

Happy hockey fans encourage drivers to honk their horns in celebration of Canada's Olympic hockey wins, following Sunday's showdown between Canadian and U.S. teams.

By MITCHELL SHERRIN **Staff Writer**

While most Canadians savoured a historical gold medal hockey victory at their homes and local pubs Sunday, the Salt Spring Slugs gathered their gear and ferried over to Fuller Lake Arena to fulfill their own Olympic hockey fantasies in a match against the Chemainus Old Boys.

While travelling along with the team, it looked as if the game would shape up to be a microcosm of the struggle between Canada and the U.S. on the larger international stage at Salt Lake.

Could a handful of Slugs challenge opponents from the big island on home ice to return with a coveted win?

Had the islanders brought enough Akermans? Would Salt Spring's identity be forever shaped by the outcome of a few skaters with sticks, pucks and nets?

On the road to Fuller Lake glory, the Slugs

regaled highlights from Team Canada's triumphant Olympic match earlier in the day.

"It gives us bragging rights for a while," asserted Joe Akerman.

Crowded into the team van, the Slugs described play-by-play game highlights of moves by Mario Lemieux, Paul Kariya, Joe Sakic, Theoren Fleury and Jarome Iginla.

"Did you see Fleury's beautiful drive for the et. If he'd scored, that would have been shown on sports highlights for months," Paul Reynolds said.

Slugs goaltender Derek Topping noted that his national counterpart Martin Brodeur didn't have to work too hard but came up with big saves when he was needed.

"I don't think (Eric) Lindros should have been there," said Patrick Akerman.

"He took those stupid penalties," agreed Reynolds.

"Lemieux shouldn't have been there either,"

Sinclair suggested.

"But remember how he let the puck go by to Kariya for that first goal," Topping said.

"How many guys would have had the nuts for that?" he asked.

"I would've taken the shot and put it into the boards," laughed Huser.

The island players also cheered for Canada's women, who scored gold in their game against vaunted American players last Thursday

"That was an amazing win despite all the biased reffing," Peter Huser said.

The group applauded Hayley Wickenheiser for speaking out against atrocious referee calls and poor sportsmanship by American players who mocked a Canadian flag on their dressing room floor.

"If Canada did that to the States, they'd be slammed out of town," Reynolds said.

When the Slugs were asked if they would have a chance against the women's national

team, the players shook their heads.

"Wickenheiser's got some wrist shot," said

"I think we'd have a better chance against the Swiss men's team," Bob Akerman laughed.

Many Slugs said their wives watched the women's game even though they're not big hockey fans.

"It's the first time my wife's ever had TSN " said Reynolds.

The local team felt most charged by the character and emotion displayed by Canadian players, both male and female.

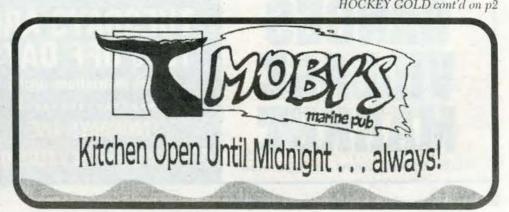
When Gretzky spoke at that news conference, that was being the biggest leader of the team. He stuck up for all of us," Bob Akerman said.

The Slugs all agreed that the gold medal win was more coveted than any Stanley Cup victory.

"The Olympics happen only once in four years. With the Stanley Cup you've always got next year," said Reynolds.

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"In the NHL you can just buy a team, but to win gold you have to earn it," said Joe Akerman.

"After 50 years it has a huge impact," Huser added, recalling that a Canadian hockey team had not won gold since 1952.

With thoughts of Olympic gold skating around their heads, the Slugs met an equally inspired Chemainus group to battle for world hockey supremacy.

Unfortunately, the Old Boys invoked a rule refusing slapshots during the game, which slowed the Slugs' offence.

The first period spun back and forth between the two ends as players looked for weaknesses.

A lone Chemainus fan and Salt Spring reporter exchanged concerned

The Slugs' puck control clearly looked stronger but



Salt Spring's Slugs hockey team

Photo by Mitchell Sherrin

the Salt Spring forwards seemed unable to pierce Chemainus' defences. Would the Old Boys grind the Slugs down to a shoot-out finish?

Finally Joe Akerman sunk the first goal with 5:27 remaining on the clock.

Following a strong rush by Chemainus in the last minute of the first period, Topping

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made a sprawling save and kicked the puck forward to Sinclair, who fed a long pass to Bob Akerman for a breakaway goal with six seconds remaining.

Thirty-five seconds into the second period, Marc Burroni rung in a third Slug goal and Doug Swoboda tapped in a pass a minute later to bring Salt Spring to 4-0.

Catching the Old Boys reeling, Bob Akerman pulled off a tricky decoy move (falling beside the net) so Huser could pick up a fifth Slug goal.

Midway through the second period, the Slugs were forced to fight off a penalty after Don Sevigny put a high stick into an Old Boys' face.

But the Slugs kept their zone clear and rebounded with new attacks.

Just before the end of the second period, Patrick Akerman crushed the Old Boys' spirit with a top-shelf wrist shot that brought the score to 6-0.

"I gave him the old howdy doody," Akerman said as he approached the bench beam-

Seconds into the third period, Huser picked up his second goal off a give-and-go return pass he put through the Chemainus goalie's legs.

The Old Boys might have stopped keeping score after 7-0, but Joe Akerman picked up two more goals in one shift over a span of 30 sec-

With 17 minutes remaining in the third, Slugs at the bench cheered and whacked their sticks when Topping collected his first tough glove save of the night.

Returning to the bench after his third goal, Huser heckled Reynolds for a sloppy pass into his skates.

"Sorry, it won't happen again," Reynolds grinned.

"What? The pass into the skate, or the pass?"

As the clock ticked down

and tired skaters cycled passes around the play, Joe Akerman picked off one last breakaway and crashed the net for his fourth goal.

Final score: Slugs won with 11-0 while Canada only picked up 5-2 against the Americans.

After the match, Swoboda had to be convinced he did actually get a goal and Joe Akerman took a ribbing for trying to harpoon the Chemainus goalie in the last minute of play.

"You hurt their feelings," Bob Akerman noted.

"Any team welcomes the opportunity to do it to us,' reminded Topping.

"They're missing a couple of key guys. But I'm not taking anything away from our performance," Huser said.

"Next game we're gonna have a third line: Joe by himself," coach and co-captain Patrick Akerman quipped.

Joking about their three stars of the night, the Slugs dubbed Topping as "number one" for his shut-out perfor-

"You really stood on your head for that one shot on goal," Sinclair laughed.

The Slugs' "Sakic stand-in," Joe Akerman, was awarded second star for his four goals and Huser was given third star for his hattrick.

"I doubled my output for the season in one game," he laughed.

While the Old Boys didn't muster the same kind of opposition put together by the best of Team U.S.A, the Salt Spring players felt satisfied by their own Olympic weekend win.

But following Canada's redemptive victory in the international arena Sunday afternoon, it seems likely the smiling Slugs would have been equally satisfied with any result at Fuller Lake.

"It's our game again," mused Huser.







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Lack of concern is 'writer' of this tragedy



Isle Say! ...
with John Pottinger

Last week's issue of the Barnacle contained a letter to the editor that said the writer was fed up with "erotica and vagina shows" because "it leads to the pig farm." I assume the writer was alluding to the farm in Coquitlam where the bodies of 2 or 10 or maybe fifty women are buried.

Violence, exploitation and murder do not flow from erotic art or writing. They flow from a lack of concern — by governments and citizens alike — for their fellow humans. As long as we view addictions, and people who are addicted, with contempt rather than compassion, we're truly part of the problem, not the solution. Until we realise that women, hunched over and puking in the dark and dirty alleys of Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, are not criminals but slaves, we'll continue to be accessories after the fact.

Everybody in Canada now knows that over the last fifteen years or so, fifty or more women vanished from Vancouver's Downtown Eastside and, most probably, met horrid and violent deaths.

This tragedy — with its wasted lives, mass murder, and almost certainly, a madman as the central character, could have been written by Shakespeare. But it wasn't. It was written, scripted, and acted out by all of us.

We're quick to blame the police, the government, the pimps, and in true tragic tradition, the women themselves. They're all characters in the play, but you and I built the stage.

Yes, the police screwed up. If senior cops had listened to Detective Kim Rossmo ten years ago, many of these women would be alive today. He pleaded with them to accept his theory that these disappearances were the work of a serial killer. Accept it? They wouldn't even consider it.

The provincial government dropped the ball too. More accurately, they didn't stoop to pick the ball up. It was, after all, a filthy thing.

Occasionally, when pressed, words of solace spewed from their mouths as they reminded us that these people lived a life-style that made them, well, hard to find. That's true, most constituents can be found in the phone book, or via a house number painted on a sign at the end of a pretty driveway. It takes a lot more determination to find someone who moves from one damp, stained room to another, afraid of both the pimps and the police.

So you can't really blame them for not devoting more time from their busy day being concerned about the disappearance of all these people. They weren't exactly being plagued by political pressure at the highest levels. Most of the women who kneel in those cold wet alleys at night, don't have close friends walking the halls of the legislative buildings by day.

And what about the pimps? If there are true villains in this piece (other than the murderer or murderers), the pimps play that role. They are human parasites, living off the flesh of their hosts. And hostesses. These parasitic hunters trap their wild prey, tame them with drugs, fear and bloody punishment, then, as if in a human zoo, they put them on display for others to stroke and pet and otherwise amuse themselves.

None of these roles could be played if we didn't give them the theatre to do it in. As long as we pretend that prosecuting addicts and prostitutes as criminals will eradicate drugs and organized crime, as long as we spend more time and money on transportation infrastructure than we do on drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs, this tragedy will continue its long run in the theatre we built for it.

Over the next few years, dozens of versions of this tragedy will ooze their way up out of the mud into books, movies, and appearances on Oprah. We'll all nod our heads in agreement that this tragedy could have been prevented if "they" had done something.

Generations from now, academics, sociologists, and historians will cite these books and movies in discussions of how Westerners, early in the early twenty-first century, ignored the most significant problems they had — the ones that eventually brought their society to its knees. They'll say we were too busy living what we thought were responsible lives, discussing this, protesting that, while the real source of our problems went unnoticed.

They'll assume we didn't have time to look in the mir-

mailbox

Pool plan

Hats off to the sporting families mentioned in Mitchell Sherrin's piece lastweek. But there is another story to be

There are plenty of other families, no less concerned about their kids' happiness and health, who, for a variety of reasons, can't or don't put in the vehicle hours required, once summer is over, to keep their kids "in the swim."

Many of us know young families who have, with regret, left the island as a result of our lack of an indoor pool. It is not just the young who would benefit from a pool. Swimming or movement in the water is fantastic, low-impact aerobic exercise with proven physical and psychological benefits at all levels. Previous proposals may have been overambitious, but surely it is time now to put the past behind us and come up with a new, sensible swimming pool plan - and implement it before another generation

KATHY PAGE, Isle View drive

Beyond bias

I'm addressing this letter to Ruth Liston, who wrote a letter to the editor in the February 19 Barnacle.

My name is Marnée and I am one of the actors in The Vagina Monologues.

You moved me with your words. I cried. Oh, not at first. You see, when I read your letter I shrugged it off, as I know everyone has a right to their opinions and that this was a subject matter that would leave some offended. It honestly didn't even make a lot of sense to me. A few people asked me what my response to it was but I didn't give it much thought until I was rereading the paper at the same time as a news flash came on TV regarding the arrests in "the pig farm" case. I was horrified at the realization that you were implying that I was involved in something that would lead to the death of women.

I do consider myself a prude. I have a great many hang-ups about sexuality and erotica. It was not easy for me

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to participate in the monologues. I did so because I have been raped, I have needed support from the type of social agencies for whom we are fundraising and, more important, I have three children who deserve to live in a society that respects and loves all of its members. When I first read the script I thought some of it was unnecessary and over the line, but I felt the reason for doing the show was sufficiently important to overcome that impression. As time went on I realized I could not pick and choose what truths I wanted to hear what pieces would make me feel good, that all the stories were part of a bigger picture. I have come to love each story in the monologues and treasure the conversations that have come about with men and women in this community since the performances. Yes, I have also come to understand and love myself more in the

to step outside my own "stuff"

The difference between us, Ruth, is that I went beyond my bias and ignorance to a place of understanding and deeper caring for the wonderful women in my life while I can only come to the conclusion that you didn't even see the show and have come to a place of judgement and fear. How else could you take a horrific leap from "reading about erotica" and "vagina shows" . . . leading to things like "the pig farm"?

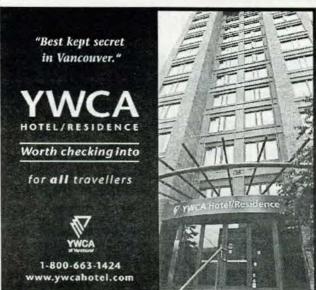
If I talk in public or print about my arm, will it lead to someone molesting my wrist and murdering me? It is such an absurd connection.

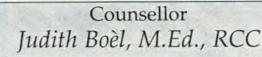
I have been told to let it go, to not take it personally, but you see, in order to perform such emotionally charged pieces for such an important reason I have to allow myself to feel, to push away the numbness of the past and to be fragile. In this state I also deeply feel pain.

It is not only for me but also for you that you have not had the wonderful experience that I have in our vagina-happy community.

MARNÉE BEAUVAIS, Salt Spring







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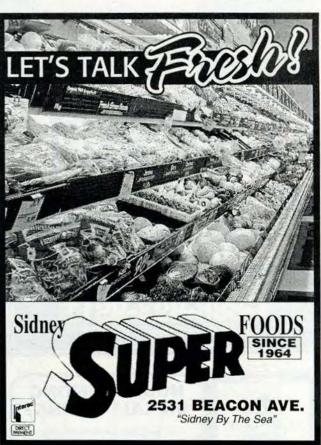
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THURS.

February 28

Special Events

Gymnastics Registration for recregymnastics. ational Fulford Hall, 4:30-7:30

Water Conservation Talk, All Saints. 7:30 p.m.

Community Meditation, SS United Church, 11:15 a.m.

Meetings

SSI Local Trust Committee Meets at Lions Hall, 1:15 p.m.

Music

Peters Drury Trio Jazz trio at ArtSpring, 8 p.m.

Family

Build a Truck Fables Cottage workshop for kids aged 6 and up. 3-4

FRI.

March 1

Special Events

Peace Circle Centennial Park, noon.

Meetings

Vacation Home Rentals Meeting, Harbour House. 7 p.m.

Music

Robert Wilson & Erika Luckett at Talons Nightclub.

Simone Grasky At Anise Restaurant, 7 p.m.

Burgoyne Bay Blues Band At Moby's, 9 p.m.

SAT.

March 2

Special Events

Antiques 2002 Ticket Sales, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. only, Mouat's Mall.

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Waldorf on Salt Spring. Open house at 180 Head Street, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Music

KC Kelly At Anise Restaurant, 7 p.m.

Workshops

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March 3

Music

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The Barley Bros. Fulford Inn, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Workshops

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WHAT'S ON

MON.

March 4

Special Events

Taoist Tai Chi Open House And free introductory class. All Saints, 7 p.m.

Meetings

SS Track & Field Club Meeting at SIMS portable, 7 p.m.

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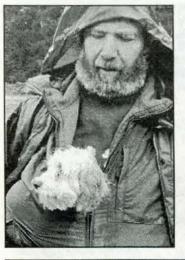
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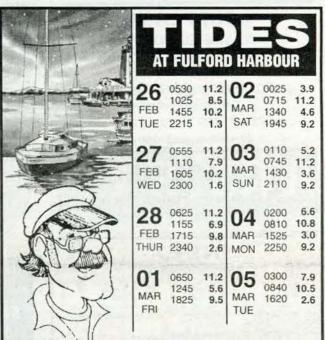
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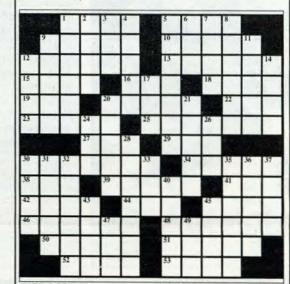
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Tip of the week:
The Winter Olympics brought the world together once again. The games began when the Sun was in Aquarius (groups, networks, friends) at the beginning of the games and was in Pisces (Communion, institutions, enemies) at the end. How apt given the Gold Metal controversy! Let us see the sharing of gold metals in the skating doubles between Canada and Russia as a positive symbol for successful relations. The Olympics can basically be translated into an Aries (competitive, active, pioneering) and Leo (fun, sporty, gold) event with strong Aquarian overtones (international, human race....) As people from all over the world watched on their television sets and big screen modular's via satellite, all Aquarian technologies, we were brought closer together to one another in new and exciting ways. Not so long ago such a concept was foreign and visionary. Now, such magic and wizardry is common place. The Age of Aquarius most certainly has arrived. The fool arrived when Uranus was discovered way back in 1762 coinciding with the real beginning of the industrial revolution and the science and technology revolution rages on. The technological genius and precision of the equipment and strategy within every sport is the most exciting and fun aspect of the revolution. The gathering of the people of many nations at peace and in celebration is the victory of gold with the most promise of all. Way to go world!

Aries (Mar 21 - AP 20)
This is the final stretch, something is lifting, there is more spring in the air and you know what it means. It must be the water horse beginning to prance. Dreams of future possibilities are flowing in your mind. You want to be here now yet you feel moved to envision rather than act. How wise of you! Look to the long term now and plan to fit in some education. Reward has its price, but you know what you want and it is for love. Find new ways to share what is truly in your heart.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)
It is always good to have friends in positions of power. You may need a favour or perhaps someone needs a favor from you. Can you put yourself in the other person's shoes? Random acts of kindness go a long way. Love is the best investment. Or be willing to clearly ask for what you want you will probably get it. This is a very good time to forge ahead. You are in the mood for change. Life is short so make it sweet. But it does come with a price tag. Focus and perse-

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)

You are in the mood to learn and to illuminate your mind. The world is such a wonderful place and you feel excited at the prospects. You feel risky these days and lucky too. You know that you have more than a medal's worth of golden ideas to express and share. Life is poetry and all we need to do is recite its rhyme in order to flow with its rhythms. Nature sows with a lavish hand showing us that abundance is our birthright. You can have your share. Just play the game well and fair and focus to win.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)

Our subjective experience of objective reality is the source of our dramas. Learning to see our self and others as fully as possible is the way to harmony. Empathy and compassion, silver and gold in the medals, are the tried and true ways to success. You are in the mood for peace and union. Yet, you know that things cannot be the same. Are you waiting for others to make the first move? There is power in boldness. Fully surrender to your destiny and melt the divisions that cloud your heart.

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22) Bonding with those you love in deeper ways is on top of your waves these days. Yet, to bond you must dissolve. Or is it your bond itself that must go? All contracts come to an end. There is always another way to love. Is it space you need or a better friendship or both? This is the question that

us through the heart. Yet, it takes courage to listen. Brainstorm for ideas about what you can and need to do to embrace your life with more passion. Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22)

Valentine's is over and love is let loose once again You are beginning to really recognize the magic that pervades your life. You get altitude as your heart opens in gratitude for the great abundance that you are and have. Just having great friends is worth all the money in the world. The economy may seem challenged, but everything is on sale and there is excitement in the air! Go buy some flowers even if it takes your last few bucks. Give them to someone special and trust in the magic of love for many returns.

Libra (Sep 22 - Oct 22) Health considerations should be high on your list now. Whether you have an ailment or not, it is time to tune-up the vehicle. The body that is, as well as the car. There is usually room for improvement and taking better care of yourself is the best way you can give to others. This way they get more of you in a better way. Is not health a reflection of success? You can decide what that specifically means to you. Associate pleasure to the process of being

whole and healthy. Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 22) Waves of beauty, love and passion are inspiration for your soul. The winter has been long in more ways than one and you are ready for brighter days. No matter what the weather, you feel the Sun within your heart. The warming feelings of creative flow are moving your body and mind. Something very special is in the air. Encounters with soul mates from previous times are a sign of deja vu. There is nothing to do but flow with the uplifting

currents. Receive your rewards with glad recogni-

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

With Jumbo Jupiter turning direct right on March 1st we all have reason to rejoice. Now all the personal and social planets are direct. This is the time to act. Fortunes will be won by the bold. Lemonade is the gift of lemons. Sip some while you roll the dice. As a bonus it will even balance the acid and alkaline in your body. Your spirit is calling so answer the call. Dreams of travel and freedom are the carrots to get you going. Let your imagination get you excited about the possibilities and take note. Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

You are flirting with new modes of expression. You are the mood to try new approaches. Knowledge is power and skills will steer you in the right direction. cess formulas of others. There is no need to reinvent. You will do whatever you do in your own style anyway. Look to the long-term before you commit. Yet, be ready to gamble and diversify Knowledge may be your best investment now Good tools always come in handy.

Aguarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19) Last month's zeal has softened but you still want to sow some magical seeds. Why try hard when intelligent action is so much easier. Focus is the key element. Pray for some. You could use all the help you can get. Let your fingers do the walking and make some phone calls as well. Trust that whatever you want is likely to be a few phone calls away. Let the power of imagination work it's magic for you. Rather than worry, lie back and let the solutions come to you then follow through.

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20) 'Imagineering' your way to success is the way for you. This means navigating unchartered waters. Faith and focus is required. Outline your objectives and set some dates. Intuition will guide you as you go. Everyone is looking for better ways to be and do. What can you offer? As Bob says, "you gotta serve somebody". Make friends with discipline and commitment. Who cares if you were not on good terms even yesterday! The point of power is now! Reserve the right to change your mind and your







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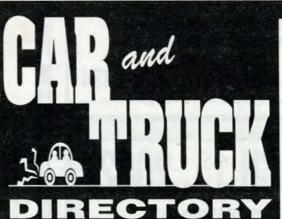
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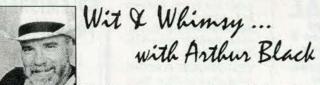
It is easy to fly into a passion - anybody can do that - but to be angry with the right person to the right extent at the right time in the right way - that is not easy, and it is not everyone who can do it. - Aristotle.

Ari the Greek knew what he was talking about. I speak as a man who has a crushed computer mouse mounted on his office wall; a near-citation for contempt from a traffic court judge; and a legion of adversaries from my past who would pass on the opportunity to micturate in my ear if my brain was on

I never planned on having a temper. I actually dreamed of becoming one of those suave, laid-back European types, all hooded eyes and Gallic shrugs, devastating my opponents with withering, monosyllabic whispered

Instead I matured (I use the word loosely) as a human

Fencemaster makes a statement



with a short

fuse and a hair-trigger lip. I'd so much rather be Cary

Or better still - The Fencemaster.

That's not his real name. but that's what he calls himself. Here is what I know about The Fencemaster: He's a Brit who lives in London, in his late 30s, an office worker who cycles to work each day. That's because he got tired of London's notorious traffic jams, not to mention road rage eruptions and frantic hunts for parking spaces. He discovered, as many urban cyclists have, that pedalling to work each day spared him all

Krakatoa that grief and added a patina

of serenity to his daily grind. Thus it was a shock for him to dismount one day in front of the iron fence to which he customarily chained his bike and be confronted by a sign that read:

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It is important to know three things here. First, the De Walden family is one of the U.K.'s wealthiest landowners. Secondly, the fence in question is in front of a vacant lot. Thirdly, the message was clearly aimed at our hero - he was the only person who ever chained his bike to the fence.

Our hero was surprised, then miffed. Here he was, braving the elements on a bicycle to make his city of 8.5 million citizens somewhat less car-clogged and air-polluted — being told to move on like some kind of vagrant. The smouldering resentment turned to outrage - but quiet outrage, quintessentially British outrage.

He dutifully chained his bike elsewhere, muttering to himself: "bicycles will be removed, eh? Nothing about oh, say, kettles.

He went home, calmly drilled two holes in the bottom of a tea kettle, brought it to work next day and padlocked it to the fence.

The kettle on the fence —

surprise, surprise — attracted the attention of passers-by. Tourists started to have their pictures taken standing next

The Fencemaster wasn't through. Next, he attached a steam iron.

Then a refrigerator door. Pretty soon other folks got into the act. An ironing board was chained to the fence. A Georgia licence plate. Stuffed animals. Champagne flutes.

To say that The Fencemaster has caught the imagination of little people everywhere would be an understatement.

The fence in question now can barely be seen for all the objects that are attached to it. The Fencemaster has set up a website: www.whatshouldiputonthefence.com. At last count, more than 3 million people had visited the

The landlords (who must wish they'd never put up that sign) have sicced the police on The Fencemaster.

He came home one day to find three massive bobbies on his doorstep waiting to have a word with him.

They turned out to be fans of the website. They suggested that "it might be a good idea not to attach things to the fence anymore" but added "we realize of course you can't stop OTHER people from attaching things to the fence."

The Fencemaster can't be certain, but he thinks the bobbies winked.





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with Linda Koroscil

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