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FESTIVAL OF MYTH

The vision of a Festival of Myth on Hornby continues to grow towards reality.

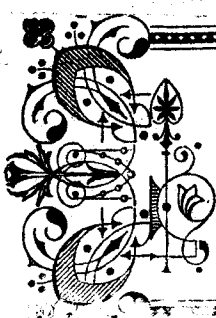
There are so far close to 40 planned or proposed events, beginning at the Summer Solstice and building to a climax on the weeked of July 5 - 7. Storytelling, art, dance, music, poetry, a parade, a dream wall, readings; performances, exhibitions, workshops, rituals. If you have been contemplating making a contribution, now is the time to declare it. (In writing to the undersigned, including title, medium, theme, personnel, approx length, preferred venue & time of day.) After April 26 we will enter the Minotaur's labyrinth (i.e. begin scheduling), so we will only accept submissions until that time.

In addition, there are and will be great opportunities for those not initiating a project of their own to get involved. There are also an ample number of ideas floating around looking for people to incarnate them. And even opportunities for sponsorship. Make your interest known.

We invite you to our next potluck, which will take place Monday, April 8, 6:30 p.m., at Joan Anderson's house, 7425 Anderson.

The May potluck, Monday, May 13, will be held at the Community Hall. We are asking everyone who has planned or contemplates any contribution to the festival to attend.

Amnon (Ami) Buchbinder



Remember... APRIL 19TH
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Brave New World

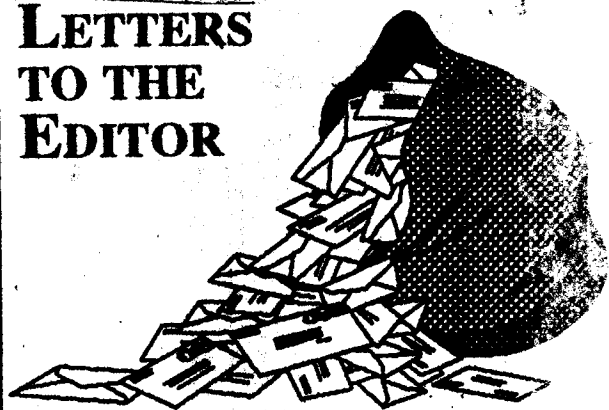
INSPIRED BY DAVID KILMARTIN
DEDICATED TO GEORGE BUSIF

During night fall
he reproduces flesh,
metallic organs,
miles of flowing blood
in blue transparent tubes.
His creations resemble
amorphous creatures
with no inner structure
cut and healed with laser bolts.
His old apartment, saturated
in pink vinyl wall paper,
used up atmospheres, full of
dreams, vibrating in the hummus
of nostalgia and cool boredom.
The polished T.V. highlights resemble
for a moment, ancient sufferings
of martyrs and cruel human
inventiveness.
His forgotten rooms are star filled
with love's bodies and reptilian heads
of his Yankee pride.
Like a mesmerist, he bench grinds
the ectoplasm of the brain
through the cortex.
He rebuilds the outward appearance
anew, from the point of no return,
... a sometimes necessary violence,
he whispers.

GABRIEL JEROSCHWITZ



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Dear First Edition,

We want to thank everybody on Hornby Island who made our visit at the beginning of March more than a wonderful experience and want to express our hope that our work at the Recycling-Depot helped to ensure the survival of this very important institution. Our special thanks go to Lloyd House who did not only do a wonderful job in telling us what to do at the Depot, but gave us a broad understanding of the conflict around the Recycling-Depot and his attitudes towards this and many other matters. Besides this we especially want to thank our host-families who were extremely kind to us. We enjoyed talking to you a lot!

Finally we want to thank the Heron Rocks Friendship Centre for drinks and food. We wish you good luck in your struggle for a more peaceful world, a struggle which we have not given up yet either.

All our love - hope to see you soon!

The group of Pearson College students that helped with Recycling.

To: The Editor, First Edition

On Monday, Jan. 28 representatives from various Courtenay agencies heard presentations about the needs and concerns of Hornby Islanders. Since then several committees have been active in researching funding sources, exploring existing resources, contacting islanders re: needs and interests. Exploring models of community programs, networking and brainstorming. Thus was born the Hornby Community Action Network (Hornby C.A. C.A.N.)

As part of this on-going process we are bringing in Debbie Foxcroft of the NUU-CHAH-NULTH peoples to speak on the process her peoples implemented to strengthen the family and community structure.

Also, we are putting together a resource list of clubs, societies, groups, and especially support groups of Hornby Island. We would require the name of your organization, contact person, phone No. and brief statement of your mandate. Information can be passed to any of the following people:

Robin Johnston, 335-0387

Tony Law, 335-1155

Shelley Gordan, 335-1426

Star Lewis, 335-2037

or via the Free Post.

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NETWORK.

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MORE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor:

Lately living on Hornby Island feels a lot like living in a war zone. Every morning for nearly two weeks now between 6:30 and 7:00 a.m. (weekends included) airplanes dive repeatedly over us, flying only a few hundred feet above our heads. While I realise many people are not bothered by the continuing noise, some of us lie in our beds every morning gritting our teeth, our programmed physiological responses somehow preparing us for a bomb to fall no matter how much our minds tell us that's not what's happening. This "dive-bombing" by two very noisy planes continues for several hours, in fact it often goes on most of the day. The reason? Herring. These planes are supposedly tracking the herring (though I don't imagine the fish appreciate planes zooming over them any more than I do). For those who don't know, the herring roe is sold at outrageous prices to the Japanese, who consider it an aphrodisiac. The fish themselves are discarded or turned into fertiliser. There is no more herring in the waters around Japan because they fished it all out. Herring is an important fish in the food chain, nourishing larger fish and other sea animals.

The effects of low-level flying on people and animals is well documented. The noise is nerve-jangling to those who are sensitive to it. I can really empathise with the anger and feelings of helplessness experienced by the Innu of Labrador, who are subjected to hundreds of flights a day by much larger aircraft. It must be really awful! However, those of us who are really bothered by the planes flying over us here have every right to make our feelings known. Those who still insist on raping our oceans do not need to do so right here by our islands. There is a whole big ocean out there where they could play with their airplanes and boats without disturbing the inhabitants of the coastlines.

Complaints should be addressed to Lloyd Webb, Herring Co-ordinator, Dept. of Oceans and Fisheries, 555 W. Hastings, Vancouver V6B 5B3, telephone 666-0207 or 363-3252. The season will probably be over by the time this paper comes out, but if we want to save ourselves from this invasion next year, now is the time to make your complaints known.

Summer Joy

P.S. Mr. Webb and his colleagues have told me that loud complaints in other areas about low-level flying during herring season have brought about changes, so our protests are worthwhile. They also said that it is illegal for the planes to fly below 500 feet in a rural, populated area and if planes are flying lower their serial numbers should be reported to the RCMP. And they also said that they are most anxious to hear any reports of sea lions, eagles etc. being killed by the fisherman, or of garbage being dumped overboard to wash up on beaches. So if you witnessed any of these please contact Mr. Webb.

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ENRICHMENT AFTERNOONS

Hornby Island Elementary School plan Arts Afternoons again this year. Last year's sessions were a positive and rewarding experience for all involved.

Tentatively, we are scheduling four sessions to begin after the Spring Break in April. If you are involved in the arts and would enjoy sharing your talent with a small group of students, please call Barb Webber or Tina Wai at 335-2125 for further information.

Sessions last year included puppet making, jewellery, felting, pottery, collage, quilting, weaving, silk screening, painting, dance ...

This year we would like to offer theatre arts and music as well.

Social Recreation for Children

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the COOKBOOK!

see FEASTING ON HORNBY in
this paper.

the preschool



Babysitters' Directory

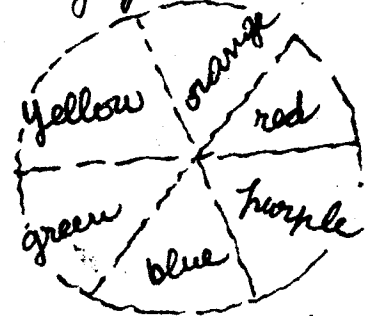
Any persons interested in listing themselves in a directory of Babysitters on Hornby Island, please contact Pat at 335-2704.

A course for anybody, painter or not, designer or not, decorator or not, men and women and children also.

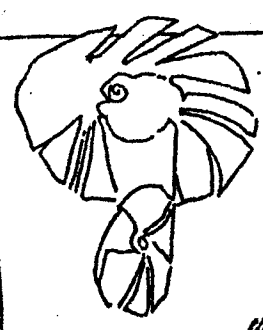
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ARTISTS & CRAFTS PEOPLE
THE HORNBY ARTISTS GALLERY AT FORD COVE WILL BE REOPENING AS USUAL THIS SUMMER ON THE MAY 24TH WEEKEND. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SELLING YOUR WORK THROUGH THE GALLERY PLEASE CONTACT KATHERINE (335-1313) BEFORE MAY 1, 1991.

YET MORE LETTERS

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This is a letter to some of the parents of the children at H.I. Elementary school. It is spring and a time of beginnings. In this vein I would like you to consider starting something with your family. Would you give some thought to encouraging your child to use the school bus or where practical riding their bicycle to school.

A few years ago a child arriving at school in a private car was an oddity. Now I see dozens of cars each day heading there, often with only one child as a passenger. North America's dependence on the automobile is not just an urban problem. I feel that we have the opportunity on the island to set a sound environmental, social and political example to our children. What better way for them to learn environmental responsibility when they realize by your example that a better world comes about by many little actions or sacrifices by many little people.

Helen Gerow.

Correspondence to the Ratepayers from Wayne Roberts.

It is with great concern for the health and public standing at the Ratepayer's organization that I share my thoughts with you. I have expressed my concerns to the fire officers and the previous board before bringing it here.

It is unfortunate that personalities must be involved and that personality is the factor that got us into this.

A man in our community publicly voiced his dissatisfaction with the people leading our community. (He even made cartoons of them). We all have a right to do this, and we see it is a common occurrence at all levels of government. There are laws to protect the innocent from injurious statements, and slander, libel.

One of our leaders, a respected voice on community affairs, the Fire Chief took offense and kicked the man in the chest, while sitting on a porch. At no point in time has the assailant, denied this happened. We as citizens have heard rumours, and some have enquired into both sides of the story. Some say it is a personal issue, some say a legal issue, some say a Fire Dept. issue, I am going so far as to say it is also a Ratepayers' issue. On the personal level, legal action is the only way to go. Otherwise the victim must say, 'I deserved it', and never speak of it again.)

Freedom of speech, and ensuring democracy is where the Fire Dept. and Ratepayers' comes in. When violent physical reaction to a political comment, reaction by a technical member of Ratepayers' executive no less, occurs without any follow-up

action or comment from the responsible committees, I think most people will assume the leaders are united in support of the violent reaction. Citizens will soon be afraid to voice their opposition and criticism.

I feel that the behaviour displayed is contrary to the basic motivation of a firefighter, a high regard for human life and well-being, that makes us go out of our way to protect the guy on the street from physical harm, regardless of the race, sexual and political orientation, or financial status. There must be no doubt in the community's mind that the Fire Chief leads with this in mind. We hire him to be on call 24 hours a day, and must not be choosing who is worthy of assistance.

And what about democracy in the Fire Dept.? We leave it to them to be the whole fire committee. The fire fighter trusts his life to the good judgement and cool-headedness of the officers and chief.

A firefighter is going to be thinking twice and then not even mentioning any alternatives, criticism or opposition, for fear of his life. I have been forced to quit the department for this very reason.

The guy bleeding on the street, or his house afire, better hope he has never spoken against our government.

The Fire Dept. now has 4 high school students carrying pagers and being exposed to the workings of our system. What are we teaching them?

Some people will say that I am causing damage and hard feelings in our community by confronting you with this issue. By not bringing this into the open I believe more harm will be done, people will get a feeling about our government, but never speak of it, and they won't participate. This is the real damage.

At this time, Ratepayers' is looking for credibility in the community, and the community is demanding more accountability from its leaders.

— In the bureaucratic and business world, similar occurrences are usually resolved behind closed doors, ending with a quiet resignation, and minimum fuss and embarrassment. Here in B.C. it's different, we have Hornby Ratepayers and Bill Vanderzalm. Very bold of you all.

Ratepayers' cannot expell anyone until convicted of a crime that is pre-judicial to the good standing of the organization. Why wait to be embarrassed? We can ask someone to reconsider their position.

I am very sorry to bring this up in front of you all, but I have a right to speak, and you can beat me up, burn me out, and even ostracize me.

By the way you have left the fire dept. standing in a very lonely place, to decide on this issue, and I shouldn't blame them for not speaking up. I am embarrassed to have to point all this out to you.

Now, I leave you to proceed with participating in our local democratic process as you see fit.

Ex-Firefighter
Ex-Ratepayer
Wayne Roberts.



FEASTING ON HORNBY

The Preschool is currently compiling a new Hornby Island cookbook to be sold over the next few years as an ongoing fundraiser. The hope is to make it a unique sort of cookbook, something reflecting the character of the Island, a Hornby treasure people will want to purchase for themselves or for gifts, and that would also appeal to the tourist market. We hope the book will celebrate the preparing, cooking, eating and sharing of food on Hornby, and we think this spirit is conveyed in the book's title Feasting on Hornby.

So, of course, we need your best recipes and menus, and we hope to personalise the book by including your anecdotes about the origins or personal information relating to the recipes you're submitting, your most memorable cooking and eating experiences on Hornby, educational or historical information about your recipes, or perhaps even a paragraph about your worst cooking/eating disaster. We would be grateful for up to three of your favourite recipes or menus, hopefully accompanied by an anecdotal paragraph or two. Be sure to clearly state ingredients and instructions so your recipe won't turn into someone else's worst cooking disaster! (The Preschool will own rights to all recipes published.) Be sure to sign your recipes so we know whose are whose.

Some categories we hope to include are:

- your favourite portable picnic
 - your favourite cook-at-the-beach menu
 - your favourite dishes to take to Hornby's famous potluck dinners
 - your kids' favourite dishes or meals
 - recipes your kids can cook themselves
 - baby and toddler foods
 - very best breads and baked goods, yummiest treats and deserts
 - party foods, birthday cakes and treats.
 - snack foods, dips etc.
 - your favourite sandwiches and brown bag lunches
 - your favourite breakfasts
 - recipes for quick, wholesome meals
 - jams, pickles and other canning delights
 - good-tasting "good-for-you" recipes
 - recipes focussing on locally grown foods, or local seasonal indigenous foods (eg. nettles, mint, apples, blackberries, kale etc.)
 - salads (particularly seasonal ones), dressings, appetisers
- or any other categories you can think of

The book will include food or recipe related drawings by adults and kids, and we plan to have a few potluck lunch group sessions for drawing in the near future. However, do feel free to submit clear black-and-white line drawings (on white paper) along with your recipes if you wish.

We hope you'll get into the spirit of Feasting on Hornby and enjoy submitting some menus and recipes. There is a drop-off box at the Co-op near the post office, or Nel will be happy to pick your recipes up if you give her a call at 335-1294.

Best wishes from the CRC (Cookbook Committee)

Summer Joy
Nel Snijders

Elyse Buchbinder
Isabelle Dehaumont

NEWS FROM THE CAFÉ-CLUB

CLAIR, DIANE & KATHERINE
APOLOGIZE TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE CAFÉ-CLUB AS WE WILL
BE UNABLE TO REOPEN UNTIL
MAY. WE ARE IMPROVING OUR
KITCHEN, REORGANIZING THE
CAFÉ AND DREAMING UP NEW
MENUS FOR THE SUMMER.
LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING
YOU ALL AGAIN! ♥♥♥

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FORESTS AND WOODLANDS

In 1918 the Commission of Conservation Canada printed a 400 page report on the Forests of British Columbia. Distribution of species were mapped for each drainage basin. Problems were examined: soil erosion, land tenure, forest policy, protection of understorey trees for later harvest, and allowance for wild lands. Extensive road building was judged to be damaging and not cost effective. Clear cut logging was considered only in diseased stands. It was already observed that after burning "the re-production is of a less desirable type than the original forest." As for the marketing of timber, "in 1891 a law was passed requiring all timber cut from landheld on leases, licenses or hand loggers' licenses to be manufactured in the province."

In 1991 it is the bones of the original forest that we inherit. The few pockets of old growth must be protected, as natural laboratories, in which the complexity of West Coast Rainforest continues to regenerate.

THE CHALLENGE? To manage what remains in an intelligent manner.

Many of the provinces small-scale woodland operations are located in second growth timber where the stands are still capable of significant increases in growth and value. The common objective through all selection cuts is to leave a reasonably spaced, thrifty stand in good growing condition.

In order that Hornby woodlands are managed intelligibly it is extremely important that we develop a plan from within the community. There are many good examples of positive small-scale forestry management that we can learn from. Sweden, for example, where woodlands are protected for their precious renewable potential, is moving in the right direction. And the Swedish magazine, "Small Scale Forestry" is full of useful information and equipment ideas applicable to small-scale operation

The following are just a few of our thoughts on the principle of small-scale forestry management. It is hoped these thoughts will help to stimulate an island-wide discussion that will eventually lead to the adoption of a long-term community plan for our woodlands.

The first principle of proper forestry management is the establishment of a recognized protective boundary. The boundary shouldn't be physically obtrusive. Something as simple as the posting of signs around the perimeter is all that is needed.

Within this area a detailed survey must be undertaken to establish such things as tree types, densities within the stand, inherent disease, wild-life habitat, and the potential for regeneration. Upon completion of a thorough survey, 5 year, ten year, and 20 year plans are appropriate.

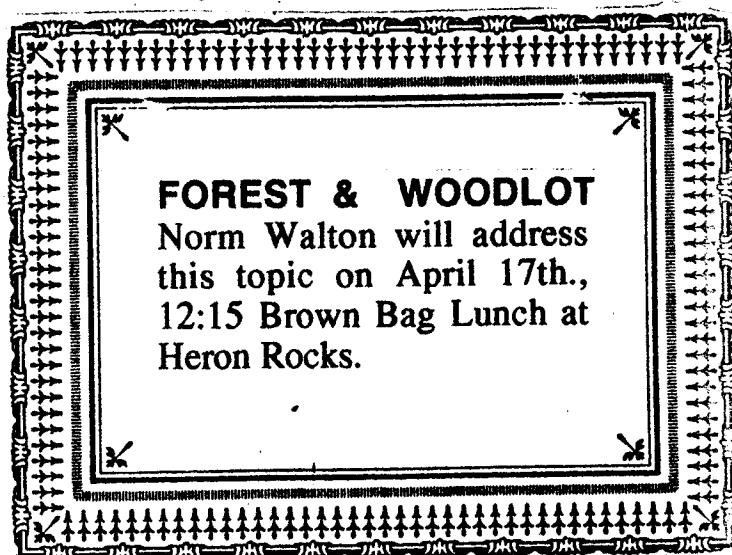
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A carefully planned access network is integral to any plan. This access network should reflect the various sectors of the woodland, serving to define the areas where certain forms of management practices are taking place.

The above are just a few of our thoughts while we pine our way through the concrete jungle we like to call Blurville. A few hundred years ago, in a life long past, we had similar thoughts for Southern Ontario. We spoke of the need for green belts, a bird sanctuary, and the preservation of the Big Tree. We got the Don-Valley parkway, the Sky Dome, and the CN Tower.

Think about those woodlands, lest they give way to the Denman Island expressway!

Andy Wheatley, Raje Harwood
Toronto, Ontario



Nature's Reforestation

Hurricanes are usually perceived only as destructive, but Hurricane Hugo set the stage for some surprising reincarnations. Much of the dense canopy in the Caribbean National Forest in Puerto Rico perished in the storm last September, exposing the forest floor to sunlight for the first time in decades.

"As a result," says Aerial Lugo, director of the U. S. Forest Service's Institute of Tropical Forestry, "plants and trees we haven't seen for years are suddenly shooting up. Seeds of plants and trees that need the sun have germinated and are growing. Thanks to the hurricane, we are seeing a far richer diversity of (plant) species." Ten species of rare trees and plants that had vanished from the forest during the past 40 years have returned in Hugo's wake. The forest, the only national forest in Puerto Rico, is home to 253 native tree species, 23 that grow nowhere else in the world. Although the 28,000 acres have been the subject of serious study by the institute staff for more than half a century, the most dramatic lesson may have been learned in the aftermath of the hurricane.

Although 15 percent of the trees in the forest have been lost, said Lugo, "There is nothing for us to reforest. Nature has taken over. The forest is already replanting itself, doing a far better job than we could." (*Austin American-Statesman*, June 30, 1990). — BJ

House Plants Filter Indoor Air Pollutants

NASA scientists have recently identified a number of house plants that will reduce indoor air pollutants such as formaldehyde, benzene, and trichloroethylene.

Formaldehyde, released by numerous household products including carpets, permanent press fabrics, and foam insulation, can be filtered by Philodendron (*Philodendron* spp.), Spider Plant (*Chlorophytum comosum*), Golden Pothos (*Epipremnum aureum*), Bamboo Palm (*Rhapis excelsa*), Corn Plant (*Dracaena fragrans* cv. 'Massangeana'), Chrysanthemum (*Chrysanthemum* spp.), and Mother-in-Law's Tongue (*Dieffenbachia*).

Benzenes, released from gasoline, oils, plastics, detergents, and the like, and trichloroethylenes, commonly used in dry cleaning, inks, paints, and adhesives, can be controlled in the home or office environment with English Ivy (*Hedera helix*), Chrysanthemums (*Chrysanthemum* spp.), and several other plants (*USA Today*, July 5, 1990). — SF

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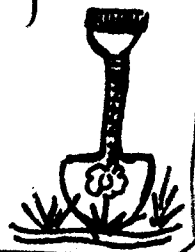
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NEW HORIZONS

Begorra, Bejabers and Bedad! 'tis said there are two types of people - the Irish and those who wish they were.

Be that as it may, the eve before St. Patrick's Day leprechauns with strange Irish names congregated at the Hilary Brown Lounge to "wet the shamrock" and indulge in other Hibernian hi-jinks.

Green cuisine was very much in evidence, especially the luscious deserts bedecked with the traditional trefoil. The Social Committee outdid themselves in theme and decor ... green, Green, GREEN!

John O'Walls regaled the company with very funny anecdotes with a variation on Murphy's Law which went something like this ... sorry, you had to have been there.

The Celtic Band, playing the lilting music of the Emerald Isle, enhanced a very pleasant evening.

The revellers were last seen dancing a toe-tapping jig while still firmly seated on the floor.

Faith! and don't we know how to squeeze the juice out of that Great Lemon called Life ...!

FILMS: "The Great Blue Heron" and "River People" were the National Film Board movies shown in March. Nineteen viewers came to enjoy them, an encouraging increase in interested people. These movies are educational and entertaining and a catalogue is kept at New Horizons. Torben will be pleased to order any movie in the catalogue on request.

Next movie night is April 21st. at 7 p.m.. "The Hecklers" and "First Harvest" will be shown. The first is political and the second about a village in North Pakistan. For further information phone Torben. 335-1229.

SUMMER CRAFT FAIR: The Gallery will be open seven days a week this year, starting Monday, June 24th., until September 1st, - hours 1 - 5 p.m. Velda Hoggan will answer any queries from artists and craftspersons. 335-1272.

THE FABRICATORS: Nine members of the "Fabricators" attended a Tea at the Woolgatherers Show in Royston. Various Guilds from North Island were represented to exchange information and ideas on the craft of dyeing, spinning and weaving. The increase in membership has resulted in another class being held on Mondays, 10 - 4 p.m.

Bevan has been raiding the Recycling Depot for loom parts. Ken is his accomplice. Between them they will build a new loom which will be used for another recycling project - rag rugs. The materials for these are being salvaged from the depot too.

The "Fabricators" are planning to make a large blanket for the Craft Fair this summer and three young ladies from Hornby School are learning to spin, dye and weave their own doll blankets.

SENIORS LOTTERY: Tickets for the Seniors Lottery will be in the mail soon. Don't forget to send them through the New Horizons Society. Call Ken Loven at 335-2662.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES HELD AT NEW HORIZONS.

Monday

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Fitness classes
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fabricators

Tuesday

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fabricators
7 p.m. Bridge

Wednesday

1 - 4 p.m. Crafts

Thursday

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Fitness classes
1:30 p.m. Cribbage

Friday

3rd Friday each month
3 p.m. Happy Hour

Sunday

3rd Sunday each month
7 p.m. National Film Board Night.

Vancouver Island Regional Library

Thursday 1 - 4 p.m. & 5 - 7 p.m.
Saturday 1 - 4 p.m.

The next General Meeting will be held at 10 a.m., April 2nd., 1991.

Compiled for the New Horizons Society by B. Roberta Lavis.

RECYCLING NEWS

We would like to thank Lloyd House for his services as manager of the Hornby Recycling Depot for the last six months. Lloyd has been consistently dedicated to accomplishing many physical changes in our depot. Lots of behind the scene research and experimentation has taken place on Lloyd's part, in order that these changes could be realized. We are looking forward to his continued participation in recycling at the committee level.

No final decision has been made as to our next incinerator. We are awaiting further communications with the Regional District. The issue of the incinerator is both an important capital improvement and policy decision. The committee is moving with all due care.

The committee is pleased to welcome Graham Herbert and Bob George, two new members who joined the committee recently. As it now stands, the membership consists of: Tim Biggins (chairman), Judith Lawrence (vice-chairman), Rick Graham (treasurer), Michael McNamara (secretary), Clair Cronia, Terry Slater, Bob Phillips, Bob, and Graham.

A sub committee has been struck to deal with the task of long term planning. David Work has been asked to contribute to this effort. This committee should provide an atmosphere through which we can all work together towards arriving at solutions to our recycling and waste management problems, thus providing a rational approach toward attaining the community's long term objectives.

Many thanks to the six students from Pearson College who volunteered over one hundred hours labour at the depot during the week of March 4th.

The Recycling Committee

I'm missing the foam pad from my portable massage table - I loaned it to someone and can't remember who it was!

It is green corduroy on one side and pink cotton on the other, with a free hole cut into it, and velcro straps to hold it together when it's rolled up.

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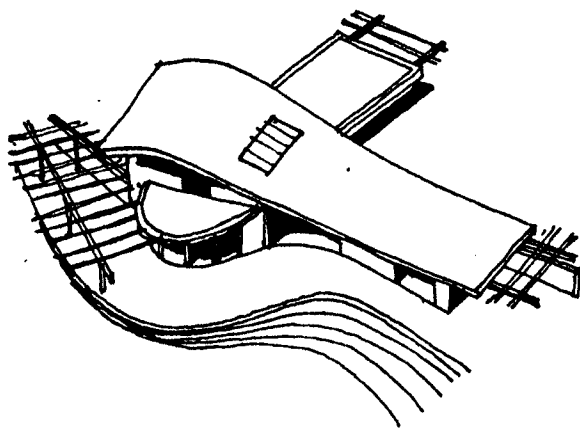
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INFORMAL DEMOCRACY ENDORSED BY ISLANDERS

by Janet LeBlanco

Hornby Community Hall, March 13, 1991-

More than sixty members of the Hornby Island Ratepayers Association gave the recently elected executive a resounding vote of confidence to effectively turn aside a challenge to the legality of the February 13th Annual General election procedure. Complainant David Work, in a letter to the ratepayer's executive, pointed out that the elections had been held without due attention to assure that only eligible voters received ballots. President Tom Knott countered this with saying that the elections had been conducted in the "traditional island way." Long-time Hornby Island resident Hilary Brown defended the "informal democracy that has existed and worked on this island for years." The vote of confidence passed with a large majority.

The meeting continued with environmental and waste management issues at the forefront of discussion. A hushed audience listened as John Fletcher, Island trustee, reported alarming statistics on environmental damage and continuing pollution in the Straits of Georgia. He attended the recent "Save the Straits" conference in Nanaimo where he heard experts give evidence of the environmental pollution that is wide spread throughout the Straits. Fletcher gave an impassioned plea for citizens to inform themselves stating, "Somebody has to do something."

Recycling committee chairman Tim Biggins noted that well water testing is being done under the auspices of the committee in attempts to assure that landfill practises are not contributing to ground water pollution. Recent tests verified safe water; results are pending on water samples taken from a test area directly beneath the previous landfill site and from a Galleon Beach well nearest to the depot.

Island representation at the regional district level of government was recently discussed by Hornby and Denman trustees. In response to a request by John Fletcher to have a stronger island voice at the regional district level, the members voted in favor of petitioning for an electoral boundary revision which would result in the islands of Hornby and Denman having a representative on the Comox-Strathcona Regional District.

And, there was more ... in summary form,

- the auditor recommends that all financial accounting for ratepayer committees be administered by one accounting person.
- David Work was requested to sit on a Recycling Subcommittee which will have an advisory mandate.
- The executive of ratepayers will be involved with all committees to determine effectiveness, structure, mandate and membership of these committees.

A major clean up has been done at the recycling depot with assistance from the students of Pearson College.

- A local resident's well tested positive for unsafe amounts of aluminum. Well owners were encouraged to do regular water testing.
 - The venting system in the hall will be upgraded.
 - Ferry traffic on Denman Island still a bone of contention - possible solutions discussed included one way routes for ferry traffic on Denman. Also, ferry traffic congestion and delays are a concern to commuters - what about prepaid passes? Lower rates for cars that are fully occupied with passengers (ie) environmentally responsible commuting?
 - Planning is underway to convert the ten acre crown land parcel adjacent to the R.C.M.P. office into a community center/park complex. Bill Yeomans anticipates preliminary drawings to be available for perusal by ratepayers by the regular May meeting.
 - A motion for the forming of a Fire Department standing committee was tabled pending on executive review of the recent resignation of volunteer firefighter Wayne Roberts.
 - Regional District Bylaw Revisions will be on agenda item for the next meeting of ratepayers.
 - A committee member is being sought to serve on the clinic committee. In response to questions, Doris Savoie reported that the R.C.M.P. is conducting an investigation into the recent clinic break-ins; further she stated that the committee is looking at the whole issue of security.
 - By 1995 regional districts must have waste management plans in place; by the year 2000 the amount of garbage relegated to landfill sites province-wide must be cut in half.
 - Pollution has resulted in oyster beds on Cortez Island being closed and prawn harvesting on Quadra Island being banned.
 - "1,800,000 gallons of discharge effluent is dumped into Georgia Strait every day." John Fletcher.
- On the lighter side of Ratepayers ...
- A thin person is needed to do under-floor insulating at Hornby Hall.
 - Definition of overnight camping: A Hornby-ite sacked out in a bag on the beach. Definition of overnight camping irritable to the law: A Hornby-ite sacked out on the beach in front of a blazing fire after having parked his/her Volvo/VW Van in the parking lot.
 - Ernst is the possum president by acclamation.
 - The role of fire fighters in citizen's bedrooms will be discussed at the next meeting.

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We need various things to make it an interesting place for the teens to spend time.

We have a wishlist of what we would like to see in a teen place, such as:

ping-pong table
juz-ball game
sterio system or ghetto blaster
board games and decks of cards
T.V. and video
air hockey table
fridge
popcornmaker
card tables
glasses and cups
cushions
coffeemaker
books - fiction and non-fiction
pertaining to teens

If you have any of these items that you would like to donate or purchase for the centre, we could get this place started soon. We would also need people to volunteer for supervision on the Friday night.

If you can help out with any of the above, please contact:

Mette; 335-2941
Nora, 335-2490
Terry, 335-0743
Cassandra, 335-2231

Botanical Believe It, or Else! - Marshmallows

Like some other popular foods (e.g., Coca Cola) marshmallows originated in a pharmacy. Marshmallows were made from the roots of the marshmallow plant (*Althaea officinalis* from the Greek "althaea," to heal), which contain a high level of a mucilaginous liquid, long favored by herbalists for its demulcent properties (soothing to skin and mucous membranes). Nineteenth century pharmacists and physicians used to cook the root juice with egg whites and sugar, whipping the mixture into a foamy meringue which, upon hardening, created "marshmallows." The soft, sugary confections were used to help patients, especially children, swallow bitter-tasting medicines (*This Week*, July 25, 1990).


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The following are this year's arrangement categories:

- TURF & SURF (combination of seashore & garden)
- ALMOST BUT NOT QUITE DEAD (plant material only)
- BOOK TITLES :illustrate the title of a book (label it please)
- ROADSIDE RAMBLE (wild arrangements)
- ROSE BOWL (roses to be viewed from all sides)
- SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL (miniature arrangements)
- SCENT SATIONAL (scented flowers)
- MONOCHROME (single colour of your choice)

Children's categories are as follows:


- BEST LIVE INSECT COLLECTION
- LARGEST SLUG
- SPROUTED SEED GARDEN
- FLOWER ARRANGEMENT
- TREE SEEDLING IN A POT
- MINIATURE GARDEN

(All the children's categories are divided into the following age groups: Preschool, 7-10 and 11-14. There will be CASH prizes for First, Second, Third and participation.)

This year we would like to have an early garden vegetable display, so if you have some vegetables that you are proud of please bring them. We would also like to decorate the Hall so if you have any interesting garden statues bring them along.

The goal, as always is to fill the hall with flowers, so ANYTHING that you bring will be greatly appreciated. Proceeds from this year's flower show will go to He on Rocks Friendship Centre.

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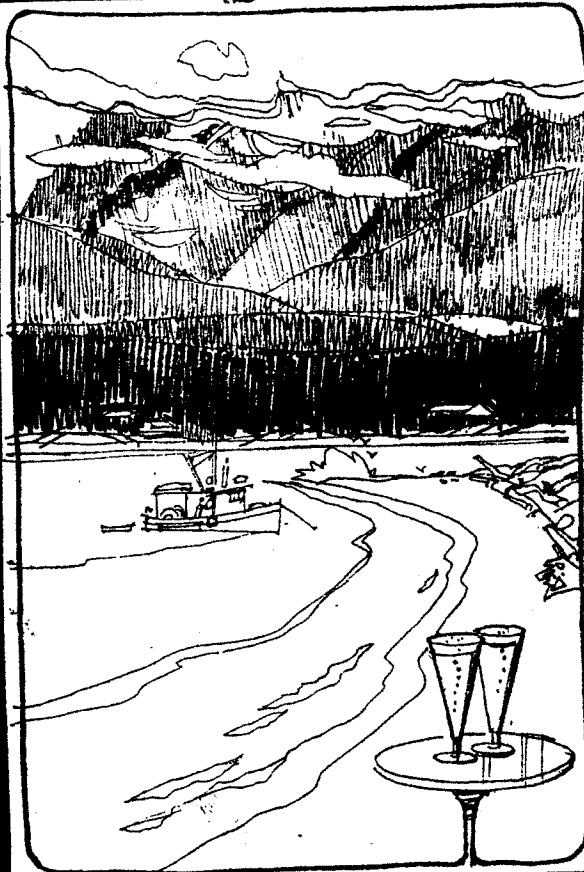
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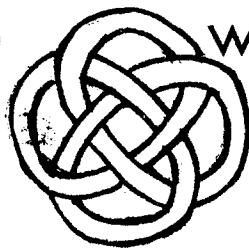
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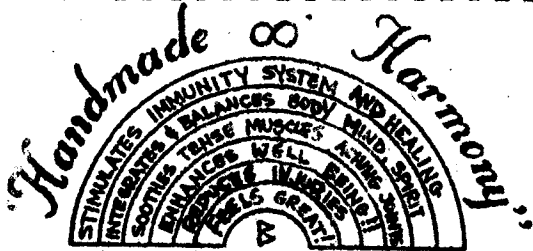
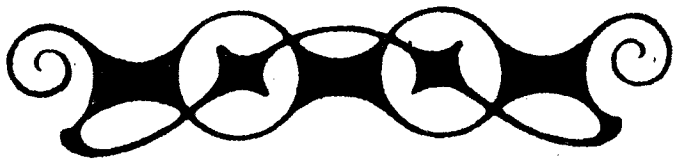
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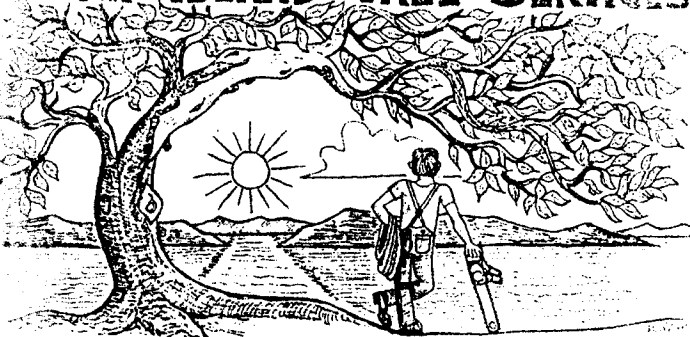
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MAY 9.10.11

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The program, at this early time, will include:
Thursday, May 9:
Pat O'Gorman (Rare Air), Peter Huron, and female vocalist.

Friday, May 10:
Carole's Double Bill (Carole Chambers, Billy Little, Bill Smith) + guest Jim Monroe.

Saturday, May 11:
Laurie Anderson in "Home of the Brave" performance film + the Bulgarian Singers of Hornby Island.

The final program will appear in the next issue of the First Edition.

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Thoebe 335-0791

Mr. Nixon has phlebitis,
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He is sorry for being a bad guy.
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President Ford will make it all better,
Color him Doctor.

Mr. Trudeau's wife is ill,
Color her nervous.

The Russian hockey team defeated Team Canada.
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Team Canada can be filled in with green black and blue.
The Turkeys are gobbling up Cyprus,
Color them hungry.

Now color your own picture as a remedy to these problems,
Or, if your artistic ability is limited,
Say a prayer.

Chapter 2 - Black and White -
February 1991

Vander Zalm has schizophrenia,
Saddan Hussein has egomania
President Bush has war againia
They're driving the rest of us insania.

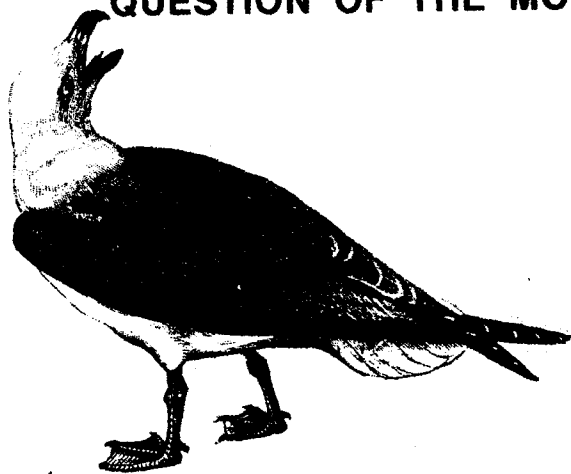
Mulrooney hopes that Spicer is nicer,
And that all of us will think twice'er
At least keep well occupied,
Conjuring up some Canadian pride.

By comparison, 74
Seems like a walk through a candy store.
Is it that we just hear more,
Or that we'll never learn?

For those of you who've been praying,
Don't take me wrong, what I'm saying,
But, wherever your words are bound,
Do you really think anyone's around?

Janet LeBlancq

QUESTION OF THE MONTH



Where do all these seagulls spend the night?

GARBAGE FORUM

Response to the First Edition's Garbage Forum was minimal. Two people submitted suggestions. What does this mean? We shall extend the deadline to April 15th. and see.....

