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Michael McInerney tested positive for HIV in 1987.

Don Anderson photo

## Resident battles with social stigma of being HIV positive

by Don Anderson  
(part two in a series)

When Middle Point resident Michael McInerney was told he had the Human Immuno-deficiency Virus (HIV) his doctor broke down in tears.

"His reaction when he told me is that he started crying which didn't help me any," says McInerney.

"But that's beside the point." McInerney was diagnosed with HIV in 1987 in Vancouver, three months after moving to the Sunshine Coast from Burnaby. He caught it through unprotected sex.

For the first two years, the former art teacher stayed at home and tried to deal with it the best way he could. That usually involved reassessing what it would mean to die from the disease, finding out as much as he could about the virus and gradually improving his diet and outlook on life.

But acceptance was not as easy as it sounds.

"You have to do some real thinking, or at least I had to do some real thinking about death and what I wanted to do with my

### Support system for newly infected deemed essential

life," he says.

McInerney is a squat man of 43. He doesn't look any different from anybody else who lives on the Coast, although there is a slight resemblance to Farley Mowatt.

He shares eight acres of property with his partner of 15 years, Orvis Aldrich, just off Highway 101 south of Madeira Park. Their home is a veritable zoo; 25 geese and ducks of varying sizes and breeds honk and squawk as they wander in the courtyard between a maze of chicken wire and man-made ponds.

Ruby, a two-year old lab cross, can be found chasing one of McInerney's two cats while mammoth domestic rabbits chew on straw in their hutches.

It's like stepping into the world of Dr. Doolittle.

"We have the distinction of being the neighbors of Joni Mitchell," McInerney says, with obvious cheer.

He was initially wary of talking with the media about his infection, but eventually figured out not much more harm could come to him.

For the past seven years he has fought the social stigma of having the disease, once known as the "gay plague" and "gay cancer."

"I'm a gay man, I'll tell you that up front," McInerney says, before settling into his Afghan-covered armchair to talk about being HIV positive.

"I feel like I'm at war, because of the HIV and partly because of the social implications of having AIDS and the attitudes of society toward me.

"Not only do I have to look after myself, but there is all this other stuff that has to be dealt with on top of it."

By talking about it, he hopes people will understand this is a virus that does not pick favorites, and that a program of support for people with AIDS (PWAs) and HIV is essential on the Coast.

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## Coast detox gets praise, seeks advice from 'experts'

by Darah Hansen

The only detoxification program in town for substance abusers has turned to the experts to learn how best to provide limited services to a steady list of consumers.

Medical staff at St. Mary's Hospital, including hospital chief of staff Dr. Rob Lehman and nursing director Wendy Hunt took notes from recovering drug and alcohol dependents at a meeting held Tuesday (March 29) in Sechelt.

Three members representing the Sunshine Coast branches of the Alcoholics and Narcotics Anonymous groups gave their first-hand advice on which detox programs work and which don't for substance abusers.

The men — who asked not to be named — called the program currently offered by the hospital a much needed service on the Coast.

"This is first aid for the drunk. It's a good place to come into," one man said.

But, he added, program officials shouldn't be fooled; a hard-core abuser would call

what St. Mary's offers a "joke." With the flexibility and relative freedom of the program, "you couldn't handle (a hard-core addict) in your hospital ... He'd leave."

But it's a good place for an abuser to start if he or she is serious about kicking the habit, they agreed.

The men, who now work with those trying to clean up their act, said the number of substance abusers on the Coast is "shocking" — they believe there are more abusers per capi-

ta here than in any urban centre.

The detox program at St. Mary's officially got off the ground last year when medical staff decided to consolidate all information and services previously offered by the hospital on an individual basis, said program organizer Wendy Hunt.

The program works within the hospital's current budgetary constraints and offers two beds to those interested in seeking help to end substance abuse.

It is a voluntary admission service, Hunt said. No one is

forced to enter or stay.

Patients are sent to the hospital on a doctor's referral. They are asked to be substance-free for at least 24 hours prior to entering the program and to remain so during the length of their stay.

It is not a detox unit, Hunt stressed. The hospital program provides a lesser degree of support than detox units or treatment centers on the Lower Mainland.

It is, however, the only detox service on the Sunshine Coast.

Also present at Tuesday's meeting were representatives from several other drug and alcohol support groups on the coast — the Psychiatric Day Hospital, Women's Transition House, Port Mellon Men's Recovery House and the Native Alcohol and Drug Program.

Group members suggested several improvements to the existing hospital program, including expanding services to adolescents and providing a more flexible admission service for emergency withdrawals.

## Local detox program medically supported

The detox program available at St. Mary's Hospital in Sechelt is a voluntary admission service for people who seek help to end their alcohol and drug addictions.

While in the hospital, patients are provided with standardized medical and nursing care for their withdrawal symptoms.

They are further given educational opportunities to learn about their problems as well as an introduction to community

resource and support groups.

Patients are asked to be alcohol and/or drug free 24 hours prior to their admission into the program.

However, some flexibility will be given to those who enter on an emergency basis and are considered sincere in their appeal for help.

Patients using the program must be referred by a doctor.

They will see a doctor daily.

The length of stay depends on several different factors, including age, size and physical condition. The usual length of stay is seven days.

Patients are allowed only three admissions into the detox program within a 12-month period. Once discharged, there is a 30 day service limitation before that patient may be considered for re-admission.

People seeking help or sup-

port within the Coast community for their addictions are encouraged to contact:

- Action: Alcohol and Drug Counselling (885-5680);
- Port Mellon Men's Recovery House (884-0099);
- Native Alcohol and Drug Program (885-9404).

Other support services available include Alcohol or Narcotics Anonymous, Women's Transition House and Al-Anon.

## Maritime History Society preparing to launch centre

by Ian Cobb

The Sunshine Coast Maritime History Society is ready to set sail.

With a growing membership, a newly released newsletter, events planned and a busy summer season yawning before them, society members are eagerly awaiting the April 9 grand opening of their Maritime History Centre.

Located in "a bomb-proof bunker" on Molly's Lane (as their newsletter [Vol. 1 No. 1] describes it), the centre has been open for several months and more and more people are coming through every month, said society vice-president Lilian Kunstler.

"We've had more than 365 people through this month and it's been increasing every month for the past two months," she said.

The history centre, usually open during business hours recognized by other merchants on Molly's Lane, is also getting more items for display, from local collections or from the

Vancouver Maritime Museum. "We've had a wonderful week this week. Stuff has been coming in like crazy," Kunstler said.

**'It's exciting. Things are happening a lot quicker than we expected'**

-Lilian Kunstler

A quick scan around the room confirms that. There's a port-hole, the ship's bell off the Cardena, an old steamer, a single-candle signal light, a log book from a sailor who plied the waters around the globe in 1904, various models and paintings of ships and steamers, a life ring, signal flags, charts and maps, as well as maritime-flavoured items for sale.

Receiving strong play on the back wall is a replica of the ship's wheel from the HMS Discovery.

"The wood is out of the Queen's forest," Kunstler said.

As she guides the Coast News around the centre, a couple from Nanaimo trundle in and amble about, bending over to peer at items that once served an important purpose and now serve as a reminder of what life was once like on the West Coast.

As Kunstler and society president John De Kleer greet the visitors, Kunstler notes that the centre has hosted people from all over the world. Recently, visitors from locations such as Japan, Australia, Holland and Mauritius have signed the log book at the entrance to the centre.

Always seeking new items for display and volunteers to spend a few hours at the centre, the society newsletter asks, "When was the last time you met someone from Mauritius?"

"We're always looking for more volunteers," Kunstler said.

"It's exciting. Things are happening a lot quicker than we expected," she said.



Sunshine Coast Maritime History Society president John De Kleer studies a chart.

Ian Cobb photo

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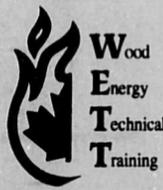


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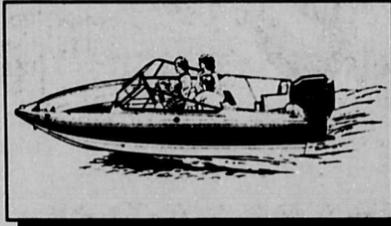
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**HIV victim accepts reality of death**

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"I know there are many people out there desperate with fear trying to figure out what to do with their lives or how to handle it. If a person could reach out and help a little bit, I think that is great," he says.

"I don't really see that happening much on the Coast."

McInerney first heard about the disease in 1979, at a time when he was making the choice to lead a homosexual lifestyle. Although he had read about the disease for many years, nothing could prepare him for the news

he would receive in 1987.

At first, he was "severely depressed" about the infection, but with the help of his friend, Rick, who had advanced AIDS, he joined AIDS Vancouver's Buddy Program. The program was one of the first established in Canada to provide one-on-one emotional support for persons with HIV and AIDS who need a friend to turn to.

"I wasn't totally alone but certainly it would have been a lot better had there been a support group on the Coast," McInerney says.

That has changed somewhat; McInerney now belongs to a small, informal group of HIV positive persons who meet on a regular basis to discuss treatments, exchange information and share experiences.

"All of us have been positive for some time and have tried different things, and have gone through the initial 'shit hit the fan' experience of it all," he says.

To protect his fragile immune system and ease stress, McInerney uses alternative therapies, including traditional Chinese acupuncture, visualization and

self-hypnosis, while paying close attention to his diet.

"Your health becomes your career," he says.

Today, McInerney appears to have accepted being HIV positive. Granted, he is taking life a lot slower now than when he was unaware of his infection, but at least he is alive.

"We all die and it's a matter of time. Whether you have two minutes or 20 years is immaterial, really. We don't think of that but it's how you spend that two minutes or 20 years that counts," he says.

**HIV buddy program providing support**

by Don Anderson

Retired Sunshine Coast resident Vic Anderson is a real buddy.

The 71-year-old retired accountant is one of two AIDS Vancouver's representatives on the Coast and a volunteer in its Buddy Program, a one-on-one support plan for people diagnosed with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Acquired Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

People who have tested positive for the virus can call up AIDS Vancouver which will then match them with a volunteer in their community. That person will then spend at least four hours a week with that Buddy.

For Anderson, being a Buddy can be a real challenge.

"You can try and put yourself in their shoes but unless you have the virus yourself you can't understand it," he said during an interview at his waterfront home near Wilson Creek.

Anderson has been a Buddy to as many as five people at one time since he joined the program three years ago.

(The Coast's other resident Buddy is Paris Crampton.)

"I never thought I would know anyone who had AIDS or HIV," he said. "There are a lot on the Coast. They say there's more than 50 here; I would say there's probably more."

For the most part, a Buddy is there to provide assistance whenever needed, including shopping for groceries, doing housework and lending an ear or shoulder

for support.

"When you come down with this disease you believe your whole life is over," Anderson explains. "A lot of them go through terrible depression when they find out."

People living with HIV who live the longest are those who take care of themselves by maintaining a healthy outlook and nutritional diet, he added.

Unfortunately, public pressure and lack of understanding about the disease often forces people who are positive to live sheltered lives, which only further exacerbates the frail immune system.

Most people, Anderson said, tend to take a "it's never going to happen to me" attitude, which he believes is a sense of false security.

One of the most serious problems on the Coast is the number of people sharing needles to do hard drugs such as cocaine and heroin.

Anderson has been involved with the Port Mellon Men's Recovery House and has been a Buddy to several recovering drug addicts with HIV. "They are all so young," he said.

To date, Anderson has seen four of his buddies die of AIDS. It's something that he would not like to get used to.

"When you sit there day after day with them going downhill and knowing they are going to die, you get quite depressed yourself," he said.

"But you have to accept it. They are relieved from a lot of pain and suffering."

**Lower Mainland agencies promote awareness**

by Don Anderson

More often than not, residents suffering from full-blown AIDS will seek medical attention and counselling from agencies and hospitals off the Sunshine Coast.

A valuable source for information and counselling is the Pacific AIDS Research Centre (PARC) on the corner of Seymour and Helmcken in downtown Vancouver.

The centre is home to the BC People With Aids Society (PWA), AIDS Vancouver, Block AIDS Network and Positive Women's Network (PWN).

The centre offers every type of information available about HIV and AIDS, including safe sex guidelines, counselling, treatment and nutrition programs.

"We try to do as much as we can around here," said Dana Kossen, a member of the society, active volunteer and person living with AIDS and HIV. "Every bit of information that is out there we try to get our hands on."

Services include a food bank for members of the society, peer counselling and regular Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous meetings geared specifically toward people living with AIDS and HIV.

The centre will also assist people in need of affordable housing or legal support.

Unfortunately, where there is

talk about the AIDS virus, there is usually discrimination, Kossen said.

To combat this problem, the society offers a list of physicians willing to handle AIDS and HIV cases in the event that an infected person receives a negative response from a physician not wanting to handle the case.

"I get calls from people who have tried to find a physician and have gotten negative response," said Kossen.

"It hits everybody different so you must be your own doctor."

Kossen has knowingly lived with the HIV virus for five years, having contracted it through intravenous cocaine use and unsafe sex. A recovering alcoholic and drug addict, Kossen now lives a more careful lifestyle, with improved nutrition, stress reduction and positive thinking. "Although we don't have a cure for the virus, we've come a long way with various therapies for the opportunistic infections," he said.

Working with PWA, he has discovered that most people aren't aware of how many people actually have the virus. The number is underestimated, he said.

"It used to be only something you heard on the news; it was an 'Oprah' thing. Now it has become sort of a personal thing in that a lot of people know



The Palliative Care Unit at St. Mary's Hospital. Joel Johnstone photo

someone with it," Kossen said.

"It's starting to hit home a lot more." The main centre for research and treatment in Canada is the BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS research at St. Paul's Hospital in downtown Vancouver.

Here, people living with AIDS and HIV are treated with a number of drugs, including AZT and DCC3. Although the drugs have managed to slow the progression of AIDS symptoms, physicians and biologists have been critical of the side effects brought on by their use.

Nevertheless, research at the

hospital continues into treatment of the disease and virus, and patients continue to flock to the facility in growing numbers every year.

On Monday, federal health minister Diane Marleau announced Health Canada will contribute \$1 million over three years to the organizing committee of the XI International Conference on AIDS to be held in Vancouver in 1996.

In the first year, the funds will be used to establish 500 scholarships providing free registration to the conference to Canadians living with HIV and AIDS.

**Reporter experiences the fear of HIV test results**

A first-person account by Don Anderson

"What if you are HIV positive? How are you going to be affected by that?"

—Vic Anderson, AIDS Vancouver representative and retired Sunshine Coast resident

It was one of the most brutally honest questions I faced in the days following my own test for HIV at the Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit in Gibsons.

When I first considered taking the test, it was to present a more palpable account of the procedure. Instead of interviewing health nurse Johanna Rzepa over the phone about the procedure, I would offer my arm and blood for a first-hand account of HIV testing on the Coast.

To my disappointment, I would receive no danger pay from the newspaper.

The test is fairly simple. You

are presented with a series of questions which determine which high-risk category you fit into. The categories include intravenous drug user, homosexual, bi-sexual, blood transfusion and unprotected sex.

"Anyone who is concerned about high-risk behaviour, we feel it is a real positive step to do the test," Rzepa said reassuringly, as we reviewed the three-page questionnaire together.

While the test is simple, it's the stress leading up to and following the extraction of blood that is most exhausting.

"The waiting period can cause anxiety for some people," said Rzepa, just before she drew a vial full of blood from my left arm.

She wasn't kidding. For the most part, I felt fairly relaxed in the first few hours after seeing my blood sealed in a metal tube and prepared for shipment to Vancouver. But by the time I sat down to talk with Vic Anderson (no relation), 52 hours after taking the test, I had become extremely irritable, nervous and mildly distraught.

A lot of "what ifs" stirred in

my mind. If I was positive, how would my family and friends react? Would I still have a job to go to in the morning? How would I deal with discrimination against HIV carriers?

Did I have a support network of my own?

Not knowing whether I was a carrier of this dreadful virus was getting to me, and I began thinking I should never have gone for the test, that it was a horrendous mistake on my part.

On Friday, March 25, I contacted Rzepa who promptly told me the test had proved negative. I was not HIV positive.

At first, my synapses failed to register the news and I asked her to repeat what she had just said.

Within five minutes of hanging up the phone I was feeling complete relief and began gloating about my "cleanness" around the office.

Suddenly a great weight of potential despair and fear of the unknown was lifted.

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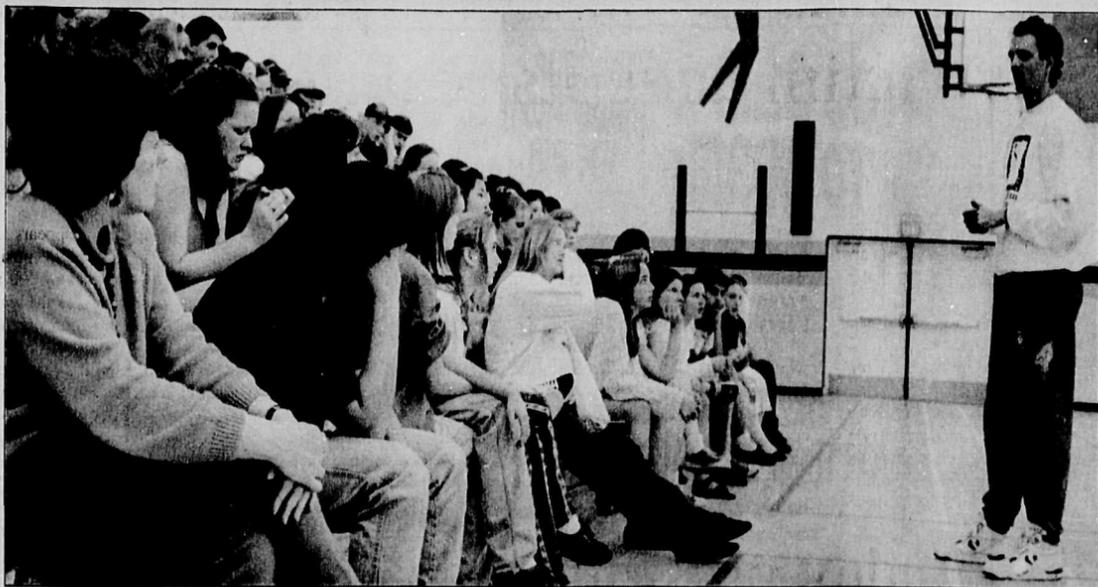
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Alan Kristmanson talks to Grade 9 students at Elphinstone Secondary School.

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## Hoopster passes pointers along to Elphie students

by Ian Cobb

Esteem was the theme coming from a guy who played against the Dream Team.

Grade 8 and 9 students at Elphinstone Secondary School heard a few important life messages March 29 when former Canadian National Basketball team member Alan Kristmanson towered into town as part of The Esteem Team.

Formed in late January, the Esteem Team is a group of about 30-40 "who's who" from BC involved, or formerly involved, in amateur and professional sports who tour the province speaking to students.

When Kristmanson made his crisp, to-the-point talk, it was about the 400th presentation made by the group, which also includes athletes such as former national ski team members Felix Belczyk and Michelle Hendry, soccer player Paul Dolan and basketballer Jay Triano.

"The main thing you can learn from it is the things we did wrong," Kristmanson told the students about his talk.

He spoke about four things people can do to better themselves and feel good about themselves.

"The first thing you have to do is dream of great things," he said, adding, it may sound silly, but dreams provide an impetus to continue striving.

The second important "thing" is to set goals, Kristmanson said.

He relayed a story about when was a basketball star in high school and thought he was hot stuff when he went to university.

"When I got to university I

thought I was pretty good, but I set no goals for myself. Thus I didn't improve as a basketball player and I became a lousy student."

As a result, he dropped out of school and traveled to New Zealand where he played professional basketball for a year.

***'You can never be satisfied with how good you are'***

-Alan Kristmanson

When he returned, he set goals for himself, such as "just getting a tryout with the national team."

With that, Kristmanson moved onto his third point. "You can never be satisfied with how good you are," he said, sliding into a vignette about watching players on the US 1992 Dream Team basketball squad working out in Portland prior to the Barcelona Olympics.

"After the players walked off the court (after practice), Michael Jordan and Larry Bird came back" and continued working out.

"Here's a guy (Jordan) who is the best who ever played asking a coach, 'How's my footwork?'"

The reason for that, Kristmanson said, was that Jordan was always afraid of not being the best.

"There's always people better than you are. Never be satisfied with how you're doing," he said,

noting that Jordan retired from professional basketball because he had reached his goals and his skill level peaked.

"He had no desire to come into the gym to improve himself."

The fourth and final point made by Kristmanson was the one "that is by far the hardest. You have to believe in yourself. If someone would have told me in Ladner (where he grew up) that I would be playing in the Olympics, I would have said they were nuts."

A big problem with society and one that hits kids entering their teens is negativism, he told the students.

"There's so many negative people around," he said — coaches who tell kids they're too small or too slow to play a sport or adults who tell kids they're "too dumb" to become a doctor or lawyer. "And it's not going to stop when you leave here."

As an example of how people try to beat you down with negativism, Kristmanson related how the Vancouver Sun reported that the only reason he made the Olympic team was because more players from the West Coast were needed on the roster.

"You've got to listen to the person that talks to you the most — yourself," he said.

Kristmanson, now a Whistler resident, also told the students that "just because you're from Gibsons," doesn't mean you can't reach for the stars.

By setting high goals and working hard to reach those goals, you may not reach that exact goal — but you will push higher than if you set no goals.

## District budget will hit taxpayers

by Darah Hansen

Taxpayers in the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) will be expected to dig a little deeper this year to cover the increased costs in the 1994 budget.

The budget, passed unanimously last Thursday (March 31) by SCRD directors, is up about \$1 million from last year, with expenditures totalling just under \$8 million.

Last year's expenditures totalled \$6,283,125.

Before passing, approximately \$180,000 was shaved off this year's budget.

Regional district directors agreed to a variety of cost-cutting measures, including implementing a hiring freeze at the government office, at least until the completion of a staff study.

Roberts Creek director Brett McGillivray said the study is scheduled to begin in late April and is expected to take at least two months to complete.

The aim of the \$25,000 study is to sort out where the office can become more efficient in its staffing and resources.

The temporary hiring freeze immediately effects two positions — in the mapping and planning departments — that were being considered for posting. It's estimated the freeze will save the district approximately \$75,000.

Directors further agreed to a significant cut in the area of solid waste disposal.

McGillivray said hardest hit was the recycling department with an estimated \$47,000 reduction in funding.

He added that, despite the cuts, the funding allocated to solid waste disposal is still up in all departments from last year.

The Economic Development Commission was also hit with a \$10,000 reduction.

At a regional district board meeting in mid-March, directors had turned thumbs down on the 1994 budget, saying the increase in expenditures was too rich for their constituents to swallow.

But McGillivray said this week it was difficult to reduce costs due to "a number of new things happening" this year, among them the Gibsons swimming pool, library construction and the formation of a recreation commission.

The final budget numbers are expected to be available this week.

## Expect ferry rates to rise in April

Thanks to a \$5.5-million cut-back in subsidies to the BC Ferry Corporation (BCFC) in the upcoming year, ferry users can expect an increase in fares in about a month's time.

With the cuts in subsidies, BC Ferry's annual subsidy dropped from \$41.7-million to \$36.2-million.

"Obviously, it will figure in when we're reviewing our tariffs (for the upcoming fiscal year)," said corporation public

affairs manager Ed McKenzie.

Now that provincial finance minister Elizabeth Cull has released her budget (March 22), the ferry corporation is working on its budget.

While the subsidy chop will impact on the operating costs, it won't affect capital projects like the Langdale Ferry Terminal, McKenzie said.

As for when BCFC will jack up their tariffs, that remains to be seen, McKenzie said.

"We're in the process of finalizing our upcoming budget," he said. "Beyond soon — I can't say."

McKenzie said BCFC traditionally tries to make its tariff announcements in late April.

This is the third straight year in which the corporation has been hit by subsidy reductions.

It has become a factor over which the corporation has no control, McKenzie said.

"We just accept the budget."

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## Has Trail Bay Park been fully explored?

It is understandable that Sechelt council feels some pressure for development that will provide the town with a tax base. However, council might be wise to consider if there is a way that the Trail Bay area, now targeted for a residential/commercial development, could be developed into the kind of park proposed by the Trail Bay Park Society.

We are not advocating that this be done by spending great amounts of public money at a time when government restraint is the order of the day (although the park might end up a worthwhile investment for the town's yet to be fully developed tourism industry).

No, what we are wondering is if all alternate methods of financing and maintaining such a park have been fully explored.

Are there other ways than using local taxes to raise money to acquire the land, or could a land swap be worked out with developer Jeffrey Tong in a way that we might come out with a win-win-win situation — for the town, the developer and those who would visit and use the park, now and in the future?

Can the park, as proposed by the Society, end up being a source of revenue for the town over the long haul? Has that been fully explored? If the advocates of the park can make a convincing case that the park will make a substantial financial contribution to the community, then council should heed the voices that are being raised in support of the park idea.

Let's be clear on this. We're not suggesting that council turf developer Jeffrey Tong's proposal for the property.

However, council should give the park idea a very serious second look before committing completely to the development.

## Society running out of self-esteem

We are living in strange times.

Our society is in such a state that we have to give our children classes in self-esteem — teach them to value themselves.

It's good that the schools are reaching out to students with sessions like the one conducted last week by former Canadian National Basketball team member Alan Kristmanson at Elphinstone Secondary school.

That this is necessary points up a strange deficiency in the society we have created. Our children do not believe in themselves because they cannot believe in the society of which they are a part.

Too many of what in the past were considered eternal virtues are no longer eternal or true. The family, one of the most stable institutions of the past, has undergone cataclysmic change, and as a child, one cannot be assured of security there.

The labour market, one of the sources of parental stability in the past, has gone the same way with recessions, sweeping technological changes, cutbacks, layoffs...

TV and movies have given us and our children 'heroes' who solve all problems with machine-gun violence. Accept them as role models and you'll be doing drive-by shootings. Reject them and you have... a void. Where does a child today fit in all this?

The children have answered this in the way they feel about themselves — like 'nowhere' children.

We need more people helping our children find their way.

### Hunting for other art

Re: H.W. Hamilton, Art should pay its way

Much of what we see in the galleries you have mentioned in your letter falls into the category of commercial art. Commercial art is the reflection of the world already accepted, therefore easily sold.

Alternative views, however, which attempt to find new and greater meaning, are often difficult for the market place to accept. Artists need a forum and distance from the influence of the market place so that alternative uncensored views may be more easily expressed.

When this happens, it is not only the voice of the artist that sounds, but also the voice of a human need, which if ignored, is a danger to us all.

Government funding can help provide for this and we hope the Quay Works Gallery will provide such a forum.

TOM & DIANE HUNT,  
artists  
Halfmoon Bay

### Taking sides with SPCA

It saddens me to read a lot of SPCA bashing in the papers these days.

Volunteers and staff at our SPCA work untiringly against the odds to rescue unwanted animals from abusive situations and arbitrary euthanasia (which would have to be their fate was there no SPCA here) as well as teaching the public to neuter their pets so there wouldn't be

the volume of beings in the shelter.

They have placed hundreds of pets into happy home situations with very little support or praise publicly. Yet at every turn it seems they are publicly criticized, vilified, misquoted and slandered.

In essence they run an animal orphanage for our seemingly disposable pets.

In my opinion they do a fabulous job of finding homes for as many animals as possible and as few euthanised as possible. This does not mean that they do not assess each animal carefully nor disregard historical data in the infrequent times that it is available.

Potential owners are screened thoroughly also.

The sad incident with Petunia was a very rare and regrettable incident with the owner taking full responsibility, even to paying the vet bills. These types of incidents happen much more

frequently outside of the SPCA.

I know that Shelter Manager Clint Davy and his team work very hard to prevent such occurrences without arbitrarily euthanising an animal on hearsay. All animals at the shelter get the second chance the prior owners never gave them.

I find it even more regrettable that much of the criticism is coming from two of the kennel owners on the coast. Kennel owners see people who care about and take responsibility for their pets and thus the animals they board are generally happy, secure ones.

That is like apples and oranges and I hardly think that gives them the right to stand in judgement of a situation about which they know little from personal experience.

One of these critiques made mention of our tax dollars spent on the SPCA. Just to set the record straight, the Regional District's only input is an \$8

boarding fee for a maximum of three days for unclaimed pound animals.

I send my appreciation and kudos to Clint Davy and all the caring volunteers at our SPCA. May the criticisms and negativity cease to run rampant and let you do your jobs.

Thank you to the *Coast News* for printing both sides of this story — contrary to the (*Sunshine*) Press.

ANNA WEYBURG  
Roberts Creek

### Putting the animals down

Unfortunately, Clint Davy has forced me to respond to his allegation that "I put down any of my dogs which show the slightest sign of aggression." I have never made this statement (or anything that could be construed as such) to any person, at any time. It is not my belief nor have I practiced such a policy.

However, I have twice had to make that awful, emotional and responsible decision to 'euthanize' a dog I have owned, because it bit someone and I believed it would probably bite again.

In the one instance, the dog was euthanized with the breeder's knowledge and endorsement (I had kept her informed of the problems I was having.)

Rather than trying to discredit me and question my integrity, I suggest you put your efforts towards developing a responsible and realistic euthanasia policy.

GORDON POLLOCK  
Gibsons



letters

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## Does democracy have this dangerous Achilles heel?

"Jobs before conservation," Mike Harcourt thundered to frenzied applause at the New Democratic Party convention just past. Ah, yes, Mikey boy, give those trees and tree huggers hell. Heart-warming, so it is, to see a leader with such passionate conviction, such deep-rooted, far-seeing sense of what it takes to win one more election.

We noted the other day, did we not, that to be elected in this right-wing province you had to either be right wing or pretend to be. Harcourt is now giving us his version of The Great Pretender.

Let us waste no time here in concerning ourselves with the next election. There are surely enough vote-hungry politicians eager to compromise every and any issue as long as they are seated near the levers of power when next the will of the people is consulted.

The sad thing about the Harcourt performance is that in seeing the choice as jobs or conservation the leader of the province has accepted the arguments so skilfully put forward by the public relations departments of the corporations. It is not a choice between jobs and conservation. It never has been.

When the premier courts the favour of the powerful but misguided woods union by seeming to accept the debate as between working men and their families and environmentalists who care more about trees than about people, he succumbs to pressures which, if we do not reverse ourselves, will bring democratic government to a place where it



will pander only to the lowest common denominator.

All of our decisions will be framed by the short-term desire of the politician to hold power and enjoy its fruits and the short-term desire of the electorate to have immediate gratification; it is in this direction that we are now heading.

Let's try to say a few salient things about jobs in the woods, forests, and the future of democratic government. It's the kind of task a politician of stature, a premier of true dimension might set himself or herself instead of joining the mindless clamour of the moment in pursuit of popularity.

Jobs have been disappearing rapidly from the forests of the northwest for most of the last half century, certainly long before there was an environmental movement. First the giant forest companies, in cahoots with corrupt governments, wrested control of crown lands away from the original small-scale loggers. There was a great displace-

ment of working loggers at that time.

As the years went by, the forest giants — the ones that slew not the ones that grew — accelerated the process by automating as much of the woods work as they possibly could. In the 1980s throughout the northwest more trees fell than ever before and fewer people were employed than ever before.

Now the same forest corporations which have bought governments for half a century and exploited public lands to their own enormous benefit, all the while using less and less labour for the task, are posing as the defenders of jobs in the woods and BC's premier is going along with the pretence.

As for the environmentalists, it is true too many of them are obnoxious in their rectitude and removed lifelong from any possibility of economic suffering themselves. It is true they too often wear their self-congratulation like a visible badge of honour.

But the issue is larger than them, too. There is a

worldwide deforestation taking place in all the continents of the world. The new economic order is creating millions of more poor people and poor people are not much interested in the long term if they are cold and hungry tonight. We are creating on a global scale deserts where forests grew and this is a fact which has implications long-term for all life on earth.

If we go on at the present rate, there will be no jobs at all in the woods in another generation. It is not Jobs or Conservation. It is Conservation for Jobs — and much more besides, like breathable air.

Harcourt must surely understand this, but his need for re-election is paramount.

We looked at a parallel case not long ago. For decades scientists and civil servants warned the politicians in St. John's, Newfoundland and in Ottawa that fish stocks were being depleted on the Grand Banks. No politician dared to do anything to protect them for fear of offending the fishermen.

The fishermen fished on. The fish disappeared. Today you're not allowed to catch a cod for the table in much of Newfoundland. That's the kind of thing that happens when politicians pander to the lowest common denominator, to immediate gratification and popularity, rather than long term well-being.

Is this the Achilles heel of democracy? Can the process be reversed? Is education of the electorate possible in the age of the 15-second sound bite?

### musings

John Burnside

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## opinion

## Of summer, tourists, and Loch Nessie

This year the North American summer tourists looking ever for new places to go can, for a hundred dollars plus the fares and hotels and so forth, conduct their own searches for the Loch Ness monster. A minibus has been provided at a site where many of the more *mysterious* sightings have been made. There is no guarantee that Nessie will be seen but they might perhaps have a couple of drams at the local pub before going.

Travel is broadening, as we have always said, but when you are lining up behind families from Peoria etc., and checking your cameras etc., to have your personal go at discovering the monster, there could be some sinking of the spirits I would think.

And if you went down, as you probably would be over there, to London, you would find that splendid old city actually physically clogged with families from Peoria etc. Even a London cab, which as we all know can turn on a dime, with a London cabbie who knows all the labyrinthine back streets like the palm of his hand, could hardly undertake to get you to the church on time.

The tourist phenomenon has ceased to be a phenomenon and is a fully established international way of life. It seems to be booming just about everywhere. I heard a man on the radio the other morning from the Magdalen Islands. I have flown over the Magdalen Islands in the Gulf of St. Lawrence several times in a flying boat and have looked down and thought that, well, here was a good looking remote place, but the man on the radio was saying that he didn't go sealing anymore because of Bridgette Bardot, but that he made a buck taking tourists out over the ice floes.



in a nutshell

stuart nutter

There's nothing really new about tourism, of course. In Agatha Christie's *Death on the Nile*, a scene from the '20s, we have a group of paying guests who are being organized and shepherded about the Egyptian tombs in just the way they might be today. It is just the sheer all-encompassing extent of it today that can give you little thoughts about who is in who else's zoo.

Travel though is still an adventure and still broadening. Paul Theroux is a man of many books, about 50 per cent of which are tales of personal adventure, being travel books. Theroux's adventures are not on the lines of *Raiders of the Lost Ark* or whatever, but they are adventures and they are for real and they are still available to all.

One winter he found himself a bit jaded in New England and decided to write a travel book and packed a rucksack and picked up a six-pack and got on a train in Boston going south. He thought he would just sit there (replenishing the six-packs along the way) until he got to the closest to the bottom of South America as the rails would go. This should make some sort of a book shouldn't it? And it did. And anyone could do it, couldn't they?

Theroux's approach seems more sensible than Graham Greene's under similar circumstances. Greene was one of the two or three most celebrated writers in the language when he

to felt himself a bit jaded and decided that the thing to do was write a travel book. He consulted an atlas, decided Liberia was a country that hadn't been written about much, got together a minimal type walking party and walked across Liberia, really a thing that no one would ever want to do.

Greene ran into hardships he sometimes thought above and beyond the call of his modest intention. It is a good book, but Theroux, with his bottom firmly on a seat throughout, wrote *The Great Patagonian Express*.

I travelled with a travel writer for a while. I'll correct that and say that I moved about a bit in Canada with Alekko Lilius. We were doing a series for the International Service of the CBC (radio) on after-the-war refugees from eastern Europe, some professors and such, who were making their way in the new land doing manual jobs to pay for their fares out. If that sounds complicated it was sure complicated at the time.

Alekko had grown up in Georgia, USSR where his father was Finnish Consul. He had a great facility with languages and could make out with most of the many in that fascinating and dangerous part of the world. He had always been out looking, as you might say, and before the age of 20, he had been with a travelling German circus dressed as a Laplander with a bunch of reindeer.

## letters

## Figuring on CORE

Your March 28 article "Coast loggers take part in CORE protest at legislature" claims "... (CORE) proposes that the Vancouver Island forest land base available for logging be reduced by 21 per cent, and quotes provincial Liberal leader Gordon Campbell as saying "a reduction of 12 per cent is plenty."

I have some good news for Mr. Campbell: CORE recommends that only seven per cent land be preserved on Vancouver Island.

Dividing this by the current 94 per cent of forest land available for logging on the island shows that the reduction is in fact 7.5 per cent. Logging would be restricted with "non-consumptive" (recreational, etc.) activities given pri-

ority in another eight per cent. The recommended reduction in prime timberland available for logging (read "ancient rain forest") is 1.8 per cent.

As a person very concerned about both the environment and the economic future of the province I have some concerns both with the CORE proposals and the CORE process itself.

However if we are ever to come to a rapprochement in this ongoing debate it is essential that we at least agree on the hard facts. Exaggeration from whatever source does us all a disservice.

My sources are CORE chair Stephen Owen on CKNW, CBC radio and his letter to the *Vancouver Sun* and the *Canfor Information Bulletin* of Feb. 16, 1994.

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### Trail Bay park pitch

—The following letter, addressed to the lawyer of developer Jeffrey Tong, was submitted to the Coast News for publication.

Please inform your client, Mr. Jeffrey Tong, that there is a large and increasing public interest in establishing a community park on Lot 1, Block B, Plan 8663, in Sechelt and that the park concept was endorsed by Sechelt Council (Motion No. 7780) on September 1, 1993.

Sechelt's Official Community Plan is going through revision and as of April 1993 it was firmly established through the OCP process that this land be designated as a natural park. It is unfortunate that perhaps this information has not been more adequately emphasized by Sechelt's Planning Department during development proposal discussions with Coast Architectural Group over the past few months.

Sechelt's new council is learning about the ways and means by which Lot 1, Block B, Plan 8663 could become a park and are beginning to realize the strength of public interest in the park concept.

We trust that Mr. Tong is also interested in the park proposal for this property and that he will be happy to collaborate with the municipality and the community.

In representing the public interest we would be pleased to discuss the issue with you.

**PAT CHAMBERLIN**  
Trail Bay Protection Society

### Options for Trail Bay

I am frustrated and indignant over the way Sechelt Council has dealt with the Trail Bay Protection Society, the group attempting to save the last large parcel of land on the waterfront

and within the town. I refer, of course, to Lot 1, Block B, Plan 8663, the area bounded by the Illusions and Pebbles restaurants, and by Teredo St. and the ocean.

In this regard, please note the following:

- The present council consistently refuses to even look at options proposed by the TBPS as viable ways to negotiate purchase of the land without an undue burden on the taxpayers.

- Instead, they have for the past several months been negotiating with the owner in a highly secretive and, it would appear, encouraging fashion in order to develop a plan to build condominiums, townhouses and commercial space on that site.

- Now, as a result of the Planning Committee meeting of March 22, 1994, the members of this committee who were present — Rosina Giles, Ray Rempel, Duncan Fraser, Stan Dixon, as well as staff members Rob Buchan and Michael Vaughan — all supported the latest development proposal from the owner, Jeffrey Tong.

Incorporated in this agreement was acceptance of a roof line which is almost two meters higher than the existing by-law requires.

- After the formality (it would appear) of publishing the variance in the local newspapers, council is then free to pass Mr. Tong's proposal.

In the light of my experience, it is most unlikely that they will follow their own guidelines and refuse the developer a building permit!

Actually, it would appear from all of their actions to date that Sechelt Council would like nothing better than to see the Trail Bay Protection Society quietly die. They think we are a fester on the body politic of this town simply because we are fighting to save a precious piece of waterfront land for the benefit of everyone who lives here or visits the Coast.

As I stated earlier, what is most frustrating to our group is the refusal on the part of Council to even look at ways of purchasing the property that are satisfactory to Council and the owner.

If they are to attempt this and, in the long run fail, at least everyone could have said "we tried," and you cannot be condemned for trying.

Come on, Sechelt Council! Be people of stature and imagination, not just politicians looking for a quick fix. The easy way is to let Jeffrey Tong develop the property.

The hard way, and no one in our group denies it, is to enter negotiations to obtain this land for the Sunshine Coast. But in the long run, that is the only option worthy of your office and the people you will be serving.

**RUTH HOULE**  
Sechelt

### Over-developing Sechelt

With the growth of the Sunshine Coast, we long-term residents must accept a certain degree of change, but in return new residents and developments must respect our concerns, as so many of us have invested years of sweat, taxes and tears into our communities.

I am not in favour of a ban on development but if growth is to be constructive it must include foresight.

What really disturbs me is the apparent disinterest and one-mindedness of our own politicians.

Sechelt Council seems bent on developing every inch of land possible in the village for commercial tax base, without realizing that as soon as the 'boom' in Sechelt is over, we could well be left with empty storefronts and commercial dead-zones.

The one guaranteed asset, both financially and aesthetically, to this community would be a waterfront park. It would attract passers-through on the new highway (Teredo) to stop, enjoy the waterfront, and enjoy the downtown.

This is not fantasy, this is a proven fact in many communities.

In addition, this park could offer a degree of urban relief to residents both young and old which is going to prove crucial in the coming years.

Sechelt Council appears to be in a real hurry to push the newest development proposal for Trail Bay through, complete with variances to our height bylaw. What is the use of a bylaw?

If our council could see past their own interests and show some responsibility and support, then the organizers of the park and residents can work to make this asset a reality, without financial burden to the community.

**AARON CHAMBERLIN**  
Sechelt

### \$\$ in Trail Bay Park

It seems timely to clarify some misconceptions about acquisition costs of Trail Bay Park.

Relax.

The land would not need to be purchased through taxes and it would in fact generate considerable revenue as a park. A zoning for amenities bylaw would enable purchase, as would a land swap (municipal lot at Wharf and Boulevard) and transfers of development rights. There is money in Sechelt's Parks Fund and parks DCCs will soon be in place to assure a steady income.

Also, government involvement on other levels is quite likely should Sechelt show initiative.

Let's not mock the policies of our existing community plan and its process of revision, which places park preservation as a top priority.

The OCP committee specified Trail Bay Park. This is your community speaking. But to whom?

Sechelt's Councils have played deaf and dumb for two years on this issue. How can they dismiss the research, the public interest and problem solving that has gone into the Trail Bay Park concept? Who is pulling their strings? Exactly who stands to gain from a commercial condo development of this "possibly for sale" property?

Likely, these people would gain more over time from the land being a park as business revenues and property values

are known to increase dramatically in the vicinity of parks for several miles distance.

A waterfront park on a highway passing through downtown is a treasure that only fools would pass up.

Give it a resident caretaker, information centre and historical display and you'll encourage visitors to stop in Sechelt as well as satisfying community and environmental needs. Sechelt Council could still save this land.

All they need is to consult with good advisors, refer to the Municipal Act, address some of our research and show some guts.

A challenge?

We know what it's like, Mr. Basse. Try it.

**PAT CHAMBERLIN**  
Trail Bay Protection Society

### Derailing Trail Bay

It appalls me to see Sechelt Council bowing to the wishes of Mr. Tong's developers even though there is conflict over the use of Lot 1 Block B Plan 8663. With the support of many hundred Sechelt residents, the Trail Bay Park Society (TBPS) is lobbying for this piece of land to remain undeveloped.

It is the only piece of land along the Trail Bay waterfront one can walk without feeling as though one is trespassing on someone's front yard.

It contains the foundations from the first settlements in Sechelt and artifacts from the Sechelt's past generation. The proposed park would be a great buffer between the beach and the downtown core while drawing people back into the shopping area.

Sechelt Council has been very uncooperative. TBPS has asked many times for a meeting between themselves and Sechelt Council to present their ideas for acquiring the land without the use of tax dollars or loss of profits.

Sechelt Council has yet to agree to a meeting or to give support in principle of a park on Lot 1. Instead, Sechelt Council has given the okay to the second presentation for luxury apartments, preparing to pass variances to the bylaws they should be upholding.

After the first presentation was vetoed, Sechelt Council made recommendations to the presenters on how to make their development plans more appealing to council.

When will the voters be heard? Lot 1 is the last natural green space along the Trail Bay waterfront. If it isn't saved now it will never be there again.

Sechelt Council needs a little foresight.

**JEANNETTE GORY**  
Sechelt

### Residents want park

At the March 23 meeting of the Sechelt Village Residents' Association the Trail Bay Park and proposal for development were discussed at length.

By a majority decision we felt council should have written documentation that the Sechelt Village Residents' Association favours that this unique property (Lot 1, Blk. B, Plan 8663) be designated parkland in perpetuity.

Comparable parks at Horse-shoe Bay (2.6 acres) and the new Gibsons Landing Waterfront Park (1.5 acres) should give us the incentive, the will power and the careful consideration of the future to pursue this matter to successful conclusion.

**BARBARA WHISTLER**  
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## Province grants tax amnesty to business owners

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The amnesty period was announced in Elizabeth Cull's budget speech last month. Cull said businesses have until midnight June 30 to make good on what they owe without fear of penalty or prosecution.

"Those who fail to respond will face stiffer consequences, as government is going to get tougher in auditing and collecting the taxes," she said.

Anyone who fails to collect, remit, or pay tax as required under the legislation is subject to a 10-per-cent penalty. In the past this applied only where tax had been collected, accounted for but not remitted, or where tax remittances were late. People could be warned several times about their accounting practices without being penalized.

Effective July 1, 1994, the penalty will apply to every business that continues to fail to remit tax after being warned. It will also apply in cases where purchases have been made, but tax has not been paid, if the business has been previously

warned. "It is all part of our goal to achieve tax fairness," said Cull.

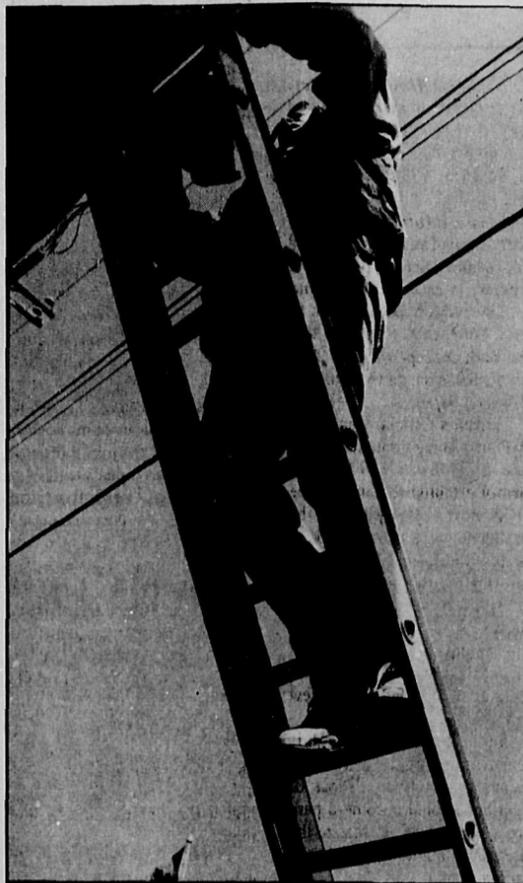
"We are concerned about businesses that fail to remit taxes they have collected on behalf of government because this money is held in trust and belongs to the people of BC."

The 25-per-cent penalty for willfully evading paying tax and a 100-per-cent penalty for willfully failing to remit tax collected remain unchanged. Offenders in these cases may also face court-imposed fines and even imprisonment.

A similar amnesty program was introduced in the province in 1985 and resulted in revenue of more than \$1.5 million. This time around the government expects revenue will total about \$3 million.

Cull said the negotiation of this contract establishes a positive relationship between the government and its employees.

"We have said from the beginning that there was no new money for wage increases this year and the union recognized that. Instead, negotiations focused on better training and career development opportunities for employees and ensuring workers have a strong voice in



Sign painter Lee Warwa took advantage of the sunny weather last week to create the storefront sign for the new Wharf Street Market in Sechelt.  
Ian Cobb photo

decisions that will improve the delivery of services to British Columbians."

The tentative deal has yet to be ratified by the two sides.

## Sechelt EDC pulls into core parking

The first project for the Sechelt Economic Development Commission (EDC) will be to evaluate the present and future parking needs of the commercial area of Sechelt.

"The downtown core parking has become a concern to many business operators and their customers," said Russ Olson, chairman for the EDC parking study.

Chamber president Gordon L. Wilson said "the consulting

fees for this project will be paid from the funding allotted to the EDC under the terms of an agreement between the Sechelt Chamber and the District of Sechelt.

"The committee has been swamped with proposals from interested parties seeking funding assistance," said Wilson.

"I would like to make it very clear that the EDC is not a funding body for private enterprise projects. We are eager to offer

advice, referrals and support to private projects that we feel would be in the best interest of the community, but we do not give grants or loans to individual businesses. Our mandate is to develop and implement economic strategies for Sechelt.

"We are confident that coming up with answers to our downtown parking problem will most definitely be of economic benefit to all our downtown businesses."

### tax tips

1. If you moved to another province in 1993 you may find a change in income tax rate. Different provinces have different tax rates.

For example, living in BC could save you money because BC's income tax rate is lower than that of some other provinces.

You are considered a resident of a province for tax purposes if your home was in that province as of December 31, 1993.

2. Planning at tax time can help you and your parents afford the increasing costs of higher education.

Students are entitled to claim a credit of 25 per cent of tuition fees paid to a post-secondary or certified institution, as well as a credit of \$21 per month for full time attendance at such an institution. Tuition fees must exceed \$100 per institution to be eligible.

If the credits are not used by the student, up to \$680 may be transferred to the student's spouse or supporting parent or grandparent. If you receive scholarships, bursaries or fellowships, the first \$500 is not taxable.

Look into the tax breaks of higher education.

3. Many people have mailed original documents to Revenue Canada Taxation and have never seen them again. What should you do?

Don't send your original documents to Revenue Canada Taxation. Only send copies of any

document to Revenue Canada Taxation and address your correspondence to the same person who wrote to you, quoting a file number. You may even want to send the information by registered mail.

If the tax department wants to see your original document, take it there if necessary but don't let them keep it. Your original documents are valuable property.

4. If you started your own business in 1993, or plan to start your own business in 1994, choosing a date for your business year end is an important tax decision.

Normally your fiscal year is 12 months. However in your first year of operation you can choose to have a short fiscal year and that could mean a deferral of taxes on your first year of income. This could put you in a lower tax bracket and help your cash flow by reducing your quarterly tax instalments for the next year.

If you are planning to start a new business in 1994, seek the aid of professionals. It may save you money you would otherwise pay in taxes.

5. Do you earn a regular income for tips and gratuities?

Waiters, waitresses and other people who earn regular income from tips and gratuities should keep a diary of the amounts they receive. Just because the money is in cash and records may not be kept doesn't mean Revenue Canada will forget about it.

Revenue Canada keeps statistical records on the average amounts a waiter or waitress receives in tips in a year. If the amount you report is different and someone decides to ask why, you must be able to back up your figures.

Although you don't have to send a diary in with your tax return, you should have one available for examination. If you receive lower-than-average tips, a diary can prevent an unfair assessment.

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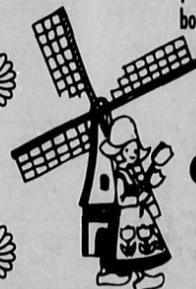
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### Regular Council Meetings

Regular council meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Hall, 5545 Inlet Avenue.

### Expressions of Interest

Cleaning Services—Municipal Hall  
The district of Sechelt is inviting Expressions of Interest for cleaning services to both the Inlet Avenue and Mermaid Street Municipal Hall locations. Proposals for a six month term should be addressed to Mr. G.W. Grognet, Superintendent of Public Works, by Friday, April 22nd, 1994. Further information is available from Ms. Sherry Robinson at the District Office, 5545 Inlet Avenue.

### EASTER HOLIDAY

Please note that the Municipal Hall will be CLOSED on:

MONDAY, APRIL 4th, 1994

### Committee Meeting Dates

April 1994

**Public Works Committee**  
Thursday, April 7th, 1994 at 2:30 pm followed by Parks, Recreation & Arena Committee.

**Finance Committee**  
Wednesday, April 13, 1994 at 2:00 p.m.

**Planning Committee**  
Tuesday, April 26, 1994 at 1:30 p.m. followed by Environment Committee.

**Community Liason Committee**  
Wednesday, April 27, 1994 at 2:30 p.m. followed by Economic Development Committee

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### DISTRICT OF SECHELT

#### Administrator

"Heart of the Sunshine Coast", this growing coastal community of 7,200 welcomes new residents including commuters to Vancouver and retirees. Retaining its rural flavour, Sechelt is known for its marine recreation, tourism, and as a cultural centre. Incorporated in 1986 as a district, Sechelt faces the challenge of defining a vision and building the foundations for its future growth.

The Administrator is directly responsible to the Council for overseeing all aspects of municipal operations ensuring that they reflect the decisions of Council with due regard to effective management of the staff resources and economic utilization of the financial resources.

The Administrator's principle responsibilities are to:

- Assist Council in maintaining a timely and relevant long range corporate plan that will provide a comprehensive focus to the decision making process.
- Advise and assist Council in its policy and decision making process.
- Implement Council decisions and monitor their on going effectiveness and bring reactions back to Council.
- Maintain an administrative organizational structure that is economical, efficient and effective.
- Deliver efficient service to the community that is conscious of the real needs.
- Provide leadership to the departmental managers to foster inter-departmental team work.
- Administer staff resources towards maintaining high staff morale and optimal performance.
- Develop and manage a fiscally responsible annual operating budget and a long term capital budget.

The position requires an individual with excellent management and interpersonal skills that is committed to supporting the Council and the community in identifying the Municipality's long term aspirations and bringing about the policies that will achieve those aspirations.

Several years of varied senior management responsibilities with experience in both the private and public sectors preferred. A Post Secondary University degree in either Commerce, Administration or Accounting is required. A Post Graduate Public Sector Management Diploma and/or a Municipal Officer's Association certificate in municipal management would be an asset.

The District offers an attractive benefits and compensation package.

Please reply in confidence by April 22, 1994 to:

Arthur J. Lew, Administrator  
District of Sechelt, P.O. Box 129  
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george in gibsons

by George Cooper

Family and longtime friends honoured Walter Bradshaw upon his 65th birthday at a dinner party in the Kinsmen Lions hall on Saturday evening, March 26. Barbara and Walter welcomed their two sons, Bob and Bill, and their two daughters,

Kathy and Perry, and 11 of their 15 grandchildren, who came to be with them on this special occasion.

The day Walter was born in Boston Bar March 4, 1929 was the very day Gibsons Landing was incorporated by letters patent as a village, and it is in

Gibsons that Walter now serves as councillor in his second term as part of his considerable community service.

In 1931 Walter's father left his railroad tie mill in Boston Bar and moved the family to a farm on the newly drained and reclaimed land on the Sumas Prairie.

But Sumas Prairie turned to a lake again when an ice storm in January 1935 downed the lines that brought power to the pumps.

After a winter crowded into a neighbour's house on high ground, Walter's family moved back to the Sumas Prairie farm.

In 1939 the family moved to a smaller farm in Sardis when Walter's father returned to logging. Walter was left with the tiresome chore of milking the cows.

"One cow, Bessie by name, always managed, no matter what precautions I took, to plop a hoof in the milk pail just about the time the pail was full."

In 1945, upon graduating from Chilliwack High School, Walter went logging and 40 years later finished a career in the woods as a superintendent in Canadian Forest Products.

"He did occasional work in the woods after that for Percy Logging," Barbara told us, "to fill in blank spots until a regular employee was found."

Barbara and Walter have lived in Gibsons for the past 22 years and at present reside in Farnham Gardens.

Schools

Langdale elementary sends a thank-you to Karin Legg for her tireless efforts with the spring book fair and as well to helpers at the book fair, Diane Kalliel, Lynn Ujvary, Linda Purcell and Janet Hodgkinson.

The school will have Sunshine savings coupon books for sale again this year. All kinds of savings with these coupons.

Gibsons elementary will be visited by an external accreditation team April 18-21. Their reports aim "to help the school become the best learning place possible."

Gibsons primary choir will perform at the music festival on the morning of April 13 at Chatelech.

A special thanks to the parent chaperones of the intermediate choir's trip to hear the Vancouver Symphony. "Our students were excellent ambassadors for our school."



Walter Bradshaw



Coast News/Weekender editor Larry Marshall, right, visits Cedar Grove Elementary School March 31 to address a Grade 7 class about the newspaper business. The talk stemmed from a letter to the editor from student Angela Valente, asking Marshall why there's so much bad news. Ian Cobb photo

Earth Day activities firmed up

Spring is here and it's time once again to get out your walkin' shoes, jogging gear and bikes and make your way to Cliff Gilker Park for another great Earth Day celebration. The day is Sunday, April 24 with events beginning at 11 am and running to 5:30 pm.

There's an impressive lineup of musical entertainment with some of the Coast's best musicians. Festivities begin with a universal dance for peace followed by the Coast's Raging Grannies and children's entertainer Gordon Webber. Next, Denise Olson will perform, then Lee Mason, Gordon Webber and Larry Wahl will do a set. John Marian, Michael LaCoste and Endangered Species round out the afternoon, with Butler in the Hey providing the grand finale. In between sets there will be several speakers, with Caitlin Hicks and Ken Dagleish emceeing for the day.

Every enviro-group on the Coast will have tables with information and displays. There will also be several eco-vendors with a wide range of eco-friendly products, as well as arts and crafts and a tasty selection of healthy food. There will also be a short nature walk to study local herbs and plants in the park at 1:45 in the afternoon.

The raffle prizes will be on display with a framed, original Robert Bateman sketch as first prize. The eco-friendly products from SuperValu will be there for your perusal (second prize), as well as the garden composter from Quality Farms (third prize).

**No vehicles will be permitted on the field except those with special permission**

The draw will take place at the end of the day at the park. Winners not present will be notified.

Tickets are on sale right now at Out of Time and Roberts Creek General Store; Sayward Books and Variety Foods in Gibsons; Good Stuff Health Foods, Shadow Baux Galleries, Capilano College, Community Services and Books 'N' Stuff in Sechelt; Westwind School of Music in Davis Bay and the Wilson Creek Art Gallery. Tickets will be available all day at the park.

Proceeds from the raffle will go to the Friends of Caren and the Tetrahedron Alliance, two

coastal groups whose focus is preservation of our last old growth forests and our watersheds. During the day, there will also be outdoor draws for several prizes donated by Coast businesses. As in past years, resource industry groups are invited to participate in Earth Day by presenting their views at an information table.

Earth Day goes on, rain or shine, so everyone should come prepared. Last year there was a spectacular display of West Coast weather, all interwoven with plenty of sun. This year, there will be a giant parachute suspended in front of the stage to provide some respite if we get our traditional shower.

As there is parking for participants only at the park, the public is being asked to park on Roberts Creek Road and enjoy the short walk, bike ride or jog over. Exceptions will be made for those who for health reasons are unable to walk up the hill. No vehicles will be permitted on the field except those with special permission.

Everyone should use extreme caution while driving along the highway near the park that day and show consideration for pedestrians in the area. Anyone interested in booking a table can call Pat at 886-8820.

roberts creek

by Katharine Trueman 885-2282

The Creek offers a lot of variety at any time of the year but once spring rolls around there is quite a choice. Number one has to be a vigorous walk down Beach Avenue to view the glorious Island Mountains, critique the spring foliage, say "hi" to a new neighbour or just simply enjoy nature. Later in the day, you may wish to visit the general store, catch up on the news displayed on the front bulletin or treat yourself to the greatest ice cream on the Coast.

On the lighter side, entertainment is always available in the Creek area.

If there is nothing playing at the hall, then check out the Gumboot Garden Cafe. Certainly the month of April is going to be a busy musical affair at the Creek Legion. Local Traffic will be playing the best in top 40 music on April 15 and 16. Straight from the Kitchen, a Celtic group, will play on April 29 and 30. Music begins at 8:30 each evening.

If you still have not found your niche, then perhaps an adventurous hike through Cliff Gilker Park will suit you. No? How about a fast nine holes at the Sunshine Coast Golf Club or a bike ride down the many byways? Whether you have

lived here for one week, one year or 30 years, there is always something to do, even if it's just sitting on the front porch and soaking up the sun.

Library news

When the sun shines the garden calls, but what of those rainy days? Then it's time to browse through the 700s in the library and the craft section comes into its own.

Do you want to quilt, carve wood or knit like the experts? We can help. Here are some titles to whet your appetite: *Jewellery Craft for Beginners*, *Weekend Wood Projects for Toymakers*, *Weaving is Fun*, *Making Twig Furniture*. On a smaller scale - the bazaar crafts are well represented. Remember that our art section has many helpful 'how to' books on painting and photography.

New to the library? Just ask one of our volunteers for help in finding your way to the books of your choice.

YTV vocal spotlight

The teen battle of the voice has finally come to a glorious end for two delightful girls from the Creek. Sarah Norris (10-14 years) and Kristin Braun (15-18 years) have both placed first in the final competition. The YTV Vocal Karaoke competition has been held over the last two weekends at Sunnycrest Mall.

As this is a national competition, both girls will have their video performances evaluated by Canadian recording artists such as Dan Hill, Lisa Lougheed, Vivienne Williams, Sonya Papp and the group Too Bad To Be True.

National winners will receive \$1,000 cash prizes, professional recording sessions and a chance to appear on YTV. This was the first time that the competition was held on the Coast as usually one must travel to Vancouver to compete with the 3,000 competitors.

Sarah was pleased with the support received at the mall and felt it was great to be able to compete on home ground. Both Sarah and Kristin received a Song Master karaoke machine. Congratulations, girls, and we in the Creek look forward to hearing of your continued success.

Creek hospital auxiliary

The Roberts Creek hospital auxiliary will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, April 11 at 10:30 am. They encourage present members and newcomers to join them at the Legion hall for all the news.

Cancer canvassers

The annual April cancer canvas has just begun in the Creek area but we still urgently require more canvassers. Please call Katharine at 885-2282 today.

Garage sale to aid volunteers

The Volunteer and Action Centre will be hosting a giant garage sale on May 14 from 10

am to 3 pm as a fundraiser for the non-profit centre. The centre is looking for

items to be donated to the sale. Do you have items at home that you'd like to get rid of and support a good cause at the same time? If so you can drop them off at 5638 Inlet Avenue or call 885-5881 to arrange for a pickup. This is a great way to use up what's left over from your own yard or garage sale.

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Darah Hansen of the Coast News challenges Jo-Anne Bennison and Dave Miller of the Sunshine Press to walk or run. "If you can't catch us in the news, try to catch us on the road!"

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## community

## dockside davis bay



Suzette, left, mother and baby-sitter, brought Gabe, Levi and Olivia (20 months to 3 years) out to Davis Bay for an afternoon of sun and sand last week.  
Ian Cobb photo

by Jo-Anne Sheanh, 885-3629

Easter-time launches the teas and assorted sales as part of the spring awakening ritual we experience every year and this year is no exception.

After a winter spent hibernating people are eager to mingle and share their ideas and plans. Gardening is a popular topic, as are plans for holidays a conversation piece.

## Annual Spring Tea

St. John's United Church women are holding their annual spring tea on April 16 from 2 pm to 4 pm at the church. This year they are including something unique, a doll display. The cost of \$4 entitles you to tea and the display but if you only wish to view the dolls, it will be \$3. I hasten to mention, the dolls are not for sale, only for oohing and aahing at...

## Library news

The DB/WC library is hosting its spring tea and book sale at the hall the next day April 17 from 2 pm to 4 pm. All proceeds go back into the purchase of books.

Librarian Margaret Phillips reported there are now 2,600 books in the library and 13 volunteers who faithfully staff it. Our library is another little jewel in the crown of this community.

## Annual general meeting

The annual general meeting of the DB/WCCA was well attended by interested residents who turned out to hear a representative from Chevron Canada detail its plans for the present bulk loading facility on Whitaker Road in Davis Bay.

Glen Parker, logistics manager, outlined the future plans for transporting petroleum products to this area by means of tank trucks as opposed to the present method of marine barging. Chevron foresees a dramatic decrease in home heating petroleum due to the advent of natural gas.

## The dock

Sometime within the next two months, the dock will no longer be used to pump oil but will remain intact for two years as a backup in case the truck traffic plans don't work out. In 1997, Chevron's lease expires, the upkeep and maintenance will no longer be their responsibility and the future of the dock will be a source of concern to all residents in this area.

Officers for the coming year were welcomed into their positions by the members and they are: Jim Smith, president; Phil Makow, vice-president; Alison LeDuc, secretary; John Denham, treasurer; Eileen Nelsen, Louise Colliss and Gwen Abram, directors. Congratula-

tions all. "It's like having friends in my living room" is the way coordinator Lois Fishleigh feels about the Friday afternoon bridge at the hall and is sorry to see it come to an end for the summer.

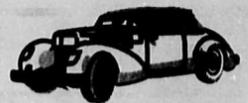
April 8 will be the last afternoon until September, so at 1 pm please turn out for the final hands. All proceeds go to the DB/WCCA and refreshments are always served.

## Children's Faire

The Children's Faire held at Rockwood Lodge during Spring Break was a smashing success thanks to the efforts of organizer Sandy McBride and her hard-working assistants, Kay Bailey and Gord Webber. Without the dedication of a band of volunteers, these kinds of programs are impossible.

Sandy would like to especially thank Gail Sangster (prizes and games), Rosemary Coates (graffiti room), Rosette Sharette (bead room) and psychic Barbara Ann Scott who entertained tirelessly for two days.

The faire provided a showcase for young talent which included dancers, fiddlers and karate demonstrations. The generosity of Trail Bay Mall merchants, Shorncliffe and the Sunshine Coast Credit Union made it all possible and was much appreciated.



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## sechelt scenario

by Deanna Lueder, 885-7365

"April's in the west wind, and daffodils," wrote John Masefield. It is an especially beautiful month of the year as things seem to grow magically overnight, everywhere.

But not always as we so carefully planned; there are English daisies in the lawn and grass in the flower beds. Yards and parks are looking wonderful as the fruit, trees, flowers, shrubs bloom and the spring bulbs shoot up into colour. Beginning with Easter, this is a month of new beginnings and high hopes for the future.

It is not surprising that the Canadian Cancer Society has chosen April as the month it raises funds for research and the development of new treatment techniques.

Be prepared and put whatever you can afford aside in your spare sugar bowl so that you'll be ready when your volunteer canvasser for the Cancer Society comes to your door this month.

## A month of meetings

April is a busy month for meetings and the beginning of some interesting courses, so be sure to check the calendar of events in the paper. On Tuesday, April 5 the Red Cross is holding

its Blood Donor Clinic at the Seniors Hall from 3 pm to 8 pm. If you are an adult in good health, your donation will be welcome.

## Garden club

The Sechelt Garden Club welcomes guest speaker Helen Ray to its monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 6. She will be speaking on the topic of Vermiculture. New members are always welcome. The club meets at 7:30 pm at St. Hilda's Church hall.

## Marsh society

The Sechelt Marsh Society works hard to develop and preserve the marsh on Wharf Road as a natural habitat for various waterfowl.

They will be meeting on Friday, April 8 at 7:30 pm at the Arts Centre.

Andy Derocher, a forest biologist is the guest speaker for the evening. Join in if you're interested. Who knows if the marsh would even exist now were it not for interested and involved local people.

## Lecture

The SCRD is presenting an interesting lecture on April 8 at 7:30 pm at the Bella Beach Motel conference room. Mark Roseland, a professor from SFU

School of Resource and Environmental Management, will be speaking on Sustainable Communities. All interested people are welcome to attend.

Our daughter writes from New York City, where she works as a librarian in Jackson Heights, that she is constantly meeting people who have spent their entire lives in the city with only an occasional weekend out of the cement jungle. She says many people have no sense of conservation or of caring for the environment.

These concepts are just not real when you never see eagles wheeling above or ducks nesting in the reeds or fawns nibbling daintily on the blooms of your favourite shrub.

We are fortunate to live here with access to a great urban sprawl just south of us when we crave temporarily the hubbub and excitement of humanity in constant movement.

Occasionally though, we in Sechelt provide our own amiable hubbub.

The Arts Council is presenting its annual Junque Sale on Saturday, April 9 from 10 am to 3 pm at the Arts Centre. This is a popular event with lots of unique 'junque' for sale.

## Coast caregivers granted continued provincial funding

Caregivers Association of BC (CABC) will receive continued financial support from the provincial government for 1994-95.

The association provides support, education and information to family caregivers who are providing care to their loved ones in their homes.

"This grant allows us to continue the work we began last year," CABC board chairman Ray Litkenhaus said.

"Our main priorities include encouraging the establishment of local caregiver support groups and networks in the province, collaborating with other caregiver related organizations to provide enhanced support to family caregiver's and consulting with government to ensure that family caregivers needs are met as the health care system changes from a central delivery system to one that is managed locally by community

health boards."

Local caregivers association regional representative Marcelle Highgate acknowledged the financial support given to CABC.

"It is certainly refreshing to see that the government seems to understand what a vital role family caregivers play in our society." If you are a caregiver and would like contact with Marcelle Highgate she can be reached at 885-0596.

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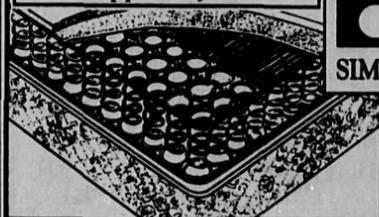
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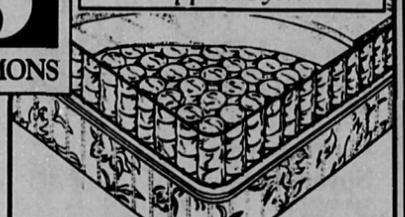
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85 g.....you save .20

Hunt's crushed, whole or

**Stewed Tomatoes** **.78**  
398 ml.....you save .51

Orville Redenbacher microwave

**Popping Corn** **1.78**  
297 g.....you save 1.37

Casa Fiesta seasoning

**Taco Mix** **.68**  
35 g.....you save .37

Casa Fiesta

**Taco Shells** **1.58**  
128 g.....you save .87

Casa Fiesta regular or chilli

**Refried Beans** **1.48**  
398 ml.....you save .71

Cloverleaf flake light or

**Chunk Light Tuna** **.98**  
184 g.....you save .57

Roger's assorted Cereals

**5 Grain Granola** **2.28**  
700-750 g.....you save .71

Kikkoman dispenser

**Soya Sauce** **1.28**  
148 ml.....you save .71

China Lily sauce

**Sweet 'n' Sour** **.98**  
284 ml.....you save .41

Nile Spice cous cous or

**Soup Mix** **1.38**  
each.....you save .61

Polly assorted

**Biscuits** **.68**  
150 g.....you save .17

Mrs. Cubbison's

**Croutons** **1.18**  
170 g.....you save .51

Best Foods regular or light

**Mayonnaise** **2.98**  
750 ml.....you save 1.21

Sea Haul

**Sockeye Salmon** **1.88**  
213 g.....you save 1.11

Paramount

**Pink Salmon** **1.28**  
213 g.....you save .61

Pride of the World cut

**Green Beans** **.58**  
284 ml.....you save .31

Mazola

**Corn Oil** **3.18**  
1 L.....you save .81

Adam's smooth

**Peanut Butter** **3.98**  
1 kg.....you save 3.81

Paulin's ginger snaps, chocolate chip or

**Oatmeal Cookies** **2.58**  
500 g.....you save 1.71

McCormick's biscuits

**Toasted Blossoms** **1.38**  
200 g.....you save .51

McCormick's Champagne

**Crackers** **1.88**  
225 g.....you save 1.01

Nabob

**Ground Coffee** **5.98**  
1 kg.....you save 1.01

Swan non-alcoholic

**Light Beer** **2.76**  
6x375 ml.....you save 2.94

Mainstay dry

**Dog Food** **4.38**  
8 kg.....you save 2.21

Total Diet

**Dog Food** **3.68**  
2 kg.....you save 1.07

Natural Select scoop

**Cat Litter** **3.68**  
3.6 kg.....you save 2.61

Reynold's aluminum

**Foil Wrap** **2.48**  
12'x50'.....you save 1.41

Down To Earth

**Fabric Softener** **2.98**  
1.8 L.....you save .77

Down To Earth liquid laundry

**Detergent** **4.28**  
1.8 L.....you save 1.21

Lux white

**Bar Soaps** **.98**  
3x90 g.....you save .57

Ivory

**Bar Soaps** **2.18**  
6x90 g.....you save .51

Glass Plus

**Window Cleaner** **1.58**  
900 ml.....you save .91

Phillip's soft white

**Light Bulbs** **4.48**  
6x60 watt.....you save 1.51

### DAIRY

Imperial soft

**Margarine** **1.98**  
907 g.....you save 1.27

Dofa

**Feta Cheese** **3.98**  
400 g.....you save 1.87

Swiss Knight

**Cheese Portions** **2.58**  
200 g.....you save 1.21

Meddo-Belle shredded

**Parmesan** **2.48**  
150 g.....you save .81

Meddo-Belle grated

**Parmesan** **3.28**  
250 g.....you save .61

### MEAT

Cut from Canada grade A beef

**Boneless Top Sirloin Steak** **3.69 lb**  
6.13/kg.....

**Chuck Roast** **1.49 lb**

**Breaded Pork Cutlets** **2.49 lb**  
5.49/kg

Medium **Ground Beef** **1.89 lb**  
4.17/kg.....

Schneider's **Kent Bacon** **2.89 ea**  
500 g.....

Breaded - bulk **Chicken Breast Strips** **4.49 lb**  
9.90/kg.....

Fresh **Lamb Shoulder Chops** **3.49 lb**  
7.69/kg.....

Schneider's - 3 varieties **Lifestyles Pies** **1.89 ea**  
225 g.....

Fletcher's **Sausage Sticks** **2.99 ea**  
500 g.....

Frozen **Veal Cordon Bleu** **2.58**  
pkg of 2.....

### SEAFOOD



Fresh or frozen **Ling Cod** **2.69 lb**  
by the piece; 5.93/kg

Smoked **Cod Fillets** **5.99 lb**  
13.21/kg.....

Frozen **Scallops** **8.99 lb**  
19.82/kg.....

### PRODUCE

California - marketed by "Sunkist" large

**Navel Oranges** **.49 lb**  
1.08/kg

B.C. grown #1 Money's **White Mushrooms** **1.88 lb**  
4.14/kg

U.S. grown #1 Fancy 100's **Anjou Pears** **.59 lb**  
1.30/kg.....

U.S. grown #1 Fancy **Head Lettuce** **.68 ea**

U.S. grown, salad fresh **Radishes & Green Onions** **.33 ea**

B.C. grown Extra Fancy **Newton Apples** **.49 lb**  
1.08/kg.....

### BAKERY

**Un sliced Wheat or Wholewheat Bread** **.89**  
454 g.....

**Cherry Danish** **2.55**  
pkg of 4.....

**Whipped Cream Eclairs** **3.35**  
4 for.....

**Lemon Jelly Rolls** **2.75**  
6'.....

**Raisin Cookies** **2.55**  
pkg of 12.....

**Hot Dog Buns** **2.09**  
pkg of 12.....

### DELI

With or without garlic **Roast Beef** **1.59**  
sliced, 100 g.....

Smoked chicken or **Luncheon Meat** **.79**  
sliced, 100 g.....

**Bavarian Meatloaf** **.99**  
sliced, 100 g.....

Herb, Gypsy, pepper **Salami** **1.99**  
sliced, 100 g.....

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## community

## halfmoon happenings

by Ruth Forrester, 885-2418

Two of our talented young people from Halfmoon Bay did us all proud at the YTV Talent Contest in Sunnycrest Mall last Saturday. Although finalists Ann Konopasek and Carleen Rudland did not take first prize in their age categories, they, like the other six finalists, gave it all they had and did extremely well. Both girls will keep going in their singing activities as they love to sing and it shows.

## Welcome back

Glad to hear that our little hummingbird friends have returned to bring us joy throughout the summer. Donna Johnson saw her first one at Secret Cove on March 25. Time to get the feeders out, just as long as you don't have any cats.

## Memorial service

A memorial service was held last Thursday in Vancouver for a former well known summer visi-

tor to Halfmoon Bay, Bert James, who passed away suddenly in his 92nd year. It was Bert who, many years ago, donated the piano to the Welcome Beach Community Hall. Bert was a brother of Walter James who now lives in Shorncliffe, and father of Don James of Welcome Woods and of two daughters.

## Planning the fair

The first meeting of the season was held last week by the Halfmoon Bay Country Fair executive. It is never too early for this group to get together as there is much work and planning for this big annual event at Cooper's Green on July 8, 9 and 10.

Donna Johnson is chairman this year with Fiona West as vice-chairman and secretary Barlene Cameron. The huge task of treasurer will continue with Carol Adams at the helm. The committee was delighted to know that this year the Halfmoon



Bessie Stanton of Halfmoon Bay celebrates the 100-year milestone last week. Ruth Forrester photo

Bay Hospital Auxiliary will take on the huge task of running the pancake breakfast, always a

packed and popular event. There will be more news of the fair in due course.

## harbour highlights

by Frank Roosen, 883-2920

Naden Military Band is coming to town. On Tuesday May 10 the Naden Military Band will perform at the Pender Harbour high school at 1 pm and you are all invited to what may well be their last performance.

With everything being trimmed these days, this famous band is likely to get the axe so come and get it while the getting

is good. As you all well know, their past performances have just been fantastic.

Now that we have the high school on the line, they would like to thank Rob Metcalf and IGA for supplying the lunches to the honour roll and reliability roll students for each term.

Now that we are in a thanking mood, thanks go to all the people who supported the Serendipity

Dance and the Cubs/Scouts bottle drive. They were both a huge success.

It's a bit early but I might as well spill the beans now: Girl Guide cookie week will be starting off with a door-to-door cookie sale on April 22 from 3 pm to 6 pm, followed by general sales at the Madeira Shopping Centre Saturday, April 23 from 10 am to 3 pm. Their special week will last

until April 30 and orders can be phoned in to Patty at 883-9015.

Don't forget those other dates I gave you last week:

April 7, PHGC coffee and scramble; April 12 St. Andrew's meeting; April 13 St. Mary's auxiliary meeting; April 14, PHGC scramble and fashion show; April 16, spring fashion show and lunch (St. Mary's auxiliary).

## egmont news

by Maureen Parrott, 883-9189

If you take a walk anywhere you will see bird life preparing for spring. Woodpeckers, especially the small (red-headed) red-breasted sapsuckers, tap experimentally on trees. One pair started a nest hole in a creosote power pole at Ruby Lake Restaurant. Alongside the road you'll see robins and ruffed grouse. Swallows and rufous hummingbirds are back — fill your feeder.

The flip side of this fine weather, combined with our relatively mild winter, is that hungry mosquitoes are showing up already. Sunny weather also brought swarms of weekend kayakers to flirt with the dangerous tidal rapids of the Skookumchuck.

With prawn season open, it's a good time to curry favour with your fisherman friends. Or if that leaves you cold you could pick a

feed of oysters. Vera Grafton tells me your sport fishing license entitles you to take 15 in the shell or 30 shucked oysters and leaving oyster shells on the beach encourages the next crop.

Arnold and Willa Duncalfe hosted a flurry of visitors fleeing snowy Edmonton and other

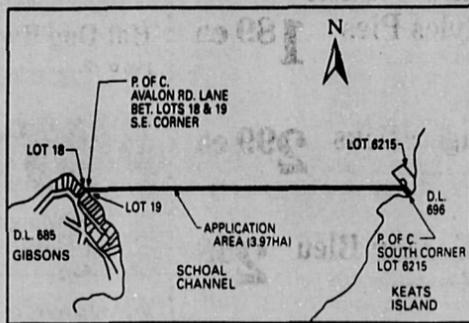
prairie locales. The latest snowbirds are Dennis and Lynn Douglas and Arnold Harris. Last week's visitors included the Duncalfe's daughter.

Greg and Lisa are also enjoying an Easter visit from Lisa's parents from Ontario. Enjoy your stay.

## LAND DISPOSITION

In the Land Recording District of Burnaby and located between Gibsons and Keats Island.

TAKE NOTICE THAT BC TEL, Burnaby, B.C., telecommunications provider, intends to make an application to the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, Regional Office, Vancouver, B.C., for a Statutory Right-of-Way at Schoal Channel in Howe Sound described as follows:



All the land covered by water being part of the bed of Howe Sound and containing approximately 3.9 hectares.

The disposition is required for the purpose of a Statutory Right-of-Way.

Comments concerning this application should be directed to:

Ross Douglas  
#401 - 4603 Kingsway  
Burnaby, B.C.  
V5H 4M4  
(File No. 0212151)

Be advised any response to this advertisement will be considered part of the public record. For information contact the FOI Advisor at B.C. Lands, Lower Mainland Region at 604-660-5500.

## Pender Health Centre services touted

The Pender Harbour Health Centre is operated by a community-based membership composed of people from Wood Bay to Egmont. The centre provides facilities for health care professionals such as the local doctor, dentists, physiotherapist and visiting specialists.

Dr. Amiel's medical practice is open Monday-Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. Dr. Choy's dental practice is open Thursday-Saturday. Katie Angermeyer provides physiotherapy Monday-Friday from 3 pm to 7 pm.

The visiting specialists attending the health centre are Dr. Stewart, ear, nose and throat; Dr. McRoberts, optometrist; and Dr. Bright, podiatrist. Island Acoustics does hearing testing and hearing-aid sales and service at the clinic as well.

Routine nursing services such as blood pressure, dressings, injections and immunizations and breast self-exam teaching clinics are available by appointment. Home nursing care is also provided upon referral by any physician. The PH Health Centre is currently doing a survey to see if a Meals on Wheels program is needed in this community, so all interested applicants should contact 883-2764 as soon as possible. For more information on the listed services or to make appointments call 883-2764.

## Royal Canadian Legion

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Next General Meeting Monday April 18/8pm	Crib Tuesdays, 8 pm	Bingo Wed., 7 pm	Meat Draw Every Saturday 4 pm
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## GIBSONS

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Friday &amp; Saturday, April 8 &amp; 9

## Triple Crown

(Country &amp; Western)

OPEN SUNDAYS 11 - 9 / KITCHEN HOURS MON. - SAT. 11 - 6

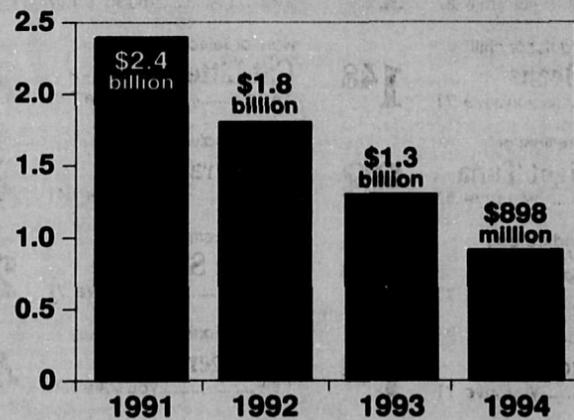
General Meeting Monday April 18/8pm	Darts Wed. 7:30 pm	Crib Sat. 1 pm	Meat Draw Every Sat. 4 pm 20 Draws
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CLIP 'N' SAVE

## REPORT TO THE PROVINCE

## Taxes frozen

## BC's deficit cut by \$1.5 billion



SOURCE: Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations

## Here are the facts:

1. Cutting the deficit by \$1.5 billion has enabled the provincial government to introduce a three year tax freeze.
2. The tax freeze means no new taxes, no tax increases and a freeze on personal income, sales and consumer taxes for the next three years.
3. The five percent cut in the Cabinet salaries of the Premier and Ministers has been extended for another year, as well as the freeze on MLAs' salaries.
4. Tax cuts for ordinary people in this year's budget include: property purchase tax cut up to \$3,000 for first-time home buyers, homeowner grant extended to homes valued at up to \$450,000, no tax on automobile trade-ins, and no surtax on vehicles costing less than \$32,000.

For more information on how you benefit from BC's lower deficit, please call Enquiry BC and order your copy of the 1994 BC budget:

In Greater Vancouver: 660-2421 / In Greater Victoria: 387-6121  
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Deficit down. Waste cut. Jobs up.  
Taxes are frozen for the next three years.



GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

# Young artists invited to submit

The Sunshine Coast Arts Council is again inviting artists aged 18 years and younger to participate in the 4th annual Young Artists Awards to be held on May 8. Initiated in 1991, the purpose of the awards program is to give recognition to young artists and to encourage their artistic awareness and expression.

submitted their work, which included drawings, paintings, prints, collages, three dimensional pieces, pottery and photography. There are three age categories: nine years and under, 10-13 years, and 14-18 years. Each young artist is asked to submit three artworks which will be juried by a committee of local artists.

This year's event, says the organizing committee has made some changes this year to the way in which the artists are recognized.

"We felt we wanted to look at a much broader base of recognition for all young artists who submit. Therefore, as in past years, the Rotary Club Award of \$100 will be given to an artist in the 14-18 age category. However, in an effort to give recognition to a greater number of the younger artists, several smaller awards will be given in the other two categories."

The committee will also be hosting a reception on May 8 in conjunction with the award presentations to celebrate the work of all the artists.

The awards are jointly sponsored by the Rotary Club of Sechelt, the Sunshine Coast Teachers Association and the Sunshine Coast Arts Council. Each organization contributes \$100 to an award fund.

Entry forms for this year's awards are available at Books 'n' Stuff in Sechelt, Sayward Books in Gibsons, the Arts Centre in Sechelt and at all schools.

Artworks must be delivered to the Arts Centre on either Friday, April 29 or Saturday, April 30 between 11 am and 4 pm.

For further information contact the Arts Centre at 885-5412.

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# Notice Board

Ongoing events must be updated monthly  
We reserve the right to edit submissions for brevity  
All submissions should refer to non-profit events of genuine community interest  
Items will be listed three weeks prior to the event.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS WEDNESDAY NOON FOR MONDAY DISTRIBUTION**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 5**  
Film Addicts' Club presents *Gregory's Girl*, a comedy from the U.K. directed by Bill Forsyth. S.C. Arts Centre, Trail & Medusa, Sechelt. 2 pm. Membership: \$5.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6**  
Gibsons Youth Centre darts night, 7:30-9:30 pm, Gibsons Legion. Info: 886-0506.  
Sechelt Garden Club meeting, 7:30 pm, St. Hilda's Church. Speaker: Helen Ray, talking on vermicomposting (worm composting). Visitors welcome.  
S.C. Home Support Society 'Who Cares Who Cares' support group meeting, 1-3 pm, S.C. Gospel Church, corner Davis Bay & Laurel Rds. Info: Barbara, 885-5144.  
S.C. Athletics general meeting, 7:30 pm, Elphinstone cafeteria.

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY, APRIL 8 & 9**  
Free Forum: *Tomorrow Today*, Bell Beach Conference Room. Register: 885-2281.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 8**  
Sechelt Marsh Society monthly meeting, 7:30 pm, S.C. Arts Centre, Sechelt. Guest speaker: Andy Derocher, forest biologist, MoF. Topic: biodiversity. Everyone welcome.

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 9 & 10**  
S.C. Equestrian Club Spring Show, approx. 11 am, behind swimming pool. Saturday: cattle penning & gymkhana. Sunday: jumping.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9**  
Sunshine Toastmasters Club 10th anniversary dinner & dance. All previous members are invited. Info & tickets: 885-3742.

Gibsons Youth Centre Spring Revitalization & Clean-up Work Party, 11 am. Bring friends, tools, rakes, shovels, etc.  
Gibsons Youth Centre Coffee House Drop-in, 7-11 pm, Youth Centre, Park Rd.  
Gibsons Scouts annual manure sale. Gibsons Curling Club parking lot.  
Adapted Aquatic Workshop, 9 am-4 pm, Pender Harbour Aquatic & Fitness Centre. Info: Debbie, 883-2612.  
S.C. Arts Centre Classique Junk Sale, 10 am-3 pm. Good quality housewares, small appliances, furniture, collectibles, etc.  
Chatelech Garage Sale, 10 am-2 pm, Chatelech High School.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 10**  
Gibsons Youth Centre Arts, Crafts & Games Drop-in, 1-5 pm.  
SPCA annual general meeting, 2 pm, Davis Bay Community Centre.  
S.C. Blues Society benefit dinner - live band, karaoke, line dancing. Desperadoes Restaurant, 3-10 pm. Tickets \$10 at Desperadoes or Scott's Music. Proceeds to S.C. Victim/Witness Services. Info: Graham, 885-9319 or Audrey 885-0138.

**MONDAY, APRIL 11**  
Sunshine Coast Single Parents monthly meeting, S.C. Community Services building, 5638 Inlet St., Sechelt. Bring your children and something to add to the dinner and join us. Info: Laurie 885-7881; Nancy 885-5881.  
Gibsons Sea Cavalcade Committee meeting, Marine Room below Public Library, 7:30 pm. All welcome. This year's Cavalcade runs July 22-24. Gala dinner-dance, it's *Spring!* with Harbour Lights band to be held April 30, YMCA hall. Dance info: Doreen Tipton, 886-9042. Other info: Peggy Small, 886-4956.  
S.C. Women's Resource Society invites you to the opening of the Women's Drop-in. Open House 3-7 pm, 7 pm; presentation on sexual harassment and tenants' rights by Roseann Marcoux, Vancouver Tenants' Rights Assn. Rockwood basement. Info: 885-4088.  
Gibsons Landing Merchants Assn meeting, Harbour Cafe, 7:30 pm. All non-member merchants welcome.  
S.C. Peace Group meeting, 7:30 pm, Roberts Creek Elementary School library. Featuring *Rebellion*, second video in the *Before Columbus* series, describing continuous thread of resistance down to the present. All welcome.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 12**  
S.C. Resources Council meeting, 7:30 pm, SCRD boardroom. Public participation welcome.  
S.C. Home Support Society Hospice

Inservice, 4:30 pm, St. Mary's Hospital boardroom.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13**  
St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary, Pender Harbour branch monthly meeting, 1:30 pm, St. Andrew's Church. New members welcome.  
West Howe Sound Electors Assn general meeting, 7:30 pm, Langdale Elementary School. Speaker: Anne Skelcher, Langdale principal.  
S.C. White Cane Club annual meeting and luncheon, Wharf Restaurant, Davis Bay. Info: 886-2644.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 14**  
St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary, Sechelt branch monthly meeting, 1:30 pm, St. Hilda's Hall.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 15**  
Gibsons Youth Centre darts night, 7:30-9:30 pm, Gibsons Legion. Info: 886-0506.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16**  
Gibsons Youth Centre garage, plant & bake sale, 10 am-1 pm.  
Gibsons Youth Centre Coffee House Drop-in, 7-11 pm, Youth Centre, Park Rd.  
Crawfish Fiesta Dance - Zydeco/Cajun music with guest host, comedian Rod Crawford, 8 pm-1 am (comedy at 8:30), Roberts Creek Hall. No minors. Tickets \$15 at R.C. General Store. Proceeds to Rainbow Pre-School Building Fund.  
Spring Fashion Show & Luncheon presented by St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary, Pender Harbour branch. Noon, tickets \$12.  
St. John's United Church Women Spring Tea & Doll Display, 2-4 pm, Simpkins Rd., Davis Bay. \$2 to view, \$4 tea and viewing.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 17**  
Gibsons Youth Centre Arts, Crafts & Games Drop-in, 1-5 pm.  
Spring Brunch & Fashion Show, 10:30 am, Omega Restaurant. Tickets: \$15 at Brank's Boutique, The Landing Clothing Co., Landing Unisex Hair Design & Tanning Salon, Work Wear World. Sponsored by Gibsons Landing Merchants Assn.  
S.C. Business & Professional Women's Club dinner meeting, Jolly Roger Inn.  
Davis Bay-Wilson Creek Community Assn annual spring tea & book sale, 2-4 pm, 5123 Davis Bay Rd.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20**  
S.C. Home Support Society 'Who Cares Who Cares' support group meeting, 1-3 pm, S.C. Gospel Church, corner Davis Bay & Laurel Rds. Info: Barbara, 885-5144.  
Desperadoes Club Dance, 7 pm. No charge.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 22**  
Gibsons Youth Centre darts night, 7:30-9:30 pm, Gibsons Legion. Info: 886-0506.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 23**  
Gibsons Youth Centre Coffee House Drop-in, 7-11 pm. Also, youth volunteers needed for Gibsons Trade Fair, 10 am-7 pm.  
Gibsons Youth Centre arts, crafts & games drop-in, 1-5 pm. Also: youth volunteers needed for Gibsons Trade Fair, 11 am-4 pm.

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
Child Health Clinics: (Gibsons) April 5, 12, 19 & 26 with an extra CHC April 18. (Sechelt) April 6, 13, 20 & 27 with extra CHC April 11. (Pender Harbour) April 7 & 14.  
Tuberculin Skin Testing & Travellers Clinic (Gibsons) April 11, 18 & 25 with Travellers Clinic only April 7, 14, 21 & 28. (Sechelt) April 11, 18 & 25 with Travellers Clinic only April 6, 13 & 19.  
Pender Harbour Aquatic & Fitness Centre: register for our spring programs, including swimming lessons, lifeguard training, adapted aquatics, synchronized swimming, swim team, fitness classes & weight training consultation. Red Cross Standard 1st Aid & CPR - April 23-24. Pre-registration required. 17  
Elphinstone Grad '94 raffle for Canadventure speedboat. Tickets \$20 each, 9am-5pm, Sunnycrest Mall (April 2 & 3), G.B.S. (April 9 & 10), IGA (April 18 & 17), Trade Show (curling rink - April 23 & 24), Sunnycrest Mall (April 30 & May 1).

**S.C. Home Support Society Hospice Training** April 9, 16, 23. Fee: \$55. Info: 885-5144.  
**Prenatal Classes:** (Gibsons Health Unit) Early class April 5; Late Class Series April 12, 19, 26. (Sechelt Health Unit) Early Class May 17. Late Series March 22, 29, April 5. All above Prenatal Classes are from 7 to 9 pm. Please register early as classes fill up quickly. To register: (Gibsons) 886-5600, (Sechelt) 885-5164.  
**Elphinstone Pioneer Museum,** 716 Winn Rd., across from Post Office, Gibsons. Displays are constantly changing. Wheelchair accessible. For hours of opening or to book a tour: 886-8232.  
**Parent-Tot Drop-in:** for parents with children up to 5. 9:30-11:30 am at the following locations: Gibsons United Church Hall (Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.); Sechelt St. Hilda's Church Hall (Tues.); Wilson Creek Community Hall (Thurs.). Info: Community Services, 885-5881.  
**Sexually Transmitted Disease Clinic:** (H.I.V. information, counselling and testing) Phone for appointment in Gibsons 886-5600, Sechelt 885-5164.  
**Single & Pregnant?** Call the Health Unit - 886-5600.  
**Prenatal Hospital Tour:** phone St. Mary's Hospital switchboard to arrange for tour, 885-2224. Prenatal only.  
**Parent & Baby Drop-in** gives parents an opportunity to meet other parents and discuss common concerns. The group gathers every Tuesday from 1:15 to 3:30 pm at 494 S. Fletcher, Gibsons and in Sechelt at 5671 Inlet on Wednesdays from 1-3:30 pm.  
**School Entry Booster Clinics:** A booster dose of diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis is important for children entering school. Gibsons clinics - 886-5600; Sechelt clinics - 885-5164.  
**Sunshine Coast Breastfeeding Mothers' Group:** mothers' meetings, 1994 (meetings begin at 10 am): April 11: *Nutrition and Weaning.* Info: Laurie, 886-7900 or Roxanne, 885-7350.  
**MONDAYS**  
Sunshine Coast Spinners & Weavers Guild meets 1st Monday of each month, Sept. through June, St. John's United Church, Davis Bay. For more info: Lynn Pakuljak, 885-7355.  
**Recovery, Inc.** offers a self-help method to method to overcome the negative feelings that come from fear, anger, depression and constant anxiety. 7-9 pm, Gibsons United Church Hall. Info: 886-8026.  
**17**  
**Women's Drop-in,** 3-8 pm, Rockwood basement. All women welcome. S.C. Women's Resources Society, 885-4088.  
**17**  
**TUESDAYS**  
"Living With Cancer" Support Group meets every other Tuesday, Kirkland Centre, Davis Bay, 1 pm. Info: 885-5861 or 886-8369.  
**Women's Drop-in,** 1-8 pm, Rockwood basement. All women welcome. S.C. Women's Resources Society, 885-4088.  
**17**  
**WEDNESDAYS**  
Postpartum Depression Support Group - Gibsons Health Unit, 1-2:30 pm  
Toastmasters International, Community Use Room, Chester Road Firehall, 7:30-9:30 pm, guests welcome. Info: 885-3742.  
**17**  
**THURSDAYS**  
3C's Weight Loss Support Group meets afternoons 12:30-2:30pm, call 886-2692, and evenings 6:30-8:00pm, call 886-7159, at the United Church, Glassford Rd., Gibsons.  
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# Music festival returns to Coast for 21st year running

The 1994 Sunshine Coast Music Festival will feature a record number of entries this year with 1,129 people preparing to take the stage.

"It's growing and of course it will grow more and more because the population is growing more and more," said Lois Fishleigh, chair of the Sunshine Coast Music Festival for the past two years.

Fishleigh took over as chair of the festival organization committee two years ago from Barb Cattanaich who had held the position for 19 years.

The festival will open April 13 at the Chatelech Secondary School gymnasium in Sechelt with vocal, instrumental and

choir entries taking the stage for three days. There are 61 individual performances scheduled in the vocal category along with 44 performances by instrumentalists.

Michael Angell will adjudicate the program.

They will be followed by the pianoforte events April 18-20 at St. John's United Church in Davis Bay. Ailsa Zaenker is adjudicator for this program.

The festival will wrap up with the honors and highlights concerts April 22-23 at 7 p.m. at the Raven's Cry Theatre. Residents will be able to attend the concerts for a \$1 admission fee.

Coast resident Philip Bass will act as adjudicator for the

string competition, which has drawn 42 entries.

Originally from New York City, Bass retired to Madeira Park last year from Ontario. He was a violinist in several symphonies and assistant concertmaster with the Buffalo Philharmonic, the San Antonio Symphony, the Oklahoma City Symphony and concertmaster of the St. Catherine's Symphony.

"We talk about the festival as a sharing and learning experience," explained Fishleigh.

Financing is provided through the B.C. Cultural Fund at 25 cents per entry.

"There is good community backing and I think that will grow as well," Fishleigh said.



Steve Todd, Doug Elliot and Kirstin Nash, pictured, along with Len Hill, Sean Hussein and Bob Carpenter welcomed a new season at Roberts Creek Community Hall March 26, during the Spring Blues Dance. Joel Johnstone photo

# Coast artist's newest exhibit demonstrates an affinity for Mexico

by Darah Hansen

It's an empathy for the people that drew artist Jeffrey Birkin so closely into Mexico.

More precisely, he says, it's an empathy for people who lead fulfilling existences, who are productive and happy, yet who are not necessarily well off.

"I saw that and was engaged by the fact it was a different culture, one of high(er) contrast than the one we have here... Things seem more extreme, more intense."

And since his first trip down south in the late 1980s, the 31-year-old Roberts Creek native has returned again and again to explore his fascination with the country.

The end result is a series of intense visual works he calls Art and Spirit I: Visions, on display now at the Richmond Art Gallery on the Lower Mainland.

The show — a collection of about 30 paintings — is a culmination of Birkin's last four years working as an artist.

The focus is the artist's increasing personal connection with Mexico.

But Art and Spirit I: Visions is not a study of the Mexican style of art, Birkin is quick to point out. Rather, it is more his own study of Mexican culture.

In his own words, the work is that seen by an "outsider." In so doing, Birkin acted as a kind of voyeur of the culture, borrowing the pieces which struck him, weaving them all in with his own unique style.

And with this particular body of work, bright colours stand out



An illustration from Sunshine Coast artist Jeffrey Birkin's Art and Spirit I: Visions. His Mexican-influenced works of art are on exhibit at the Richmond Art Gallery until April 18.

as a prominent feature. Art and Spirit I: Visions is alive with a whole range of vivid reds and orange, deep greens and blues.

For Birkin, the mix of those dynamic hues represents one more layer of the show's complexity. "It's about bringing out contrasts."

Birkin says his artistic style is hard to label.

A self-taught artist, his paintings are marked with a blend of wild expressionistic brush work and strangely distorted human anatomy and background.

"I'm not a realist painter by any means," says Birkin. "My work is very much a fantasy."

Birkin credits his current interest, knowledge and love of the visual arts to his youth in Roberts Creek and to all the artists who lived in the community. This early contact with the

arts later on helped him develop his own artistic talents, he says.

Showing alongside Birkin's work at the Richmond Gallery this month is a collection of yarn paintings from Mexico's Huichol Indians.

Located in the Sierra Madre mountains, northwest of Guadalajara, the Huichols are an ancient culture dating back to about 200 A.D.

In contrast to Birkin's own 'outsider' view of the Mexican culture, the Huichol art works are filled with "a very inner and codified spirituality."

Depictions of the peyote cactus are frequently found in the work as both artists and shaman use it to obtain direction and knowledge.

*Art and Spirit I: Visions* is on now at the Richmond Art Gallery until April 18.

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# Sechelt minor ball in search of diamonds

by Don Anderson

Add baseball diamonds to the list of recreational needs on the Sunshine Coast.

"Our biggest complaint around here is we don't have enough fields," said Eva Tripp, a volunteer with the Sechelt Minor Baseball Association.

Like the Sunshine Coast Minor Hockey Association, minor ball volunteers are having to turn children away because there simply isn't enough recreational space to accommodate the growing numbers of interested players.

"It's another thing of bucks and not keeping up with the times," Tripp said.

At the present moment, the minor ball association is relegated to using the rapidly deteriorating West Sechelt Elementary School baseball diamond, which is targeted for three new portable classrooms.

The diamond is used for the T-ball and Mite divisions, and the fear is a nearby portable will be the target for home runs and wayward fly balls into the outfield this season.

"You can only afford so many broken windows," said Tripp.

The association's only other choices are the two diamonds at Connor Park, owned and operated by the regional district, and the privately run diamonds in Davis Bay owned by the Davis Bay/Wilson Creek Community Association.

The District of Sechelt has indicated it will add two diamonds to Kinnikinnick Park but that won't happen before the start of the 1994 minor ball season.

The only remaining field at Chatelech Secondary School is no longer used by the association because it was determined to be "too hard on the kids," Tripp said.

The association caters to ball players age six to 18. Last year the league managed to put together 27 teams and this year is anticipating the formation of 30 teams spread over five levels of play.

Some 400 avid young ball players are expected to go up to bat this season and Tripp said that number could be higher if the association had the facilities.

"We've always tried to make room for everybody but last year we could not make room for everybody," she said.

"There are only so many kids you can ask anyone to take on."

Players and their parents have until Saturday to register for play this season.

Fees start at \$25 for individuals and \$40 for families. Registration forms can be filled out at Trail Bay Sports.

"And we're always looking for more coaches," Tripp said.

The season begins at the end of April and runs until the end of June, followed by a league tournament and wrap-up party.

## Up, up and away

Local ski racer Connor Barnsley takes air in his first downhill race at Whistler on the weekend of March 26. The Chatelech student won the fourth place ribbon.

David Nicholson photo



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## One Holiday accident three car suspensions

The RCMP at Gibsons and Sechelt report a quiet Christmas Year holiday period on the Sunshine Coast. Road patrols issued only three suspensions on car drivers somewhat the worse for liquor. One was in the Gibsons area and two in the Sechelt district.

There was one accident resulting in injuries involving two men in the Gibsons area and one minor off-the-road accident in Sechelt district.

Victim of the accident in Gibsons area was Ronald Hilmer Olson, of Gibsons who was driving with Lionel Gordon Speck

of Vancouver B.C. The car was proceeding along South Fletcher road at about 5 a.m. Sunday from Winn road towards the Municipal Hall when it came into contact with a parked car. The collision caused both men to suffer facial injuries from a windshield glass.

Olson, the driver, walked back to the Health Centre building and endeavouring to reach a telephone for help, broke the glass window of the door, gained entry and phoned for an ambulance. Dr. Hugh Inglis also responded to the call.

In the meantime Olson, bleed-

ing considerably, left bloody marks in the area. Having obtained help he went to a nearby house and awaited the doctor and ambulance. Both men were taken to St. Mary's Hospital for treatment. Police are investigating the accident.

RCMP at Gibsons and Sechelt reported the road blocks worked perfectly and both detachments were pleased with the general attitude of drivers in keeping the accident and suspension activity at a low mark.



Picture of the year!

THE MOST CHEERFUL picture that can be presented to Gibsons residents for the year 1987 concerns the one million gallon reservoir which now occupies the space above which was photographed last May while it was being scooped out. It is now filled.

## Milk fund increases

In spite of the heavy snowfall on the day of the Cup of Milk fund coffee party at the home of Mrs. R. F. Benson, Hopkins, Langmuir, \$300 was raised, \$50 more than last year. Only 100 persons managed to get to the party but many others telephoned and later sent donations by mail.

Port Mellon Teachers sent \$20 and Mrs. Scott's Kindergarten saved their pennies and one little lad sent up \$1.00 which he added to the fund.

Mrs. Benson thanks all who donated and receipts will be sent from Ottawa to persons who sent their donations in the form of cheques.

## BPW meeting

The regular January meeting of the BPW club will be held at Ole's Cove Resort on Tuesday, Jan. 8. Dinner will be served at 4:30 p.m. Arrangements are being made for a speaker, details of which will be announced.

## Public meeting Jan. 6 outlined

A public meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6 in the Union Hall on Wyngaert Road in Gibsons (old Hilltop Building Supplies). Bob Prittie, a federal member of parliament from the Lower Mainland, will be at this meeting to answer questions and discuss the performance of the past year's parliament.

While not confirmed, it is hoped Hartley Dent, NDP candidate for the new federal riding of Coast-Chicoutin, will also be there to answer questions and meet people. Mr. Dent, a school teacher at 100 Mile

House in the vast new riding of Coast-Chicoutin, is the NDP candidate that did so well in the provincial by-election which saw Attorney-General Bonner running for his political life.

All persons are invited to attend this meeting. With the possibility of a federal election soon taking place it is not too early to begin considering the critical issues confronting Canada today and how they may be most effectively met. The meeting, once again, will be this Saturday, Jan. 6 at 8 p.m. in the Union Hall, Wyngaert Road.

## Year's work outlined

During the final council meeting of Gibsons municipality last week, Chairman Wes Hodgson, who relinquishes the chair to Councillor Fred Freney issued the following statement on work done by council during the year.

In leaving the chairmanship I do so with the knowledge that I have given my best, an which has made an indelible mark on the future of the village as the following projects show.

Town Planning: The first year of a five year project completed.

Landscaping: The first year completed of the five year plan of beautifying the village.

Water: Increased water available for double the population completed 1987.

Extension: Village plan completed.

Magistrate's Court: Made available in the municipal hall.

Road work: Two year's work done in 1987.

Douglas property: The title of the Douglas property transferred to the Municipality and leased to the Kinsmen.

Centennial: It was necessary to be completed.

## Congratulations!

The following statement is from L. J. Wallace, general chairman, British Columbia Centennial committee.

In British Columbia 1966 and 1967 were years of excitement and significance. Two successive centenaries were celebrated, with almost every citizen in the province involved to some degree.

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On behalf of the board of directors of the British Columbia Centennial committee, I am privileged to extend a very hearty well done to the chairman and members of 23 sub-committees and 384 local committees.

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Below the pictures of the cars are tiny pictures of Dale Tallon, Tiger Williams, Richard Brodeur, Pat Quinn, Pavel Bure, Howie Meeker, Burt Reynolds, the CEO of GM and the Mayor of Flint.

"What? You say you're not impressed with our attempt to make professional sports more commercial than they currently are?" the pseudo-friendly voice queries, snapping your attention



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away from the picture of Howie Meeker and the inevitable question circling your mind, looking for a place to land: "Why do they have a picture of him up there?"

You ponder the question and shrug, admitting that sports have grown rather commercial.

"C'mon, you bleeding-heart dimwits, the grassroots of sports went out with the bath water when Babe Ruth signed with the Yankees. It's been big business ever since. Get a grip, God!" snaps the voice of Tiger Williams, slightly slowed down thanks to tape stretch from overuse.

The conveyor belt comes to a halt and several men and women dressed in orange and black overalls with the Canucks and NBA Beached Whales logos on the front and back scurry up to you and methodically hand you drinks, popcorn and programs. The walkway

revs into gear again and you move toward the entrances of the lavish new arena.

Of course, if you have a private box, you enter from the back of the complex where the players, agents, refs, media and imported Hollywood personalities wearing GM hats and jackets enter. They, of course, don't get the Orwellian welcome.

Another drone in orange and black points you to your seat and speakers expound the grand history of GM, while black tales about Ford Motors circulate throughout the new-car-scented stadium. At the far end, where the pictures of the Queen and Mike Harcourt groveling before the CEO of Canadian Pacific Railways once dangled, hangs a very large picture of Arthur Griffiths kneeling before a Vega.

The Canucks, their talent base increased by the plentiful bones tossed to the organization,

thanks to the relationship they established with corporate America, are about to embark upon yet another doo-doo stomping of a lesser fortunate team who still play out of arenas with names reflecting the pride of a community.

These teams may be lousy but when they flump onto their straw mats at night, they're secure in the knowledge that when they die, their souls will float directly into hockey/basketball heaven. No tut-tut-tut speeches for them.

We may be a bit distanced from the shenanigans happening on the Lower Mainland concerning Arthur Griffiths' new sports palace being named General Motors Place, but we should take heed.

It's the wave of the future. Hell, if we go far enough into the future, there won't be nations. There will be companies. There won't be a Vancouver Canucks. It'll be the GM Canucks.

And we here on the Sunshine Coast, bickering still about whether or not we should have a second sheet of ice, could be approached by McDonald's with an offer we can't refuse.

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## Sailors in transition from Frostbite to Spring

Now that spring flowers are blooming, it only makes sense that the Frostbite Sailing Season has come to an end.

The Sunday morning/afternoon sailboat races taking place

in and around Gibsons Harbour took a respite last weekend after nearly three months of sailing in conditions that have ranged from hot and sunny to snowy and cold to rainy and grey.

"Last Sunday there was no wind but it was beautiful. The week before it was snowing and the wind was laying all the boats flat in the rear," said Dennis O'Brien, a racer and one of the

race organizers.

For now, the 15 or so boats and crews involved in the Sunday racing that's affiliated with, but not part of, the Gibsons Yacht Club will take a brief respite before launching into the Spring Season which runs from April until June.

The level of racing is also increasing, as is the sailors' skill level and quality of boats.

O'Brien noted that several local sailors have upgraded their craft to "go-faster machines."

While experience is a must for sailors looking to test their skills by racing, either in and around the inner harbour or outside the harbour, "the races are open to public. It's a social event that takes place on the water and you don't have to be a member of any club," O'Brien said.

In the words of regular racer Dan Legg: "It's great fun. The guys are really getting into it."

Another racing aspect being bandied about by local racers is the possibility of a tri-club race, with sailboats from the Sunshine Coast, Squamish and Bowen Island converging "for a club race or even just for some kind of cruise activity," O'Brien suggested.

"This is just the start — a seed," he said.

O'Brien would like to see the local races expand, possibly to include longer jaunts, with competition coming from other Howe Sound communities, as well as from across Georgia Strait.

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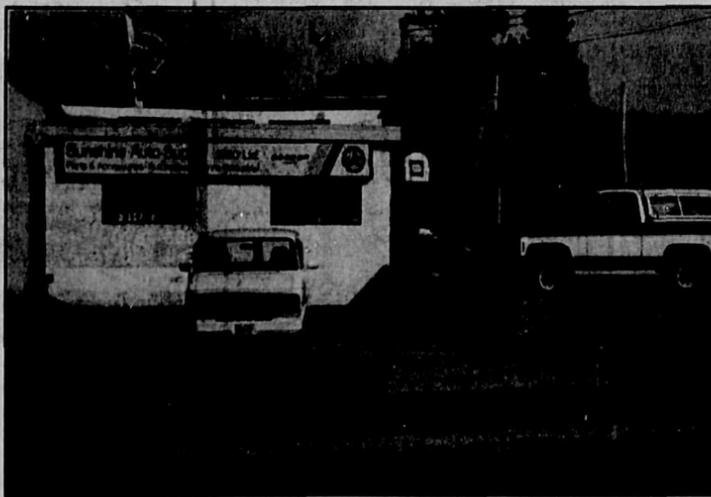
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**1. Homes & Property**  
Sechelt Village, 3 bdrm rancher, w/w carpets, 5 appl., 885-9904, 885-2159 after 6. No agents please. #16c  
3 bdrm home centrally located in Gibsons. Family oriented area. \$155,000. 886-3573. #16c  
Craftsman built custom view. All new 2 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 decks. Custom cherry kitchen, beautiful antique woodwork, wood windows and unique detailing in and out. Landscaped level .42 acre lot w/lawns, stream, pond and privacy! Country seclusion 15 kms to Sechelt. \$209,000. No agents. Details 885-2649 or 883-2687. ss

**1. Homes & Property**  
Sechelt village, 3 bdrm attractive family home, super convenient location, hardwood floors, work-saving kitchen, bright and airy, landscaped w/decks, cedar work shop. \$162,500. 885-0270. #15c  
**RARE QUALITY ACREAGE**  
Great Ocean View, extensively improved, well treed and within walking distance to Sgts. Bay Marine Park. This acreage is in a growing large lot subdivision with two driveways to access upper and lower sections of property at \$155,000. Lot 23 of Leaning Tree Subd. will not last long! Call Dave 946-7655 or pgr. 1-979-4042. ss

**1. Homes & Property**  
Level 1/2 acre corner lot, Mossy Rock Road, Roberts Creek. \$102,000 no GST. Sale by owner, no agents please. Messages 885-0877. #16w  
Lot 8 Vista Fjord Estates, 1/2 acre, prime view of islands, mountains and Howe Sound. In exclusive controlled subdivision. (905) 508-6911. #15w



**GARY WHITE**  
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48 acre Pike Rd., Langdale, one block from school, beautiful view. 886-2272. #14c  
Private Sale - Gibsons, new ocean view home, 2560 sq. ft. on 2 levels, 3 bdrm plus den/bdrm., family room, 2 1/2 baths, gas heat and fireplaces, 7 minutes to ferry. \$278,000. No GST. 886-4964. #14c  
3 bdrm, 3 bath, 2 yr. old home, 866 Oceanmount. \$289,000. 886-3726. #14c

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**Pender Harbour**  
by owner, beautiful country home - 2 bdrms., 2 baths, large loft, 2 balconies "one covered", patio, woodshed. Nice treed lot. Completely and professionally remodelled in/out. Priced to sell at \$128,000. 885-5659. #15w

2 bdrm. farmhouse & stable, 1 acre, mature trees, 70 kms. from Bordeaux France. \$70,000 Cdn. Video avail. April 10. 886-0166. #14w

Gambier Island. For sale by owner. Beautiful 8 acres, 2 bdrm character house and separate studio, 1 1/4 acre of garden area & new orchard, stream, 10 min. walk from ferry. \$275,000. Call 886-3214. ss

**MOSSY ROCK**  
Roberts Creek 1 1/4 acre at end of cul-de-sac. Future subdivision potential \$125,000. 886-8691. #15c

1125 Roberts Creek Road, older 2 bdrm. log home on prime 1/2 acre. No GST. \$132,000. 885-3720 #14c

3/4 acre treed, quiet, ocean view, small cabin services. Wilson Creek \$98,000. 885-5846. #15w

Commercial lot across from medical building, \$95,000. 985-0412. ss

2 1/2 acre lot, end of Lohn Road, Halfmoon Bay. \$130,000 includes eagles nest and trout pond. 885-7872. #14w

New 1 bdrm cabin, "move" to your property. Plumbed, wired and insulated. Fridge, stove and extras. Just move in. 886-2751 Mike. #19c

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Lot 71, Merrill Crescent, Pender Harbour. Ready to build, septic in, financing. 883-9597. ss

Five wooded acres, Langdale area. Creek & some view, \$135,000 firm. No agents at all 886-4714 ss

**COSTA RICA**  
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**3. Obituaries**  
**BOUCHARD:** Todd, born March 26, 1969, died March 28, 1994 due to foul play. Funeral services to be held in Prince George, April 2, 1994. Survived by mother Shirley Nelson, brother Terry and sisters Lenny and Michelle. #14c  
**FLOCKHART:** William Dickson, passed away March 31, 1994 in Chilliwack. Born February 15, 1923 in Glasgow, Scotland. Survived by wife Marjorie, daughter Fay and their families; sister Flora in Scotland. Memorial service Tues., April 5 at 3:00 pm in the Chapel of Devlin Funeral Home, Gibsons, BC. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society. #14c

**6. Personal**  
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**12. Pets and Livestock**  
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April 9, 10 - 2 pm. Giant multi-family garage sale, Davidson Road cul-de-sac, Langdale. #14w

**CLASSIC JUNQUE SALE**  
Saturday, April 9, 10 am - 3 pm, Arts Council, Sechelt. Good quality housewares, small appliances, furniture, collectibles, etc. #14w

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Giant sale including spring bulbs, baked goods, T-shirts, draws and raffle - Sechelt Elementary Gym. Sat., April 9, 10am-1pm #14w

**19. Appliances**  
GE 15 cu. ft. harvest gold fridge, exc. working cond., \$250. 883-9925. ss  
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**DEADLINE IS NOON FRIDAY**  
**In Sechelt**  
THE COAST NEWS  
5521 Cowrie Street 885-39

19. Appliances

Gibsons 14 cu. ft. 2 door frost free fridge, white, \$429; Kenmore...

Will buy used or non-working major appliances. Bjorn 885-7897.

18 cu. ft. deepfreeze, Kenmore, \$175 or offers. 886-3793.

White fridge, as new, 16.9 cu. ft. \$495. 886-8388.

Wanted: 24" nearly new electric stove, white preferred. 885-9863.

Red fridge, stove and fan, good cond., works perfectly, \$350. 885-5157.

80,000 btu furnace, forced air, oil, good working order, complete, \$100; almost new 40 gal. electric hot water heater, \$120; Westinghouse electric dryer, good working order, \$125; older hot water heater, cheap. 886-2826.

Almond SXS fridge, \$425; almond S/C range, \$300; Philips sewing machine, \$75 obo. 885-7037.

Dacor electric 30" range w/grill, griddle, exhaust fan, self-clean oven, \$225. 885-7569.

30" electric range, harvest gold, \$50. 885-2814.

24" electric fridge and range, propane 30" range and water heater, each \$50. Ed 886-0732.

20. Furniture

3 pc. contemporary sofa set, grey, \$500 obo. 886-3435.

Refinishing: wicker/cabinets/ lawn chairs/spray finish. 886-9577 at shop.

Couch, swivel chair, recliner with heat & vib., \$225; rowing machine, \$50; 9 drawer dresser with mirror, \$100. 886-2509.

Green sofa bed, \$75. 885-2133.

Chesterfield, fair cond., suit. for cottage or games rm., \$150. 885-5695 aft. 6.

21. For Sale

Adobe photo shop LE 2.5 for windows, still in wrap, \$500. 885-9861.

Recliner, green, good cond., ideal for rec room, \$25; 2 small armchairs, \$5 ea.; Panasonic photocopier, model #FP-3040 w/paper trays, for parts, \$100 obo; IBM Selectric typewriter, good cond., \$30; Olivetti electronic typewriter, \$20; swivel armchair, on casters, \$10. 885-3930 or 5712 Cowrie St. tins

10' contractors table saw w/48" cast iron extensions, 2 HP motor, \$400 obo. 886-4799 aft. 5pm.

Internet Access Sunshine Net - Voice. 886-4502 9-5pm.

Sofa, love seat, recreation and household items. 886-7363.

Cast iron airtight antique wood heater, \$300 obo. 885-2213.

Select 1x6 bevel cedar siding, pre-stained, beige, 1600 Lft. 885-0545.

Spring cleaning sale - we're making room for new products arriving shortly - come in and save now! Tzoonie House, 5644 Cowrie St. 885-9802.

John Deere lawn tractor c/w trailer, bagger, plow, chains, used 2 seasons, \$3995. 885-6168.

MUSHROOM MANURE Bark mulch and other items for spring. 885-2592.

Black Rocky Mountain light weight mountain bike, Fuslon, 21 spd., exc. cond., only 3 years old, hardly used, \$750 new, sell for only \$525. 886-9005 after 6 pm.

25 year shingles, T-lock, 25 bundles, \$11 each. 885-5263.

Glass and rattan wall unit, \$225; box spring and mattress, \$30; boy's med. size, 5 spd. bike, \$30; side-by-side fridge, avocado, \$50. 886-7520.

Women's Dynastar downhill skis, bindings and poles, like new, \$95; boots, size 8, \$25; men's Fisher downhill skis, boots and poles, \$95 (pkg.). 886-2500 eves.

Lopi wood stove, CSA approved. \$250. 885-7378.

33 gal. fishtank w/fish, \$185; 55 gal. saltwater tank w/fish, \$650; riding lawn tractor, \$750; dehumidifier, \$120; knitting machine for thick wool, \$80. 885-0515.

Couch; cream with blend of light color threads, \$175. 886-0288.

CSA approved "Mama Bear" Fisher woodstove, \$300. 886-0056.

21. For Sale

For all your renovation needs call BRUCE RANDALL CONTRACTING

Full set RH men's Siasenger golf clubs, bag & cart, \$550 obo. 885-6065.

Norton electric furnace (20KW) w/approx. 47 ft. cable and connection, 1 1/2 yrs. old, \$650; Kenmore sewing machine, in-cabinet, exc. cond., \$125. 885-4663.

Roof truss company on 3 lots \$345,000. Martin Campbell, 885-8092-C21.

New never used kitchen cabinets. Solid oak doors. 886-7267.

12' maple shuffleboard with metal rocks. Queensize bed with reg/waterbed mattress, c/w headboard with glass doors, \$250. 886-0365.

4 spd. Peugeot folding bike, \$95; concrete mixer as new, \$200; portable 8 ton trolley type hydraulic woodsplitter, \$85; portable 1800 watt 4 HP Craftsman alternator, two 120 volt, 15 amps outlets, \$100. 885-1902.

8 ft. canopy for P/U, first \$100 takes it. 885-0859.

Dry seasoned or green. Call Klaus, speak to my electric secretary. 885-0679.

Sears electric lawnmower, reg. \$249, now \$165; calling law, \$40; wheel barrow, \$12. 885-3138.

Western saddle, extras, \$450 obo; Electrolux polisher/shampooer, 3-brush, complete. 885-2592.

Laying hens, 1 yr. old, \$2.50 ea. 885-3583.

Ingils apartment size washer & dryer, side by side or stacking, like new, \$400. 885-8898.

DECEMBER FOREST PRODUCTS Mixed firewood split and delivered, full cords, \$100. 886-0349.

Used kitchen cupboards, sinks, countertops, best offer. 885-7037.

20 barstool tops, brand new, burgundy velour, \$5 ea. obo for all. 885-9631 Mon.-Fri. 9am-4pm.

Fisher Price travel bed, \$70; Gerry baby carrier, \$25; safety gate, \$5. 885-9299.

Macintosh color classic 8/160 with VRAM and external CD-ROM drive, \$1500. 886-4502.

21. For Sale

LOGS TO LUMBER PORTABLE BAND SAW MILL SERVICE WILL COME TO YOUR PROPERTY TO CUT YOUR LOGS.

GOOD HAY \$4.00/Bale Delivered Straw \$4.00/bale Garden Mulch Hay \$3.50 Whole oats 10c/lb

Antique wood burning cook stove, \$600. 885-3506.

Sears 9' garage doors & openers (new 1000 ea.) \$650 ea. 885-0244.

Colour pencil portraits from your favourite photo. Pets, family, friends, 9" x 12", \$35. Send cheque or M/O along with photo to P.O. Box 291, Gibsons, BC V0N 1V0. Pls. allow 6-8 wks. for delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

1974 Hyster H80C forklift, 6 cyl., gas, 9000 lb. lift, 10' boom, dual pneumatic tires, power side shift, \$12,500 obo. Gerry, 885-5333.

23. Autos

70 Chev Belair, 4 dr., 350 auto., reliable., \$650 obo. 886-0117.

WALK IN! DRIVE OUT! WE FINANCE! MANY VEHICLES TO CHOOSE FROM! PAYMENTS FROM \$100 MIKE PLIMLEY CENTURION AUTO 5445 WHARF ST SECHLT 885-4004 MDL8317

73 Super Beetle, \$2500 obo. 883-9234.

73 Lincoln town car, 460, full electric, best offer. 885-2698.

Walt's Towing & Automotive Services

24 Hour Towing Canadian Tire & National Auto League Associate Member Your Local Roadside Assistance Towing Company

Serving the Entire Sunshine Coast Battery & Tire Sales Fuel Delivery

886-9500 240-6575 cell

73 VW Beetle, exc. shape, needs work or sell for parts, \$650. 886-9645 n. mess.

73 Super Beetle, gas heater, new seats, battery, \$1800. 885-4019 ss

75 Super Beetle convertible, must see, \$5500. 886-3670.

23. Autos

79 Lincoln Town Car, PS/PW/PB, air-tilt cruise, mags, 83,000 mi., aircond, sun roof, new paint, solid in & out, must see, serious inquiries only, \$5000. 883-9976.

79 Mustang w/85 302 4 sp. trans., as is, where is, \$1000. 885-7233.

80 Ford van, runs, needs work, \$750. 8096 Westwood Rd. #16c

81 280 Z-X 5 sp, low kms., exc. shape, \$3000. 885-7023.

81 Datsun 210, needs some work, new radiator & muffler, \$500 obo. 886-8513.

81 Olds Cutlass Supreme, 305 motor, excellent condition. Asking \$1600. 886-0632 eves.

81 Acadian, 4 dr., auto, 4 cyl., good runner, \$500. 1977 Grand Prix, 350 auto, T-roof, p/s, p/b, needs restoration, good runner, \$350. 885-7524 eves.

81 GMC Jimmy, 4x4, roof rack, survivor, spare tire, bush bar, running boards, stereo, CB, \$6200 obo. Cell: 240-9273.

81 Honda Accord, runs good, \$650 obo. 886-0290.

81 VW Jetta 4 dr., 5 sp., sunroof, \$3500 obo. 886-7969.

82 Capri Ghia, rebuilt 4 cyl., auto, lots new, \$2300 obo. 886-2289.

82 VW Scirocco 5 sp. 210 k, \$1900 obo, runs great. 886-8063.

82 Ford Mustang, 117,000 k's, 6 cyl. auto. Very good condition. \$2500. Call 886-0366.

82 Mazda RX7, good cond., new clutch, brakes, \$3100. 886-8032.

82 Ford Escort wagon, 4 sp., running cond., \$700. 885-7788.

83 Dodge Aries wagon, \$1495. 886-7825.

84 Dodge Caravan, 5 pass., exc. shape, \$3800. 885-4217.

85 Volvo wagon, exc. cond., roof rack, old, \$7900 obo. 885-3998.

23. Autos

92 Chev Astro van, low kms, fully loaded, incl. 6 dis. CD player, \$20,000 obo. 885-7934.

1993 Astrostar - clean and ready.

1993 Taurus, dark gray.

1993 Tempo, white.

1993 Escort, good car.

1989 Ford Taurus GL. One owner. Very good condition. PS, PB, Auto, V6, cassette.

1989 Jeep Grand Wagoneer, Loaded 4x4 station wagon, trailer puller. One owner. Low miles. Very, very clean. Sale priced.

91 Explorer 4 dr auto air 4x4 One owner low mileage.

Tracer 4 door notchback. Under 25,000 km. Beautiful condition, one owner.

1989 Ford Club Wagon Van, 15 pass, V8, Auto, trailer puller, good work or play vehicle, one owner. Fully serviced and warranty available.

1991 F150 4x4, PS, PB, long box, low miles. Priced to sell, one only at this time.

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83 Chev 4x4, running boards, deluxe stereo, etc. \$2200. 885-0737.

83 Ford Ranger 4x4, canopy, 118,000 km, \$3000. 886-0690 after 6 pm.

84 Mazda B2000, am/fm, ins. 1/9 canopy, new tires, brakes, exc. cond. \$2000. 886-3468.

84 Dodge Caravan, auto, \$4,500. 886-8204.

85 4x4 Toyota Land Cruiser, diesel, 5 spd. am/fm cass., running boards, exc. cond. \$13,500. 886-7348.

86 GMC 4X4 pickup, 350 auto., A/C, \$5500 obo. 885-4562.

88 F250 460 auto, solid truck with canopy, \$11,500. 886-3199 lv. message.

89 Tracker, 130,000 km, new top, good cond. 883-2699 after 5 pm.

89 Z-71 stepside 4x4, fully loaded, must sell. 886-7484.

89 Chev low rider, \$12,000; 79 Chev 4x4, rebuilt, \$9000. 883-2023 or 883-2366.

89 Bronco II XL silver, V6 5 sp., cass., clean & comfortable, \$9800. 885-2133.

91 Ford Ranger, 4x4 XLT, excellent shape, \$13,900. 886-0019.

25. Campers & RVs

1978 Triple E travel trailer, 25' full-size, 3 piece bathroom, full-size fridge, four burner stove, oven and fan. Excellent condition. \$5,500 obo. 885-7016.

1976 - 31 ft. Airstream, 2 awn. A/C, TV ant., cen. vac., \$13,500. 885-0711.

22' Dauphin travel trailer, 1974 deluxe model, top cond., full awning, stabilizing bars and hitch. Pre-season special, only \$3500. 885-1918, after 6 pm.

8x45 trailer, sleeps 6, clean and good cond. 885-2100.

1974 - 13 ft. Boler travel trailer, 3-way fridge, stove, furnace, sleeps 4, exc. cond., \$2500. 886-4636.

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21' Security Class C motorhome, 50,000 kms, fully self-contained, sleeps 6, roof, air, awning, cruise, tilt wheel, exc. cond., \$14,500. 886-2608.

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89' 75 Vanguard camper, sleeps 5 \$3000 obo. 886-7738. #15c

22 ft. older travel trailer, fridge, stove, h/w, shower, sink, toilet, heat, propane or electric. Excellent condition. \$3,300 obo. Katy 885-8171 eves, 885-7595 days. #15c

Lightwt. H/T tent trailer, furnace, stove, sleeps 6, \$2550 obo. 885-5369. #15w

26. Marine

40' fishboat, \$4,700; extra remanufactured 75 hp diesels, \$1,700; selection gear, \$150 up; 12v 671 starter, props, stainless exhaust system, \$240; rowboat, \$150; head, \$100; 10x50 binoculars, \$45; scope and rifle, \$200. 886-0163. #16c

Drop off your COAST NEWS CLASSIFIEDS AT Marina Pharmacy in Pender Harbour 'A Friendly People Place'



Wanted: 4 HP Evinrude or Johnson O/B, in good cond. 885-2652 or 885-5373. #16w



1990 16.5 ft K+C Thermoglas, 75HP, Merc. O.B. full slope back canvas, walk through windshield, built-in 16 gal tank, and storage locker was \$7,000 NOW \$6795.



21ft. glass ply 165 Merc. Cruiser, rebuilt block, less than 3 hrs. New aluminum fuel tank, H.T. w/6ft. clearance, stove, swim grid, v-berth. \$8,500.



24ft. fibre glass 'M.V. Cod Peace' V8, 888 Merc. Cruiser. Power steering, V-berth, trim tabs, bait tank, depth finder. \$6,995.

Buccancer Marina 885-7888

26. Marine

SECRET MARINE SURVEYS LTD. Captain Bill Murray M.C.M.M.C. M.N.A.M.S. M.A.B.Y.C. Marine Surveyors and Consultants 885-3843

18'6" Seafair with 100 hp Evinrude Small cabin w/hood, comes with trailer, \$4000 obo. Will swap for van of equal or lesser value, plus cash. 886-0120. #16c

New 12' aluminum Mirrocraft, 7 1/2 hp Merc, like new, \$1850. 886-0580 after 5 pm. #16c

Wanted: carp aluminum boat, good cond. 885-3158. #16c

OCEAN KAYAK Fibreglass with paddle, \$875. 885-0781. #16c

Wanted: Briggs & Stratton 6 - 10 hp motor or similar. 883-2299. #16c

10x32' barge, fibreglass over wood, boom and electric winch. 885-2100. ss

6-man, Sycvalor inflatable boat, c/w electric motor, \$295 obo. 885-5369. #15w

1950 - 42' Monk Classic Cruiser, rbt. 6-71 diesel, 4 yr. restoration, too much to list. Exc. live-a-board. \$59,500 obo or small auto trade. 886-0790 slip B10 Gibsons Marina. #15w

Fisherman's dream \$18,000. 24 ft. double ender 8 ft. breadth, 14 H.P. Power Saab diesel, electro-plated stainless fittings, many extras. 883-2210. #15w

24 ft. Surfer, 225 Volvo, 280 leg, head, stove, sink, etc. elec. winch, VHF, I/finder, 8 HP Mariner, dinghy, \$7990 firm. 885-7575. #16w

14 ft. runabout, motor and trailer, good cond., \$1500 obo. 883-9767 or 883-1194. #15c

Frontiersman fibreglass canoe c/w sail, leeboards, rudder, paddles, \$375; 14'3 Aquaglas runabout c/w 50 HP Johnson elect. motor, canvas top, tanks, O/B bracket, paddles, trailer, extras. Good shape, ready for fishing or skiing, \$3250. 885-1902. #14w

P.R. Marine Surveyors A.M.S.B.C. Insurance - Prepurchase 1-800-665-0307 #17c

Forced to sell, luxurious fibreglass yacht, leak decks, 58' of craftsmanship, world traveller, fridge, stove, microwave, watermaker, washer/dryer, freezer, icemaker, bathtub, shower, 2 beds, king and queen beds, great galley, huge salon, Volvo diesel, radar, Loran, satellite navigation, weather box, FM and ham radios, inboard computers and much more. Great condition, will consider real estate trade. \$190,000. Herb Craig 886-2277. #16w

26. Marine

22' Bell Buoy rebuilt 302 and Merc leg, convertible hardtop and canvas, VHF, fishfinder, trailer, \$12,000. Will consider part trade. 885-4019. ss

24' work / pleasure boat, 1/2 on wood, exc. cond., zero hours on rebuilt 318, new ex-manifolds, new s.s. shaft, wiring, paint. Full price includes dinghy, oars, 9 hp motor. \$7900. 883-2990. ss

28' Unifly fibreglass, brand new motor and other extras, full of electronics. Reasonable price. George 886-8139. ss

1989 - 90 HP Evinrude w/VRO power trim, all controls and gauges - in excellent working order, \$3000. 886-2738. #16c

Frontiersman fibreglass canoe c/w sail, leeboards, rudder, paddles, \$375; 14'3 Aquaglas runabout c/w 50 HP Johnson elect. motor, canvas top, tanks, O/B bracket, paddles, trailer, extras, good shape, rea for fishing or skiing, \$3250. 885-1902. #14w

Heavy duty 50' float ramps built to suit. 883-2610 or 883-9290. ss

17 ft. fibreglass 90 hp Merc. Needs some work. \$1850. 885-4217. ss

18 ft. Fibreglass, Volvo I/O, boat. Tandem axle trailer. \$3800. 883-2297. ss

25 ft. Reinell, depth sounder, good mech. condition. \$9000 obo. 886-4870. ss

Heavy duty 50' float ramps built to suit. 883-2610 or 883-9290. ss

Bayliner 24' C/B, rebuilt engine, 4 hrs., new upholstery, UHF CB, 2 depth sounders, \$12,900. 886-7255. #16c

OUTBOARDS FOR SALE 9.9-20-30-40-50-70 HP 1992-1993 Evinrudes. Excellent condition. Lowe's Resort, 883-2456. #16c

27. Mobile Homes

NEW HOME Set up in local park in Gibsons. 886-2597, 597-3322. #16w

Rockland Wynd adult park. 1990 Dartmouth 14x70 deluxe model with vaulted ceiling, skylights, 2 bdrms, 2 baths, ocean view, sunporch, carport, util. shed, low maintenance yard and garden area. To view, 885-5861. #16c

First \$6000 takes this clean 2 bedroom Chancellor. Great for starter while you build. Call Ken now at 885-6277 or 886-2277. #16w

4 yr. old doublewide, 2 bdrm, ensuite, kitchen, LR, DR, family rm, laundry rm, covered deck, patio, storage shed, adult oriented. Rockland Wynd Park. Part fenced and fully landscaped yard. \$110,000. 885-2271 after 6 pm. #16c

27. Mobile Homes

NEW HOME Gibsons Park Financing Available 886-2597 - 597-3322 #16w

Sold 2 bdrm 10'x50' remodelled exc. starter or rental home. \$15,500. Must be moved. 885-7511. #16c

New 2 bdrm dlx mobile home set up in local Gibsons park. For info call 886-2597, 597-3322. #16w

28. Motorcycles

PHMC Enduro Races, Pender Harbour, May 1 classes: Mighty Miles, Jr. School Boy, Snr. School Boy, Oldtimers, Moto-cross. Info 883-9971 Andy. #17w

650 Yamaha frame and parts, 883-9767. #15c

1984 Honda 250, low miles, great shape, belt drive, lightweight, new battery, \$975. 885-2593. #14w

'85 Kawasaki GPZ 900 Ninja Black, like new, 20,000 km. \$3,500. 886-4616 aft. 7 pm. ss

1978 Honda 400, good cond., spare bike for parts \$600 takes all. 886-7722 leave message. #16w

'91 Suzuki RM250, exc. cond., \$2350 obo. 886-3789. ss

29. Wanted to rent

Civil engineering tech. & family seeks 2-3 bdrm house or duplex/townhouse for May 1. Carpets and appliances req'd. To be near new or very good condition. Family oriented, N/S, N/P couple w/good references. Call collect at 885-3181. #16c

2-3 bdrm. house in Roberts Creek by May 1. Call Cathrine 886-0199. #16w

Active lady seeking shared accommodation, prefer N/S and evening meal provided. Prefer Gibsons-Halfmoon Bay area. 886-9579, message. #16c

Retired N/S, N/P, couple, seek large 2 bdrm house, Sechtel area. 888-3322 (collect). #16c

Mature, prof. N/S, female locating to S.C. April 30. Require shared accomm. in quiet home w/IF. Would make friendly companion to widow/widower. Refs. provided. 885-5061. #16c

Trailer pad in Roberts Creek suitable for 28' travel trailer. Annie 886-2622 days. #16w

Responsible young male adult seeks 1 bdrm apt, reasonable rent, Sechtel / Selma Park / Davis Bay. 885-8823, 1-9 pm. #15c

Two families wish to rent cabin(s) last week July or 1st week August. Prefer Sunshine Coast area on the beach. Responsible professionals, references. Please call 224-6805 Vancouver. #14c

29. Wanted to Rent

Prof. artist w/pets seeks secluded cabin w/woodstove. Clean quiet N/S, N/D, range \$400. 886-3125. #14w

RENTAL MANAGEMENT Pebbles REALTY LTD. John Austin 886-8107

Trailer pad or property needed. Reasonable rent, willing to do upgrading on property, long term. 886-0323. #14w

Architect looking for small cottage, Gibsons area. ASAP. 886-3194. #14c

Couple w/2 preschool children req's. long term rental - large 2 or 3 bdrm. home w/fenced yard, N/P, N/S, refs. May 1, W. Sechtel-Hfm. Bay area, \$600 max. 885-6213. #15w

Room & board w/d. for Apr. 9, fem. univ. student, Sechtel area. 1-598-6918. #14w

Responsible long term tenants with exc. refs. require 2-3 bdrm house, private, fireplace - by April 1 or May 1, anywhere between Gibsons and Pender Harb. Call 1-386-1850. #14w

Responsible working couple looking for a 2-3 bdrm house for long term rental. Refs. avail. Pender Harbour area only. 883-2212. #16c

31. For Rent

Share 3 bdrm house with one other, \$300/mo. 885-0854, Leonard. #16c

Wanted, N/S, clean, quiet roommate to share large 2 bdrm. trailer, \$250/mo. 886-0643 aft. 6pm. #14w

For Rent Gibsons Langdale

Large 2 bdrm side/side duplex, 1009 Fairview St. Clean, quiet large yard. \$640/mo. Avail. May 1. N/P/921-5247. #16c

Almost new 1 bedroom cottage. Spectacular view, laundry, drapes, 2 mins. to ferry. Avail. April 23. \$825/mo. 886-9759. #16w

1 bdrm view apt., lower Gibsons. Large patio, private garden, new building, laundry. Walk to all amenities. Quiet and secure. \$690/mo. 886-3420. #16c

Furnished modern bachelor apartment for May 1. Quiet location in upper Gibsons. Sundeck. \$390/mo. includes utils. 886-0126. #14w

Spacious 1 bdrm. apt., good location, patio, 4 appls., \$575/mo. includes heat & hydro. 298-5215 or FAX 298-5934. #16w

3 bdrm. 2 full baths, eat in kitchen, 5 appl., sundecks, garage, walking distance to all amenities, \$850/mo. 298-5215 or FAX 298-5934. #16w

2 bdrm., modern, in park-like setting/creek, near mall, no pets, \$675/mo. 886-2454. #16w

Million \$\$\$ view, newly renovated 1 bdrm., parking, garden, walk to ferry, \$495/mo. Refs., non-smoking prof. 277-4725. #16w

Shared accommodation for senior male. Fully furnished, 3 bdrm. home, lower Gibsons, \$300/mo. includes all utils. 886-3564 aft. 12 noon or 430-4611. #16w

3 bdrm, 2 bath, 5 appl., N/P, large yard. \$800/mo. Avail. April 1. 886-4203. #16c

1 bdrm view suite, across Yacht Club. Laundry, N/S. No dogs please. Avail. April 1. \$475/mo. 886-9737. #16c

1 bdrm apt., avail. immediately, \$500/mo. 885-8009. #15c

Good landlord looking for good tenants. 3 bdrm., 2 baths, 5 appls., deck, attached garage, spacious, ocean view, quiet, close to school and beach, \$800/mo. 886-0546. #15w

1 bdrm house, Granthams, bright and clean, avail. April 15. \$525/mo. 885-2925. #15c

Hopkins area, 2 bdrm. upper level of house, 1784 N. Road, 2 min. from ferry, 5 appl., deck w/ panoramic view, double garage, avail. immed., \$850/mo. 886-7394. #14w

Large 3 bdrm. lower floor, 4 appl., 1/2 hydro, \$600/mo. 980-2739. #14w

Hopkins Landing, recently renovated 1 bdrm, ground floor suite, avail. April 1, view, walk to ferry, garden, parking. Refs. \$495/mo. 277-4725. #14c

Recreation village sites, all services, quiet treed area, near North Road, \$150/mo. + util. April 1, leave message 886-7626. #14c

5 bdrm new, all appl., 2 1/2 bath. Avail. immed. Lease negotiable. \$1100/mo. 886-9792. #14c

Gibsons Bluff Waterfront Lower 1 bdrm suite, all appliances, full deck, fantastic Howe Sound view with beach. \$600/mo + utilities (N/S). 886-4269. #14c

31. For Rent

Furnished cottage, single person, N/P, \$395 including utilities. Call after 5 pm, 886-3922. #14c

Brand new bachelor suite above ferry wharf. Stove, fridge, laundry facilities, beautiful view, N/S, N/P, avail. immed., \$400/mo. plus utils. 886-7867. #14w

1 bdrm. suite, partly furn., laundry avail., Apr. 15, \$520/mo. 886-2976. #14w

2 bdrm view apt. opposite Gibsons Marina. New building. Quiet and secure. Fully carpeted. Mini blinds on all windows. Laundry, \$780/mo. 886-3420. #15c

Funky day use studio space, seasonal, \$120. 886-3739. #16w

1 bdrm view apt. Private patio, new kitchen and bathroom. Quiet & secure. Near Gibsons Marina. \$640/mo. 886-3420. #15c

Are you a self supporting, active individual with a soft spot for pups? Gibsons w/front shared house, \$450 (incl. utils.). 886-3739. #16w

3 permanent/long term RV sites now ready at Boot Hill RV Park, \$250/mo. 1117 Keith Road, 1/2 miles up Cemetery Road, Gibsons. 886-9764 or 220-1526. #16w

1 bdrm. furnished apt. utils. incl. N/S, suited for 1 working person, N/P, refs., \$400/mo. plus S/D. 886-9233. #14w

For Rent Roberts Creek

Room for rent in Roberts Creek, \$250/mo. incl. utils. Refs. please. 885-0950. #16w

2 bdrm. Apr. 15, N/S only, \$650/mo. 886-9679. #14w

Ideal for family, new 3 bdrm., 5 appls., easy access to fishing, golf & ferry, N/S, N/P, asking \$1100/mo. 438-4406. #14w

Executive 3 bdrm. waterfront home, \$1500/mo. 885-3183. #15w

For Rent Sechtel & district

DAVIS BAY Sleeping, eating space avail. in a trailer. April 1. \$235/mo. 885-3313. #16c

1 bdrm. Davis Bay, W/D, \$450/mo. plus part utils. Avail. immed. 885-0859. #16w

W. Sechtel, upper level, large 2 bdrm. self-contained suite. Suitable for couple wanting quiet place. N/P, N/S, refs. req. \$610/mo. + 1/2 utils. 885-2965. #16w

Oceanside, oceanview, 2 bdrm. apt. Davis Bay, \$800/mo. plus utils. 885-5918 or 792-8371 aft. 6pm. Avail. immed. #16w

Spacious 2 bdrm. main floor suite, avail. immed., refs. please, \$590/mo. 886-3113. #16w

Sechtel, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 yr. old main floor of house, 5 appl., double garage, water view, arena area. \$850/mo. + util. May 1. 872-5531. #16c

House mate wanted to share 3 bdrm house, Sechtel. Clean, quiet, view, w/d, n/s, \$350/mo. includes utilities. 885-4778. #14c

Million \$ view - Modern W/F small, cozy house, ideal for single prof. person or couple. 2+ bdrm., loft, F/S, plumbed for W/D, \$850/mo. 872-3516 eves and weekends. #15w

Large waterfront home w/private dock, 3 bdrm., 3 bath, sauna, 5 appl., \$1500/mo. 885-2863. #15w

SECHTEL Brand new 1 bdrm. suite private, new appl., plus W/D, professional N/S, \$480/mo. 885-7161 aft. 5pm. #15w

2 bdrm. ground floor suite in 1 yr. old house. 5 appl., water view, near marina FOR APRIL 1ST \$600/mo. plus utils. 872-5531. #15w

1 yr. old 1 bdrm. inlet view bmt. suite to single, quiet person. Laundry facil. avail. N/P, refs. req. avail. Apr. 20, \$500/mo. plus part utils. 885-1924. #14w

Davis Bay, near beach, large modern house, 3 bdrm., 2 baths, fenced yard, \$800/mo.; also, 3 bdrm. mobile home, quiet & private, \$650/mo. 885-4862. #14w

View from this large near new 1 bdrm. suite. \$550/mo. 885-6396. #14w

For Rent Halfmoon Bay Pender Harbour

2 bdrm furn. condo, Secret Cove, by weekend, week or month. 885-7882. #16c

Waterfront 1 bdrm. cabin, Inverness Landing. Avail. immed. laundry facilities, elec. heat, \$400/mo. deposit, N/S. 883-9446. #16w

Large 1 bdrm suite in new w/front house, Halfmoon Bay area. Avail. April 1. \$550/mo. plus util. 520-3102. #16c

Ocean view bachelor apartment, 7-Isle Apts., Madeira Park. 885-3910. #14w

31. For Rent

Vacation Rental 2 bdrm. executive home with waterfront, beach docks, volley ball and hot tub on Sakinaw Lake, road access, \$850/week. 885-157. #16w

Large waterfront apartment in Secret Cove, \$600/mo. Please call Hayden 885-9368. #14w

1 bdrm. condo, spectacular view, 5 appl., F/P, furnished, swimming pool, \$580 plus utils. 885-8831. #14w

1 & 2 bdrm cottages avail. immed. N/S, N/P. Free use of dock and small fishing boat. Cable included. Refs. req. From \$400/mo. 883-9569. #16w

2 bdrm. condo in The Manse, upper Gibsons, \$750/mo. avail. Apr. 1. #16w

2-3 bdrm. upper & lower duplexes in Roberts Creek, \$750/mo. avail. immed. #16w

NRS Sechtel Realty Property Management Dept. 885-9093. #16w

GIBSONS: HOUSES Three bedroom, 2 1/2 bath view home, all appliances, great view, \$1,250 per month plus utilities, N/S, N/P. #16w

TOWNHOUSES / CONDO Two bedroom town house, includes all appliances, \$800 per month. #16w

APARTMENTS One bedroom, side by side duplex, \$400 per month plus utilities. #16w

Three bedroom apartment, rent includes heat and hot water, \$675. #16w

COMMERCIAL CENTRAL GIBSONS Retail/office space for rent, 1275 square feet, central air conditioning, good parking, - \$10 triple net. #16w

GRANT REALTY LTD. 886-3330

3 bdrm. furnished house, lease, Tuwanek, \$700. #16w

2 bdrm. waterfront, Gibsons, \$850. #16w

2 bdrm. acreage, Redroofs, \$700. #16w

3 bdrm. house Sechtel, \$700. #16w

2 bdrm. duplex, Gibsons, \$750. #16w

Sussex Realty Property Management - Dave Austin 885-3295

32 Commercial For Rent LOWER GIBSONS Office, heat and light included \$175/mo. 886-2588. #16c

For rent or lease, all or part of 3500 sq. ft. heavy duty truck shop, Industrial Park 886-2664. #15w

5,000 square foot warehouse with office space, Wilson Creek. Long term lease desired. NRS, Sechtel Realty Ltd. 885-9093. #16w

Davis Bay/Wilson Creek hall available. Wheelchair facilities. 885-2752 or 885-9663. #16w

COMMERCIAL 1800 sq. ft. warehouse and office space, Gibsons industrial basin, \$900 per month triple net. #16w

Sechtel retail, approx. 900 sq. ft., Wharf St., \$1000 incl. taxes. #16w

Sechtel office space, \$450-\$750. Wilson Creek - warehouse, \$6.00/foot; offices spaces, \$5.50/foot. #16w

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Prime retail space

34. Help Wanted

**SOCIAL WORKER**  
The Sechelt Indian Band is seeking a Family and Children's Services Social Worker to lead a team of social development staff to develop and deliver child and family protection and care programs. This person will make assessments to determine if children are in need of protection, formulate intervention plans, give testimony in court, counsel families, utilize community resources, fulfill guardianship functions for children in care and maintain records. This person will assist in fulfilling responsibilities under the existing Family and Child Services Act, and will work towards the goal of the Sechelt Band to have authority and legislation for Child protection services. Preference given to MSW or BSW from a recognized institution with a minimum of two years previous successful experience in providing social services with First Nations or, extensive related experience in the field of Family Protection and Social Development work. Excellent interpersonal skills, both written and verbal, good analytical skills and a sound understanding of First Nation's issues and culture. Interested persons are invited to submit their resume with covering letter describing how their education and experience qualify them for this position, as selection for interview will be based on information provided. Please direct resumes to Mr. Tom Paul, Administrator, PO Box 740, Sechelt BC V0N 3A0 by March 31, 1994. #14c

**HEALING CENTRE COUNSELLORS**  
(Two positions)

The Sechelt Indian Band is seeking two counsellors to provide direct counselling services, academic tutoring and related administrative activities for a new 10-bed treatment centre in our remote Vancouver Bay healing facility for youth, adults and families. The Counsellor will work under the direction of the Healing Centre Senior Counsellor/Director to facilitate the participant's involvement in activities and in the day-to-day operation of the residence. The Counsellors are expected to work with other staff and resource persons as a member of a team, committed to carrying out the goals of the program. Administrative requirements include written reports, evaluations, staff meetings. Appropriate academic qualifications would include a bachelor's degree in social sciences, social service diploma, NNADAP training, knowledge of addictions and the treatment of addictions with previous experience in counselling/treatment programs. Sound understanding of First Nation's issues and culture and a commitment to a sober, positive lifestyle and first aid training is an asset. Interested persons who have a proven background in delivery of counselling services and are willing to work in an isolated facility for extended periods of time, are invited to submit a resume to Mr. Tom Paul, Administrator, PO Box 740, Sechelt BC V0N 3A0 Please enclose a covering letter with salary expectations. Closing date: March 31, 1994. #14c

**CONTRACT FOR SERVICE OPPORTUNITY CULTURAL CONSULTANT**

The Sechelt Indian Band is seeking an individual under a six month contract basis to work with our new cultural department staff to plan, design and complete cultural education modules. **TERMS OF REFERENCE:** The goal, or terms of reference for this consulting position, is to develop Sechelt language and cultural program modules for the Cultural Instructors to deliver in the schools or the community. The modules will cover various topics related to Sechelt history and culture and will be comprised of student workbooks, teacher guides and related teaching materials. The consultant will work with the Cultural department staff to pull together existing materials into a learning module format that will educate and inform age groups from primary to adult. The consultant will also train Cultural department staff on the methodology used in developing the modules to ensure proper presentation and delivery techniques, and to enable the Cultural department staff to continue developing additional modules on an on-going basis. The consultant will liaise with School District staff as to appropriate requirements for successful implementation in schools that will lead to a recognized curriculum in the future. **QUALIFICATIONS:** Degree in Education with extensive background in First Nations cultural program development. Strong organizational and communication skills. Interested parties are invited to apply in writing, detailing how you will meet the project timeframe and objectives and expected consultant fees, to Mr. Tom Paul, Administrator, PO Box 740, Sechelt BC V0N 3A0. #14c

Irving's Landing Marina & Pub, dock attendant. Contact Wayne 883-1145. #14c

Assemble light products at home. Excel. income, easy work. Call for directory, 24 hrs. (604) 623-2380 ext. A74. #14c

35. Business & Home Services

**B & D PRESSURE WASHING**  
300-3400 PSI  
Vinyl, aluminum, stucco siding. Decks, boats, roofs, RVs, concrete driveways, etc. 886-0055. #16c

**NEED HELP SPRING CLEANING YOUR GARDEN?**  
DOWN TO EARTH GARDENING SERVICES  
KATHRYN MUSSELLS  
885-3458

**DRYWALL FINISHING**  
Complete drywall services. Professional, guaranteed workmanship. Large or small jobs. Rob 886-3537. #19c

**RHYASON ELECTRIC ENT.**  
Installations, renovations & repairs. Free estimates. 886-8857 or cell. 377-7956, 24 hours. #16c

Outbuilding • addition • renovation • repair • structure inspection and documentation • rot specialists. 885-8070. #16c

Efficient, quick, reliable! Call Minute Maid Cleaning Services. 886-7520. #15c

Furniture refinishing. Wicker to lawn chairs. Spray finish 886-9577 at shop. #15w

**DO YOU NEED**  
Pressure washing, lawn/landscape maintenance, power raking, hedge trimming, brushcutting, rototilling, rubbish removal, miscellaneous hauling, turf laying etc. 885-0737. #15c

Men with truck: rubbish removal, light moves, roofing, yard work. Call 886-9894 and 886-3742. #15w

**Seniors Discount**  
Home repairs and renovations. Satisfaction guaranteed. Dan 886-3084. #15c

For oil burner service • plumbing repairs • heating maintenance • drain cleaning • hot water tank replacement, call Michael 886-8083 or 886-9022. #14c

**LAWN & GARDEN**  
Cottage care has 3 years experience on the Sunshine Coast. We do spring clean-ups, grass cutting, weeding, pruning, hedges, lawn and garden renovation and beautifying. A friendly neighbour you can rely on for quality work at reasonable rates. Lorraine, 885-9041. #14c

**AARNE**  
Professional Watch, Clock & Jewelry REPAIR  
Scandinavia-educated. 30 years experience. Call 885-0824 Aarne or Iv. mess. #19w

**WILLOW GARDEN SERVICE**  
Spring pruning, cleanup, lawn and garden care. Exc. refs. Rob Wilson 885-3232. #16w

**Rainy Day Mending**  
Hem pants, fix zippers, sew seams, press suits, fix zippers, mend wool garments, design costumes for all occasions, iron dress clothes, sew on buttons, senior rates. 78 mend it: Penny 886-3995. #14w

Computer work, data entry, word processing, etc. Windows 3.1 a specialty. 886-0843 alt. 6pm. #14w

**MOUNTAIN CITY ELECTRIC LTD.**  
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886-2834  
KEITH CLINE  
R.R. #4, S-10, C.B.I. GIBSONS VON IVO  
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**PRUNING-GARDENING**  
Spring cleanup/rototilling/planting. Last chance for fruit tree pruning. 15 yrs. exper. Free estimates. 885-9028. #14w

**HARDWOOD FLOORING**  
New floors supplied, laid, sanded and finished. Old floors resanded and refinished. Lyle Hayter Floors Ltd. 885-7833. #14w

**LAWN & GARDEN**  
Fruit tree pruning and spraying, garden renovations, retaining walls, hedge trimming, general cleanup. Call 886-0180. #14c

**COMPUTER INSTRUCTION**  
At home or at work, one on one or a group. Call Jeff 886-8095. #14c

**CHIPPING AND MULCHING SERVICE**  
Turn your brush piles, leaves and garden waste to chips and mulch for compost. Quick service, reasonable rates. Nick at 886-2756. #14c

**INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR RENOVATIONS**  
Wallpaper, paint, carpentry, drafting, free estimates. References available. 886-3483. #14c

**CULTURED MARBLE**  
Jetted bathtubs, sinks, baths and shower panels, CSA approved. Free estimates. Tom Sealy 883-2978. #14c

**COASTLINE FENCING**  
Wooden & Chain Link Fencing  
Call after 6pm 886-2215 Bob tns

35. Business & Home Services

For help with landscaping, lawn care, yard work, window washing, etc. call Bill 886-0051 hard working, reliable. #16w

**HOMEOWNERS HELPLINE**  
- Fences  
- Decks  
- Yard Work  
- Repairs  
- Maintenance  
- Any Job  
ONE CALL DOES IT ALL 886-4788

**Word Processing Audio Tape Transcription Mailing Lists.** 885-9419. #16w

**B&D POWER WASH**  
Enviro friendly cleaning agents! We do vinyl, aluminum, wood siding, decks, boats, RVs, concrete, stucco, roofs. 886-0055. #15w

**BARRY'S WINDOW CLEANING**  
Metal & vinyl houses washed, lawn cutting, reasonable rates. 886-3277. #16w

Lawn/berry/hedge cutting, grounds maintenance, window washing etc. Man/men available once/regular basis. Rob 886-3822. Reliable. #15w

**RESUMES**  
Professionally typeset and laser printed. 886-3425. #14c

Income Tax Preparation, \$25. Delivery service available, seniors discount. 886-3075. #21w

**BRUNO'S ELECTRIC**  
"NO JOB TOO SMALL"  
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D.W. Johnston Trucking, sand, crushed rock, drain rock. Very reasonable rates. 885-8849. #16c

**CATHY'S HOME CLEANING**  
Experienced house cleaners, bondable & references. 886-4680. #14c

**HOUSEKEEPER**  
Available, 4 yrs., experience, bondable, excellent references, very hard worker. 885-2248 messages. #14w

**PLUMBING**  
Remodelling, burst pipes, hot water tank, plugged drains, leaky faucets, call Paul 886-9420. #19w

35. Business & Home Services

**QUALITY WOODWORK**  
Home Remodelling, Finishing  
We look at all jobs big or small. For prompt, quality work at an affordable price, call Art Giesbrecht 885-3372 or 885-7169. #14c

**I'M YOUR HANDIMAN**  
Porches, Additions, Remodelling, Solariums, No job too small. Bill at 886-0380 or 24 hr. pager 1-977-6502. 886-0684. #14c

**PEERLESS TREE SERVICE LTD**  
Topping - Limbing - Danger Tree Removal, Insured, Guaranteed Work. Free estimates. 885-2109. #14c

36. Work Wanted

Avail. for drywall, taping, & spray jobs, very experienced. Allan 885-7080. #16w

Reliable man willing to do yard work. 886-0296. #16w

Licensed plumber, new construction and repairs. 886-8716. #16c

Male, 35, seeking employment, carpentry / construction background, fit, honest, conscientious, reliable, take directions well, good people skills, presentable vehicle. Labourer / carpentry. Bob 886-7860. #14c

**COMPUTER INSTRUCTION**  
At home or at work, one on one or a group. Call Jeff 886-8095. #14c

**COOL RUNNINGS**  
One ton truck available for hauling, rubbish removal, moving, yard maintenance, rototilling, odd jobs. 885-3917. #14c

**RUBBISH REMOVAL**  
Yard cleanup, light moves, odd jobs, quick, friendly service. 885-9694, 328-1811 cell. #17w

**BOB'S HAULING**  
Rubbish removal; sand, gravel, fertilizer & bark mulch delivered. 885-4804. #14w

Fast, fussy, female journey level carpenter. 10 yrs. experience. Enjoys small renovations, creative design, quality finishing. References 886-0492. #14w

37. Child Care

Mother of one will sit for your child (under 18 mos.), Mon.-Fri., days only. 885-0950 Rachel. #14c

37. Child Care

Childcare available in my Langdale home TLC first-aid, refs. 886-0296. #16w

Childcare required in our Roberts Creek home. Part time, day time, flexible hours. 885-0334. #15w

**MORNINGTOWN FAMILY DAYCARE**  
One full time space is available for a child newborn to school age. Licensed staff and facility. Will provide fun, stimulating activities and outings in a warm, caring environment. 886-2203. #15w

**LANGDALE DAYCARE**  
F/T, P/T, spaces available for licensed family daycare. Large, bright well-equipped facility with well experienced staff. Open 6 am - 6:30 pm to meet the needs of working commuters. 886-7648. #15c

38. Business Opportunities

Prime vending routes in high profit location, all cash business. Guaranteed returns. Call Eagle 1-800-387-CASH. #15w

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Small affordable franchise. House sitting and pet care service, pre-established clientele, flexible hours. Call Sharon 885-2228. #14c

41. Legal

**Janitorial Cleaning**  
CAPILANO COLLEGE will issue PRICE REQUESTS beginning on March 28, 1994 for Janitorial Service Requirements at the Squamish and Sechelt locations. Interested firms are invited to call Barb Smith at 984-4904 to obtain the specifications. NOTE: Mandatory Site visits will be conducted on April 19 and 28.

41. Legal

**TOWN OF GIBSONS**  
CONTRACT NO. 9.129.1  
PRATT TO MAHAN WATERMAIN UPGRADING  
CALL FOR TENDERS

Sealed tenders clearly marked "Contract No. 9.129.1 - Tender for Pratt to Mahan Watermain Upgrading" will be received by the undersigned up to 2:00 p.m. local time of Tuesday, April 19, 1994, and will be opened in public at that time and date.

The work comprises the construction of approximately 575 metres of 250 mm diameter C-900 P.V.C. watermain together with construction of related valves and appurtenances.

Contract documents and drawings may be obtained at the offices of either the undersigned or of Dayton & Knight Ltd., Consulting Engineers, 612 Clyde Avenue, West Vancouver, B.C., on or after 2:00 p.m. local time of Tuesday, April 5, 1994 and upon payment of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per set (GST included), which sum will be non-refundable. Cheques shall be made payable to the Town of Gibsons.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted, and the acceptance of any tender shall be subject to funds being legally available.

**Mr. D. Legg**  
Administrator  
Town of Gibsons  
P.O. Box 340  
474 South Fletcher Road  
Gibsons, B.C.  
V0N 1V0

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- West Howe Sound Recreation Facilities Commission**  
Wednesday, April 6th at 7:30 p.m. at Chaster House
- Parks Committee**  
Thursday, April 7th at 2:00 p.m.
- Public Utilities Committee**  
Thursday, April 7th to follow Parks Committee
- Outdoor Recreation Advisory Committee**  
Tuesday, April 12th at 6:45 p.m.
- Regular Board**  
Thursday, April 14th at 7:30 p.m.

**NEW FEES - SECHELT LANDFILL SITE**

Effective **MAY 1, 1994**, the fees for controlled waste will be:  
**\$25 PER TONNE:** Appliances, Asphalt & Concrete, Cardboard, Commercial Waste, Derelict Vehicles, Durable Goods (furniture/TVs/etc.), Dirt & Rocks, Oil Tanks, Scrap Metal, Misc.  
**\$40 PER TONNE:** Clean Construction Waste, Clean Demolition Waste, Roofing, Clean Yard Waste/Brush  
**\$75 PER TONNE:** Asbestos, Gypsum, Refrigerators & Freezers  
**\$125 PER TONNE:** Passenger Tires  
**\$165 PER TONNE:** Medium Truck Tires  
**\$400 PER TONNE:** OTR Oversize Tires  
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Superintendent of Public Works

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITY**

**SUMMER PROGRAMS COORDINATOR**  
The Sunshine Coast Recreation Commission is looking for an energetic and creative individual to develop, coordinate, promote, implement and evaluate coastwide summer programs for children and youth. These programs will highlight the regional culture, history and leisure resources of the Sunshine Coast. This position will report directly to the Recreation Coordinator.  
**Qualifications:**  
- University/College or educational background in recreation, education or arts.  
- Excellent communication skills (written and oral).  
- Ability to train and supervise volunteers and staff team members.  
- Experience in coordinating recreation programs for children and youth.  
- Knowledge of leisure principles and child development.  
- Must be able to work with minimal supervision.  
- Current standard first aid certificate and valid driver's license.  
**Dates of Employment:** May 2 - September 2, 1994  
**Wage Rates:** \$10 - \$12 per hour  
**Apply to:**  
Al Silver  
Personnel Manager  
Sunshine Coast Regional District  
Box 800  
Sechelt, B.C. V0N 3A0  
**Deadline for Applications:** April 15, 1994.  
**Note:**  
To qualify for the S.E.E.D. Challenge grant, employees must be returning to university/college in the fall of 1994. Funding for this position is pending grant approval.

**Local Government Awareness Program '94**  
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## Ice, cold and vulnerability in the far north

by Christine Bodt

The distances are immense. The landscape is white, flat and barren. The temperature is minus 40. This is the Canadian Arctic, an area about which many Canadians know little and which even fewer will ever visit.

For two years in a row, Ann Skelcher, principal at Langdale Elementary, and Janet Crosby, a primary teacher at Langdale, have travelled to Iqaluit, on Baffin Island in the Northwest Territories.

The town of about 3,500 lies approximately 1,800 kilometres north of Ottawa.

"It felt like stepping onto a different planet," Crosby said of her arrival in Iqaluit. "It's such a different landscape to here. It's flat, completely white. It's like everything is frosted white. The only way you can tell the water from the land is that the land is bumpy."

The two Sunshine Coast residents were invited to Iqaluit by the Baffin Island School Board to help the staff create a new

direction for education on the island.

Both the vast distances and the harsh environment of the Canadian North were particularly overwhelming and awe-inspiring for Skelcher and Crosby.

From their hotel room, they could look across the frozen Fro-bisher Bay to land on the other side.

"I thought you could go on a couple of hours hike across to the other side, then I asked somebody. It's a one-day trip," Skelcher said. "You can see so far because there are no obstructions."

Crosby agreed. "I didn't realize how remote it is. The fact that the only way in is by air was so awesome to me. You can't go anywhere by car except within the town itself. There are no roads for thousands of miles. There's no way out but

by plane."

A power outage while the two women were shopping really brought home for them just how isolated Iqaluit is.

Crosby realized that if the back-up systems failed, it wouldn't take long for the two to freeze to death.

"There's a sense of being vulnerable in our lifestyle, what we (from the South) are used to," Skelcher explained.

Both women knew it was going to be cold, but the fridity still came as a shock.

Skelcher remembered one episode that illustrated the bitter weather.

"One day I was outside taking pictures without gloves on. I wasn't out for very long, but it was minus 60 (degrees). I grabbed for the metal hotel door and I literally burnt my hand!"

"Your eyelashes even freeze,"

Crosby added.

Skelcher felt the brutal, yet beautiful, surroundings the Inuit have lived in for centuries have shaped their character today. "They have a sense of family and community and connection that we have lost." "Their survival is amazing," Crosby said. "There, nature is first and they are a part of it. Here, we think we are first and nature is part of us."

While they were in Iqaluit, the caribou arrived for the first time in about 80 years.

"It was their migratory cycle coming around again. The lichen they eat takes that long to grow again," Skelcher said. "The Inuit were hunting just outside of the town. They then fly some of the meat up to share with family in other communities."

Despite the cold weather and the harsh environment, the two women would go back again.

Crosby tried to explain: "There's something that draws you there. The spirit of the north. It is a very powerful place."

## Spirits 'broken by change' in far north schools

by Christine Bodt

"It's really sad because the school system that's up there is

the southern system. The Inuit are trying to find a way to create their own system after ours has already been established. It's hard to break it all down and then have a vision about something completely different." — Janet Crosby, Langdale Elementary school teacher

Crosby, along with principal Ann Skelcher, has spent two separate weeks at the Joamie Elementary School in Iqaluit, Northwest Territories. The experience with the northern education system was a real eye-opener for both women.

Just 40 years ago the Inuit were living nomadically. Since then, conditions on Baffin Island have changed radically, in a large part because of the construction of an American Air Force Base.

"The Inuit have recognized that before it's too late they need to maintain their language and culture," Skelcher said.

"Change came too fast and the people who created that change didn't have any thought

to what effect it would have on the Native people," Crosby said. Alcohol and drug abuse is prevalent in Iqaluit. "I think a lot of it is just broken spirits from change."

To attend high school, teenagers have to move from tiny hamlets thousands of miles away. The residential school in Iqaluit houses teens from as far south as the southern tip of Hudson Bay and as far north as the high Arctic.

"They are away from their communities and their families. There were three suicides within a month last year at the school," Skelcher said.

While 80 per cent of the Joamie School's students are Inuit, only 20 per cent of the staff is.

"We were trying to bring out from the Inuit staff their visions, images and values about schools, learning and children," Skelcher said.

There is a high turnover of staff at the school, and the two women feel that because they actually returned for a second

visit, they were trusted and appreciated.

Skelcher and Crosby said they learned more from the staff and the experience than the staff learned from them.

"You get out of it so much more than what you've brought up there," Crosby said.

Crosby's class at Langdale has also been enriched because of their teacher's experience in Iqaluit.

Her class members are pen pals with a class at the Joamie School. Crosby taught her students the Inuit written syllabics and each can draw their name.

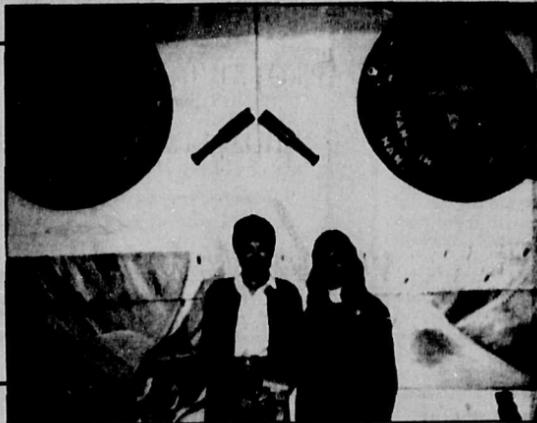
The teacher shares stories of life in the Arctic and her visits to Iqaluit, and the class makes murals and artwork in the Inuit tradition.

Both women feel they did help the school board in its goal of establishing a vision for the future.

Skelcher said that at the end of this year's week, "we handed over to them the responsibility, the ownership. The change and the future are in their hands



Above, Janet Crosby practices her swing with a cold 7-iron amidst the snow on Baffin Island. Right, Ann Skelcher (left) and Janet Crosby (right) pose in front of an Inuit mural at the Joamie School, Iqaluit. photos submitted



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#### 5 YEARS AGO

Despite truly miserable conditions this year, 53 participants showed up at the starting line for the 12th annual April Fool's Day Run.

The winner of the *Coast News* Challenge Cup this year was Jim Verster of North Vancouver who also won the cup in 1988.

The RCMP Drug Enforcement Branch in Vancouver wrapped up a major 15-month international drug investigation known as Operation Deception. In all, 33 people received 72 charges, 11 of whom were residents of Gibsons facing a total of 23 drug-related charges.

Three men died during the investigation — including one in Gibsons and one in Montreal, and an RCMP officer died in the line of duty in Thailand.

In a letter to the editor from Neil Vant, Minister of Transportation and Highways, he states that "Mr. Gordon Wilson indicated in the press that the Gibsons bypass is not a priority. The Gibsons bypass has been and remains a priority on the list of projects under consideration and has been strongly advocated by local MLA Harold Long. Clearly Mr. Wilson's statement was incorrect."

#### 10 YEARS AGO

Provincial legislation ends the lockout of workers at the Port Mellon mill but the Canadian Paperworkers Union promptly changed its locked-out signs for on-strike signs, protesting the legislation.

The new fire hall on North Road, serving the West Howe Sound Fire Protection District and Gibsons, opened this week.

A special commemorative service was held at St. Aidan's Church in Roberts Creek in honour of long-time Roberts Creek stalwart Miss Ena Harrold.

Gibsons Building Supplies opened its new outlet in Sechelt.

#### 15 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Hanson of Gibsons and Mrs. E.M. Webb of Soames Point are the winners in the annual Sunnycrest Mall Association contest. Mr. and Mrs. Hanson won a trip to Hawaii and Mrs. Webb a \$500 shopping spree.

#### 25 YEARS AGO

Wolfgang Buchorn, master councillor of Mount Elphinstone Chapter, Order of Demolay, presented a cheque to Mr. Dalton Murphy, executive director of the BC Society for Retarded Children.

The presentation was made at the Cedars Inn.

The RCMP are checking closely on anyone dumping garbage in the waters of Howe Sound or Gibsons Harbour.

#### 35 YEARS AGO

A presentation of Maude's cantata, *Olivet to Calvary*, by combined choirs of Gibsons and Port Mellon, augmented by other singers interested in choral work, is a highlight of the musical history of the Sunshine Coast.

Michael M. Dane of the Department of Slavonic Studies at UBC addressed a local Kiwanis meeting on the subject of the present Soviet educational system and proposed changes by Krushchev and their implications.

#### 45 YEARS AGO

Local firemen opposed a federal government plan to charge for side wharfage in coastal waters.

Pender Harbour has decided to organize its own board of trade.

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