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FROM THE FALKLAND ISLANDS UK COMMITTEE

During February all members on the Electoral Roll in the Falklands will be asked to take part in a:

SOVEREIGNTY SURVEY

which has been commissioned by the United Kingdom F.I. Committee with the full knowledge and agreement of the F.I. Committee in Stanley; with the agreement of your elected Councillors, Lady Young of the British Foreign Office, and your Governor, His Excellency Mr Gordon Jewkes were fully informed of our intentions last December.

After the Liberation in 1982 the British Government promised that you would be consulted at some time, about your wishes about your future. Of course your Government and your own elected Councillors have made their opinions known, but there has been no Official Referendum. Only a Government can do that.

This Sovereignty Survey is the nearest we can get to such Consultations or Referendum.

TOO OFTEN - your friends in the U.K. have to simply re-act against attacks on your Freedom and Security.

THIS TIME - We are taking the initiative.

THIS TIME - You will be making news: Not just defending.

Help us to help you

FILL IN YOUR FORM

This is your chance to let the World know what you want. You may never get another.

These are your Islands. This is about Your life and Your future.

Whatever You Want

FILL IN THE FORM

Then return it as quickly as possible in the pre-paid and pre-addressed envelope which is provided.

Sadly news has been received of the death in England of Sir John Barlow Bt. who was for many years Vice Chairman of the Falkland Islands Association, and President of the Committee. A telegram has been sent to Lady Barlow expressing the deepest sympathy of the people of the Falkland Islands.

NEW RESTAURANT IN STANLEY:

The completion of the Conservatory Restaurant at Malvina House Hotel was celebrated with a reception for about 65 persons on Wednesday 29th January. The restaurant was renovated over a six-month period by local craftsmen Tony Carey and Chris McCallum, with plumbing and electrical work being carried out respectively by Jimmy Moffatt and Steve Vincent.

A Mimosa and Pear tree along with four wrought iron pillars are amongst those features from the old East Conservatory which have been tastefully integrated into the new design.

The Conservatory Restaurant has a seating capacity of 40, thus making it very suitable for large group dinners as well as smaller parties. With tables removed the restaurant can comfortably accommodate 60 to 70 standing guests, thus offering a most suitable venue for wedding receptions, buffet parties, and the like.

Since purchasing Malvina House Hotel from Don and Margaret Davidson in July 1983, Mike and Phil Rendal have maintained a continuous programme of improvements, including the installation of an oil-fired central heating and domestic hot water system, re-equipping of the kitchen with all-electric commercial facilities, and the fitting of en-suite shower rooms in several guest rooms. Major work still to be completed include the fitting of en-suite shower rooms in remaining guest rooms, the addition of a purpose-built bar for residential and diners use, and a conventional hotel foyer and reception area. Mike plans to complete this work in time for the forthcoming summer season.

FALKLANDS OFFSHORE FISHING:

Trawlers and Mother ships are beginning to arrive in Falkland waters ready for Squid fishing which is due to commence in March.

The Japanese KSJ Squid Fishing Co already has a Mother Ship in Port William. She is the 4832 ton 'NECTARINE' with a crew of 26 and 21 Philippine stevedores. It is expected that she will stay for 3 months acting as base for 26 of the smaller Squid Jigger Boats - there may be more.

In Berkely Sound the Japanese Squid Fishing Co have their Mother Ship 'EBISU FONTAYNE' of 1586 tons with a twenty man all Japanese crew awaiting the arrival of 60 Jigger Trawlers. Also in Berkely Sound is the Reefer Refrigerated Cargo Vessel 'FRIO ANTARCTIC' loading small squid from Spanish trawlers, another reefer ship the 'FRIO IONIAN' is expected shortly. Twenty four trawlers are to join these two ships.

By March it is expected that the fishing trawlers will be operating in Falkland waters: 2 Italians : 47 Taiwanese : 1 Japanese for the TAIYO Fishing Co : 32 Polish : and a large number of Russian, East German and Bulgarian trawlers. On the 3rd February this year there were 130 vessels fishing within the Falkland Islands Protection Zone.

The following shipping statistics may be of interest: Vessels arriving and clearing in Stanley and Berkely Sound.

1975: 49 vessels	1980: 312 vessels
1976: 47 "	1981: 273 "
1977: 46 "	1982: 227 "
1978: 46 "	1983: 696 "
1979: 208 "	1984: 639 "
	1985: 903 "

VISIT OF RT HON. E.G. VARLEY AND MR D.A. BRITTON:

MR VARLEY, now Chairman of Coalite and the Falkland Islands Company Ltd and Mr David Britton visited the Falklands for a week in January.

This was a routine visit by the Chairman who managed to visit all FIC farms during the weeks visit. He also met up with many Government officials, and Company staff in Stanley. During the visit a presentation was made to the Falkland Islands Development Corporation of the proposal put forward by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd. for the provision of Fishery Support Services, Civilian fuel supplies, and passenger freight handling in the Falkland Islands.

As ever, Mr Varley and Mr Britton valued their visit so as to keep up-to-date with Island affairs.

MPA ROAD FATALITY:

On the afternoon of Friday February 7th Signaller Colin Jack was killed when his landrover over-turned on the Mount Pleasant Airport/ Stanley Road. Twenty year old Colin from ORMSKIRK LANCs was serving in the Falklands with 266 Signal Squadron.

STAMPS:

On Monday Feb 10th a new series of stamps were released on sale from Falkland Islands Post Offices. The 4 stamps depicting Falkland Islands Sea Shells were designed by Ian Strange for the following values: 7p : 22p : 27p : 54p. A First Day Cover is also available from the Philatelic Bureau priced at £1.30. Within the First Day Cover is a descriptive note from which the following is taken:

"Walk the tideline of one of the Falkland Islands' many sweeping sandy beaches and, dotted here and there amidst the silvery quartz sand, you will find delicately coloured sea shells. But lift these shells away from their natural environment and much of their subtle beauty is lost. As it would be difficult - if not impossible - to portray them successfully within that environment, on the small scale needed for a stamp design, the artist has chosen to concentrate on individual shell-forms, setting them against a background that echoes their own rhythmic shapes and delicate colours."

FROM THE HON. MRS NORMA EDWARDS:

PETITION ON UNCONTROLLED FISHING

At present Charles Keenleyside and I are plodding around town asking people to sign a petition which will be given to Baroness Young during her visit here for the attention of the British Government on her return to London.

The petition expresses our concern as residents of the Falklands at the uncontrolled fishing in the waters around our Islands, and urges the British Government to effect a unilateral fishing zone without delay.

To date we have had almost 100% participation for the petition, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who have already signed it. If we haven't yet visited you, we will be doing so in the near future, and I would urge you to add your signature to the hundreds we already have.

It's an opportunity to voice your concern at the plundering which is taking place around our shores, and which therefore in due course will effect the God given gift of our Islands, namely our wild life.

I know that politically we are considered a "hot potato", and no doubt a lot of political and economic wrangling will have to be undertaken to establish a fishing zone. But we owe it to our wild life to take every opportunity to express our deep concern at the uncontrolled fishing in this area. The longer it takes to establish control of the fishing fleets, the more our seals, penguins and all the other sea birds who frequent our land, and the waters around it, are in jeopardy.

EDITORIAL

Your support for this newspaper has been very gratifying indeed. Our aim is to publish news and views on all Falkland affairs. To make this possible your news and views are needed regularly - (any news). A newspaper is a means of reflecting public opinion. Don't be afraid to say what you think - we can always polish up letters if you wish. It is your newspaper - use it to your advantage.

The big event of the moment is the Sovereignty Survey. Although it is satisfying to have had the opportunity to express our wishes towards our future no one should now sit back and imagine that we have done all that is required. Remember that the memories of the Public, the Press, and the Politicians are very short. We therefore - All of Us - have a duty to not only say as often as we can that we wish to remain British: but also to do that bit extra by writing to MP's in Britain, to Newspapers and to anyone who may be able to support our cause. Make your views known as often as you can, in as many places as you can and as forcefully as may be necessary.

BIRTHS : MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

The marriage took place at Fox Bay West on January 25th between James Albert Miller and Catherine McLeod Morris. The ceremony was conducted by the Deputy Registrar Mr Ken Halliday.

BIRTHS: February 3rd: to Dwenda and Clive Newman a son Shaun Alexander weighing 7lb 12oz, a brother for Ingrid and Glynis

Our congratulations to all.

We regret to record the following deaths:

David Charles Massey aged 47 years - on December 21st 1965 at Stanley. Mr Massey was a Senior Radio Officer on the way to join his ship.

Colin Jack on 7th February aged 20 years - in a road accident reported elsewhere in this issue.

Our sincere sympathy to all family and friends.

THE GREAT GARDEN SHOW:

Just a reminder that the Falkland Islands Horticultural Society will be holding their annual Flower, Vegetable, Home Produce and Gardens Show on Saturday March 8th in the Gymnasium.

There are sections for: Pot Plants : Cut Flowers : Flower Arrangements Collections: Vegetables : Fruit : Home Produce.

Campers: Please send your exhibits to 'HORTICULTURAL SHOW' STANLEY. Make sure your name and address is attached. Unless you state clearly that you want an entry back or collected by any person in Stanley, it will be sold by auction in aid of the Horticultural Society.

Stanley Residents: There are no entry forms to bother about: at Show time just bring your exhibits to the GYMNASIUM.

YOU ARE NOT LIMITED TO ONE ENTRY PER CLASS

ENTER AS MANY AS YOU LIKE

GAZETTE NOTICE

The following revised list of Magistrates, Justices of the Peace, and Commissioners for Oaths at present resident in the Colony and South Georgia is published for general information.

Magistrates and Justices of the Peace

H Bennett, OBE JP	22.7.46	Stanley
S Miller, CBE JP	3.6.55	Stanley
Mrs J Booth, JP	5.8.67	Stanley
W H Goss MBE JP	12.7.69	Stanley
Hon L G Blake, OBE JP	12.7.69	Hill Cove
J D Barton, JP	12.7.69	Teal Inlet
B Hardcastle, JP	30.10.74	Darwin
J R Cockwell, JP	9.2.81	Fox Bay East
M C Ll Gaiger, JP Attorney General	23.11.84	Stanley
R Browning, Magistrate (Licensing)	18.10.85	Stanley
S A Booth MBE JP	28. 2.85	Stanley
W E Bowles JP	28. 2.85	Stanley
Mrs J L Chcek JP	28. 2.85	Stanley
H H Milne JP	28. 2.85	Stanley
T G Spruce JP	28. 2.85	Stanley
Mrs E J Steen JP	28. 2.85	Stanley
R W Wilby, Magistrate	18.10.85	South Georgia
G C Byrne, Senior Magistrate	29.10.85	Stanley

Commissioners for Oaths

R J Ferguson	8. 2.71	Weddell Island
J R Linton	8. 2.71	Chartres
S R Miller	8. 2.71	Koppel Island
R B Napier	8. 2.71	West Point Island
K J McPhee	8. 2.71	Green Patch
R M Pitaluga OBE	8. 2.71	Salvador
O R Smith	8. 2.71	Johnson Harbour
A Polo-Evans	8. 2.71	Saunders Island
Hon A T Blake	23. 3.73	Little Chartres
I C Robertson	23.11.73	Fort Stephens
N A Knight	26. 2.81	Fox Bay
R M Lee	31. 3.81	Fort Howard
Attorney General	4. 1.83	Stanley
Mrs S. Halford	27. 2.83	Stanley

NEW COIN:

A new F.I. coin with a face value of £2 is to be issued later this year to commemorate the Commonwealth Games which are to be held in Edinburgh in July/August. There are to be two types of coin: 20,000 Silver Proofs will be struck priced at £25. Fifty will be allocated for local sales. 50,000 Silver uncirculated coins will be minted of which 100 are to be allocated for local sales. The coins are expected to come in March or early April.

MINISTER TO VISIT FALKLAND ISLANDS:

Baroness Young, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, is to make a 5 day visit commencing on Feb 23rd.

Lady Young will be updating herself on Falklands affairs, with particular interest in projects which have commenced since her last visit two years ago.

THE FALKLAND ISLAND PISTOL ASSOCIATION

From: Derek R. Packham

I am looking for all responsible Pistol or Revolver owners here in the Islands. Hopefully to form the one and only FALKLAND ISLANDS PISTOL ASSOCIATION. Having had some response from interested parties, I believe it can work and develop. The F.I.P.A. can only work for the People and the Islands after membership has grown sufficiently. Also it must be noted that with the present Firearms Dealers cutting down on supplied stocks of firearms, the Association will be able to help in private purchases of firearms, accessories and cleaning equipment etc. I am at this time able to arrange purchase of firearms, cleaning kits, reloading equipment and ammunition. Also I can supply Buck, Benchmark and Gerber knives all by mail order except the ammunition which must come by sea freight. The firearms situation is such that a person may arrange their personal importation or they send me the cost plus Import Licence and I will obtain, for direct delivery to the purchaser. Should a quote be required, this is quite easily done.

Therefore the F.I.P.A. can help all, but membership is a must as the basic aim is to promote Pistol Target Shooting and Competition Safety within the Falkland Islands.

As to the future of the FALKLAND ISLANDS PISTOL ASSOCIATION - it is hoped to develop and will develop as people see the benefit of membership, which at £6.00 is very reasonable.

I have had contact from various U.K. firms and their supply of goods is reasonable and would be fast, but again this speedy delivery relies on the mail service.

Also I hope to receive the Rules and Regulations for the F.I.P.A. plus the Association is designed to follow international Shooting Regulations, which will help us to become recognised by other countries.

The U.K. National Pistol Association has helped to formulate Regulations etc. Also their booklet of Rules for Shooting is available to members at £5.25 including P&P.

It is hoped to start a Postal Target Shooting League for members and later develop a yearly competition in three sections. Namely 2 on the East and West with a final in Stanley or here at Goose Green. But as shooting can be set up, not to conflict with work or the Shearing Season, there is no reason for lack of membership.

For those in doubt I own a .22 Ruger pistol and a Sig 210.6 which is a collectors pistol.

For more information contact:

DEREK R. PACKHAM
CHIEF MECHANIC
GOOSE GREEN GARAGE

A LOEM OF THANKS FROM BOB MARSH OF THE ARMY AIR CORPS:

THE END PART ONE

We'll forget the lousy weather
The racing wind and sleet
And the times we've spent in trenches
Nursing wet and aching feet.

We'll forget the days of toiling
And the long hard working nights
And we'll forget the excercises
And tedious routine flights.

We'll forget the peat and endless bogs
And the minefields all around
And the potholed endless roads
And the soggy, muddy ground.

We'll forget the Fortakabins
And the endless fish and chips
We'll forget the Argies near us
(And their incursion of the FIPZ)*

THE END PART TWO

We'll remember natures' beauty
And the unpolluted air
And the freedom of the people
Who live now without a care.

We'll remember "well met" handshakes
Endless cake and cups of tea
In rambling, cosy houses
Nestling by the sea.

We'll remember camaraderie
And friendships we have made
We'll remember all the gratitude
For the part that we have played.

But mostly we'll remember
That whilst we were with you
Your patience and your friendship
Saw us safely through.

* (Falkland Island Protection Zone)

EARTH TREMO

Shortly before 7 oclock on the 22nd
earth tremors were felt in the F.I.
seconds and was sufficient to rattl
many places. Reports of the tremors
West Point, Port Howard, San Carlos,
Green Patch and Stanley. As far as is known
no damage.

UNION NEWS:

On the 20th January 1986 the General Employees Union and the two major employers F.I.G. and F.I.C. reached agreement on the work and pay conditions for the hourly paid union members of Stanley.

It might be useful to recap on what was agreed.

1. Cost of living bonus increased from 70% to 100%
2. A 3% wage award with effect from the 1st January 1986.
3. A further wage award of 2% with effect from 1st January 1987.
4. That the agreement is effective from 1-1-86 to 31-12-87.
5. Dirt money pay increased from 22p to 26p per hour.
6. Inconvenience pay increased from 25p to 50p.
7. Extra skill and responsibility pay increased from 3p to 5p per hour.
8. Tool allowance increased from £15.50 to £16.50 per annum with a further offer to be forwarded to the Union in the short term future.
9. A refreshment break of 15 mins to be taken on the site between 0830 and 0930 am. The precise time being laid down by the employer after consultation with employees.
10. Protective clothing and dirt money payment for fitters working out in the field.
11. Termination of employment. It was agreed that both employers and employees give the following notice of termination of employment:

Ten years service - One months notice
Five " " - Two weeks notice
All other employers - One weeks notice
12. Redundancy legislation be drawn up as soon as possible.
13. We looked into the possibility of setting up a labour board who could administrate issues like Health and Safety at work.
14. Regular meetings preferably quarterly shall be held between the F.I.G. F.I.C. and the G.E.U.
15. Agreed that all the conditions within the agreement are applicable to Union Members only. No other hourly worker within the employ of these two employers have the automatic right to these benefits

The Union delegation during the negotiations were, Gavin Short, Trevor Browning, Terry Betts and Wallace Hirtle.

The Radio and Press have regarded the agreement as a Victory for the Union. We in the Union feel it was a Victory for the Island and once again reflects what a stable corner stone this Union is to our democracy.

We have held our nomination at which 54 members attended. Camp members should by now have their ballot sheets whilst Stanley members will be able to vote for a new committee at the forth coming annual general meeting. There is a very healthy situation here with no less than 17 people standing for 9 seats.

FROM ROBERT WATSON:

To The Editor
The Falkland Islands Times

Through the good offices of your paper, I'd like to thank the many people here in the Falklands who have made my stay of 16½ years here so pleasant. This time represents almost 40% of my total life span to date. During this time I have changed from a single bloke to a married family man and contrary to popular belief my reason for moving back to Britain is merely for family reasons. My parents are ageing and we are depriving them of their granddaughter and the granddaughter from her relatives. We would like her to realise her family is far greater than just mother and father.

During this period 1969 to the present there have been many changes and changes for the better in the Islands. When I first came, the only link with the outside world was by sea either by the Falkland Islands Company ship, the Darwin which sailed once a month to Montevideo and back with a maximum of forty passengers. Also in those days the old A.E.S. unlike its modern sister, carried a dozen or so passengers.

Later in 1971 the Darwin was sold and the monthly sea link came to an end. An agreement was signed with Argentina to provide external communications and I arrived for my second contract in April 1972 by amphibian aircraft, the Albatross. Towards the end of that year a temporary airstrip was constructed by the Argentines. We don't need to mention what happened ten years later and its aftermath!

When I first came, things were very different both in Stanley and the Camp. It is difficult to imagine Stanley now a quiet backwater where every face you know as you walked along the street and without its obvious military presence with helicopters and screaming jets passing overhead. The only planes were the two Beaver float planes and only when Endurance was in flying stores to Naval Party 8901 at Moody Brook did the place liven up with helicopters.

In Camp each farm kept a big gang throughout the year. There were no travelling shearing gangs. Each farm did all its own shearing and this was the ongoing job for the whole summer with the pressure on all the time. A man who could shear seventy sheep a day was considered a good shearer. I think about 1972 a Welsh shearing instructor was employed for one season and as a result the shearing output per man increased at least threefold and in many cases fourfold. The results of this man's work were dramatic indeed. Then Harland Greenshields encouraged a young Peter Goss to start the first shearing gang. This has proved very popular both for the farms and for the men working in the gang. Now the population of the Camp has dropped although I believe it is going to rise again as a result of subdivision. When I first came, people had to wait to get married and live in an outside shepherds house but now there are plenty of vacant houses and most young couples can have a house in a settlement.

In 1969 for a local person to obtain his own sheep farm was well nigh impossible. Occasionally a small island would become available, now land is becoming available and people feel more encouraged to stay and expect to get a section eventually. Many other changes have taken place and opportunities for the younger generation has increased dramatically.

In my profession, dentistry, there hasn't been a lot of change. We still have to drill out decayed teeth and put in fillings or remove teeth in older patients which have lost their bony support due to periodontal disease. I'd have liked to have seen improvements in the children's teeth but because of the increase in the use of soft drinks, sweets and ice creams and a general lack of interest the situation is still bad. Those people who have put into practice the advice I have offered have gained immeasurable advantages and require little intervention by a dentist and hopefully will never have to wear dentures - a poor substitute for trouble free natural teeth.

contd.

letter from Robert Watson contd:

Again I wish to thank the Islanders and other residents here in the Falklands for their kindness and hope to see as many as possible in the UK when they come on leave. Its been an interesting 16½ years and maybe I'll be back as a tourist. In the meantime - all best wishes for the future.

Robert M. Watson

P.S. I also wish to thank the many people throughout the Islands who have welcomed me into their homes when I travelled with Robert. It was a joy and a privilege to meet all of you. I will always remember the shared laughter in your kitchens while we ate those delicious meals and smokos. Your many kindnesses to me I will always treasure. To those of you in Stanley that lived through the days of occupation, a special thanks for your support during those difficult days. I will always remember your friendly faces smiling and waving as I moved through the town and Camp. I wish the very best of futures for each one of you. I hope to see you again some day.

Special love to you all from both Mary and me (Catherine) Watson.

MOUNT PLEASANT USERS WORKING GROUP:

The Mount Pleasant Users Working Group attended its meeting on Wednesday 15 January 1986 at the FIDC offices.

The Group was told that the reason for empty seats on Tristar flights was the restriction on the maximum permissible weight for the aeroplane to fly. The number of passengers was governed by the requirement to carry sufficient fuel for diversion and head winds.

This is a cumbersome explanation: Basically it means that although you may see empty seats on the Tri Star, the aircraft has already taken on board the maximum weight of passengers and fuel in order for it to make the journey from Ascension to the Falklands.

THE WRONG GEORGE:

The London based Falkland Islands Newsletter for November 1985 reported the death and carried an Obituary for George Stewart who died suddenly at Fox Bay in September.

Regretably the Obituary details - all of them correct - applied to George Stewart of Stanley who is very much alive and well, with his wife Rose at their home in Fitzroy Road Stanley.

George of Fox Bay and George of Stanley were cousins.

So George and Rose send their best wishes to all friends and say that they are both fit and well for a good many more years yet.

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The Editor
Falkland Island Times

I would be grateful if you could print the following in reply to Joan Chiswell's letter dated 11th December.

Joan Chiswell makes the point that Anglo-Argentines are "pure" Argentines, a point I have always made. What I always wonder is why "pure Argentines" need to have a British Passport as well, don't they trust their adopted country? I would not blame them if they didn't of course, but then I would not want to be an Argentine.

It does make it convenient of course to have both passports when things are apparently going badly for Britain and apparently well for Argentina then one can come over to the Falklands and shoot the British. When the British prevail however then one can forget the little problem and come and live with the British perhaps until things look better over the other side again.

The fact that ones relatives fought for the British in World War 1 has nothing to do with the Falklands case. In World War 2 those "pure Argentines" simply preferred to fight for another country.

I personally don't see why the matter of Sovereignty should even be discussed with Argentina. Apart from the fact that Argentina has no valid claim, I think any discussion on Sovereignty would be an insult to the memory of the many young Britons who died defeating the Argentine forces - pure Argentines included.

Yours faithfully

Adrian B. Monk
British and proud of it.

NEWS FROM OLD FRIENDS:

Steve and Jenny Whitley send their best wishes from Muscat in the Sultanate of Oman. They say that they are presently enjoying the cooler winter weather which is a delight compared with the summer. They are kept busy with work etc as well as trying to learn Arabic.

Their address is : F.O. Box 12784
SOHAR GOAT FARM
BAHJAT-AL-ANDHAR
SOHAR
MUSCAT
SULTANATE OF OMAN

Charly and Leslie Lowndes and their family send their best wishes to all friends from Cologne in Germany where Charly is now Senior Programme Director of the BFBS Radio Station. Many readers will remember him during his time spent in the Falklands with BFBS during 1982-83.

Their address is:

Fingsdorfer - Strasse 2
5000 KOLN 51
Germany

or:

The British Forces Broadcasting Svc.
Germany
BFPO 19

FROM MR JIM FAIRFIELD:

The Editor
The Falkland Times

3 Racecourse Road
Stanley

Dear John,

In the light of the letters in Issue No 86 I feel I must make some final comments on the 8th December fiasco.

I feel sorry for Penny having to put her name to such a weak and negative letter. I for one am under no misapprehension and stand by my comments in Issue No 85.

As for Tresham's letter, the words "utmost trivia" say it all, it may seem so to some outsiders but not to those who live in and love the Falklands and its heritage. No amount of big words or good deeds should save the guilty from censure. I am not ashamed thoroughly or otherwise.

The 8th December reception was a fiasco it MUST NOT HAPPEN AGAIN.

Jim Fairfield
X Royal Marine
Proud Benny
Not under misapprehensions
Not ashamed.

P.S. as F.I.G. did not reply are we to assume they are blameless?

ADVERTISEMENT
FROM
FALKLAND SUPPLIES

Falkland Supplies have many lines on offer at No 2a Philomel Street, some of which include:

Falkland Island and Mount Pleasant Tee Shirts for Adults and Children from £2.50 to £2.95. Carrier Bags again Mount Pleasant and Falkland Islands £2.25 and £3.27. Tea Towels in three designs Falkland Flowers - believed to be the first local design of flowers £1.80 each, Union Jack towels depicting the Falklands map £1.50 and a Mount Pleasant design £1.35.

When shopping for Zippo lighters - Falkland Supplies is the place. We have had many designs on offer over the years and at the present time we have five designs which you can choose from. The popular Liberation design, Map and Penguin, Map and Crest, Mount Pleasant and last but not least our 150th Anniversary design which is still far the most popular. This design is done by a local artist as is our Flowered Tea Towel. Falkland Flower prints £1.00.

Mains battery FM Radios are priced at £18.34

We are agents for Zetor Tractors. Robust and Cheap. These are becoming more popular in the Falklands daily. Zetor is the brand name to look for. Leaflets and Quotations available from Falkland Supplies.

If you require video tapes then again Falkland Supplies are the pioneers and have hundreds from which to choose. We have received 100 tapes since our last list 31st October. Business hours Monday to Saturday inclusive 9-30am to 12 noon. 1-15pm to 5-30pm. Sundays 10am to 4pm continuous.

THE FALKLANDS FAMILIES ASSOCIATION:

The funds raised to date in the Falkland Islands are £9511.44 with still some more fund raising activities to come.

Some of the more recent donations have been:

W02 Osborne ran from MPA to Stanley in 4hrs 25mins	£ 350.00
RAF Mount Alice. An astonishing amount from such a small number	£ 500.00
658 Sqdn Army Air Corps	£ 50.00
266 Signals Squadron	£ 35.00
Cable & Wireless Girls Proceeds from Dance in Town Hall	£ 300.00
53 (LOUISBURG) Air Def. Btty. Proceeds from Raft Race	£ 115.05
The F.I.'s Govt. Donation	£1000.00

F.I.G. have authorised concession fares on FIGAS.

Many thanks to all concerned for such magnificent efforts. Thanks also to all who have provided accommodation and assistance. A copy of the Accommodation Programme is printed here to let readers know who is coming and where they are going to stay.

At a later date when the programme for the visit is finalised it is proposed to hold a meeting in the Town Hall to go through the programme with the hosts, and also to speak with any volunteers for the Reception Committee which needs to be formed with regards to producing cakes and tea for their initial arrival and later for their official local Reception that evening.

Arrangements for camp visits are in hand and the response to our appeal for accommodation in Camp was most generous.
Just a reminder of the dates again: 8th to 15th April.

<u>VISITORS NAME</u>	<u>ACCOM REQD</u>	<u>NAME & ADDRESS</u>
BARRY MR P	DOUBLE	MR & MRS W ETHERIDGE 10 JOHN STREET
BARRY LT COL D	DOUBLE & SINGLE	MR & MRS J SMITH SPARRCKILAWK HOUSE 7 DRURY ST
BANFIELD MRS P	SINGLE	REV & MRS BAGNALL THE DEANERY, 17 ROSS RD
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WARD MR F	DOUBLE	MR & MRS S HALFORD 7 BRANDON RD
MIDDLEWICK MR R	DOUBLE	MRS MAGGIE MCLEOD 6 ROSS ROAD WEST

ANOTHER CONFLICT VICTIM?

Sydney Smith recently discovered at Fox Point near Fitzroy, a wet suit of the type used by divers and underwater swimmers, which had inside it a human femur bone. The suit had suffered very badly from the effects of long exposure to weather and water.

Falklands Police say that it is possible that the remains are from a pilot or crew member from an Argentine aircraft as there are several pieces of wreckage scattered about nearby.

It could well be that with the high risk of being forced to abandon their aircraft or being shot down over the sea, some of the Argentine pilots wore wet suits under their flying suits for additional protection.

RECENT VISITORS AND NEW ARRIVALS:

The Chief of the Defence Staff General Sir Nigel Bagnall made a three day visit to the Falklands during January. Also visiting at the same time was the Director of Public Relations for the Army. General Bagnall succeeds Gen Sir Edwin Bramell.

Peter Young from the Falkland Islands department of the Foreign Office made a short visit recently.

Eric Riley, the Projects Officer for the new Hospital, made a three day visit. Work is progressing at a very impressive pace on the new project by Fairclough Miller who are also employing some local labour.

At BFPI the position of Command Secretary has changed. Barry Ashford has taken over from David Neilson who has completed his tour of duty in the Falklands.

ANOTHER NEW FI'S FARM:

Mount Edgeworth Farm on West Falkland as advertised by the FIDC in the December edition of Penguin News has been bought by Robin Smith, who is presently Head Shepherd at Port Howard.

The five applicants for the new farm were considered recently at a meeting held at Fox Bay Village, by the Selection Committee comprising Chairman: the Hon Robin Lee : FIDC Gen Manager Simon Armstrong : Agricultural Officer Owen Summers : Farming Advisor Stephen Carrington and Farm Owners Danny Donnelly and Nigel Knights.

THE BRIGADE NEWS:

Two major calls were made on the Brigade during January to attend fires in the Camp.

First was on Thursday January 9th when members of the Brigade with pumps and hoses were lifted by RAF Sea King helicopter to Rookery Valley where a large fire was burning deeply into the peat.

People from the nearby farms at The Murrell, Long Island, Green Patch, The Estancia and Johnson Harbour were already fighting the blaze which was eventually brought under control late on Friday afternoon and finally extinguished on Sunday. Volunteers also travelled overland from Stanley with more food and supplies.

The second fire was at Roy Cove on the 30th when a fire in part of the large gorse hedge in the Settlement had burned up as far as the wall of Danny Donnelly's wool shed which was in danger of catching fire. The people from the Settlement had the blaze under control by the time the members of the Stanley Fire Brigade arrived with their pumps and hoses by RAF Sea King. The danger by this time was that the fire was going deep into the peat, so with the equipment from the Fire Brigade it was possible to extinguish the blaze fully by thoroughly dousing the ground with water from the two high pressure pumps.

Fire Superintendent Marvin Clarke would like to express his thanks to all those who assisted the Brigade - especially the R.A.F. and those who loaned land rovers.

GAZETTE NOTICE

School Terms 1986

Stanley Schools and recognised Camp Schools

1st Term - 6 February to 21st May (to include a holiday of one week to coincide with Camp Sports Week)

2nd Term - 5th June to 27th August

3rd Term - 13th September to 17th December

Provided that the number of days worked is not less than that specified above, term dates for recognised Camp Schools may be modified to meet the convenience of farms.

Public Holidays

These apply to Stanley Schools, Recognised Camp Schools and Classes held by Travelling Teachers.

Good Friday	..	..	..	28th March
Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday			..	21st April
Liberation Day	..	..	..	16th June (transfer)
Spring Holiday	..	..	..	6th October
Battle Day	..	..	..	8th December

Holidays for Travelling Teachers

Tuition shall take place except during Public Holidays and the following periods:

19th December 1985 to 8th January 1986

Camp Sports Week

Three additional days (to be taken by arrangement with the Superintendent of Education)

18th December 1986 to 7th January 1987

CAMP ELECTION:

Councillor Tim Miller who farms at Many Branch Fort Howard, recently announced his resignation from Legislative Council. Arrangements are now in hand for a By-Election to fill the vacant seat for the Camp constituency.

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BRITISH COMPANY TO FISH FOR FALKLANDS SQUID

J.Marr and Son links with Japanese fleet

A Hull fishing company is taking up squid jigging to ensure a British catching presence among the large foreign fleets operating around the Falkland Islands.

The largest privately-owned fishing company in Britain, and one of the few survivors of the collapse of the country's deep sea fishing industry, J. Marr and Son Limited, in association with sister company J. Marr (Seafoods) Limited, who have been responsible for selling substantial quantities of Falkland Islands caught squid around the world, have signed an agreement with Japanese fishing vessel owners.

The Hull companies have chartered ten vessels from the K.S.J. Corporation, an association of skipper owners operating from the port of Misaki, south of Tokyo. This will enable the British companies to learn the catching techniques and the all important quality control procedures associated with the squid fishery.

A spokesman for the Marr companies said: "Through our international fish trading operations we have a very good knowledge of the activities of all nations in Falkland waters. It is now one of the world's biggest fisheries and rather than being an intermediate trader, we want the U.K. to have a bigger slice of the fishing activities in what we consider to be U.K. Sovereign waters.

"We have vast knowledge and experience of catching most pelagic and demersal species of fish. However, our knowledge of squid is not complete. The marketing of this specie is no problem to us, but catching and handling techniques are new. The method known as 'jigging' is one of the most conservation effective methods of taking squid.

"We will also be able to observe the high standards achieved at sea by the Japanese for their most exacting market demand."

The company is particularly anxious to obtain information as quickly as possible so that it can incorporate the technology in its new building programme.

The ten squid jigging vessels will operate as Marr ships under British control and will carry experienced British trawler skippers and officers. Senior Marr management are enroute to the Falklands to set up a liaison with the Japanese ships and arrange the embarkation of the British sea-going staff for the start of operations.

Initially the plan is to serve only the Japanese market as not only the area of biggest demand but also the most profitable outlet. However, J. Marr (Seafoods) Limited, being fully aware of World markets could supply other countries if the opportunity arises.

Arrangements for the venture were initiated in Tokyo over fifteen months ago by Marr's representative office in Japan, Transpac Fisheries Limited, Tokyo.

Marr's representative in the Falklands is Dave Eynon of the South Atlantic Marine Services.

VISIT OF BARONESS YOUNG:

Baroness Young, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, made a five day visit to the Falklands from the 23-28th February. During the very full and wide ranging programme the Baroness visited the West and East Falklands carrying out her wish to meet as many local people as possible. Many have commented that she was this time far more relaxed and less prickly than when she was in the Falklands two years ago. She made special mention of the improvement in communications since her last visit, when she had travelled with the uncertainty and discomfort of the Hercules which has now been replaced by a smooth flight in a modern aircraft into a modern international airport.

On her arrival at Government House in Stanley Lady Young was met by a peaceful demonstration of local people who used the occasion to reinforce the widely held views in the Falklands on the dangers of uncontrolled fishing in our waters. Later a Petition containing over 1000 signatures was handed to Lady Young by Councillors the Hon Norma Edwards and the Hon Charles Keenleyside. Although very much aware of the thoughts, wishes and difficulties of the Falklands fishing problem, Lady Young was able to see for herself the transshipping operations in Berkley Sound. She also, to fully brief herself on the situation, flew over the fishing grounds in a C130 Hercules of the RAF.

~~Lady Young said during a public meeting at the end of her visit that she well understood our anxieties on fishing and the utmost had been done to take them into account in pursuing a workable policy.~~ An arrangement was wanted with Falklands fishing which works in Conservation terms, which promotes stability in the South Atlantic - and which brings revenue to the Falkland Islands. Lady Young said that she was convinced that a multilateral arrangement offers the best prospect of meeting all these needs without prejudice to British Sovereignty over the Falkland Islands. Already fishing nations had been asked to keep their efforts down to 1985 levels and understandings have been reached with Japan, Korea and Taiwan to avert the threat of dramatic overfishing.

Lady Young said that it was a source of great encouragement and pride to her to see that so much has been achieved since her last visit. Particularly with land subdivision coupled with the involvement of the FIDC who she said, had adopted the only sensible approach which is to exploit local resources, involve local people, and foster local enterprise. She said, "I feel strongly that if there is not a local will for development then the FIDC's enterprise will founder. Economic prospects for you, the people of the Falkland Islands will then be bleak. Development is not an optional luxury; it is vital if you and your children are to have the life you hope for in a prosperous and well serviced community."

It was pleasing, she said, to see projects both big and small going ahead so well; The Wool Mill at Fox Bay Village; The Fortoser Fisheries Project; The Stanley Dairy; the new Stanley Hospital along with the improved wool yield on the subdivided farms. Lady Young said with conviction that she had confidence in the prospects for the Islands and could not emphasise too strongly the commitment of the British Government to our future. She urged us to take every opportunity to put our case across and bring it to the attention of the World. If possible, come and see it as she had done. A country with a Confidence in its own identity; its own achievements and its own future. When asked during an interview shortly before her departure if she had any advice - good or critical as a result of her visit she replied that she had been very fortunate to have had the opportunity to visit many different Developments and to have talked to an enormous number of Islanders both on East and West Falklands.

"I don't think I would give any advice other than to say to the Islanders, Do Make the most of your opportunities that are here. Because the British Government wants to see the economy going well and flourishing, Build on what you are doing, and continue the good work."

BIRTHS MARRIAGES & DEATHS:

BIRTHS:

March 16th to Phil & Jan Beavan of Stanley a daughter Alexandra Marion weighing 8lbs. A sister for Camilla.

MARRIAGE:

On March 1st at New Island between Michael Sturdce Goodwin and Sandra Lydia Ward. The ceremony which took place on the after deck of the old MV 'PROTECTOR' was conducted by Tony Chater.

Congratulations to all concerned.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the following deaths.

Feb 12th	George John Archibald Short	aged 87 years
Feb 22nd	Stanley Frank Miller	" 75 "
March 1st	John McKee	" 78 "
March 5th	Hannah Caroline Smith	" 71 "
March 12	Stella Margeory Perry	" 73 "
March 17	Benjamin Browning	" 75 "
March 25	Ronald McCormick	" 42 "
March 13	J.W. Smith (Johnnie) in Plymouth	" 66 "

Our sincere sympathy to all family and friends.

FROM SYDNEY MILLER:

Editor
F.I. Times

March 30th 1986

Dear Sir,

I believe that I am right in saying that I am one of several thinking members of our community who have now some considerable alarm at the course that the governing of these Islands is tending to take.

We have now a council recently elected who I think should become vociferous in re-directing this change of course back into the proper channel, in other words more definitely into their hands.

It would seem that the Development Corporation, very recently doing good work in providing loans and cash help to the new farmers, are now fairly obviously wanting to steer too much of the future possible recommendations for Colony improvement into their hands.

I must quote a distinct case in point. A month or two ago the Sheep Owners Association enjoyed successive visits by representatives from the British Wool Marketing Board and from the New Zealand similar Board. We had interesting discussions and both these gentlemen said that their reports when issued would be sent to the S.O.A. for their examination. No reports have been received by the Association, but I have learnt through a private source that the F.I.D.C. has not only received these Reports but seem prepared to act upon them in spite of their somewhat non-existent knowledge of the processes of this Colony's sheep farming industry.

CONTD.

LETTER FROM MR MILLER CONTD:

The apparent non-stop source of O.D.A. funds enjoyed by the Development Corporation comes, we learn, from the famous thirty-one million pounds proposed about 3½ years ago for the Colony's development as a whole; it is not a separate income issued by O.D.A. for F.I.D.C.'s promotion and expansion. The S.O.A. looks forward with considerable interest to the disclosures we shall no doubt receive shortly from F.I.D.C. on the wonderful asset of a Falkland Islands Wool Marketing Board and exactly how our industry must develop it.

The Development Corporation, which many of us are sure could be of enormous advantage to the Colony, is composed virtually entirely of expatriates who have only been here a very short time and therefore cannot do much more than guess at how this Colony ticks.

SYDNEY MILLER

REDUCTION IN AIR FARES BETWEEN UK AND FI:

With effect from 1 April 1986, the single duty fare between UK and the Falklands will be reduced from £525 to £450, with a corresponding reduction in the return fare.

Fares booked in advance for flights currently planned to take place after 1 April will be eligible for refund. Freight charges are under review as is the military baggage entitlement.

Commercial fares remain unchanged.

REFORMATION OF THE STANLEY PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB:

On Wednesday 19th February a meeting was held in the Town Hall to discuss the possible reformation of the Stanley Photographic Club which was disbanded in the 1960's.

It was decided that enthusiasm for the hobby had risen greatly in the community, from both local and military sectors and that the time was ripe to get the club back on its feet.

Following a short discussion a running committee was elected. The posts are:

Chairman	Montana Short
Secretary	Jim Hendricks
Treasurer	Roger Spink
Military Liaison	Mark Van Kuylenburg

Many aspects of Photography were highlighted during this meeting but it was decided to wait until the next meeting to discuss the way the club should be run. This was mostly to ensure all interested parties could be advised of the clubs' existence.

If you are interested in participating in any way in this fast growing hobby then please come along to the next meeting. It is stressed that you do not have to be in any way professional or have expensive equipment. This club is for learning and it is hoped will cater for all levels of skill and tastes.

For details of the club and next meeting please contact the secretary on civilian 249 or military 2033 (if I'm not there, leave a message and I will contact you).

J. HENDRICKS

SECRETARY

OBITUARY

George John Archibald Short was born on the 29th March 1898 and died early in the morning on the 12th February 1986. He died, as he lived, with quiet dignity.

With his passing the community lose a member who, in his life, epitomized those qualities associated with these Islands. A quiet, unassuming man he was always hospitable and ready to offer a helping hand where needed.

Archie, as he was known to one and all, was born at San Carlos and started his working life there as a house-boy at the tender age of nine. In those early days he participated in many things which have long since passed into our history. As a youth he worked on the building of the Camber Railway and the Wireless Station which still stands at the Head of the Bay.

One of his memories of this early period was of the high unemployment and of how men were paid eight shillings (40p) for napping a cubic yard of rock small enough to pass through a two inch gear ring.

On the 14th February 1916 Archie joined the Falkland Islands Defence Force and was a member until his honourable discharge on the 28th May 1946 after serving for thirty years and one hundred and four days. During this period he served on outpost during both World Wars and was one of the team who manhandled the big guns down from Sapper's Hill to Canopus.

In 1921 Archie left Stanley onboard the 'Gwendolene' bound for Goose Green. After some very rough weather he was landed, and rode on to North Arm where he was to work for the next thirty years. Life in Camp in those days was a different proposition to what it is today. There was no electricity, radio, flush toilets or many of the other amenities that we take for granted. Travel depended on horse or boat and many a time he spoke of trips to Stanley which could take two days or much longer.

Seven years after his arrival at North Arm, Archie went to Stanley and returned with his young bride Agnes to start what was to be fifty one years of married life.

They had twelve children, nine of whom survive them and are now scattered across three continents.

Whilst living at Lion Creek Archie and his family became part of F.I.G.A.S. history. One of Archie's daughters developed acute appendicitis and on Christmas Eve 1948 became the first customer for the newly arrived Auster aircraft and the first of many who were to owe so much to the pilots of F.I.G.A.S.

In 1953 Archie and his family moved to Bleaker Island which he worked, with the determination and dependability for which he was well known, for the next fifteen years.

At seventy years of age he finally retired to Stanley and Stone Cottage for the last eighteen years of his life. Even during these years he had not finished travelling and flew many thousands of miles to visit relatives in Canada, England and Australia.

Few people who met Archie came away without respect and affection for a man who lived his life to the full and retained his dignity to the end.

R.F.

NEW TOURISM VENTURE

Now that we are in the months toward the end of the summer season, Phil Middleton like a migratory bird will head north to warmer climes. During the following U.K. summer he aims to chat with interested groups of people who express an interest in coming to the Falklands. His business venture is to provide them with the information they need before setting off from Brize Norton and help in getting out and about whilst in the Islands. Call it tourist operation if you wish but it will be more of a broader scope than usually associated with "normal tourist expectations".

Phil rightly points out that there is more than enough scope for all to enjoy a slice of the market if farmers are prepared to offer the visitors the opportunity. Naturally he accepts that some feel pressured already with the summer workload and do not want the extra worry and hassle of tourists. However, he envisages some adventure seeking groups - of around 6-8 persons - wanting no more than permission to hike over the hills carrying all on their backs. For this privilege they would pay a landing fee and a modest camping charge. Farm housewives may like to consider Bed and Breakfast facilities, a single hot meal or even tours of their special areas of interest - albeit in wildlife, old settlement sites, war relics or new home industries. Don't forget what to us may seem of little interest - to the tourist who has to pay to see with his own eyes - a spectacular coastline or scenic valley has a new magic of its own.

Contact has already been established with scout groups and Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions who want to come to the Falklands. Phil Middleton's scout operation Task Force North venture to the U.K. last year has sparked off a renewed interest within the youth organisations and part of his plan is to motivate fund raising schemes within the UK to make these return visits into a reality. Although he will be contacting farm managers, owners and other persons involved in tourism direct he would like to invite any persons interested in either his goals or in ways that he can promote any aspects of tourism particular to your circumstances, to contact him as soon as possible in order for as much up to date information to be relayed to possible clients ready for next summer.

FROM FREDERICK JONES:

'Four Winds'
Roughan
Bury St Edmunds
Suffolk

The Editor
Falkland Islands Times
Stanley

23rd February 1986

Dear Sir

If, as Mr Monk writes in his letter to you (Issue No. 1) that "Argentina has no valid claim" to Falklands sovereignty, it is comforting. Unfortunately, this is not the time for complacency, because there is doubt in the minds of outsiders. It is short sighted to be dogmatic when Falkland Islands political history can be read in public libraries throughout the world.

It would be fitting for a realistic and articulate Mr Monk to explain in detail the reasons for his belief and thus help persuade the United Nations to vote in favour of Britain, instead of 107 to 4 against Britain. A trading nation and democracy like Britain just can not afford to antagonize U.N. views indefinitely and Argentina knows that.

Yours faithfully

Frederick Jones

Although the writer does not say so, he is known to many Falkland Islanders as Freddy Jones from his days spent on the 'Darwin' and 'Philomel' and also the Alginat Industries Company.

PHIL MIDDLETON GIVES MORE DETAILS OF THE NEW VENTURE:

My recent trips to several camp settlements have reaffirmed my belief that small group tourism for the adventurous traveller is a must for the Falklands. My proposal is to act as agent for any interested persons who have a product to sell, or put together a suitable package individually suited to the requirements of a select group.

I shall be travelling throughout the U.K. during the months of May to September armed with slides, video recordings and personal experiences of life within the Islands and with your help, as much up-to-date information with regard to possible areas to visit and costs, etc.

Several people have expressed the opinion that they are keen to have visitors on their land even though at present there are no obvious tourist facilities available. I would point out that many people would be more than happy to camp under canvas throughout their stay and if necessary provide all food, fuel and equipment. A landing fee would be paid plus a modest charge for permission to camp and the use of water. All groups would be strictly supervised to minimise the risks of fires and damage to fences, wildlife or buildings.

If farm settlements wish to provide food in the form of camp meat and milk, or single meals then this would form an added bonus - as would housewives willing to provide bed and breakfast or bath facilities. Farm owners may wish to provide rover support for expeditions to wildlife breeding areas or old settlement sites, fishing trips or see areas of outstanding natural beauty. Pony trekking, or boat trips could be considered between settlements and not forgetting the joys of an overland camp trip complete with a staged bogging!

A suitable package deal would entail a packed programme of various activities and places to visit over a 15 day period. Obviously there are some places that are a must for any tourist - but all farm settlements have a unique way of life that would be of interest to the outsider.

To obtain as much information as possible, that I can relate to prospective clients, I would ask all interested persons to write to me outlining their ideas of what they have to offer - including length of stay for a group of from 6-8 persons, suggested activities and possible places to visit. Naturally an idea of costs either per person or as a group rate should be included with any restrictions on frequency of visits etc. A checklist of headings is enclosed which may help to define the important aspects of what you would like to offer.

I have already received enquiries from interested scout groups and Duke of Edinburgh expeditions who are now actively raising the necessary funds for next summer. If I can help in any way to advertise what you have to offer please don't hesitate to get in touch.

With thanks

PHIL MIDDLETON
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SALE OF FOX BAY WEST:

Following the updated Shackleton report of 1982, suggestions have frequently been made that more land should be available for the creation of small farm units. This view has been expressed particularly forcefully by most members of the Falkland Islands Legislative Council and has been supported by the Falkland Islands Government.

FIC, whilst always recognising the merits of smaller owner occupied farms have at the same time often expressed concern about the effect on those who work as employees on the large farms following sub-division.

Early in 1985, Mr Eric Varley, now Chairman of the Falkland Islands Company (FIC) and the Coalite Group FLC, did however state that if either the Falkland Islands Government (FIG) or Her Majesty's Government (HMG) were to make a direct approach to the Company to make land available for reallocation, then such a request would receive serious consideration.

Continuing interest on the part of HMG and FIG expressed at various times during 1985 culminated in discussions between FIG, FIDC and FIC as a result of which FIC have concluded negotiations with FIG and FIDC to sell the Company farm at Fox Bay West at a mutually agreed price.

During a visit to the Islands in January this year Mr Varley and Mr Britton, the Managing Director of FIC, met many employees working on our farms. It became abundantly clear that the majority of those who live and work on FIC farms would prefer to continue as employees.

In the light of persuasive arguments advanced by FIG and FIDC concerning the level of demand for small farm units, the FIC maintained its readiness to sell a farm.

The final decision to sell was not easy. The Company fully understand that when a large farm is sold and subsequently offered for sub-division, stable life in the settlement is disrupted, communal services can be damaged and the dispersal of employees and their families does take place. The Company will therefore do everything practicable to offer alternative employment to those who have worked with FIC for any length of time. FIDC have advised us that it is their policy to give preference to existing employees of sub-divided farms in allocating sub-divisions other things being equal.

The sale of the Farm should be completed by the end of March and between now and that time the Management of FIC will be talking to each individual at Fox Bay West.

In a statement in the House of Commons of 24th February the Minister of State for Overseas Development said that he has agreed to £550,743.00 from the £31 million Development Aid Grant should be allocated to the FIDC to buy Fox Bay West from the FIC. In the light of previous experience the process of planning sub-divisions will take some months. The sub-divisions will be advertised for sale later in the year.

FIC APPOINTMENT:

Mr David Britton was appointed Deputy Chairman of the Falkland Islands Company Limited at a board meeting held in London on 20th March 1986.

David Britton joined the board on 1st November 1980.

THE SNOWSQUALL

The fourth Snow Squall Project visit to Stanley took place from early January with most members of the 1986 team departing by mid-February. This year's team consisted of Dr E. Fred Yalouris of Harvard University, Project Director, Ms. Martha Richardson of the Archaeological Institute of America (conservation), Mr. Ladd Heldenbranch of South Portland, Maine (conservation and logistics), Bruce Lane of Boston, Massachusetts (measurement), Dr. David Switzer of Plymouth, New Hampshire, State College (diving and archaeology), Dr. William Marshall of the York, Maine, Institute (conservation and ballast research) and Nicholas Dean, of Edgecombe, Maine (photography and research). Yalouris, Switzer, Lane and Dean have made a number of trips to the Falklands for the Snow Squall Project.

Work in 1986 continued the recovery of above-water sections of the hull and set the stage for lifting a bow section from the mud off the F.I.C. jetty, scheduled for 1988. In 1983, approximately 18 feet off the starboard side was shipped back to Maine; in 1984, an approximately 36 foot section was recovered after a severe storm had broken it loose, and in mid-February a 40 foot container of timber will begin its long voyage to the U.S.

SNOW-SQUALL will eventually become a major exhibit at the Spring Point Museum in South Portland, Maine, located about a mile from where the small clipper was launched in the spring of 1851.

Maine is known as 'The Pine Tree State,' and wooden-shipbuilding was a major industry until the end of the 19th century. The ST MARY, wrecked at Kelp Lagoon on her maiden voyage in 1890 was a Maine ship, as was the JOHN R. KELLEY, for whom Fort William's Kelley Rocks are named. Unfortunately, in the U.S. as elsewhere, little of that 19th century maritime heritage remains. SNOWSQUALL, then, is Maine's equivalent to the CUTTY SARK.

SNOW-SQUALL Project workers here noted that as the timbers are examined and chemically treated (much as the MARY ROSE is being treated) many assumptions on how clipper ships were built go out the window! For one thing, (contrary to what the textbooks say) the practical Yankees made use of iron structural members quite early!

When completed, early in the 1990's, the timbers rescued from Stanley will be on display in much the state in which they were brought back (though carefully treated to preserve them). While a replica of SNOW-SQUALL's port side will give visitors an idea of what she looked like new, she was, among other things, painted white, with a vermillion stripe along the gunwales, while most other clippers were painted a sober black.

While in Stanley, as they have in the past, Snow Squall Project Members have assisted in preservation work aboard JHELM and measurements aboard the LADY ELIZABETH.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE

Ref: LEG/10/19K

"Notice is hereby given that Mr Jose Sixto Ruiz-Barrientos of Walker Creek, Falkland Islands, is applying to His Excellency the Governor for naturalisation, and that any person who knows of any reason why naturalisation should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Government Secretary at the Secretariat, Stanley, Falkland Islands."

A GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION:

On January 19th at Waterlooville, Hants, Bessie and Eric Smith were joined by some 100 guests, many of them Falkland Islanders, to celebrate their Golden Wedding the anniversary of which was actually on Jan 18th.

Thirty members of their family were able to attend, including Odette and Lyn (who arranged the party), and their five grand children. Three of Bessie's bridesmaids were there: Joyce and Lorna (Luxton) and myself.

Other guests included two ex-Royal Naval Wireless Operators who had worked with Eric during the War, in Stanley, Dudley Darlow and Eddie James. Eddie was of course accompanied by his wife, Betty (Sedgewick). An old friend of Bessie's from her school days, Christine Hoare, daughter of the then Headmaster of Stanley School, came from Winchester.

A number of Bessie and Eric's friends from their Fox Bay days are now living in Hampshire, so there was quite a reunion of 'Westers' as well: Martin Spooner, Roger Edwards, Brian Wilde, Isabel and Eddie Dickson, Eileen and Jack Atkins, Isobel, Peter, Julia and Donna Hume.

Bessie and Eric left the Falklands 20 years ago, but have always kept in touch with friends there as well as with Islanders living in this country, so they had many cards, flowers, and messages of congratulations on their special day, and would like to thank all who remembered them.

OLGA HARRISON

NEW ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER OF THE FIDC:

Shane Wolsey is the man selected from a large number of applicants for this important £20,000 per year appointment in the F.I.D.C.

Born in 1955 in Bangor, Northern Ireland, Shane lived in his home town until going to University in 1974. He developed his abiding interests in bird watching and ringing in those early years and through his hobbies came to know many Irish and Scottish Islands.

At University College of Swansea, Shane studied geology and gained an honours degree in his subject in 1977. During this time he played a leading role in many university societies and charity events and gained a reputation for organising activities.

At the end of his formal education Shane was employed by Rio Tinto Zinc (RTZ) and he finally had to start earning his keep honestly! He was taken on in RTZ as a Graduate Trainee for a two year period during which he worked on various assignments gaining "hands on" experience in several RTZ companies in the UK. This training was primarily in the commercial and general management fields.

He then left the fold of RTZ (briefly) to work as a Plant Manager with Pioneer Concrete, based in London. After two years he was asked to rejoin RTZ. His appointment this time was as General Manager of a galvanising company in Peterborough. This led to promotion first to a company in Glasgow and then to the largest galvanising bath in the UK in Worksop, Nottinghamshire.

Late in 1985 he answered the call of the FIDC and left RTZ for the second time.

At FIDC Shane is now the Assistant General Manager and has been the catalyst for a slight change in the management structure of the Development Corporation. Responsibilities have now been split on a sectoral basis with Shane looking after Fisheries and Industrial/Service. Simon Armstrong (the General Manager) will be dealing with Tourism and Agriculture, and will still carry overall responsibility for FIDC.

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NEW ASST MANAGER FOR FIDC CONTD:

Shane, his wife Liz and their two children have been delighted to move to the Falklands and are looking forward to an enjoyable and rewarding stay.

PRE-SCHOOL PLAY GROUP NEWS:

Stanley Pre-School Playgroup has recently had to move from the Junior School. Father Monaghan kindly offered St Mary's Hall and the group, after much hard work on decorating etc have moved in. All this has severely stretched their limited funds and a helping hand is required to keep this very important group in existence.

A raffle has been organised and all local traders and many other individuals have contributed prizes. Tickets will be on sale everywhere.

Please help this worthy local cause. The draw will take place at the Playgroup on Thursday the 17th April.

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PRIZES DONATED FOR RAFFLE IN AID OF STANLEY PLAYSGHOOOL

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PENGUIN DEATHS CONTINUE:

During a discussion recently on FIBS between Patrick Watts and the Chairman of the Falkland Islands Trust, Tom Davies, it was clear that the increasing number of reports of dead penguins in Falkland rookeries is becoming a very worrying factor. Following an earlier broadcast appeal for more information, Tom Davies said that the following disturbing figures had come in.

- From Saunders Is. 30 Gentoos dead on the North Point of the Island and an estimated 250 dead on the South Coast.
- From Pebble Is. 97 Rockhoppers dead on the Sand Beach. Fortunately the other Rockhopper Colony on the West end of Pebble seems to be unaffected.
- From It Stephens Rockhoppers and possibly other types are estimated to be dying at the rate of about one in ten in the vast rookeries on Fort Stephens camp.
- From Carcass Is. The Gentoo colony is at present unaffected. It is hoped to be able to carry out a check on the Jason Islands rookeries in the near future.
- From It Howard There are about 500 dead shags (Cormorants) on Swan Island. They may have been dead for some while, so they may or may not be connected with the present problem.

Tom Davies thanks everyone for their reports and asks that people keep sending them in. The more information that can be built up on this problem the better it will be. If the opportunity does occur to send fresh carcasses of dead penguins into Stanley for examination then please do so without delay, so that investigations into the possible cause of death can be carried out. Examination so far has revealed that the birds are emaciated and appeared to be suffering from lack of food.

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION - General Training Scheme:

The FIDC have recently launched a new General Training Scheme.

This scheme is designed to give financial assistance to any person who is resident in the Falkland Islands and who would like to develop their skills through a course of training. This scheme will embrace almost any skill and is open to individuals or companies.

Training can take the form of attending a course in the UK or inviting a specialist trainer to the Islands to pass on his skills. Full air fares plus 50% of training and accommodation costs will be paid by FIDC for an approved scheme.

If a local company wishes to employ a trainee (or regrade an existing employee) on an agreed course of instruction then FIDC can pay 50% of both trainees and trainers wages.

If you are interested in taking up this offer from FIDC then please contact Shane Wolsey on civilian 29 or 268. If you are uncertain of the course you should attend then Shane will help you choose the right one.

WEST FALKLAND SPORTS REPORT by Patrick Watts

'Settlement Full' signs were posted for probably the first time ever at a West Falklands sports week, as 250 people packed into the 10 houses at Hill Cove. A vast majority made the journey from Stanley, while every West Falklands settlement was represented, as the sports-makers travelled by horse-back, land-rover, motor-cycle and even motor-car. The 4 wheel drive Subaru is becoming a popular vehicle on the West. Even Saunders Island managed to send a horse across the water for the racing.

Hill Cove hospitality was once again in evidence, and first time visitors must have wondered what had hit them as a quick drink before supper became a series of calls to each and every bar, traditionally set up in outside sheds, and in some cases gaily decorated. A welcome was extended to everyone.

Councillor Tim Blake who with his wife Sally agreed a year ago to host the 1986 get together, spoke of the relative ease at which preparations can now be made in anticipation of a large household. The modern deep freeze has made the lot of the West Falklands housewife a much happier one, and bread-baking, sausage roll and pic backing can be undertaken well in advance, unlike the 'olden' days when it was all a last minute rush.

Sporting events were held every day Monday to Friday, with nightly dances going on until the early hours of the following morning. The music was varied and the dancing likewise.

The Sheep Dog Trials set the scene for the rest of the week as an unprecedented 32 dogs were entered by their optimistic handlers. In what was once very much a mans event, it was encouraging to see several ladies enter the ring, and set their dogs out on the 12 minute course. In fact sisters Diane Betts and Sue Hansen kept the female flag well and truly flying, with Sue's dog taking 3rd place in the 'Open' and Diane's handling being enough to win her dog 2nd place in the 'Novice' class. Diane, competing for the first time in Trials also won the Novice handlers award. Roy Buckett's 'Moll' second last year at Port Howard reversed the placings with Les Morrison's 'Bounce'. Excellent command won the event for Roy from Pebble Island. In the Novice a popular winner was Dick McKay with 'Flirt', with Ian Hansen snatching 3rd place.

With temperatures rising to 20 degrees C and 80 horses rearing to go, Tuesday's horse-racing programme just had to be a success, and there was the splendid sight of 20 new horses being saddled up for the Maiden Plate. One of the most respected and experienced jockies on the West, Marion Betts surprised everyone by bringing in the unfancied 'Sundowner', beating the favourite 'Charmine' ridden by Raymond Evans. These two jockies battled it out all day for the title of Champion Jockey with just one point separating them at the end. There was considerable excitement in the McKay household as Bella's 'Honey' ridden by Roy Ross strode home to win the Maiden Plate Open.

The beginning of a new exciting phase in West Falklands horse-racing was seen following the introduction of imported blood into breeding a couple of years ago. The evidence was there for all to see when 'Sheena', bred by Raymond Evans of Pebble Island romped away with all the races in which she was entered. First of all Sue Hansen rode the mare to victory in the 'Young Jockies' race, and later Raymond took the F.I. tames, Port Howard Stakes, and Champion Race F.I.B. Coupled with the 2 victories at Port Howard last year, this makes 6 unbeaten races to date for this exciting animal. No doubt Raymond may well be tempted to try for the Governor's Cup next year over the longer distance. This time he quite rightly entered 'Dusk', bred on similar lines to 'Sheena'. With Ron Rozae's 'Beagle', also bred from an Imported Stallion in the field and Timmy Bonner's 'Jump-Jet', the stage was set for a memorable race, and so it turned out to be.

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With 100 yards to go it seemed impossible for 'Dusk' not to win, but Ron Rozee's storming finish brought 'Beagle' home by a short head. Many old-timers insisted that it was the closest finish they had ever witnessed in the Cup.

However the meeting threw up 3 champions ... in addition to 'Sheena' remaining unbeaten, the old Champion 'Sundance' ridden by Marion Betts proved that it will be a year or two yet before the crown will have to be handed over. When they all clashed in the Champion Race Open, it was 'Sundance' who held off the young pretenders to retain the title.

Tim Bonner had the consolation of winning the F.I. Brod on 'Jump-Jet', while Raymond Evans enjoying a marvellous meeting picked up the Pickthorne Plate on his Maiden Flater 'Charmaine'. More will be seen of this animal at future sports. However the afternoon really belonged to a Hill Cove girl, Davina Peck. 3 first places and a second pushed her points total to 13 for the meeting, and third place behind Raymond Evans 21 and Marion Betts 20. 'Marble', 'Rocky' and 'Blue Girl' provided Davina with red rosettes. The first named paid out an incredible £1.60 on a 10p ticket on the Tote.

Errol Goss's 'Lonestar' proved to be the Champion trotter, while Ian Gleadell shocked the field to win the Troop Race on 'Mailstones' and there wasn't one winning tote ticket. In all just over 30 horses featured in the prize lists, and it was encouraging to see young jockies like Denise Donnelly, Lisa Watson and Debbie Gilding picking up some prizes.

An unforgettable days racing was the only way to describe the meeting, with sportsmanship prominent throughout.

In the Shearing Shed on the 3rd day, the Minister of State, Lady Young was an interested spectator at the Sheep Shearing Competition. She saw one of the young contract shearers Timothy Bonner advance from 2nd in the heats to 1st overall with a splendid all round quality performance. Peter McKay had the misfortune to lose 20 points on a technicality and finished second on 98 points, 14 behind the winner. Jen Harvey kept the Hill Cove population happy by filling 3rd spot. Jen does not have the advantage of being a contract shearer, which Tim Bonner later admitted has improved his standard by leaps and bounds over the last 2 years. Roy McGhie took the award for the 'best pen of sheep'. Young Mark Gleadell won the 'Novice' prize and his sister Donna Minnel showed that ladies are making a name for themselves not only in dog trials but on the shearing floor also.

As always day 4 was one for relaxing, with much merriment during the Gymkhana and foot events. Prizes were evenly distributed with Ron Rozee, Tim Blake, Arthur Turner and Bobby Short being very much in the fore. Gretna Green, the V.C. and Back to Front race and the other traditional favourites brought thrills and spills throughout. On the track Peter Nightingale once again held off the Military challenge to take the 1 mile foot event.

The final day brought an exciting climax to the week, with 22 competitors taking part in the Steer-Riding tournament. Sitting bare back on a bucking and kicking wild steer could be considered dangerous by many, but the experienced riders insist that the spectators are in more danger than they are. Ron Rozee now becoming something of a West Falklands expert at the game, held off the challenges from the East Falkland Champion Arthur Turner and well fancied Bobby Short, and took the title with 38 pts. Roy Buckett and Roy McGhie (the latter introducing a new one handed style) tied for second place with 35 pts each, while Turner and Short both showed their undoubted class at the 'sport' by filling the next two places.

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76 year old William Morrison couldn't be tempted to ride a steer, but he did achieve his life-long ambition ... that of riding in a horse-race on West Falklands. Having started his racing career 60 years ago on the East, it was incredible to think that he had never made it to a West sports meeting in all those years. 1926 first saw 'old William' saddle a winner. He didn't make it to the winners enclosure this time, but the mere fact that he is fit and able to pursue his favourite pass-time at his age, must be worth a mention.

Despite a raging flu epidemic which at times affected every household, nothing could prevent Hill Cove 1986 being yet another West Falkland sports meeting to remember, and the hospitality of the Westers was a joy to behold.

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Does your child want a new bike? We have a stock of the ever popular Raleigh Burner, Night Burner and Mini-Burner, priced at £129.01, £159.43 and £99.64.

No advertisement would be complete without a mention of the new Servis 111 model Supertwin washing machine. These machines have proved to be reliable and robust. Priced at £386.81, they are a sound investment.

The Fleetwing shop is now well established to cater for your evening and weekend shopping needs. Do drop in and see us, we aim to give cheerful, polite and personal service.

FROM MR BILL KIDD:

1 Callaghan Road
Stanley

14 Feb 1986

Having served for 22 years in the Royal Marines I feel I must comment on the correspondence in your newspaper over the Freedom/Battle Day Celebrations. I cannot make any observations about the reception as I am among the many who did not receive an invitation.

The people of the Falkland Islands granted the Freedom of Stanley to the Royal Marines. The organisers of that ceremony were Falkland Islanders. It was, by all accounts an excellent day. The 'Professionals' organised the 1985 'celebrations?' They obviously consulted guest list 'A' and acted accordingly. Let us hope they are not the same people who organise our defence.

To the gentleman who uttered the words 'utmost trivia' all I can say is that his PSA/MOD, DUTY FREE, COMPANY CAR world maybe they do invite their guests of honour to wash up and Hoover the house. In the real world this does not happen.

What is required in future is a little more liason between BFFI and the local population.

Bill Kidd
Ex Sgt. Major N.F. 8901

FROM MRS NANCY POOLE:

52 John Street
Stanley

The Editor
Falkland Islands Times

1st March 1986

Dear Sir,

I would like to express my views on something we hear a great deal about: DEVELOPMENT.

Were we so backward before 1982? Are we so backward now? I think not. We seem to have a great deal here that a lot of the World would give their eye-teeth for.

All this talk of computers for a start. Do we really want the unemployment that would eventually follow them? A new Exchange - we may occasionally complain about the current system but are we not going to complain more of paying so much a minute for our calls? Is the present system not very friendly and pleasant? Could it not be done up to last at least a few more years?

We are told we have to make the Falklands economically viable. Is building large hotels in out of the way places going to help? The only two commodities that the Falklands have to offer on any scale are wool and fish. Nothing is being done about the fishing. Why? Does Britain really want us to be economically viable? By the time they get around all these 'difficult negotiations' the fish will be long gone, along with the wildlife.

We are paying fancy salaries to FIDC when, I believe, somebody with local knowledge may have been just as capable of the job.

Do we really want to be plummeted into the 20th Century, with all that has to offer? Or are we quite happy muddling along in our own way?

Yours faithfully,
NANCY POOLE

STORY OF THE AMERICAN CLIPPER "SNOWSQUALL"

You have heard about the American Clipper
Snowsquall is her name for sure
She ran into Fort Stanley for shelter
On the second of March, eighteen sixtyfour.

She was built by Alfred Butler
At Cape Elizabeth, called the "Maine"
And although he built her quite strongly
She could not stand up to the strain.

Charles Green of New York was her owner
Captain Dillington, with a crew of fourteen
Met with disaster off Cape Horn
The worst seas he had ever seen.

She was driven ashore at Le Maire
Damage to her planking and rudder as well
But she finally reached the Falklands
Her last resting place, who can tell?

For One Hundred and Twenty One years in Stanley
And almost fragile I would say
A team of Americans have arrived
To take the old Snowsquall away.

So due to this team of Experts
The Snowsquall will relive again
Going back to her birthplace in a container
Cape Elizabeth, called the "Maine".

To conclude the story of the Snowsquall
Where a Logger Duck laid for years
It will be sad to see the old hulk go
While the duck will probably shed tears.

by DES PECK

SIR MILES CLIFFORD

News was received recently of the death of Sir Miles Clifford
KBE CMG on Friday 21 February. Sir Miles Clifford was Governor
and Commander in Chief for the Falkland Islands from 1946 to
1954. A message of sympathy to Lady Clifford was sent by the
Falkland Islands Government which read as follows:

The Governor and Councillors of the Falkland Islands
would like to offer you their sincerest sympathy in your
great loss. Many here will remember Sir Miles' distinguished
Governorship and will be much saddened by the news. He will
be long remembered in the Islands.

MFA STANLEY ROAD

The restrictions on times for using the Stanley/MFA road have now
been lifted. Road users should however note that traffic lights
will remain in operation between K14 at the west foot of Fitzroy
Ridge and K21 to the East of Hawks Nest. Road maintenance may
at times be in operation over the full 50 kilometers of the route.
Road users are requested to maintain vigilance and to observe
speed limits and warning signs at all times.

EDITORIAL:

We must apologise for this very late edition of the TIMES. As with many other things lately the delay was caused by the severe bout of influenza which has been knocking people down in the Falklands for the last month or so.

To keep things up to date if any readers would care to contribute articles on the West Sports meeting and Stanley Horticultural Show in time for our next issue, it would be very helpful indeed.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

It is notified for general information that Government clocks will be put back one hour, reverting to local mean time, at midnight on Saturday 19th April 1986.

Government office hours will remain 0800 to 1200 and 1315 to 1630.

FALKLAND FAMILIES ASSOCIATION VISIT:

The party comprising 56 relatives and friends of those lost during the 1982 conflict are due to arrive at MPA during the morning of Tuesday April 8th. All being well they are due to arrive at Stanley between 1.30 & 2 o'clock in the afternoon where they will be met and welcomed at the Town Hall by His Excellency the Governor and the Commander British Forces Falkland Islands. All the Stanley hosts are asked to come along at this time to meet up with their guests and take them along to their homes.

Wednesday 9th: is to be a quiet day enabling the party to get their breath back and to get to know Stanley. During that morning wreaths will be available for their collection and labelling at the Gymnasium from 11.00 until 12 o'clock.

Thursday 10th: some of the party will board the RFA SIR BEDIVERE to make a visit to the RFA SIR GALAHAD War Grave position to the South of the Falklands. For those not making the memorial voyage, Battle Field Tours and Penguin sightseeing trips have been arranged.

Friday 11th: Part of the Party will visit the Fitzroy memorial, the others will have the opportunity of the Battle Field Tour and Penguin sightseeing trip. Those members who are arranged to stay overnight at Goose Green will fly from Stanley at 4.00 & 5.10 by Bristow Helicopters from the Beaver Hangar Helipad.

Saturday 12th: The remainder of the party will fly from Stanley to Goose Green where they will join up with the main party for visits during the day to Darwin, the Blue Beach Cemetery at San Carlos, and the Argentine War Graves Cemetery. The entire party are due to come back into Stanley between 4 o'clock and 5.30 in the afternoon.

Sunday 13th: An interdenominational Memorial Service will be held at 10 o'clock in the Christ Church Cathedral, followed by a wreath laying Ceremony at the Liberation Monument. During the afternoon there will be FIGAS flights for the party to Pebble Island and Fort Howard.

Monday 14th: West Falkland tour including visits to Capt Hamilton MC grave at Port Howard, the SAS Memorial & Coventry Cross at Pebble Is and an FIFV trip to the site of HMS COVENTRY to the North of the Falklands, returning to Stanley during the afternoon. For those who do not make the West Falkland trips, Battlefield Tours, Historical tours of Stanley have been arranged.

At 6.30 in the evening until 8.30 the Falkland Families Association will hold a Reception in the Town Hall to thank all those concerned with the visit (invitation only), where His Excellency the Governor and the Commander British Forces will bid them farewell.

Tuesday 15th: The party are due to arrive at the Town Hall before they embark on their coaches for MFA and the return trip to the United Kingdom.

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SOVEREIGNTY SURVEY RESULTS:

Shortly after midday in London on April 1st the results of the Marplan Survey on behalf of the Falkland Islands Committee to find out what kind of sovereignty the people of the Falklands wanted, were announced:

Lease Back Agreement with Argentina	1%
United Nations Trusteeship	.3 of 1%
British Sovereignty	94.5%
Argentine Sovereignty	.3%
Independence	1.6%
Some Other Solution	1.2%

The very high response of 89% in replying to the Postal Survey Questionnaire indicated the importance attached by the people of the Falkland Islands to the Sovereignty Issue. Questionnaire Forms were sent to each of the 1043 Registered Electors on the Falklands resulting in 920 replies being received back.

Camp Election Results

Eric Miller Goss, Manager of the FIC Farm of North Arm won the recent Camp Bi-Election held in early April. From the approximate 360 persons eligible to vote in the Camp 333 votes were cast: an excellent turnout.

The results were:

Ron Binnie: Fitzroy	45
Eric Miller Gos: North Arm	112
Kevin Kilmartin: Bluff Cove	68
Tim Miller: Many Branch	75

Eric Goss has now joined Councillors Tim Blake, Tony Blake and Robin Lee to represent the Camp population on the Legislative Council.

FALKLANDS GOVERNOR VISITS UNITED KINGDOM

Falklands Governor Mr Gordon Jewkes CMG is presently visiting the United Kingdom on what is primarily a private visit to attend the wedding of his elder son. During the visit Mr Jewkes will take the opportunity of having formal discussions with the FCO and other Government Departments in London. He will also visit the Falkland Islands Government Office and will meet representatives of the Falkland Islands Appeal and the Falkland Islands Foundation.

Falklands Chief Executive Mr David Taylor has sworn in as acting Governor on Tuesday April 22 following the departure of Mr Jewkes who is due to return to the Falklands on Sunday 11th May.

FROM: O.D.A.

8 April 1986

BRITAIN AIDS WATER SUPPLY PROJECT IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS:

As part of its aid programme to the Falkland Islands the British Government has agreed to provide £3.137 million for an improved water supply in Port Stanley. This was announced today (8 April) in Port Stanley by Mr Timothy Raison MP, Minister for Overseas Development during his visit to the Falkland Islands.

The project is designed to meet the estimated needs of the town to the year 2000 by expanding and renovating the existing system. A new pump house and water treatment plant will be provided, together with new pumps and necessary mains connections and repair work. It will provide a much improved fire-fighting capacity.

Under an initial phase, already completed, the Crown Agents reported on the adequacy of the present treatment and distribution system and made proposals for a revised system while the Overseas Development Administration provided materials for an emergency water main which was laid by the Royal Engineers.

This second phase will be designed and supervised by the Crown Agents and is expected to take two construction seasons - from September 1986 to May 1987 and from August 1987 to May 1988. The first season will be devoted to extraction, pumpage, treatment and storage works while the second will involve township reticulation and connections.

The local Public Works Department will continue to be responsible for the operation, maintenance and repair of the new system.

FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:

1986 GCE RESULTS

The fourteen Senior 5 candidates who sat the GCE 'O' level examinations in January gained between them a total of forty-nine subject passes at Grade C or at a higher grade.

Dawn Betts, Paul Blake, Richard Evans, Roy McGill and Lisa Watson passed in six subjects and Paul Barnes passed in five. They are now eligible to be nominated by the Education Department for a two year course, leading to GCE 'A' level, at Peter Symonds College, Winchester.

BAND CONCERT:

In the Stanley Town Hall on the evening of April 17th the Band of the Brigade of Gurkhas - The Second King Edwards Own Goorkhas (The Sirmoor Rifles) gave a band concert.

Attendance was very good and all who were there commented on what a splendid evening it was with the Band demonstrating its skill in presenting military marches, traditional Gurkha singing and spectacular Kukri dancing, along with popular dance tunes.

The marches were played with real enthusiasm and vigour, while other pieces were performed with the mood and delicacy which the composers had intended.

Many thanks indeed to all who were concerned in giving the residents of Stanley such an enjoyable evening.

FALKLAND FAMILIES ASSOCIATION:

As reported in the last Issue of the Times 56 Relatives and Friends of those lost during the Conflict of 1982, were due to visit the Falklands from the 9th - 15th April. For both the Visitors and their Falkland hosts it was a wonderful week, extended by an extra day due to a technical fault with their aircraft.

At a reception in the Town Hall at the end of their stay a cheque for £8683.68 was presented to the FFA which was the money left over from the Falklands fund raising efforts after all of the local expenses amounting to £4407.02 had been paid.

Des Keoghane the Chairman of the FFA has sent the following letter to the Times.

To all our very dear friends in the Falkland Islands.

"This letter is a very poor and inadequate attempt to express the thanks of all of us who were fortunate enough to visit you last week.

The welcome and warmth was all that anyone could wish for, and indeed exactly what I expected, having had the good fortune to visit you all previously. There are so many people to thank, that may I please do it collectively through the medium of the 'Times'.

Everyone that I spoke to in our party were full of praise for the welcome and hospitality, and for the obvious amount of work that had gone into the organisation of our visit.

It was a week that will live in our hearts and minds for the rest of our lives. There were of course sad moments, it was only to be expected, but there were also a great many jolly times and much laughter, and we all benefited from the visit.

When the plane 'aborted' then the coach broke down and on top of that Norman's rover broke down, someone in our party was of the opinion that there was a move afoot to prevent us from leaving, and there was a chorus of 'We'll stay another week'.

We are now in the fortunate position of having a good nucleus for a new fund to plan another visit, perhaps not so organised, but more of a group of us coming to stay privately and seeing even more of your lovely Islands. (Perhaps I won't have to act like a sheep dog the next time, and can get about myself).

If I may paraphrase a famous American General 'I will return' Thank you the Servicemen and the Falkland Islanders.

On behalf of all of us.

Des Keoghane

THE MAY BALL:

This year the May Ball will be held in the Town Hall on Friday May 23 when the May Queen will be chosen, and on Sat May 24th when Prince Charming will be elected. The Ball is organised by the Stanley Scouts Association who will be organising Raffles. Admission is £1.50 on each evening: refreshments will be on sale. There will be no Bar. Please remember that by Law no alcohol is allowed in the Town Hall and that the organisers reserve the right of admission. A good standard of dress is requested so that the good reputation always associated with this occasion may be continued.

SEE YOU THERE

GENERAL MOORE RETURNS: Major General Sir Jeremy Moore ECB OBE MC who led the British Forces to Victory in liberating the Falklands during the Conflict of 1982 returned briefly during March as Specialist Advisor to the House of Commons Defence Committee. He send his greetings and Best Wishes to everyone and hopes one day to be able to return for a holiday with his wife, when there will be time to meet more people and to see more of the Falklands.

LETTER FROM: JOHN REID

6 Fitzroy Road East
Stanley

The Editor
F.I. Times

21 April 1986

Dear Sir

This weekend hundreds of thousands of people throughout Europe are demonstrating in protest at the indefensible bombing of Tripoli and Benghazi by American aircraft. Tens of thousands in UK are protesting at the British Government's connivance in the attack by permitting the use of US airbases in England.

Terrorism is an ugly and dangerous phenomenon which has to be countered, but I am shocked - and so are a number of Falkland Islanders who have spoken to me, by no means all of whom are either anti-American in principle or would normally be disposed to criticise the present UK Government - that one supposedly responsible power should adopt a standard of international behaviour which I find it difficult to distinguish from that of the terrorists themselves, and that the other should be so cravenly subservient in the name of an apparently open ended "Special relationship".

I have written to you, Sir, because I believe that Governments anywhere - and most particularly those with their fingers on the nuclear button - ought to be continually reminded that people are prepared to stand up and be counted when they behave immorally and dangerously.

There are, however, other reasons why it is desirable that this and other issues of international concern should be the subject of public comment in the Islands.

Neither FIG nor local pressure groups and individuals have been backward in making strongly worded protests to HM Government on matters which affect them directly. These are all reported in the UK press, and many of them even more widely, and it is from these reports that the British public and the rest of the world form their view of the country and its people.

There is a danger that if no voices are ever heard from the Falkland Islands on matters which are in the forefront of public debate in every other country we shall be perceived as an insular and self-interested people who do not care what happens in the rest of the world so long as we can preserve our way of life and attract the maximum amount of economic aid.

If that happens then we shall have only ourselves to blame if the powers who will one day decide our future should conclude that we are unworthy to have the major say in what that future should be.

Yours faithfully

John Reid

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9 April 1986

The Editor
Falkland Island Times
Stanley

Dear Sir

I am sad that Mr Sydney Miller (letter 30 March) should be so misinformed about FIDC's role in the development of the Falklands and, in particular, it seems, about its relationship to FIG.

Under its Establishing Ordinance which was approved by Legislative Council in 1983 it has, amongst other functions, that of advising FIG "on such matters relating to economic development as it may refer to the Corporation or as the Corporation consider fit." It is indeed one of the specific roles of FIDC to advise FIG about "recommendations for Colony improvement" (Mr Miller's words) and that role was entrusted to them by the Colony's legislators.

FIDC is obliged to submit its Annual Report to the Legislative Council at its Budget session together with estimates of FIDC receipts and expenditure for the current year. It is open to any Councillor to ask questions based on those reports and to initiate a debate about them. In May there will be a joint FIG/ODA review of FIDC to consider its performance since 1984. All Councillors have been invited in writing to give their views for consideration by the review team, one whom is Councillor Keenleyside.

The expatriates employed by FIDC are all people with particular qualifications and experience not available in the Islands. Economic development requires special skills just as much as other areas in which the Islands, because of their small population, must continue to rely considerably on expatriates. However, FIDC staff are all ultimately responsible to a Corporation on which Islanders are in a majority, working within a legislative framework laid down by elected Councillors.

The funds controlled by the Corporation amount to only some 20% of the £1m. I do not believe that the numerous people who have received FIDC assistance to start or improve their businesses particularly farmers, would consider that those funds have been used, as Mr Miller alleges, "for FIDC's promotion and expansion."

Mr Miller is also misinformed about the wool board. The Report of the representatives of the British Wool Marketing Board and the New Zealand Wool Board has still to be finalised. When it has been finalised, it will be considered both by FIDC and by FIG and, of course, the SOA and other interested parties will be consulted. It would be unthinkable to take such a radical decision to set up a wool board without the widest possible consultation. It will require legislation and it will therefore ultimately be for Legislative Council to decide whether there is to be a board.

In another letter in the same issue, Mrs Poole asks "Do we really want to be plummeted into the 20th Century, with all that it has to offer? Or are we quite happy muddling along in our own way?" The staff of FIDC who, Islanders and expatriates alike, work such long hours with such a high degree of commitment to the Islands must sometimes wonder.

David Taylor
Executive Vice Chairman

FROM MR SYDNEY MILLER:

Lois Cottage
Stanley

April 24th 1986

The Editor
Falkland Islands Times
Stanley

Dear Sir

Further to my letter which you published in the last issue of the Times, I have had a letter from the Executive Vice Chairman of the FIDC, scolding me for my letter and he enclosed a longish letter to your paper, for my perusal - an advance copy in other words. I have used what he wrote in this copy in a critical letter which I wrote as from the Sheep Owners Association, being authorised to do this at a Directors meeting held in Stanley on 8th April.

It will be interesting to see his letter to you in print shortly when your next edition of the Times comes out. Too many of us are still puzzled as to who is really governing this Colony - the Councils or the Development Corporation.

SYDNEY MILLER

FROM STUART WALLACE:

82 Davis Street
STANLEY

The Editor
Falkland Islands Times
Stanley

Dear Sir

I really cannot let Mr Sydney Miller get away with his letter of 30 March, in which he shows amazing ignorance of the responsibilities entrusted by Legislative Council to FIDC.

I am sure that in fact he is quite aware that Islanders are in a majority on the Corporation Board (although as one of them, and a member of the Executive Board, I am vaguely offended that he feels that quantity not quality is important!)

If he listens to the radio, other than to the Archers, he must know that one of our prime responsibilities is to make recommendations to FIG on the future development of the Islands. FIG need not accept our recommendations, but I certainly hope that they will be so well researched and reasoned that Council will be pleased to support them.

Mr Miller also appears to have wilfully misunderstood the situation regarding the "wool board", after all a telephone call to FIDC would have put his mind at rest.

There is no dastardly plot to foist a wool board on anyone. We in FIDC wish to make sure, as far as we can, that people who live here get maximum benefit from all our resources, in particular our major export - wool.

With this in mind we invited two qualified people, who had no axe to grind whatsoever, to advise if, in their opinion our existing market arrangements could be improved. They came down, talked with a lot of people, here and in UK, and then went back to write a report. I have not seen the report, nor do I need to until it is finalised. When it is ready there will be every opportunity for interested parties to contribute to the discussion that will follow. There is nothing secret about it, I am sure that if the weight of evidence favours it we would all support a change in the present arrangements,

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STUART WALLACE LETTER CONTD:

... arrangements, but if, when the matter has been fully considered, even SOA see the need for change, the final decision will be for Legislative Council to make. Mr Miller would do better to wait for the release of the report, and not try to jump the gun as he has done.

Mr Miller implies that the ODA funds available to us are used "for FIDC's promotion and expansion" - on the contrary they are used for the establishment of new farms, to erect fences, buy tractors, to start co-operatives, investigate marine resources, to build a dairy and a market garden, to promote tourism and generally assist people who for their part often invest all their capital and years of their lives here. Of course we also meet people who are not prepared to invest a bean, or whose proposal is not accepted for whatever reason, or who stand to lose if changes are made. As you can imagine these people are often our fiercest critics.

Our involvement in so many areas of community life is bound to make us "conspicuous". We have an office, fourteen staff including fisheries observers, some landrovers and a computer. We also have lots of ideas for "Colony improvements" (to quote Mr Miller) and would very much welcome more, sadly there were none in his letter.

Yours faithfully

STUART WALLACE

CLOSURE OF CHECK-IN FACILITY AT GORDON LINES:

The check-in facility at Gordon Lines is now closed, and a new procedure for checking in will come into operation as from 25 April 1986.

Outbound passengers will now assemble, with their baggage, on the day of the flight at certain pick-up points. There will be no check-in facility the day before. Service passengers are to report to these pick-up points with their baggage labelled. Labels can be obtained from the reception desks at Coastels 1, 2 and 3, and from the Guardroom at Lookout Camp. RN personnel will be issued with baggage labels by the Master at Arms, Naval Party 1242.

Civilian passengers should report to the pick-up points with their baggage labelled. Baggage labels will be sent out by Joint Services Movements Staff with tickets and detailed reporting instructions.

Two coaches and one baggage vehicle will position at Coastel 1 on the day of the flight and depart from pick-up points as follows:

Coastel 1 - Main entrance 0955 hours

Coastel 2 - Main entrance 1000 hours

Coastel 3 - Main entrance 1005 hours

Lookout Camp - South Car Park 1015 hours

Inbound passengers for the Stanley area will travel to Gordon Lines by coach and collect their baggage there. Receiving units are to ensure that unit reps are present at Gordon Lines to meet their personnel. There will be no movements staff at Gordon Lines.

These arrangements will remain in force until the opening of the air terminal at RAF Mount Pleasant.

NEW REVENUE FROM FISHING:

On April 1st The new Falkland Islands Fishers (T/S & Expt) Regulation Order 1986 came into force. Under this new law all fishing vessels fishing and transshipping fish and fish meal in FI's waters must have a licence to do so issued by the F.I. Director of Fisheries Mr D.G.P. Taylor.

The Regulations also provide that transshipment must take place in a recognised harbour. At present these are Berkeley Sound and Port William.

The penalties for committing an offence against the Regulations or failing to comply with a Regulation are:

- (a) fine of £50 for a first offence and £100 for each offence thereafter;
- (b) forfeiture of the fishing vessel;
- (c) forfeiture of any other boat or gear used in committing the offence;
- (d) forfeiture of any fish used in committing the offence.

It is also likely that if an offence is committed the Licence will be suspended or cancelled.

All the penalties can be imposed for a single offence.

The most encouraging aspect of the new Law is that at last the F.I. will start to really benefit financially as can be seen from the following fees payable by licensed fishing vessels:

Transshipment

1st of February to 30th June (inclusive)	£1,500 for each transshipment.
1st July to 31st January (inclusive)	£150 for each transshipment

Export from Falkland Waters

1st February to 30th June (inclusive)	£1,500 for each departure of a vessel from Falkland waters.
1st July to 31st January (inclusive)	£150 for each departure of a vessel from Falkland waters.

It is estimated that as much as £ $\frac{3}{4}$ of million pounds annually could be gained from the fees.

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS TRUST

Some 40 people attended the recent Annual General Meeting of the FI Trust held in the Town Hall refreshment room. The main purpose of the meeting was to present the accounts and to elect a new Committee who are:

Chairman:	The Hon Mrs Norma Edwards
Secretary:	Mrs Noreen Keenleyside
Treasurer:	Roger Spink
Editor:	Shane Wolsey

Committee: Mrs Peggy Halliday, Mrs Kitty Bertrand, Mrs Joan Spruce, Mr. Andy Douse and Mr John Smith

A vote of thanks was given to the retiring Chairman Tom Davies and Secretary Jessie Booth and Treasurer Stuart Booth.

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Matters discussed during the meeting included a proposal to make 'Bertha's Beach a protected wildlife area. The excellent response to the Falkland Breeding Birds Survey forms sent out to Camp Settlements. Moves to stabilise the rapidly disintegrating hulk of the ship 'Jhelum' in Stanley. Preservation of Tussac Island and the recent epidemic of penguin deaths. Freshly dead penguin bodies have now been sent by air to the United Kingdom with the assistance of the UK Falkland Islands Foundation, for further examination.

The aims of the FI Trust are to promote interest and to safeguard all aspects of Falklands wildlife, culture, wrecks, buildings, sites, and heritage. For more details please contact any members of the Committee.

Annual subscriptions are: Single Person £5 - Married Couples £7.50

J Booth
7 Philomel St
Stanley

Editor
F.I. Times
Stanley

1st May 1986

Dear Sir

I fully agree with Mrs Poole's letter in your last issue, and remember that last year there was a surplus of £100,000 not used by P.W.D. through lack of labour. Though logically this, in my opinion, should have been put aside for use in this financial year by P.W.D., the powers that be decided otherwise and transferred these values to the pretty baby F.I.D.C. Why was it not put in the Pension Account, and talking of Pensions, through the years in each occasion that a councillor suggests an increase, this is countered with, "we must get a report from the actuary," but further to this if anyone mentions tax exemption on pensions, the answer is values paid into O.A.P. were exempt. Can not this be changed, in the same way that the child allowance for tax purposes was dropped. i.e. with a stroke of the pen. Is it not true to say that a tax payer in the best years of his life can well afford to leave out his impositions to O.A.P. when making his tax declaration thus making his lot easier when he gets to a Pensionable age. Unluckily our legislation gives no consideration to senior citizens and as pensions are considered earned income, one finds at 65 years of age that in many cases pensions received go far to eliminating the personal allowances established by law. This means that someone is telling a pensioner how much he must live on, as if he decides to work and earn that bit more to make life more livable, he finds that he at his age is taxed 30 pence in nearly every pounds he works for. Could not something be done in this line. A higher threshold, exemption of tax on pensions etc to make life easier for those who have worked their life in this community?

Talking about life, lets go one further and talk of Death Duties. When in England I was told that the man in the street very rarely pays Death Duties as the thresholds are very high. Some years ago, when houses were valued at about £2,500 the threshold here was set at £15,000. Values have gone sky high and that house could easily be valued at £18,000. So if one uses ones economies to making his home a home and has a bit saved in the bank and then is lucky enough to die, his widow might find that the moneys in the bank that she needs to live on are claimed by Government, and if not enough the house might have to be sold to cover the full value of dues owed.

As one pensioner told me, "Don't Own Property, No Money in the Bank, and Apply to Government for sustenance." What about others. Is it not time that all started thinking in this trend and consulted with their councillors, as all are affected, even the councillors themselves. What happens to a small farmer who has just started to see the fulfilment of his labour and now has a farm fully paid off at a value of say £60,000. Does his widow have to sell? The same goes for any business man. The answer is clear.

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I was told some time ago that there could be an intention of abolishing death duties. A very laudible idea and if so the sooner the better for everybody's peace of mind. If this were not possible a realistic higher threshold on par with the U.K. might be the idea.

Further to this I would like to state that I am not pursuing this idea for my own interest as I have no values of my own for any one to fight over, but think something should be done for the common good.

Thanking you for your kind attention and hoping the above is of interest to you and readers of the TIMES.

Yours faithfully

J. BOOTH

QUEENS BIRTHDAY PARADE

The parade held in Stanley in honour of Her Majesty's Birthday was held as usual in Stanley on Monday April 21st. It was an outstanding success. The weather perfect, turnout very impressive by all those who took part, detachments from the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Royal Air Force, detachments from the Gurkhas and Army Garrison Units, the FIDF, the Girls Brigade and the Band of the Brigade of Gurkhas.

The Royal Standard was hoisted on the Flagstaff on Victory Green to symbolise the presence of Her Majesty. A Royal Salute of 21 guns was fired from the salutary guns, the Military Detachments raised their head gear and gave three cheers. Then the RAF gave its own salute in the form of a superb display of precision by a flypast by five Phantom fighter bombers, flying in from the North sweeping low over a Royal Navy Patrol Vessel anchored in the harbour just off Victory Green.

The Band then headed the Parade for the march past where the salute was taken by H.E. the Governor Mr Gordon Jewkes CMG and the Commander British Forces Air Vice Marshall Kemball CBE.

A happy and patriotic occasion witnessed by one of the biggest crowd of spectators seen in Stanley for many a long day.

Sadly the only thing to mar this splendid occasion was that somewhere along the line those organising the parade had omitted to pass on to the right quarter that it is traditional for His Excellency the Governor to make a visit to the FIDF Club immediately after the Parade to have a drink with his troops.

Since 1982 it has also been customary to invite the Commander of the British Forces and some of his Senior Officers who were always made to feel at home by each being invited to buy a round of drinks.

ROYAL ENGAGEMENT

The following message was sent by His Excellency the Governor:

I SHOULD BE MOST GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO BUCKINGHAM PALACE:

THE COUNCILS AND PEOPLE OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS WOULD LIKE TO OFFER THEIR HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS TO HRH THE PRINCE ANDREW AND MISS SARAH FERGUSON ON THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THEIR ENGAGEMENT.

STANLEY HOUSE NEWSLETTER:

This is the first of this years regular news letters from Stanley House. At the moment we have 54 boys and girls living in Stanley House (35 boys live in the Sir Rex Hunt House with 19 girls living in Lady Hunt House.)

We are now well into the first term and looking back the highlight so far must be the Camp Sports Week when all our children travelled home allowing them for the first time to join their families and friends at either the Darwin or Hill Cove Sports Meetings. Many Stanley House children took an active part in the riding events. Worthy of mention are Paul Anderson who was Champion Jockey and Gerard Jaffray who was runner-up at Darwin. Tyrone Whitney and Georgina Anderson also rode very well, so congratulations to all four.

At the beginning of term a party of ten boys kindly accompanied and transported by Walter Felton, Mike Harris, Basil Faria and Derek Petterson enjoyed a Fishing Weekend at the Malo. The boys fished from dawn to dusk and caught many huge mullet. Robert Wilkinson landed a particularly fine 8lb sea trout, whilst Alex Blake caught a mullet almost his own weight though that would be a slight exaggeration. All of us who enjoyed the weekend, would like to thank the Fishing Club for allowing us to use all their excellent facilities and we are already counting the days to our next Malo trip.

Winter here in the Falklands is not far away and so we have been making use of what remains of the lighter nights and mild weather by continuing with our outdoor activities such as golf, football, fishing trips, Bar-B-Q's and picnics. Last weekend once again we were the guests of families at Goose Green, the weather was as kind as our hosts and everyone enjoyed the wonderful hospitality and the chance to just get out into Camp. I do not forget the drivers (I daren't as with one exception they are all far larger than me), who willingly transported twenty children over the 120 miles round trip, so big thanks to Bert Ford, Brian Middleton, Mike Biggs, Ron Clifton, Paul Watson, Brian Porter and Gerard Robson.

Another trip for which we owe a debt of gratitude was an afternoons visit on board R.F.A. Diligence out in Port William. It was an extremely interesting visit and the food served up was excellent, so thank you lads for your patience in putting up with all the questions and your hospitality.

I cannot continue this newsletter without yet a further thank you for two ladies who quietly and with the minimum of fuss deposited the sum of £500.00 into our Hostel Donation Fund to be spent on the girls. The ladies are Sandie Booth and Sandie Goodwin and the money was the result of their recent Valentines Dance held in the Town Hall. The girls at Stanley House now have a superb Stereo Cassette Deck and Radio plus a hair-styling kit with typical female generosity the girls bought an electric kettle (with plug) for the boys. Stanley House girls also have a selection of indoor keep-fit equipment on the way whilst the boys are looking forward to the arrival of their own computer.

On Wednesday 12th March the 'Fighting Pig Band' came along and entertained us. This was thoroughly enjoyed by children and staff alike and the musical entertainment, coming as it did after an excellent Bar-B-Que, made for an evening to remember.

Food of course is very important to children and with this in mind new menus are being produced to ensure that as much variety as possible is achieved. For this to be successful we do need the help of all parents and friends of Stanley House. If you have vegetables of any type that you can spare from your own garden please think of the Stanley House children who much prefer home grown vegetables to the tinned variety and we would welcome the opportunity of purchasing any that are offered to us.

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Now the results of our Easter Egg Competition. Every egg was a winner. The children used their imagination to full effect with eggs turned into aeroplanes, hand grenade, bomb, pipe, pigs, rabbits, penguins and rocket - Stanley House One and a most realistic squid! First prize went to Steven Luxton for his excellent aeroplane, second prize to Keith Knight, third prize to Lisa Jaffray and highly commended Robert Wilkinson. The judging of this competition was very bravely carried out by Mrs Betty Miller and a most difficult job it was.

Last, but certainly not least we have to thank all the men at Mount Pleasant and in particular the members of the Sports and Recreation Committee for their extremely generous gift of a pool table. The boys here are very excited about the prospect of being able to play this game on such a superb quality table and are looking forward to installing it. The F.I.C. has kindly agreed to send their transit van to Mount Pleasant to ensure that it travels safely so yet another thank you to Mr Terry Spruce, Mr Dave Castle and most important the driver, Mr Melvyn Turner.

Mr Peter Gilding
HEAD OF HOSTEL

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The Editor
F.I. Times

April 8 1986

Sir,

Mr Monks letter which was printed in your February issue reminds me of a situation in which I found myself at the end of the 1939-45 World War.

My wife and I were eligible for repatriation to the Falklands by the British Government, after five years service with the Royal Air Force. Imagine my astonishment and rage on being told by the RAF that before passages could be arranged I must obtain an Argentine passport as well as my British one.

The explanation given was that the ship we were to travel in might turn round in Buenos Aires and that we would have to disembark there and there would be complications for me. To me it has always been a pretty plain indication of how the Falklands were regarded by HMG even then.

Mind you there was a Labour Government in office at the time and they were about to dispose of most of the British Empire with unseemly haste.

J.T. Clement

NEWS FROM PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

NEI's team under Mike Scott and the Crown Agents Engineer have completed the electrical distribution works of £1m. The main group have just left and a few are returning to complete the local connection work and an extension to the Cannache which was intended to be carried out by the FIG. The work has been completed on time and without any fuss, our many thanks to them. Some may wonder why the cabling was renewed. It means the voltages should no longer drop down to levels as low as 180v at times of high load when a third of the power is wasted. As a result there should be savings of perhaps as much as 15% in the fuel used to generate the electricity. For you it will mean this level of saving for the next 50 years or more until the new system again may have to be replaced. It actually pays for work by the savings. It can be the same for water and roads and ... telephones.

All can see how well Fairclough Miller's Fred Harper and his team are getting on with the Hospital, its good to see the roof sheeting well under way.

On Jeremy Moore Avenue PWD have the mobile homes ready for allocation and furnishing and there is only the garden fencing to be done. Nearby, the drives and bases to the garages and peat cheds for the Brewster Houses make good progress. The work will continue on to Endurance Avenue. Standing Finance Committee have agreed for payments to be made to tenants who erect their own garages or peatsheds, and some other works and include payments to people who have already done the work. After a measured test, example details will be published of how much.

At FBE, the PWD Contractor Steve Vincent has completed the first of the four houses but occupation is still a few weeks off with drains and water supply to be settled.

With the arrival of the design engineer David Coker it is possible to think of future new works. His first tasks are six single person houses, another mobile home site at Eliza Cove Road, sewers for the Jersey Estate and the Fire Station. It will keep him busy for a long time and leave a lot of other projects to wait their turn, which takes us on to Stanley roads.

One of the unsolved challenges of engineering is how to build roads over peat. It has been a problem written about since Roman times and it is well known it cannot be done. We have examined many roads as the electrical works water and all have been built without foundations and in many cases on peat. In Ross Road West it was deep enough to be used for the cooker! Build without foundations and the works collapse, all you have to do is look around.

Roads are expensive, £40,000 may provide 180 yards in concrete. If there are five miles to be done it will take 49 years at this annual rate, the question is will your area be done in year one or forty-nine?

And to the person who suggested we repair just two pot holes really well each month; if we do that the area around the repair is then weaker and fails leaving a mound rather than a pot hole.

If you don't like the pothole outside your gate, there is a way, you get a shovel and

FALKLAND CRAFT FAIR:

A show of handicrafts is being arranged to take place in Stanley in July 1986.

Sections will include homespun wool, knitting, weaving, sewing and crochet, embroidery and tapestry, soft toy making, rugmaking, sheepskins, hornwork, gearmaking and leatherwork, woodwork, modelmaking and metal work, art and photography.

A prize will be given to the person with most points in each section so enter as many exhibits as you can to try and win those prizes.

Each class will also be judged and 1st, 2nd and 3rd certificates awarded. For those that put the effort in, but do not manage to win one of the prizes or certificates, they may be awarded a "Highly Commended" card.

There will also be an "Any Other" section. Items entered in this section will be for display only with no prizes given.

Programmes will be distributed to house holders in Stanley and to the farms as soon as possible but start now on your oil painting, sweater or cured sheepskin.

We realise that time is limited and apologise for not giving you as much notice as we should have. However we hope that you will all make an effort to enter exhibits and make this Fair the first of many.

If you have any queries about the Fair then please contact one of the following: Nick Hadden, Natalie McPhee, Christal Mercer, Joan Spruce or Shane Wolsey.

FROM: FALKLAND SUPPLIES

Due to our departure from the Colony we regret that we have to revise our business hours for the months of May to September.

Commencing on the 1st May our business hours will be as follows:

Monday to Saturday 9-30am to Noon and 1-30pm to 5pm.

Sundays 10am to 4pm.

Commencing on the 1st June there will be no opening on Sundays until our return in September, therefore June to September business hours will be as follows:

Tuesday to Saturday 9-30am to Noon and 1-30pm to 5pm.

Mondays 1-30pm to 5pm.

Any inconvenience caused is very much regretted.

FROM THE M.O.D.:

Under the terms of the 1894 Merchant Shipping Act, the Ministry of Defence is required to give notice of its intention to dispose of the ship called 'Falkland Sound' also known as 'Yehuín' which is currently moored at Navy Point.

Any interested parties wishing to respond to this notice should contact Mr Steve Read on Military telephone extension 2010 before 3rd May.

Readers will probably know this vessel better as 'The Black Pig'.

FIDC REVIEW by ODA & FIG:

During the last week in May the ODA will be sending two representatives to carry out a joint Review of the FIDC with the FI Govt. They will be looking to see if the FIDC is fulfilling the purposes for which it was set up, and to consider its performance to date. The FIG representatives will be the Chief Executive and Councillor Charles Keenleyside.

Many people have very strong views about the FIDC. Send these without delay to the Chief Executive & Charles Keenleyside. It is no use pulling the FIDC to pieces over a cup of tea or a pint at the pub. Get your views into the right place NOW. Silence or a poor response will be taken as either Acceptance or Apathy. Now is Your chance. Make the most of the opportunity.

FIDC ANNUAL REPORT:

The Report and Accounts of the FIDC for the year ended 31 December 85 should be available to the public in July and will be laid before LSG. CO. at the end of May. In summary they will show a total expenditure in 1985 of £935,000 of which £592,000 was on research and surveys, £89,000 on grant assistance, £56,000 on publicity and promotion and £178,000 on administrative expenses. Income, the majority from interest was £25,000 (all figures rounded).

EDITORIAL

This edition of the Times contains many topics which should promote thought, discussion and hopefully some lively correspondence. Without doubt the FIDC is presently causing more concern than any other matter. The Directors seem well on the way to reshaping Our Colony as They want it to be. Are the real decision makers at the head of the organisation really sensitive as to what the people of the Falklands would like to see happening? There are many people who fear that their aim is to create a Conditioned Society devoid of any of the character which makes the Falklands what they are.

It is true that there are some local voices on their Board, but are these voices really listened to by those with the ultimate power? It is welcome news that there is to be a Review of FIDC by the ODA. Their report will be awaited with interest. Meanwhile the majority of the people of the Falklands will remain bewildered, baffled and very much alarmed as to what the FIDC are likely to do next.

DRUGS: The problem of drug abuse should be a cause of deep concern to all of us who have children. We should not rest easy thinking that our own children have more sense than to try drugs because there are people about who will not only encourage them but will even pressure them to try. Once started it is not easy to give up the habit and before long it becomes impossible.

So great is the concern in the UK that a programme was broadcast recently on TV to warn both children and parents of the dangers. Copies of this video tape are now available here and can be borrowed free of charge from Johnson's Video Shop and Falkland Supplies who have kindly agreed to look after them. Please watch the film with your children. It is designed to shock but it leaves no doubt that, at best, drugs lead to misery for youngsters and their families and at worst to a most unpleasant death. Please, heed the warnings and encourage others to do the same.

BIRTHS:

On April 21st to Robert and Teresa Finlayson, a daughter Kimberley Elizabeth. A sister for Marc.

On April 24th to Peter and Francis Biggs, a son Kyle Alexander weighing 7lb 11oz. A brother for Daniel and Ailie.

MARRIAGE:

On April 26th between Shiralee Green and Peter Anthony Collins

DEATHS:

We regret to report the following deaths:

In Stanley on April 26th, Dorothy Idina Goodwin aged 65 years.

and in Farnham, on April 17th, Jack Abbott aged 81 years.

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RAF HELICOPTER CREW AID FIRE FIGHTING TASK AT LIVELY ISLAND

The airborne crew of an RAF Sea King helicopter of No 78 Squadron at Mount Pleasant helped to avert a possible major disaster on Lively Island on Saturday 28 June.

The crew were on a routine flight when the pilot, Flight Lieutenant Tony Gear, spotted a fire some ten miles distant on the Island. They diverted to the scene of the blaze and lifted off a young woman who had been inside a large settlement house which was well ablaze. Flight Lieutenant Gear and his co-pilot, Flight Lieutenant Paul Redfern then flew back to Mount Pleasant to pick up a team of six RAF firemen and their fire fighting equipment. The firemen had been alerted by a radio call from the helicopter.

The helicopter flew back to Lively Island and the firemen used a sea water supply in their fire fighting operations. The house was severely damaged but prompt action by the RAF crew and firefighters prevented the blaze from spreading to other homes in the settlement. The young woman who had been at the scene of the fire was treated for shock at the Mount Pleasant Medical Centre. No other injuries were reported.

FIGAS MEDICAL FLIGHTS

During the weekend of 27th/28th June one of the Islander Aircraft was used on two occasions to carry out medical evacuations, under the guidance of Capt. Ian McFhee.

On June 27th an emergency flight was conducted to Hill Cove where Land Rover headlights had to be used to pin-point the grass Landing Strip for the pilot. The aircraft arrived back in Stanley at 7.30pm on Friday evening and landed safely at Stanley Airport where the runway is equipped with night lighting. Unfortunately the patient, Mr Tom Aldridge of Hill Cove, died later that night.

Late on Saturday FIGAS received a call from San Carlos but as this was not an urgent case the flight was carried out on Sunday morning despite very strong winds.

HELICOPTER ACCIDENT

On May 13th an RAF Chinook helicopter carrying Gurkha troops from Byron Heights to Mount Alice on West Falkland, crashed into the side of Mount Young. The rescue was carried out in very severe weather conditions of snow and ice, in an operation which was described as being remarkable. Sadly three lives were lost, the Co Pilot, an RAF Sgt Loadmaster and a Gurkha soldier.

CHANGES TO TRISTAR FLIGHT SCHEDULES:

Due to the need to carry out routine servicing of the two Tristar aircraft there were no Tristar flights on the 4th, 6th and 8th of July. To replace these flights a contract was awarded to Virgin Atlantic Airways for 3 Boeing 747 flights which arrived on the 2nd, 4th and 9th of July. These flights operated on the same itinerary as that for the Tristars except for the flight on the 4th July which operated 3 hours earlier throughout.

OPENING OF THE NEW PASSENGER TERMINAL AT
MOUNT PLEASANT AIRPORT

The new passenger terminal at Mount Pleasant Airport will open on Sunday 22nd of July. The terminal is situated alongside the main hangar which houses the existing temporary terminal facility. Passengers are advised that there is only a limited parking area close to the terminal and that due to the very restricted reception and check-in area, only passengers will be allowed inside the terminal building. Details of the new terminal facilities and revised reporting instructions will be enclosed with passenger tickets.

REDUCTION IN AIR FARES

As from the 1st July the Air Fare Stanley/Brize Norton was reduced for Falkland Islanders from £450 to £400 single fare. Thus the new return fare is £800.

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FIDC NEWS AND INFORMATION:

TWO YEARS OLD

FIDC came into being on the 14 June 1984, so we are two years old. We thought that we would celebrate by introducing what we hope will be a regular slot on development. FIDC has been the subject of a lot of criticism recently. Most development agencies expect criticism - development means change and no one likes change. However what has worried us about recent criticism is that it is caused by misunderstandings. This must be our fault for not telling you more about ourselves.

In this issue and the next, we will tell you more about who we are and what we do. We will pick up two subjects that we think you are worried about and tell you about two new and exciting projects.

Firstly, who works up in FIDC and what do they do?

There are nine full-time staff and two temporary staff working for FIDC at the moment. Sounds a lot, doesn't it? So what do they all do.

Well three full-time and one temporary staff are involved in the offshore fisheries research project. Tim Flood and Julian Martin, our fisheries observers, are seldom seen in Stanley. They spend most of their time onboard Japanese trawlers. Ken Patterson, the senior fisheries observer, collects information from vessels coming into Berkeley Sound and collates and interprets the data from our shipboard observers. All this information has to be put on computer and that is Lisa Watson's job - until she goes on to finish her schooling in the UK.

Steve Carrington is an agricultural economist and he has two main roles. The first is to assess the economic impact of FIDC's two largest agricultural projects - land transfer and land development schemes. His second major task is to provide an advisory and training service to Falkland Islands farmers - particularly those who have just bought their own small farm. He is assisted in this by another of our temporaries - Muriel Kirwan. Muriel is a book-keeper and is visiting small farms to help them set up or sort out their book-keeping system.

Natalie McPhee is our projects officer. If you come to us looking for an enterprise grant or for other assistance under £10,000, then Natalie will look after you. Simon Armstrong and Shane Wolsey are respectively the general manager and assistant general manager. They look after all projects over £10,000. Simon deals with agriculture and tourism and Shane with industrial/service projects. Simon also acts as FIG's manager for Fox Bay village.

Simon's personal assistant is Jacki Gilding. Jacki also acts as FIDC's office manager - making sure that everyone gets paid, that we never run out of paper and generally looking after us all. Last, but not least, Patsy Buckland does everything else - filing, typing, answering the phones.

Now you know what we all do, but maybe telling you what happens behind the scenes when you come to us with your development idea will spell out the time involved in us being a democratic and accountable body.

So - up you come to the office - depending upon what your idea is you will see either Simon, Shane or Natalie. They will talk to you about your idea. They are trying to work out if it will make you money, if it will hurt an existing business, if it is needed locally and how it might be funded. If it is a fairly small project then they will suggest an enterprise grant - very simple, no financial projections are required. If the project is bigger then they are trying to balance up how it might be funded using a combination of your money, a bank loan or overdraft and FIDC's money.

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FIDC INFORMATION CONTD:

FIDC has had laid down for it by ODA very clear rules as to what it can do and what it cannot. So all the time staff are trying to work out how best to help you - within these rules. Then they have to work out with you financial projections of how your project will work.

Don't worry - they don't expect you to produce these, that is what they are paid to do. They will ask you questions (how many will you make, how many will you sell, what will be the selling price, etc?) and from your answers they will produce projections, which they will talk through with you until you are both satisfied that they are as accurate as they can be.

Once you are both clear on how your scheme will operate, that the costs and projections are accurate and that it can be financed - and this all takes time - then they prepare a paper for the Board. If the project involves an investment of less than £50,000 then it goes to a body called the Executive Board. Papers are prepared to a standard format and should cover everything about the business with one year financial projections. Whoever prepared the paper must put a firm recommendation - approve or reject - and the reasons for that recommendation. The Board, with its local knowledge, can and frequently does overturn the staff recommendation.

The Executive Board members are normally David Taylor, Stuart Wallace and Simon Armstrong. Currently the two Stuarts are away in the UK. They have been temporarily replaced by Terry Betts and Tom Mearns, the Islands' new accountant as acting Chief Accountant. Neil Watson also attends to give much needed local advice.

Larger projects go to the Corporation, whose members are:

His Excellency the Governor as Chairman
Hon David Taylor
Hon Harold Rowlands
Hon Tony Blake as LegCo's representative
Michael Gaiger
Alastair Cameron
Stuart Wallace as commerce's representative
Terry Betts as commerce's representative
Neil Watson as agriculture's representative
David Crapper from ODA as HMG's representative
Stuart Booth as Chief Accountant
Simon Armstrong

Projects going to the Corporation have to have three year financial projections attached. The paper often is about as thick as a magazine. If the project is over £250,000 it has to go on from the Corporation to ODA - by then it resembles a small book!

If your assistance is approved by either of these Boards, then staff will draw up a formal letter of offer of assistance. This spells out what is being offered and on what terms. If you accept, then once the conditions in the letter have been met, then the money can be released when your business needs it.

From your point of view that is pretty well it, but there is still a lot for us to do. We still have to draw down the cash from ODA - and they ask a lot of information about what we did with last quarter's money and what we are going to do with next before we see it. We have to organise your loan repayments, make sure that they come in, prepare our financial accounts and generally act like a bank.

That is very roughly the procedures for applications for assistance. Staff initiatives - like the salmon farm described later - following the same path.

Everyone coming to us with an idea has an absolute right to have his proposal put to the Board. Staff may advise you that they don't think that your project will work, but if you think that they are wrong then they will put it to the Board.

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FIDC INFORMATION CONTD:

ONLY THE BOARD OF FIDC CAN MAKE A DECISION TO APPROVE OR REJECT APPLICATIONS FOR ASSISTANCE.

If you are unhappy with the way that your application has been dealt with or are concerned with any aspects of FIDC's policies or activities then speak to or write to one of the Corporation members. Remember that they made the decisions - don't be afraid to ask them why.

To be continued in the next Issue.

FROM DEREK EVANS:

Box 201
Stallley
13.6.86

Editor
F.I. Times

Dear Sir,

I recently had trouble when towing a caravan to my 50 acre plot and I had to call on P.W.D. assistance. I was charged £9 per hr for each labourer who helped. I have recently finished invigilating G.C.E. resit examinations, and, although I am a qualified teacher, Government offered me no less than £2.50 per hr for doing the job.

If Government charge me £9 for labourers why should I, or any, other private individual, charge any less when doing work for Government.

Can someone in Government explain to me how, on one hand their labourers are worth £9 per hour and yet they insult me by valuing my professional services at less than £2.50 per hr?

By charging such a ridiculously high price in local conditions they are encouraging - even forcing, everyone else to put up their charges. It must encourage inflation. Who suffers in the end, the ordinary taxpayer and inevitably, the old age pensioner.

Who allowed these charges to be introduced? Government has a responsibility to keep inflation to a minimum. Any inflationary measure like this must inevitably rebound back on Government.

Government can gain nothing by these charges. They are so high only people in desperate straits will use their services, yet on the other hand all those contracting Government work will inevitably charge Government more for labour.

As a policy it is so short sighted it is unbelievable.

Yours faithfully,

DEREK EVANS

RECENT PENGUIN DEATHS

There has recently been another spate of penguin deaths in the Falkland Islands. Birds involved have all been Rockhopper penguins and reports of deaths have been from many localities around the Islands but have mainly come from the west of the Islands.

Shane Wolsey and Neil Fullan visited New Island settlement rockery on 25th May and recorded the recent death of 3000 Rockhopper Penguins at that colony. These birds had all died in situ (they had not been washed up) and had died over a short period of time. They were thin and emaciated. Six bodies were sent for analysis to the MAF Veterinary laboratories at Norwich and preliminary findings indicate that the birds did not die of a virus or bacterial infection. It does appear that they died of starvation. There is a possibility that this is a result of a toxin being present, but the source for such a toxin and the probability that it would affect only Rockhopper penguins makes this explanation unlikely.

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DEREK EVANS LETTER CONTD:

The Bible says you cannot be a lukewarm Christian, it's worse than being a non Christian. We can't invite God into our lives and leave him on the doorstep (because that's convenient for you). He must be invited into the living room where He can become part of our lives.

During the war when we were jolted out of our comfortable normality, what became important? Was it money or possessions? No, strangely these things lost their importance. The spirit of unity came to the fore. We needed friendship more than material things. Sadly this lesson was very quickly forgotten. Are material possessions so important? You can't take them with you when you die. They just become someone else's rubbish.

Please come back to the churches: because we need you: because it must be in your long term interest to do so.

If the church can be filled by local people honouring the dead, as does happen, why can't we seem to fill it with people honouring God who is Life?

DEREK EVANS

FROM TIM MILLER:

ManyBranch Farm
Fort Howard
West Falklands

27th May 1986

Dear Sir,

I listened with some surprise to a bland news release from the Secretariat stating that the new extensions for the Senior School would have to be built in the playground (reducing it by over half) due to the refusal of the Church to sell the Parish Hall and its lan

It is a fact that a meeting in December of the Education Committee - consisting of 4 LegCo members and the Superintendent of Education - voted unanimously for the purchase, by law if required, of the derelict properties owned by E.L.W. and only a few yards away from the Senior School, there being ample room for long term classroom expansion and sports activities.

It is also a fact that this request was squashed by the Administration, no doubt on orders from the Foreign Office who cannot bear the thought of possibly upsetting Argentina - the fact that the properties are not used and a disgraceful eyesore anyway doesn't matter to the mandarins in Stanley and London.

Yet these facts were completely overlooked by the Administration in their press release - I wonder why?

I always thought as a Democracy and with our new Constitution we had control over our internal affairs but I guess I'm wrong.

Last year a British subject had some land bought by compulsory purchase for the new hospital development. If you are an Argentine citizen, don't worry, the Foreign Office insists you can keep your derelict property and the needs of the Falklands children can suffer. Please can someone explain how and why this is so - I always thought the Islands lawfully belonged to us.

It would appear that the F.O. fear Argentina might retaliate by taking over some British properties there - so what - it would show up the Argentines as the two faced lot they are.

Yours faithfully

TIM MILLER

Mr F.T. (Jim) Lellman has forwarded the following most interesting article on the FLEETWING which now lies beached opposite the FIC Offices in Stanley:

THE 'FLEETWING'

A recent programme on TV showed, "The Western Ocean Yachts." They were lovely ships, the finest of all the merchant schooners, and were the last trading schooners to be built in Britain. They were built tiny and tough at Forthmadog. Their crews were small, ill fed and worse paid. One of these schooners was the 'Fleetwing' now rotting on the beach by the Falkland Island Co East Jetty after being "cannibalised" down the ages. It was a pleasing sight to see a picture of her under full sail in one of the two programmes. Also a photo showed her on her present site and condition. At one time she served a useful purpose in Stanley being used to lift the heavy moorings of the oil barges, and as an apprentice shipwright working with the late John Allan, I well remember her aft deck being strengthened with new deck beams to enable two capstans to be installed. Their trade was considered the hardest in the World. Coal out, Copper Ore in, they defied the Cape Horn seas in the trade between South Wales and the West coast of South America, but a less romantic commodity soon paid better.

The Chincha Islands off Peru (where the sea-bird guano lay 140 feet deep) was the last great meeting place for the wooden sailing ships of the World and the foul-smelling fertiliser was the last cargo many of them carried. It was on one of these voyages that the 'Fleetwing' finally ended her career in the Falklands. Of more recent years the National Museum of Wales was interested in a project to convey her to Forthmadog and restore her to her former glory, but after sending slides of her to the interested party in Wales, the matter was dropped possibly due to costs.

FORREST CAPTAIN RETIRES:

On Monday 30th June Capt Nutt Goodwin retired from 40 years of service with the Falkland Islands Government, of which the last 19 years had been spent on MV 'FORREST' firstly as Chief Engineer then as Captain. FORREST's Mate, Bill Duncan, presented the retiring Captain a set of crystal glasses from the Crew. Nutt thanked the Crew for their excellent support and welcomed onboard the new Captain, Roger Edwards. Nutt also thanked the people in the Camp who had been so good to him and his Crew over the years.

Nutt had been with the FORREST since she was being built in England in 1967, then sailing with her to the Falklands with Capt Jack Sollis in command. Nutt spoke of the good schooling and experience gained sailing with Jack who he said knew of every nook and cranny around the Falklands. Experience and local knowledge are the key factors in navigating a ship in Falkland waters.

We wish Nutt a very happy retirement and every success in his new business venture in Stanley.

FALKLAND ISLANDS TRUST - FIRST WINTER TALK:

The first of FIT's winter talks was held in the refreshment room of the Town Hall on Wednesday 18th June.

John Smith gave a lively and anecdoted talk on ship wrecks around the Falklands. He successfully illustrated life on board ship, the hazards run and the consequences of both bad weather and sometimes bad seamanship. Life on shore in Stanley and in Camp was also touched on and the 30 people who attended the talk all found it extremely interesting. The many old photographs of ships and ship wrecks, of the Camber railway and of parts of Stanley were studied closely.

The next talk in this series will be by John Cheek and is titled "The Antarctic 25 years ago." It will be held at 7.30pm in the Town Hall refreshment room on Wednesday 16th July. Everybody is welcome.

DON'T MISS IT

FROM DEREK EVANS:

Box 201
Stanley
May 1986

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you, not in an official capacity as a church warden, but as an individual with a strong attachment to this community saddened by what I see.

Richard Lee, in his sermon the other Sunday, remarked on what a beautiful cathedral we have here and that, even if there was no congregation present the very walls of the building would be praising God! A lovely thought but sadly one that is not very far from reality. The following Sunday morning there were just eleven people in the congregation and only three were long term members of this community.

The churches should form the heart of this community, if so, the heart has almost stopped beating!

If you believe that God exists, and most people do believe that, then this town is making a definite decision to reject God! This is a very serious rejection on our part.

You may say that you can be a Christian without going to church but I doubt very much that God would accept that. You have to be an active Christian and that means being active in the Christian community which is centred round the churches.

I realise that what I am trying to say will be dismissed immediately by some people as 'Bible thumping' (if they even bother to read it carefully) but I am trying to reach those people who do consider themselves Christians but who do not attend church for various reasons. The walls of the cathedral may praise God but a church is it's people and until we can build up our congregations the churches will not thrive.

If you do claim to be a Christian you must believe in a Day of Judgement. No one knows when that will be, but it is obvious to most of us that the World is in a mess and is accelerating towards some form of crisis. That's not gloom and doom on my part, it's an obvious fact! Do you really believe that God will continue to watch over us (as he did during the war with Argentina) if our faith is so lukewarm that we cannot even support and attend the centres of God's presence in the community.

Of all God's creatures we are the only ones who come with a built in ability to know right from wrong: good from evil. Who built that into us? Why? It is possible that we were put on this Earth, not primarily to spend our lives following the demands of man made inventions (which we all do) but actually to be given the chance to make a choice between good and evil: between God and Satan. If you reject the idea of Hell because you can't picture people in that predicament, remember that only your spirit survives death. It's your spirit that could end up in perpetual torment.

If you say you are a Christian you must believe that Jesus died on the Cross so that our sins could be forgiven. Until then we had no choice - we died in sin. If God was willing to send His Son to such a horrible death because He loved us so much He wanted to give us the chance of eternal life; if Jesus was prepared to sacrifice His life for us, don't you think we ignore His offer at our peril? It is the one choice in life you cannot put off, the Bible is very clear on this point; if you are not actively for God then the Devil lays claims to you.

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LIBERATION DAY

A Memorial Service was held in Christ Church Cathedral on June 14th to commemorate the fourth Anniversary of Liberation Day. Afterwards, the very large crowd who had attended the service made their way to the Liberation Monument where a short service was held during which time wreaths were laid to the accompaniment of a lone piper.

His Excellency the Governor Mr Jewkes and Mrs Jewkes, and the Commander British Forces, Air Vice Marshall Kemball and Mrs Kemball attended both ceremonies accompanied by the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff Air Chief Marshal Sir Patrick Hine.

Following the Liberation Day events in Stanley the Governor and Air Vice Marshall Kemball accompanied by other Senior Military Officers, Service Chaplains and the Rev. Father Monaghan went by helicopter to Blue Beach Cemetery for a further wreath laying ceremony.

During the evening a dance organised by the Stanley Folk Club was held in the Town Hall at Stanley. It was well attended and much enjoyed by all.

BIRTHS:

In Bungay, Suffolk to Dr Brian and Marion Goss on May 12th a son Richard Falkland weighing 7½lb. A brother for Olivia, Lynn and Robert.

In New Zealand to Kay and Ian Morrison a daughter Lisa Louise. (Ian is the son of Minnie and Doug Morrison).

WEDDINGS:

On June 15th between Gabriel Ceballos and Claudette Mozley.

Congratulations to All

We regret to record the following deaths:

On May 24th	Georgina Bond Etheridge	aged	83	years
June 3rd	Isabella Violet Felton	aged	68	"
June 8th	Franze John Buse	aged	59	"
June 10th	Lena Victoria Davis	aged	87	"
June 28th	Thomas George Aldridge	aged	67	"

Our Sincere Sympathy to all Family and Friends

GOVERNMENT NOTICE:

Notice is hereby given that Mrs Maria Anita Munoz of Stanley, Falkland Islands, is applying to His Excellency the Governor for Naturalisation and that any person who knows a reason why Naturalisation should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Government Secretary at the Secretariat, Stanley, Falkland Islands.

QUEENS BIRTHDAY HONOURS:

We are pleased to report that in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours Sgt Anton Livermore of the F.I. Police was awarded the Colonial Police Medal and Mr C. (Ted) Needham, the recently retired Chairman of Coalite, was made a C.B.E.

EDITORIAL NOTE: We must apologise for the continuity of Derek Evans letter and the report on Penguin Deaths being out of sequence in this Issue. The error was discovered when it was too late to be rectified.

PENGUIN DEATHS CONTD:

Overfishing is only one of many other possible causes. Others include a slight climatic change or some natural fluctuation of the food supply. A similar series of penguin deaths was reported some 18 years ago and other deaths may even have occurred since but gone unreported and unrecorded.

Perhaps the most important thing to do now is to ensure that we gather as much information as possible on this year's events. Please record dates, species and numbers (not just estimates) of birds that are found dead and report them to Shane Wolsey or Andy Douse at the Falkland Island Trust. They will be producing a factual summary of events this year and will publish it in the Trust's annual report.

CAMP EDUCATION SEMINAR 5th - 11th June 1986:

Eight settlement teachers and five itinerant teachers attended this year's seminar in Stanley. They travelled by Islander from as far away as Dunbar and Port Stephens for this annual week of meetings and school activities. Senior school staff offered excellent sessions on science, geography and art, all of which were applicable to the camp teaching situation. All the Junior School staff welcomed the Campers into their classrooms, and held lectures over the weekend.

One important aspect of the seminar is for the teachers to meet as a whole staff and discuss and exchange ideas. Also travellers need to meet radio school teachers to coordinate their pupil's progress. Teachers are able to raid the central office during the week acquiring new stocks for their schools and F.I.C.A.S. puts up with vast quantities of strangely shaped packages and kindly delivers them to their destinations!

Several firm plans were made for the rest of the year. It was decided to produce another magazine in the third term and to devote the month of October to the problem of 'litter'. More about that nearer the time. During a discussion on the use of 2 metre radio it was decided that we can now develop this medium. Up to now it has been used as a teaching tool for individual children or small groups. Now we have a repeater working and the generator has recently arrived for it, a weekly radio club is planned for Friday afternoons at 2.30pm. This will begin on 4th July. Teachers and pupils from a wide area will be able to listen and take part in a collective lesson.

After very full and active daily sessions several entertaining evenings were had where staff continued to debate issues late into the night!

From a recent New Zealand Newspaper:

OZONE DROP

The significant decrease in ozone over the Antarctic each spring will come under intensive study this year. The reason for the intense scientific interest is recent studies showing that every spring atmospheric ozone over Antarctica decreases by as much as 60 per cent, and no one knows why.

Ozone plays a central role in ecology, blocking damaging ultra-violet radiation. Without it, plant life would shrivel and animals and humans would be subject to harmful burning that would lead to increase in skin cancer. "If ozone was removed from the atmosphere it would be an unmitigated ecological disaster," said Dr John Lynch, the programme manager for atmospheric sciences at the National Science Foundation.

This drop in the ozone level appears to be confined to the area stretching from Antarctica to the southern tip of South America. As a fraction of the global ozone total it is a very small drop. The British Antarctic Survey, which has monitored ozone in the Antarctic since 1957, first reported the phenomenon last May. It said the seasonal dip did not show up until 1973.

FROM KEVIN KILMARTIN:

Bluff Cove
30th May 1986

Dear Sir,

Sydney Miller has obviously touched a sensitive nerve within F.I.D.C.

Stuart Wallace's letter was peppered with gratuitous insults; I can only hope that this lack of objectivity is not typical of his contribution to F.I.D.C.'s deliberations. Sydney Miller's views warrant serious consideration.

It was unfortunate that David Taylor concluded the stately progress of his letter with a cheap gibe at Nancy Koole. When the rest of the world is struggling to make its computers "user friendly," we still have the friendliest system around. We should be very conscious of the need to mitigate the adverse effects of progress; not dismiss them in an off-hand manner.

Neither Stuart Wallace, nor David Taylor came to grips with Sydney Miller's vital question - who governs the Falklands? The answer, of course, in everyday, practical terms is that the Administration does, in its various guises. In Britain, despite the fact there are many hundreds of full time, paid, career politicians elected to parliament there is still great concern that it is the civil servants who are actually in control. Here we have eight unpaid, part time, intelligent amateurs who have little access to any of the assistance that their counterparts in Britain rely upon. With the F.I.G. becoming more complex it is not to be wondered that our elected representatives often "choose" the option that has already been selected for them by the professionals.

F.I.D.C. has just been investigated by ODA and F.I.G. ODA funds F.I.D.C. and makes the major decisions; F.I.G. and F.I.D.C. senior officials are interchangeable. It is unlikely, therefore, that the unfortunate Mr Crapper will reveal very much. Mr David Crapper ODA Economic Adviser was in the Falklands during May for the ODA/FIG review on FIDC.

Both letters emphasise the use F.I.D.C. is making of its funds especially to help the wealth creating sector. However, the F.I.D.C. budget shows that 56% of the funds have been spent on research. 5% has gone on publicity, but obviously not in S.O.A.'s direction. A mere 8% of the budget has gone on grant assistance, whilst nearly 20% was spent on administration. It appears that we may have spent more on the Chief Executive than we have on aid to farmers. This is a high price to pay, even for the only person capable of delivering an elegant Legco. speech.

The question is not whether Islanders have anything constructive to say about their future: they most certainly have; but whether our masters in F.I.G./F.I.D.C. have ears to listen.

Yours faithfully

KEVIN KILMARTIN

FROM W.R. LUXTON:

Chartres
West Falkland
May 31, 1986

Dear Sir,

I found your April editorial most depressing in that our only independant newspaper (the other seems to be in a state of suspended animation) should line up with the whingers and the knockers and start sniping at FIDC. Am I the only one who wonders what on earth a 'Conditioned Society' is?

I should like to congratulate Mr Stuart Wallace on his excellent letter in which he demolishes the silly comments from Mr Miller and the SOA. Likewise, David Taylor produces a most reasoned and cool answer to Mr Miller. However, above all I should like to commend to all those who were unlucky enough to miss it, David Taylor's speech to the Motion of Thanks at LegCo this week.

CONTD.

W.R. LUXTON LETTER CONTD:

He will forgive me if I say that he slightly lost his 'cool' on this occasion and made what I believe is the best speech I have ever heard in LegCo. You, Sir, would do the community a service if you reprinted it in full.

I really do feel that this Country is at a cross-roads. All the very dedicated people who come here to try to help us must be quite sickened off at the petty bickering and sniping that is almost all they get in return. It is time we laid the SOA and its like alongside the dinosaur and its other predecessors and began looking forward. After all the SOA represents a shrinking part of what is the only farming industry in the world which has not increased its output over the last One Hundred years. FIDC in its small way is trying to improve on this glorious situation. So come on all you people who are driving around in tractors, putting up fences, planting seeds, building new facilities, looking forward at last to some real competition for local traders who have been screwing us for years, erecting lodges, fishing for fishes, etc etc etc, if you want this long overdue lurch forward to turn into progress, STOP for a FEW MINUTES and put pen to paper or call your local FIDC Representative or Councillor and for Gods sake give him your support. Otherwise those who are muddling along in their same old bog hole and who have so much more time to waste are likely to carry the day by default.

I do not believe that the majority of the people of the Falklands are bewildered, baffled, or alarmed by FIDC. A rapidly increasing number of us who have every bean we possess (and a fair amount of Standard Chartered's) invested in these Islands are hoping for and looking forward to an accelerating program of advice and assistance. The recent Open Day was an eye-opener to many, and not least of all to see who and which organisations were NOT represented.

So, may I ask that all those who are satisfied with what FIDC is doing for them or for the Falklands should take a little time to say so. If you are not satisfied then write to them first - in my experience you will receive a full and precise reply. If you are still not happy then write to the papers.

Yours faithfully,

W.R. LUXTON

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Brian J. Faul - Annabelle M. Spencer M.I.G.D.

at the above address

FROM ROBIN LEE:

PORT HOWARD
WEST FALKLANDS

DO WE NEED AN EAST WEST FERRY OR NOT?

Dear Sir,

With reference to the Prynne report I would like to comment on some of the remarks made by councillors during their speeches on the adjournment of council. One councillor suggested that Prynne's report if implemented would scrap coastal shipping and the MV Forrest in favour of a road system and a Ferry. I feel that remarks like that are very misleading to the public as there is no suggestion that this will happen. We will need Coastal Shipping for many years to come. The road system, if built, would take about ten years.

There seems to be a group of so called experts who live in Stanley and who do not have to pay huge freight bills; do not have to wait for up to two months after the AES has arrived for their goods; do not have to pay nearly £600 to ship a rover to their home because there is no other means. These people seem to think they should decide whether we have a ferry or not. I agree that a Falklands Wide Road system needs careful thought as the maintenance costs could be high, but I do not agree that we need to spend any more time deciding whether or not we need a Ferry. If the West Falklands are to develop and that includes outlying islands, we need a more regular supply and transport system. The right to travel freely is a basic human right. Those people who think that we should be confined to the outlying islands and West Falklands, away from the only trading centre should remember this. Government has just approved the spending of over one million pounds on Stanley roads, the people in Camp have not complained about that have they? The Ferry will cost very much less than one million and will do more to develop the Islands than a few roads around Town so let's spend a little money on the Camp for a change.

Yours faithfully,

ROBIN LEE

FROM NEIL ROGERS:

Dean St Garage
Port Stanley
Falkland Islands
Tel: 3

22nd June 1986

Dear Sir,

May I through the columns of your journal, voice my anger at a situation which, I am sure, is about to result in a tragedy.

Firstly, why isn't Dean St, adapted as the Ice route? It would be simple enough to keep the hill clear of ice by the simple method of salting and gritting it. A better solution would be to create corrugations on the surface through the forming of raised cement 'Ribs' about an inch high in a 'Chevron' formation. These would provide a grip surface for the wheels of vehicles when driven under icy conditions. The corrugations might even slow down some of the whiz-kids who roar down the hill regardless of the possibility of not being able to stop at the bottom of it.

Only a couple of days ago I witnessed a vehicle come down the hill in what must have been top gear. He did not slow down at the intersection with Fitzroy Road., and was the worst example of what is now a daily occurrence.

John St. and sections of Davis St. are abominable and must be bordering on downright dangerous. The Moody Brook road is incredible. No, I go further; bloody disgusting. I shift my own garage rubbish once a week and I dread the trip down to the tip.

contd.

FROM R.N. ROGERS CONTD:

So whats going on? Are not good roads a prime requisite in any community. Particularly in a town with such a high concentration of vehicles.

The majority of the work we do at the garage is involved with the repair of Transmissions, Brakes and Suspension. All are components vulnerable to damage through poor road surfaces.

If nothing else, the road up to and around the Brewster Hospital should be straightened up. No wonder the Hospital vehicles are always in for repair.

Yours faithfully

R.N. ROGERS

FROM RICHARD FOGERTY:

Stone Cottage
Eliza Cove Road
Stanley

27th May 1986

Dear Sir,

It was with interest, and some annoyance, that I read the 'Newsletter From Public Works Department' in issue three of your newspaper.

'Dissembling!' was the first thought to cross my mind. Does the writer of the article really believe that, in a community of this size, he can pretend that the problems and shortcomings of P.W.D. can be covered up in such a manner? If so, he surely lives in a different world to the rest of us.

However, it was the last three paragraphs on the state of Stanley roads that went beyond merely annoying. The tone of these paragraphs was arrogant, supercilious and negative.

We know that roads are expensive and I have never heard anyone suggest that all the roads in Stanley should be resurfaced in one fell swoop. However, when roads deteriorate to the extent that, as in the case of John Street and Ross Road West, they pose a hazard to motorists and pedestrians alike, people have a right to expect more than patronizing comments.

Finally, the writer of the article is presumably a senior civil SERVANT and as such, may be seen as reflecting government policy. If this is the case what would be the implications if individuals do "get a shovel and" It is to avoid such problems that governments assume responsibility for such communal assets and collect taxes and/or rates to pay for the same.

As a taxpayer and a new rate payer I hope that I've made it clear how objectionable I find the tone of parts of this article which could almost be described as anarchistic.

Yours faithfully,

RICHARD FOGERTY

DUTIES FOR NEW COUNCILLOR

Councillor Eric Goss, having been elected to the Camp seat formerly held by Mr Tim Miller, has inherited three of his responsibilities.

He will accordingly have specific responsibility for overseeing the Post and Telecommunications Department and will be a member of the Education Committee and the Advisory Committee of the Frerogation of Mercy.

It has been agreed that he should take a special interest in Camp constituents in Lafonia and at Fitzroy with Councillor Tony Blake taking over the area North of the Wickhams from Tim Miller. On West Falklands Councillor Tony Blake retains Chartres, Councillor Robin Lee the South area, and Councillor Tim Blake the North.

THE MAY BALL 1986:

The organisers wish to thank, sincerely, the following persons for their help. Without these people to give their time and effort, no function would be possible.

Music by Mrs Betty Ford. Mr Bob Peart as Master of Ceremonies. Vanda MacDonald on Refreshments. Mr Dan Clarke and Mike as doormen, John and Dia as stewards also Charles, Wayne, Steve and Roger. Carole-Anne and Hunter Jackson and John Keoghane as Judges. Sah made by Mrs Hilary Pauloni. Flowers for the bouquet donated by Mr & Mrs Jewkes and made into a bouquet by Mr E. Williams. Gifts for the May Queen and Princess donated by F.I.C. and presented by the Governor, Mr Jewkes. Gifts for Prince Charming and Runner-up donated by the organisers and presented by the May Queen/86. Raffle prizes donated by Fink Shop, Speedwell Store, Newsagents and Falkland Supplies. Printing by Mr J. King. Mr Patrick Watts and Claudette Ceballos for commentary on the May Ball, and thank you Terry and Joan Spruce for your invaluable help.

A big thank you to the Junior and Infant School children and teachers and Playschool for your beautiful pictures and decorations which were so admired and which have been passed on, to be used at the next large function.

Thank you, all you young ladies, for looking so pretty and well dressed and you young men, for being so handsome and well groomed, and last, but certainly not least, glad to see you, all who attended and made the May Ball what it is - a traditional Ball for the people, by the people. Long may it continue.

Congratulations to Miss Heidi Blake judged May Queen
Miss Patricia Card " Princess
Mr Derek Summers voted Prince Charming
Mr Alan Steen " Runner-up

1ST FALKLAND ISLAND
SCOUT GROUP

SCOUTS ROYAL WEDDING DANCE

On the 22nd July, the Scouts are organising a dance to celebrate the wedding of HRH Prince Andrew to Miss Sarah Ferguson.

To enable us to run a refreshment room, please could we ask for a good response from the public to donate sweets and savouries. Please could they be delivered to the refreshment room at the Town Hall during the afternoon of the 22nd.

Thank you.

1ST FALKLAND ISLAND
SCOUT GROUP

GOVERNMENT NOTICE

Ref: LEG/10/19K

- "Notice is hereby given that Mr Jose Sixto Ruiz-Barrientos of Walker Creek, Falkland Islands, is applying to His Excellency the Governor for naturalisation, and that any person who knows of any reason why naturalisation should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Government Secretary at the Secretariat, Stanley, Falkland Islands."
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STANLEY BADMINTON CLUB NEWS:

The annual Mid-Winter Fancy Dress Ball was held in the Town Hall on Friday June 20th. The hall was gaily decorated, the focal point being the Club Shield. Many people turned out in Fancy Dress and had obviously made a great effort and some were quite ingenious which made judging a difficult task.

Prize winners were:

Penguin	Rosita Betts
Wedding Cake	Mary Berntsen
Keep Stanley Tidy	Mary Ursell
Squaw and Cowboy	Nicky Buckett and Darren Clifton
Cave Girls	Michelle Binnie and Patricia Gard
Poleholders	Sheila Evans and Jane Summers
Matador and Bull	Bessie McKay, Katrina Clarke and Zachary Stephenson
Wizard of Oz	Donna and Paul Williams and Alison Sutton
Post Bags	Marj and Natalie McIhee and Heather Petteron
Farmers Wife and 3 Blind Mice	Fanny Ford, Sheila Hadden, Phyllis Finlayson and Vi Heathman
Old Woman in Shoe Plus children	Hospital Group (combined effort Stanley Hospital and B,H staff)
Football Team	Brigit Patterson, Lisa Watson, Annagret Adams, Carol Eynon, Sheila and Margaret Butler, Michelle Anderson, Pauline Hawksworth, Nina Ashton, Andrea Turner, Stephanie Robson.

A Meritorious Service Award was made to the President Mrs Rene Rowlands a founder member of the Club, on behalf of the International Badminton Federation by the Governor Mr G. Jewkes.

The following night members held a private dance to celebrate the 36th Anniversary of the Club. Invitations were also extended to all known previous members. A good time was had by all!!

THANKS FROM PLAYGROUP:

The Stanley Childrens Play Group wish to thank the Mount Pleasant Sports and Recreation Committee for a donation of £209.60, also many thanks to the Falkland Islands Garrison Provost Unit for their kind donation of £76.

I am sure the children will enjoy the new toys and benefit from the extra heating this money will provide.

Thank you all again,

COLLEEN REID (CHAIRMAN)

NOTICE

Would anyone knowing the whereabouts of Mr Cyril Summers (Squits) please get in touch with:

Mr Tom Biggs
24 Lisson Grove
LONDON
NW1 6UR

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THE ROYAL WEDDING

Celebrations to mark the occasion of the wedding between HRH Prince Andrew to Miss Sarah Ferguson got underway in Stanley on the evening beforehand with a dance organised by the F.I. Scout Group in the Town Hall.

After the dance, a Champagne Party at 4 o'clock in the morning was held in a marquee pitched on the grass between Government House and Cable and Wireless. This rather unusual venue and timing was chosen as it made possible the sending of live television pictures from the Party in Stanley to the BBC breakfast television programme in England. The programme opened with the Governor Mr Gordon Jowkes and the Commander British Forces Air Vice Marshal Kemball being interviewed which was followed by an enthusiastic Circassian Circle danced by some of the Senior boys and girls from the Stanley School Hostels: the BBC interviewer also became involved in the dancing at one stage! Billy Morrison provided the music on his accordion.

The opportunity was taken to show via the television the wedding gift to the Royal Couple from the people of the Falklands. A superb painting of a Striated Cara Cara among Rockhopper penguins which will go well with the F.I. Government's wedding gift of a finely framed rare map of the Falklands dated

Then some of the people who had met Prince Andrew on his visits to the Falklands were interviewed: Councillor Norma Edwards, and Roger Edwards, Richard and Grizelda Cockwell, Claude Melkenbuhr, Heidi Blake, Denise Donnelly, Robert Wilkinson, Nick Madden and Lorraine McGill.

After the Party the Falkland Islands Broadcasting Station opened up at 5.30 a.m. making it possible via the BBC World Service to follow the wedding procession and events as they took place.

During the afternoon, which the Governor had declared a half day holiday for the Stanley Schools, a Childrens Fancy Dress larty had been organised, which was a great success.

The final event of the day was a Public Reception held in the Town Hall during which His Excellency invited all present to raise their glasses in a loyal toast of Happiness and Good Wishes to Prince Andrew and his Bride - The New Duke and Duchess of York.

THE BUDGET

The following adjustments were made during the recent Budget Meeting of the Legislative Council -

OLD AGE PENSIONS

Contributory Pension

Pension for Single person increased from £19.00 to £24.00 per week
Married person increased from £28.50 to £36.00 per week

Non Contributory Pension

Pension for Single person increased from £18.00 to £22.50 per week
Married person increased from £24.50 to £31.00 per week

Contributions

Self Employed increased from £5.60 to £7.10 per week

Non Self Employed

Employers increased from £3.35 to £4.25 per week
Employees increased from £2.25 to £2.65 per week

FAMILY ALLOWANCE - Non Taxable

Increased from £15.00 per month to £20.00 per month

A new Single Parent Allowance has been introduced of £15.00 per month

F.I.G.A.S. (Falkland Islands Government Air Service)

Boarding Fee increased from £13.00 to £14.30

Mileage Rate increased from 34p to 37p

The Residents Rebate stands at 13p per mile

The Maximum Fare for Residents increased from £28.50 to £31.50

The cut off point is 71 miles

Freight Rates increased from 16p to 20p per lb.

Minimum Charge increased from 50p to £1.00 up to 5 lb. (previously 3 lb.)

STANLEY SCHOOL HOSTEL CHARGES

1st Child increased from £48.00 to £60.00 per term

2nd Child increased from £38.00 to £40.00 per term

3rd Child and subsequent Children Free of Charge

STANLEY RATES Increased from £3.00 to £3.60 in the £

ELECTRICITY For Residents increased from 11p to 14.5 per unit

Note: The previous rate of 11p was subsidised to the extent of 5.2p per unit for residents

GOVERNMENT OWNED HOUSES Rents increased by 10%

CUSTOMS Import Duty on Alcoholic Beverages increased by 10%

ESTATE DUTY The Threshold when Estate Duty becomes payable is increased from £15,000 to £30,000

TAX A reform of both Income & Company Tax is under review

SALARIES

Salaries for Civil Servants were increased with effect from 1st July in accordance with recommendations made by Mr. P. Dale in his review of the Grading and Salary Structure of the Public Service.

PENSIONS

Government Service Pensions were also increased with effect from 1st July

FROM LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J S BREWER MBE COMMANDANT:

2nd Battalion
2nd K.E.O. Goorkhas
British Forces
Falkland Islands
BFPO 666

30 June 1986

Sir,

I am writing on behalf of all ranks of the Battalion to thank you, your Councils, Representatives and all residents in the Falkland Islands for all of the help, assistance and kindness shown to us all during our 4 months tour of duty in the Falkland Islands.

The warmth and kindness shown to our patrols throughout the Islands has been quite outstanding. It has been much appreciated by the soldiers and will long be talked about by them. I would be grateful if our thanks could be passed on to all of the landowners who permitted us to use their land.

We have learnt a lot about the Falkland Islands, its people and the problems they face and can now, at first hand, speak with authority and first hand experience of the situation here.

All ranks have thoroughly enjoyed the tour here, will miss the friendship and hospitality, but hope that in some way our 4 months tour has helped to maintain the security and integrity of your Islands.

We wish you all every happiness and success in the years to come and hope and pray that a successful resolution will be found for the future stability and sovereignty of the Falkland Islands and her people.

JOHN BREWER

FROM BILL HILLS:

Editor
F.I. Times

15 July

Dear Sir

May I please provide some answer to Derek Evans' letter on the charge of £9 hour.

Firstly, he didn't have to call on PWD although we are glad to help. He could have used friends or perhaps asked one of the now quite significant and effective contractors offering services. We hope they can offer cheaper rates and wonder why he did not use one.

Our Government and other employers have to pay a lot more than a man's wages. They pay a man when he retires, when he is sick, on public and annual holidays, insurances, on training courses and occasionally the flights for himself his wife and children to the U.K. He may be provided with protective clothing, others pay him, answer the letters and calls and send him to do the task when needed.

Our task in PWD is the Government's business and our charges are set by Committee. The rates are very similar to other major employers and are commercial which means most departments aim to balance the charge to the cost of work. Overall PWD's income from charges almost equals expenditure and so means no cost to general taxation. This is certainly not inflationary. Inflation and distortion occur when items are highly subsidised and artificial.

Next time Derek might employ a cheaper contractor.

Yours faithfully

BILL HILLS

FROM BILL HILLS:

15 July

Dear Sir

FERRIES AND TRACKS

These Islands' business is the production of wool. The more produced at the highest price and lowest cost the more profit and money there is for the whole community. As Robin Lee says it cost £600 to ship a rover to the West and it can only be done when the ship goes, perhaps at intervals of two months.

At present many of the farmers of the North Camp haul all their wool, oil and supplies through Estancia to Stanley, whatever the conditions, because it costs less. With a track it would take a third of the time and similarly the cost. When the Darwin Sports was on how many flew by FIGAS? All along the road from Stanley to Darwin people are saving money and time because they can get to Town, do business and get home quickly. Stanley gains and so does Camp. If you add a ferry the next stop is Howard.

One day when we look in the West Store freezers we may find meat, fish, butter, milk, cream and poultry which has not been bought abroad. (There is crab now).

We will always need FIGAS for speed and ships for the small Islands. But with trucks and ferries it won't cost £600 for a rover, £8000 for freight on a Clanwood house to F.B.E. or £32,000 for four. That is why roads came about, it costs less not more to everyone whether you live in West Falkland or London.

The Progress report suggests a seagoing landing craft which will cost much less than the Forrest to own and operate. It will provide a much better service to the outer Islands and could move large vehicles and plant which can only be done by MOD ships at present. It also means jetties will not be needed. It will widen the range of service and reduce the cost.

Without the trade and business of Camp, Stanley cannot survive.

Yours faithfully

BILL HILLS

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at the above address

LETTER FROM: TERRY SPRUCE

31, Ross Road,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

I would like to make some comments regarding Mr. Hill's letter on Ferries and Tracks.

The comments he makes about roads I endorse, but he has said that many farmers in the North Camp haul their wool to Stanley via Estancia. This is simply not true. Only four farms haul their wool regularly to Stanley, they are: Bluff Cove, Riverside, Estancia, and Murrel farms. Mount Kent tried experimental hauling last season. Of these farms, only Bluff Cove and Mount Kent (Green Patch) are serviced by sea.

It will be of much benefit to the islands' economy to have more local produce, especially dairy produce, available for purchase within the islands, but that day seems a long way off. Butter, Long life milk, cream and frozen poultry are purchased in large quantities by the Camp from the West Store. Is it coals to Newcastle, or is it cheaper to purchase rather than D.I.Y.?

Mr. Hills quotes in his letter that it cost £8000 to freight a Clanwood house to Fox Bay East. I presume he is talking about freight from Stanley to Fox Bay East, as he compares it with the £600 freight on a land rover. There were 5 Clanwood houses shipped from Stanley to Fox Bay East by Coastal Shipping Ltd. in August 1985; the freight on ALL of the houses together totalled £11,144.87. This included de-stuffing all of the containers, prior to loading on board "Monsunen", which was costly. The reason this exercise took place was due to bad planning in the ordering of the houses, as the containers were far too heavy for them to be handled at Fox Bay East as units.

The Prynn Report recommends a landing craft, in place of M.V. Forrest, which can be used as a ferry and service the outer islands, thereby assisting M.V. Monsunen. Initially, it looks fine, but all of the details have not yet been discussed or thought through. Many queries arise as to the operation of an open landing craft such as, when moving cargo and produce, how would cargo be kept dry, how would the open-decked vessel be dry-docked and where, how would it operate on the far West with wind etc.? From experience of local shipping, the costs would be no less than for Forrest, but could be a lot more.

I believe Mr. Hills should check upon the facts before he goes into print.

Yours faithfully,

TERRY SPRUCE.

Editors comment -

In order to save time and lengthy correspondence the letter from Mr. Hills was passed to the Falkland Islands Co. Ltd. for their comments.

THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Margaret Butler, Stan Smith and Brian Summers who are representing the Falklands at the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh are having a very full and most enjoyable programme in Scotland.

Margaret was chosen to represent the Falklands at the Opening Parade of the Games where she is presently attending many occasions and events. Stan and Brian are representing the Colony in the Rifle Shooting events.

We will get all of the details of what happened and where, when they return to the Falklands.

RECENT SUCCESSES IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE (F.I.D.F.)

Over the past three months teams from the Defence Force have secured a number of awards in various competitions organised by the British Forces in the Falkland Islands. The events are as follows:-

- May '86 - 1st place in the 'March and Shoot' Competition, beating approximately 18 other teams including several from the Gurkhas (NB F.I.D.F. has now won this competition twice out of three entries)
- 22 May '86 - 1st place in the mini-minor section of the Quick-Kill Competition, approximately 20 teams took part.
Team: SLR - P. Biggs, SLR - P. King
SMG - R. Finlayson, Pistol - V. Steen
- 21 June '86 - 3rd place in the Half Marathon run at M.P.A., entered as a minor unit. This was the first time that F.I.D.F. have entered a team for the event.
Team: R. Miranda Jnr., James Peck, Simon Goss, Pete Biggs
- 26 June '86 - 3rd place in the Quick-Kill Competition, entering as a minor unit.
Team: SLR - M. Rendell, SLR - P. Biggs
SMG - R. Finlayson, Pistol - V. Steen
- 24 July '86 - 2nd place in the Quick-Kill Competition, as a minor unit.
Team: SLR - P. King, SLR - P. Biggs
SMG - R. Finlayson, Pistol - V. Steen

Other recent notable events at the Drill Hall include a visit by His Excellency The Governor Mr. Jewkes on 26th June and a final visit by The Commander British Forces F.I. on 31st July.

BIRTHS, ENGAGEMENT & MARRIAGE

We are pleased to announce the following -

Births

On June 2nd to Rosemarie & Pete King of Stanley, a Daughter ROXANNE (7 lb 1 oz)

On July 12th to Susan & John Birmingham of Fox Bay West, a Daughter ALEXANDRA
SALLY

Engagement

On July 27th between Anya Smith of Stanley and Marc Alexander of Scotland.

Wedding

On 12th July at Mortlack Church Dufftown - Neil, son of Iris & Charlie Robertson, The Leakin, Knockando, and formerly of Fitzroy, was married to Shirley Ann, twin daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Cameron, 1 Hillside Avenue, Dufftown.

Death

On June 26th Mrs Orissa Pole-Evans died at her home in Devon aged 93 years.

FIDC NEWS AND INFORMATION:

A Little Part of Stanley at Mount Pleasant Airport

Some time ago we became worried at the effect on Stanley traders of the move by the Military to MPA. We thought that the answer was probably a small complex of shops at MPA - doubling as a small civilian passenger terminal. We discussed this with the Traders Association, who were very supportive.

Then the trouble started!

Where would it go? If we agreed a site with PSA - then MOD was unhappy. If we agreed with MOD - then PSA told us it would not do. If PSA and MOD agreed a site, then we weren't happy as it was miles from where we wanted it. Finally however we all sat down together and managed to agree a site - and a very nice one it is.

The complex will be built on the eastern edge of the main apron only a short distance from the main passenger terminal. As well as six small shop units facing into a common concourse, there will be a substantial cafe with large picture windows looking out across the apron to the mountain beyond. There will also be a permanent tourist information display and toilet facilities have been planned to look after those with pre-flight nerves!

These shops will give traders the chance to sell to the largest population in the Islands. MPA will have about 1500 people changing every four months, so the potential for selling quality Falkland Islands products is enormous.

If you are interested in hiring a unit then you'd better let us know soon.

Gone Fishing?

Salmon, particularly smoked salmon, is a very expensive and much sought after delicacy. That makes it attractive to us, because freight costs become a fairly insignificant proportion of the cost to buyers in the UK and Western Europe.

Back in 1985 we decided to look at the economics of salmon farming. The big problem was the cost of importing salmon feed - bulky stuff - to the Islands. Could we make it locally from local produce - mutton, mullet, krill?

We linked up with the University of Stirling and sent them Simon Hardcastle, a trained aquaculturalist (fancy name for a fish farmer!) to see if it was possible to make a local feed. Getting large samples of mullet back proved a logisitic nightmare, but after eight months the result was successful - an edible local feed could be made.

A hatchery was set up at Fox Bay village - ideal both as a site picked by Stirling on an earlier visit and because it is also home to another fisheries scientist, Chris Garrod of Fortcoser.

After an epic flight - the eggs started to hatch in the heat of Ascension! The eggs were safely housed in their new home. There are now several thousand tiny salmon, which we hope will grow to a saleable size over the next two years.

If this small scale trail is succesful, then the next stage will be a full-scale commercial farm.

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FIDC NEWS CONTD:

What do they want with houses?

Why has FIDC bought up some old houses in Stanley? When FIDC was set up housing was specifically excluded from its remit. FIDC was obviously going to create new jobs for new people and the idea was that those people would be housed in government housing. Unfortunately, back in 1984, FIDC was advised by government that it should look after its own housing needs and that government would not allocate any more houses to development.

FIDC very reluctantly, and on a very small scale, entered the housing market. FIDC owns only four houses - the Old Dairy House, Kelvin Takeaway, Kelper Store and 11 Pioneer Row. The houses are, or will be, done up to a high standard by local contractors. All are needed for current projects. The Kelvin Takeaway houses Consultancy Services Falklands Ltd - the new accountancy business. A new bakery is being constructed in its grounds. The Kelper Store and Montagu House will be sold to John and Jenny Pollard to house their new restaurant. A new double shop, with a flat above, will be built in the grounds behind. The Old Dairy House is home to Hunter Jackson, the Agricultural Co-operative Manager, and his wife, Carol Ann. 11 Pioneer Row will shortly be leased to Fortosor to house John Williams, who will be joined by his family once the house is finished.

During 1985 we put a proposal to ODA that we should start a property development company to build the new houses that we need both to encourage new immigrants and to house the people needed to run the new projects. A lot of time has gone by, but we hope soon that our scheme can be made to fit in with ODA's and FIG's house construction plans.

The Hydroponic Market Garden:

This project seems to sum up a lot of people's concerns about FIDC. Why so big? Why so expensive? Why use this modern technology rather than proven local methods?

Firstly we better explain what hydroponics means. It means growing crops, mostly salad crops, without soil. The crops are grown in a constantly flowing stream of nutrient. Why did we go for this technique? Within two months of the plant being finished and commissioned we can have our first crop of lettuces. We don't have to spend years preparing the soil, worrying about disease and how to produce a reliable and consistent supply. The latter is very important. If we are to supply the Military and the foreign fishing fleets then they have to be guaranteed a consistent quantity, quality and range of products. That is why we didn't go for encouraging a lot of good, amateur gardeners to sell their surplus to a central buying/selling operation.

Why is it so expensive? It is budgetted to cost £500,000 - and we are on target to build within that figure. That is a lot of running costs. The greenhouses will be heated by a peat fired boiler - an expensive item with hopper and auger feed, with automatic ash removal and a huge peat shed. Using an oil fired boiler would have reduced the capital costs substantially - but the operating costs would have been crippling. Peat is a local product. It doesn't need cash to flow out of the Islands to buy it. Using oil would not only have been bad for the profitability of the market garden, but for the economy of the Islands.

When the market garden starts producing it will show many things to many people. It will show the MOD in London that we can supply their men locally with good, fresh food - if they give us the chance. It will show that modern technology can work here - that there is no "Falklands Factor".

Most importantly it will show a doubting British public that all of us living in the Falkland Islands realise that we realise that the price of their on-going support is a commitment to develop towards economic independence.

FALKLAND CRAFT FAIR

The first Craft Fair was held during Farmers Week this July. The Craft Fair was masterminded by Natalie McPhee and based on the old Winter Show which used to be an annual event in Stanley.

A committee was formed consisting of Natalie, Crystal Mercer, Joan Spruce, Nick Hadden and Shane Wolsey who all put a lot of thought into organising & launching a competition and exhibition of locally produced art and crafts which it is hoped will be an annual event during Farmers Week.

Pre Fair nerves and thoughts of the whole thing being a disaster were rapidly dispelled when the doors were opened to receive craft items. In six hours over six hundred items were taken!

The idea of having some of the local business ventures exhibiting their products was a great success and thanks must go to the time and effort put in by Kiddcraft with their soft toys, Home Industries with knitted items, Falkland Mill from Fox Bay who displayed their wool and knitted garments and The Spinners and Weavers who illustrated wool being carded, spun and finally woven. The Stanley Photographic Club had a very interesting display of photographs as well as photographic equipment and video.

As an experiment an Exhibition Only Section was included in the Fair for those people who were not particularly interested in competition but who had made items which they were willing to display. This proved to be a popular section with crafts ranging from Calligraphy, fly tying, Collages and clay models to name a few.

The Committee would like to thank the Falkland Islands Company Limited, Cable & Wireless and Falkland Islands Development Corporation for giving the cups, medallions and minatures for the overall winners and Standard Chartered Bank for magnificent raffle prizes.

Thank you too, the judges who had the task of choosing winners in the various Sections, and the willing helpers who put up photographs and paintings and helped dismantle forty tables after the show.

Some adjustments and alterations are being made for next years show, and these will be advertised well in advance. Now is the time for you to begin thinking about making that new prizewinning entry.

In our vote of thanks, mention must be made of the pet sheep who was on show to illustrate the wool industry. The committee hopes next year he will not lie down and nod off!

RAFFLE PRIZES presented by Mr Joe Marsh of Standard Chartered Bank:

Telephone Card	- Norma Edwards
Radio	- Norma Thom
Binoculars	- Barry Edwards
Tankard	- Eric Goss
Grebe Print	- Tom Davies

CRAFT FAIR PRIZEWINNERS. PRIZES PRESENTED BY His Excellency the Governor Mr Gordon Jewkes.

C L A S S W I N N E R S

SECTION A - HOMESPUN WOOL

Class 1 - Local homespun wool (fine)

1st	Dot Goss (Salvador)
2nd	Dot Goss (Salvador)
3rd	Margo Smallwood
HC	Dot Goss (Salvador)

Class 2 - Local homespun wool (thick)

1st	Margo Smallwood
2nd	Maud McKenzie
3rd	Maria Massolo
HC	Kitty Bertrand

Class 3 - Local homespun wool (Children)

1st	Rosalind Cheek
2nd	Leeann Eynon
3rd	Rosalind Cheek

Class 4 - Local homespun wool (dyed)

1st	Kitty Bertrand
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CRAFT FAIR - CLASS WINNERS Conts.

SECTION B - KNITTING

<u>Class 1 - Article knitted from local homespun wool</u>	1st	Marj McPhee
	2nd	Dot Goss (Salvador)
	3rd	Dot Goss (Salvador)
<u>Class 2 - Any handknitted article (Adults)</u>	1st	Rene Duncan
	2nd	Rhoda McBain
	3rd	Fayan Morrison
	HC	Jill Doyle
		Rene Duncan (2)
		Winifred Humphries
		Joyce Newman
		Dwenda Newman (P.S.C.)
		Marie Gleadell (Chartres)
		Jennifer Jones (3) (F.B.)
		Beat Peck
		Alison Sutton
		Sharon Halford
		Cecilia Berntsen
		Alison Howe
		Fayan Morrison (2)
<u>Class 3 - Any handknitted article (children)</u>	1st	Glynis Newman (P.S.C.)
<u>Class 4 - Machine Knitted sweater</u>	1st	Pam Summers
	2nd	Pam Summers
	3rd	Shirley Middleton
<u>Class 5 - Any other machine knitted article</u>	1st	Shirley Middleton
	2nd	Shirley Middleton
	3rd	Shirley Middleton
	HC	Margo Smallwood

SECTION C - WEAVING

<u>Class 1 - Any woven article using bought yarn</u>	1st	Noreen Keenleyside
	2nd	Barbara Curtis
	3rd	Margo Smallwood
	HC	Noreen Keenleyside

SECTION D - SEWING AND CROCHET

<u>Class 1 - Any handsewn article (adults)</u>	1st	Alison Howe
	2nd	Alison Howe
<u>Class 3 - Any machine sewn article</u>	1st	Debbie Hardcastle
	2nd	Barbara Green
	3rd	Debbie Hardcastle
	HC	Debbie Hardcastle
<u>Class 4 - Any crochet article</u>	1st	Molly Barnes
	2nd	Molly Barnes
	3rd	Molly Barnes
	HC	Molly Barnes (3)
		Beat Peck

SECTION E - EMBROIDERY AND TAPESTRY

<u>Class 1 - Any embroidered item (adults)</u>	1st	Beat Peck
	2nd	Hazel Minnell (Chartres)
	3rd	Hazel Minnell "
	HC	Hazel Minnell (2) "
<u>Class 2 - Any tapestry item (adults)</u>	1st	Barbara Keenleyside
	2nd	Dave Hawksworth
	3rd	Marj McPhee
	HC	Anna King

CRAFT FAIR - CLASS WINNERS Conts.

SECTION F - SOFT TOY MAKING

Class 1 - Any homemade soft toy (adults)	1st	Dot Keenleyside
	2nd	Barbara Green
	3rd	Alison Howe
	HC	Emily Goodwin
		Debie Hardcastle (2)
		Alison Howe
		Bill Kidd
Class 2 - Any homemade soft toy (children)	1st	Glynis Newman
	2nd	Mandy McRae
	3rd	Michael McRae
Class 3 - Any bought soft toy kit (adults)	1st	Marj McPhee
	2nd	Alison Howe
Class 4 - Any bought soft toy kit (children)	1st	Becky Edwards
	2nd	Jeannette Hawksworth
Class 5 - A bought doll dressed by the exhibitor -	1st	Carol Eynon
	2nd	Dot Keenleyside
	3rd	Dot Keenleyside
	HC	Dot Keenleyside (2)

SECTION G - RUGMAKING AND MACRAME

Class 1 - Wool rug	1st	Barbara Curtis
	2nd	Avril Bonner
	3rd	Noreen Keenleyside
	HC	Vi Heathman
Class 3 - Any item of macrame	1st	Barbara Green
	2nd	Giles Mercer
	3rd	Carol Eynon
	HC	Carol Eynon

SECTION H - SHEEPSKINS

Class 1 - Cured sheepskin	1st	Dennis Middleton
	2nd	Hill Cove
	3rd	Dennis Middleton
	HC	Dennis Middleton

SECTION I - HORNWORK, GEARMAKING & LEATHERWORK

Class 1 - Any item of hornwork	1st	Chris Perry
	2nd	Chris Perry
	3rd	Chris Perry
	HC	George Porter
Class 2 - Any item of horsegear	1st	Nigel Knight
	2nd	Nigel Knight
	3rd	Jose Ruiz
Class 3 - Any item of leatherwork	1st	Jeff Butler
	2nd	Jeff Butler
	3rd	Jeff Butler

SECTION J - WOODWORK, MODELMAKING AND METALWORK

Class 1 - Any item of woodwork (adults)	1st	Keith Grimmer
	2nd	George Porter
	3rd	Manfred Keenleyside
	HC	George Porter
Class 3 - Model (bought kit) (adults)	1st	Giles Mercer
Class 4 - Model (bought kit) (children)	1st	Herman Morrison
	2nd	Herman Morrison
	3rd	Herman Morrison
Class 5 - Homemade model	1st	Johnnie Blyth
	2nd	Robert Wilkinson
	3rd	Jim Moffat

CRAFT FAIR - CLASS WINNERS Conts.

Class 6 - Any item of metalwork	1st	John Blyth
	2nd	Roy McGhie
	3rd	John Blyth
	HC	John Blyth

SECTION K - ART

Class 1 - Pen and ink drawing (adults)	1st	Romeo Pauloni
	2nd	Romeo Pauloni
	3rd	Father Monaghan
	HC	Father Monaghan
Class 2 - Water colour painting (adults)	1st	Margaret Smith
	2nd	Sonia Felton
	3rd	Sonia Felton
	HC	Romeo Pauloni
Class 3 - Oil painting (adults)	1st	Romeo Pauloni
	2nd	Romeo Pauloni
	3rd	Jenny Pollard
	HC	Jenny Pollard (2)
Class 4 - Any item (children up to 9 years)	1st	Kathryn Mercer
	2nd	Ingrid Newman
	3rd	Mark Spruce
Class 5 - Any item (children 10 - 15 years)	1st	Tyssen Smith
	2nd	Tyssen Smith
	3rd	Ben Cockrell
	HC	Tyssen Smith
Class 6 - Any other item of art (adults)	1st	Sonia Felton
	2nd	Ann Keenleyside
	3rd	Margaret Smith
	HC	Sonia Felton
		Ann Keenleyside

SECTION L - PHOTOGRAPHY

Class 1 - Black & white photo of Falkland Islands landscape	1st	Ian Strange
Class 2 - Colour photo of Falkland Islands landscape	1st	Pete Gilding
	2nd	Ian Strange
	3rd	Jackie Gilding
	HC	Fraser Wallace (2)
		Don Walker
		Murray Jack
		Joan Spruce
		Pat Rhodes
Class 3 - Black and white photo of Falkland Islands wildlife	1st	Wayne Bernhardson
	2nd	Ian Strange
	3rd	Mike Rendell
	HC	Willie May
		Ian Strange
Class 4 - Colour photo of Falkland Islands Wildlife	1st	Andy Douse
	2nd	Sharon Halford
	3rd	Willie May
	HC	Fraser Wallace
		Mike Rendell
Class 5 - Any other black and white photo	HC	Montana Short
Class 6 - Any other colour photo	1st	Ian Strange
	2nd	Ian Strange
	3rd	Tony Alazia
	HC	Joan Spruce
		Stephen Cartwright
		Gerald Cheek
		Ian Strange (2)
Class 7 - Photograph taken and processed by exhibitor	1st	Pete Gilding
	2nd	Montana Short
	3rd	Mike Rendell
	HC	Ian Strange

CRAFT FAIR - SECTION WINNERS

SECTION A	Mrs Dot Goss	SECTION G	Mrs Barbara Goss
SECTION B	Mrs Shirley Middleton	SECTION H	Dennis Goss
SECTION C	Mrs Noreen Keenleyside	SECTION I	Chris Perry
SECTION D	Mrs Molly Barnes	SECTION J	Herman Morrison
SECTION E	Mrs Hazel Minnell	SECTION K	Romeo Paulini
SECTION F	Mrs Dot Keenleyside	SECTION L	Ian Strange

CRAFT FAIR - OVERALL WINNERS AND RUNNER UPS

CABLE & WIRELESS PLC Challenge Cup and miniature for adult with most points overall IAN STRANGE

FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY LTD Challenge Cup and medallion for child with most points overall HERMAN MORRISON

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION Challenge Cup and miniature for adult runner up MRS DOT GOSS (SALVADOR)

FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY LTD Challenge Cup and medallion for children's runner up MISS GLYNIS NEWMAN (PORT SAN CARLOS)

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT REPORT PUBLISHED

The Falkland Islands Development Corporation (FIDC), funded by the Overseas Development Administration, has established itself as a major force for development in the Falklands, said Mr Timothy Raison MP, Minister for Overseas Development on the publication of FIDC's second annual report.

"In a short time the FIDC has established itself as a major force for development in the Falklands. I shall be considering over the next few months what further contributions it would be appropriate to make towards the FIDC's budget, on the basis of the report expected shortly of a Joint Review of the FIDC's operations by the Falkland Islands Government and ODA representatives," said Mr Raison.

The Falkland Islands Development Corporation has been fully operational for two years and its second annual report published on 17 July describes how it has been involved in a wide range of activities funded from its £4 million budget provided by the Overseas Development Administration. These range from small grants for local businesses to substantial commitments for projects such as a market garden, a woollen mill, a dairy and tourism facilities.

GIRLS' BRIGADE OLD TIME BALL

The 9th July saw the Town Hall converted into a rural scene for the Old Time Ball. The stage depicted a camp house with all its relevant paraphernalia. Along the front of the stage and swinging from the mobiles on the ceiling were lambs, cats, dogs, pigs, horses, cattle, landrovers and tractors. Large posters of animals and farm work adorned the walls.

From the word 'go' the dance went with a swing and later when Dru McRobert on the accordeon, Pete King on drums and Gerard Robson on guitar did a turn, feet were tapping with much gusto while non-dancers listened spellbound. Mrs. Ford kept old time dancing swinging and The Fighting Pig Band also took the rostrum.

An excellent programme was produced by Mr. Joe King who even after all these years printing can still produce surprises. Voting slips were given out at the door for Miss Golden Fleece and Mr. Golden Shears and the Chairman Sheep Owners' Association arrived at 10.45 p.m. to be met by the captain of the Girls' Brigade. They entered the hall to the accompaniment of 'Click Gos The Shears'. Around midnight Mrs. Marie Cheek & Mr. Ron Binnie counted the votes and Miss Patricia Card dressed in a short white dress, emerged as Miss Golden Fleece. Very appropriately too as Patricia can shear 100+ a day with ease. Miss Michelle Binnie, also in a short white dress with a white flower in her hair, came a close second. Mr. R. Lee, Chairman, S.O.A. presented the prizes. Patricia received a white satin sash, a circle of fresh flowers and a gold pendant of a horse. Michelle also received fresh flowers and a bottle of perfume. The flowers were tastefully arranged by Miss Anna King and donated by several ladies in Stanley. Many thanks to all. Miss Golden Fleece was now able to turn the tables completely, for it was announced that Mr. Robin Lee was Mr. Golden Fleece while her boyfriend Richard Short was runner-up. The Town Hall echoed to a tumultuous roar and kisses were exchanged all round. Patricia then gave Robin a rose-bud button-hole, a tee-shirt and a Bob Langley book "Conquistadores". Richard received a pottery tankard with the ship and seal coat of Arms.

The Chairman S.O.A. and Mr. Golden Fleece made a brief speech, thanking everyone for attending and the Girls' Brigade for allowing the Association to associate itself with the dance. The artwork for the sash and tee-shirt was ably executed by Mr. Derek Evans. The artist for the hall decorations wishes to remain anonymous but I can reveal that the Girls' Brigade members did the colouring, cutting and sticking and Senior girls helped Mr. Tim Flood and Mr. Doug Hansen decorate the hall.

After the presentations the organisers entertained the prize winners to coffee. A large and varied assortment of delicacies were available in the Refreshment Room run by Mrs. Heather Pettersson and her helpers. Most of the cooking and services were provided free to help the people who lost everything in the Lively Island fire. To everyone who donated anything in any form to help the good cause the Girls' Brigade wishes to say a big thank you. There are far too many to name everyone and it may also result in someone being missed. The raffle started at the dance was drawn last Saturday. It is wonderful to know that the spirit of comradeship is still present in the Falklands. It is anticipated that £500 or a little more will be available to those in need and final figures will be published soon.

MOUNT PLEASANT POST OFFICE CHANGES

Andrew Dolphin will finish as the Mount Pleasant Postmaster during August and Eileen Hughes will be appointed to Post Mistress. Andrew then departs on overseas leave until late November. He will then return and join one of the BAS Ships to take up his 4th tour of duty as the British Antarctic Territory Postal & Philatelic Officer.

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Set lunches are now served on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays between 12 noon and 1.30 p.m. You may book a table or just come along. Lunches are £2.50 per head. Coffee or tea free. Wine and beer by the glass are available with the meal.

Evening meals continue to be served on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays to sit down no later than 8.30 p.m. Menu choices include Falkland Islands crab, trout, Upland Goose and steak. We are licensed to sell wine, spirits and beers but only to diners and hotel residents.

Please phone or call in to book a table and select your menu. We are located on Ross Road, 100 metres east of the Liberation Monument

FROM MR & MRS R. GOODWIN GREENFIELD FARM:

Editor
F.I. Times

3.7.86

Dear Sir,

It was with interest that I listened to Pat Watts asking local Stanley residents their views to some of the decisions that Councillors reached at their last budget meeting.

It appears by that short broadcast the majority of the Stanley population felt many of the decisions taken were unfair to certain members of the community. I have my own views, as I expect most do to the outcome of that session.

It has to be a very tough job making the right decisions in Council knowing that they could split a community down the middle if you favoured one side more than the other.

It seemed that one of the main topics was the new cost of electricity which in spite of rumour in fact was raised to keep more or less in line with the cost of running, even though a new power house was installed. For many years, and indeed is still, in some cases, need for one department to subsidise another due to sudden increases which the individual could not afford. For instance, fuels, water, power and flights. All have in the past been subsidised by one way or another, the end result usually being increases in revenue. Yet of all the subsidised items it is the people in the Camp who have more to lose than those living in Stanley.

Stanley residents as a further bonus have roads, shops, direct phone links to U.K., quick mail services and many other services not directly available to the Camp. Still they complain about the service much of it subsidised.

It has always been said that without the camp there would have been no Town. This may or may not now be the case, but it certainly was many years ago. Those who feel prices have gone too high should stop for a minute and put themselves in a position whereby they own the services. Now what sort of an answer would we get. For instance power and electrical services, if they could not find money to subsidise the high cost of running their own generator (as we in the Camp have to do) what would they do? Would they charge their employees more for electricity to regain the loss or just fund from another part of their services, thus putting a financial strain on yet another service.

This seems what has happened in the past only in a slightly different way.

While the Towns people enjoy subsidised services (though we in Camp do enjoy some of this as well) the taxpayer has had to cough up a little extra for it. This is where the farm owners and other enterprises start paying a lot for very little in return. Yet most of the complaints come from Stanley.

It appears that everyone wants something but nobody is prepared to sacrifice anything to get it. I voted for my Councillor to do the things I felt he did best as I am sure did we all. Yet when elected Councillors have to agree on an issue knowing they cannot please everyone all of the time, someone finds the time to pick holes in what they do.

The people in Camp have also to go along with what is laid down and not get the enjoyment of 24 hour power, roads, phone links to U.K. Postal service and right on their doorstep a brand new airport. It costs those in most of the Camp a lot of money to make use of these kind of facilities. Even though we own farms or whatever, we too have to go without when times are hard and even have to subsidise one year's running costs when wool prices are bad.

We unlike the Town dwellers make do without and very seldom complain.

Yours sincerely

ROBIN GOODWIN

THANKS FROM STANLEY PLAYGROUF

Stanley Playgroup wish to thank all the people who came to their Bazaar on the 29th June. Also many thanks to the stall holders and the ladies who donated cakes: Barbara Curtis, Liz Wolsey, Emily Clifton, June Goodwin and Doris McGill.

The profits from the Bazaar totalled £216.78p.

Raffle and Other Results: Guessing the weight of the cake (41b)
John Lennon.

Peas in a Jar (2,275) Willie Harvey
Name of the Clown (Candy) Kerry Middleton
Girls Jumper (ticket No312) Mercer
Set of Glasses and Place Mats (ticket No336) Jean Smith
1 Dozen Empanadas (ticket No163) Ernest Butler
Place Mats (handmade) (ticket No444) R. Hawksworth
Ladies & Gents Set (ticket No254) Jean Smith
Falkland Island Flaque (ticket No355) F. Marsh
Apron & Ovinglove Set (ticket No88) S. Bernsten
Box Mixed Veg. (ticket No29) A. Moffatt

Thank you all for your support.

COLLEEN REID
(CHAIRMAN)

FROM THE EDUCATION DEPT:

The 1985 Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE) results have now been received by the Education Department.

In December 1985 pupils in the fourth year at the Senior School took the final tests for the CSE in Geography, History, Mathematics, Parent Craft, Physics and English Language and Literature.

The grades achieved by the pupils have been determined by the marks awarded in the final tests and also by marks given for additional tests and other work completed during the previous two years. In this respect the CSE is different from the GCE in which the grade depends only upon the marks gained in the final examination.

Between them 20 pupils gained 99 subject grades in the CSE:

22 at Grade 1, which is regarded as the equivalent of a pass in GCE 'O' level at Grade C or higher.

20 at Grade 2;

26 at Grade 3;

22 at Grade 4, which "describes a standard of performance expected from a candidate of average ability who has followed an appropriate course of study in the subject."

5 at Grade 5.

The CSE examination is normally completed at 16+ in the United Kingdom but our Senior School pupils are a year younger when they take the final tests. This makes their performance all the more praiseworthy and both they and their teachers are to be highly commended for all their hard work.

A special mention must go to Heidi Blake who obtained a Grade 1 result in each of her six subjects.

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Saturdays

0600 Breakfast Show
 0800 Falkland Islands News Mag (rpt)
 0900 Sport on Two
 1300 News
 1303 Nice 'n' Easy
 1400 Soul Train
 1500 Allinson's Freshbeats
 1600 He, Mark Page
 1700 News Summary and Sports World
 1715 Counterpoint
 1730 Childrens Corner
 1830 Announcements
 1845 Sports Roundup
 1900 World News and Commentary
 1915 45 in Theatre
 2000 Beautiful Music
 2015 In Concert
 2045 The World Is a Wedding
 2100 The Second Holmes
 2130 Forces Folk
 2230 Alan Freeman's Rock Show
 0030 John Peel's Music
 0130 Second Stage
 0230 Top Forty

Sunday

0600 Breakfast Show
 0800 The World This Weekend
 0855 Breakfast Show cont.
 1000 News
 1003 Solid Gold Sunday
 1100 News
 1103 Seven Days
 1145 Johnny Walker
 1345 Sports Roundup
 1400 Country Folk
 1500 Top Forty
 1700 News Summary
 1702 Sitrep
 1730 Music in Miniature
 1800 "Quote Ungquote"
 1830 Announcements
 1845 Sports Roundup
 1900 World News and Commentary
 1915 Radio Newsreel
 1930 My Music
 2000 Decline and Fall by Evelyn Waugh
 2030 Rhythm and Blues
 2130 Rodriguez Rockers
 0030 B.F.B.S. UK
 0230 Bullets with Paul Gambaccini

Monday

0600 Breakfast Show
 0900 News
 0903 Allinson's Freshbeats
 1000 News
 1003 The Morning Request Show
 1100 Just A minute
 1130 Memory Lane
 1200 World News and Commentary
 1215 The Lunchtime Show
 1300 News of the Day
 1330 Lunchtime Show cont.
 1500 News
 1503 B.F.B.S. UK
 1700 News
 1703 The Archers
 1715 The Poison Belt
 1730 Feature
 1800 F.I. News Mag
 1830 Local Announcements

Monday cont.

1845 Sports Roundup
 1900 World News
 1915 60 Min Theatre
 2015 Announcers Choice
 2100 F.I. News Mag rpt
 2130 Country Folk
 2230 Late from London
 0030 B.F.B.S. UK
 0230 Tracking the Trends

Tuesday

0600 Breakfast Show
 0830 F.I. News Mag.
 0900 News
 0903 Soul Train
 1000 News
 1003 Morning Request Show
 1100 From Russia with Love
 1130 Memory Lane
 1200 World News
 1215 Lunchtime show
 1300 B.F.B.S. UK
 1500 News Summary
 1503 The Archers
 1515 The Bahai News Letter
 1530 Calling the Falklands
 1600 Early Hancock
 1630 Announcements
 1645 Sports Roundup
 1700 World News
 1715 Calling the Falklands rpt
 1745 Jazz at the Stables
 1845 The Woodlanders
 1915 Anything Goes
 10.30 Late from London
 0.30 B.F.B.S. UK
 0230 Why Not
 0330 Solid Gold Sunday

Wednesday

0600 Breakfast Show
 0830 Video and Movie News
 0900 News
 0903 Rockola
 1000 News
 1003 Housewives Choice
 1100 My Music
 1130 Memory Lane
 1200 World News and Commentary
 1215 Lunchtime Show
 1300 News Of The Day
 1330 Lunchtime Show Cont.
 1400 News
 1403 Lunchtime Show conts.
 1500 News
 1503 B.F.B.S. UK
 1700 News
 1703 The Archers
 15.15 Quick Service - PG Woodhouse
 15.30 Songs Of Protest
 16.00 F.I. News Mag
 16.30 Local Announcements
 16.45 Sports Roundup
 17.00 World News
 17.15 25 Years Of Rock
 18.15 F.I.B.S. Winter Quiz
 18.45 The Leopard
 19.30 Folk Review
 1030 Late From London
 0030 B.F.B.S. UK
 0230 My Cup Of Tea

Thursday

0600 Breakfast Show
0900 News
1000 News
1003 The Morning Request Show
1100 My Word
1130 Memory Lane
1200 World News and Commentary
1215 Lunchtime Show
1300 News Of The Day
1330 Lunchtime Show
1500 News
1505 B.F.B.S. UK
1700 News Summary
1703 The Archers
5.15 Special Request
5.30 Teenagers Request Show
6.00 I'm Sorry I'll read that again
6.30 Announcements
6.45 Sports Roundup
7.00 World News and Comm.
7.15 Presenting Sheila Steafel
7.45 A House For Mr Biswas
8.00 Bunkhouse Blues with Andy Clark
9.15 Just Resting
9.30 Music From the Masters
10.30 Late From London
0030 B.F.B.S. UK
0230 Rockola

Friday

0600 Breakfast Show
0900 News
0903 Bullets
1000 News
1003 Morning Request Show
1100 Best Of The Clitheroe Kid
1130 Memory Lane
1200 World News and Comm
1215 Lunchtime Show
1230 London Sports Desk
1300 News Of The Day
1330 Lunchtime Show
1500 News
1503 B.F.B.S. UK
5.15 Soccer Sense
5.30 Calling The Falklands
6.00 F.I. News Mag
6.30 Local Announcements
6.45 Sports Roundup
7.00 World News and Comm.
7.15 Calling The Falkland rpt
7.45 Stanley Folk
8.00 30 Minute Theatre
8.30 In Concert
9.00 Falkland Islands News Mag rpt
9.30 Friday Hour
10.30 Late From London
0030 The Steve Pason Experience
0230 Forces Folk
0330 Me Mark Page

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THE DUKE & DUCHESS OF YORK

His Excellency the Governor Mr. Gordon Jewkes CMG has received the following letter from Buckingham Palace.

'We were absolutely delighted to receive your wedding gift of the superb antique map of the Falklands.

It is very kind of you to send us such a lovely present, which will be greatly treasured, and we much appreciate your good wishes at this very happy time.

We look forward to having this splendid picture in our future home. Please thank the Government and People of the Falkland Islands for this very special present.'

Signed. Andrew & Sarah.

REAR ADMIRAL C H LAYMAN DSO LVO

COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES FALKLAND ISLANDS

Rear Admiral Christopher LAYMAN joined the Royal Navy in 1956. He has served in most types of ships in many parts of the world, especially in the Far East and the Mediterranean.

In 1966 he completed the long communications course at HMS MERCURY and became a specialist in Communications and Electronic Warfare. From 1968 to 1970 he commanded JMS HUBERSTON, a minehunter based at Singapore and subsequently Hong Kong.

In 1972 he was promoted Commander and appointed in command of HMS LYNX, a Type 41 frigate, which saw service in the Far East, the Persian Gulf, Mediterranean and Icelandic waters.

From 1976 to 1978 he was the Executive Officer of the Royal Yacht FRITANNIA. During this period he took part in the Jubilee tours which included visits with Her Majesty The Queen to the South Pacific, Australia, New Zealand and the West Indies. In 1977 he was promoted Captain and appointed Lieutenant of the Royal Victorian Order (LVO). From 1978 to 1980 he served as Assistant Chief of Staff (Communications) to COMNAVSOUTH, a NATO Staff appointment in Naples.

From 1981 to 1983 he served as Captain, Seventh Frigate Squadron. He was in action in the Falklands Campaign in command of HMS ARGONAUT and was made a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order (DSO). Subsequently he transferred to HMS CLEOPATRA.

He served as a Naval Director of the Joint Maritime Operational Training Staff from 1983 to 1984. He then commanded HMS INVINCIBLE from December 1984 to May 1986 during which time the ship took part in several major national and international exercises, and visited North Europe, the Mediterranean, the West Indies and the U.S.A.

He was promoted to Rear Admiral in August 1986 on his appointment as Commander British Forces Falkland Islands. Rear Admiral LAYMAN is married and has two children. He lives, when the Service allows, in Edinburgh.

Rear Admiral Layman succeeds Air Vice Marshall Kemball who completed his tour of duty as CFF in July.

RFA RATINGS WIDOW VISITS FALKLANDS

Madame Lee Choi Fai widow of a Royal Fleet Auxillary Rating killed on board the RFA 'Sir GALAHAD' during the 1982 conflict, recently laid a wreath on the RFA Memorial at Fitzroy which bears her late husbands name. Madame Lee and her two teenage daughters whose home is in Kowloon arrived in the Falklands on an RAF TriStar. They had travelled from Hong Kong and had a four day stopover in London before resuming their journey to the South Atlantic. On arrival they were accompanied by Captain Ian Heslop - master of the RFA 'Sir BEDEVERE' for the simple wreath laying ceremony at the memorial. They travelled by a Sea-King helicopter of No 78 Squadron. The family were accommodated on board Sir BEDEVERE during their stay during which time they were visited by the Commander British Forces Air Vice Marshall Kemball and Governor Mr Gordon Jewkes.

Madame Lees husband Sung Yuk Fai was the ships Butcher on board SIR GALAHAD.

FIRST NEW ARRIVAL IN BMH

Susan and Simon Bonners new daughter Katie has made news as the first baby born in the British Military Hospital at the Canache in Stanley, on, 5th August. And this being such an unusual occurrence, the hospital was in a predicament when someone asked how much Katie weighed. There were no baby scales !

Forces Chaplain Brian Elliot came to the rescue by nipping next door and borrowing a set of electronic scales from the Forces Post Office. Katie weighed in at 8lbs 16~~XX~~XX.

UNITED KINGDOM INCOME TAX 1986 - COLONY INCOME TAX

Comparative Tables Provided By the Falkland Islands General Employees Union.

		<u>Single</u>		<u>Married</u>	
<u>Wages/Salary</u>		<u>United</u>		<u>United</u>	
<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Kingdom</u>	<u>Colony</u>	<u>Kingdom</u>	<u>Colony</u>
£70 ...	£3640	£379	£377	£Nil	£71
80 ...	4160	529	533	147	194
100 ...	5200	831	845	448	500
160 ...	8320	1736	1781	1353	1436
200 ...	10400	2339	2481	1956	2060
250 ...	13000	3093	3608	2710	3062
300 ...	15600	3847	4908	3464	4333

Pensioners:

		<u>Tax</u>	
United Kingdom		U.K.	Colony
The amount a pensioner can earn, including his pension, before tax is:-		Single £2850	Nil 100.00
		Married £4505	Nil 331.50

Since 1st January, 1985 Bank Interest on a modest savings in the Standard Chartered Bank can cost the taxpayer a further £50.00.

With the escalating prices of property in Stanley it is suggested that the tax free interest on a loan of £10,000 be increased to tax free interest on £20,000

BUILDING PLOTS AT ELIZA COVE ROAD

The Falkland Islands Government has approved a scheme to provide nineteen fully serviced building plots at Eliza Cove Road. These plots are intended for the construction of temporary houses or mobile homes. In particular they allow for the installation of the units now on offer by LMA at MPA.

There will be a stone road round the site with street lighting. Each plot will have a 10m frontage, a stone drive and hard standing. A sewer, water main and electricity supply point will be provided to each plot. The owners will be responsible for:

- purchasing their house and transporting it to Eliza Cove Road;
- providing their own concrete foundation blocks;
- paying for and ordering their own service connections to the points provided;
- erecting the house on the plot allocated.

A temporary storage area will be provided by Government for buyers to store their houses at their own risk near to the permanent site.

Fencing materials will be provided for fixing by the owners. Corner posts will be provided for the plots which will be constructed to the same standard.

The offer is limited to persons who intend to live on the plots. They are not available to builders or developers. Only those applicants who are approved by the Housing Committee will secure plots.

The exact terms on which the plots will be sold can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

Applications will be accepted by the Director of Public Works from 9am on Wednesday 1 October.

ELIZA COVE ROAD ESTATE

Purchase Terms

1. The plots are offered freehold to applicants who construct dwellings or site mobile homes on them.
2. Possession of a plot will be given to an applicant by formal notice issued by the Director of Public Works after approval by the Housing Committee. One year will be allowed from the notice date to complete a building on the plot and occupy it. Unless relief is obtained from the Committee, a formal notice for re-possession will be issued by the Government Secretary if a plot is not occupied within one year.
3. Outline planning approval has been given for the whole site but each approved applicant will have to obtain approval from the Building Committee for their particular dwelling.
4. The Crown Grant of freehold will be completed when the Government is satisfied that a dwelling on the plot is habitable and occupied and the balance purchase money is paid.
5. The cost of each plot is £250.
6. Applications are made by lodging this form duly signed at the Public Works Department with a deposit of £50. The reservations for particular plots are given in the order that deposits are received.
7. The whole deposit will be returned if the applicant fails to obtain the Housing Committee's approval or planning approval.
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We are pleased to record the following births:-

July 12th	To Susan & John Birmingham of Fox Bay West, a Daughter Alexandra Sally.
July 24th	To Jacky & Anthony Davies of Stanley, a Daughter Samantha.
August 5th	To Susan & Simon Bonner of Pickthone Farm a Daughter Katie Jean.
August 28th	To Lisa & Gavin Short of Stanley, a Son John Mark
Sept. 10th	To Marie & Roy Ross of Fitzroy, a Daughter Rebecca Jane
Sept. 9th	To Rita & Carl Jonson of / A Daughter,
b	Nicole Frances

To Jacqueline & John Brodrick of Eastleigh Hants, a daughter Arabella Daisy Jeanne on August 6th. Jacqui (Grant) was our Matron at the Hospital and John was Director of Public Works. They both send best wishes to their colleagues in their former departments and also to all their many friends in the Falklands.

Also to Ian and Sarah Tait In Holland - a Daughter Elizabeth Louise.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

It is with regret that we have to report the following deaths :

June 28th	Thomas George Alderidge aged 67 years.
July 31st	Malvina Thelma Kiddle aged 58 years
August 10th	Clarence George Biggs aged 61 years
Sept. 8th	Charles John Finlayson aged 66 years
Sept. 22nd	Ann Gleadell aged 78 years

MONSIGNOR JAMES IRELAND OBE

News was received recently of the death on September 12th of Monsignor James Ireland CBE at Herbert House, Freshfield near Liverpool.

Monsignor Ireland who spent over 20 years in the Falklands was ordained for the priesthood in July 1923. He became a Military Chaplain in 1940 and saw service in Belgium and the Middle East. In 1945 he returned to his old post of Organising for the Mill Hill Missionary Society at Freshfield and Courtfield.

In 1952 he was nominated by Rome to be Prefect Apostolic of the Falkland Islands which he remained until his retirement in 1973,

At 91 years of age Monsignor Ireland was the oldest living member of the Mill Hill Missionary Society.

Congratulations to Katrina Clarke and Zachary Stephenson both of Stanley, who got Engaged on August 12th.

Congratulations also on the following marriages:

On 28th September Frederick Harold Harper and Maureen Metcalfe

On 4th October Lance Corporal Gary Moore REME and Pauline Sackett

ARGENTINE PILOT'S BURIAL

Senor Gimenez, accompanied by his daughter, visited the Falklands briefly from 3rd - 5th October to attend the burial of his son 1st Lt Miguel Angel Gimenez, whose body was found in the wreckage of his Tucara aircraft which had crashed during the 1982 conflict on Blue Mountain near Darwin.

The funeral took place in the cemetery for the Argentine War Dead near Darwin. Lt Gimenez was buried with full military honours as is customary for war dead of either side.

The entry to the Falklands of Sr. Gimenez and his daughter was made possible on humanitarian grounds by the issue of a Special Permit under Section 12(2) of the Falkland Islands Immigration Ordinance, which was approved by the Governor after consideration and consultation with as many F.I.'s Councillors as was possible. A substantial majority of those consulted raised no objection in principle, on humanitarian grounds.

The visit was received with mixed feelings by many people. For some it was the right and proper thing to do. For others, the scars left by the events of 1982 were still too fresh in their memories for them to accept any form of visits by Argentines to the Falklands.

A number of press and television teams arrived to cover the event, including one reporter from an Argentine newspaper who had previously visited the Falklands in the 1970's.

ELECTRICITY SUBSIDY FOR OLD AGE PENSIONERS:

If you are drawing a Falkland Islands Old Age Pension either contributory or non-contributory and are a householder consuming electricity from the Government Stanley Power Station then you will be entitled to the following concessions with effect from the next meter reading that is quarter ending 30 September 1986:

If you are single, a widow, or a widower, you will be entitled to the first 300 units at 11p for each of the two winter quarters and 200 units at 11p for each of the two summer quarters.

The concession for married couples will be limited to 400 units at 11p for the winter quarters and 300 units for the Summer quarters.

Consumption in excess of these limits will be charged at the standard rate of 14.5p per unit.

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Don't forget we stock a wide range of BCSCH Power Tools for the woodworker, or perhaps you want something less sophisticated like an ordinary hammer, saw or nails? We have them in stock too.

Having trouble finding the right pattern wallpaper? If we do not have one you like, why not order your choice from our wallcovering catalogue?

FROM: J.D. BARTON
The Editor,
Falkland Island Times.

"Bog Hole"
Teal Inlet.
17 September 1986

Sir,

I refer to the letter from W.R. Luxton in your Issue No.4 of 1986.

What a gusher. I don't decry the efforts of F.I.D.C., but let's give them a bit more time to prove that their ideas work.

I resent the implication that those farmers who did not attend the Open Day, are somewhat lesser beings than those who did.

Yours faithfully,

J.D. Barton

AUGUST 1986 WEATHER STATISTICS FOR MFA

(Long Term Stanley Averages Shown In The Brackets)

Highest daily maximum temperature	10.9 C on 25th	(14.0 C)
Lowest daily minimum temperature	MS 4.1 C on 2nd	(MS 7.9 C)
Rainfall Total	28.5 MM	(42.3 MM)
Number of Days with air frost	12	(15.1)
Number of Days with Gale	4	(4)
Highest Gust	64 KT on 30th	(76)

PROJECT JHELUM

A seven man volunteer team from the Kings Regiment, presently based in the Falklands has successfully carried out in their free time an important remedial measure, on the hull of the 137 year old sailing vessel 'JHELUM' which it is hoped will prolong her existence for another few years. She lies beached at the head of the jetty opposite Sullivan House in Stanley.

The hull of 'Jhelum' had reached a stage where four of the forward main deck beams had collapsed allowing one side of the hull to fall outwards without any form of support. The Project was to replace the collapsed deck beams with steel wire stays secured to the sides of the hull, which can now be adjusted as necessary by tumbuckles and bottlescrews.

The operation was at times very difficult - and very cold, especially securing the stay anchor plates to the seaward-side of the hull. The opportunity was also taken during a bright spell to put a coat of paint on the tin roof which protects the after end of the vessel.

As Liverpool Citys Regiment, the Kings were very pleased to assist in the conservation of Jhelum as she was built at Liverpool in 1349. The Merseyside County Museums provided the materials for the operation which has strengthened not only the JHELUM, but also the historic link with the citys maritime past.

Jhelum was condemned at Stanley in 1870 after a very difficult rounding of Cape Horn, after which she arrived at Stanley in a sinking condition with her crew refusing to put to sea again in her. She is the last remaining example of her type of vessel left in the world today. Hopefully if funds permit it may be possible to place a roof over the forward section of the vessel before next Winter.

The men of the Regiment involved in the project were :-

Lance Corporal George Unwin of Kirkby, Liverpool (Project Leader)
Kingsman David Bramwell of Denton, Manchester
Kingsman Kenneth McNaghten of Litherland, Liverpool
Kingsman Micheal Quayle of Kirkdale, Liverpool
Kingsman Andrew McCarthy of Skelmersdale, Lancashire
Kingsman Anthony Sullivan of Runcorn, Cheshire
Kingsman Andrew Smith of Speke, Liverpool.

FROM: ROBERT WATSON

The Editor
Falkland Island Times

I just thought I'd like to pass on to your readers an interesting little anecdote from the past which was brought to my attention by a lady dental patient I had been treating.

When she heard that I had lived in the Falkland Islands, she told me that in 1940 when she was in the lake district she met a man who had just bought three sheepdogs and without knowing the then girl, asked her to marry him and come back to the Falklands.

This girl who is now quite elderly more than somewhat taken aback refused. I asked if she remembered the fellows name but she said she never knew it!

Of course there are several people it could have been and if the person who remembers buying three sheep dogs in 1940, this lady still remembers him.

I told the lady I wasnt really surprised as farm managers or owners are supposed to be married but not cadets or assistant managers and that the lack of suitable women in the Falkland Islands was acute. May I wish your readers all the best. ROBERT WATSON

GOLDEN WEDDING

Grace and Bill Goss were married 50 years ago. It was a wet and blustery day on the 18th July 1936 when Grace Miller and William Henry Goss were married in St. Marys Church, Stanley by Father Drum. Graces sister and Bills small niece Iona Spencer were the bridesmaids with Buzz Spencer as Best Man.

The Service was followed by a Tea Dance in the Town Hall which was a popular way to celebrate a wedding fifty years ago.

Grace and Bill celebrated their Golden Anniversary with a Buffet Supper Party at home for all the family and friends who called to congratulate them. Two of their six children and eight of their twelve grandchildren were amongst the gathering. Grace and Bill have six children. Two sons, one daughter and nine grandchildren live in the Falklands. The eldest daughter Greta lives in Scotland with her husband Bob, their eldest son Randolph lives in New Zealand with his two daughters Rachael and Carol. Tyrone is in Australia with his wife Mata and daughter Teri-Moana. Their second son Eric lives at North Arm with his family.

The beautiful Golden Wedding Cake was made and decorated by their daughter-in-law Elizabeth. Grace and Bill received messages, cards and presents from far and wide and would like to thank everybody who remembered them on this Special Occasion.

GOLDEN WEDDING

50 years ago on 8th August 1936 Theo and Kath Fleuret were married in the Tabernacle by a then, very young Forrest McWham.

On the 8th August this year, about a hundred friends of Kath and Theo joined them at a superb Golden Wedding Anniversary Party in the Malvina Restaurant in Stanley. It was good to see Peter Kiddle, Theos Best Man at the party greeting old friends, and thoroughly enjoying himself. What a pity bridesmaid Gladys Middleton Nee McPhee couldnt be present, or Hazle Kenny, who was a tiny bridesmaid in 1936 who died some time ago.

After they were married, the young Fluereets went to Lorenzo, Douglas Station to work, staying for six years. Theo then got a job on the FIC jetty, where he worked until he was transferred to the FIC Butchery. This coincided with the arrival in Stanley of 2,000 of the West Yorks Troops during W.W.2. Stanley mutton consumption obviously went up!

Kath and Theo now retired, would like to thank the many friends who made their Golden Wedding Day such a happy celebration.

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THE SUE WHITLEY EXHIBITION

The Third Susan Whitley Trust Art and Craft Exhibition was held in the Stanley Gymnasium on Saturday 9 August. Romeo Pauloni, Noreen Keenleyside and Annie Chater, assisted by members of our teaching staff, spent some three hours in the detailed scrutiny of 578 entries. After much deliberation the judges selected the following as worthy of prizes:

SENIOR SCHOOL SECTION

First Prize and Spinning Wheel Trophy

Barbara Cheek : Spanish Embroidery

Second Prizes

Paul Phillips : Pencil Drawing of Madonna

Paula Newell : Drawing from Life

INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL SECTION

4 - 6 Years

First Prize

James Wallace : Rooster

Second Prize

Lisa Coker : Ballet Dancer

7 - 9 Years

First Prize

Sacha Clarke : Dragon

Second Prize

Christopher Eynon: Whales

10-11 Years

First Prize

Ben Cockwell : View From Junior School

10-11 Year Olds (Cont)

Second Prize

Keith Knight : Kelp Geese

CAMP EDUCATION

First Prize

Tracey Evans : Pam and her Pups

Second Prize

William Findlay: Poor Robin
Juliet Binnie : Painted Tile

Marie Clifton : Portrait

Although not considered worthy of prizes, a further nineteen entries (8 Senior School, 4 Camp Education, 7 Infant and Junior School) were commended by the judges. These entries and those of the prizewinners have been recorded on video tape and still photographs of the exhibition which will shortly be to hand.

As is now becoming the pattern, this years Susan Whitley Exhibition was highly successful both in the number of exhibits and the enthusiasm and encouragement shown by those who were lucky enough to visit the splendid display.

HOTEL AND CATERING COURSE

A very successful and well attended Hotel and Catering Operations Course has been held at Malvina House Hotel in Stanley between 2nd and 8th August.

This course arranged by the Falkland Islands Development Corporation aims to examine the current situation and develop the knowledge, understanding and skills required to operate hotel and catering businesses more effectively.

More specifically the Food and Beverage course aimed to analyse and evaluate:

Operational management problem areas: basic control procedures: market and customer profiles: food production and food service methods: the importance of product quality: pricing and costing: menu analysis and merchandising: hygiene and nutritional consideration.

The course adopted a flexible approach so that it could be applied to the problems and needs of the participants who were encouraged to discuss and evaluate their operational problems.

FROM JEFF AND MARILYN BUTLER

The Editor
F.I. Times.

'WAIMEA'
SAN CARLOS

15 August 1986

Dear Sir,

During the last two fishing seasons we've spent many happy hours by the San Carlos River with the aim of varying the dish of the day from mutton to trout. We've seen many others also enjoying a rare day off, a family picnic or whatever with the added interest of a couple of trout to take home. Since our farm boundary is the San Carlos River for a large proportion of its length, we can't help feeling a bit responsible for the quality of the fishing. The river is a recreational resource to which everyone should have access, which means to us that everyone should have a fair chance of getting a fish.

Last season it was our feeling, unsupported by any proof of course, that the river was being overfished, both because of a large number of fishermen and by large bags being taken. Can anyone tell us more about this? Is there a limit bag, a size limit or any similar regulation? We don't agree with the theory that severely reducing the breeding stocks by hauling hundreds of fish out is somehow improving the fishing. We've caught a fair few trout and only one could be described as in poor condition, which suggests to us that the river isn't overcrowded. We can only do anything on our side of the River to preserve the fishing, can anyone suggest ways to do this? Since the advent of the helicopter it is no longer only the intrepid and those who live near who do the fishing. Many people have left the Falklands after four months with pleasant memories of a quiet day on the banks of the San Carlos River, it would be very sad if future visitors weren't able to get back into their helicopter waving a couple of decent-sized fish to complete their day. Naturally we'd be terribly disappointed if we couldn't have a meal of trout occasionally, as well. We'd welcome any advice, information and so forth.

JEFF AND MARILYN BUTLER

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Evening meals continue to be served on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays to sit down no later than 8.30p.m. Menu choices include Falkland Islands crab, trout, Upland Goose and Steak. We are licensed to sell wine, spirits and beers but only to diners and hotel residents.

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STANLEY HOUSE NEWSLETTER

Winter Term is now drawing to a close and time once again for our Newsletter. Emphasis has naturally enough been on indoor activities though outdoor trips have continued to be popular at weekends..

Stanley House has this term been repainted by the children themselves. Each room is a distinctive colour making the inside bright and cheerful and the children involved in the decoration have to be congratulated.

Our Pool Table so generously donated by the Mount Pleasant Sports and Recreation Committee has been in constant use. Where else can you play a civilised game of Pool before breakfast? Much practice has naturally produced many pool experts and various teams have been invited to Stanley House to play against us.

The first such team was a party of Senior School Boys. The Stanley House Team managed to win every game. Our next challenge was made to the men of the Falkland Islands Defence Force who are fortunate to have their own Pool Table. The match was played on a Sunday afternoon and produced some remarkably entertaining and skillful play - Stanley House winning overall by 4 games to 2. Next on our list was the Falkland Club and a most enjoyable afternoon resulted in yet another win for the Stanley House Boys. Both clubs then very generously invited the team plus team coach, manager, and supporters to their clubs so that the boys could play away and have the opportunity of playing on other tables. The first away match was played against the F.I.D.F. and a marvellous series of games resulted in a 5-1 win for Stanley House. The Falkland Club challenge proved more difficult but just as entertaining. The boys playing pool for the first time on a full sized Snooker Table managed a very creditable draw, 3 games all. Still unbeaten we now hope to arrange Challenge Matches against the Falkland Island Police and the Colony Club and will in fact be delighted to accept any challenge anywhere, but would-be challengers be warned, these boys take their Pool seriously!

Miss Allison Sutton holds an Art Club every Thursday when everyone has the opportunity of taking part in such artistic activities as 'getting marbled' with Miss Sutton and on another memorable Art Club occasion, 'getting into a Scrape' with Miss Sutton. Such activities have resulted in works of Art which then decorate Stanley House walls.

A highlight of almost every weekend this term has been the Whist Drives held here in Stanley House on Saturday evenings when children and older folk from the Town get together for an evening of Whist, and the sampling of various goodies produced by House-parents and children. Such evenings have proved very popular indeed and are a delightful opportunity of mixing our young campers with a cross-section of the people of Stanley. These evenings have often ended with impromptu magic shows by Chuck (Daniels) Clifton who never ceases to amaze everyone with his 'tricks'.

Since my last newsletter history was made when we defeated the Senior School in a five a side competition which naturally delighted us all. Our next challenge to the Senior School involves a cross country run from Moody Brook to the top of Mount Tumble Down and back, an event which has caused considerable interest in the School. Wish us luck! (Full details elsewhere in this issue).

Every Term of course has its ups and downs but fortunately our 'downs' have been kept to a minimum thanks to a dedicated and hard working staff and most important of all, fifty well behaved and refreshingly normal children. I would like to end this particular newsletter by saying thank you to them all for a great term!

Mr. Peter Gilding
Head of Hostel

THE TUMBLEDOWN CHALLENGE SHIELD 23:8:86
(STANLEY HOUSE versus STANLEY SENIOR SCHOOL)

<u>RESULTS</u>				
<u>Position</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Time :</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1	Heather Nutter	26.02 Mins	Shane Clarke	19.20
2	Eva Clarke	28.12	Dale McCormick	19.30
3	Jill Reeves	29.58	Myles Lee*	20.00
4	Rosalind Cheek	30.09	Royd Watson	20.51
5	Jane McGill	32.19	Jimmy Curtis	21.03
6	Serena Sinclair	32.49	Phillip Nutter	21.10
7	Una McKay*	33.30	Jonathon Butler	21.40
8	Daniella Watson	35.25	Andrew Newman	21.40
9	Paula Pole-Evans	37.28	Tom Blake*	21.50
10	(Anne Morrison)*	Retired	Michael Reeves	22.00
11			Javier Lazo	23.25
12			Kevie Hewit	24.28
13			German Lazo	25.10
14			Paul Phillips	26.30
15			Christopher Jaffray	26.30
16			Andrew Davies	26.37
17			Mark Summers	27.00
18			(Steven Dickson)*	Reti
			(Willie Harvey)	Reti

* = Stanley House Team

<u>Girls:</u>	Senior School = 1 Point	<u>Boys:</u>	Senior School = 17 Points
	Stanley House = 7 Points		Stanley House = 27 Points
	(Senior School Wins)		(Senior School Wins)

N.B. The winning team is the team which scores the least points. The points are calculated by adding up the positions of each team member. Thus the boy's team from Stanley House scored 1+3+9+14 making a total of 27, and the Senior School team 2+4+5+6 making a total of 17.

The course was a tough one as all those who took part in it will confirm. From above the Filtration Plant at Moody Brook, the course rose steeply, following the obvious track all the way to the Argentinian field kitchen near the top of Mt. Tumble Down. This first half of the course allows no respite for weary limbs and aching muscles. After the field kitchen, the descent is made down the same obvious track which sweeps away to the right, and down to the same position as the start.

The descent was quite steep in places, and was muddy and slippery all the way. All those who took part are to be congratulated on a considerable achievement and we trust that they feel a justified sense of pride.

Stanley House must be congratulated for a very good effort indeed, and the value of teamwork in cross-country running cannot be over-emphasised. Each position of the team counts towards the final placings, and it is often the last members of a team who decide the eventual outcome of a race.

Finally, many thanks to all those who organised and helped with the event, and to all those who simply turned out and watched the race, who support perhaps stirred the competitors into above average effort at times. Well done!

DIK SAWLE

The Editor
The Falkland Islands Times.

Dear Sir,

My eldest son, Captain Nigel Miller, who is Messrs Hogg Robinson (GFA) Ltd, representative on Ascension Island in charge of their shipping movements at that Island, came down here on Monday 8th to visit us, departing again on Friday 12th. On Tuesday in the course of driving him around to see Stanley after an absence of 15 years, I drove up beyond Davis Street to look at the new houses at the back of Callaghan Road. What we saw absolutely shocked us.

The new houses, some occupied, stand in a desolate area, surrounded with building material remains and literally considerable heaps of rubbish never yet removed. Such a disgraceful mess would not be tolerated with the United Kingdom by the authorities, but here where the many such unfinished situations regularly occur in this town, the Falkland Islands Government and in particular the Public Works Department, would appear to be completely blind to such a discreditable situation.

It is all very well to describe the P.W.D. as being all Chiefs and no Indians, when the taxpayer has some hefty salaries to meet, but why cannot the Government put the clearing up works out to tender. Much good tender work is carried out here, mainly by Islanders, none of whom have forgotten what hard physical work is.

We are told of the coming appearance through our society of overseas tourists; inevitably many of them whilst in Stanley will see the mess that my son and I witnessed in the Callaghan Road area, and I would add that the untidy and unfinished state in Jeremy Moore Avenue is only in a very slightly better condition. Those tourists, especially the Americans amongst them, will take away with them a dreadful description of what they have seen and their stories and photographs will all reach the U.S. and British Press, and we Islanders will all read the sneering press comments over a situation that is solely the fault of what appears to be a totally inefficient and lazy Administration.

A clause always appears in normal building contracts in the U.K., whether large site development or individual house repairs - "To leave the site in tidy condition on completion".

H.R.H. Prince Charles recently caused a considerable furore in the media on the subject of "Modern architectural carbuncles on the landscape" and the resultant opinion was in agreement with him, even allowing for objections for anything that is different.

Construction of fences, lawns, garden beds, etc, is not required, but removal of broken concrete, boulders and all building material not used, whether broken or not, is not unreasonable expectation before the buildings become inhabited.

Yours faithfully

Sydney Miller

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There has always been much talk about providing a Dry Cleaning Service in Stanley. I recently approached the FIDC and told them of my plans of setting up a low cost laundry service, with the possibility of incorporating a Dry Cleaning Machine at a later date. It is my opinion that you can't have one without the other if the operation is to be kept afloat. The main question at this point is 'Do YOU want or need this Service'?

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4. WHERE WOULD YOU SITE THIS SERVICE ? CENTRAL ☐ OUTSKIRTS ☐

ANY COMMENTS YOU MAY HAVE WOULD BE WELCOME AND HELPFUL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND HELP.

J. TEGGART

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JUST TO REMIND YOU

The United Kingdom Falkland Islands Committee exists to help the people of the Falkland Islands to be what they want to be. They support our right to decide our own future for ourselves. You may wonder if that is necessary. Well, the people who would control our destiny have other things to worry about as well, so we have to make sure that we are not forgotten or pushed aside. There are others who think they know what is best for us and would be happy to hand us over to the Argentine if they could.

Fortunately for us there are people who believe as we do that we have the same rights as everyone else to decide what our future plans should be. The right of self-determination, as enshrined in the United Nations Charter, applies equally to all communities be they large or small. In spite of that, however, and because we are one of the very small communities, we have to keep reminding the others that we exist and that we have a right to be heard as well. And that is exactly what the United Kingdom Falkland Islands Committee (UKFIC) is doing for us; they miss not a chance to put the case of the Falkland Islanders to the fore.

Now, all those people who do so much for us are un-paid volunteers; they do it all in their own time, and they do it for free; they get nothing out of it! Well, maybe that is not quite true; They must, at times, get a sore head through bashing it against political and bureaucratic walls! The cost of operating the UKFIC (Office, Telephone, Travel, Meetings, Printing etc) is met entirely by Membership Subscriptions and Voluntary Contributions. By becoming a member you will be showing your support for what they are doing for us, and also be helping, by your membership subscriptions, to pay the bill! Show everyone that you care; that the future of the Falklands is important to you. Show the UKFIC that you approve and support all that they are doing for the people of the Falkland Islands. Write and tell them so. Write to all your friends abroad; let them know what is going on and enlist their support as well. If you have been listening to the radio, or if you have been lucky enough to get fairly recent newspapers, you will realise that we are going to need all the help we can get TO KEEP THE FALKLAND ISLANDS BRITISH.

Fill in the Membership Application Form and return it with your subscription to any member of the local committee. If you'd rather pay by Bankers Order just fill it in and return it to us and we'll do the rest. We believe that you would like to be a member, and intend to be a member, but, like letter writing, you put it off until tomorrow. Most of us do that! However, just for this time, how about doing it right now; it really is important. If there is anything you are not sure about, or if you have any news which you think we ought to know, do please write to or get in touch with any member of the Local Committee. We look forward to hearing from you and to processing your membership.

Present Members : We realise that you already know all this, but would ask that you help and encourage your non-member friends to become members too. Just knowing that you are a member is bound to help.

All funds collected locally are transferred to UKFIC.

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FALKLANDS FISHING

On 29th October Sir Geoffrey Howe announced in the British Parliament that the Falkland Islands had an entitlement to a 200 mile fishing limit and that steps were being taken to create an Interim Conservation and Management Zone having a radius of 150 nautical miles from the same spot as the present Falkland Islands Protection Zone is measured. This new regime will come into being on February 1st 1987. Conservation of the fish and other maritime resources within the zone will be effected by prohibiting fishing without a licence, and controlling the number of Licences issued.

Control of the regime will be under a newly established post of Director of Fisheries backed by a staff of some 20/25 people. The new department dealing with fisheries in the F.I.G. will handle all aspects of organisation and running of the operation, including Airborne monitoring and the collection of statistical material. Surveillance of the zone will be carried out using a Dornier 228/200 aircraft. Larger and faster than the Islander aircraft of FIGAS, it will be more able to meet the demands of the highly sophisticated tasks which it will be carrying out. It will be known as the Mollymauk.

Two 1500 ton Fishery Protection vessels are shortly to arrive in the Falklands for duties in the Zone, they are named FALKLANDS DESIRE and FALKLAND RIGHT. Their distinctive colour scheme will be red hulls with Fishery Control painted in large white letters on each side: the upperworks will be white. They will also carry the Falklands Crest along with the International Fishery flag of blue and yellow squares. Both will be registered in Port Stanley. For local use, mainly between Stanley and Berkely Sound the Harbour Master is to have a new fast Pilot Cutter named WARRAH.

In a recent broadcast interview on the Falkland Islands Broadcasting Service Mr. Peter Derham, the Chief Fisheries Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries for the Government of the United Kingdom, explained that he was presently advising the Falkland Islands Government on the setting up of the Falklands Fisheries regime.

The Falklands is the last unregulated fishery in the world; it is also one of the biggest. The operation has to be carried out properly. The aim is to establish a credible system which will be able to withstand the scrutiny of the world.

The scientific assessment of the results is of great importance. Some of the fish within the region are at risk: without proper control they could disappear altogether. All vessels licensed to fish will have to report into a central control every day. They will be required to give information on their position, what they are catching along with many other details including when they enter or leave the area. This tight round the clock control is designed to ensure that the Director of Fisheries knows exactly what is happening within the Zone.

No details have yet been released as to how many licences will be issued, how they will be allocated, how much they will cost, or who they are going to. The deadline for applying for licences was 5th December and it is hoped that decisions on allocations will be made by 12th December.

WHO'S WHO IN THE SECRETARIAT

With the recent changes in Staff and in some cases also of Titles, the following list may be of assistance when contacting or visiting the Secretariat.

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'THE PENGUIN NEWS'

The Falklands Newspaper 'PENGUIN NEWS' is now again in production.

The New Editor is 24 year old Belinda Caminada who has recently arrived from England to take up the job on a full time basis, thus providing a much needed frequent and regular news service. It is hoped that the Penguin News will be published weekly.

We in the Falkland Islands Times wish Belinda every success in her new venture. Details of the Penguin News can be obtained from their office in Stanley in the GEU Building on Ross Road.

RECENT CHANGES AND APPOINTMENTS IN THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE

M. Luxton has transferred from the Govt Central Store to become Sub Fire Officer.
F. Ford has been appointed Fireman/Mechanic.
J. Stephenson has transferred from the Income Tax Office to become Supplies Officer.
Simon Goss has transferred Technician Posts & Teles Dept to become Asst. Income Tax Officer.
Dave Emsley has transferred from Senior Clerk Post Office to Senior Clerk Central Store.
Jim Fairfield and Lee Small have been appointed Police Constables.
David Smith Chief Education Officer has resigned on completion of his Contract. This Post has yet to be filled.
Roger Edwards has resigned as Master MV FORREST on taking up his farm holding at FBW. This Post has yet to be filled.
Dr. Derek Murphy has been appointed Chief Medical Officer.
Dr. Paul McNeilly has been appointed Medical Officer.
Mrs. J. Hemmingway has been appointed Nursing Sister.
Miss Caroline Broadhead has been appointed Nursing Sister.
Miss Jackie Ernshaw has been appointed Nursing Sister.
Miss Sandy Goodwin has been appointed Senior Clerk Medical Dept.
Paul Robertson has been appointed Pilot with FIGAS following successful training in England.
Sheila Butler has been appointed Clerk in the Justice Dept.
Lee Anne Whitney has been appointed Clerk in the Treasury.
Chief Finance Officer Derek Howatt is presently on a two month secondment to the Government of FIJI in their Financial Department where he is gaining experience and information which will be of assistance to the Falklands Treasury Department. The work in hand at the moment is the preparation of their Estimates.

The Editor
The Falkland Island Times.

FROM: The Director of Public
Works.

8th November, 1986

Dear Sir,
I read Sydney Millers letter with interest and wonder why he hasnt been up to the Callaghan Road more often in the last fifteen years. There have been changes.

The contract with Jim Brewster was to build houses only, no roads, paths, sewers, or outside works which were left for us on the Islands to complete. The purpose was to provide houses as quickly as possible and the occupants seem pleased enough to live in them. Not many move off to live in the older houses. Some would even like to buy them if the Government would allow.

The construction works are not complete, as any regular observer would see, it takes time and a great deal of effort. I think, for our tourists and visitors, it shows how much has been done and our confidence in the future.

May I congratulate the many occupants of the new houses, who in just eighteen months have made their gardens better than some of the older ones. To the others, it is time you caught up.

I live on the road to the tip and see just how many people are cleaning up the town and removing rubbish. There are improvements everyday and if all of us do our share and see the good things which are going on Stanley will be better for all.

Yours faithfully,

BILL HILLS

FALKLAND ISLANDS YACHT CLUB

Although at present little more than a gleam in the writer's eye, it is hoped to form a Falkland Islands Yacht Club, an association of people interested in encouraging the sport of sailing in the Falkland Islands, the creation of yachting links with the United Kingdom and providing assistance, advice and a welcome to yachtsmen visiting or hoping to visit the Falkland Islands.

I should be extremely grateful that anyone interested in joining the Club should write to the undersigned or telephone Terry Field on Military 2150, extension 6101.

It is stressed that all are welcome to apply for membership, whether Falklander or Expatriate. Yachting is an international sport and the fact that one is not resident in the Falkland Islands should be no bar to membership, although it is hoped that all members will have a real and personal connection with the Islands.

Yours sincerely,

RICHARD KINGSNORTH - LAING MOWLEM ARC JOINT VENTURE
MOUNT PLEASANT AIRPORT
PO BOX 60

FROM THE 'INDEPENDENT' - Wednesday 8th October 1986

FALKLAND ISLANDERS CRITICISED

Dear Sir,
Your leader "A decent man buries his son" suggests a role for the Red Cross in meeting the wishes of bereaved Argentine families. I hope British and Argentine government politicians will endorse your view.

In my opinion, Sir Geoffrey Howe was quite right to grant military honours for the burial of Lieutenant Gimenez.

The people who emerge with maximum discredit from the Gimenez affair are the complaining Falkland Islanders. The truth is that British and Argentine lives were sacrificed because of the intransigence of narrow-minded curmudgeonly, ungenerous, selfcentred people who torpedoed any constructive proposal from Labour or Conservative governments for more than half a century.

Ironically, some of the Falkland Islanders complaining most loudly about military honours for Gimenez have, like one sixth of those living in the Falklands, massive amounts of Spanish blood in their own veins.

Moreover, from books such as Los Chicos de la Guerra, we now know the extent to which many Falkland Islanders were happy to trade with the Argentine occupying forces and take commercial profit during the occupation.

It is high time that the Falkland Islanders tail ceased to wag the British dog and that Mrs Thatcher buries her pride and gets down to negotiation with President Alfonsin.

Yours sincerely,
TAM DALYELL. MP for Linlithgow (Lab), Linlithgow, Scotland. Oct.7th.

Readers may choose to reply directly to Tam Dalyell at the House of Commons. To those who wish to make their comments through the F.I. Times, please keep your views printable.



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UNITED KINGDOM TAX - COLONY INCOME TAXES

From The Falkland Islands General Employees Union.

A follow-up to tax comparisons published in the Aug/Sep copy of the "Times". Revised comparisons, U.K. and F.I., brought about by increased deductions.

		<u>SINGLE</u>				<u>MARRIED</u>			
<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	Tax	Pence	Tax	Pence	Tax	Pence	Tax	Pence
<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>U.K.</u>	<u>Per £</u>	<u>F.I.</u>	<u>Per £</u>	<u>U.K.</u>	<u>Per £</u>	<u>F.I.</u>	<u>Per £</u>
77	4000	483	12.1	450	11.3	100	2.5	113	2.8
96	5000	773	15.5	750	15.0	390	7.8	390	7.8
135	7000	1353	19.3	1350	19.3	970	13.9	990	14.1
192	10000	2223	22.2	2275	22.8	1840	18.4	1890	18.9
231	12000	2803	23.4	3075	25.6	2420	20.2	2595	21.6
269	14000	3383	24.2	4050	28.9	3000	21.4	3450	24.6

Colony deductions : Wife £1200 Personal £2100 O.A.P. £149

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F.I. from 1st January, 1987
Both on incomes for 1986.

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BIRTHS

- OCTOBER 7th To Donna and Paul Williams, a son Tyler-James weighing 7lbs. A brother for Luke.
- OCTOBER 25th To Phyllis and Gerard Robson, a daughter Jodie weighing 6lbs. A sister for Alison and Willie.
- NOVEMBER 17th To Mandy and Robin Goodwin, a daughter Rachel Karen Weighing 8lbs 9ozs A sister for Joanne.

MARRIAGES

- OCTOBER 31st. Between Terrance George Smith & Ellen Mary Short
- NOVEMBER 15th. Between Sandra Clifton & Mark Robert Harrison.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

We regret to record the following deaths:

- On September 30th Mary Ann Margaret Bernsten aged 54 years.
- On November 20th May Malvina Lang aged 53 years.

MORE BIRTHS:

- NOVEMBER 20th To Lucy and George Betts. A Son Michael George Weighing 5lbs, a brother for Owen and Ian.
- NOVEMBER 28th To Cathy and Alastair Jacobson, a daughter Cathy Weighing 7lbs 10oz, a sister for Tanzi
- November 13th To Mandy and Nick Davis, a daughter Stacey Elizabeth weighing 9lbs 8oz.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL NEWS

The recent meetings of the Legislative Council were given the usual excellent and detailed coverage by the F.I. Broadcasting Service. As an addition the Chief Secretary has kindly given the following letter for publication.

To: All Honourable Members of Executive and Legislative Councils.

After our Adjournment Debate at the last meeting of Legislative Council, I inevitably thought of all the things which I might have said and didn't. This invariably happens but on this occasion I felt particularly that there were some general points which I might have addressed better and more fully, if it had not been the end of a long, hard day. I am writing to all Members of Executive and Legislative Councils but I am also sending copies of my letter to the "Falkland Islands Times", to FIDS and to other local newsmen, as I hope that what I have to say is of general interest.

I was, as I said, struck by the similarity between a number of matters raised at my first Legco and matters raised at this one. I referred particularly to education, housing, FIGAS, roads, telecommunications and the performance of the PWD. I said that the fact that these issues were again being raised 32 months after they had first been brought to my attention made me "wonder what I have been doing all this time".

When I got back to my office, I decided to look again at what I had been doing particularly in 1986. So I went through the plans which Executive Council had made for our priorities for this year and I was pleased to note that most of the tasks which we set ourselves have been completed to the extent that we then anticipated.

There is an agreed housing policy and programme. Civil Service salaries and grades have been radically revised. An assisted immigrants scheme has been agreed. Land transfer has moved more speedily than we anticipated with the major acquisitions of Fox Bay West and Port Howard. Transshipment fees legislation was enacted with remarkable speed by end April. The broad recommendations of the Prynn Report had been considered and accepted by Mid May. FIDC has been reviewed by a joint ODA/FIG team and generally pronounced in good shape; action has already been taken in all those areas where there was criticism. There are firm plans for new printing facilities and for computerisation in nearly all Government Departments. The Census is taking place as I write. New democratic administrative arrangements for Fox Bay Village have been agreed and progress has at last been made in the critical areas of their sewage and water supplies. A great deal of work has been done in the area of public relations and the role of the Falkland Islands Government Office: proposals are before Exco to strengthen our public relations efforts - though no amount of public relations activities will help much if we ourselves do not think, before we speak or write publicly, about the impression we are creating to the world.

I had hoped that the paper "Falkland Islands Development Policies and Objectives" could form part of the 1986/87 Annual Estimates in June. In the event, Councillors felt that it should be given a wider airing to interested parties before being finalised and I now anticipate that a final agreed version will emerge very shortly. If I may say so, the respond will not be able to say that they were not consulted.

There are three critical areas on which I would have liked to report more progress than has been achieved.

The first, to which Councillor Keenleyside drew attention in the debate, is on the operating and cost-sharing procedures for the new joint hospital. This is a complex exercise involving very considerable debate and discussion in Whitehall and in the Islands which is still going on. All the parties concerned are aware of the need to reach agreement well before the hospital opens and all

are working on the matter with the utmost urgency.

The second is the issue of future fuel supplies which was raised at Question Time by Councillor Goss. This again is a highly complex issue and the situation has changed again with the declaration of the FICZ and the opportunities it affords. I believe that it is worth taking time to reach the right decision and that there is no question of any hiccough in supplies when the military close the Stanley Petroleum Depot. Interim arrangements are already well in hand.

The third is the issue of telecommunications which was raised by Councillors Lee, Goss and Edwards. Again this is a complex matter. I am only too aware of the general concern that plans for a new system should be agreed as soon as possible.

These are long term concerns in one sense but they are also, of course, very political issues; the pressure is on FIG to resolve them sooner rather than later, especially the issue of the operation of the joint hospital. All, to a greater or lesser extent require careful judgments to be made and for all we are to a greater or lesser degree dependent on external factors and organisations not within the control of FIG. That is why they are taking so long to decide.

I would also have liked by now to have resolved the numerous supplementary issues arising out of the Dale Report, in particular the provision of extra hours payments and the payment of hourly paid supervisory staff. I would have liked to have got further with improving the efficiency of FIGAS and of the coastal shipping services, both again political issues. I would have liked to have issued a new complete General Orders for the guidance of Civil Servants, a point raised by Councillor Clifton. All of these matters are mainly a question of officials having the time to deal with them to the point where they can put proposals to Councillors. In the case of the Dale Report work on it was delayed till my return from leave in August.

Then there are even longer term concerns. I am thinking particularly of plans for an Island-wide road network and the East-West ferry to which Councillor Lee has so frequently referred. Work has begun again on the Estancia Track but it is expected to take two years for the PWD to complete it. Prynne envisaged his scheme costing some £10m with expatriate contractors. Clearly road construction based on local resources is very slow and road construction based on contractors is very expensive, if rather quicker. Both are in practice likely to require aid funds. Neither the ferry nor the Island-wide road network can come out of the £31m which is already over committed; they are therefore dependent on future aid which has yet to be negotiated with ODA.

Along with these development matters we have the day-to-day problems, the recruitment of teachers, the maintenance and minor improvements work done by the PWD. There are all those issues which become matters of the "crisis management" to which Councillors Keenleyside and Lee referred. I am afraid that we have to admit that, with the best will in the world, they will, to a greater or lesser extent, be always with us. This is not to duck responsibility for them or to say that we cannot do better, much better, for example, over the recruitment of teachers. But they all, to some extent, reflect scarce resources and the remoteness of the place and the neglect of 150 years. The outcry which occurs when the schools are short of staff also reflects another factor, people's very high expectations in a situation when it is not always easy to satisfy them. The "crisis management" in which I for one so often become involved at the expense of other, longer term, tasks reflects still another factor of Falkland life, the reluctance of officials in a small community to take decisions at the level where they belong. So that many decisions reach the top very quickly which have no business being there.

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The declaration of the FICZ should, if all goes well, increase the financial resources of the Islands and the economic opportunities. It could ultimately make some of the outstanding issues easier to solve but it will not, of itself, solve the critical and chronic problems of shortage of skills and people. It will in fact strain the Administration to the limit and because it will, of course, have to be given the utmost priority, particularly in the early stages, some other Government activities may suffer. We have indeed all the time to strike a balance between the time and effort we spend on making new developments happen.

David Taylor
Chief Executive

BOOK REVIEW

POSTCARDS OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

A CATALOGUE: 1900-1950

The Falkland Islands may not loom large in the ordinary persons mind, but they have allways been there - two small red dots in an expanse of ocean, ghosts of Empire, windswept, vaguely romantic, somehow beckoning.

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NEW RECTOR FOR CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Cannon Gerry Murphy, aged 60 Rector of Sandringham since 1979 and a Domestic Chaplain to the Queen is to be the next Rector of Christ-Church Cathedral in Port Stanley.

A former Assistant Chaplain General in the Army, Cannon Murphy succeeds the Rev. Harry Bagnall who returned to England earlier this year. In his present job Cannon Murphy has the care of a group of eight small Parishes (Total Population 1,600) around the Sandringham Estate and is also the Rural Dean of Heckham and Rising in Norfolk. His parishioners include the Queen and other members of the Royal Family when they are in residence on the Estate. They usually attend Sandringham Church but sometimes one of the other five Parish Churches in the group.

Cannon Murphy did his army training in the Irish Guards, and as an officer in the Royal Ulster Rifles saw service in Palestine and Austria towards the end of World War 2. He played Club Cricket in Northern Ireland, Rugby for London Irish and International Rugby for Ireland. He also played rugby for the Army and the Barbarians.

On joining the Army Chaplains Department in 1955 he was first posted to Korea. Later he saw service in the Aden Protectorate and Malaysia before his appointment as Deputy Assistant Chaplain General with the British Army on the Rhine in 1969. For two years he was Senior Chaplain at Sandhurst. Then he became Assistant Chaplain General B.A.O.R., before being appointed Assistant Chaplain General South East District, England in 1975. On retirement from the Army two years later he became the Bishop of Norwich's Chaplain for holiday makers on the Norfolk Broads and Vicar of Ranworth, Norfolk.

His wife Joy who has worked as a Social Worker and Hospital hopes to be able to use her specialist training in the Falklands. They have five daughters, two married. Felicity, the youngest at sixteen and at school in England will join her parents during the school holidays.

Cannon Murphy expects to be installed in the Cathedral in March next year by the Rt. Revd. Ronald Gordon, Bishop of Lambeth. Bishop Gordon hopes to combine the trip with a visit to the Forces serving in the Falklands as he holds the Appointment of Bishop to the Forces.

NEW PRIEST FOR ST. MARYS

Monsignor Antony Agreiter D.C.L., Dip Lit, MHM was born in The Tyrol in 1934, he belongs to a race of peoples who speak an old language called Ladinian. Though holding an Italian passport he hails from the German Speaking Area ceded to the Italian in 1918

After studying in several of the Society Colleges, Monsignor was finally ordained in June 1958 at Mill Hill London. His first appointment was to Rome to study for his Degree in Canon Law (DCL) which is the Law of the Church - afterwards returning to Mill Hill to teach in the Seminary.

From there he went to one of the Missions in East Africa before returning to the Society Headquarters becoming Secretary General to the Society. In October this year he was appointed by the Holy Father Pope John Paul II to succeed the Late Msgr. Spraggon (died 27th Sept. 1985) as the Third Prefect Apostolic of the Falkland Islands.

In the Catholic Church a prefecture is an Area which could in time become a diocese, this would depend on size of population and whether or not it can maintain itself. For practical purposes The Prefect Apostolic has all the rights and privileges and jurisdiction of a bishop without being ordained a bishop.

Monsignor Agreiter is due to arrive in the Falklands on December 16th and to be formally Inducted at St. Marys Church in a Mass at 10.00 on Sunday December 21st.

FROM ROBIN PITALUGA

Gibraltar Station
Port San Salvador
Falkland Islands.

8th November, 1986

Dear Sir,

You may soon be publishing a letter from Mr Eric Ogden regarding press coverage of, and some reaction to, comments on the recent visit of the Argentine relatives, and the events leading up to it. Mr. Ogden sent me a copy of the letter and I have commented directly to him.

I would like, through the medium of your paper, to clarify my own purely personal part in the affair. At no time in either spoken or written comment on, or objection to the visit, did I ever claim to represent the views of any other islander, let alone most of them, as reported in the media.

The SOA was drawn into the fray as a result of my writing a personal letter to Patrick Watts again stating my objections to the visit. At the end of the letter I noted "the SOA will be discussing this tomorrow". We were only four directors and our secretary present for a routine Board Meeting the next day, but we did discuss the visit under Any Other Business. While we were agreed on the objections to the visit and the way it was being promoted, we decided against issuing any formal statement as on such an emotive matter our numbers were too few to fairly represent the Association.

Next morning Patrick spoke to me and asked about the outcome of the discussion and I told him. A couple of hours later our secretary was being asked by another local correspondent for more information about the SOA's 'official condemnation' of the visit!

Misquoting by the media is not apparently something which only happens in other parts of the world.

Yours faithfully,

R M Pitaluga

FATAL ACCIDENT AT SOUTH GEORGIA

Signalman Gary Paul Green aged 22 was killed on October 25th at South Georgia when he fell about 100ft while returning along a rocky lodge from a hut. He had joined the Army in November 1983 and was presently attached to 266 Signals Squadron having arrived in the Falklands during July

OPERATION FLOGGER

About 500 men of the 25 Field Squadron Royal Engineers have now arrived to carry out duties in the Falklands. One of their tasks is to lift the metal runway Matting at the former RAF Stanley. A number of other projects will also be carried out in Stanley mostly relating to clearing and tidying the various military locations in connection with the move to Mount Pleasant Airport. Part of the team will also be involved in a jetty repair at South Georgia.

VISIT OF SUBMARINE

The Patrol Class Submarine HMS ODIN paid a brief visit to Stanley on October 13th during which time she was open to the public and service personnel. Attendance was very good including many of our school children in parties.

The Editor
The Falkland Islands Times

18.10.1986

FROM: ERIC OGDEN
CHAIRMAN UK FALKLAND ISLANDS
COMMITTEE,
2 GREYCOAT PLACE
WESTMINSTER. LONDON SW1P 1ST

"THINK A LITTLE....BEFORE TALKING A LOT"

Dear Sir,

Your readers will know that the events surrounding the visit of the relatives of the Argentine pilot were given a great deal of attention by the British Press and Media.

Your readers may not be aware of the extent to which some understandable but very unfortunate comments by some of your Islanders, were used and misused, against the Falklands.

The British Government were right to agree to the visit and help the two relatives. The Foreign Office unfortunately maintained its reputation of doing "too little or too much".

Your Falklands Government were absolutely correct to offer proper facilities and hospitality to the Argentine visitors during their time in the Falklands. His Excellency the Governor was cautious and absolutely correct to not attend the funeral service.

There ought to have been a "representative" of the Falkland Islands Government at the funeral and Councillor Clifton should be praised not blamed for accepting that responsibility.

The military funeral could have been in the charge of a Colonel or Wing Commander and did not require the presence of anyone of higher rank.

We are told that Father Monaghan conducted the Service as he would for any one of his own Faith, and his manner and understanding were a credit to himself, his Church and the Falklands.

Better than the British should be too generous than too mean, as the Argentine Government had been to its own citizens.

So all, or nearly all, was well so far. British and Falkland help and humanitarianism was evident in contrast with Argentine obstruction and intransigence.

Then the Press and Media moved in on the Islanders.

I would have wished that everyone in the Falklands would have realised that no-one can ever gain anything by public criticism of a Funeral or the bereaved relatives.

Especially when too many of the Press and Media who encouraged their criticisms had their own "angles" to pursue.

So, the comments of some of your Islanders, including some I am proud to consider my good friends, were translated in to a flood of objections, ingratitude, and heartlessness when "reported" here in the U.K.

We have spent a great deal of time and effort on "damage limitation". We have explained that the Islander whose "reported" comments were used against the Islands, had been arrested, imprisoned, mentally and physically abused by the Argentine troops during the Occupation. That did not excuse the reported comments, but would help understand them. Other comments by other Islanders were equally distorted and misrepresented.

The very fair and restrained comments by Terry Betts, were hardly mentioned. The Governor's wise words were given very little more.

The Falklands have enough opponents in the United Kingdom and those ought to be left to make their own ammunition, not have it provided for them, free, from the Islands.

Think what you like, say what you like, but please, think a little, before you talk too much.

Sincerely,

Eric Ogden.

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An Albatross stirs upon Fairy Cove's stone
Beside him a mate, they are seldom alone
I start my first climb up from Moody Brook Camp
My heart begging pounding, the airs sweet and damp
Its moonlight on Tumbledown suns on Mount Low
My heart wants Two Sisters but legs will not go
The cross on the summit stark, rugged and bare
I stop here in silence a moment of prayer
We'll never repay the debt that we owe
To men like these Scots Guards who died facing foe,
Next onto Mount William down crags edged with moss
O'er boggy terrain that's not easy to cross
But the hilltop I conquer, though thighs cry with pain
The air on the summit tastes sweet as champagne
Now waiting is Harriet her skirts white with frost
A check on the compass to see I'm not lost
The hillsides pink dappled with diddle dee
Give way to black peat bog as deep as the knee
To the North, Two Sisters rise lofty and steep
Goat Ridge in between a rock sentinel keeps
O'er rivers of stone and haphazard rock
I hop like a penguin on boulder and block
One last final effort heart pounding inside
The steep ladys conquered, a feeling of pride
The hillside sweeps down its toes in the sea
The land in between sparse rugged but free
Fleet footed descending to Estancia track
Wet and exhausted, from peat bogs quite black
One final assault now on Mount Longdons peak
A steep craggy hillock lonely and bleak
A cross reaches skywards remembering those gone
The men from Three Para whose spirit lives on
These twenty plus men who died, some in pain
For our values and freedom they'd do it again
I pause one last moment surveying the scene
At sunlight bright, glinting in Murrels clear stream
The black ridge of Beagle and distant Mount Low
Call me towards them, but today, I'll say - no.
The suns in the yardarm the moon shines no more
As I swiftly descend down to Moody Brook shore
No trophies or prizes to take in the end
Just inner contentment in this wonderful land.
To the people of Stanley and Camp round about
Your Island is magic, of that there's no doubt
I've loved all the runs over hillsides and moors
Your smiles and waves as I've passed by your doors
My tour here is ended and I must be gone
But my thoughts of these Islands will always live on
I'll remember the mornings before rising sun
The Tumbledown William and Two Sisters Run.

ALAN TOMKINSON
1564 FLIGHT
NAVY POINT

Alan has written these reflections, collected on his early morning runs. He has suggested that we publish them by way of his appreciation for the freedom to roam around our Islands. He is not really a competitive runner but by the time his tour here is finished he should have covered something like 1000 miles over various routes about the Falklands.

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STANLEY MUSEUM

by Joan Spruce

The Editor, in his usual cheery manner, requested two articles, 'News of the Museum to Date' and the usual 'Historical Spot! As I consider the efforts of John Smith and myself to establish a Museum in Stanley to be an "Historical Saga" I have combined both articles!

The story of trying to establish a permanent Museum in Stanley is long and complicated, but it really looks as if at long last we might have a success story. Started many years ago by the then Chief Secretary, W.H. Thompson, the Museum quickly grew out of the small room it was in, but unfortunately nowhere else was obtainable. The Falkland Islands Company came to the rescue about eight years ago with the offer of two large rooms at the end of the FIC Main Office Block. John and myself set up a very interesting little country type Museum in these rooms, which served us very well until the Argentine Invasion and its aftermath. The buildings then became, for many reasons, unsuitable to display valuable artifacts, so they were all crated and left in storage in the building. We have tried to negotiate various suitable buildings in Stanley, without success. Even finding a storage depot was impossible. Meanwhile the number of items have increased, mostly as a result of collections made of war items.

About two years ago Sir Jack Hayward promised the Museum the very handsome sum of half the Interest on his donation to the New Hospital in Stanley. As there have been no suitable large buildings we could buy, the money has not been used.

Following the completion of works by LMA at Mount Pleasant the consortium very generously presented the Trust with two large buildings and transported them to Stanley. A temporary site for offloading, crane and site clearing was somewhat hastily arranged. The new museum had arrived!

Two immediate problems have arisen. Firstly, a permanent site has to be found in the middle of Stanley and we have to find exactly how some of the Sir Jack Haywards funds could be obtained to enable the buildings to be re-erected, services laid on and the whole building be made ready to move the exhibits in.

At the time of the Trust News going to press, we have agreed a possible site, behind the Town Hall, with the Lands and Agricultural Officer. He will in turn submit the necessary papers to Executive Council in December. His Excellency the Governor is contacting Sir Jack Hayward to discuss how best we can obtain some of the funds. A sub-committee of the Falkland Islands Trust has been formed, with one independent member to administer the Museum. The Museum Committee consists of Shane Wolsey, John Smith, Kitty Bertrand and myself for the Trust and Shirley Hirtle as an independent member.

With so many people visiting the Islands, and the hope of encouraging tourism, a general information centre is very much lacking in the Islands, and we hope the Museum will be able to fulfil that role. We have two very large buildings, into which we hope to display not just the history of the Islands, but a room where maps and general literature can be studied, lectures held and the archives read without being removed from the building. We would hope to be able to provide a small photocopier with which archive material could be copied for a small sum, for those people who required it.

As an additional educational advantage to the older school children, it would be hoped perhaps to include research, historical artwork, modelmaking and a physical interest in the Museum as a part of the school curriculum. This would be helpful to us in actually setting up displays as well as teaching Island Children their own history.

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There is a very wide spectrum of life in the Islands to cover, and as well as involving the children, it would be a great advantage if people in the Islands could be persuaded to share their interests in particular aspects by also helping collect, assemble and display additional material in say, the Maritime History, Early Settlers, Flora and Fauna, Stamps, Whaling and Sealing or even Aviation in the Falklands - the list is long!

The whole complex will obviously cost money to run, and we are not sure at the moment how much we will have left, once we have set it all up, to meet heating costs, employ a part-time curator and pay the electricity bill! Obviously there will be an admission charge, perhaps people could be invited to "Sponsor a Room" and there is the possibility of selling postcards and items which would appeal to visitors. Preferably not the exhibits!

There is a tremendous amount of work ahead, but with luck we hope we can have a fairly commendable Museum open for next Summer.

Here, I would like to pay tribute to the Falkland Islands Company, who have carried the Museum over the last eight years. Thanks to the Office Staff who packed up the very valuable items and stored them safely when the shells were literally flying overhead!

Also a very big thank you must go, of course, to Alan Graves and Terry Field of IMA for a splendid contribution to the Islands.

LAND SALES

The successful applicants for the land in the recent subdivision of Fox Bay West were:

Ronald Rozee	Section 1	Spring Point	17000 acres
Roy Buckett	Section 2	Queen Point	32354 acres
Ian Gleadell	Section 3	East Bay	27686 acres
Roger Edwards	Section 4	The Lakes	28829 acres
Gavin Marsh	Section 5	Philomel	18012 acres
Leon Marsh	Section 6	Seal Rookery	27000 acres

The Sections were sold with Sheep, Cattle and Horses; also buildings and farm equipment.

Hope Harbour Farm of 16876 acres-formerly part of Roy Cove- has been bought by Trevor Barnes. The acreages shown are approximate.

CENSUS

A Census of the Falkland Islands was carried out on the night of Sunday 16th November. The opportunity was also taken to gain information which will be of assistance in planning of many future projects in the Islands. This included details of transport, 2 metre sets, occupations, qualifications, employers etc. The results are due to be published early in the new year.

PENGUIN DEATHS- more investigation

Dr Ian Keymer who investigated and carried out analysis on bodies of Rockhopper Penguins which had died in the Falklands during this last year is to visit the Islands to carry out further research. He is due to arrive about the beginning of February 1987 and is to stay about for weeks. His visit is being financed by the Falkland Islands Govt. Falkland Islands Foundation and the Falkland Islands Trust.

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We have been opening newly arrived goods every day, and some of these include Christmas decorations and Christmas Cards, wrapping paper and Christmas Cake Decorations. We also have a variety of Christmas Stockings for Children.

There are lots of Christmas present ideas and two eye-catching ones are the Wooden Tubs and Cork Tubs filled with Soaps, face-cloth and nailbrush etc. These range from £8.75 and £9.97 for

the Ladies Wooden Tubs and £7.95 and £8.75 for Gents Cork Tubs.

Nail care sets for ladies are really attractive and are priced from the pocket sized sets at £1.95 to large sets at £8.45.

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We also have the usual range of prettily packed perfumed Gift Sets, Perfumes or Soaps for the Ladies.

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Dare we mention our range of toys and Lego, or dolls, soft-toys, puzzles and books?

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CONSTRUCTION WORKS

REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Government now has its largest construction works programme ever. There is the programme, the equipment and money but we are short of labour. It means work for everyone.

At the hospital, Fairclough Millers progress is very good and plans for the handover and completion in March or April are going on. Part of this project is the construction of eight two bedroomed houses between Allardyce Street and St Marys Walk

The Crown Agents team under Ben Claxton and Joe the Pole (he tells me he has sufficient nails and string for now) are well into their work on the water treatment plant. There will be new reservoirs at Murray Heights, Sapper Hill, a pumping station at Moody Brook and the main plant will be in the Power Station compound. The new Town pipe system will follow on and trenches will be dug along most roads.

In the list of the Governments particular schemes, after the completion of the Brewster garage, first is the Eliza Cove Mobile Site. All the plots have been reserved now and a waiting list has started. It is just possible the site might be extended for a few more. Our target for the first hand over is December and all by February.

The priorities set make Eliza Cove first, followed by the six single unit dwellings opposite the Stables, and the Estancia Track.

Estancia Track works will resume full progress in the next week when we are able to get our excavator up at the front.

The quarry earn their bonuses and provide stone for the MPA road, the hospital, the water works, Estancia Track, as well as every builder in town. The Workshops, with their declining numbers struggle to keep all the machinery going as well as the Governments Rovers. Behind all this, are the few who just keep the place going every day.

Future works this year, show a start on the Fire Station, the Senior School Extension, the Camp Education Building, and a section of roads.

In the "Private Sector" there are twelve building projects in Town, three lodges in camp and work on the road to Darwin and around Port Howard.

At FBE the four houses will be completed this month together with commissioning of the new main sewer and the improved water system. Later stages and completion works will go on till February.

There is plenty of work for PWD, every contractor and worker. Shearing has just started and there is the fishing to come. There is a good head of steam.

I conclude with our thanks to LMA, for so much help, given at all levels, in many different ways and on frequent occasions. The way they achieved their work is valued as well as what they built. We are all better for their time here. Our thanks to every one of them.

CBF VISITS SOUTH GEORGIA

The Commander British Forces Falkland Islands Rear Admiral Kit Layman returned on November 8th from a ten day visit to South Georgia accompanied by some of the Senior Staff from HQ BFFI. Although a working visit there was sufficient time for them to enjoy the spectacular scenery of the Island.

THE 'SHACK'

There are now over 60 members of "The Shack" which is probably better known as the Youth Club.

During August the club received a complete internal face lift, much of it inspired by Allan Stocksley who was here with the P.S.A. Allan is a very experienced youth worker who received the B.E.M. last year for his services to youth work. It is a pity that he has now returned to the U.K. but members are keen to carry on the good work he started.

The club re-opened on Saturday 16th August when H.E. the Governor unveiled a plaque. Mrs. Jewkes very kindly donated a table-tennis table with net, bats and balls, and this has proved to be a very popular addition to the club.

Club nights are Tuesdays and Thursdays with occasional discos on Fridays. Of course, given more supervisors, we could be open more often.

Three projects are in hand at the moment. The first is the installation of toilets which we hope to complete by Christmas. This will enable us to be a self contained club with all the added benefits of that. We are also planning to paint the exterior and finally to erect a fence around the club.

What happens inside the Shack? Yes we do have music but there is a whole range of constructive activities going on. A dramatic production is in the pipeline, we have quizzes, table tennis and darts competitions and a number of board games.

It is most encouraging to see some of our youth taking responsibility for running aspects of the club, whether it be for the music centre, the coffee bar or just generally ensuring that everything is left spic and span.

It is also encouraging to see kelpers coming along to supervise. Those who have recently come along have enjoyed it and I am sure that others would find it just as rewarding. Why not come along any Tuesday or Thursday and see for yourself?

Finally, a word on smoking. People under the age of 16 are not allowed to smoke within the club unless we receive the written permission of a parent. As yet two have consented.

Hours; Tuesday	7.00 - 10.00 p.m.
Thursday	6.15 - 8.15 (members up to 12 or 13) 8.15 - 10.00 p.m. (members up to 17)

STANLEY LIONS SHIELDS

A donation was made by the Stanley Lions Club in County Durham, to the Islands and it was decided to purchase two shields to be awarded to young people for community work. A meeting was held comprising Councillor Charles Keenleyside, Mrs. Alice Etheridge, Father Monaghan and Mrs. Phyllis Rendell determining that the shields would be awarded to a boy and girl of up to eighteen years of age for voluntary work carried out in 1986. They may have been involved with the elderly or in helping to improve facilities for others. The awards will be made in December and the winners will be announced then. The recipients will retain the shields for one year and their names will be engraved on the plaques.

By recognising the efforts of young people with the presentation of these shields it is hoped that even more interest will be shown in helping the community next year.

Stanley Mini Bus Service

From November a MINI Bus Service will be operating in Stanley to provide the public with a wide range of services.

Initially the service will have a SHERPA 200 MINI BUS with a seating capacity for 12 passengers in comfort. The 'Sherpa' is fitted with a covered roof rack giving full protection to passengers' luggage against the Falklands elements.

The 'Sherpa' will provide a link with Mount Pleasant Airport for the twice weekly flights from the United Kingdom. Advance bookings should be made to confirm seating and indicate pick-up points.

Priority will be given to the MPA passenger service but the 'Sherpa' will also be available at other times for FIGAS passengers, shopping runs or any other service to the public.

Military personnel who may wish to use the service are very welcome to do so but the booking should be a minimum of 6 persons. *R/A only*

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— £2.00 per person —

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— £10 per person —

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