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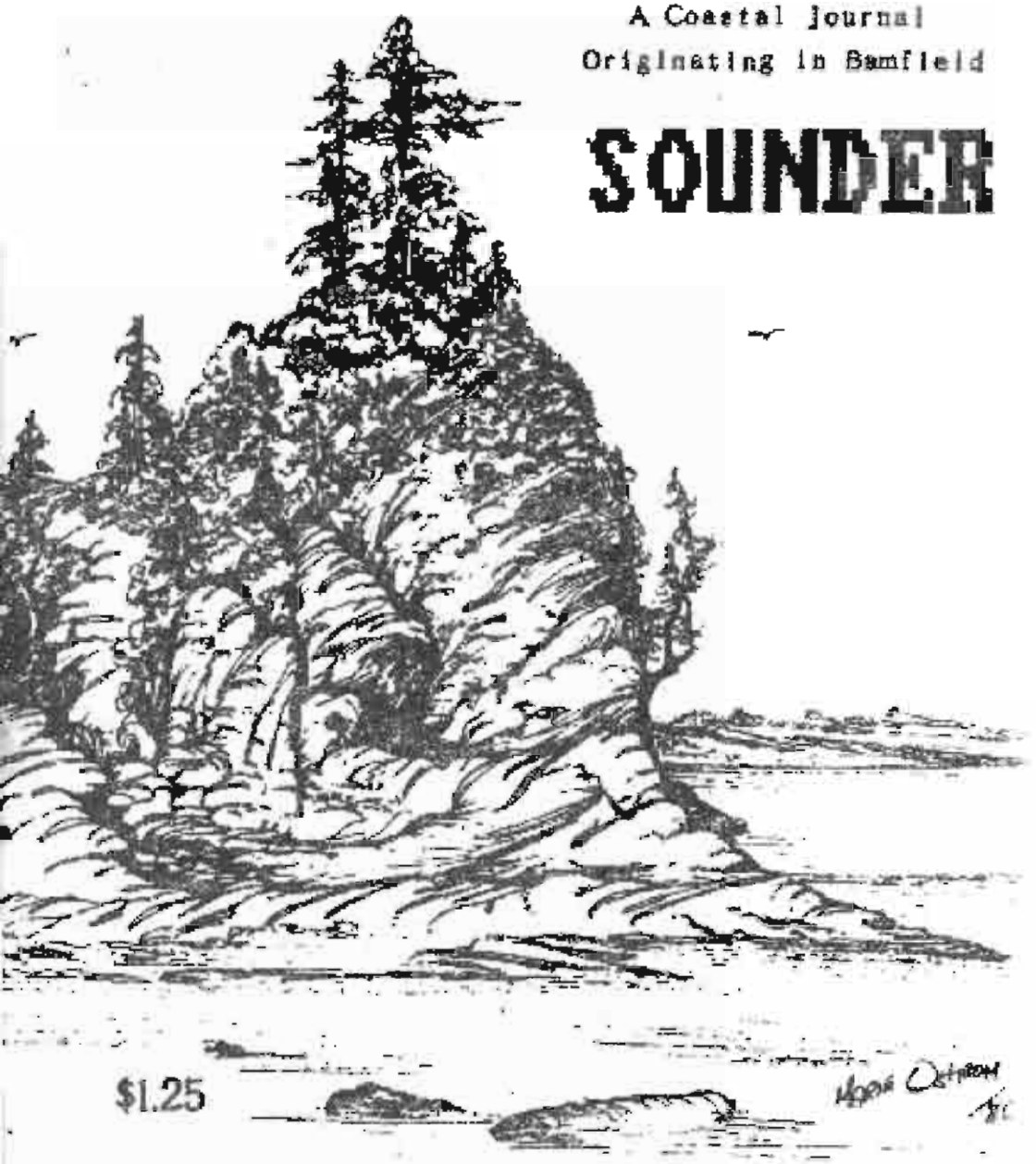

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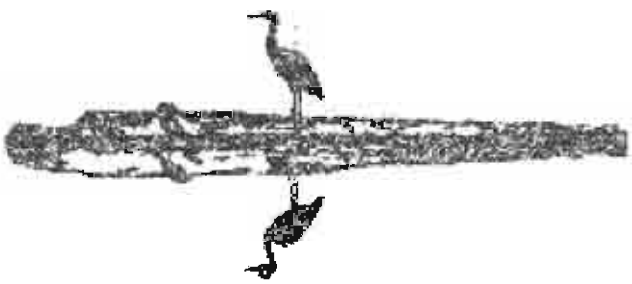

REGIONAL BOARD
by
Al Benton

As liquor licensing in Bamfield has once again become a major item of discussion, I intend to devote this month's column to the subject.

At the Regional Board meeting on February 26th, I moved Second and Third Reading to Ket's Holdings application to rezone the Bamfield Trails Motel from C6 (Tourist Commercial) to C2 (General Commercial) zoning. The reason given for this application is that it will enable the owners to establish a Hairdressing Salon, and (if they are able to secure the support of 60% of the residents of Bamfield) a Marine Pub. Mrs. Pat Garcia and some other residents expressed strong opposition to the concept of a pub at the Motel, which they had every right to do, as did the residents who expressed support. However, just because Ket's Holdings receives their rezoning it does not necessarily follow that they will receive a license to operate a Pub. This will just help to facilitate the conduct of a survey of the opinions of the residents of Bamfield as to whether or not they want a Pub in Bamfield.

The subject of liquor licensing is one which has festered here for many years. In 1981, when I applied for a license for the restaurant I then operated, Mrs. Garcia spearheaded a move to have a referendum on the topic, even though it was not called for by the Liquor Control and Licensing Act. Now she vehemently opposes giving Bamfield residents the opportunity to voice their opinions. Could it be that Mrs. Garcia only favours the democratic process when she is certain that the results will agree with her own prejudices? Surely not!

There have been a number of red herrings thrown out in an attmept to confuse the major issue on a survey of the residents. First, it has been stated that it is unfair to survey all residents of Bamfield rather than just those in the immediate vicinity of the proposed Pub. The standard procedure of the Liquor Board is to require a survey of all residents within a half mile radius of the proposed facility. This would mean an area which would include the Marine Station, the Coast Guard Station, Burlo Island, and Zena Robertson's home in Grappler. The only other people who will be included in a survey of the entire community would be four families on the Brady's Beach Trail, the residents

of South Bamfield, and two families in Grappler. Perhaps someone can give me a logical explanation why their opinions should not count.

The second objection which I have heard to a survey is the fact that renters and short term residents of the community will be counted in. I think it is time that we all realized that the day when a person wasn't considered a resident of Bamfield until he or she had been here for twenty years is long gone. Certainly, there are some irresponsible renters in Bamfield, but there are also some rather irresponsible property owners. I feel that the opinions of tenants as to what shold happen in Bamfield have a lot more validity than those of an absentee property owner who has likely spent 12 months of the last ten years resident in the village.

Finally I shall return to the question of the Public Hearing on February 24th and my subsequent actions at the February 26th Regional Board meeting. The first point I would like to make is that the Municipal Act contains no indications that the proximity of a neighbor to a proposed development gives their opinion any greater weight than that of any other person. This particular question formed the basis for an enquiry for a legal opinion from the Regional District's solicitor. She was quite definite that all opinions given at a public hearing must be given equal consideration. The opinions stated at the Public Hearing were quite evenly balanced, and in my opinion the necessity of allowing the democratic process to take place swung the balance in favour of approving the rezoning. I do sympathize with Mrs. Garcia and the Tennants in their concern over the proposed Pub, but I think that almost anyone in Bamfield who was faced with the prospect of having a Pub next door to them would be quite apprehensive. I can only suggest that those of you who feel strongly about the issue make your opinions known to your neighbours in the hope that they will support your point of view. Whatever happens, let us not muzzle the voice of the people.

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THE MASTHEAD

by

Jeanne Ferris, Co-editor

This is the month that comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb, when Saint Patrick puts elves and leprechauns under the crocuses and gardeners pack seaweed mulch around their strawberries.

And speaking of gardeners, this is the last month that Bernadette Wyton will be doing a regular Bamfield Gardener column for us. Bernie has been writing about her garden of delights for three years, and is ready for a change. Her column has taught me a lot about gardening, and I know I'm going to miss her fresh and helpful ideas. We're hoping that she will continue to write for the Scuttler, on whatever new interests come along. Thank you for all you've written, Bernie. We'll miss you!

Our cover artist for March is someone whose work all of us know and appreciate, Marie Ostrom. Her original pen and ink drawing of Brady's Beach, the very one you see copied on our

cover, is available to the astute collector at Kamakea Store, where many of Marie's other drawings and notecards are also on sale. Thank you, Marie. Brooks and Alex, two of Marie's children, have contributed the St. Patrick's Day elves which pop up in this month's issue. Thanks, kids!

We've included the Public Hearing about Tom Christian's application for C-2 zoning in East Burnfield, and letters submitted as well. Pro or con, we feel that the arguments on public issues like this one should be made available to the whole community. After all, the Barkley Sounder is a public forum, and you're welcome to use it as such.

While we were off on a short visit to my family in the U.S., I picked up some interesting trivia. Riding on ferries and in airplanes, you often receive useful, unsolicited information, which goes in one ear and out the other. This trip, I determined to write down all the new, fascinating stuff--keep it between the ears. Here is what I learned, which may be more than you wanted to know.

--Large raindrops fall at 18 miles per hour; small raindrops fall at 5 miles per hour.

--The B.C. ferry uses 6,650 gallons of diesel fuel per day. The ferries are now owned by Xerox (does this mean the person across from me was a photocopy?) They have new little styrofoam cups with EXPO designs and about one-third less capacity.

--When you're poaching eggs in simmering water, add about 4 tablespoons of vinegar to each quart of water. The whites will stay firmly around the yolk.

--The 727 flies at 37,000 feet and is only half full on Tuesdays in February.

--Remember those little floor buttons you push to get water from the sinks in public washrooms? In the Chicago airport, they're gone. You stand in front of the faucet, no taps, no one around, wondering what to do, and suddenly the water begins to flow. Big brother is watching.

--To get straight carrots, first poke the soil down about eight inches with the shovel handle, fill the hole loosely with soil, and then plant the seed.

--Photographers outnumber hunters two to one in Wisconsin.

--Oscar Meyers produces 38,000 wieners an hour.

And finally, should pineapple be served with the skin on or off? My friend Kay, whose hobbies are reading and tap dancing, missed this one on the famous Michael Feldman radio show. Answer next month.

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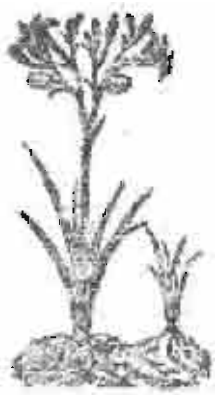


Many thanks to all who gave their kind words of sympathy and encouragement at the loss of my dear husband, Mac.

Special thanks to Ted Austin, our Red Cross Nurse, Sheila Chambers, the crew of the Bamfield Coast Guard and the folks at Coastal Missions, Chemainus.

Sincerely,

Zena Robertson and family

The Canadian Red Cross Society

British Columbia Yukon Division

from

Sheila Chambers, R.N.

Mind herbal teas

If you've decided to cut down on caffeine, good for you. Caffeine is a powerful drug, a stimulant, found in coffee, black and green tees, chocolate and cola soft drinks. Dropping your intake will help you feel more relaxed.

But if you think replacing your daily coffee fixes with cup after cup of herbal teas will render you safe from harm, you are wrong. Plants provide poisons as well as food, and some of the herbs (plants) in caffeine-free teas may have undesirable, even dangerous, effects.

Here are some herbs to be wary of:

Sassafrass contains a substance called "safrole" which damages the liver and causes cancer in animals.

Camomile may cause severe reactions in anyone allergic to ragweed, aster or other related plants.

Nutmeg is hallucinogenic. High doses can cause liver damage and death.

Two ingredients in **Pokeroot**, saponins and mitogens, cause inflammation of the stomach and intestines, as well as blood abnormalities.

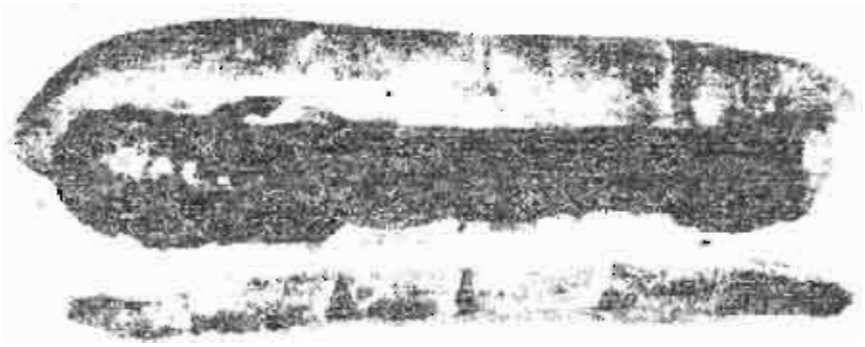
Hockthorn bark and **senna leaves** may cause diarrhea.

Juniper berries can also cause intestinal problems.

In some teas, the combination of herbs may increase their individual toxic effects. Certain herbs may also influence the action of various medications, increasing or decreasing their effectiveness.

Always read the label. Don't buy herbal teas if the ingredients aren't listed. Drink herbal teas freshly brewed and try a new tea weak at first, to test for effects.

Hotdogs can choke children



About as many children under the age of four die each year from choking on ordinary food as from poisoning. The popular hotdog is the greatest hazard.

Pieces of wiener, candies, nuts and grapes are the worst culprits. Because they are small, round, firm and slippery, they are perfect plugs for a toddler's tiny throat.

Children between the ages of one and three run the greatest risk of inhaling food items. In the 12 to 24 month group, even cookies, crackers, beans and macaroni can be dangerous.

Most toddlers have well-developed incisor teeth and can bite off pieces of wiener, but they haven't yet grown molars to properly chew the meat. Unchewed hotdog or grapes can be easily inhaled, lodge in the airway and cause death by asphyxiation. Smaller hard foods such as candies or nuts can pass into the lungs or cause reflex action in the throat that can also be fatal.

(From an article in the B.C. Medical Association "Head To Toe")

SCHOOL REPORT
by
Rod Burke

Schoolwise February was a very quiet month in comparison to the hustle of January. A number of dismal wet days meant lots of time was spent confined indoors but then the ever lengthening hours of daylight is some compensation for that.

Two students left the school this month. Candy and Sandy Canaday left for Quesnel and we wish them the best in their new school. Valentine's Day passed as usual on Feb. 14th, and Melinda the witch made another surprise visit depositing very tasty cookies for all under the big stump in the playground. We all hope Melinda made it home safely. Thanks Melinda!! That was followed by a dance in the activity room. The energy of young bodies!

On Feb. 25th B.C. Hydro presented us with a very informative and interesting display on electrical safety and equipment. The reinforcement of the do's and don'ts of electricity was very worthwhile and enjoyable.

BARKLEY SOUND TRIANGULATION POINT

by

R. Bruce Scott

Many years ago, the late Peter Michelson, owner of Lots 14, 15 and 16 on Aguilar Point, told me that when the Barkley Sound area was being surveyed, a survey post was placed on top of a huge cedar stump on Lot 16. This was one of three triangulation points, the others being placed on high points in the surrounding mountains. All surveys of the area are tied in with these points.

After I purchased these lots from Peter, I saw the stump but did not climb it to see the survey post. I don't know if this stump has been removed in the recent clearing of the point, but if it has, I think the Surveyer General should be advised.

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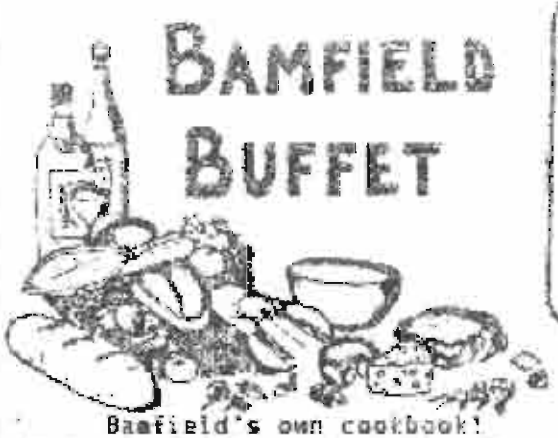

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P.A.T.
by
Judy Schmidt

The P.A.T. would like to thank David and Lorraine Hegstrom for donating a roll away cot to the school. The school had no first aid cot where sick children could lie down.

The Bottle Drive made $322.00. We would like to thank the community fr their support. We would also like to thank Overom's for letting us store the bottles there.

There will be a potluck supper and bake sale at the community hall on March 26th at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome.

The next P.A.T meeting will be held at the school on March 18th at 7:30 pm.

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The restaurant is named **The Tides and Trails Cafe.** It is managed by Marge Hobson. The Tides and Trails Cafe will be open seven (7) (that's right, seven) days a week from 9 am to 9 pm. They will feature a nightly supper special for only $6.95. The special will be served from 5 to 8 pm nightly. The menu, naturally, will vary, but the value is there, and the price is right. In addition, there is a home made soup and busquit lunch that will tempt the most jaded appetite. Try it!! You'll like it.
The telephone number, in case you want to call, is 728-3464.

The Pizza Emporium is named **Pizza by the Sea.** The variety is great, with thick or thin crusts, in both regular and whole wheat and up to 15 different toppings, not counting the cheese and tomato sauce. There is no delivery service. You have only to call ahead and your pizza will be waiting for you.

In addition to pizza, Pizza by the Sea will carry McKinnon's Ice Cream, available in cones, shakes and floats.

Pizza by the Sea is open Friday and Saturday, from 4 pm to 11 pm. Starting on June 1st, they will be open seven days a week from 4 pm to 11 pm. Give them a try.

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PAGES FROM THE PAST
by
R. Bruce Scott

Extracts from the Carmanah Point Lighthouse diaries. Entries made by lightkeeper W.P. Daykin, with reference to sealing.

April 9, 1898:
4 pm. A sealing canoe with spears lashed in her washed up on rocks near boathouse - smashed all to pieces.

April 10.
Schooner Minnie off here. Captain Jacobsen came ashore.

June 18.
A sealing schooner, Libb x, off here picking up crews.

March 5, 1899.
Noon. Captain Jacobsen arrived here by boat for an Indian crew having been unable to communicate by wire, the trouble being on this section. In consequence he had to make a trip of fifty miles in an open boat in one of the worst months of the year. Two men drowned at Gordon River, Port San Juan, belonging to sealing schooner Minnie.
5 pm. Captain Jacobsen returned to lighthouse and stayed all night.

March 6.
Noon. Queen City passed inbound. Signalled her to pick up Captain Jacobson's boat on the way down.

March 18.
San Juan reported that the bodies of the two men who drowned from the schooner Minnie had been found on the beach between San Juan and Gordon River.

March 22.
Two Indian sealers arrived here this morning early having lost their schooner (Bryan) three days ago in a fog off Quilliate and had been at sea ever since. Left here for San Juan today. Tried to report to Victoria all afternoon but unable to get them.

January 26, 1900.
Two sealing schooners off Bonilla Point picking up crews. (Teresa and Allie Alger).

July 5.
Schooners Teresa and Alger here shipping Indian crews.

July 9.
Schooner Ocean Belle picking up Indians off Clo-oose.

April 7, 1901.
Schooner Ida Ella picking up her Indian sealers. All drunk. Whispo (?) and Chipps Charlie stopped my boys on the beach last night. Either Johnny or old Jim brought the whiskey. Sent word to Logan (J.P.)

February 22, 1911.
Sealing schooner Mubrina (?) off here and Clo-oose all day picking up crew.

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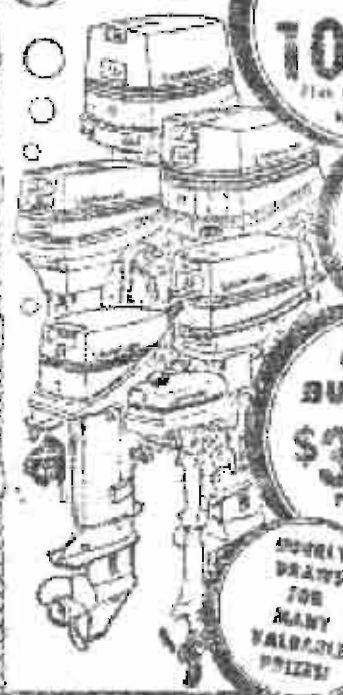

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EAST COAST ARTISTS

by

C. Lynes

"When an individual...is ready to meet the world with imagination and energy, things fall into place." Quote from Marilyn Ferguson, The Aquarian Conspiracy.

As a child, Parksville resident Mary Turner had busy fingers. Her mother believes that "the devil finds work for idle hands" and so the Moore children were taught to knit and crochet early in their lives.

Growing up in Nanaimo, Mary enjoyed excellent instruction in sewing from teachers at Harewood school and has always made clothes for herself and three children. Not satisfied, however, with simple sewing, Mary taught herself to smock and therein lies her art. She finds endless pleasure in decorating dresses, blouses, bonnets, rompers, nightgowns and aprons.

It has been said that necessity is the mother of invention and in Mary's case, after retirement, the necessity became finding a market for the products of her talent in needlework. And so in November of last year, she was persuaded to join her daughter living in Ottawa, in putting together a collection of crocheted and smocked items for sale at a Christmas Craft fair in the nation's capital. It was awesome, it was fun, it was profitable; in short it was inspiring and Mary has now joined the growing number of cottage industrialists who fulfill both creative and financial needs by working at home.

"The products from a household economy represent more tangible national wealth than all market economy structures and inventories. Working in the household economy can provide rich benefits in terms of human environment..." WILLIS HARMON

Both Mary and her husband, a former computer systems analyst, are retired but neither is unemployed and Mary has recently joined a craft cooperative in Parksville, hoping to produce enough stock for that outlet, the annual craft fair in Ottawa, Vancouver Island craft shows and private commissions. Certainly no "idle hands" here.

Ed. note: Cecile informs us that she called Qualicum "Big Wind" in her article about Windchimes Gallery. It really means "Where the dog salmon run". Her apologies.

IN MY OPINION

by

James Ferris - co-editor

The matter of licensing in Bamfield is again making itself felt. I am not going to discuss the desirability of liquor licenses in Bamfield. I do, however, think that we should realise that we are not a unique community, exempt from the rules that control the rest of the Province. It might be nice to think that, but it "just ain't so."

One of the reasons for our democratic form of government is the fact that all people are treated equally. Whether the rules and laws are good or bad, they are supposed to affect us all in the same way. For us to expect that exceptions will be made for us here is unrealistic. We are all governed by the same government, and are all equal under the law. You can, I suppose, argue that some people are more equal than others, but that does not change anything. If you do not like the rules, you have a perfect right to try to change them, but while they are in force, they must be applied to everyone, equally.

* *

In that same vein, I still feel that Al Benton is doing a good job as regional director. However, when it came time to vote for a new one, no one bothered to run for the office. If you are not happy with what your present elected officials are doing, it is a good idea to try to replace them when you get a chance. If you do not, you are in no position to gripe about what the incumbent is doing.

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We have a new management in the local restaurant. There is also a new Pizza Palace in town. It is under the same management as Disneyland Pizza used to be, but in a new location and with a new business philosophy. We wish both of them good luck and prosperity. (I still can't believe that there is such a thing as a pineapple pizza.)

* *

I still have a hard time understanding how our gasoline prices remain so high in the face of falling prices for crude oil. The crude prices are at an eight year low, and indications are that they will go lower. Why are these lower prices not passed on to the consumer? Perhaps someone will give us an answer one of these days.

Leith Boulter, in his column for this month, waxes poetic about the joy of some of the old songs, and the memories that they invoke. The old songs do the same thing for me.

I was thinking, though, of all the old things that we have known and loved, and wondered what happened to them. How many of you remember Tom Swift, Jack Armstrong, Horation Alger, Little Orphan Annie, The Katzenjammer Kids, The Shadow, Buck Rogers and Freckles McGoosey? The good always won, and evil was conquered. We became more sophisticated, and began to realize that good did not alway win, and that evil sometimes conquered. We should not let it destroy our dreams, though. We can still believe that good will win in the end, and that anyone can be the Prime Minister of Canada.

Leith mentions dreams, and I recall vividly one of my recurring ones, I dreamed that I could levitate. Whenever I was in trouble, or wanted to change things, I could will myself to fly away. It was a great form of escapism. I have tried to do it since, but have fallen flat on my face, instead. So much for getting cynical. It is much better to believe and dream.

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I have had a tendency to be nonchalant about the Provincial Emergency Team. I watched the flood pictures from California, and realised that emergencies can happen at the strangest times and in the strangest places. It is also possible that we could have a major earthquake here. Anything that we can do to help this organization is effort well spent. Give it your support.

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Since starting to write this, I attended the Public Hearing concerning the re-zoning of the motel property. It does seem that there are more that one set of rules when it comes to liquor licensing. If there is a general referendum, then there would be more than one set of rules. I guess it means that the LCB can do what pleases it when it comes to liquor licensing. I still feel that there should be a standard set of rules and that they should apply equally to all.

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THE BAMFIELD GARDENER

by

Bernadette Wyton

After laying on the winter adipose spring predictably arrives with its accompanying back-breaking tasks. This is a good time to consider the care and upkeep of your garden tools and, indeed, the care of yourself. A gardener's back has got to be first on the list for consideration. You will find that if you're out of shape, tired, or weak the easiest posture to assume when shovelling, raking or puling weeds is one with a curved back--sort of hanging over your work. If this doesn't cause injury it's extremely hard on the old discs. Remember to keep your back straight and use your legs to lift weight. When you're transporting weight, as with a shovel, it's easiest to stand in one place and twist to turn and unload. Again, use your legs and take the extra step if a turn is needed to unload. I am told there are many people at the Workman's Compensation Borad rehabilitation facility who could expound upon this one.

Spring planting and weeding may require a lot of kneeling. Unfortunately, this is the worst time to kneel while working as the ground is very wet and very cold. Knee pads are sold in hardware stores or you can make a pair with, for instance, a little velcro and some neoprene rubber.

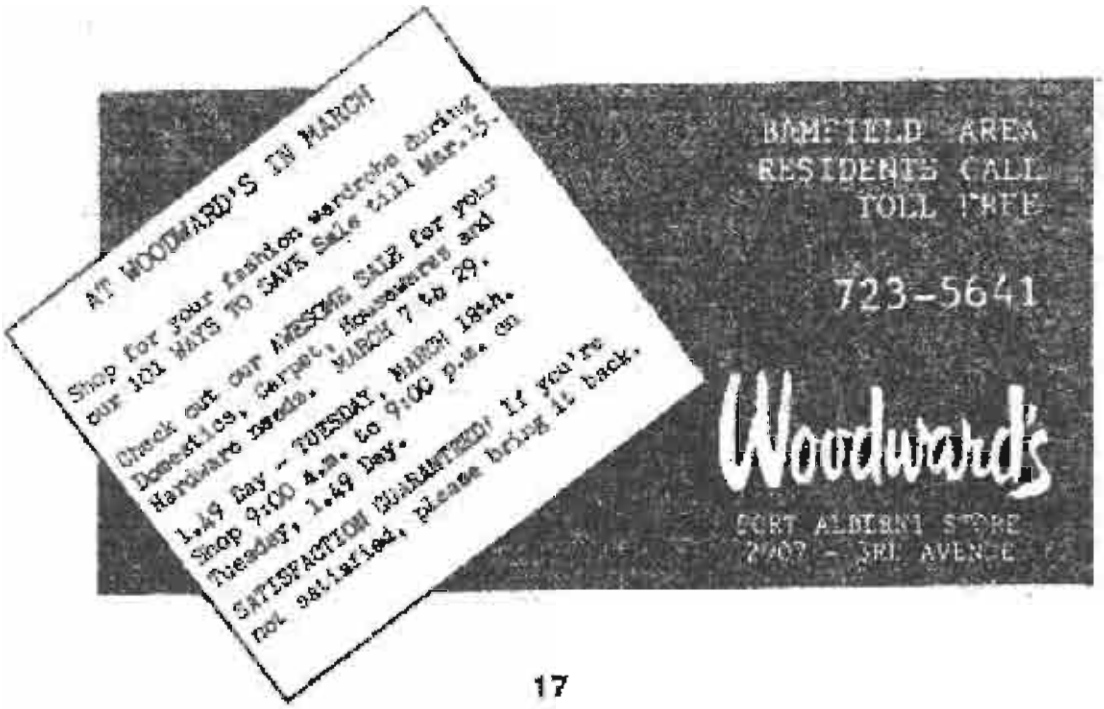
A gardener's hands rank up with the back for abuse. Leather gloves are fine for heavy work but a thin, breathable pair is needed for more tactile work like planting and weeding. Tight fitting, washable polyester or cotton gloves do the trick.

You can save a lot of pain and energy by having a selection of good quality garden tools. Spear and Jackson make excellent tools that are backed by a lifetime guarantee. The price is probably worth it when considering, especially, the shovel or garden fork. The tool most notoriously ill-designed on the market is the grass or leaf rake. Rakes with bamboo, plastic or flimsy steel heads will not last. The best one I have discovered so far is a steel-handled, steel-toothed rake. The spacing of the teeth can be adjusted. These are carried in various garden shops and in stores such as Canadian Tire. Spear and Jackson also sell a beautiful heavy duty grass rake.

The wooden handles of your tools should be cleaned and oiled at least once a year to prevent excessive drying and cracking. The steel parts of the tools are best maintained by storing them

daily under cover in a deep box filled with sand that has been mixed with some old motor oil. If you have a large garden and especially if you have children you would do well to mark your tools with a band of bright paint so you can find them again-- in the mud, or in the forest, or....

I know I should be harping about early planting and all that raz-a-ma-taz but care of gardener and tools is an appropriate theme to go out on. I am retiring as garden columnist for the **Barkley Sounder** and sincerely hope that some of the talented gardeners in Bamfield will keep the column running. I have enjoyed very much working with Jim and Jeanne and appreciate the assistance they have given me in developing my writing skills. I hope to continue doing a bit of writing and I certainly will continue to garden. If you need me I'll be at my desk, or in the dirt.



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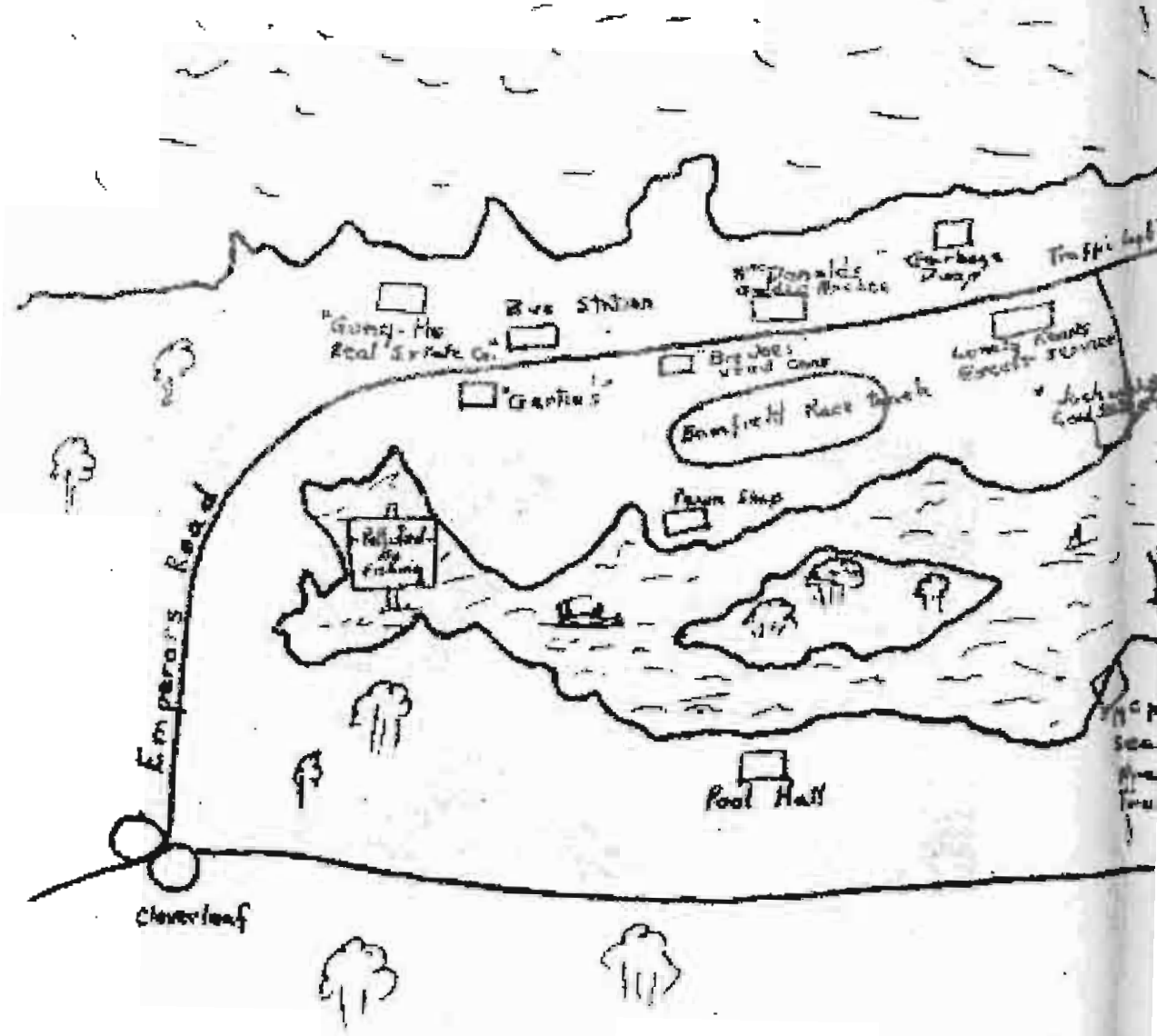

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COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
Secretary - Kitty Lloyd
Acting Chairman - Pat Garcia

A community affairs meeting was held on Feb. 10, 1986. Approximately 32 people attended.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Red Cross: Proceeds from the Red Cross Carnival in November were approximately $1300.

Marine Station: The Marine station has received a grant from the H.R. McMillan foundation to renovate the C.O.T.C. building on the waterfront. A second story will be added and there will be a facelift for the exterior. Completion date for the work is set for May 1, 1986.

The Main wharf is in very poor shape. No boats will be allowed to tie there.

Water Board: A survey of Burlo Island and South Bamfield was conducted to see if people wanted the water service extended there. The consensus was "yes". An engineer is coming soon to do a feasibility study on how and where to join new lines. Work may start this summer, depending on funding.

A.P.C.: An application was received from Tom Christian to rezone the motel property from C-6 to C-2. The A.P.C. said it was o.k. but any buildings constructed must be no higher than two stories. The Regional Board has had first reading on the application.

An application for a Mariculture lease in Marble Cove was received. The A.P.C. recommended that it be turned down since this is a popular recreational spot. The application was also rejected by the Regional Board.

Community Hall: Activities continue as usual, except for excercise classes. There was not enough interest.

Regional Board: Al Benton's new alternate is Kent Ollis. Al thanked Tom Schmidt for his good work as alternate for the past two years.

At the January meeting of the board, the Bamfield Settlement Plan received 4th reading and is therefore now in effect. Copies of the plan are available at the Regional District Office.

Jim McManus, the regional planner, notified Mr. Benton that the Bamfield Inn had a permit to discharge 2600 gallons a day of raw sewage into the Inlet. This permit expires on June 1st, 1986. After that, the sewage must receive primary treatment prior to discharge into the inlet.

Gary Jackson's application for rezoning received 3rd reading. Concerning the public hearing in Bamfield, the only valid objection was Wade Gaylord's contention that his view will be obstructed. Apperently the new buildings planned will be no higher than the ice plant which used to be at the end of the wharf. The application will probably receive 4th reading.

Tom Christian has applied for a license for a neighbourhood pub or a marine pub, and the liquor control board rules require a survey of all residents within 1/2 mile of the pub location. The survey is at the applicant's expense. Sixty percent of those surveyed must approve. The LCB said that it was unlikely that a full referendum would be called for.

Mr. Anderson (director of licensing) said that the Bamfield inn had applied for a dining room license, and that W. Pistocke had also inquired about trying to obtain a class A license in the future. Theoretically, if the Bamfield Inn is classified as a resort, not a hotel, no public survey is required. Mr. Kilpatrick, of the Regional District, informed Mr. Anderson that he felt that both applications should be treated in the same way. Al Benton called Mr. Anderson to find out his response, and Mr. Anderson said that there were two special areas in B.C. as far as the LCB is concerned - Salmon Arm and Bamfield - and that it would be highly unlikely that a resort "A" license would be issued without a survey.

Ebba Jennings asked, "What are the criteria for a resort?"

Al Benton replied, "A large percentage of the business must be package tours, in remote areas".

Ida Welland asked, "Will Gary Jackson also be applying for a license?"

Al Benton replied, "He is planning on a 60 seat restaurant, he probably will want a license for the dining room.

Brian McKay and Vern McEachern both asked why only those in a half mile radius were surveyed, since the town is so small and everyone will be effected.

Al explained that the cost of the survey is born by the applicant, and it would be unfair to applicants in this area compared to applicants in other areas.

Ebbe Jennings asked about boat parking requirements in the area. Al didn't know. Wade Gaylord said that if the pub is on a road, there must be one parking space for every three seats in the pub.

John Olsen, of the Alberni-Clayoquot Development Society, attended the meeting and gave the community a report on the Society's progress and activities for the past year.

The Alberni-Clayoquot Development Society tries to stimulate employment and economic diversification by providing loans and technical assistance to small businesses. They have an operating budget of $25,000,000 for one year, from a government grant (Community Futures), all of which must be invested in small local business. No more that $25,000 can be invested in a given business in one year. The interest rates on the loans are equal to or less than current bank rates. The business must be operating wholly within the Regional District. The Board of Directors is made up of volunteers from labour, business, and general interest groups. The first priorities are given to businesses that generate "new wealth" for a community. Since last year, $300,000 has been invested, which has been used to lever another $1,500,000. Fifty-two jobs have been created. The largest single area of investment has been mariculture. Agriculture holds great promise as well as tourism, forest products and manufacturing. In North America there is an 80% failure rate for small businesses in their first five years. The ACDS strives to prevent these failures.

On a per capita basis, there has been more money invested in Bamfield than any other community in the district.

Another appointee to the board from the Bamfield area will be appointed in the Fall. It is the consensus that the person should be elected at the Community Affairs Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned. Jim Ferris volunteered to chair the next meeting.

Norbie Brand, Senior Lightkeeper at the Cape Beale Light sent this poem to us. It was written by Marion Hoskins, of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, and was printed in the Atlantic Fisherman.

ODE TO A LIGHTHOUSE

Though you are small and alone,
On a headland made of stone,
With your light and mournful moan,
You know the way which must be shown
Past the rocks and past the breakers
To a haven for all seekers.

There you stand guard night and day
Just to gently show the way
To all ships who come and may
Wish to find a harbor to stay,
Safely in a spot of rest
Which to others is the best.

When the storms and flurries fly,
And dark clouds cover the sky
Or when the golden moon is high
You always greet us with a sigh,
When we reach home at last
From the ocean's stormy blast.

On nights that are clear and bright,
You always show your welcome light,
And present a pleasant sight
To ships ther pass you in the night,
To a home that awaits us all
Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall.

You stand and never wish to roam
Around the world away from home
But call to ships across the foam
With a voice beneath your dome.
Oh, little lighthouse small and bright
Show us the safe way home tonight.

PUBLIC HEARING RE BY-LAW NO. 517
Bamfield, February 24th

Meeting called to order at 7:35 by Regional Director Al Benton. Jeanne Ferris acting as secretary. Twenty-eight people attended.

Al Benton Mr. Christian has applied for a Marine Pub license and a Hairdressing salon. Both are allowed in C-2 zoning, not in the present C-6. He must change the zoning before he can apply for either license.

Bill Petch What is a Marine Pub?

Al Benton It is open 7 days a week from 10 am to 11 pm at the latest. It must serve food with beverages on Sundays. A neighborhood pub can be open later, and can't serve liquor on Sundays.

Pat Garcia [Read aloud the letter reprinted on Page 31]

Al Benton [Read aloud the letter from Jane Morrison, Coho Lodge, opposing C-2 zoning.]

Paul Tennant I oppose the zoning because of the noise. What type of liquor can be served?

Al Benton Everything.

In 1980, Tom Christian requested the C-2 zoning, and was given the C-6 zoning. I want to reiterate--just because he gets the zoning doesn't mean he gets the license. Mr. Don Anderson of the Liquor Control Board says they required a survey of all of Salntula, therefore Mr. Christian will be required to get a 60% favorable vote from all of Bamfield.

Ebba Jennings Everybody in Bamfield? In view of that, I would like to object. When the vote is open to the town, only those near the pub will suffer. Those further away might vote for a place to go for a drink. Also--this includes anybody who lives here for 6 months, not just year-round residents. This type of establishment is detrimental to Bamfield. It will lead to accidents.

Al Benton I will give you Mr. Don Anderson's address. Any

individual can write to him.

Ebba Jennings The Public Hearing has become a mockery. It doesn't matter what we say.

Kent Ollis I understand Gary Jackson has the 4th reading for his C-2 zoning on the west side. Why should he have the opportunity to have C-2 when Mr. Christian doesn't?

Al Chambers For Sheila Chambers, Red Cross Outpost Nurse.
Sheila has asked me to state that she is very concerned and would much prefer that the pub did not happen.
Bob Peel The assumption has been that this will increase the amount of liquor consumed. I think the amount consumed is already high. I am in favor of the pub.

Mrs. Mary Patrick [Read aloud the letter reprinted on Page 32.]

Gayle Federspiel We already have one C-2 zoning coming up on the west side. I would like to see the same opportunity for development. I am in support of developing property in east Bamfield under C-2. What else will C-2 zoning allow?

Al Benton Read the C-2 description. "Generally, intensive general commercial."

Ron Foreman We tend to look negatively. We all live with noise, we all live with safety problems. The Community Hall, the Fire Hall, the Yacht Club, the Bamfield Inn all sell liquor. Driving out to get liquor is another hazard, therefore a pub is a lifesaving operation. There are ways to handle problems. I am in favor of approving C-2 and having a local pub.

Bill Petch I'm in favor. We need a civilized place to drink.

Wade Ceylord I'm in favor 100%. I don't like having to apologize when I pick up hikers off the West Coast Trail that we have no pub.

Donald Luke Will we have RCMP in town if they have a pub?

Al Benton No. Highways, RCMP do have to give approval first,

then there is a survey, then the license is granted if 60% are in favor.

Al Chambers What would be the boundaries for the survey?

Al Benton The specified Water Area. Includes Grappler, not the Reserve.

Paul Tennant You forgot the Marine Station when listing alcohol spots.

Ebba Jennings We've had noise from the Coffee Shop drinkers and the Yacht Club now. Why bring in another outlet? Anyone who wants a drink can go to the Cafe now. Why not other things in the C-2, but not the pub. It shows very poor planning by the Regional Board to allow a Marine Pub without knowing even what the parking requirements are.

Al Benton The Zoning By-Laws need re-doing. But it costs $50,000. and we can't afford it.

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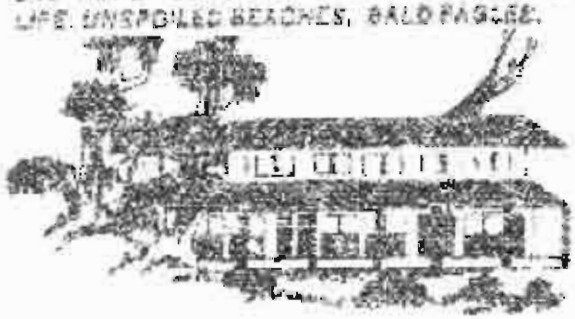

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Paul Tennant How does the motel qualify as a Marine Pub? Where are the tie-ups?

Al Benton Marine Pub is rather indefinite. I can give names and phone numbers for more information. I don't know offhand.

Tom Christian For a Marine Pub you need a laundromat, to sell bait, to sell beer, serve food on site, mooring. They can tie up at my place, and we will rent from Ray Robinson, and they can use the government dock. The parking problem is here already. Gillnetters will park here without the Pub.

Ebbs Jennings Does each establishment have to supply adequate parking and reserve so many spaces?

Tom Christian Where do Peel's people park? Where do the west siders Park? Where will Jackson's people park?

Al Benton Bill #82, a new law, says at the option of the developer he can give money and provide no parking; leave it to the district.

Craig Butterfield I don't live here, but I can always get a drink here. Why will the pub be a problem? There will be no rush to Bamfield because there's a pub.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm

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LEITH BOULTER

Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast....or is it "beast"? Music stimulates, excites. It can also provoke great deeds. From soothing melodies sung to infants, to sounds of skirling bagpipes going over the top with the infantry, various combinations of musical notes and instruments have a telling effect on our emotions.

Each of us has personal favorites and special memories which are evoked upon hearing, once again, songs that bring back treasured recollections.

There are sufficient variety that there is something for everyone. All the way from classical down(?) to the basic country style favored by many. And there's always the pop music of the current younger, maturing generation. It comes and goes; styles and preferences change; each of us retaining a special place for the type reminiscent of our youth.

Music is one of the great gifts created for humanity's pleasure, along with oranges, ice cream, strawberries and a host of other special treats helping to make life worthwhile and, in some cases, bearable.

Some of the greatest composers had a difficult time gaining acceptance during their lifetimes. And modern groups like the Beatles were often the object of derision by some during their heyday. Perhaps the true measure of worth can be found in how well the composers and performers endure into the future.

Do you have favorites that create an entirely different mood? Of course you have! Let me mention a couple of mine to get you in a mood to say you know what I mean.

One of my favorites is Ray Griff's "Canadian Pacific" as sung by Hank Snow. It's the story of a wanderer who is travelling from the Atlantic to the Pacific, by rail, going home to his loved one. It contains loneliness, nostalgia, dreams; all familiar to anyone who has sojourned in strange lands. Perhaps in particular those who travelled across Canada during pre-World War I harvest excursions or those who rode the rails during the depression in the thirties. Or any of us who passed through strange towns in the early morning, wishing we had a place to put down our roots and envying those who had a home and family to be with in that early morning light.

Another, not so easy to explain, is "Green, Green, Grass Of Home". I have never been a prisoner awaiting execution, dreaming of returning to the scenes and companions of my youth, so I do

not know why I relate or why this song has such a profound effect on me. All I can say is that in my radio days I could never trust my voice on air following that song. I would have to start the other turntable immediately. More than 100 artists have recorded it over the years. I was in a local studio when Lynne McNeil first laid down the voice track for her record. She asked me what I thought and I couldn't answer. To my surprise, she sensed why.

"I Don't Want To Walk Without You, Baby" puts me back on an English street in the wartime blackout after the pubs have closed. And ten minutes with Vera Lynn is a form of hypnotism, when long forgotten streets and wartime scenes return to conscious memory from their misty resting places.

Tony Pastor, Eddy Howard or Patti Page singing "I Wonder, I Wonder, I Wonder"....I'm back in my postwar Toronto apartment in one of the happiest periods of my life. Fats Waller's "Two Sleepy People" takes me to a radio station control room in Whitehorse, my head down between two turntables as I try to cope with an early morning radio show after an over-full evening and two hours sleep.

I know there's nothing unique about any of this. But I believe it is something that should be shared with others. Perhaps a trifle more exclusive are a couple of my dream experiences.

I am walking in a park, singing "Sunday, Monday Or Always", I look around in embarrassment, since I am not an on-track singer. Suddenly I continue the song, only now I am using Crosby's voice. I experiment with prolonging the low notes and find I can do it perfectly. End of embarrassment and beginning of wonder.

In another, my wife and I are throwing a party. I escape to the garden and the darkness. I begin humming the tune being played inside and discover I can sing in the voice of any male artist I choose. I change voices from line to line. I find myself adding hitherto unknown verses to a familiar song. The new words come unbidden. Suddenly a huge, invisible choir of voices wells up behind me and we perform a song I have never heard before. In the dream I wonder where both the songs and the choir are coming from. I can still hear that huge choir accompanying me in the darkness. I couldn't recall any words when I awakened.

You can safely assume I have a deep feeling of gratitude for artists and composers alike as they gift the rest of us with their special talents, giving our lives an added dimension of happiness through their music.

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PUBLIC HEARING
Bamfield, February 24th

Letter from Mrs. Pat Garcia to the Regional Board re Rezoning of Lot 2, Section 20, Township 1, Barclay District, Plan 34316 from Tourist Commercial (C-6) District to General Commercial (C-2) District.

As an immediate neighbour to the Bamfield Trails Motel I object to the rezoning of this property from Tourist Commercial (C-6) District to General Commercial (C-2) District.

I have no objection to a Hairdressing Salon but strenuous objections to a Neighbourhood/Marine Pub.

What are we talking about with the misnomer "Neighbourhood Pub". Neighbourhood/Marine Pubs are instituted to make money on liquor and we know that that would be impossible in Bamfield with the small amount of clientele available locally. Also not all that lucrative from the guests of a small motel.

So who would this "pub" cater to? It would cater to the 200-300 sailing fleet who base here during the active season; a small amount of trailers and the tourist boating/camping public. In my opinion there are enough noisy, drunken boaters around the government docks having to bring in their own liquor without catering to them with a pub - its asking for more boating incidents and accidents. Plus the fact that we have no resident police force so have no means of control.

There is only a hedge of trees between me and the motel and I am not prepared to sit back and have my peace shattered by this intrusion.

When Christian's proposed and built the extension I had no objection and still have no objection because so far we haven't been disturbed at all.

To: Elaine - please don't be upset at this objection - from the past few public hearings in Bamfield it matters <u>not</u> what the neighbours think - there can be 95% of property owners surrounding a rezoning application objecting and still the Regional Board; thance Municipal Affairs run roughshod over these people. You see, the rules say you must have a Public Hearing; so to make everyone feel we have a real democratic process in situ; we have one - what for? Don't ask me! You can bet your sweet life that not one of the Regional Board directors will read these minutes or letters of objection and you will get your rezoning for your pub.

Pat Garcia

Letter from Mrs. Mary Patrick

I am against the rezoning of the property Lot 2 Section 20 Township 1 Barclay District Plan 34318.
I do not want a General Commercial Zoning and I do not want any kind of a neighborhood pub or liquor license on the existing Bamfield Trails Motel operated under Ket's Holding and or Mr. & Mrs. T. Christian.

Mrs. Mary Patrick

Letters to the Editors

Re Public Hearing re By-law No. 517

I attended the Regional Board meeting on February 26, 1986 to follow up the Public Hearing of Kets Holdings for rezoning from C6 to C2 in preperation for a neighbourhood/marine pub/hairdressing salon.

Our director, Al Benton, reiterated his position and the APC's support of rezoning this property. In his presentation to the Board he said that five supported and five opposed (actually it was six supported) the rezoning. What he didn't have the courtesy to point out was the geographical areas of support. R. Peel, G. Federspiel, R. Foreman, W. Fetch, W. Gayford supported the rezoning and in no way because of their geographical siting could their properties be deemed to be effected. K. Ollis supported but at least he is in an area where his property could be effected.

The opposers were three immediate neighbors, J. Morrison, P. Tennant and myself and E. Jennings, M. Patrick a little further away.

The position of Al Benton and the APC is that Kets Holdings should have the opportunity of doing a liquor survey (which can't be done under C6) -- the point of the Public Hearing was the rezoning and whether the surrounding property owners thought this would effect them.

Mr. Benton berated me at the Board meeting for stating that the Directors wouldn't read the minutes, fair enough, but I did notice that he asked the Chairman for 5 minutes for all Board members to read them! (for my benefit I am sure.)

I will say that Public Hearings in Bamfield are lip service only and it matters not what those deeming interest say. There was a time when those deeming interest were the surrounding property owners.

Pat Garcia

Letters to the Editors

Letter to
The Editor:

The right to vote for a government that best represents one's values and interests is the cornerstone of a free and democratic society. Each day on the evening news we witness people all over this planet struggling to achieve the right to vote.

Here in our own beautiful province of British Columbia the Bennett government has just completed the official voter registration required under the B.C. Election Act. I was shocked to see that one in four eligible citizens is not registered. In fact, in the constituency of the minister responsible for voting rights in B.C., Grace McCarthy, one in three eligible voters is not on the list.

I believe that to have 500,000 eligible British Columbians not on the voting list as of today, in the run-up to a provincial election, is a disgrace. Our enumeration procedures are insufficient to fulfill the current government's obligation to its citizenry, that is, to enable all eligible citizens easy access onto the voters' list.

I have appealed to the Bennett government to establish voter registration booths in community centres, libraries and shopping malls for a prescribed period of time to bring the list to full strength.

As a longer term solution, I believe we should adopt some of the systems now in place in American states -- systems which have come into existence by public demand. Several states have used their motor vehicle departments to issue voter cards to unregistered voters while they were renewing vehicle licenses or registering new vehicles. For example, Arizona registered 66,000 voters during the first six months of voter registration using the motor vehicle licensing and renewal system. At the same time the traditional channels of voter registration in Arizona remained open.

B.C. could adopt such a system with ministries that deal on a face-to-face basis with the public, such as the motor vehicle branch, Medical Services Plan and B.C. Hydro.

The right to vote is precious. When that right is obstructed or made unduly complex, it breeds cynicism and apathy at best and frustration and anger at worst. Please call your returning officer in the provincial government section of your telephone book to get on the list.

Gordon Hanson

Gordon Hanson, MLA
NDP Debate Leader for the B.C. Election Act

CHURCH NEWS
by
Rev. Vern Meeschera

Here is our schedule for the next six weeks:

Sunday, March 2nd: No service
Sundays, March 9th and 16th: 11:00 a.m. services
Sunday, March 23rd: Palm Sunday Communion at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, March 30th: Easter Sunday service at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, April 6th: No service

We are now in the season of Lent, that period of forty weekdays prior to Easter Sunday, traditionally a time of penance for past sins, fasting, abstinence from festivities, and almsgiving. The forty days of Lent correspond with the Lord's fast in the wilderness prior to His public ministry. In modern times the Lenten fast has been much alleviated and its observance varies considerably from place to place. It is a time for Christians to prepare themselves spiritually and emotionally for the Cross and Resurrection experience of Christ.

Our annual congregational meeting was held on Feb.12th in the Hall following the U.C.W. Potluck Supper. Reports for the U.C.W. group were given by Mrs. Ida Welland, President, and Mrs. Irma Cashin, Treasurer. The ladies reported a successful year with receipts of $1598.58 and donations of $900.00 to Bamfield United Church, $200.00 to U.C.W. Conference projects, $100.00 to Bamfield Community Hall, and $160.00 to the M. & S. Fund of the United Church. Mrs. Ebbe Jennings, Treasurer, gave the financial report for the Church orally, with written report to follow later. Two new members were elected to the Church Board: Mrs. Marjorie Hobson and Mrs. Nancy Ostrom. Re-elected to the Board for another year were: Irma Cashin, Lorraine Hegstrom, Ebbe Jennings, Bob Peel, Bill Petch, Eileen Pettigrew, Zena Robertson, Ida Welland, and Valerie Tveit.

We mourn the sudden passing of "Seabird" Mac Robertson whose death on Feb. 2nd came as a great shock to us all in both church and community. Mac was a man of many facets, diverse interests and skills, and much knowledge gathered over nearly 73 years of living. He was a keen observer and wide reader in many fields of interest. To spend an evening with Mac was always an education to me. I was fortunate enough to do so shortly before his death. For

fuller details I refer you to Ebbe Jennings' fine memorial to his life in the Feb. issue of this paper. A memorial service was held on Feb.5th in St. Andrew's United Church, Port Alberni, conducted by myself assisted by the crew of the "Coastal Messenger" mission boat: Roy Getman, George Loewen, Tom and Debbie Maxie, Brian and Anne Burkholder, with organist Joan McKee. A memorial service will be held in Bamfield after the herring season in April. Our sincere sympathy to his wife Zena, and all the family in their grievous loss.

Our sympathy also to Bob and Eileen Pettigrew and family in the death of Bob's father, Robert Irvin Pettigrew, in Victoria on Feb. 19th after a lengthy illness. Funeral services were held in Victoria on Feb. 23rd. Our condolences to Bob and all the Pettigrew family.

Best wishes and God's blessing to all for the Lenten and Easter season.

Brian Burkholder and family were accidentally left out of the list of stepchildren who survive Seabird Mac. Our apologies.

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by
Peter Janitis

Usually February is a month of rain. This year Mother Nature decided to act differently. A bit of the wet stuff for a few days, then almost two weeks without it. It was made up for spontaneously from the 21st to the 24th with 10 inches. The best of it was on the 23rd, when we had 5.87 inches. The highest 24 hour reading in my book was on October 26, 1967, when we had 7.32 inches. Negligible snow--2 inches on the 15th. Four nights we had a Southeaster blowing. Total precipitation for the month, 14.02 inches. The average for February is 12.8 inches.

Temperatures. The high of 15.5°C was on the 27th, the low of -7.0°C was on both the 18th and 19th.

Mean maximum	7.75°C
Mean minimum	0.55°C
Mean temperature	4.15°C

For the first time in many years, an unusual fact was recorded at the weather station in Port Desire. On the 18th and 19th in Grappler the bay was frozen. Everybody was amazed, including me and the seagulls. They were able to walk on the ice. There was absolutely no wind, just dead air. We have six otters here, and we watched them come up under the ice and break a hole for air.

CAPE BEALE WEATHER
by
Norbert Brand

Temperatures. The maximum temperature at Cape Beale for February this year was 13.0°C, recorded on February 27th. The maximum for February in 1985 was 10°C. Our minimum was -6.0°C on February 18th, colder than last year in February when we had a minimum of -1.5°C.

Mean maximum	7.9°C
Mean minimum	2.6°C

Rainfall. We had a total for February of 265 mm (10.43") of precipitation at Cape Beale. Last year in February we had 177.1 mm (6.96") of rain. Our maximum day was February 23rd, when we had 83.3 mm (3.41") of rain. Snowfall for the month was 6.4 cm, falling on February 16th, 18th and 21st.

There were a total of 8 sunny days and 22 rainy days in February, twice as many rainy days as we had last year in February.

BIRD OF THE MONTH
by
Ida Welland

Already a month gone by? Well, not quite - late last month and this month a shortie.

First off - about those wren names - especially the Winter Wren. A few days ago when Barb and Bob Cameron were visiting, the conversation turned to birds. To my surprise Bob asked where the name Troglodyte came from for a bird. Well, I have endeavoured to unravel this mystery.

Let's start with the dictionary. The Concise Oxford Dictionary states - "troglodyte n. Cave-dweller, esp. of prehistoric W. Europe; hermit; kinds of wren and anthropoid ape."

The Reader's Digest Great Encyclopedic Dictionary states - "troglodyte n. 1. A cave man. 2. A hermit; anyone of primitive habits. 3. An anthropoid ape, as the chimpanzee (formerly genus Troglodytes)."

As you will notice - the birds are entirely ignored by the second definition. Thinking about these definitions, the idea of a 'Hermit' could be applied to a Winter Wren. They do not normally reside in cities or towns - only in the woods and forests. They are not really shy and retiring but rather 'mind your own business' types, going cheerfully about their task of living off the land. If your presence disturbs them, they will not fly off to any great distance and often will chirp at you in a curious way as much as to say - "What you gawking at?" Their French name 'Le troglodyte des forets' literally translates to 'The Troglodyte of the forests'. As hermits are usually thought to withdraw from much of social life and stay in isolated locations, I would suggest that this is rather a descriptive name for these little birds.

So much for definitions and why the name game. Guess it is time to carry on with the Wrens, but I'll wait till next time. There are quite a few more Troglodytes to look into.

That's it for now - owing to all sorts of circumstances I'll call it off for today. **Happy Birding!!**

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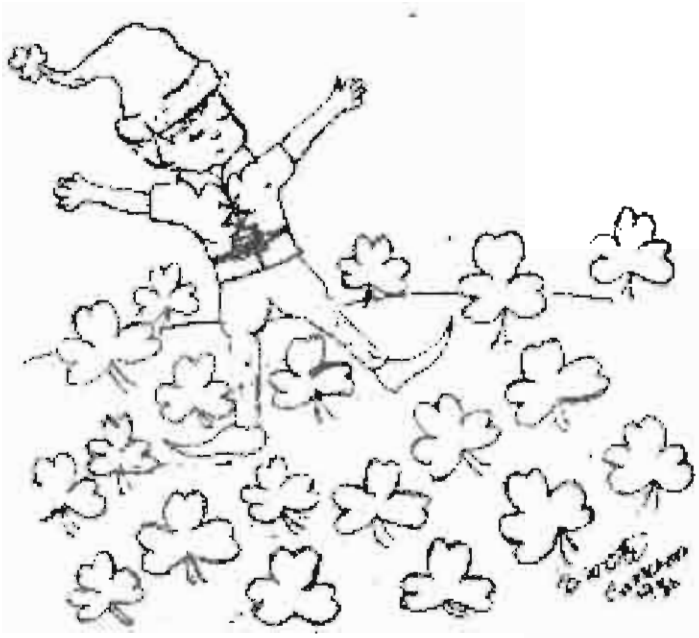
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