain-

able forestry, Wilkinson mentioned an Indian tribe in Spokane, Washington which for 25 or 30 years has followed the pattern of the Monomene of Wisconsin, who have harvested their forest's annual growth rate for 143 years, leaving the forest intact.

According to Wilkinson, these concepts are taught to European school children. He also points to Central America, where countries like Costa Rica, Honduras and Mexico have recovered and are preserving their forests. He said Canadians are far behind in the practice of sustainable forestry.

"We haven't woken up yet. Canadians are a bunch of suckers to let big companies and money and greed ruin the country."

Wilkinson says in the ideal scenario, eco-forestry puts money back into the local economy. An eco-forestry programme could include such marketable products as boat kits, boat building and furniture kits, like in Oregon, he said.

"Salt Spring Island could support a lot of people, probably 1,500 people, in forestry if it were done the proper way."

Cutting trees does not always logging make A glossary of forestry terms

Local forester Terry Gordon, comes from a third generation logging family. Although logging was his bread and butter growing up, he has studied forestry and economics. Merv Wilkinson has practiced sustainable forestry in Ladysmith for 60 years. Here is a compilation of their definitions of some forestry and logging terms.

Logging—harvesting all merchantable timber with little, if any, regard to ecology, wildlife or sustainability.

Industrial forestry—Harvesting the forest while con-

sidering ecology, wildlife and soil preservation to some extent, but end product is timber.

Sustainable forestry—Forestry at a rate that enables everything in the forest to be sustained or healed. Harvesting at a rate not greater than the rate of growth. According to Wilkinson, "In the long-run, sustainable forestry is more profitable than clear-cutting. On the short term, maybe not."

Selective forestry—Cutting down trees on the basis of over-age, blow down, root problems or

to avoid soil-spread disease. In areas of dense secondary growth, selected trees may be taken out to allow proper light in for healthy re-growth.

Community forestry—Sustainable, industrial or eco-forestry within the area of the community, so that a majority of benefits accrue to the community or stay in the community. Benefits could include local input, local employment, aesthetic, hiking trails, and other community participation.

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BESIDE THE EMBE BAKERY



Village Market founder dies

Food business career marked by many achievements

Robert Large, founding partner of Ganges Village Market, died December 28 at the age of 61. He had been ill with cancer for the past few months. Large had lived on Salt Spring Island for 15 years.

Large was a man whose life was marked by a quest for both competition and challenge. Born January 7, 1938, he was a superb athlete who led his school teams to many championships. At the age of 13 years, he founded the first minor baseball league in Victoria. That summer he formed a team that challenged other schools over the holidays.

He began a career in the food business before the age of 18 by which time he was working for Canada Safeway. At 21 years he became the youngest manager in the



Courtesy photo

chain when he took over that position in Safeway's Duncan store.

Within four years, Large decided to become his own boss and started a partnership with Ken Cooper by acquiring the small Super-Valu across the street from the Safeway he'd recently been managing. A few years later, in 1967, Large and Cooper, along with Large's brothers Walter and Earle started K & R Food stores. For the past 15 years Large and family have operated Ganges Village Market with Mike Tyson and Ken Cooper's family.

Large and wife Claudette (who died in 1980) had five children, all of whom survive Large. He is also survived by his mother and three brothers.

Acknowledging local women goal

of International Women's Day events

Planning has begun for celebrations marking International Women's Day, March 8. This year's events focus on honouring the contributions local women have made to Salt Spring's community and, in particular, the contributions young women are making.

To date, SWOVA's tentative plans include: a lunchtime celebration at GISS involv-

ing young women in its planning and facilitation; a week-long exhibit by local artists on the theme of women in the year 2000; a month-long campaign through which community members can nominate women who deserve recognition; a March 10 gala evening at ArtSpring with comedienne, music,

art and awards for the women nominated for recognition.

In order for SWOVA to put its plans in place, however, volunteers are needed to help plan, coordinate and implement the events.

Those wanting to volunteer are asked to contact either Lynda Laushway or Myranda O'Bryne at 537-1336.

Ferries shuffled January 10 as

Cumberland goes for annual refit

From Monday, January 10 to approximately February 7, the Queen of Cumberland will be taken out of service on the Swartz Bay-Southern Gulf Islands route for annual refit.

During that time, the Bowen Queen will replace the Queen of Cumberland. The Tachek will replace the Bowen Queen on the second Swartz Bay-Southern Gulf Island route.

Because the Tachek is smaller and slower than the Bowen Queen, temporary schedule changes will be in effect for all Swartz Bay-Southern Gulf Islands routes. Those traveling the routes should check with their local terminal staff, call 1-888-BC FERRY or view the Ferries web site at www.bcferries.com.

In consideration of the

reduced car space on board the replacement vessels, BC Ferries is offering reduced parking rates at Swartz Bay from Monday morning to Friday noon. It is hoped this will encourage some commuters to travel as foot passengers.

As well, snack bar service will not be available on the Bowen Queen while it replaces the Queen of Cumberland.

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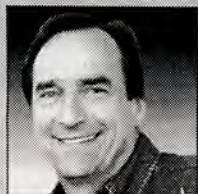
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To be or not to be...



Isle Say! ...

with John Pottinger

The question is on the table, the study has begun, and sometime this year we'll have to decide whether or not we want our Island to become a municipality.

Most anywhere else in this country the debate would be fairly simple. There would be talk about population increases, the need for more services and facilities, more control over our destiny, etc. But this is Salt Spring. The debate here will be unique, I'm sure. At one end of the spectrum we'll have folks saying, "The last thing this Island needs is another level of government." At the other end, there will be a group suggesting that a municipality shouldn't be our only choice. Why not a principality, or even a kingdom? Then we could pass laws with real teeth in them! "Now listen here, Texada, either stop logging or King Shiloh will have your head lopped off!" (It's a shame, but we'd probably have to have a king rather than a queen. If we tried to tell people about the "Queen of Salt Spring" they'd think we were talking about a ferry.)

Whatever the outcome, I predict that the fiercest debate won't be about tax increases, or road improvement costs, or community plans. I'll tell you right now what the biggest argument will be: our name. If we decide to incorporate, we're going to have to decide, once and for all, how to spell Salt Spring. We can't have our Mayor appearing at functions and interviews all over the place, and being identified as "Her Worship, the Mayor of Salt Spring slash Saltspring." And that's too bad, because it's been one of the wonderful idiosyncrasies of this Island that you can spell the name however you like. As a well-known Salt Springer put it, when she was asked by a TV reporter last summer, "What's the name of that Island you live on?"

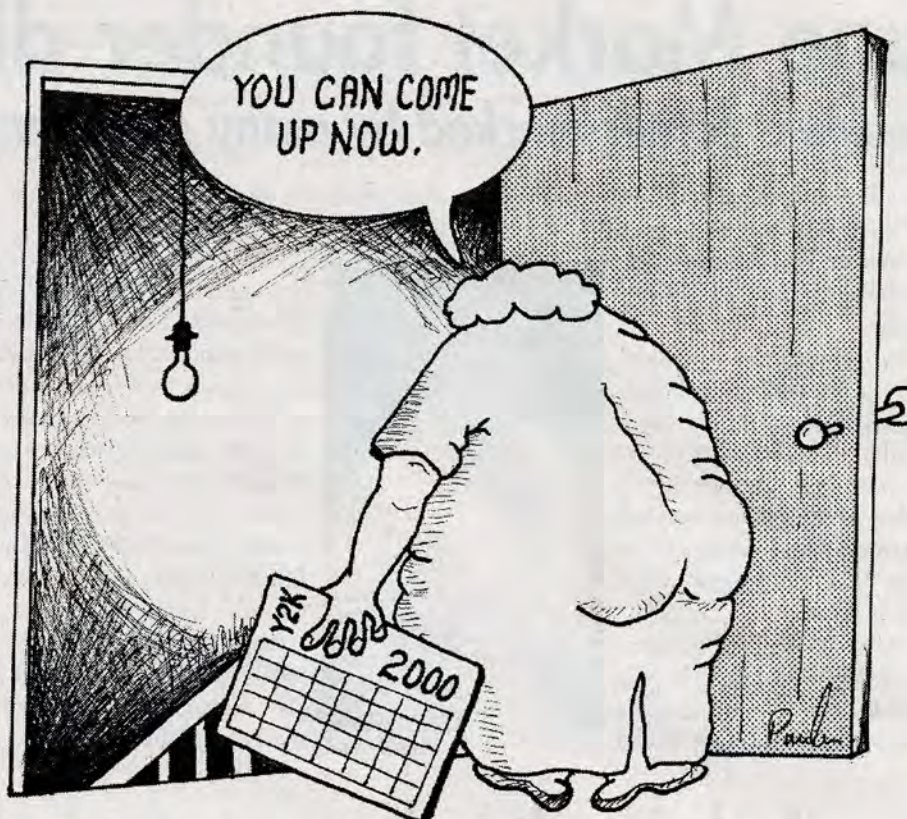
"It's called Salt Spring."
"Is that one word or two?"
"Whatever."

If we become a municipality we'll have to have a Salt Spring flag. All municipalities do. So what should it look like? How do you create a flag for a place that is so diverse? How could you create an accurate impression of what this Island is all about, with a flag? How to convey the beauty of the place, the diversity of the people, occupations and lifestyles? Galiano's official flag is a pink starfish on a blue background. (Don't even ask!) For Salt Spring, this is bound to be another fight as passionate as the old sewer debate.

Maybe a green background—symbolizing the unspoiled nature of the Island. Okay, maybe a mostly green background with a few blotchy brown bits. A deep blue foreground, symbolizing the sea surrounding us. (If they go ahead with that underwater natural gas pipeline alongside the Island, we could just add some little yellow bubbles perking up through the blue.) And in the centre, what could be more appropriate—nestled in that deep blue sea—than a ferry? It would take less than a day for the jokes to start about the flag being such an accurate depiction of Salt Spring. The ferry just sits there and doesn't move.

If the "Create a new flag for Salt Spring Committee" were composed entirely of South-Enders, we'd probably end up with black gumboots on an ocean of smoking green seaweed. (My personal favourite.)

The only way I think you could possibly try to cover off all the different impressions of Salt Spring—to capture the essence of the place—would be to have a flag with a thousand swirling colours in the background (sort of an impressionistic view of the Saturday Market), and in the foreground some sheep...meditating... on a field of tofu.



Your vote counts

Lawrie Neish has been a tireless worker for a number of Salt Spring organizations. Those of us who have worked with him in the past are awed by his zealous application of energy and intelligence to causes that others have long since abandoned in frustration or exhaustion. There is much to be honoured in Lawrie Neish.

If you are experiencing a sense of déjà vu at this point, you are correct. In the past 10 years, I have been involved with three organizations which have tried to find ways to thank Lawrie while telling him the membership wishes to reclaim control.

The Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (GICAC) is a legal entity governed by the statutes and internal bylaws which direct the organization and protect the members. If the directors of a society conduct themselves in a manner that does not represent the consensus of the membership, then that membership is empowered to hold the directors accountable. This they can do by 10 per cent of the membership requisitioning a special meeting with the specific controversial issues on the agenda.

Twice now, greater than 10 per cent have requisitioned special meetings of the GICAC (once November 30, 1999 and again on January 14, 2000). Twice the directors have avoided concurring with the requisitioned meetings. The first time the directors arranged an information meeting on Galiano Island on November 30 which would conflict with the requisitioned meeting. The second time the directors advised the membership the January 14 meeting on Salt Spring was cancelled and a January

11, 2000 meeting would be held on Galiano Island. It would be interesting to speculate on the court's opinion of these actions in poor faith!

Since our formation last April, the Concerned Members Committee has sought to become more involved in the GICAC and to encourage the membership and the public to be informed. We have been faced with many obstacles but, to a certain extent, our goal has been accomplished. Much of what had taken place behind closed doors has been revealed. Our one greatest wish was to arrange a voting meeting on Salt Spring Island where 86 per cent of the membership resides. The directors have denied us this request. The definitive voting meeting will be held on Galiano Island January 11, 2000 at 6:30pm.

As part of the Concerned Members Committee, I urge you to attend this meeting. You may well say, "I don't want to be involved." You are involved. For almost 30 years this has been your Arts Council and it is on the brink of being dissolved. If you choose not to attend, then all our work will have been for nothing.

JUDITH BORBAS

Zip, zero, nada

In response to John Carlton's letter to the editor (*the Barnacle*, December 28):

Since 1994, how many Annual General Meetings have been held on Salt Spring? "Zip, zero, nada!"

Since 1994, how many GICAC Directors have been elected? "Zip, zero, nada!"

How many members of the GICAC attended the March 31, 1999 Annual General Meeting on the

Queen of Nanaimo? Seven: the Directors of the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council and the Trincomali Community Arts Council.

How many GICAC members reside on Salt Spring? Approximately 220.

How many members reside on the outer Islands? Approximately 35.

How many SSI members knew about plans for division, dissolution, or dispersion of assets until November 1999? "Zip, zero, nada."

An Extraordinary General Meeting has just been convened by the Directors on Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30 on Galiano Island. IT IS VITAL ALL MEMBERS ATTEND. (No meeting on January 14.) Ferry departs Long Harbour at 4:00pm and returns to Salt Spring by 10:30pm.

MICHAEL CURTIS

Arts council not being run democratically

A few thoughts about the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council.

Yes, I am a member of the GICAC, having joined each year when submitting work to Artcraft. Since coming to live on Salt Spring more than five years ago, I have never received any information about meetings of any kind. Having been familiar with Circle Craft AGMs I was surprised that there seemed to be no opportunities here to vote for board members or to look at a financial statement.

When I heard rumblings and complaints about Lawrie Neish I thought perhaps it was apathy on the part of the artists that had

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allowed one person to have so much power. I had an open mind knowing how busy craftspeople are and I appreciated someone that had obviously put in many hours of volunteer time. It was only after I attended the December 16 meeting that I changed my mind.

Lawrie Neish is not working for the benefit of all members. It became clear that he was putting obstacles in front of any suggestion that we have an AGM. He is behaving almost as though the GICAC is his own private club and that the money generated from Artrcraft is his to disperse at will. However, at the end of a volatile meeting he reluctantly agreed to a January 14 AGM.

Imagine, then, how we on Salt Spring feel to receive a letter dated December 23 cancelling that meeting and scheduling a meeting on January 11 on Galiano Island. We are asked to vote on the dissolution of the GICAC and the disposal of assets. What a devious trick—a last attempt to push through a decision made without input from members. There is a frantic drive for membership on Galiano right now. They are obviously hoping that not enough Salt Spring Island voters will manage the trip over to vote. I hope they are proved wrong and that whatever the outcome of all this, it will at least be a democratic one.

KATHY ROBERTSON

Inspirational reading

This is actually two letters rolled into one. In reading the last issue of *the Barnacle* (December 28), I was inspired to write in appreciation of the insights, wisdom and hope offered in a number of the columns. From the "Light at the end of the millennium tunnel," to "Surviving the seasonal ho, ho, ho," to "Millennium bound," I was left with a warm, hopeful feeling toward the future, and an appreciation for writers putting themselves and their beliefs on the page for all to see. Also, a thank you to *the Barnacle* for putting together an ever-increasingly readable paper, which deals with core issues facing us as a community, locally and globally.

The other part of this letter has to do with my being temporarily downgraded from driver to hitchhiker. I live towards Beaver Point, and the south end generally tends to be great hitch-hiking country. Most of my rides come from older model vehicles with people who are moving at a slower pace, who have adjusted to "Island Time." The majority of newer model vehicles speed by usually without a glance. All I am asking of people, unless you are having a bad day and need the space, is to consider. Consider reaching out and lending a hand to someone in a less fortunate situation. That's all.

P.S. With more and more hitchhikers on the road and all the grant money going around, how about a

grant to restart the bus?

Toward a hopeful future,

P.J.V. MONFETTE

Lusty singing thanks to many

To many are owed the great pleasures experienced by the packed house at the ArtSpring Community Carol sing-a-long on December 22nd, but one name was inadvertently left off the long list: *The Barnacle*. Rarely has there been such robustly seasonal singing as that with which the audience treated the performers on that occasion, but without *the Barnacle's* generous donation of ad space, which helped to fill the seats, I suspect the singing would have been less lusty. Hearty thanks to *the Barnacle*.

It looks like another annual event has arrived in our town. Watch for it in December 2000. And may that event be but the best in a very good year.

RICHARD MOSES

ArtSpring Board

Putting the Christ back in to Christmas

I read Shelagh Plunkett's editorial in the December 21 issue of *the Barnacle*. A copy of the newspaper was brought to me [in Langley] to read as I enjoy reading about what is happening on Salt Spring Island.

To say that it was disappointing

would be a huge understatement.

What was the point? Why does she feel it is important, let alone appropriate, to ridicule and belittle the true meaning of Christmas? If she could not personally find something uplifting or encouraging to say about the birth of Christ the Saviour, or the true meaning of Christmas, why not find someone to write this one article who is not so hostile.

What she did in her article was neither creative, nor insightful. Hundreds of cynics like herself have taken shots for dozens of years. Ever since the politically correct (PC) agenda got a foothold, we have heard how, Christmas is not just for Christians, Jews celebrate Hanukkah, Muslims have Ramadan, and there are the solstice worshippers, don't forget...yadda, yadda, yah.

We've heard everything about how it is so insulting to all those immigrants to our fair land, who bring different beliefs to have Christmas and Christianity foisted upon them. She is just one of a long line of cynics who want nothing more than to make Christmas insignificant. Sadly, the only person this will truly effect, is herself.

Reading her article made me feel very badly for her. Especially considering the fact that, for an apparently educated, intelligent woman (I would use the PC term "person", but I refuse to join this cult :-), she would actually say, "I was much

more interested in the looks on the faces around me in St. Peter's Square when the Pope spoke than I was in the fact that it was the Pope speaking, and I wasn't at all interested in what he was saying."

Now maybe she doesn't agree with the Pope on some issues, I am not a Catholic and there are things I would disagree with him about, however her statement is the height of arrogance. Here is a world leader, who embodies peace and self-sacrifice, who is respected by many as intelligent and insightful and she "wasn't at all interested in what he was saying."

I am sure that many of her readers will see the arrogance, or at least the insensitivity. It is appalling to be so insensitive to those who have faith in God and His Son, Jesus Christ at Christmas. Sure, take your shots throughout the year. Raise doubts and questions... fair game. But why not raise the same nonsense during Hanukkah or Ramadan.

Finally, I must also correct the article's title. She again would not see how this is insulting. She takes a verse from the Bible and attempts to turn it into a phrase of worship for her own beliefs, "Peace on earth, light to all." It is of course taken from the Gospel of Luke 2:14, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Merry Christmas!

GLENN DAVIES

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Peace on earth And Ramadan

You slipped a bit on that one "Peace on earth, light to all," the *Barnacle*, December 21. (I know this can happen.) Ramadan follows the lunar calendar and the Muslim calendar does not interpolate days to bring it in accordance with the solar calendar.

So each lunar year in this calendar is about 11 days shorter than the solar year. Ramadan moves backwards through the solar year. In 1999 (in the Christian Calendar) it falls in December/early January; six years ago it was in February. When I first encountered it in a Muslim country it was sometime in August or September.

There are a lot of people to whom Ramadan is more important than Christmas is to most of us. Here are two verses from the Quran about it:

Sura II, Verse 183

*Ye who believe!
Fasting is proscribed to you
As it was proscribed
To those before you/
That ye may learn
Self-restraint.*

Sura II, Verse 185

*Ramadhan is the month
In which was sent down
The Quran, as a guide
To mankind, also clear (signals)
For guidance and judgment
(Between right and wrong)
So every one of you
Who is present (at his home)
During this month
Should spend it in fasting.
(Translation by Abdallah Yousaf Ali)
Merry Christmas*

WOLFGANG LINSE

Won't try that again

I want to thank the person or persons, who, on the evening of December 28 wanted to help me dismantle my Christmas lights early by pulling the plugs out from each other then stealing 49 light bulbs.

It's nice to know that there are thoughtful people out there! So thoughtful in fact, that next year—when I had planned to go bigger and better on the lights—I won't expand my light display. For obvious rea-

sons, I can't trust that they too won't be stolen or ripped apart. I'm glad to see that the Christmas Spirit is alive and well on Salt Spring. If anyone sees me trying to brighten up the neighbourhood in the future, remind me again why I shouldn't.

I would like to think that the person or persons who did this will read this letter and feel some remorse but I doubt it. I certainly hope your New Year's was a good one because mine wasn't.

F. HAWKES

Call and response

The following two letters were submitted by eight-year-old Elizabeth Woods. On December 21, the *Barnacle* published a letter from her to Robert MacDonald and Derek Tretheway, the new owners of the Texada lands. Here is their response to her and her counter to them.

Dear Miss Woods,
We appreciate you taking the time and caring enough about the trees and wild life to have written your letter of December 17, 1999. Your letter has had quite an effect on Mr. Tretheway and me and made us quite sad.

In terms of what we were actually doing on our property, please find enclosed a book called *Forest Harvesting - Following Nature's Lead* which is published by the Government of British Columbia, Ministry of Forests. This book describes the type of harvesting that we are carrying out on our property. If you would like to see the tree harvesting in real life, we can arrange for you, along with your Mom or Dad, to have a tour of the areas we are harvesting. It is usually good to see things with your own eyes to get a true picture. I think you will find that we are not cutting down all the trees and are in fact leaving thousands of trees available for the wild life that exist in our forests. You may find that the truth is some what different from what you have been led to believe.

Your comment that you like yourself better than money is very wise. Don't ever let money be your master, but know that money can help you do many great things and help many people.

Finally, I must tell you that there are some people that are saying things about Mr. Tretheway and me that are simply unfair and not true. We kindly request that you seek out the truth and look at it in a fair and balanced way.

Again, thank you for your letter and please take the opportunity to contact either Mr. Tretheway or myself should you wish to have a tour of our harvesting operations on Salt Spring.

ROBERT MACDONALD

Dear Mr. Macdonald,

Thank you for your letter. Can you tell me how you are helping other people? I do not think you are helping anybody.

I would like to see the tree harvesting in real life. My mother will be contacting you.

I am collecting money from my allowance to buy the land off of you.

ELIZABETH WOODS

Stop being sheep-ish

It's still dark, Christmas morning. I'd like to sleep, be warm and think of sugar plums. I can't.

There is a terrible rumbling in my heart, a terror in my soul. The terror is not for me. I probably don't have so many of these Christmas mornings left before I'm out of it. My terror, my anguish is for the people, the animals of this lovely Earth.

How many of us can or will turn around in our tracks and refuse to be pushed and herded in selfish, even childish, weakness? Who will look back and see what has become of our participating in forcing the whole of creation into a dangerously unhealthy state? And for what? For the sake of profit. And what's even more mad—profit which is only an illusion.

Here we are on this lovely Island again faced with a greedy little group who are in the process of getting themselves into a pack of trouble attempting to take advantage of nature. I speak to the Texada Lands issue.

Are we to stand by and not do anything, to function like sheep—Ba, Ba? "It's the law." "They have their rights." "We are powerless." "We can't do anything." "We are not involved." "We are retired people." "We are working

see Sheep-ish p19

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COMMENTARY

Who's who: Seeking help in shaping our future

On November 1, 1999 Salt Spring Island entered a New World when we got a new neighbour who had just picked up about a tenth of the total land area of Salt Spring (along with some 8,700 acres around Home Lake on Vancouver Island) for between \$30 and \$50 million dollars.

Logging isn't new to the Gulf Islands; what is new is the amount of land being logged, the speed at which logs are leaving the Islands, and the apparent lack of long-term interest being shown for Island communities or ongoing forest management.

So what does the New World hold for Salt Spring Islanders? And what is our role in shaping the future of our community? There are three major parties involved: the land owners, governments and community members. How the future unfolds will be determined by individual desires and actions, and the interactions among these individuals and groups.

The following is a brief synopsis of these parties and their current interests and activities involving the Texada lands.

The new land owners

Texada Land Corporation is a new company, created specifically for the purchase of these lands and controlled by Rob MacDonald and Derek Tretheway of Vancouver, as well as other silent partners. They have purchased title to some 56 parcels of land on Salt Spring totaling more than 4,500 acres, across Mount Tuam, the Burgoyne and Fulford valleys, and Mount Maxwell.

Much of the land is under Provincial Forest or Agricultural Land Reserve. The new owners have stated their intention to log between 55 and 60 per cent of the merchantable timber on their Salt Spring lands following a set of "Forestry Principles" that they have developed with their consultants. Prior to a brief Christmas break, every day 10 to 12 truckloads of logs were being taken from Mount Tuam to the Burgoyne Bay for transport off-Island. The net profit on sale of the logs at this rate of harvest was estimated by Rob MacDonald at \$1.2 million per month. At a recent meeting involving CRD Parks and other community members, Rob MacDonald expressed a willingness to sell any or all of the Salt Spring parcels of land if a real and clear offer were made. In the meantime, the logging will continue.

Government agencies and representatives

There are a number of government agencies at various levels with key responsibilities related to development or protection of the Texada lands:

1. **The Islands Trust** has major land use planning responsibilities developed and applied through zoning regulations, the Official Community Plan and land use bylaws. Several Gulf Islands (but not Salt Spring) have bylaws relating to forestry on private lands. Community consultation and consideration by elected trustees is required prior to any changes to land use zoning or regulations.

2. **Capital Regional District (CRD)** PARCs has acquired some lands on Salt Spring either alone or in partnership with other interests (e.g., Mill Farm) and has expressed an interest in acquiring additional lands in accordance with the CRD PARC Master Plan and subject to availability of funding.

3. The provincial agency with the most influence on the future of the Texada lands is the **Provincial Land Commission**, with responsibility for overseeing Agricultural and Forest Land Reserve (ALR and FLR) lands in the province. In the past, the Commission has been very restrictive about proposed withdrawals or subdivision of ALR or FLR lands. New (but minimal) regulations governing logging practices on private FLR lands have been passed by the provincial legislature and will come in to force in April 2000.

BC Parks (part of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks) has identified areas among the Texada lands as having high value for parkland but has no funding available for park acquisition. The provincial government participates in the Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy (PMHL) a federal-provincial programme for identifying

and acquiring park lands in the southern Gulf Islands but has not contributed any funds to the programme in the last four years. The current PMHL agreement expired on December 31, 1999. The provincial Conservation Data Centre (CDC) has mapped sensitive ecosystems on Salt Spring Island, and holds other conservation information. Various other provincial agencies have responsibilities related to such values and activities as archaeological sites, commercial leases of Crown lands and road construction.

4. **Fisheries and Oceans Canada** (also known as the Department of Fisheries and Oceans) has legal responsibility for the protection of salmon-bearing streams and can charge private land owners with violations under the federal Fisheries Act.

Parks Canada is a partner in the Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy programme and is interested in establishing a National Park in the Southern Gulf Islands, as well as studying the feasibility of a National Marine Conservation Area in the waters around the Gulf Islands.

The Georgia Basin Ecosystem Initiative, involving Environment Canada and other partners, has also identified some areas of the Texada lands as having high conservation value.

Salt Spring community members and organizations

Salt Spring Islanders are well known for their strong opinions and diverse interests (not to mention lifestyles). Comments about the Texada land sale by Islanders at community meetings to date have ranged from requests for more information, to concern, to outrage.

Current response to the Texada Land sale includes two significant groups. First, a Direct Action Group interested in raising public awareness and responding to the current level of logging activity on the Texada lands. The Direct Action Group is planning various events and activities in the near future. The second group organizing in response to the Texada land sale is explicitly interested in protection and potential acquisition of the lands from the current owners. The Land Conservancy is spearheading fund-raising efforts in this direction with the help of many Islanders. (For more information on these groups check the website www.savesalt-spring.com.)

The South and West Conservation Partners have also been working over several years on conservation issues and focus areas involving the Texada, as well as adjacent, lands. The Conservation Partners include several Island organizations (e.g., SSI Conservancy, SSI Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission, Islands Trust Fund, Water Preservation Society) government conservation agencies and other groups (e.g., The Land Conservancy, Habitat Acquisition Trust, Nature Conservancy of Canada).

Distribution of information and actions undertaken by community members and organizations to date is being planned for the next Texada Lands Community Meeting being held at Fulford Hall on Thursday January 6th at 7pm. As well, the Direct Action Group is planning a rally and blockade, 12 noon on January 5. The rally will meet at the Burgoyne bus shelter at the foot of Lee's Hill.

COLIN RANKIN

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My Island isn't THAT extreme. There's a regular (well, pretty regular) ferry service. There's a bush plane on floats that I can catch at least once a day. And in a pinch I can always try sweet-talking a shrimp or a crabber into giving me a lift.

The Island that I chose nestles in the Strait of Georgia, just a few miles from Vancouver, Victoria and the US border. I played it safe. Other people look for Islands as far away from the rest of terra firma as they can get. Gaughin chose Tahiti. The mutineers from The Bounty opted for a gaggle of godforsaken rocks that would become Pitcairn Island.

Many of our predecessors decided Newfoundland looked like a good place to be. Others fetched up on Prince Edward and Vancouver Islands.

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Tropical paradise, Tuvalu. An archipelago of coral atolls that sits in the Western Pacific, just to the northwest of Fiji. Tuvalu is home to 10,000 souls who live an Edenic life on a diet of fish, home grown veggies and tropical fruit. Tuvaluans are utterly unruffled by the pollution, the wars, the overcrowding and all the other turn of the Millennium crapola that you and I deal with as a matter of course.

Only one problem with the perfect paradise that is Tuvalu—it's disappearing.

You see, you'd never get an altitude nosebleed on the atolls of Tuvalu. It sits, on average, a mere 91 centimetres above the Pacific Ocean.

Ninety-one centimetres. About the height of a decent pair of hip waders. Experts expect the sea level to rise by anywhere from 50 to 100 centimetres over the next century. If the advance hype about global warming and glacial melting is even close to accurate, Tuvalu is doomed.

Already the sea is insinuating salty fingers into Tuvalu daily life. Formerly sweet and potable ground

water has turned brackish, sour and toxic. The root crops on which the population depends are beginning to die.

Effectively, Tuvalu is drowning. And it seems there's not much anyone can do about it.

The irony is we've been this way before—if an observer as illustrious as Plato is to be believed.

Twenty-four hundred years ago, the Greek philosopher wrote of a huge and fabulous city/state he called Atlantis. Plato said the people of Atlantis were so advanced as to be godlike. He swore the very walls of the city were plated in gold, silver and bronze.

Atlantis, alas, vanished. Swallowed up by the sea, the legends say. Apparently that's how it is with many Islands—they come and they go.

I know somebody's going to write and say "Idiot—Plato didn't describe Atlantis as an Island—he said it was a continent."

True. But what's a continent, if not an uncommonly large Island.

Atlantis. Tuvalu. Australia. North America.

Next?



Michelle Meach photo

SANTA WITH A TWIST—No, that's not Mrs. Santa. Mary Williamson played a female version of the traditionally male man in the red suit during ArtSpring's successful sing-a-long, December 22. The comedienne and actor was in fine form as usual, as were the voices of the many who sang.

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Bloody Ganges Harbour massacre subject of next Historical Society meet

Chris Arnett's research has taught him one thing: there's a lot of incorrect information out there. When he addresses the Historical Society at Central Hall on Tuesday, January 11, at 2pm, Arnett will give us his answers to the perplexing question of what really happened at the bloody Battle of Ganges Harbour almost 140 years ago.

The talk will explore several fascinating ideas, some of which are also examined in Arnett's recently published book, *The Terror of the Coast: Land Alienation and Colonial War on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands, 1849-1863* (Talonbooks, 1999). One of these is the question of Aboriginal ownership of land in BC, which relates direct-

ly to the treaty process now underway in the province.

Knowing what happened in the past definitely helps us understand what we see around us today. In discussing the massacre at Ganges Harbour, Arnett will examine the Aboriginal ownership of the land before the arrival of white settlers and Aboriginal impacts on white settlement on Salt Spring, such as the high turnover of preemptions in the early period of settlement.

Although Arnett's Salt Spring business—Fulford Creek Folk Art—keeps him very busy, he still manages to spend a fair bit of time writing history. *The Terror of the Coast* was published this past fall after almost

six years of work and is his first solo effort. He has co-authored two previous books: *They Write Their Dreams on the Rock Forever: Rock Writings of the Stein River Valley, British Columbia* with Annie York and Richard Daly (Talon, 1993) and *Four Thousands Years: A History of the Rain Forest on the Southwest Coast of Vancouver Island* with Maywell Wickhiem (Sooke Region Museum and Archives, 1989). Chris is now working on his fourth book.

In addition to taking a new look at an important piece of Salt Spring history, this event will help celebrate Chris Arnett's new book. Refreshments will be served following the talk. Everyone is welcome.

STV makes inaugural broadcast

On Friday, January 7 at 7 p.m., Salt Spring TV (STV), channel 12, will make its inaugural broadcast. Salt Spring Cablevision's new Community Programmer, Peter Prince, has promised two hours of entertaining and education programming starring talented Islanders. The two-hour slot includes a mix all filmed and edited by Prince.

The first hour focuses on the local production, *Christmas with Scrooge* and will give all those who missed the show during its pre-Christmas run at ArtSpring an opportunity to catch this Island tradition.

The second hour will include a

series of shorts starting with an educational programme—*Riparian Discovery*—that follows two youngsters, Emma Rimmer and Laura Stewart, as they explore Island streams (riparian areas) identifying features through which these lush ecosystems support a variety of indigenous plants and creatures. Following will be *Bean Discovery*, another short that follows Phoenix Elementary students as they explore an organic farm and learn about the bean kingdom through a harvest of colourful beans from around the world. Two more shorts complete the second hour's broad-

cast: *Second Chance*, is a 12-minute documentary featuring the Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre while, *The Polar Bear Swim* captures this year's New Year's Day dip in the chilly waters of Vesuvius Beach.

Late in the month, STV will broadcast Prince's documentary *Tex-Files* which captures the heat of the current Texada Lands debate including protests, town hall meetings and comment from developers, foresters and loggers.

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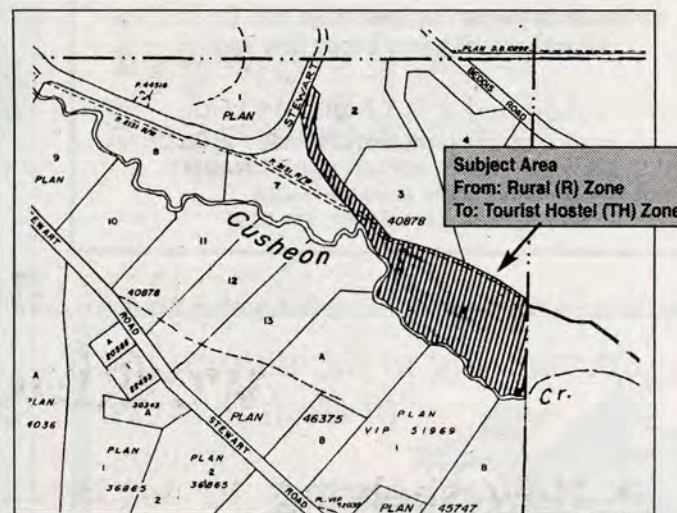
Notice is hereby given that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will hold a Public Hearing on proposed Salt Spring Island Zoning Bylaw No. 357, for the purposes of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed Bylaw, at 7:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, January 12, 2000, in the Hart Bradley Memorial Hall (Lions Club), 103 Bonnet Avenue, Salt Spring Island, B.C.** A Public Information Session will be held prior to the Public Hearing, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

At the Public Meeting, all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed Bylaw will be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard, or to present written submissions respecting matters contained therein.

Proposed Bylaw No. 357, cited as "Zoning Bylaw, Salt Spring Island, 1985, Amendment No. 2, 1999".

In general terms, the purpose of the proposed Bylaw is to:

1. Change the zoning classification of Lot 6, Section 77, South Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 40878, also known as **640 Cusheon Lake Road**, from Rural Zone (R) to Tourist Hostel Zone (TH), as shown on the following plan.
2. Place specific zoning conditions on the property to manage impacts on neighbouring properties.
3. Limit the number of buildings and total floor dedicated to the Hostel.



Enquiries concerning the proposed Bylaw may be directed to the Islands Trust, located at 1206 - 115 Fulford-Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2T9. Copies of the proposed Bylaw, and any reports that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee in respect to the proposed Bylaw, are available for inspection at the above-noted address during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, commencing Tuesday, January 04, 2000, and continuing up to and including Wednesday, January 12, 2000. The proposed Bylaw may also be accessed via the internet at: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca>

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892 (2)(e) of the Municipal Act, copies of the proposed Bylaw may be inspected at the Victoria Office of the Islands Trust, #200-1627 Fort Street, Victoria, BC, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, commencing Tuesday, January 04, 2000, and continuing up to and including Wednesday, January 12, 2000.

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Desert Island Choices

Reading, music and a visitor—what would you pick if you were stranded on a desert island?



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The Book: I would want to have a book about how to make boats just in case I got stuck there and wanted to get off and had to make a boat really fast. Then, I could make a boat and just go if I wanted to.

The Disc: I would want a Beethoven cd. Any one would do, but I especially like the Symphony No. 9 in D minor, Op. 125 Choral so maybe that one.

Fellow Castaway: My best friend Francis Quain who lives in Victoria. We've been friends since grade one and we're still best friends.

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- ★ **Volleyball (co-ed)** GISS Gym. 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 5

- ★ **Logging Truck Blockade**
Burgoyne Bay bus shelter.
12 noon
- ★ **Ease into Fitness**
Mahon Hall. 9am
- ★ **Step into Shape**
All Saints'. 9-10am.
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THURSDAY JANUARY 6

- ★ **Texada La**
Fulford Hall
- ★ **Storytime**
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- ★ **Sing Along**
Seniors' Bld.
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- 🖼️ Gallery
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- 🗣️ Meetings & Lectures
- 🏥 Health
- 🏃 Sports and fitness
- 🎬 Cinema
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MONDAY JANUARY 10

- ★ **Fly tying**
Newman's Great Outdoors. 5-9pm
- 🎵 **Monday Midnight Café**
Acoustic Jam.
Rose's Café. 7pm
- 🎬 **Being John Malkovich**
7:30pm

TUESDAY JANUARY 11

- ★ **Fly tying** Newman's Great Outdoors. 5-9pm
- ★ **Soup's On** Free soup and sandwich for anyone who needs it.
All Saints'. 11:30-1pm
- ★ **The Battle of Ganges Harbour July 1, 1860: What Really Happened?** SSI Historical Soc. Discussion with Author, Chris Arnett. Central Hall. 2pm
- 🗣️ **Genetically Engineered Foods & Bulk Water Exports** Action meeting. GISS 7:30pm
- 🗣️ **GICAC Meeting**
Galiano Island. 6:30pm
- 🗣️ **Beginners Rotary Quilting**
Orientation. A Class Act Fabric Studio. 7-9pm
- 🏃 **Flexible Strength** All Saints'. 9am
- 🏐 **Volleyball (co-ed)**
Fulford Elem. Gym. 7:30pm
- 🏐 **Volleyball (co-ed)**
GISS Gym. 7:30pm
- 🎬 **Being John Malkovich** 6:45pm
- 🎬 **Love Stinks** 9pm

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 12

- 🎵 **Wednesday Night Live**
Open Stage. Moby's Pub. 9pm
- 💃 **Heart Dance**
Meditative movement and chant. 380 Stark Road Studio. 7:15-9pm.
537-2598
- 🗣️ **SD#64**
Meeting of School Trustees. Saturna Community Hall. 1pm
- 🏃 **Ease into Fitness**
Mahon Hall. 9am
- 🏃 **Step into Shape**
All Saints'. 9-10am.
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THURSDAY JANUARY 13

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- 🏃 **Step into**
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THURSDAY JANUARY 6

Texada Lands Town Hall Meeting
Central Hall. 7pm
Midnight
of the Moon. 10am
Along Group
Bldg. 2pm
Wheels Square Dancing
Central Hall. 537-4855. 653-9346
Community Meditation
Central Church. 11:15am-12:30pm
Step into Shape
All Saints'. 9-10am. 537-4448

FRIDAY JANUARY 7

★ Salt Spring T.V.
Inaugural 2hr Broadcast.
SS Cable ch. 12. 7pm
♪ Open Stage
Every Friday. Rose's Cafe.
Fulford Harbour. 7pm
✶ Ease into Fitness
Mahon Hall. 9am
Step into Shape
All Saints'. 9am
✶ Love Stinks
7pm
Being John Malkovich
9pm

SATURDAY JANUARY 8

★ Bottle Drive
1st Ganges Scouts.
653-4430
Christmas Tree
Recycling &
Shredding
Legion Parking Lot.
10-3
✶ Step into Shape
All Saints'. 8:30am
✶ Love Stinks
7pm
Being John
Malkovich
9pm

SUNDAY JANUARY 9

★ Choral Evensong for
Epiphany
All Saints'. 4pm
♪ Brian (Buck)
McDonald & Dave
Roland
Fulford Inn. 4-7pm.
The Brodie West
Quartet with Pat
Coleman
Sunday Night Jazz
Moby's Pub. 7pm
✶ Being John Malkovich
7:30pm

Salt Spring T.V. Jan. 7

1st Great Week

THURSDAY JANUARY 13

Texada Lands Town Hall Meeting
Central Hall. 7pm
Midnight
of the Moon. 10am
Along Group
Bldg. 2pm
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Lang Rd. 7:30-9:30pm. 537-2707
Wheels Square Dancing
Central Hall. 537-4855. 653-9346
Community Meditation
Central Church. 11:15am-12:30pm
Local Trust Committee
Central Hall. 1pm
Step into Shape
All Saints'. 9-10am. 537-4448

FRIDAY JANUARY 14

♪ Open Stage
Every Friday. Rose's Cafe.
Fulford Harbour. 7pm
✶ Ease into Fitness
Mahon Hall. 9am
Step into Shape
All Saints'. 9am

SATURDAY JANUARY 15

✶ Texada Lands Rally &
Media Event
Burgoyne Bay Road.
Bottom of Lee's Hill. 2pm.
✶ Step into Shape
All Saints'. 8:30am

SUNDAY JANUARY 16

♪ Brian (Buck)
McDonald & Dave
Roland
Fulford Inn. 4-7pm
Sunday Night Jazz
Moby's Pub. 7pm
✶ Magic Tile
Orientation. A Class
Act Fabric Studio.
3-5pm

Texada Lands Rally. Jan. 15

2nd Great Week

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Jan. 8
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January 8
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Community Arts Council

Healing division will take time and care

by Judy Moscovitz

Though there are wide—and loud—divisions between the members of the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (GICAC) and its Board of Directors, on one thing they are agreed: let's get these matters resolved between ourselves before it comes to court.

The two main issues on the table are the dissolution of GICAC, dividing it into two separate arts councils, one for Salt Spring, the other for the Outer Islands, and the dispersion of GICAC's assets.

These are matters which must be decided by members from all the Gulf Islands, not by any one Island group alone. Since GICAC's bylaws do not allow for a postal ballot, a vote must be taken by members in the same room at the same time, in order to be valid. With eight Islands, all dependent on ferries, this can be a challenge.

Such wide-spread geographical dispersion can lead to other difficulties as well. One frequent casualty is communication, according to GICAC President Lawrie Neish. "Often the problem is not what is actually said, but how it gets skewed and gives people the wrong impression," he said.

In the present instance, one result has been a deterioration in

the formerly excellent relationship between Salt Spring artists and their Outer Island counterparts. Eager to amicably resolve the divisiveness that has lately developed between the two groups, Salt Springers are looking forward to attending a GICAC meeting called for Tuesday,

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If this comes to court, there will be nothing left. They'll be fighting over the bones.

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January 11th, on Galiano.

Noting that "a society is only as good as all of its members," GICAC's Judith Borbas is urging as many members as possible to attend. To help the Salt Spring contingent make the trip, the following arrangements have been made:

3:15pm: Meet to carpool at 133 McPhillips, (across from the Core Inn). Lots of approved parking available.

3:20pm: Those whose cars

have enough seat belts to accommodate several passengers should convene at the Long Harbor ferry terminal.

3:45pm: Foot passengers with lifts should be dropped off.

4:05pm: Ferry departs

4:15pm: Information meeting on board the ferry, in the forward lounge. A potluck dinner is being organized.

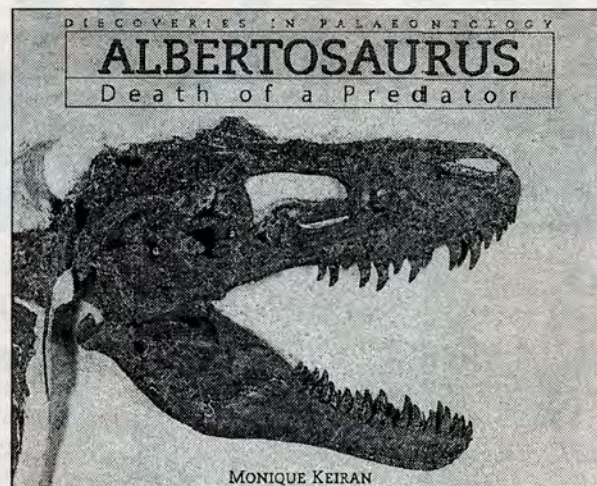
6:05pm: Ferry arrives on Galiano. Members will be carpooled to the hall for the 6:30 pm meeting and returned in time to board the 8:35pm ferry home.

10:30pm: Arrival in Long Harbor, where foot passengers can be picked up. Others will be carpooled back to their cars.

Borbas requests that members bring proof of membership, in the form of a card, receipt, cancelled cheque or Artercraft printout.

For further information, members can call Borbas at 537-2015, Illyd Perkins at 653-9392 or Marlene Smith at 537-0756.

Despite their differences, the members of GICAC and its executive are of one mind on the issue of litigation. As ArtSpring's Jane Forner said at the last meeting, "If this doesn't get resolved, the only ones who will benefit will be the lawyers." Concur Neish, "If this comes to court, there will be nothing left. They'll be fighting over the bones."



A tale all can relate to

Cover to cover ... with Ryan Gueddes

Thrill to the adventures of our young heroine as she and her family wage a desperate battle for survival.

Grieve as she dies starving, diseased, crippled and alone, at the side of a river.

It's hard not to feel pity for our protagonist—even though she'd rip you apart and devour you on sight.

Monique Keiran, a writer and editor based in Drumheller, Alberta, takes clues from a rare fossil to recreate the short, savage life of a meat-eating dinosaur in *Albertosaurus: Death of a Predator* (Raincoast, \$24.95).

Keiran's slender but engaging book uses vivid vignettes to punctuate her true-life detective story, featuring the technicians at Drumheller's Royal Tyrrell Museum. Her semi-fictional passages are obviously inspired by the novel *Raptor Red*, by Robert T. Bakker, the head paleontological consultant on the film *Jurassic Park*, who told a similar tale that won praise for its intriguing insights into the thought processes of a dinosaur. But Keiran, and the Tyrrell staff, owe even more to the book's most unique feature: The beautifully preserved

skeleton of our heroine, discovered in the stratified sand of an ancient river bed in Alberta's Dinosaur Provincial Park.

Accompanying Keiran's account of the lengthy, painstaking process in which the museum's crew dug up, analyzed and preserved the fossil are photographs, conceptual drawings, factoids and sidebars that make the book an entertaining read for youngsters or adults.

But it's her biography of the young dinosaur, recreated partly through speculation, but mostly from hard fossil evidence, that provides the easiest entry point to a life that flickered briefly an estimated 75 million years ago.

Consider the author's account of our heroine, starting life as a hatchling in a mildly dysfunctional family, complete with working mom, at mealtime: "Scratching with her claws and nipping with her fingernail-sized teeth, the young *Albertosaurus* snatched food from brothers and sisters, eating more than her share—only the strongest and most aggressive ate well."

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New restaurant follows tradition set by Dares

by Amei Parkes

They say the only constant is change. When Dares to be Different Restaurant closed its doors last September, vegetarians and organic food lovers on Salt Spring Island voiced a collective moan. No more bean salad. No more padthai soaked in tamarind sauce. No more red curry dripping in coconut milk.

Are all these creations—which were made from high-quality, organic food—lost from Salt Spring menus for good?

Not if Gord Calder can help it.

The new owner of Talons restaurant, located in Seacourt Restaurant's former space at the end of Gasoline Alley, is picking up where Linda Dares ventured to go. Starting January 6, Talons restaurant will host an ethnic vegetarian feast one night a week—a tradition which began at Dares'.

Calder recognized the demand for vegetarian fare through numerous requests from customers. Going one step further, he enlisted the help of Dares' cooking team,

Bob Twaites and Janthra Beneteau to prepare their crowd-drawing meals.

"I thought I'd let the pros do it for real," said Calder.

Like at Dares', this and other sumptuous cuisine from around the world will make up future theme nights. Indian cuisine will be first up on the regular Thursday night menu. The cooks are also open to requests.

"[In the past, we] would make favorites for Ted and Glo, or Judy. We did, among others, Chinese, Thai, Laotian, Indonesian, Sri Lankan, Indian, Japanese, Greek, Mexican and French cuisines. I plan to occasionally do a comfort food nostalgia night and make those famous Pot Pies and other stuff that reminds you of Mum," said Twaites.

Twaites and Beneteau's cooking past is varied and broad. Beneteau, who is originally from Thailand, said she learned to cook from her brothers and chefs who shared cooking secrets with her.

"I love cooking," said Beneteau. "I learned just watching how people do it. I

picked a lot up from them."

Twaites—who may go down in history for his mouth-watering veggie pot pies—said he owes his culinary wizardry to his mother, sixth grade teacher and a house full of international students at U.B.C.

"I basically cooked my way through university," he said.

Even during the interview he said he was up to his elbows in pasta, as he explained that he has been doing catering ever since Dares' closed.

Twaites misses the atmosphere and steady work at Dares', but said Talons' new idea is a way for everyone to move on. Talons is a venue with its own ambiance and menu, but by bringing over these cooks, Calder has marked Dares' place in Salt Spring's culinary legacy.

They say that some things never change.

The ethnic vegetarian feasts cost approximately \$35 for two people (\$17.50 for one) which include a generous sample of everything on that night's menu. Humbler meals are also available in the \$10 range. Talons is licensed. For reservations, call 537-8585.



Talons Chef Bob Twaites.

Nice and simple...not. In 2000 things get complicated



Let's eat ...

with Linda Korosil

It's New Years Eve and I've made a 300 pound trifle to feed 65 people. Now if I can only get it out to the car without it pitching to the ground I'll be happy.

Having finished the final layer I sat down and thumbed through a reprint of the Five Roses Cookbook. It was originally printed in 1915 and sold for 10 cents. You know, as I was reading through this marvelous book I was struck by this thought—"simplicity"—something we have lost today. And, "common sense."

If you didn't know how to bake,

fry or broil something in those days, you'd ask your mother or grandmother. Touch, smell, taste and appearance prevailed. If the cake springs back to the touch, my mother taught me, it's done. Simple. Use any old size bowl, it doesn't matter. Eyeball it.

Now here's how it's done in 1999. Put on a hair net and bleach your hands. Make sure you have a full-size apron to protect your clothes. Using a clean, medium-sized tempered glass bowl, carefully break in two medium eggs, taking great care not to let any of the shell fall. Then, with both hands, take an electric mixer,

making sure it's clean, and plug it in. Slowly lower the beaters into the bowl into which the eggs have been carefully cracked. Allow the beaters to be completely immersed, at which time carefully turn the knob to the medium position. Beat very carefully so as not to allow any of the egg mixture to spatter over the rim of the bowl. Turn off the mixer, and rest the beaters over another clean medium-sized bowl so as not to drip on the counter.

Wipe down the work area with bleach. Wash and rinse your hands with great care.

Using another clean medium-sized bowl, measure exactly one-half cup of white granulated sugar which has been sifted 50 times.

Plug in the mixer, slowly lower the beaters, carefully turn the knob to the medium position and carefully add the sugar—one teaspoon at a time—until the egg mixture is very fluffy. This will take about an hour.

You get the picture. Now I think I'm quite practical, but this recipe from my Five Roses Cookbook says it's all about simplicity.

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Part I: "north" doesn't always mean "colder"



*Life in the garden ...
with Joe Clemente*

Why is it that so many species of plants from the deep south of the U.S.A. will grow unbothered way up here on our S.W. coast? There are plants right here on Salt Spring Island that are native to areas that lie at 35° latitude, and below, and yet they seem quite happy in our temperate climate. Even our coldest winters with snow, ice and outflow winds don't seem to cause that much stress to these plants.

As a matter of fact, large Southern Evergreen Magnolias that I planted before our freeze in February 1989 are still here today unaffected by that nasty cold. Surely one would think of the deep southern states as being relatively balmy in the winter months, not to mention a growing zone or two much milder than ours. Well, I guess most of

their winters can be fairly mild, but it's those every so often cold snaps that are not. If the truth be told, Texas, east to Georgia, south into northern Florida, and way up the coast to North Carolina fall into growing zone 8b. Well, what do you know...that's our growing zone too!

The Southern Evergreen Magnolia tree is a very common sight in Vancouver and Victoria gardens, and public landscapes. There are some very beautiful large specimens right here on Salt Spring as well. This species can't be missed with its wonderful evergreen glossy green foliage and its large scented white blooms. I consider this tree fully cold-hardy for our region—no trick to grow this at all, but some folks I've come in contact with are truly skeptical. So why would the deep south

fall into the same zone rating as us northerners? I'll tell you why: it's because some of their all time low record breaking winter temperatures are very cold, in some cases much colder than ours. Not even those southerners can escape the real big deep freezes. I'm sure many folks way down in Dixie believe we northerners live in igloos, and every Christmas we shovel mountains of snow. But, guess what—we've had only eight white Christmases in the last 63 years, so we don't shovel all that much, do we?

You also may find it hard to believe that places such as San Antonio, Texas have recorded much colder temperatures than we've ever had, or Atlanta, Georgia with an all time low winter temperature of -18°F, not Celsius. Regions in northern Florida have experienced some real nasty cold and ice, with temperatures as low as -2°F—pretty darn cold, huh? I'm starting to wonder if they live in Igloos!

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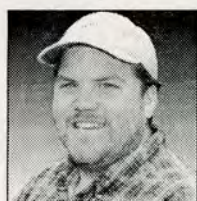
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Winter time and the fishing is great



*Fishing the great outdoors ...
with Keith Newman*

Winter fishing this new year looks like it could be quite enjoyable. The weather continues to be mild with lots of clear sunny days, perfect for spending on the lakes or in the chuck.

Fishing for winter Springs (Chinook Salmon) is about to start and I've received reports of fishers limiting out these smaller fish.

Chinook this time of year tend to be in the eight- to 12-pound range instead of 15 to 35, as you would expect to see in the summer. But, winter Springs are in great condition and taste great, making up for the small size.

Spoons are back in fashion this year. The Apex 3.0 has always been a favourite of mine and some of the anglers who are long of tooth will remember the #5 Tom Mack or Canadian Wonder with a 50/50 finish. Several new spoons have hit the shelves in tackle shops

in the past couple of years. Those include the Tomic Terminator, Radient's Devil's Tail and Luhr Jensen's Coyote spoons. The Coyote spoon is a more slender version of the Tom Mack but in a wide variety of colours and is best fished alone off a downrigger line.

On the freshwater scene, Weston, Stowell and St. Mary lakes are still active with the trout foraging on the bottom.

A friend, Darren Hewitt, and I fished St. Mary this past Wednesday, spending a couple of hours trolling the surface with flies, gangtrolls, flatfish, worms, etc....with no luck. We encountered all the action while putting our tackle on the bottom. Several nibbles resulted in a Rainbow that Darren brought in weighing a pound and quarter. This was a good weight for a fish only 14.5 inches long. It had obviously been gorging itself on small insects, possibly chironomids,

caddis larva and freshwater shrimp.

There seems to be an increase in the amount of shrimp in St. Mary Lake in the past few years, which would explain the increase in two- to three-pound trout and the deep red colour of the meat. Shrimp provide an abundant, year-round source of food and account for the chemical, chitin, contained in the shell of the crustaceans which causes the red colour of the fish's flesh. Here is a shrimp pattern for fly tiers. Try it in any colour you think will work.

Newman's Shrimp

Hook: Mustad 80020BR size 10-14

Thread: 6/0

Body: Brown Antron dubbing

Rib: Silver oval tinsel or wire

Shellback: Clear vinyl strip

Antenna: Silver Krystal flash

For people spinfishing lots of weight with a worm or power bait on the bottom with a three-foot leader or a slipeze bobber and a worm can put you in reach of where the trout are feeding.

Until next time, good luck and good fishing.

Keith Newman can be reached at his newly opened store—Newman's Great Outdoors—next to Moby's.



Scorpions rise above Down Under team



*Courtside ...
with Alan Webb*

The Gulf Islands Scorpions rode a fourth quarter surge to a 68-61 victory over a touring select team of Australian senior high school basketball players last Tuesday, December 28 at GISS.

The Aussie team, culled from different areas of the country, lacked the cohesiveness of their

hosts who have trained together for months, but managed to keep the result in doubt until the final frame. In the end, foul trouble proved to be their undoing. The aggression with which they sought to overcome their lack of cohesion failed to rattle the Scorpions who again displayed the type of concentration and maturity that marks them out as

a well-coached team.

When Australia's top scorer fouled out in the fourth, it was all but over. The seven players of John Callas' and Miles Wilson's holiday-depleted bench pulled away to win comfortably.

Brian Crowe again led the attack for GISS, potting 27 points while Jesse McEachern chipped in 12.

By way of a yardstick, the same Australian side moved on to Victoria later in the week where they dropped Belmont by 30 points.

Sports Pool...with Terry Stringer

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4 Ottawa	296	18	13 Pittsburgh	261	15
5 Dallas	292	22	14 San Jose	260	23
6 Montreal	290	25	15 Washington	248	14
7 Atlanta	280	30	16 Toronto	246	16
8 Phoenix	279	24	17 Islanders	244	18
9 Buffalo	271	23			

Includes games of Saturday, January 1, 2000

GOLF COURSE POOL Next meeting: Fri., Jan. 7th, 5pm sharp.

	Total Points	This Week		Total Points	This Week
1 Edmonton	348	30	9 Dallas	302	15
2 Ane-jo	338	31	10 Rangers	300	28
3 Toronto	315	27	11 Dagwood's	299	20
4 Marx Bro #1	312	32	12 Buffalo	284	28
5 Ice Dogs	309	28			
6 Greenwoods	308	32			
7 Ottawa	306	18			
8 Bandido	304	23			

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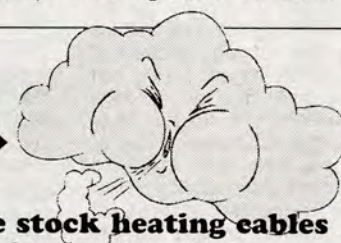


Tell us where you think this photo was taken. If you are the correct entry drawn you'll win tickets for two to Cinema Central.

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Thank You!

Santy Fuoco and Carol & Michael Simpson say "Thanks!" to all the businesses on Salt Spring who have advertised in or helped in production of the Lions Directory over the past 12 years. We have decided to move on to other projects.

Best wishes to Anne McKay and her team for many successful Directories to come!

Any questions regarding listing or advertising in the SSI Directory should be directed to Anne at:

537-2000 (phone/fax)

email: lionsdirectory@saltspring.com

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4:00 pm Friday preceding next issue
"HOLD THE PRESS" DEADLINE:
NOON Monday preceding next issue

105 • OBITUARIES

WALSER, MARTHA (Mattie). Passed away peacefully on December 27, 1999 at Lady Minto Hospital, Salt Spring Island B.C. She was predeceased by her husband Carl and daughter Pauline and will be sadly missed by her brother Robert, son Don (Evelyn), grandson Mark, Niel (Christene) and granddaughter Laurie (Jeff) and great grandchildren Tyler and Jessy and nieces and nephews. No service by request and in lieu of flowers donations can be made to The Lady Minto Hospital Foundation. Many thanks to the nurses and staff of Greenwood's and Lady Minto Hospital for such loving care. 0100

IN HONOUR and loving memory of Dale Weston, our dear friend and soul-brother, who passed suddenly December 31, 1999. Dale was a humanitarian in the true sense, a kind and caring man who touched many with his considerate and giving manner. Through his work at the Canadian Diabetic Society and as executive director at AIDS Vancouver Island in the early 1990's. Dale also held a number of positions with the Provincial Government. Dale helped to establish the Emergency Assistance Fund which helps to support the HIV community on the Gulf Islands. He will be sadly missed for his enthusiasm for life and his wonderful humour and laughter. With all our love and deepest respect. Liz Forrest and Gloria Valencia. Memorial info call 653-2046.

110 • IN MEMORIAM

HAYWARD'S FUNERAL SERVICE GANGES

PATRICK BEATTIE
Funeral Director

320 - #2 Upper Ganges Rd
Salt Spring Island
Tel: (250) 537-1022
Fax: (250) 537-2012

120 • MESSAGES OF THANKS

WE WISH to thank Dr. Myers, all the staff at Greenwood's, Bessie Dane Hospice and Pat Beattie for all your help and support during my Dad's illness and to all our family and friends for the many cards, letters, flowers and acts of kindness shown to us with the loss of my Dad, Joseph Lloyd-Walters. Cecilia & Ken Sampson and family. 0100

THANK YOU, Nina Raginsky, for your fierce devotion to the island, and for always being ahead of the curve. 0100

120 • MESSAGES OF THANKS

WE WOULD like to thank all of the community members who have supported us during our school's first term. We have an enthusiastic and talented group of students as they start their production of 'Alice' this term, and I am sure it will be worthy of seeing on the stage at ArtSpring this coming April. I would like to thank those individuals and organizations who through their donations of time and money have made our youth theatre program possible: the Barnacle, the Driftwood, Pantomime productions, S.S. Singers, Dr. Michael/Lesley Colgan, Maggie Schubart, Leah Young, Tuned Air, ArtSpring, The Core Inn, Phoenix High, G.V.M., Azure Transport, and the Belfry theatre. We look forward to working with you in the new year. Simon Henson for Stagecoach Theatre School. 0100

140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

MEETING, BOARD of Directors, Central Community Hall, Tuesday, January 25, 7 p.m. Public welcome.

GENETICALLY ENGINEERED Foods/Bulk Water Exports Action Meeting. Tuesday, Jan. 11th, 7:30 p.m. Room 206, High School. Everyone welcome. 0100

TREE CHIPPING: The Recycling Depot will be accepting Christmas trees for chipping until January 15, 2000. No charge. 0200

YOGA CLASSES with Celeste. Starting Jan. 17 - daily and evening, drop-in and pre-registered classes. Phone for details and registration. 537-5667. 0300

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140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

ISLANDS TRUST SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF MEETING

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will be meeting to consider various matters of general business, such as applications received, bylaw reviews and meeting notes. The Agenda will also include consideration of Second and Third Readings of Bylaw No. 357 (SSI Hostel), and adoption of Bylaw No. 358 (Local Trust Committee Development Procedures Bylaw).

DATE: Thursday,
January 13, 2000

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hart Bradley
Memorial Hall
(Lions Club)
103 Bonnet Avenue,
Ganges

The Public is invited to attend, and will be provided an opportunity to speak to the Local Trust Committee on any matters of interest. For information about the agenda, please call the Islands Trust at 537-9144.

SCHOOL DISTRICT # 64 (Gulf Islands)

A regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees, will be held at the

Saturna Community Hall
Wednesday,
Jan. 12, 2000 at 1:00 pm
Public Welcome!

Texada Lands Community Meeting

- Land protection & acquisition
- CRD Parks areas of interest
- Logging activity
- Actions

Fulford Hall • 7pm
Thurs., January 6

140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Tree Recycling & Shredding January 8 10am-3pm

Royal Canadian
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**Deadline for
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Monday
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You could win \$100 cash for correctly guessing the time and date of arrival of Salt Spring's first baby of '00!

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145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SERVICES MEETINGS

Salt Spring 250-537-2270
Galiano 250-539-2222
Pender 250-629-3631

Women's Meeting Only
Thursday nights: 5:15 pm
Please call
250-537-1733 or 250-537-2993

145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

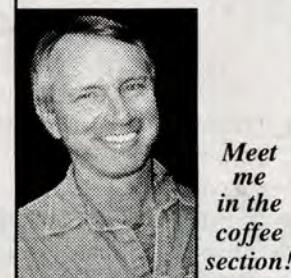


Trained volunteers available to visit and support the chronically or terminally ill at home or in hospital, providing relief for family and friends and on-going support for the bereaved.
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160 • BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday Greg!



Meet
me
in the
coffee
section!

Happy Birthday

Send a
special
birthday
greeting
in the
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2-1/2" ad with photo
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190 • BUSINESS NOTICES

STAGECOACH THEATRE School:
January is our month at the Refund
Centre. Thanks for your support.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD at
the Barnacle. Display your notices and
posters for upcoming events on our
giant bulletin board. Drop-off during
office hours or use our mail slot.

190 • BUSINESS NOTICES

THE FISHERY

7th Annual Dutch Auction!

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Most items

Jan. 7 ~ 20% OFF
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 - 525 Computers

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- 535 Finance/Mortgage
- 540 Garbage
- 545 Gardening/Landscaping
- 546 Heating
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- 552 Marine
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- 580 Rentals
- 581 Moving/Storage
- 585 Travel
- 595 Miscellaneous Services

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 - 610 Farm Land
 - 620 Acreages/Lots
 - 630 Commercial Properties
 - 640 Open Houses
 - 690 Real Estate Wanted
- ### RENTALS 700-799
- 700 Houses for Rent
 - 710 Apartments for Rent
 - 720 Room & Board
 - 730 Shared Accommodation
 - 740 Holiday Accommodation
 - 750 Storage
 - 760 Business Rentals
 - 790 Rentals Wanted

TRANSPORTATION 800-899

- 800 Cars/Trucks
- 810 Motorhomes/Campers/RVs
- 815 Trailers
- 820 Boats/Marine
- 830 Aircraft
- 840 Motorbikes/Scooters
- 850 Vehicles Wanted
- 890 Vehicles Wanted

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230 • TRAVEL

CALL US FIRST AT
THE TRAVEL SHOP
537-9911
M-F 9-4:30; SAT 9-2

301 • CLOTHING

WEDDING DRESS size 8/10, pink bridesmaid dress size 8/10. Call for description and price. 537-9259

310 • APPLIANCES

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313 • FIREWOOD

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315 • FREE & RECYCLABLE

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FREE DOG house, 2' x 3' floor space. 653-4507.

320 • GARAGE SALES

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325 • MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

ARMSTRONG FLUTE, excellent condition, carrying case and music books, \$350 653-4575

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325 • MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

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330 • PETS

PUREBRED GERMAN Shepherd Pups. 6 weeks, shots, dewormed. \$280 537-1356.

332 • LIVESTOCK

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335 • FOOD PRODUCTS

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336 • HEALTH PRODUCTS

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385 • WANTED

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WANTED: SMALL utility box trailer. Sam Anderson, 537-5268.

390 • MISCELLANEOUS

GODIN WOODSTOVES; twin mahogany sleigh beds, antique mahogany armoire, wrought iron room dividers, pine bar chairs, murphy bed. Nancy 537-9510.

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Canadiana Crossword

Saskatrivia

ACROSS

- 1 Billy club
- 5 Promos
- 8 Colonists
- 12 Sheltered
- 13 Grandma, to some
- 14 Opera feature
- 15 Back side
- 16 Friend in Falaise
- 17 Saskatchewan flower
- 18 Exhibitionist
- 20 Sell door to door
- 22 Tac partner
- 23 Poet's ever
- 24 Saskatchewan battle site
- 28 Roughrider color
- 32 Saskatchewan neighbor, abbr.
- 33 Bark
- 35 Prime Minister's Office, for short
- 36 Saskatchewan license plate word
- 39 Saskatchewan resource
- 42 By way of
- 44 Anger
- 45 Saskatchewan's team
- 48 Small centipede
- 52 Arabian Gulf
- 53 Distress signal
- 55 Wine, slang
- 56 Joke
- 57 Arthur, for short
- 58 Organic compound
- 59 Not guaranteed
- 60 Wife
- 61 Transmit

DOWN

- 1 Freshwater fish
- 2 Margarine
- 3 Oceans

- 4 Until now
- 5 Chaos
- 6 Gardiner or Alameda
- 7 Sharpshoot
- 8 Less hairy
- 9 Dry
- 10 Rivulet
- 11 Singer and dancer, Martha
- 19 Unemployment insurance org.
- 21 Work unit
- 24 Public conveyance
- 25 Request
- 26 Thailand native
- 27 Water, in Gravelbourg
- 29 Centre preceder

- 30 Aussie ostrich?
- 31 de plume
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- 37 Happenings
- 38 Title of respect
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390 • MISCELLANEOUS

NORDIC TRACK Pro ski exerciser good condition, Abflex, \$500 537-9593. 0400

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STEREO SYSTEM. Sub woofer, CD, record play, radio & tape deck. \$520. Was \$1200 new. 537-4452.

FOR SALE Seefire woodstove complete with chimney and tools. Heritage blue as new condition, \$500. Sam Anderson - 537-5268.

BABY STUFF! Two strollers, two backpacks and one Swingaway. Cloth diapers too. Phone 537-1182. 0100

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390 • MISCELLANEOUS

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400 • HELP WANTED

OUTER ISLANDS columnists needed to write about happenings on Galiano, Mayne, Pender & Saturna Islands. Please forward resume and sample of work to: The Barnacle, 324 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3. Attention: Shelagh Plunkett, editor.

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for part-time staff. Applicants must be outgoing. Retail experience in men's or ladies' wear would be an asset. Must be able to work weekdays and weekends. Please submit resume to Mouta Clothing Co., attention Kim or Fiona. 0100

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410 • EMPLOYMENT WANTED

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522 • SEWING

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531 • MARINE

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540 • GARBAGE

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Salt Spring's First Baby of 2000 Contest!
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HOROSCOPES

For the week,
by Michael O'Connor
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Tip of the week: Happy New Millennium! The new era is here and as of the first day Chiron, alias the maverick, aligned with the hidden power of Pluto. Together in Sagittarius, they will demand bottom line answers and will not settle for token glimpses and partial truths. Numerologists attribute the mysterious qualities of zero to Pluto and we now have three of them neatly lined up! To the unaware, zero means nothing. In the Tarot, zero is linked to the Fool. But don't be fooled; to the awakened zero is without beginning or end and represents eternal power. The unassuming two that is harnessing three of these mighty tricksters also holds hidden powers. As the Chinese know, from the one came the two and from the two came the ten thousand things, a metaphor for everything! In the Tarot, two is symbolically linked to Judgment or Major Arcana XX (20), to Justice or XI (11) and to the High Priestess or II (2). The two pillars of ancient Egypt then subsequently of Judaism and the Kaballah and eventually of freemasonry attest to the power of 2. The High Priestess is about the marriage of heaven and earth, Justice is the eternal ideal that does exist in Heaven even though it remains a challenge here on Earth and Judgment is about discerning choices that honor the long term as opposed to the short. We do have our work cut out for us, don't we?

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20) Are you courageously exploring your dreams and revealing the fears that prevent you from fully realizing them or are you escaping and/or whining about how the world isn't perfect enough for you to succeed? If so, it is time to embrace the spirit and take the letters in stride. The law says, 'know thy self'. Yes, the law! Isn't self-discovery what life is all about? You are destined to be a pioneer and a leader. That means that the path is not spelled out for you. It is time to decide and act!

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20) The momentum for change is moving rapidly now and you can clearly feel it. While some lingering insecurities are preventing you from coasting at full speed, you are determined to break on through. The first obstacle is the one that leads you to allow the opinions of others to sway you from your internal guidance. Friends come and go and some we leave behind. True friends are those who cheer us on even if our actions do not fit in with their agenda. Be your own best friend.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) Truth is an experience and since every person has different experiences, truth may not be all that it has been chalked up to be. However, as the paradox goes, most people will agree that the biggest obstacle that one faces in life is their very own self. Beyond limiting self-concepts and inherited value patterns, it is those troublesome blind spots that slow a person down. The formula for clearing them is the same as always. Add equal parts of courage, humility and will and mix them together with acceptance.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21) The search for a more dynamic kind of stability continues. The two can co-exist. At least that's what every truck commercial on television says! Besides, there is no stability in stasis. Only those willing and able to move with the tide of change are truly stable. Remember, yours is the sign symbolized by the creature that carries it's home on it's back. Perhaps we were destined to be nomads and gypsies all along. Do you get the idea?

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22) A powerful and righteous wave is coming in on your shore. This is no time to be overconfident. Your full respect and concen-

tration is required for you to ride this one out. It might not look like much now, but the undertow will lift it quickly so be alert and don't underestimate the power. Of course, you have what it takes to succeed provided that you are willing to be fully present in the moment and make adjustments as necessary. Have fun!

Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23) Shakes-peare can be quoted as saying, "All the world is a stage and we are the players". Well, this is the time to make a few power plays! To meet the challenge with honors, you will have to anchor in your self-worth. Also, perhaps even more important than your openness to learn is your willingness to unlearn. Self-criticism beyond construction is not only self-defeating, it is the biggest ego trip of all and without any bonus points. Who exactly do you think you are not and why?

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21) Ever since Saturn went retrograde in late August last year, you have been going through a breakdown of inherited values. This momentum has probably increased since the Winter Solstice. This process may have left you somewhat confused and perhaps even cynical. Have heart, a reversal of this process is already underway and will get steadily stronger over the next few months. Engage by re-examining your expectations about the way you think life is supposed to work.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20) The process of deciphering what or who merits your allegiance continues. Life seems to offer so many opportunities for us to explore that it is a wonder that people can make final decisions at all. The choices that offer opportunities towards greater personal power are the ones we need to learn to recognize. The trick is that even they are not obvious because what empowers one may lead another astray. Look to the big picture over the long term as a means of prioritizing.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20) The urge to create a new foundation continues. The challenge lies in clearing the 'stuff' that gets in the way. This includes attitudes and perceptions as much as circumstances and patterns. While somewhat redundant, clearing without and ignoring what lies within is the eternal illusion. Almost everyone tries it and many will never give up. Noble efforts are hard to recognize amongst foolish ones. Wisdom is far more rigorously practical than it is heroic.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19) With your ruling planet, Saturn, retrograde for yet one more week, the process of re-structuring on fundamental levels continues. For you this is especially true in the arena of creative expression. Of course, where love thrives creativity will be found as well. So make every effort to renovate or clear out all together in this place. A little getaway to rekindle the flames may be the answer. If building a whole new fire sounds more plausible, then do what you must.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19) Efforts made behind the scenes to unearth hidden potentials will give way to the treasure that you have been seeking. On one hand it is skills and other latent resources that you seek and on the other it is confidence. While it may seem that your focus has been a little scattered, things will prove to come together to reveal the hidden purpose behind these seemingly inconsequential actions. Remember freedom cannot be granted, it can only be earned.

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) Making friends with people with vision and authority is the call now. That these friends are attitudes at least as much as they are people is a part of the riddle of this lesson. The urge to step beyond unconscious fears about what others might think is a part of the story. Of course, there are no guarantees. If there were there would be no adventure either. Commitment to the goal of having more power is the only thing you need to rely upon. Follow through!

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Sheep-ish cont'd from p7

people. "We are important people—too important to help those Bums who take issue with these events."

This event in our area is nothing compared with the over-all picture. But in our area of possible action it is for us to deal with. If we cannot deal with this we have reduced ourselves to sheep. There is nothing more pathetic and odious than a human being who can't be bothered to act, just wanting to retire in comfort, feeling so superior to the bums—those dear people who have stood up against what everyone thinks are fearful odds. The fact is these odds are no odds.

For the Earth's sake, for the creatures' sake, for the people's sake could we not just get up together and act—take issue with our herders and function like human beings?

I pray that in this year to come we, like Lazarus of old, will hear our own sweet voice—the voice of our reality—and get up from the tomb of comfort, weakness and self importance to join the revelers who love this world and all it contains.

LEROY JENSEN

Speak out to save lands

During the December 16 community meeting to discuss how to end massive clear-cutting on lands such as former Texada property, consensus was reached to:

- Empower the Islands Trust to regulate logging on private lands throughout the Islands.

- Consider eliminating the FLR (Forest Land Reserve) which is under Provincial jurisdiction.

- Call for a temporary moratorium on the ongoing clear-cut logging (averaging between two to five acres a day in the Mount Tuam area) and an emergency session of the Trust and provincial government to deal with this issue!

To assist this process or to voice your opinion, call: Environment Minister Sawicki, Forest Minister Zimheldt, our MLA Coell toll free through 1-800-667-9188 and Chairman of the Trust, David Essig.

This is a critical issue not only for Salt Spring but other Islands such as Denman, northerly Islands such as Read Island (too small for the small population to defend) and Helen Point on Mayne Island. Clear-cutting is a contributing factor to climate change.

With your help, an end to clear-cutting is one gift we can give ourselves this holiday.

SUE HISCOCKS

Pristine is in the eyes of the beholder

In the December 21 edition of the *Barnacle*, John Bennett complains about the term "pristine" being applied to the Texada Lands. He has lived on Salt Spring for 76 years, he writes, and knows better. Well, I

have lived on Salt Spring for only three years, and I must tell you the Texada lands in their present form look pretty pristine to me. I suggest to Mr. Bennett that he move off the Island for the next few years (perhaps to Hamilton, Ontario; Gary, Indiana; or Newark, New Jersey, for example) and then come back and reassess his perception of the Texada Lands (assuming they have not yet been transformed to resemble the above). I think Mr. Bennett might realize he has been a little spoiled by the privilege of living here, and in need of a reality check.

LARRY SHETZER

From the land of Auld lang syne

Hello everyone...this is your long lost friend Christine (Donnelly) Ross just checking in to say "hello" and wish all the very best holiday season ever. I am not saying I wish I was there, but I do miss family and friends.

I am here in the north east of Scotland in a tiny wee village called Old Rayne, Aberdeenshire (Rayne is pronounced "rain"). There are about 60 houses, no shops, a village hall and a two-room school...very friendly folk and, as I write, quite a bit of snow on the ground and high winds tonight. My son Aaron who lives here says the village looks like a typical old-fashioned Christmas card.

I have travelled extensively in the U.K. and other places, have had wonderful times and trying times. Spent five weeks in Ireland with two other Salt Spring lasses. Fell in love with the beauty of Ireland and its friendly people. Managed to get to the Dordogne valley in France, twice. There I was intrigued with the mediaeval villages and buildings.

Of course, I love Scotland and have been told my accent thickens when I talk to fellow Scots. The Isle of Islay has been a special place. I spent a month working there in the International Hostel. Boy, did I have fun!! There are seven working distilleries on Islay...and very friendly people.

One of the exciting things that has happened is that I was invited on an archeological dig, here in Aberdeenshire. There are many standing stone circles in this area. The dig I was on dated back to the stone age. We are high up on a hill in the mist and rain, I was honoured to have been invited and enjoyed the atmosphere. My digging partner and I found quite a few bits.

More good news is that being a pensioner here (that means over 60 for a female) means many concessions—cheaper bus and train fares, cheaper to get in to museums, movies, swimming pools...the list goes on and on. I love it!

I've received some *Barnacles* here and enjoyed!

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Taking the Y2K plunge and meeting the bug in the flesh

Photos and story by Peter Clarke

Faced with the prospect of living yet another thousand years in paradise, Salt Spring Islanders and friends did the only rational thing on New Year's Day and ran screaming into the Pacific Ocean, giving the bum's rush to the 1900s and greeting 2000 with more than a little cheek.

Local Chamber of Commerce President John Cade and fellow volunteers primed swimmers and their fans with a hot pancake breakfast before the event. A hangover from previous years, this pre-plunge feast has faithfully appetized the wetted and filled the chilled—providing everything but the dip itself. Cade summed up his organization's commitment to the annual swim with these special (but obviously rehearsed) words: "It's because they're all nuts and they deserve our support."

You didn't need to receive a prize to feel like a winner on this beautiful New Year's Day, but some feats of extraordinary courage and spectacular costumes were singled out for honours.

This century's first recipients have the Chamber Of Commerce, event organizer Gail Sjuborg and prize scrounger Janet Stepaniuk and local businesses and individuals to thank for their keepsakes. All in attendance should also add these volunteers to their thank you list: Master of Ceremonies Shilo (has anyone seen a blue sock?) Zylbergold; Tim and John's Island Star for the sound system; our sane ambulance crews and mature Coast Guard; Alice Richards, Gary Ball and the Beachcomber Motel, Jack Clements for his sobering water/air temperature sign; and the kyakers who congregated just off the beach and provided support and reassurance to the misguided.

And so, without more ado, here they are, this year's top winners in drench immersion.

Youngest swimmer: Five-year-old Sam Ronaldson-O'Hara

Oldest swimmer: 76-year-young Nancy Holcroft

Adult male who swam the furthest: Brian Crowe

Adult female who swam the furthest: Nancy Wigen

First dive and total immersion: Joe Akefman

First out of the drink: Amanda Christensen

Best adult costume: Joan Buchanan

2nd best adult costume: Angela Moseley

3rd best adult costume: Tracy Gillender

Best kid's costume: Katy Haydon

2nd best kid's costume: Justine Watkins

3rd best kid's costume: Elizabeth Woods

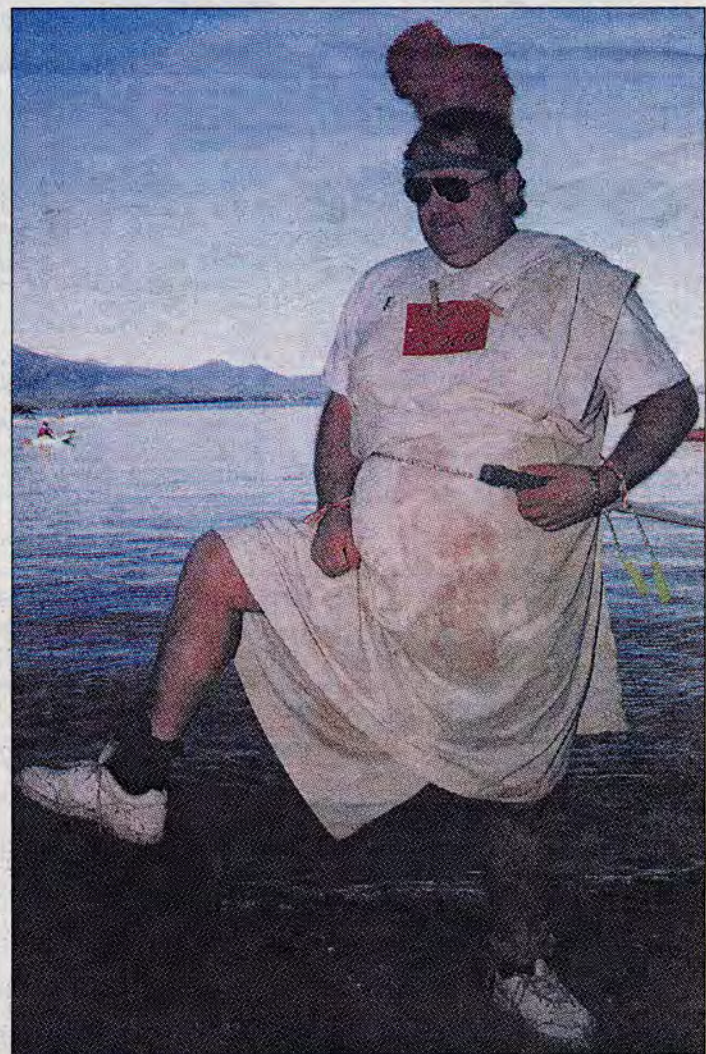
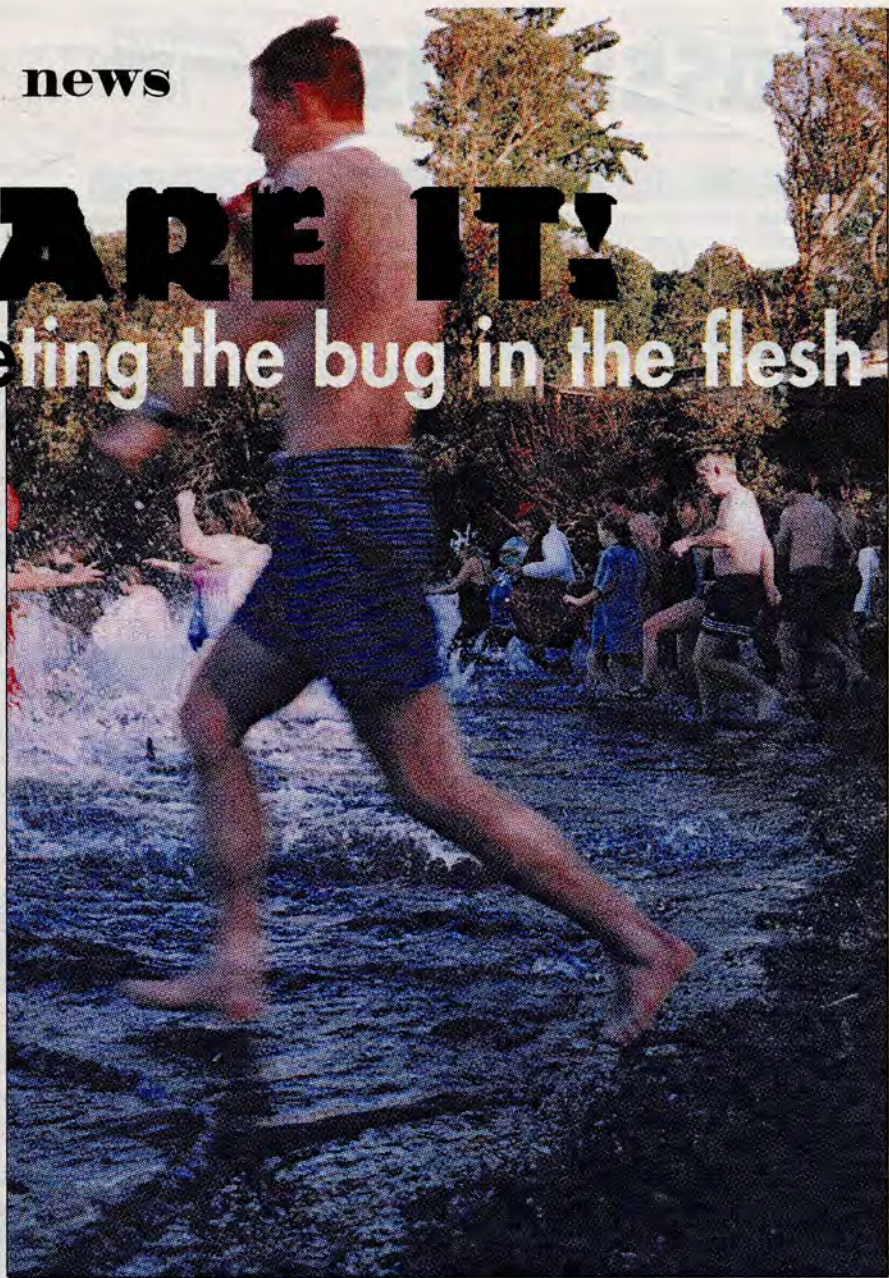
Two best 12 years and under: Sarah

Procter and Sam Ronaldson- O'Hara

Two best 13 to 17 years: James Williams and Willie Egeland

Having a lot of fun prizes: Brettney Savin, Rick Mackinnon and Marc Minvielle

Appearing to be most tortured by the dip: David Nix, Marlene Luinstra and Emma Webber.



The year 2000 version of the Vesuvius Bay Polar Bear Swim was an unqualified success...one hundred entrants braved the frigid waters (air and water were an even chilly 6° C) while scores of fans and onlookers cheered them on. Clockwise from top right: Moments before leaving the water, the crowd enters. Norm Rogers decked out as a Roman Centurion. First timer, Sharyl Watkins lost a slipper but kept her spirits afloat. Rick MacKinnon fell in and couldn't get up without the help of ex-airforce officer Marianne Banman ("sort of in uniform") who dragged him to the beach (where he may still be). Dressed as "Fat Bastard" from The Spy who Shagged Me, Rick MacKinnon took the prize for "Having Most Fun."