

ARCHIVES

C. S. O.

(Formerly)

AGR/GRA/2#6

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SUBJECT:

Town Grazing Rights.

CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

121-2143-1-162

RETURN TO OFFICE

15 DEC

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(iv) Grazing rights. I understand that whenever got the grazing rights of Victory Green (at a ludicrously low rental) has fenced it in. I don't think they should be allowed to do this; the horses can be tethered?

O. i/c., Agric.

Please reply to H. E.'s memo. above.

W.H.

for C.S.

12.12.47

Hon Col Sec

C

Several sections of the town grazing are fenced in. Dr Gibbs gave permission, and it has been going on ever since. Does H. E. wish that these fences be taken down now, or make it clear before next year's grazing rights are auctioned, that no fences will be permitted

A /

B /

J.B.B. O/c Ag Dept

13/12/47

Y.E.

D

B, I think? The fences are particularly annoying (involuntary farm des c rental!!)

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1C B I suppose.

Steps should be taken to ensure that rights are not let off in future for such a palling return — there should be an upset price?

M.C. 16
xii

17/12/47
in Dept

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O.ife Ag. Dept.

to note, pl.

R.H. Jones
16/12/47

Hon. Col. Sec.

C

Noted. Thank you. The upset price for each lot. is 10/.

J. B. B. O. of Ag Dept
17/12/47

O.ife Ag Dept

D

Please attach a statement showing how much each section was sold for & total for the lot.

Hon. Col. Sec.

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Statement attached.

R.H. Jones
19/12/47

A. B. B. O. of Ag Dept
21/12/47

See in
all

TOWN CRAZING - 14th October, 1947 to 30th April, 1948.

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	s	d
Lot. 1. Victory Green from F.I.C. shed to Flagstaff	10	0
Lot. 2. Victory Green from Flagstaff to Electric Power House.	10	0
Lot. 3. Section of land North of C.S.C.	10	0
Lot. 4. Section of land in Magazine Valley, East.	1	0
Lot. 5. Section of land in Magazine Valley, West.	3	5
Lot. 6. Section of land to North of Mr. D. McLeod's House at Crozier Place.	10	0
Lot. 7. Section of land from ruins of First and Last to West boundary of Mrs. T. Smith's land.	10	0
Lot. 8. Section of land from Mrs T. Smith's boundary to Nissen huts.	10	0
Lot. 9. Section of land from Nissen huts to fence by F.I.C. Slaughterhouse, excluding the plots on the south of the road immediately in front of the Cemetery.	10	0
Lot. 10. Section of land from West of Battle Memorial to Sullivan House Jetty.	10	0
Lot. 11. Section of land at South of Cemetery House from Mr. A. Peck's and Mr. W. Alazia's boundaries to Common Gate, Subject to special conditions that grazing rights may be withdrawn without warning on account of possible subdivision and sale of sections on this area. The purchaser must understand that should grazing rights be withdrawn, no refund of the purchase money can be made.	10	0
	£8.	15. 0

O.T.C. Ag. Dept.

Does seem to have been little competition?

2. Re. let me have your view on the whole question. Does Lt his time. however practice encourage the breeding of flies & blue-bottles?

W. B. S.
23/11

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Hon Genl Sec

If these lands are to be let next year I would suggest that the upset price be doubled, and state that no fences be erected, horses must be tethered & I do not think there is much encouragement to fly breeding, as the conditions of the sale states, that all lots must be kept clear of manure

J.B.B. O/C Ag Dept.
24/12/47

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YE

2A - 4A

As to 4A. S1? (Subject to any thing the new Ag. Officer may say)

Absh
29.12

Yes. I understand that much better prices have been obtained in former years.

me. 29
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D.

O/C Ag Dept.

Re. nbs.

Absh
29.12

Hon Genl Sec

Noted. Thanks you.

J.B.B. O/C Ag Dept
21/12/47

~~Absh~~

B.N. 10/2/48
31/1/48
31/1/48

A.

a.o.

To note this correspondence f.r.a. in due course, pl.

B.

D.H.
J.C.S.
13.9.48.

H.C.S.

Noted. will deal with this & arrange sales with Police for
2nd Octobe. f.p.o. 14/9/48.

PA
15-8

0587.



Stanley, Falkland Islands.

14th May, 1949. 6

To The Honourable Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Sir,

The Agricultural Officer has informed us that we may rent the Plots at Canache, Eliza Cove and Short's Paddock until the end of October, when we must buy the grazing at Public Auction.

We feel we must protest and beg of you to reconsider this matter.

As the Government's Policy of the past 9 months has operated to our disadvantage we do not think that this anticipated assistance should now be withdrawn from us.

We feel that if we have to bid for these grazings annually we shall be unable to manure and mow them. Also we shall be driven to the practice of eating them out which ultimately is not in our own interests nor that of the Government.

We feel that for our business to progress in the interests of the community we should be given some security of tenure of some areas of land.

Trusting you can accomodate us in the matter,

We are,
yours faithfully,

W. M. Leahy
C. M. Leahy
J. Goodwin

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A.

a.o.

For your observations on 6 pl

M.P.C.
19/5/49

H.C.S.

The Dairyman were led to believe as a result of my suggested solution of government Dairy, made on 22/9/48 & filed in your Milk Production File; that future policy would be to allow them to hold lands, part of the Common on sufficient security so that they might be willing to carry out improvements thereon & enjoy the ensuing fruits. Thus in time becoming independent of government subsidy.

Their report at 6 would be a step in that direction and at present they have nowhere to grow hay, oats, turnips or any other fodder adequately. Also the Ag. Dept. which they relied in these matters has now ceased those activities.

John P. Collins

D.O. 20/12/49.

A.O. Approved that manure should have the grazing rights over the land now grazed by them which should not be put up to public auction provided they pay 6/- per acre if an acre a year. P.L. 30/5.

H.C.S.

Noted Thank you T.P. 20 30/1/49

File

65/46
attached

To. The Hon. Col. Sec.
From. The Agricultural Officer.
Date. 8th September, 1949.



In respect of Grazing Rights which are put up for Auction on the first Saturday in October, this year the first of the month.

Last year lots 1 & 2, namely Victory Green, were withdrawn on the Town Council's suggestion and have become very ragged and unkept as a result. Could I please have a ruling as to their inclusion this year.

Also as previously minuted to you with the coloured map of the Town showing grazings could the piece North of the road in front of the Secretariat be auctioned this year and also the piece seeded last year to grass immediately to the West of the Memorial on Italy, Ross Road West.

H. R. H.
1/49

John P. Blair
Agricultural Officer.

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A.O.

Victory Green should be omitted from the plots
to be analysed for grazing.

Would it not be possible for you to arrange
to see the areas to some one who would know the
Green?

Rh.

20/9.

H.C.S.

I will try & will ask for tenders.

But this did not work out very well last year.

J.P. Hill 28/IX/49

[Signature]
30/9/49

PURCHASERS OF TOWN GRAZING LOTS.October 1st 1949 to April 30th 1950.

		£.	s.	d.
Lot. 1.	Miss Petterssen.	1.	1.	0.
Lot. 2.	Not sold.	-.	-.	-.
Lot. 3.	Mr. Summers.	1.	0.	0.
Lot. 4.	Mr. Watson.	1.	0.	0.
Lot. 5.	Mr. Rowlands.	1.	0.	0.
Lot. 6.	Mr. Rowlands.	1.	0.	0.
Lot. 7.	Mr. D.J. Morrison.	1.	0.	0.
Lot. 8.	Mrs. Bundes.	1.	0.	0.
Lot. 9.	Mrs. Bonner.	1.	10.	0.
Lot. 10.	Mr. Watson.	1.	10.	0.
Lot. 11.	Mrs. Bundes.	1.	0.	0.
Lot. 12.	Not sold.	-.	-.	-.
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		11.	1.	0.
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For payments please see Department of Agriculture CASH BOOK.

Payments under Head K. Rents. Sub-head 2 Grazing.

A. C. C.
For insertion in Grazing file.

A. C. C.
3/10/49

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10 Ross Road.N. 11

Stanley,

6th March, 1950.



Sir,

I would respectfully ask your attention to a complaint of long standing. In this part of Stanley we are regularly annoyed - summer and winter- with animals straying about the roads and greens.

We have, on an average, three horses, one pony and two cows daily (and nightly), and I might add that this state of affairs has continued for many years past.

According to the conditions laid down when the grazing rights for these lands are auctioned all animals are to be tethered and all plots to be cleaned of manure. These conditions are rarely observed despite the fact that I have approached various authorities during the past few years. For twenty years I have attempted to grow a presentable box hedge on my boundary, and the result is deplorable, owing to these aforementioned stray animals.

Seeing that a new Pound Keeper has been appointed recently, can I hope for some alteration in the immediate future and at the same time suggest that fines for these offences be substantially increased.

I am, Sir,

R. J. Dixon Yours respectfully,

PPS

A.O.

H. H. Jno.

H.

25 MAR 1950

H.C.S.

Yes. will see that Pound keeps attends to the

John P. Blair

no. 4/14/50

Mr. Dixon informed

L.H.S.
H.C.S.
5/14/50

R.H.S.
5/14/50

~~NO~~

Since we are
apparently so short of
grazing I see no
point in letting
grazings (in and
around Tamm) as we
have done in the
past. Especially as
they bring out really
nothing in at anchor.

Let me know
about this pt. Mc.

12/10
11/12

Broadcast address

^{on}
F.I.D.S.

I always listen with attention and interest to the "Speak your mind" programme and I noted a suggestion at the last of the series, on the night of John Biscoe's return, "that FIDS was just a waste of money". Apart from the reflection that this was not, perhaps, a very encouraging ^{enthusiastic} _{idea}



Agricultural Office,
Stanley.

2nd December, 1951. 14

Your Excellency,

In respect of Town Grazings. These unfenced pieces of grass are scattered throughout the town, the grass is good and early in starting to grow and would fit in the short pinch in the Spring.

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2 To utilise them for the Government horses would entail a great deal of work in tethering out etc. and labour is very short. It would also meet with adverse comment from the Public and people who have the advantages of handiness in renting these equivalent to paddocks near their homes.

3 Also when these grazings are let to individuals living near by it acts as a great deterrant to stock roaming the town and helps very effectively in "Policeing" stock to the aid of the Pound Keeper who might well revert to having a whole time commitment on his hands.

4 I would therefore not recommend any change in the present disposal of town grazings but rather to make them more complete by adding Victory Green and King George the Vth. playing fields to them so that there would be even less incentive to let stock roam loose in town.

5 Next Spring our hay will be far from sufficient as it will be the first year when winter rations have not been able to be supplemented by oaten hay harvested from the 60 acres when it was seeded down and we shall be faced to rely on Tussock the bringing in to town of which in quantity at present looks almost hopeless to expect.

John P. Peliss
Agricultural Officer.

A.O.

I accept your views.

2. As to 5, have you discussed with W/M? I think I asked that you should put your heads together and then come and see me?

Y.E.

Mc 28/xii
Thank you. I have discussed the Tussock question with W/M. And left the Kidney Island File with him saying I am ready at any time when he is to come and see you as required. He is at present away in the Golden Fleece

John P. Peliss

memo in
25/9/54



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MEMORANDUM.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

24th September, 19 54.

To: The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

From: The O i/c Agric. Dept.,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Town Grazing.

The attached list of Grazing Plots are due to be auctioned on Oct. 2nd, have I your permission to post the usual notices.

See at 16

Any objection?

A. Rutter.

O i/c Agric. Dept.

Feb:

This is usual pl. no objections.

W 25/9 *april 1959*



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

28th, September 1954.

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

NOTICE.

TOWN GRAZING 2nd, October 1954 to 30th, April 1955.

Grazing rights for the period from 2nd, October 1954 to 30th, April 1955. On the following town land will be sold by Public Auction at the Police Station on Saturday 2nd, October 1954 at 2.30 P.M.

- Lot 1. Victory Green from Falkland Islands Co., Ltd. Shed to Flag Staff.
- Lot 2. Victory Green from Flag Staff West.
- Lot 3. Section of land North of the Colonial Secretary's Office.
- Lot 4. Section of land in Magazine Valley East and West.
- Lot 5. Section of land to North of Mr. D. McLeod's house at Crozier Place.
- Lot 6. Section of land from ~~ruine of First & Last~~ to Mrs. T. Smith's land. (West boundary).
- Lot 7. Section of land from Mrs. T. Smith's boundary to Nissen Huts.
- Lot 8. Section of land from Nissen Huts to Fence by F.I. Co's Slaughterhouse excluding the plots on the south of the road immediately in front of the Cemetery.
- Lot 9. Section of land immediately to the West of Battle Memorial to Sullivan House Jetty.
- Lot 10. Section of Land at south of Cemetery House from Mr. A. Peck's and Mr. W. Alazia's boundaries to Common Gate, Subject to Special conditions that grazing rights may be withdrawn without warning on account of possible subdivision and sale of Section on this area. The Purchaser of this Lot must understand that should grazing rights be withdrawn, no refund of the purchase money can be made.
- Lot 11. Section of land to West of Cemetery.

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

The highest bidder to become the purchaser. If any dispute arises the Lot or Lots to be resold. Upset price for any Lot £1.

NO FENCES TO BE ERECTED ON LOTS, OR AROUND LOTS.

ALL ANIMALS TO BE TETHERED CLEAR OF ALL BUILDINGS, ROADS, TELE POLES AND PUBLIC DRAINS.

LOTS MUST BE KEPT CLEAR OF MANURE. ALL MONIES TO BE PAID TO THE AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT BY NOON ON MONDAY 4th, OCTOBER 1954.

The purchaser of any lot absolves the Government from responsibility for injury or to loss of stock on his lot. Purchaser will be responsible for any damage which may be caused by animals which come from their lots.

The Government reserves the right to withdraw the Grazing Privilege without compensation if it is satisfied that the Conditions of Sale are not being carried out.

Ag A.O.

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To note appl on 15.

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28/9

H. E. S.

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Thank you, necessary action taken.

A. P.

O /c Ag. Dept.

29/9/54

David
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Extract from the Acting Colonial Treasurer's Memo.
35/B of the 18th July, 1958.

Subject: Land Rent Register.

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(c) Plots at Canache, Eliza Cove, and Shorts Paddock.

Rented to the Dairymen at 1/- per acre (Please see 7 in 0587) Government fenced. No agreement regarding maintenance of fences or other conditions.

Recommended: That Mr. Ford (Shorts' paddock, 10 acres) Mr. Clifton (Eliza Cove Paddock, 7 acres) and Mr. Goodwin (Canache Paddock, 9 acres) be asked to enter into an agreement regarding the rental of these plots, including a clause to the effect that they will keep the fences in repair to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge of the Agricultural Department.

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(Sgd.) L. Gleadell
ACTING COLONIAL TREASURER.

Off. Ag. Dept.

Pl. done

24/7/58.

Hon. Col. Sec.,

It is suggested that the paddocks listed overleaf are leased to the Dairymen and that clauses concerning the maintenance of the fences etc. are inserted. The rental of all plots on the common might be revised? At present some are rented at 1/- an acre, others are rented at 2/- per month regardless of acreage, none is covered by a lease or an agreement. Perhaps the fairest method is to charge rent based on the acreage of the particular paddocks - say 5/- per acre. The Canache Paddock is, I think, larger than 9 acres, possibly 14 acres.

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29. 11. 60.

Get advice of A O & RSL

We can then draw up a draft agreement for approval of the Co

and under and his is his done
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21/12/60

H.L.B.

It is suggested that the paddocks be leased on an even basis after we are certain of the exact acreage.

H.L.B.

23/12/60

Hon. Col. Sec.,

If Short's, Eliza Cove, and the Canada paddocks are required by Government in the near future, I would suggest that they are leased to the Dairymen for a fixed term of years and a formal document of lease is drawn up.

The quality of the pasture of the paddocks mentioned above is above average due to the fact that they were cultivated by the Agric Dept. some years ago and I think the suggested rental of 5/- an acre reasonable.

H.B.

20.1.61.

With open for initiation

with A.O.

27/1/61.

By 31/1/61.

I discussed this with A.O. yesterday at his home in a conversation with Mr Harding this was referred to.

The Dairymen really do not complain of the high cost of hollard. This land was meant to be allotted to them to cut hay. Mr. H. does not agree with the inclusion of the cows which have been used to hollard with cut hay. A.O. might discuss this matter with the dairymen; I don't think we should let them have these plots of land on concessional terms if they are not going to make proper use of them.

2. A.O. will visit the lands, & being unacquainted with the extent or fertility of the various plots will make recommendations for rents. I do not think we want substantially to increase the rent on the dairymen because of difficulty in making it less but we should adjust ourselves to the rents for the various plots on a fair basis compared with each other.

3. ~~the~~ A draft agreement with them has to be drawn up by RSC for approval of R.C.O. The essence of the agreement must be that the land is allotted to them to make hay for the dairy & if they were to run a dairy, an agreement.

terminate.

now to A.O.

28/4/61

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C. J. C. Dept

As in 25 pl.

[Signature]

28. 4. 61

A.L.S.

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We discussed, would you still want
a acreage of land,

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A.L.S.

~~the~~

3/8/61

allowing the Hendersons to

have the land a nominal rate figure.

Not work reasoning etc

Ag. Dept

A.O. estimate of figures at 5 acres

Farms at 10 acres

Goodwin at 12 acres

What do they cost per acre?

10/8/61

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Ag. A.C.S.,

They still pay at the rate laid down at £7 per acre -
that is 1/- per acre.

The actual rents are:

Mr. Ford - 10/-

Mr. Goodwin - 9/-

Mr. Lifford - 7/-

[Signature]

16. 8. 61.

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This had better continue for the present till he has reached
a decision about the dairies. B.U. 6 marks

24/8/61

Can wait another

B.U. 27. 2. 62.

6 marks
[Signature]

B.U. 27. 8. 62

I think we should get out a draft agreement for approval of ex co - I should like advice of A.O & P.S.C on the best wording.

I am inclined to think.

- 1. Must be used for dairy purposes ^{by welfare} or be kept will be cancelled altogether.
- 2. A basic economic rate but a remission to be given ^{unusually} rate of on any year in which hay or other fodder is produced to A.O's satisfaction.

I suspect that Blifton has added a bit of his for potatoes growing.

First I should like to speak to A.O on his return.

27/3/62.

By A.O's return
30.1.62

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Sham.

We are to be in A.O's return with Dairy file
2/10/62

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By 15/10/62

We might first find out for the summer ~~idea~~ (was applied for a loan) when he is going to take over & during we could then write to Ford informing him but it is proposed to leave the land to be his own & we have to be sure of the details we can then get ~~some~~ work out there for the use of the summer. We could be under offering to other similar cases

20/10/62

1st December, 1962

0936.

COPY.

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24th October, 1962.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the land leased by you in connection with your dairy business and to inform you that it is proposed to lease the land to the prospective buyer of your dairy. It is presumed that you have no objection to this action and suggest that the transfer be effective from 1st December, next.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) R. H. D. Manders

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Mr. W. Ford,
STANLEY.

DRM/FH
Copy typed TB

Original in: 0936, at folio 162.

H.C.S.

Mr. Bird came to the office yesterday and said that he has no objections regarding the arrangements proposed in § 34. He would have us see for the land after he has given up the dairy.

The formal lease has even been drawn up in respect of Grants (10 acres) Patrick which Mr. Bird leases from you. The position regarding the hay fields (each for growing hay) is also as set out in § 19-30 between

Q

7. 11. 62.

Dec 27 11. 62 (for action with 2151 - Dairy Patrick).

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