those travelling with children. They also would work well for those of you who would like to lower costs by sharing accomodation. If you are interested in sharing accomodation, please let us know and we can help to arrange it.

The two Lodges that form the Middle Beach complex are only a short distance apart. The Conference Room that we will be using on the 9th is at the Headlands. The large Lounge and Dining Room at the Beach will be for the exclusive use of Workshop participants.

## Packing Suggestions

You will want to bring casual clothes and be prepared for some hiking. Hiking boots or good walking shoes would be best for foot wear. You will also definitely want to bring along rain gear -- even though it will be May, you are entering a temperate rainforest! The weather in May is unpredictable. It probably won't be too cold, but chances are good that it will be wet at least part of the time.

## Partners and Families

Middle Beach is well equipped for a family holiday. If you were to book one of the suites at the Headlands, you would have ample accommodation for a small family, and you would even be in a position to prepare your own meals. We encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity for a longer, more leisurely stay at Middle Beach. Just don't forget to come to the Workshop.

If a number of you book family accommodation for the period at Middle Beach, we will attempt to negotiate a rate reduction for you. However, we cannot make any guarantees in this regard now.

## Orientation Day -- May 9th

We highly recommend that you make it for the Orientation Day, if at all possible. Even if you are a BC resident, you will find much to interest you in the presentations and excursions we are arranging. You will get an update from and talk with local residents about the latest developments in the Region, and have an opportunity to tour the rainforest. (The exact nature of this tour is weather-dependent. International visitors will be offered small-plane flights over the Sound, courtesy of "Lighthawk," a non-profit environmental organization that specializes in giving people a bird's eye view of contentious areas. However, Lighthawk's aircraft cannot fly in bad weather, and the flight is not really worth taking if the visibility is poor. We have also arranged for a boat tour of Clayoquot Sound, and we should be able accommodate all Workshop participants on such an excursion. The boat trip is less vulnerable to weather-disruption -- but by no means invulnerable. At worst, we will resort to the roads and trails, and offer you a real *rain*forest visit to both a clear-cut and an unlogged area.)