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FREEDOM OF STANLEY FOR SHACKLETON

Presented with the Freedom of Stanley, the much admired friend of the Falklands, Lord Shackleton, thanked islanders for the "unique and marvellous honour" which he acknowledged he shared only with Margaret Thatcher, "that great lady, you may care to know, whose party I do not share!"

The award was given in recognition of the many years of loyal service the Labour peer has given the Falklands: not only through the famous economic reports of 1976 and 1982 which did much to guide the islands on to their present path of prosperity and new opportunities, but also, as the Chief Executive, Brian Cummings mentioned before

making the presentation, for the solid support he had always shown the Falklands and the influence he has wielded on their behalf in the corridors of Whitehall and Westminster.

The award, made at a ceremony in the Town Hall before local residents, came midway in a week's tour of the Falklands during which Lord Shackleton visited a variety of development projects supported by FIDC.

One of the highlights in the busy schedule was lunch aboard the ship 'Lord Shackleton' the first British trawler to participate commercially in the fisheries. Another

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FIRE IN CATHEDRAL

Black smoke billowing out of the doors of Christchurch Cathedral on the afternoon of New Year's Eve alerted neighbour Joan Spruce to a fire inside which was found to be burning in the large nativity scene opposite the main entrance.

A member of the fire brigade who was passing by was able to successfully douse the flames with a standard fire extinguisher from his vehicle.

The figures in the nativity scene had been smashed and Canon Murphy told Penguin News that on arriving at the scene he found the whole cathedral to have been in disarray with candlesticks and glass cabinets over-

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turned, liquid spilt over the altar cloth, the warden's six foot wands smashed and a window in the vestry broken.

One of the first sights he encountered was a large book lying on the lawn outside with its pages burning. "I very much feared it was the Book of Remembrance which records all those who fell in the Conflict", he said, "but infact it turned out to be the large register, normally kept in the vestry which has recorded the services held in the Cathedral for the past sixty years. It was a valuable, historic record of events which has been lost" he added sadly. The Book of Remembrance was later found safe under an over turned glass cabinet.

A member of the Cathedral Council, Viv Perkins presented the Canon with a replacement book for recording services, beautifully bound in red velvet which she had made herself in just over 24 hours.

With the Cathedral in a mess from the effects of the fire and the damage caused by the intruder, there was a prompt response to the Canon's request for assistance in clearing up when fifty people, armed with cleaning cloths and materials set to work on 10.00 on New Years Day, giving the Cathedral, so the Canon remarked later with a smile, "probably the best clean it has had in years." The stained altar cloth was also returned beautifully laundered and restored, he added. The military replaced the broken pane of stained glass and are said to be trying to find the new figures for next year's nativity scene.

Signalman Andrew Harris of Mount Pleasant, who was arrested in connection with the fire and damage caused in the Cathedral, appeared before the Senior Magistrate on 8th January.

The Attorney General, Mr David Lang, recommended to the Court that although charges of arson were within the Senior Magistrate's jurisdiction, he felt it 'more appropriate given all the circumstances, the public interest in the case and the interests of the defendant who was facing serious allegations, that the case should be tried before the Supreme Court.

The Senior Magistrate, Mr Bowran agreed to allow the Attorney General to proceed with the application for committal of trial at the Supreme Court.

In the meantime, Signalman Harris has been allowed by the Court to return to his unit at MPA to remain there until his next Court appearance on 27 January. The magistrate also ordered that the defendant be assessed by a psychiatrist.

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POLICE DRUG RAID

On 20th January, acting on information received, police raided a public house in Stanley and arrested three men on suspicion of supplying heroin.

In a simultaneous raid on a ship in Port Stanley, a further two men were arrested on suspicion of procuring the drug. Follow up searches and inquiries failed to provide any evidence to support the original allegation which although plausible is now believed to have been maliciously made.

A sixth man has been helping police in this connection although it is unlikely that charges will be brought against him.

Those arrested were released after 4½ hours and police are anxious to stress that no suspicion attaches to any of the men with regard to drug offences committed in the colony. A total of sixteen police officers, police reservists and customs officials took part in this tightly controlled and well executed operation.

Police Press Release - 21 January 1988

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BOUND ABOUT TOWNBUT THINK OF THE SPIN-OFFS!

The grumbles about Falkland Islanders not seeing many material benefits from the booming fishing industry seem valid enough, and it's a topic covered very well in the correspondence column (at least if it isn't, it should be, so get writing!). But perhaps there are a few spin-offs which enrich the lives of the average islander.

Consider, for example, the brand new genre of humour; jokes and painful puns inspired by the new industry. For example, it was not long before the new housing estate designed to accommodate shore based staff was named "Squid Row". "Calamare Crescent" was apparently a close contender. The suggestion that McDonalds were considering opening a Stanley branch was almost taken seriously (after all, anything is possible here these days) until the poker faced informant said that the restaurant's speciality was to be "McSquid bits". (Other fishy contributions gratefully received - address them to B.A.T. C/O Penguin News.)

And for those less disposed to snigger and chortle about it all, there are new moral issues to be debated. "We should have told the Japanese where to go", said one normally restrained Stanley housewife. "They should have been told that they won't get a single license until they stop whaling". It has to be admitted that one little rational voice expressing that verdict would probably have done more for the future of endangered leviathans than all the Greenpeace sticks put together. Closer to home there is the future of an estimated five million rockhoppers and their penguin cousins, all of whom like squid every bit as much as any Spaniard, to be considered. And many people are discussing whether the "Interim Conservation" regime has anything to do with conservation.

Meanwhile, according to some, jealousy of the fishing industry has inspired a lot of vandalism to keep the police busy. My own feeling is that people who unscrew wheel nuts and slash tyres haven't got the intelligence to consider whether distribution of wealth is just or not, and they wouldn't know a squid from a tin of sardines. But it is something to talk about.

But maybe, just maybe, one or two Falklanders have managed to pick up a quid or two which blew away from an overfull coffer. I say this because I heard a message for a birthday boy on the FIBS "Children's Corner" programme which told the youngster that his present could be found in the Range Rover. Most presents, though, are still hidden beneath a peat spade.

If nothing else, this galloping growth and influx of dapper-suited businessmen will make us cling to our customs more jealously, and perhaps even revive a few. Whist drives and church bazaars have been welcomed back. Perhaps we will just retreat further into our cosy cottages with stacks of videos, venturing forth only to enjoy our quaint customs and happily embracing the spin-offs of fishing.

On the other hand, maybe we won't.

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WHAT ABOUT THE YOUTH? - A recent returnee to the Falklands, blessed with a keen eye for social problems, pointed out to me that facilities for the young people of Stanley are probably worse now than they were in 1976, when he last visited. How about the fishing companies putting something into youth facilities and the government appointing an official youth worker? The demolition of the old Social Club, which we have witnessed with some sadness, could mark the birth of some new and valuable initiative.

Graham Bound

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A bolt of lightning struck Greenfield Farm, San Carlos at 4.30 am on the morning of 4th January, destroying an eight foot long, two metre beam, scattering bits of it 50 yards away and leaving a scar in the earth a yard square and a foot deep. Stones and turf were thrown clear by the charge.

Robin Goodwin, owner of Greenfield Farm, said the strike had put the farm generator out of action and feared that shearing would be held up.

Congratulations to the group of carol singers who cheered shoppers in the pre Christmas rush at the West Store and Co-Op with their renditions of traditional carols. Organiser Enid Dickson said that £100.15 had been raised for the Save The Children fund, a sum well up on last year's total of £63. Thanks to all those who donated and the singers who gave up their spare time.

The Royal Air Force staged a long distance rescue mission to the Antarctic mainland on Wednesday 6th January.

The rescue was initiated by the British Antarctic Survey organisation. On the previous day one of its members, Mr P C Rowe sustained serious injuries after a fall from a mechanical sleigh. The accident occurred at Halley Station and local medical opinion was that he needed expert medical attention within seven days unless his condition was to become serious.

The Ministry of Defence agreed to help and a C130 Hercules of 1312 Squadron at MPA was made available to make the mercy flight. Due to weather conditions and the runway state, the flight took off on 8 January. The patient was flown to Rothera on King George Island by a Twin Otter aircraft to await the Hercules collection.

The presence on the island is a Chilean military one and negotiations with Chilean authorities had to be made before the successful rescue began

(BFFI Press Release)

Another unusual military rescue operation involved a young soldier who was badly injured in a mountain accident in South Georgia, eight hundred miles south east of the Falklands.

Rifleman Barry Grover (23) from Chelmsley Wood in Birmingham was on a mountain patrol on the remote sub-Antarctic island when he slipped and fell down a scree slope on Tuesday 12 January, suffering extensive cuts and abrasions to his face and head. The doctor attached to the Royal Green Jacket garrison there decided to evacuate the casualty to the Falklands for an X-ray examination to determine the extent of other possible injuries

With South Georgia having no suitable landing strip for aircraft, the rescue mission involved a RAF Sea King helicopter of 78 Squadron Royal Air Force which took off from

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RAF Mount Pleasant on the morning of Wednesday 13 January to rendezvous with a Royal Fleet Auxiliary Ship, Blue Rover which was en route to South Georgia on a routine visit. The Sea King was refuelled and remained on board until 250 miles from the island when it flew ashore and collected the casualty from the garrison's headquarters at Grytviken.

The helicopter then returned to RFA Blue Rover which turned around and headed back to the Falkland Islands. When the ship was 350 miles from the island the Sea King flew the casualty ashore at 5.55 on Friday 15 January.

Rifleman Grover is now being treated in the King Edward Memorial Hospital where his condition is said to be comfortable.

FIPASS HANDED OVER

The Ministry of Defence has handed over FIPASS and the facility is now in the ownership of the Falkland Islands Government. Day to day control of FIPASS is the responsibility of the Fisheries Department under its Chief Protection Officer, Captain John Jackson. On completion of some minor refurbishment the Fisheries Department will move from its present offices to FIPASS in February.

There is no change in the exercise of the Government statutory functions relating to Harbour Control and Les Halliday remains as Harbour Master.

(Release from the Acting Governor's office)

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was a visit to Sea Lion Island where he officially opened the popular tourist Lodge. The peer stayed for a day and night, enjoying the wildlife for which the island is famous and said later that he was impressed with the Lodge and thought it of a far superior standard to anything he had envisaged when he had recommended the development of tourism in one of his economic reports.

Lord Shackleton also spoke to some of the independent farmers who had benefitted from the land redistribution policy he had strongly advocated in his economic assessments and as he told a press conference held at the end of his stay, he was encouraged by the enthusiasm and commitment they had shown to him. "There is no doubt that they are going to make a good living", he said.

Always sympathetic to the moods and attitudes prevalent in the Falklands, Lord Shackleton recognised that the advent of prosperity and the fast pace of development had brought about a few problems: "You've got problems but these are the problems of success and wealth" he told those at the Town Hall on January 19.

"I think you're all going to have to show a great deal of restraint because I'm quite sure whether it's the councillors, the Chief Executive, the Governor or whoever it may be, that they aren't going to get it right all of the time: in fact they'll be lucky if they get it right most of the time if they're lucky, however hard they try. Therefore, a good deal of tolerance and a good deal of appreciation is needed of what is involved and a willingness to understand the sort of issues being handled.

"I'm not going to give you a sermon", continued Lord Shackleton, "because you know all this better than I. But I am supremely optimistic about the future of the Falklands.... You do have problems but at least they are on a rising market with opportunities and not on a declining one. There is a lot to be proud of and a lot to be hopeful for."

(Details of Lord Shackleton's Press Conference will be carried in the next issue of Penguin News)

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The controversial £1 million film by the BBC on the Falklands conflict, entitled 'Tumbledown' is to be screened in the UK some time this year.

Critics of the project which was shot at a secret location in mid Wales, were said by the report in the Daily Express to denounce it as "anti Falklands, anti war and anti government": accusations the BBC apparently deny.

The two hour film concentrates on an ex Scots Guards Lieutenant, Robert Lawrence, who was one of the last to be injured before the Argentine surrender was given. Lawrence is advising the BBC on the film and the article went on to say:

"The film will be uncompromisingly accurate pledged producer Richard Broke who in twenty years in the film business says he has never read such a moving script."

(Article by Roger Tavener in Daily Express 5 November 1987)

FIGAS features in a detailed six page spread in a leading flight magazine called Air Pictorial (November 1987). The article, written by Douglas A Rough, co-author of Falklands - The Air War, chronicles in some detail the history of Falkland aviation with photographs of Auster, Noordyn Norseman and Beaver aircraft in action. The article goes on to explain about FIGAS operations and the crucial role it plays in the Falklands' blossoming tourist trade. No mention is made, however of the accident last June, nor the major changes which have been effected throughout the air service as a result.

DESIRE THE RIGHT PARTY - THE FIRST STEPS

The Falklands' first political party in twenty years, the Desire the Right party which made its tentative moves of formation at the end of 1987, started the New Year as an organised body with an elected committee and the publication of its manifesto.

Aware perhaps of the suspicion aired by some about the party's true objectives (the movement was linked with ideas of independence in its early stages) the manifesto tells the reader that it intends "to ensure the Islands remain British in every respect and that no foreign power shall have any form of sovereignty or control over them."

Otherwise the document lists a number of objectives which fully demonstrate the party's aim to improve living conditions and facilities and give Falkland Islanders a greater say in the running of local government.

Most of the issues it deals with are only too familiar to anyone living in the islands - the need for all weather tracks in Camp and road repairs in Stanley, the improvement of educational facilities and better dissemination of FIG information etc. However, one or two new ideas number amongst the manifesto's points such as its suggestion of reviewing the Falkland Islands Defence Force (FIDF) to "offer a more substantial assistance in the defence of the Islands" and the last point which favours a "donation from FIG revenue towards British disaster funds."

Stanley councillors were cautious in their reactions to the manifesto and appeared unwilling to air a firm opinion until they had seen the party in action. Councillors Cheek, Betts and Teggart all said that the manifesto had good and bad points whilst Wendy Teggart added a concern that if members of the Desire the Right monopolised local council, not everyone's views would be represented there. Another councillor said he was dubious about the roots of the Party.

Although the reaction of town councillors may have been hesitant, the Party can already rely on the support of Camp Councillor Robin Lee of Port Howard who is a paid up member of the Party and the Committee recently wrote to all councillors asking for their support.

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"Not another report," many may have groaned when 'Prynn Report' recently became the slogan of the month. Understandable when you consider the number of papers which have been produced, covering so many aspects of the Falklands.

However, this 'Prynn Report' (officially entitled 'Falkland Islands Long Term Economic Development Study') is crucial to the future of the islands and invites the local community to have its say before a final report is completed and submitted to the administration and the future path to progress undertaken.

- However busy you are or pestered by paperwork, this is the report which everyone should make time to read and think deeply upon.

- How do you want to see the Falkland Islands using its new found wealth? - What sort of economic strategy do you want the Administration to adopt, bearing in mind that the future social evolution of the Falklands will depend very much on the economic path taken.

Mr Prynn's report, thankfully written in as plain English as an economist can stretch to, proposes three main scenarios for the future economic development. Below we give a very brief and simplistic summary of each one with the basic considerations for and against:-

SCENARIO I : Continued high levels of investment in on-shore fisheries development.
- High growth.

This is basically a continuation of the present trend with encouragement being given to fishing companies to bring their activities on-shore with the development of bunkering, fish processing plants etc. Population anticipated to have grown to around 2800 by 1992 and 500 by 1997.

FOR:

- By far the most dynamic of the three options, offering the highest rates of growth and more opportunities than the others.
- This would tie the fishing companies into the Falklands with them making a long term commitment. Therefore, they would be more likely to stay with the islands through any rough patches which might occur in the fisheries in the future.

AGAINST:

- This scenario has the dangers associated with putting too many (not all) eggs into one basket. If there were to be a sudden depletion of fish stocks or crisis in the world markets the Falklands would have no activity of comparable profitability to fall back on.
- This would leave little for development of other areas such as agriculture and infrastructure projects like roads etc.
- The social stresses associated with rapid development and growth would be more pronounced under this scenario, although it is important to remember that they will exist to differing degrees under all three.
- It would also push up wages in Stanley with a resultant increase in inflation. Agriculture would possibly be pushed into a further crisis with Camp having to equal the town wage increases it would be unable to afford or suffer a further drain of labour into Stanley.

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SCENARIO II : Investment emphasis on non-fisheries sectors - agriculture, tourism etc while maintaining fisheries essentially as an off shore enclave. Medium high growth. Population anticipated to have grown to 2800 by 1992 and 3300 by 1997.

FOR : a) More wages and jobs for Camp with funds left over for development of coastal shipping and ferries etc.

b) Much of the Falklands' population expansion would take place in Camp so helping with the labour shortages there and easing the strain on Stanley which would otherwise have to assimilate most of the influx of immigrants.

c) More likely to result in a balanced economy with more opportunities for non-fishery activities.

AGAINST : a) Although there would be more money left for investment in agriculture, it is not certain how agriculture would respond to such input and how much return would be reaped.

b) There would still be high inflation with this scenario and similar consequences to no.1 - sharp rise in the population and money and labour required in large amounts to build houses and facilities for the new-comers.

c) With the joint venture system almost certainly ended under this option the fishing companies would be less involved in the Falklands' economy and thus less likely to stay with any crisis in the market.

SCENARIO III : Investment emphasis on infrastructure and social expenditure through the Government with the surplus invested in international financial markets to provide and secure funds. Medium growth. Population anticipated to grow to 2500 by 1992 and 2700 by 1997.

FOR: a) This option would minimise the strains and stresses on the local society which are associated with rapid growth.

b) It also offers the security of money growing in secure assets to protect the Falklands against a rainy day.

AGAINST: a) Could be seen as too cautious and safe by some observers in the UK. More likely that they would understandably ask for a contribution to the defence costs.

b) This scenario offers the slowest rate of growth and makes little use of the fisheries potential.

It is important that in considering the three different 'futures' to understand that they are not exclusive of one another. Each scenario is only an extreme illustration of a different economic emphasis - the best course would probably be a compromise between two of the options. In fact the authors, Peter and Hilary Prynn themselves recommend a final choice which combines Scenario II and Scenario III, which might include

- "the abandonment, at least temporarily, of the system of collecting Joint Venture premiums"

- "the increase in fishing license rates so as to allow all revenues from the fisheries to accrue to the Falkland Islands Government"

The authors then suggest that these revenues could fund an investment programme in agriculture and other non fishing industries; a house building programme at a rate of say 40 units a year; improvements in social welfare provision; a programme of infrastructure development at a rate of, say, £5-7 million a year; increased emphasis

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on educational priorities to maximise Falkland Islanders' ability to contribute to and participate in economic growth; the accumulation of a financial reserve fund which could be used either to provide a supplementary income in the future, or as a source of investment capital when the opportunities became clear; rapid training and longer term vocational training programmes for Falkland Islanders and steady rather than rapid investment in fisheries support from funds already invested in Stanley Fisheries.

These are the recommendations of the report's authors, Peter and Hilary Prynn but as they stress "the responsibility for choice of priorities for the future rests with the Falkland Islanders." The choice is yours.

Peter Prynn has now returned to the UK and will begin work on the final draft of the report in the latter half of February. If you would like to tell him your preference for the Falklands' future development, you can write to him c/o the FIDC office in Stanley and they will forward the correspondence to him.

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When asked for his opinion, the Acting Governor, Brian Cummings said that he thought it difficult for party politics to get underway in the Falklands as the islands lack the traditional party structure of Britain but he added that the formation of the Desire the Right and the publication of its manifesto would be valuable stimulation for debate on local political issues and it was "very welcome for that."

Asked about the manifesto in particular, the Acting Governor replied that he thought it to be "very comprehensive and incorporates a lot of proposals which the FIG had either taken decisions to do something about or is contemplating doing so."

Local reaction was equally cautious. Some felt the manifesto to be too inflexible, others that it tackled complex issues too simply.

One person told Penguin News that he suspected the manifesto of scooping up all the topics of local complaint to ensure widespread support. A number of people I spoke to were still uneasy about the document's wording when it speaks of keeping the sovereignty of the islands "within the British sphere of influence" a nebulous phrase which it is feared shrouds an ultimate intention to favour some sort of break from the UK. A couple of others commented to me that they feared committee members' personal concerns to be riding too high in the manifesto.

It is easy, however, to greet the new movement with scepticism but whilst some may have their doubts, there are over forty Falkland Islanders who are prepared to support the new initiative by paying their £10 membership fee and the party chairperson, Phyllis Rendell says that more queries of interest come in each day.

Whilst the Desire The Right would apparently need the support of the majority of councillors to be able to exert any power in Legislative and Executive Council, at least the party is making a collective attempt to bring about the changes and improvements most of us only talk about. Even if the movement starts off only as a lobbying group or a focus of local opinion, the Desire the Right should be a welcome addition to the narrow dimensions of local politics.

The important first steps have been taken by the young party; now it needs to reassure the on lookers that it's motives are sincere and that it fully intends to speak for all islanders.

ROAD ACCIDENT ON MPA ROAD

A road accident a couple of miles west of Bluff Cove on the Stanley-MPA road left four military personnel injured and one badly shaken when their military landrover veered into one of the deep storm ditches on either side of the road. No other vehicle was involved.

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The first vehicle on the scene, a police land rover, tended to the injured and radioed for an ambulance which took them to the King Edward Memorial Hospital. A hospital spokesman said no serious injuries had been sustained by the casualties and that those detained were making satisfactory progress.

CATHEDRAL CONCERN

Christchurch Cathedral may have survived the fire but this popular landmark of Stanley is still in danger from a less dramatic but equally perilous threat posed by its bad state of repair.

Canon Gerry Murphy explained that the exterior brickwork is literally crumbling away as a result of the ravages of the salt air and wind and the windows, currently bowing inwards, are in need of resetting to prevent them caving in.

The organ is also in need of restoration and the cathedral requires a new boiler. Although a replacement one has been bought, the necessary expertise to install it has been difficult to find although the Canon is hopeful that this is one problem with a solution in sight.

The parish hall, once a popular and well used focus of community events, is in equally urgent need of restoration or even replacement. Initial advice from architects suggests that the hall could be saved but at such a cost that it may well be more worthwhile to replace it altogether.

With no detailed assessment of the work needed having been made, it is difficult to estimate exactly how much the repairs would cost but Canon Murphy believes it to be very high - a prospect which only a few years ago would have seemed completely beyond the reach of the Falklands but which now with the recent economic boom, realistically could be found.

"The cathedral is to the Falkland Islands what Big Ben is to Britain and the Statue of Liberty is to America. It symbolises the freedom and meaning of liberation for the islands and their people" said the Falklands' gentle rector.

As both Big Ben and the Statue of Liberty have had extensive face-lifts in recent years, could we ask the FIG to allow Christchurch Cathedral's turn to follow?

SEEDS OF SUCCESS AT MANYBRANCH

Scarcely ten months have passed since Tim Miller set to work establishing his Manybranch Nursery with a consignment of trees and shrubs imported from the UK and the firm conviction, despite some local scepticism, that trees could be grown in the Falklands and become a more familiar feature of the islands' landscape.

Although the nursery is still in a formative stage, Tim Miller's hard work and determination have already produced a success story which has surpassed even his most optimistic hopes at the outset and the future is looking even greener.

What was originally planned to be a "profitable hobby" for a man who also single-handedly manages a farm of 4,000 sheep, has rapidly developed into a time consuming business with the nursery's first year income set to equal the farm's turn over and if current negotiations for landscaping projects in Stanley come to fruition, next year could see it trebling it.

The success derives firstly from a healthy amount of local interest in his business which has brought a steady stream of requests for decorative shrubs from Stanley although the majority of business comes from fellow farmers looking for suitable plants to act as windbreaks on their land. This area of farm improvement is one which Tim Miller is concentrating on at the moment.

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STANLEY SPORTS

by Patrick Watts

The 75th annual meeting of the Stanley Sports Association, now traditionally held at Christmas and extended to four days this year, was in every way a successful occasion. Crowds flocked to the race-course, particularly on Boxing Day, to witness the 53 events whilst the steer-riding competition as always attracted a very large and enthusiastic crowd. Many of the horse races attracted 10-12 entries, whilst the novelty events such as the wheelbarrow and three legged races brought many unexpected entries as the spirit of the occasion spread among the spectators.

If there was one slightly disappointing aspect of this special occasion then it was the fact that there were relatively few 'new' horses. Only four for the Cable and Wireless PLC Maiden Plate, whilst sadly the Bransfield Plate had to be cancelled owing to just one entry but the remaining races made up for that temporary set back. At long last Gus Perry's Gina finally won the Governors Cup after having come so close in preceding years. The anticipated challenge from Arthur Turner's Helena never materialised as tragically the Rincon Grande mare had to be put down after breaking a leg just two days before racing commenced. In seven races over three days Gina was beaten only once - by Roddy McKay's Sudan ridden by Ron Binnie: and many thought the result a dead heat. Keith Whitney, Gina's normal jockey handed over several rides to his 15 year old son, Tyronne, who is just 7 stones but old enough to compete with the seniors. In addition to the 'Cup', Gina also took the Henry Smith Trophy, Rincon Grande Plate, Speedwell Store prize, the Salvador Prize (Champion Race) and the West Falklands Sports Trophy.

The other 'champion' was Sheba from Fitzroy, the daughter of Patience and ridden as always by Ron Binnie. Punters obviously put off by Sheba's failure to start, not for the first time on the Stanley race course, missed a big 14-1 payout on the Berkeley Sound plate as Sheba romped away with the race by six lengths. One lucky person did have £10 on and reaped a fine £140 for his ingenuity. Sheba also took the Falklands (wool sales) Plate, Chatres Plate, Ladies Race ridden by Ron's daughter Michelle and finally the big one of the meeting, the S.S.A 75th anniversary trophy over 600 yards.

Two jockies from West Falklands brought horses on the long journey by sea to Stanley and met with differing fortunes. Raymon Evans would be very happy with his first place in the Falklands Chase and two second places on Dusk. His Sheena also featured in the prize list. Ron Rozee's Beagle, the winner of two Governors Cups on West Falklands, never ran to the best of his ability and apart from a second in the 1 mile, finished out of the placings.

Two old Falkland favourites, Sally and Lucinda who have had some memorable battles over the years, returned to the course and both recorded excellent victories under the guidance of young jockies. Lisa Watson, fresh from college in England, brought her father Neil's mare home in the Chief Executive plate at odds of 18/1, while William Goss, son of Eric, was equally impressive in his late run on Lucinda in the Woolbrokers Plate (Champion Race). Fifty yards from the winning post and boxed in, it looked all over for Lucinda but William came round the outside and passed three horses in quick succession for a memorable victory. It was well worth Eric Goss' 200 miles round trip from distant North Arm. Ron Binnie's Mill Reef once again proved to be the champion sprinter winning two races of just under two furlongs.

The Military race brought forward to Boxing Day to ensure a better entry, attracted twelve jockies from the three services. WRAC Captain Val Grimmett, riding Ron Rozee's horse, Alec, took the lead from the off and her distinctive red clothing was visible all the way down the course and still in front when the cavalry charge passed the post. Major General Carlier presented the delighted lady with the huge challenge cup whilst she rewarded the horse's owner with a crate of beer and the rosette. Tears ridden by J Symonds finished second and Reinbeau with J Bishop taking third place.

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Kevin McLaren of Port Harriet had the look of Steve Cauthen about him when he rode Snowflakes to victory in the Junior jockies race. He also had the first places on John.

There was an impressive victory for Dr Paul McNeilly in the One mile foot event. He bettered his time of last year by almost half a minute to win in five minutes and 28 seconds, despite the long grass and stiff breeze. David Coker, better known for his cross country running, finished second while Robin Luxton, a former winner, returned after fourteen years' absence in Scotland to take third place. Robin made amends by winning the quarter mile.

Nikki Livermore smashed all records in sprinting away from the rest of the field to win the Ladies 80 yards, whilst Lesley Mearns who finished second, easily took the Ladies 440 yards and the sack race.

STEER RIDING: Ron Binnie of Fitzroy promised younger and more spirited stiers for this historic 75th anniversary sports and he was not joking. Few riders managed to last the full ten seconds, though many did keep their seats for 7-8 seconds before succumbing to the fast bucking and twisting animal under them. Arthur Turner, now undoubtedly the number one steer rider in the Falklands, once again produced a top class ride for the packed arena, totalling 35½ points from a possible 45. Stephen Jennings just held off the West Falkland's champion, Ron Rozee, for the runners-up spot, with Bobby Short taking fourth place. Many of the thrills of this sport are derived from the reaction of the spectators as the steer crazily charges forward, head down. One unlucky person had his expensive camera equipment scattered in one such incident.

GYMKHANA: An afternoon of Gymkhana events kept many spectators enthralled as many riders exercised their skills on horseback. There was much merriment in such events as the Variety race where everyone's gear was mixed up and the Live Dummy when many horses objected to having two riders mounted at once. Spills were plentiful but luckily no serious accidents were reported. Dennis Whitney from Fitzroy once again excelled but it was Michelle Binnie who beat all the males in the prestigious Musical Chairs.

Stan Smith, the Chairman of the Stanley Sports Association and his committee deserve all the accolades offered to them for their splendid organisation. Thankfully, Stan seems to have recovered from an untimely dizzy attack during the Prize giving ceremony at the Town Hall dance which resulted in hospitalisation for some days.

Our congratulations to all organisers and participants.

RACING RESULTS

1. MAIDEN PLATE (Tote 30p)	
1st ROSCOE	Ron Binnie
2nd LIVELY LADY	Eric Goss
3rd SNOWKING	Keith Whitney

4. KEMPTON PARK RACE (Tote £1.00)	
1st QUICKSTEP	T. Whitney
2nd DUSK	R. Evans
3rd MANDY	O. Summers
4th QUINE	M. Binnie

5. POTATOE RACE - Ladies	
1st G Watson	
2nd C Eynon	
3rd D Gilding	

6. HENRY SMITH TROPHY (Tote 20p)	
1st GINA	K. Whitney
2nd CLEOPATRA	W.H Goss
3rd SUDAN	Ron Binnie

RESULTS CONTINUED7. JUNIOR RINCON GRANDE PLATE

1st	JOHN	Kevin McLaren
2nd	TEARS	Debbie Gilding
3rd	SALLY I.	G. Philips

8. ONE MILE

1st	Dr Paul McNeilly (5' 28")
2nd	David Coker
3rd	Robin Luxton

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S PLATE (Tote £1.80)

1st	SALLY I.	L Watson
2nd	LONG ISLAND	K Whitney
3rd	SUDAN	T Bonner

10. WHEELBARROW RACE - Mixed

1st	R Luxton/N. Livermore
2nd	P Bonner/M. Luxton
3rd	C Benntt/Steak (?)

11. GOVERNOR'S CUP (Tote 20P)

1st	GINA	K Whitney
2nd	QUINTON	O Summers
3rd	QUICKSTEP	T Whitney
4th	LUCINDA	E Goss

12. FINZA GALLOP

1st	JOHN	M McLaren
2nd	LONG ISLAND	G Anderson
3rd	MISS RINCON	S Sinclair

13. SACK RACE - Men's

1st	J Whitney
2nd	J Osbourne (Rocky)
3rd	F Peters
4th	P Bonner

14. RINCON GRANDE PLATE

1st	GINA	K Whitney
2nd	SUDAN	R Binnie
3rd	LIVELY LADY	E Goss

15. TWIGWORTH TROT (Tote 50p)

1st	ANNALISE	R Binnie
2nd	TINY	R Short
3rd	ASCOT	E Goss

16. BACKWARDS RACE

1st	Allan Finnigan
2nd	Simon Goodwin
3rd	John Teggart

17. THE A.G BARTON PRIZE

1st	CLEOPATRA	W Goss
2nd	MILLREEF	R Binnie
3rd	SHENA	R EVAns
4th	SALLY I	L Watson

18. THREE LEGGED RACE - Mixed

1st	R Luxton/N Livermore
2nd	J Pollard/L Mearns

19. BERKELEY SOUND PLATE (Tote £1.40)

1st	SHEBA	R Binnie
2nd	LUCINDA	W Goss
3rd	QUINTON	O Summers
4th	BENWEE	S Halford

20. THE MILE (Tote £1.00)

1st	ASTOR	A Turner
2nd	BEAGLE	R Rozee
3rd	SUDAN	T Bonner

22. PORT SAN CARLOS PRIZE

1st	QUINTON	M Binnie
2nd	TULUCA	Andria Turner
3rd	MARTIN	G. Morrison

23. ARMED FORCES CHALLENGE CUP

1st	ALEC	Capt V Grimmett
2nd	TEARS	J Symonds
3rd	REINBEAU	Jim Bishop

24. LADIES TUG-O-WAR

1st Kelpers - P Clarke (Captain)

25. ANDREW BRUCE TROPHY (Tote 50p)

1st	QUINTON	O Summers
2nd	DUSK	R Evans
3rd	SNOWKING	K Whitney
4th	ASTOR	A Turner

26. 440 YARDS

1st	R Luxton
2nd	T McLaren
3rd	N Goodwin

27. CHARLES PLATE (Tote 50p)

1st	SHEBA	R Binnie
2nd	SALLY I	P Watson
3rd	SUDAN	T Bonner
4th	CLEOPATRA	W Goss

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28. VETERANS' HANDICAP RACE

1st S Cletheroe
2nd W Morrison
3rd B Cletheroe

29. TROOP RACE

1st MILLREEF R Binnie
2nd QUICKSTEP K Whitney
3rd TULUCA A Turner
4th SHEKINAH E Goss

30. FALKLAND CHASE (Tote 30p)

1st DUSK R Evans
2nd BENWEE S Halford
3rd CINDERELLA W Goss

31. LADIES SACK RACE

1st Lesley Mearns
2nd Michelle Binnie
3rd Zoe Binnie

32. YORK RACES CHALLENGE TROPHY

1st QUINTON O Summers
2nd LONG ISLAND T Whitney
3rd LUCINDA W Goss

33. STEPPING 100 YARDS

1st W Teggart
2nd D Hansen
3rd K Teggart

34. COALITE CHALLENGE CUP (Tote 40p)

1st SUDAN R Binnie
2nd GINA K Whitney
3rd BEAGLE R Rozee

35. LADIES RACE

1st Nikki Livermore
2nd Lesley Mearns
3rd Margo Finolay

36. FALKLAND (WOOLSALES) PLATE

1st SHEBA R Binnie
2nd SALLY I L Watson
3rd LONG ISLAND T Whitney

37. JUNIOR GALLOP (Tote 50p)

1st QUICKSTEP G Anderson
2nd JOHN K McLaren
3rd TORNADO C Summers

38. SPEEDWELL STORE PRIZE

1st GINA K Whitney
2nd QUINTON O Summers
3rd QUICKSTEP T Whitney

39. 440 YARDS - LADIES

1st Lesley Mearns
2nd Ellen McKay

40. LADIES GALLOP

1st SHEBA M Binnie
2nd BENWEE S Halford
3rd SALLY I L Watson

41. CONSOLATION RACE (Tote 50p)

1st FLICKER A Turner
2nd SMETANKA T Whitney
3rd JOSHANAH M Binnie
4th EL DORADO P Clark

42. BOBBY SHORT GALLOP

1st JOHN M McLaren
2nd TEARS G Philips
3rd MISS RINCON S Sinclair

43. RELAY RACE - Mixed

1st Robin & Nikki Luxton
2nd Jason Whitney & Donna Newell
3rd Glenda & Paul Watson

44. SALVADOR PRIZE (CHAMPION RACE)

1st GINA T Whitney
2nd QUENTIN O Summers
3rd SHEKINAH W Goss

45. WOOLBROKERS' PLATE (CHAMPION RACE)

1st LUCINDA W Goss
2nd QUICKSTEP T Whitney
3rd SHEBA R Binnie

46. LADIES' TROTting RACE

1st ASCOT H Bowles
2nd TINY E McKay

47. ASSOCIATION RACE

1st MILLREEF R Peart
2nd REINBEAU J Stephenson
3rd BENWEE N McPhee

48. MEN'S TUG-O'-WAR

1st Shearers (K Heathman)
2nd Bennies

RACING RESULTS CONTINUED

STEER RIDING

1st A Turner 35½ points
2nd S Jennings
3rd R Rozee
4th Bobby Short

EXTRA RACES - 29th December 1987DARWIN SPORTS TROPHY

1st LIVELY LADY E Goss
2nd ROSCOE R Binnie

MACHAEL GAIGER TROPHY

1st MILLREEF R Binnie
2nd QUICKSTEP T Whitney
3rd CINDERELLA E Goss
4th BENWEE S Halford

.. SOUTHERN CROSS TROPHY (Tote 30p)

1st SNOWFLAKE K McClaren
2nd SMETANKA G Anderson
3rd TEARS G Philips

S.S.A 75th ANNIVERSARY TROPHY

1st SHEBA R Binnie
2nd LUCINDA E Goss
3rd LONG ISLAND T Whitney

Champion Jockey: Ron Binnie 21 points
Keith Whitney 18 points

FOOTBALL by Patrick Watts

What can be said of a team which established a 4-0 lead and then ends up losing the match by 5 goals to 6? That was the fate which befell Stanley in the first Shield match against HMS Endurance on New Years Day. With the Endurance absent last year owing to a major re-fit, the renewal of the traditional rivalry with the Royal Navy was eagerly awaited.

After twenty minutes play, many of Stanley's supporters were forecasting a record score in the local team's favour. Rumours that the Endurance goal keeper was not up to the usual standard expected, proved founded as he got no where near a corner kick taken by Jamie McEachern and James Peck, the best player on the field, scored high to head home. Another defensive error allowed Peck to slot his number two and John Teggart also got in the act, rounding off a nice four man move for number three and then beating the off-side trap by a whisker to run the ball past a bemused Endurance goalie for the fourth goal.

What was quite possibly a very important factor in the subsequent change in Stanley's fortunes took place in the lead-up to the first goal. Lachy Ross, in forcing a corner, injured his ribs and eventually had to leave the field. Nial Mulligan sustained a foot injury and he hobbled off, so Stanley had to use both their substitutes before half time and the two departing mid-field players were sorely missed.

It became apparent that the Stanley defence with its enforced changes was none too steady against the swift moving Endurance attack and Tex Hobman was called upon to make several reflex saves before the visitors broke through and scored twice in quick succession. A still confident Stanley opened the second half with the stiff breeze in their faces and found that the Endurance had a player whose throw ins with the wind were as dangerous as corner or free kicks. Time and time again, he threw the ball directly into the Stanley penalty area, causing all sorts of panic.

Soon Endurance were level at 4-4 but then Jamie Peck yet again completely foxed the visiting defence to complete his hat-trick and put Stanley ahead again, 5-4. With just three minutes remaining it looked as if the local team would sneak a victory but then two horrendous mistakes by Ramon Miranda resulted in two goals; first when a miskick shot the ball into the back of the net. Moments later when the ball appeared to be running for a Stanley throw, Miranda diverted it over for a throw in which unsettled Mahoney and Clarke and again the ball was in the net. 6-5 to Endurance, Peck was bundled off the ball but appeals for a penalty were dismissed while Endurance also screamed loudly when Derek Clarke upended an opponent in the box (continued P.16)

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So Stanley now have a massive task ahead of them: they must win the two remaining matches in the three match series to win the Shield. Several players will want to forget the New Year's Day fiasco and a lot of hard work is required.

SEEDS OF SUCCESS AT MANYBRANCH - continued from P.10

Despite a heavy work load at the nursery, its owner regularly commutes to Stanley to discuss landscaping projects with interested parties; another booming area of keen interest. "This is the main area where I have been surprised by the amount of response I have had" Tim Miller said. "I expected to be asked to supply the necessary shrubs and trees for the new landscaping projects but people are keen for the advice and preferably the labour as well."

He already has a contract with FWD for landscaping windbreaks around the Jersey Estate and anticipates a contract soon to be signed for the supply of 4,000 shrubs to the new fisheries village being built to the east of Stanley. Other projects are also under negotiation.

The benefit of getting Tim to plant as well as provide the shrubs can perhaps be illustrated by the outcome of one of his first contracts where he supplied saplings to the PSA for planting around the military base at MPA. "Unfortunately, I was only asked to supply them, not to oversee the planting and having seen what has been done with them, I am not very hopeful that they will grow properly. They have been planted too far apart for the Falkland winds which means they will probably grow to a stunted height and be rather lopsided!"

When I visited Manybranch Farm at Bold Cove near Port Howard, I found Tim Miller turning over soil in the nursery's latest development and having helped in chasing four calves from the hallowed ground, I was shown around.

Although it occupies a small plot of land, the nursery is packed full of both proven Falkland resistant plants such as *Macrocarpa* and *Leylandii* Cyprus and the numerous experiments which prove that Tim Miller is not going to accept any second hand theories about which species will or will not survive the islands' dry, windy climate.

Field Maple, Sycamore, Chilean Beech and Ash were some of his newest experiments. "These species are said to be salt air tolerant in the UK" Tim Miller explained, "but I think the air may be too dry for them here. Still, I'm giving them a go and we'll see."

Maritime Pine was another new species which he thought hadn't been grown in the Falklands before but which, if successful, would be useful for coastal planting. Norway spruces were sitting in one of the nursery's three polyhouses as potential Christmas trees although it is doubted that they would be hardy enough to serve as shelter belt material.

The pioneering spirit embodied in Manybranch Nursery is in evidence inside Tim Miller's neat farmhouse where pots and trays of seedlings sit in various stages of development and outside by the front door stands perhaps the symbol of his enterprise: a young rose bush with one flower and one bud whose survival on the exposed coastal site astounded all of our group of sight seers. "Yes, it has done well" Tim Miller remarked casually.

Previous experiments have met with various degrees of success. Some of the original consignment of shrubs which arrived last April did not survive the shock of finding the Falklands autumn when they budded in anticipation of a Scottish spring. A few Falkland gales proved a fatal assault on some of the shrubs planted outside but the conifers proved generally resilient.

These few set backs have obviously not deterred Tim Miller and his optimism for the future is perhaps best illustrated by the recent arrival in Stanley by ship of a further 7,000 saplings and shrubs. Many went on sale in Tim Miller's garden centre outlet there, managed by Sharon Middleton, but many others were relayed to Manybranch

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SEEDS OF SUCCESS AT MANYBRANCH - continued from P.16

by FIGAS Islander aircraft which often landed at Port Howard so full of foliage that they resembled airbourne nurseries themselves.

Some of the young plants will be given a chance to recover from their upheavals by being placed in a poly house before going outside to harden up to the climate or perish. This year also sees the start of the nursery's trials in growing from seed.

The success of Manybranch Nursery has brought its creator to the point where he has realised he can no longer accommodate the responsibilities of running a farm with the demands of the nursery and he is currently contemplating what changes will have to be made in the near future; whether to take up the nursery project full time and forgo farming or employ an assistant to help him out. The decision is yet to be made.

In the meantime, Manybranch is an encouraging example of a good idea made into a healthy enterprise with a little practical assistance (FIDC helped Tim Miller with a loan and enterprise grant and by sending him to Scotland to learn the basics of nursery management).

WEST FALKLAND RAM AND FLEECE SHOW REPORT - by Nigel Knight, Chairman

More than 120 people travelled from all over West Falkland to be at Fox Bay Village on Sunday 27th December for the inaugural 'West Falkland Ram and Fleece Show'. Entries flocked in from 18 farms including Weddell Island; and in all, 22 rams and 42 fleeces arrived to be judged on the day.

The event was held in the wool shed and as people entered they had a chance to win a bottle of rum by guessing the weight of 'Frazzle', who appeared by kind permission of his owner, Mrs Joyce Haliday. Individual pens had been set up for the rams and the fleeces were displayed on tables along two sides of the shed.

The entries were split into Full Wool Rams, Shorn Rams and Fleeces. Each entry was allocated an identification number and no names were displayed. Judging commenced at 3.00 with 56 interested members of the public taking part in the ballots. For the fleeces and shorn ram classes each person was asked to choose and rank the best five entries. For the Full Wool Ram class each person had to judge every sheep in the class for wool (out of 10) and body (out of 5). After an hour and a half of feverish activity on the calculator, the results were announced at 5.30. During this period of nail biting anticipation, the competitors took afternoon tea and other beverages and returned to the shed in very good spirits. The newly arrived manager at the Mill, Geoff Heeley and his wife Mary had kindly agreed to present the prizes.

The guess the weight of 'Frazzle' competition was won by Patricia Smith who collected a bottle of rum donated by the Wooden Spoon.

In the Shorn Ram class, Bernard Betts scored 199 points and walked away with the first prize which was £50 donated by FIDC. The second prize, £25 worth of vouchers donated by Falkland Farmers went to Bill Luxton with 166 points. Leon Marsh with 96 points, was delighted to take away a bag of fertiliser from ARC as third prize. 'Twinkee', the world renowned rampager, owned by Dave Dunford and located just in time for the show, took fourth place with 77 points and received £10 kindly donated by Robin Pitaluga and family. The first three prize winners also took home a ram harness each donated by Falkland Farmers.

In the Fleece section which was well supported, Bill Luxton took first place scoring 106 points with an excellent example of a Polwarth type fleece. He won £40 donated by Little Chartres and Standard Chartered Bank. The second, third and fourth prizes in this section were all snapped up by Port Howard Farm (with scores of 48, 45 and 43 points respectively), much to the delight of Rodney Lee who collected his prizes of £20 donated by Lakelands Farm, a bottle of whiskey from the West Falkland Co-op and £5 from Lakelands Farm with great style!!

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The final prizes to be presented were for the Full Fleece Rams. Roger Edwards scored 538 points to carry away £75 worth of vouchers from Falkland Farmers and a gold medal. Jimmy Forster accumulated 493 points and won the second prize of £40.00 donated by Coast Ridge Farm and the Sheep Owners Association and a silver medal. 491 points gained Gavin Marsh the third prize of a bronze medal and a Falkland Mill jumper donated by the Falkland Woollen Mill. Jimmy Forster, after a short rest, was asked up to receive the fourth prize of £10.00 from FIC for his ram which collected 469 points. The medals for this class were generously donated by Falkland Supplies.

Following the prize giving, an auction was held for three rams and four fleeces with Roger Edwards doing an excellent job as auctioneer. 10% commission was charged on this sale to go to the Ram and Fleece Show funds.

The Ram and Fleece Show Committee would like to thank the following for donations to the show's funds; Bill Luxton for returning his prize money, Jimmy Forster for giving the proceeds from the sale of two rams; Port Howard Farm for the donation of four fleeces, Dunnose Head Farm for two fleeces; Pickthorne Farm for four fleeces and Crooked Inlet for two fleeces. Our thanks also to ARC for their logistical support.

The organisers were delighted with the numbers of entries and overwhelming response from sponsors, participants and the general public and thank everybody for their interest and enthusiasm. We will be circulating a video for those who were unable to attend for one reason or another, so that they don't completely miss out on the drama, excitement and festive atmosphere of the occasion. The response to the event was so encouraging that we are already starting to think about next year's show, so we'll see you there!

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F.I.C BREAKS WITH UNION

In a surprise move at the end of January, the Falkland Islands Company broke with the General Employees Union to make independent offers of substantial wage increases to its hourly paid workers.

The action astounded many who recalled that the FIC had withdrawn from the traditional annual negotiations with government and the GEU in December last year, on the grounds that it could not match the large increases being proposed. The FIC announced subsequently a 13% rise for its hourly paid workers with a

25% differential between labourers and handymen.

The offers made by the FIC in letters to members of the three gangs who work at the FIC garages, jetty and as handymen, varied for each individual but were mainly in excess of the government's increases; in some cases substantially so with one employee offered a rise from £2.07 to £2.57 an hour.

General Manager of the FIC, Terry Spruce told Penguin News that he did not agree with the large rises

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MAJOR MILITARY EXERCISE

"HEIGHTENED TENSION" SAYS ARGENTINA

Local rumours of a large military exercise in the Falklands were confirmed by the British Forces HQ at Mount Pleasant on 11 February, at the same time that the operation, code named Fire Focus, was first announced to the House of Commons by Mr Ian Stewart, Minister of State for the Armed Forces.

Operation Fire Focus, which will last from 7-31 March, is designed to practice the UK's capability for rapid reinforcement of the Falklands in case of emergency and will be

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announced because it would result in a sharp increase in inflation but added that in order to protect its work force, the company had been forced to remain competitively matched to government's wage increases.

"We withdrew from the December negotiations because we were unhappy then about the way wages were being discussed" he said. "A single large wage increase made without productivity adjustments etc is only going to lead to high inflation within the colony and there are sections of the community that have very little recourse on that, people on fixed income, pensioners, those with savings put away for a rainy day and of course the agricultural sector."

"But now that government have set a standard with their 13% increases, it means that anyone in the private sector who does not match that will lose labour... At the end of the day, if we are seen to be under paying the men or their terms and conditions are not adequate, then they will leave and go to other employers. Added to that we have to protect our employees, some of whom are very long standing ones."

In the offer letter from the FIC to its hourly paid employees, Mr Spruce wrote "As a result of changing conditions within the Islands, I am sure you will agree that it will be more appropriate from now on if we, the Falkland Islands Company, negotiate individually with our employees on matters of wages and general terms and conditions of employment."

How would he reply to a suggestion that this approach was designed to break the General Employees Union, I asked Mr Spruce? "No" he replied. "I think the Union still has a great role to play. They have been a responsible union and normally the negotiations we have had with them have been very good on both sides. We have had a good relationship with them and it does a very necessary job."

"However we feel with the changing times that the union role must change slightly and not be just a negotiator of wages. They should have a role to play in health and safety at work and still look after members whether they have negotiated the wages or not."

"I am hoping to set up a management/employees consultation body" Mr Spruce continued, "which will select someone from each of the three main gangs we have, to discuss, on a relatively frequent basis with the management of FIC so they can put any gripes anyone may have to use rather than going through a large official body where at times, the actual root of the problem doesn't come out."

Could this not be seen as undermining the union, I asked? "No" replied Mr Spruce. "I have spoken along these lines to the chairman of the Union but have had no great feedback from him yet on it."

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The largest exercise to have been staged here. The cost is believed to be in the region of £3 million.

Additional Phantom jets will be deployed, along with Nimrod maritime patrol aircraft and significant troops, mainly light infantry, will be airlifted to the islands to join those currently manning the garrison. When asked if there would be any reinforcement of naval support, officials from BFTI replied that there would be a "possibility of enhancement". It was stressed however, that the exercise was primarily designed to effect a 'First Stage reinforcement' to make an initial impact in the event of increased tension and this would be effected by air lifts.

Following the reinforcement exercise there will be some unit exercises to take advantage of the excellent training facilities offered by the Falklands.

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BOUND ABOUT TOWNCOME TO THE AID OF THE PARTY

I, of all people, should be delighted that at last some kind of party politics appears to be making an appearance on the local scene. After all, in the past, Penguin News has not infrequently expressed the opinion that a movement towards independence can only be a good thing and the new Desire the Right party appears to hold this same belief as a fundamental part of its manifesto. *

Of course, it is good that like minded people are getting together to try and make their feelings felt upon an administration which has a remarkable tendency to pay little more than lip service to the wishes of Falkland Islanders. But I find it a bit disappointing that a wish for autonomy is being expressed more widely only now that we all stand to control quite a large fortune. Perhaps idealistically, I felt that independence was a matter of pride; that we should be masters of our own destiny despite the fact that destiny appeared a little poverty stricken. To me it seemed to be a way to give Falkland Islanders rather more self respect.

Furthermore, I cannot for the life of me, determine just what the party stands for. "Desire the Right" is hardly your run-of-the-mill name for a party and tells one nothing about its basic philosophy. Does the DTR represent the Tory blue, the Labour red or some other more subtle tint? No one seems to know and the party members don't seem to mind. They have as their manifesto a discordant collection of ideas that if acted upon will do no more than change the superficial aspects of life in the Falklands.

This may be alright until they debate some more fundamental issues such as council housing and land redistribution; there are plenty of issues which need a fundamental principle if a united policy is to be formulated. At the moment the party is made up of people who are naturally right leaning with the occasional influence of those who would probably incline towards the left. Such a party cannot be effective for very long and is more likely to squabble among itself than bring the government to heel.

Perhaps, though the inevitable shake-down will force a minority to leave and establish another party. That will be a really healthy move which will lead to an invigorating political scene. It would be rather nice to see the Desire the Left party.

GET WELL SOON

This column would like to express its fervent hope that the Camp's single most popular and well known voice returns, in full health, to the radio telephone air waves soon. But when Eileen Vidal, the full time radio

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* EDITOR'S NOTE - The party does not directly talk of independence, although it was closely identified with the idea in its formative days. The only allusion to the question in the Manifesto is its stated aim: "To keep the sovereignty of the Falkland Islands within the British sphere of influence."

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operator, does go back to her microphone let's hope that the powers-that-be appreciate the stressful job she has held down.

With radio traffic having increased many-fold in recent years, Eileen has continued to be the sole point through which virtually all communication between camp and Stanley must flow. To say the job is unfairly stressful, hardly begins to describe it. The government could have relieved this pressure long ago by funding a chain of two metre repeater stations around the islands and so enabling anyone with a relatively cheap radio to talk to anyone else.

As it seems that it will be another two years before the new telephone system is installed, there is time yet for the government to do something along these lines and improve island communications as well as the lot of the radio operator.

COMPLIMENT TIME

Congratulations to the Government for at last making an attempt to get to grips with the housing problem. It is so refreshing to see work being done in this area and very pleasing indeed to learn that after so many years of neglect, some attention is to be given to the needs of single people. There's a long way to go before every islander who wants one can rent a government owned council home but we do seem to be moving in the right direction.

Graham Bound

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Colonel Gordon MacDougall, co-ordinating officer for the exercise for BFFI, said that Falkland civilians would not be affected by the exercise and that there would be only a minimal disruption to the Tristar schedule. Access to MPA by civilians would be as normal, he added.

The Commander British Forces, Major General Carlier, will be in control of the Falkland end of the operation whilst the UK's will be overseen by the Air Officer Commanding in Chief, Strike Command.

The ability to mount a rapid reinforcement has been the basis of the UK's contingency planning to ensure the security of the Falkland Islands in case of need since the opening of the airport at Mount Pleasant. The existence of a reinforcement capability has allowed some reductions to be made in the strength of the normal peace time garrison.

The British government has made clear its intention to mount exercises from time to time to practise the reinforcement capability. This is the first exercise to involve the movement of significant numbers of troops and quantities of equipment.

The exercise has been planned for some time and does not reflect any increase in tension in the area. The British Government's commitment to maintaining the security of the Falkland Islands is very clearly on record: exercise Fire Focus is simply the means of practising its ability to discharge this commitment should the need ever arise.

Announcement of the exercise brought a swift and angry response from Argentina with a statement from the embassy in London denouncing the operation as "a show of force" and "heightening of tension".

DID YOU KNOW that Coastel III which served the Falklands garrison from June 1983 to 20 February 1987 was the home for 1,036,354 troops in that period. The number, given to us by the last bargemaster of the accommodation barge before its departure for New York at the end of last year, counts only those who actually slept on board. Let's hope they changed the sheets.....!

PENGUIN POST BOX

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22 January 1988

Dear Madam,

My retirement from Calling the Falklands at the end of the year seems to have taken people by surprise, to judge by letters from the islands.

I shall try to answer them but at the moment some are going to the BBC and I'm sure they can do without the chore of re-addressing, so may I claim the courtesy of your page to pass on my home address to anyone who wishes to contact me.

May I take this opportunity of thanking the many good friends I made during the visit in '83, when I was never so honoured in my life; never knew such kindness. Thanks too to the people I never had the opportunity to meet, but whose letters I treasure. Some even accorded me the status of 'Kelper'.

It was indeed my good fortune that brought my interests and your needs together during that dreadful time, and I shall ever be grateful for the honour; but people having a good time sometimes stay too long at the fair and become something less than welcome.

Strange things have been happening to my health during autumn and winter and there has been a sort of knock-on effect to the heart that told me there are more important things to do with my life than become subject to petty jealousy and misrepresentation in the islands I have come to love.

By taking my leave swiftly at an appropriate time, I hope to preserve the shining images I carry in my mind of a time which brought out the best in all of us. I was never more proud of my profession or my team: never did it serve a more worthy cause. Heads had to be kept down but hearts were certainly held high. As I wrote to someone just today - "How could the Argies ever have hoped to hold you lot down?".

Thank you for having me.

Cheers Che'

Peter King

Phyllis Rendell
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3 February 1988

Dear Madam,

Thank you for airing the people's views about the formation of the Desire The Right Party in your last issue. From your report it would appear that a number of incorrect assumptions have been made; in particular with regard to the roots of the Party and "committee members' personal concerns riding too high in the manifesto".

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I should point out that the Party has an elected Steering Committee that respects the views of all members and that no one member can manipulate the Committee in any particular direction. Readers should also be aware that copies of the draft manifesto were circulated to all those persons who had previously expressed an interest in joining the Party, giving them the opportunity to comment on and if necessary make alternative proposals. Full account was taken of their input in drawing up the final version.

Further on in your article, you make the point that "the Party would need the support of the majority of the councillors to be able to exert any power in Legislative and Executive Council." I would have put it another way by saying that the councillors would be far better equipped to tackle current issues and be more assertive in Council if they knew that they had the support (or otherwise) of the Party, who, after all, represent an ever-increasing proportion of the population; membership currently stands at 98 persons and is increasing day by day). I have no doubt that in time councillors will take full advantage of the opportunity to have a larger forum in which to discuss the vital issues being frequently thrust upon them and after all, that is what democracy is all about!

Readers may well be aware that the Party has become closely involved in the debate about the economic future of the Falkland Islands that has been stimulated by the Prynn Interim Report. We want very much to canvas the views of all Islanders about how they would want development to evolve and would welcome their opinions in order to put forward as representative a view as possible, both to councillors and to Peter Prynn himself.

After this major issue has been tackled we plan to elect a new Committee and subsequently to address the points on our manifesto in more detail. We are conscious that each point requires expansion and explanation and would also be pleased to hear from your readers about which issues they think should be acted upon first.

Yours sincerely,

Phyllis Rendell
Chairperson

Desire The Right Party

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17th January 1988

Dear Madam,

Popular journalism perpetuates the notion that '365' is the Falklands' name for mutton, although I have never heard anyone in the Falklands use it. Whereas the meaning of '365' is self evident, I recently came across a 1930's description of life in the Falklands, in which mutton is said to be commonly referred to as 'Tiger'. Could any of your (older) readers confirm or deny this and perhaps supply an explanation?

Yours faithfully,

Jim Elliott

(EDITOR'S NOTE : As well as being interested to hear any comments on 'Tiger', Penguin News would also be interested to hear whether readers know '365' to be a genuine local term or whether it is an example of journalistic licence (UK of course!).)

BUTLER'S BUTCHERY BOWS OUT

After nearly five years of providing Stanley households with a to-the-door service of meat supplies, Laurie Butler announced last week that Stanley Butchery Ltd is to cease operation on 31 March.

Mr Butler explained that the recurring problem of labour shortages had meant that he was unable to cope with all the responsibilities of running the business. Recently, Stanley's butcher has been doing everything from bringing the sheep into Stanley, killing them and processing the meat to making the deliveries by himself with only casual labour to occasionally help out.

"It's a decision I've made with great reluctance" he said, "but over the past six months local wages have improved and the recent 18% government increase is the final blow. I can't compete with that to get the labour I need, so I've decided to close down."

Since April 1983 Stanley Butchery's familiar blue van has made regular rounds of the town, meeting the various requests its 310 customers have left on cards and boards hung on gates and fences.

The abrupt end of the service is causing widespread concern about the availability of future meat supplies.

Shane Wolsey of FIDC confirmed that part of the development site opposite Reflections in Dean Street is earmarked for a butcher's shop and that a local person had expressed an interest in it. He stressed however that the shop would be only a retail outlet for meat and it, like the people of Stanley would be in need of an abattoir service.

AIRCRAFT CRASH REPORT RELEASED

The report into the Islander aircraft accident at Brookfield Farm on June 24 1987 was officially released at the beginning of February.

The synopsis of the report which was written by two investigators from the Department of Transport reads:

"The accident occurred when the commander was attempting to take off from an area beside the licensed airstrip at Brookfield Farm. The ground was very soft and the take-off run was interrupted by a shallow depression in the ground. At or around the normal take-off distance, the aircraft rose into the air but, 70 metres later, the right wing dropped and the aircraft fell back to the ground. All six occupants escaped without injury and there was no fire."

"The report concludes that the accident was the result of the commander carrying out the take off from an unsuitable area alongside the designated strip and then allowing the aircraft to become airborne without the capability of continued climb or flight control. Contributory factors were lack of adequate supervision of the Company's flight operations and probably, the psychological effect of passing abeam the end of the marked strip into an uncharted area."

The report examines in detail the circumstances of the accident and the pilot's actions before and after the incident. Speaking of the pilot, the report reads: "Throughout training and subsequent flying examinations, the commander had proved satisfactory. During the accident investigation it was noted that his attention to detail was very high and his knowledge of the aircraft and its performances, profound. Furthermore, he had clearly gone to considerable lengths to acquire all available subsidiary documentation relevant to the aircraft and its operation."

The report also criticises the management of FIGAS, noting that "whereas the required task of ferrying the island population was achieved, the necessary regulation of the flight operation was not", although it noted that the Director of Civil Aviation had a problem trying to reconcile his different responsibilities which in the UK are held by three distinct bodies.

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A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR TO THE READER - overleaf on P.8

Dear Reader,

My decision to give up the editorship of Penguin News and return to the UK seems to have caused considerable local interest and given rise to a whole new batch of speculative rumours about the "real reason" for my imminent departure. I feel therefore, I should make my position and feelings clear.

The decision was a hard one and one which, in many ways, I regret having been forced to take. However, after a year and more of scraping by with no salary, living off the takings of Penguin News and the rewards of occasional radio work, I have decided that I must find another job and the peace of mind which comes with solvency. The pressures of producing a newspaper single handedly on decrepit machinery have been sufficient without losing added sleep over the endless nightmare of unpaid bills!

I am grateful to councillors and government for their response to my recent plea for assistance with the production costs of the newspaper and for their earlier suggestion that I help with FIBS News Magazine to bring in a little more pocket money. Without this assistance, Penguin News would not have been able to limp along for as long as it has but welcome though these measures were, they have unfortunately not proved enough to fully clear the back log of unpaid bills and keep my head above water.

I considered applying for another job in the Falklands but have now decided against it. In leaving Penguin News, I lose the benefit of my home (lent to me, along with a land rover by FIDC) and I don't need to explain to anyone here the problems of finding alternative, cheap accommodation!

Added to this, there are a crowd of dear friends and family in the UK who I want to see again. Had Penguin News been a normal business concern it might have been able to send its editor back to the UK for a month's holiday before bringing her back refreshed, but its accounts gallantly cope with the purchase of pens and staples. Tristar flights cannot come out of petty cash.

The changes breezing through Penguin News' office will bring many benefits to the loyal readers who have supported the scruffy news sheet through the worst throes of temperamental production and poor printing. The new equipment which I initially asked government to buy last October is due to arrive at the end of the month and although I sadly will not be able to have a play with the new toy as I had hoped, the new editor Rory McCloud who arrives in the Falklands from Scotland on March 8th will. I am sure that under his experienced hand, Penguin News will continue to serve what I believe to be an essential community service and look more presentable whilst about it.

To clear up the misunderstandings which seem to be growing, I would like to make it clear that I had no knowledge of the move by FIDC to have Penguin News taken over as a joint venture concern. This bombshell was delivered to me by a visiting journalist who after three days in the islands had been told more about the newspaper's future than the editor has been. The FIG's London office publication, Falkland Focus appears to have been informed of the change; even the Daily Telegraph reported on February 5th that a Scottish company, Seaboard Offshore has "become part owner of Penguin News, the only newspaper in the Falklands."

"The company with headquarters in Tain, Ross-shire has formed a joint venture with Stanley Fisheries which is part of FIDC" the article informed me.

FIDC told me nothing of these moves and have not consulted me at all in the nature of the alterations to the paper's status, nor in the recruiting of my successor.

I freely admit I am upset not only by the Corporation's high handed behaviour but also by the way I feel certain members of the 'House on the Hill' have bulldozed over my initial efforts to improve the newspaper. When I was told they knew "someone who could help" I didn't anticipate a take over. Equally, I feel in many ways (which I do not have the room here to detail) that I have been pushed out of the door before my successor I would have seriously considered staying on, but I was not. I am also angered that councillors were not told of FIDC's full motives when they approved the purchase of £26,000 equipment for Penguin News's use.

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It is sad that I should find myself growling softly as I prepare to pack my bags, but I am reassured by a number of compensating factors. Firstly, the founder and first editor of Penguin News, Graham Bound, is to be one of the directors of the new company Penguin News Ltd and as he shares with me a peculiarly deep affection for the maverick publication, I trust he will protect its integrity should the need ever arise.

Secondly, my fears for the independence of a newspaper under the partial control of a fisheries concern have been allayed a little by the recommendation of Lord Shackleton and Bob Storey that a board of trustees be appointed to oversee the paper and ensure its impartiality. Had I been in full possession of the facts behind the changes, I would have made a similar recommendation and I am grateful for his expedient intervention.

Thirdly, although I had no hand in the recruitment of Rory McCloud, I understand he is an experienced and very capable person for the post and I am sure that a new face and fresh ideas, coupled with the new printing equipment will deliver to the Falklands a good publication that will continue to keep a check on the Islands' interests in these heady days of booming development. It will be my pleasure to show Rory the ropes until I leave the islands around mid March.

Whilst I feel offended by FIDC's behaviour on this issue, I feel it only fair to say that there have been times in the past when they have proved to be helpful and constructive. Again, had they not agreed to give me a home and the use of landrover, I would not have been able to keep Penguin News going. It is on the issue of the paper's transition that I take issue and despite having originally decided to keep my indignation between the cat and myself, I have decided, on hearing some of the rumours in circulation, to put the record straight.

Undoubtedly my bruised sensibilities are just part of the course of public life in a small community and recalling the newspaper 'take overs' of the UK, perhaps I should be encouraged that this humble publication follows the example of its more elegant 'Fleet Street' cousins in having a bumpy and slightly controversial hand over. Perhaps it augurs well for the future of Penguin News.

Despite these recent upsets, I am happy that I have enough fond memories of the Falklands to enable me to leave without bitterness. The past year and three months have not always been easy but I shall never regret coming here. My original intention in moving from London to Stanley was to find the peace and quiet in which to recover from a sad period of bereavement. The Falklands did not turn out to be the backwater I anticipated and far from leading the quiet life, my occupation here has tended to drag me into a few skirmishes! If nothing else, life with Penguin News has seldom been dull! I have done some extraordinary things, met some exceptional people and with my duties affording me little time for brooding on the past, I have achieved my original intention: I have found in the Falklands the strength to face up to the future.

On a more mundane note, I intend to bring out at least one further edition of Penguin News and probably a joint edited issue with Rory McCloud. The 18th March is the date set for my departure but with a Tristar fare yet to find before then you may find me selling matches outside West Store on that day!

When I do leave, it will be with some marvellous memories and a feeling of privilege having worked amongst the local community during a year of such change in the Falklands.

To those who have shown me so much support and kindness since my arrival in the Islands I will always extend my warmest gratitude.

Yours sincerely,

Bee Carinada
Editor
Penguin News

A TALK WITH SHACKLETON

Lord Shackleton on a recent visit to the Falklands, held a press conference at Government House at which he discussed a variety of topics of importance to the islands.

One of the first points raised was the land redistribution programme. The Labour peer, who originally recommended the land transfer in his economic reports, said he was satisfied with its progress and disagreed with the suggestion that it may have been implemented too quickly. He stressed that it was important for the Falklands to maintain a few of the large farms to protect the interests of those who did not wish to have the responsibility of running their own units. "It is a concern that some of the community life in Camp will be diminished as a result of independent section holders", he acknowledged, "but the ones I spoke to are very confident that it will continue."

Equally, when asked about fisheries, Lord Shackleton said he was happy with the way the regime had worked out in its first year but added that he was still strongly convinced that it should be extended to 200 miles and that a similar 200 limit should be established around South Georgia to ensure conservation of fish stocks in the region is effective. He rejected the suggestion made that such a move might be viewed as too provocative by Argentina:

"I don't see why it should be seen as too provocative. In the same way that the Falkland Islands are several hundreds of miles from Argentina, so South Georgia is another 800 miles further east from that. In the past, fishing fleets on South Georgia, including those from Argentina, have accepted British licencing. I am very much in favour of strengthening conservation in that area and I would hope that by establishing a fisheries zone around South Georgia, it would contribute to better conservation. I really think the anxiety over the creation of the present zone and all the consequences that everybody foresaw were greatly exaggerated. It has gone very easily..... If the French were in South Georgia there is no doubt that the Falklands would have a limit: this is not a reflection on the French but a sign of aberration on the part of the British national will."

When asked if he was satisfied with FIDC's progress, Lord Shackleton replied that he was. "Let's face it, there is bound to be criticism in this sort of area. I think Simon Armstrong has done an extremely good job. Indeed, he has done the job we hoped he would do and he has great enthusiasm but he would be the last person to claim that everything he has done has been perfect. I am amazed by how much FIDC has done and the amount of detailed work they do which people do not even know about."

Referring to the recommendation made in the 1982 report that Islanders should have a fuller participation in the running of local affairs, Penguin News asked Lord Shackleton whether he still felt this to be an area for improvement? "Yes I do. There is a very real failure of communication between the government, the councillors and the people of the Falkland Islanders. Everybody acknowledges that, including councillors and I do think there is a case for community councils...; whether we call them town councils or not. At the same time, it is extremely difficult for people to find the time. They can't spend all their time attending council meetings and this is particularly true for people in Camp. But there is a need for a determined effort in that direction to improve communication."

Penguin News suggested to Lord Shackleton that the local government apparatus is straining under the added responsibility brought about by the rapid development and restructuring of local government?

"I would hesitate to say there is", he replied, "but my own feeling is that there will be a need to look at the government and restructure it. I think there will be a need over the next two years to look at the constitutional and management arrangements. I'm not sure that the concept we came up with, of the Chief Executive being responsible for both civil and industrial sides. Perhaps it is too big a job."

A TALK WITH SHACKLETON - continued

The peer was surprisingly cautious in speaking about the founding of the Desire The Right party. "I have read the manifesto and think it is quite interesting but I don't interfere with other people's politics" he said. Lord Shackleton also refused to be drawn on whether he believed it to be a good idea to have party politics in the Islands, saying only; "I wouldn't wish to discourage action but equally it is not as simple as some people think and I can see arguments ~~against~~ as well as for."

With the Press Conference held at a time when the future of the Agricultural Research Centre was uncertain, I asked Lord Shackleton whether he believed there should be further investment in agricultural projects. "I am quite sure the Falklands will need some form of effective scientific agricultural institution. Some people regard the ARC as a disappointing waste of money but some of the younger farmers are very enthusiastic about it. I would certainly not wish to see any attempt to abandon a scientific basis for a country which will still depend a great deal on wool."

Asked about the shortage of labour which results in such slow progress on some projects Lord Shackleton agreed it was "a problem recognised by many people and one which the government has to face. The first thing is to build houses into which immigrants can come. There is a need for a steady but not too big rate of immigration."

Did he therefore support the moves being made to recruit St Helenians for short labour contracts? "I feel very sorry for the St Helenians" he replied. "They have been trapped in their country and don't have access, unlike Falkland Islanders, to full British citizenship and their original industry, the flax industry, has disappeared. I would do anything within reason to help them. On the other hand one doesn't want to create too many stressed here and if they do come I would hope they won't be in such numbers as to cause problems. I think it will call for a good deal of understanding on the part of Falkland Islanders if they are going to have St Helenians here."

Lord Shackleton also echoed a common local concern at the severe lack of opportunities for the young, particularly in Stanley which he noted ~~was~~ as bad as they were when he made his report in 1976. He attributed part of the problem to an "absence of initiative" and repeated the need for people to develop social institutions. One of the original members of Lord Shackleton's team, Bob Storey who also returned to the islands on the peer's recent trip, stayed here for a few weeks after Lord Shackleton's return to look at the social aspects of the Falklands. It is hoped that his final report which will be submitted to Lord Shackleton will result in improved social benefits for the Camp and town communities of the Falklands.

The last question I put to Lord Shackleton was how did he view the course of development in the Falklands proceeding over the next five years?

"I see a continued development of the fishing side sustaining Camp industries with other opportunities like tourism and wildlife. So I would say I am looking forward to a richer, hopefully better socially integrated country with greater facilities available."

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BIRTHS : To Leann and Colin (Tootie) Ford of Stanley, a son, Daniel Timothy. Born 16 January 1988.

MARRIAGES: On 1st December 1987, Doreen Carol Cox to Hiroshi Ikeda at the Registry Office

On 30th December 1987, Wendy Jennifer Cosworth to Julian Richard Wylie at Christchurch Cathedral.

On 31st December 1987, Susan Mary Lee to Anthony Hirtle at Pebble Island

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MARRIAGES : On 2 January 1988, Enid Elizabeth Anthony to Martin James Clarke at the Registry Office.

On 23 January 1988, Katrina Clarke to Zachary Stephenson at St Marys.

On 5 February 1988, Carmen Adriana Lazo to Peter Daniel Griffiths at the FIDF Hall.

Our congratulations to all proud parents and newly weds.

DEATHS : On 23 January 1988, Jean Dobbys, in Stanley, aged 67.

On 31 January 1988, Albert Fredrick Binnie, in Stanley, aged 69.

Our condolences to family and friends of the deceased.

AIRCRAFT CRASH REPORT RELEASED - continued from P. 7

In conclusion, the report says: "It would be difficult to disassociate this accident from the lack of leadership within the company and the consequently unprofessional operation allowed to develop within it. It must however, be noted that this unprofessionalism has not been displayed either on all flights or by all the company pilots."

"There can be little doubt that the somewhat cavalier approach to this operation, particularly into airstrips fraught with hazards, contributed to the accident. The absence of firm direction, in the form of an Operations Manual did nothing either to guide the pilots in the performance of their task or to prevent them from operating in an environment hazardous to it."

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STAMPS FOR GUIDEDOGS PLEASE

The people of the Falkland Islands have been asked to help with a worthwhile cause of sending used stamps to a blind, and incapacitated man of courage who is campaigning tirelessly to collect as many stamps as possible to provide guide dogs for other sightless friends.

Andrew Johansson spends all his time writing to people and asking them to help with cause.

"The result is he now receives regular packets of stamps from H.M The Queen Mother, the Prince and Princess of Wales, Ronald and Nancy Reagan, Dave Allen, Danny La Rue and many other famous people - including the Russian Premier Gorbachov" reads an article recently published on this man, known affectionately to many as 'Drew'.

The article explains that Drew "was a Royal Navy sub mariner and a member of the team which helped to save the lives of 53 men trapped in the submarine HMS Valiant, which had been caught in nets below the surface."

On another occasion in 1975 whilst leading another task, Drew dived to 1,200 feet; a record depth at that time. "Doing this, he was submerged for over 20 minutes and that led, in stages to his present incapacity and use of wheelchair. When he surfaced from his long, deep dive he did not suffer, as might have been expected from the 'bends' and all seemed well. But in fact air bubbles had entered his bloodstream. Had he known that and had a long rest, he could still be an active man today."

"He didn't know and he didn't rest" continued the article. "When driving into Barrow-in-Furness afterward, his co-ordination suddenly 'went' and his car crashed. It was a terrible accident and it was a miracle Andrew survived."

After major surgery, a six month coma and many further months on a life support machine, Andrew Johansson finally returned to his mother's home in Northern Ireland,

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blind in one eye, only partially sighted in the other and confined to a wheel chair. His life now centres around the campaign for used stamps to sponsor the training of guide dogs which can dramatically improve the quality of a blind person's life and with the amount of post the Falklands receives, we should be in a good position to help.

If you would like to help Andrew Johansson with his campaign, you can send your used stamps to him direct at: 'Drew', 24 Springback Drive, Poleglass, Belfast, BT1 0QN.

Alternatively, Tom Swales, secretary of the Falkland Island Traders Association, has kindly offered to forward any used stamps which are delivered to FITA at P.O Box 117.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council meeting on 26/27 January discussed 26 papers which covered a variety of topics.

SWIMMING POOL: Councillors gave the go ahead to finance and design a 25 metre swimming pool, believed to cost in excess of \$1 million said the Chief Executive. The local architect firm, McAdam Design Partnership, have prepared a design which is to be considered by the Swimming Pool Committee. Whilst the majority of the project's cost will be met by government, The Swimming Pool Appeal fund which has been gallantly pursuing the ideal, in various forms, for fifty years, will make a substantial contribution. The Chief Executive said he hoped that the pool would be completed by this time next year but admitted it was a tight timescale for a project of this size.

NEW FIGO PREMISES IN LONDON : Councillors approved funds for the purchase of bigger offices for the Falkland Islands Government Office which will be housed in a 4 storey building near St James' Park. Mr Cummings said there was likely to be further staff increases to ease the burden on current employees.

A FUTURE FOR ARC : With a majority decision, Exco agreed that with effect from 1 July the FIG will fund the Agricultural Research Centre. Councillors accepted a report prepared by Robin Lee of Port Howard detailing the size of the future centre and its programmes. In a proposed three year programme, the ARC's emphasis will change to what the Chief Executive termed "consumer orientated research activity" and it will be controlled by a local committee. The staffing levels will not be significantly reduced, as had been popularly believed. With the FIG to draw up the new contracts of employment it is believed there will be considerable saving on the cost of the contracts issued by ODA.

FISHERIES SEMINAR : From 4-12 March, senior representatives of all the major fishing companies will be in Stanley to attend a seminar in which many aspects of fisheries will be examined. "The main objective is to ascertain the views of the commercial companies who have invested heavily in the Falklands and discuss the future development of fisheries and to enable government to formulate policy" said the Chief Executive. All the visiting representatives will be paying their own way and it is anticipated that this unique event will be of great assistance to everyone involved in fisheries, not least of all, the relative newcomer, the Falklands.

SUPPORT FOR THE POLICE : A boost to the sagging morale of the Falkland Island Police came with the news that Exco agreed to increase the constabulary by a further four. A new post of inspector will also be created to give the force a better career structure. The Chief Executive said that councillors expressed ideas on the methods and style of policing. Negotiations on wages for the police are about to commence.

EXCO CONSIDER THE FUTURE OF CAMP AIRSTRIPS

The latest in a series of papers on the future of FIGAS was considered by Executive Council on 26 January 1988.

Whilst some of the recommendations of the two aviation consultants, Mr John Price and Captain Ken Foster, have already been introduced, including an Operations Manual, new Maintenance Schedules, tickets and improved insurance cover, others are of a more complex and long term nature. At this meeting, the main issue addressed by Councillors was the poor condition of most Camp Aerodromes and how best to improve them.

The Air Navigation (Overseas Territories) Order requires aircraft as large as the Islander to operate into licensed aerodromes. In order to minimise the heavy expenditure envisaged in bringing Camp aerodromes up to the standards required for a licence, Councillors decided that Camp aerodromes should be divided into two categories - Scheduled Service Aerodromes and Unlicensed Aerodromes - and that Government should concentrate its efforts on improving the Scheduled Service Aerodromes. The agreed division was as follows:-

Scheduled Service Aerodromes

Bleaker Island	Green Patch	Salvador
Carcass Island	Hill Cove	San Carlos
Chartres	Keppel Island	Saunders Island
Dunbar	North Arm	Sea Lion Island
Dunnose Head	Pebble Island	Speedwell Island
Douglas Station	Port Howard	Teal Inlet
Fox Bay East	Port San Carlos	Walker Creek
Fox Bay West	Port Stephens	Weddell Island
Goose Green	Roy Cove	

Unlicensed Aerodromes

Beaver Island	Great Island	Rincon Grande
Cape Dolphin	Horsehoe Bay	Swan Island
Fitzroy	Johnsons Harbour	West Point Island
George Island	Lively Island	
Golding Island	Port Louis	

Scheduled Service Aerodromes are those served more frequently by FIGAS. Unlicensed Aerodromes are seldom flown to and a special exemption would be necessary in order for FIGAS to fly to them. In order to upgrade the 26 Scheduled Service Aerodromes, Council agreed the following course of action:

- All 26 aerodromes are to be professionally surveyed and detailed reports prepared on the state of each aerodrome and what is required to bring them up to standard. In those cases where the configuration or surrounding terrain makes it impossible to reach this standard, alternative sites will be found. In this connection it is proposed to replace six sub-standard aerodromes in the Berkeley Sound area by a new, centrally located aerodrome.
- These works are expected to be carried out by McAdam Design. Once completed, detailed costings of the required improvements for each aerodrome will be prepared and submitted to Executive Council. It is likely that overseas contractors will then be employed to carry out the actual work.
- The Government's stock of PSP matting which is sufficient for one aerodrome is to be used to upgrade Sea Lion Island aerodrome, subject to further technical evaluation and costing.
- Trailer-mounted, foam-producing, fire appliances plus hand operated appliances (for aero-engine fires) and two uniforms of fire retardant materials will be purchased by Government for those 23 aerodromes which do not have them.

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Training in the use of the fire appliances and their regular maintenance will be undertaken by the Fire Officer.

Consideration will be given to Rescue and Fire fighting crews receiving an attendance allowance for each landing and take off. Wooden terminal huts, capable of garaging the fire appliances and providing basic shelter for passengers should be purchased by Government for those aerodromes which do not currently have them.

Proper refuelling appliances will be obtained for use at Fox Bay East and Hill Cove aerodromes.

The sum of £25,000 is to be set aside immediately for allocation to those aerodrome owners in a position to effect repairs to their airstrips prior to the findings of the proposed surveys.

At Stanley Aerodrome the planning and costing of a cross runway is to be undertaken.

Councillors considered various options for the possible restructuring of FIGAS and, in particular, whether it would be more appropriate for the airline to become a semi-autonomous Government corporation or to be privatised altogether. In view of the complicated technical and legal issues involved, it was decided to defer a decision until the new General Manager had arrived and made his recommendations on FIGAS's future. Interviews for this post were conducted in London on 8 and 9 February.

In early March, Captain J.H. Boyes is expected to take up his appointment as Chief Pilot of FIGAS. Captain Boyes, an Australian, is aged 38 and currently working in Botswana. He is the type rating examiner for Islander aircraft in Botswana and is at present a Dornier Captain on internal and international schedules.

PRESS RELEASE from the Secretariat.

HOUSING NEWS

The Housing Committee met again on Thursday 28 January. Twelve fresh applications for housing were approved, bringing the number on the Housing List to 59. A number of those requiring urgent accommodation were housed.

As is usual, some of the business was of a routine nature in that correspondence was dealt with and the housing situation in Stanley was once again reviewed.

As the general public were informed in a news release issued in September last year, each and every application for Government housing is very carefully considered and much time is always spent by the Committee in deliberating but with the continuing shortage of houses, very little can be done and applicants must exercise patience.

The Committee was informed that work has commenced on the project to build a block of six single flats in Jeremy Moore Avenue, which it is hoped will be completed by May 1988. Approval has now been given by the Administration for the conversion of the temporary Brexton hospital into one two-bedroomed flat, three one-bedroomed flats and three bed-sitters, all of which will go into the Government housing pool. Invitations for tenders to do the conversion work will be issued within the next few weeks.

An advance party of contractors to build thirty houses for Government on the Jersey Estate arrived in the Colony last week.

The suggestion that there should eventually be two pools of Government housing was discussed. One pool would comprise Government quarters only and would be occupied by Government officers. Any Government officer leaving Government employ would be required to vacate his or her quarter. The other pool would comprise Commission (or Council) housing and houses in that category would be allocated to other persons requiring accommodation. A paper setting out the proposal in some detail will be prepared for consideration by the Executive Council.

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The Committee learned that the formula used by the Public Works Department to value houses had been altered and that as a result the official valuation put on houses in Stanley has risen. One effect of this upward revision will be that persons requesting and obtaining Government loans to buy property (such loans are limited to 90% of the official valuation of the property concerned) should no longer experience the difficulty of having to obtain a considerable bridging loan to cover the difference between the official valuation and the asking price.

The members of the Committee were greatly concerned on being advised that the Government is owed a sum in excess of \$9,000 in outstanding rent. It was agreed that such a situation was totally unacceptable, particularly in view of the chronic housing shortage and that the Treasury Department should be asked to pursue vigorously the collection of the amounts owing. Tenants who owe rent could well face the prospect of eviction and most certainly would not be considered for any alternative Government accommodation. The position will be monitored by the Committee.

PRESS RELEASE from the Secretariat.

STANLEY SENIOR SCHOOL : 1987 C.S.E. RESULTS

The 1987 Certificate of Secondary Education (C.S.E) results have now been received by the Senior School.

In December 1987 pupils in the fourth year of the Senior School took the final examinations for the C.S.E in five subjects: Geography, History, Mathematics, Physics, English Language and Literature.

The grades obtained by the pupils have been determined by continuous assessment throughout the two year course and also by the marks awarded for the final examinations.

Between them, 26 pupils gained 122 subject grades:

- 29 at Grade 1 (the equivalent of a pass in 'O' level at Grade C or higher)
- 23 at Grade 2
- 28 at Grade 3
- 25 at Grade 4 (regarded as the Grade achieved by a candidate of 'average ability')
- 17 at Grade 5

Pupils and teachers are to be highly commended for this excellent performance. It must be pointed out that these results compare very favourably with results obtained in UK schools.

Special mention must be made of Leona Vidal and Tom Blake, who gained Grade 1 in each of their subjects.

J. Mahoney
Headmaster
Senior School

CORRECTION - Penguin News is grateful to Robin Pitaluga for pointing out an error in our report on Doug Rough's article on FIGAS in the magazine Air Pictorial. Mr Rough did, in fact, mention the Islander crash of June last year in his piece. Mr Pitaluga also points out that Mr Rough submitted his article to the magazine before any changes in FIGAS had been made public and would therefore not have known about them.

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EDITORIAL: FIRE FOCUS — THE INVISIBLE EXERCISE

Fire Focus, the military deployment exercises about to take place in the islands will be an invisible one as far as the local people are concerned.

Centred almost entirely at the Mount Pleasant base, 35 miles from Stanley, the comings and goings of around 1000 troops in the next few weeks will go unobserved by most islanders.

Military authorities have shown consideration in ensuring the civilian community is not disturbed by their activities, although any disruption would in any case be a

small price to pay for the reassuring demonstration of the island's defence capabilities.

Ironically it is the UK which will suffer more from the effects of the Falklands exercise in terms of political repercussions with the international flak already evident from some quarters.

It was predictable enough that the Argentinians would endeavour to make diplomatic capital out of the move and sure enough, we have seen them peevishly exaggerating it to cause a row where other countries feel obliged to make comment.

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AIDS TESTS FOR ALL

The Falkland Islands Government has instructed the medical department to test the entire population of the islands for the Aids virus when a similar programme of screening for the hydatid disease takes place later this year.

Chief Medical Officer, Dr Murphy told Penguin News that he appreciated that there were members of the community who would object to such a move. "However, my priority is the public health" he said, "and unfortunately the sensitive attitudes of some individuals will have to take second place."

Although the Falklands has received no known cases of Aids yet, the chief medical officer warned that with the

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EDITORIAL: FIRE FOCUS - THE INVISIBLE EXERCISE

Other nations are by and large content to ignore the Argentine-British impasse on the Falklands unless the situation becomes unstable again and the Argentinians know their best chance of forcing the issue is to play up bona fide actions such as the imminent exercise.

If by squealing and growling loudly in the United Nations and elsewhere they can convince the rest of the world that Britain is aggravating a delicate situation then they will win international sympathy and, they will hope, support for their claim. It is a pitiable manner in which to further their case and moreover, Argentina's querulous words not Britain's mild actions which are 'heightening tension' as the South Americans have asserted.

The Falkland Islanders are therefore even more grateful to the British politicians not only for reassuring them of the government's commitment to their defence by initiating Fire Focus in the first place but also for standing firm in the face of international criticism.

Perhaps the Falklands have caused a few headaches in some Whitehall offices recently but those who remain proudly loyal to the British flag here, say thank you to those who remain loyal to them

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the number of visitors to the islands from overseas, it is only a matter of time before one arrives on Falklands' soil.

Dr Murphy recently represented the Falkland Islands at the World Health Organisation world summit on Aids, held in London at the end of January. 150 health ministers from all over the world convened to discuss the best global approach to combating the deadly virus which has been labelled the modern day plague. Dr Murphy said that he had been impressed by the responsible attitude shown by all visiting representatives and felt the summit to have been very worthwhile.

The summit concluded that an extensive programme of public information was the best way to control the spread of Aids and Dr Murphy reported that he was happy with the way that programme was going in the Falklands. Aids posters are now a familiar sight in the shops and public areas of Stanley and copies of the World Health Organisation video on the disease are available free in Stanley and being distributed in Camp. "The video is good and in no way offensive" said Dr Murphy. "It is very informative and underlines the international character of the epidemic."

Figures in last month's British Medical Journal lists 720 deaths from Aids in the UK up to the end of January 1988 and there are 1283 known cases of the disease there. It is believed that a further 30,000 are currently carrying the virus and the free information sheet available from the hospital warns that the number is rising and will continue to do so unless everyone takes precautions. As it takes a considerable amount of time for the symptoms to become apparent it will be several years before the size and spread of the epidemic is realised.

STANLEY HAS ITS SAY

The first public meeting to be held in Stanley in a year not in the Town Hall refreshment room on the evening of 24 February. Local residents packed into the room with some having to stand, whilst Stanley councillors, John Cheek, Terry Betts, Wendy Teggart and Charles Keenleyside and Camp councillor Tony Blake received questions from the floor and put a few of their own forward.

The issue which began the debate and which recurred throughout the two hour long proceedings was education, with parents expressing concern about the increase in class sizes and the lack of space available for pupils. Councillors were questioned closely for the reason physics has been dropped from the school syllabus; a move seen as particularly disappointing as top results were secured in the recent CSE examinations. Despite some dogged questioning, councillors failed to fully explain the move.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Amidst all the numerous comings and goings of people in the Falklands which often makes the islands feel like some sort of transit lounge, there was one recent departure which for many in the local community was a sad loss indeed.

Peter Henderson, the creator of the Hydroponic garden left last month after a sudden crisis within his family forced him to return to the UK for good.

The hydroponic garden which he and his wife toiled long and hard over for three years is arguably the one development project which has truly revolutionised local life. For the first time tomatoes, lettuces, green peppers, cucumbers and even aubergines are commercially available for a grateful public who until then either had to grow their own or simply do without.

The garden had just come to fruition and the climax to the years of set backs which had caused many to speculate that the project was doomed to failure, was just in sight when circumstances beyond his control has forced Peter's retreat.

To a man who has proven his resilience and determination countless times before, Penguin News is sure the New Zealander will be busying away at some new project before too long but in the meantime we wish the Henderson family well and thank them for their hard labours.

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One member of the assembly urged that it was important with all the development and progress taking place in the islands for subjects to be added to the syllabus and not detracted from it, particularly if the next generation were to be qualified enough to take up the new positions which are currently going to overseas recruits. Development is with us now, he said; the increase in the number of children requiring good education was here now and there was no point in councillors planning for an expansion in education in three years time when it was needed now.

The discussion then turned to the 'priority list' for projects with a question asked by councillors and public alike but fully answered by nobody; what is the priority? Education? Roads? Housing? "The general public is at fault if the pressure brought on councillors is for a different priority than the one it is most concerned with" said one councillor.

Unlike the last public meeting which generally had a sour tone, this one was a more spirited and constructive one and not without its moments of humour. When the questions of Prynn's predictions of a major population increase came up, Councillor Cheek asked the assembly what sort of expansion they wanted. "What sort of people do you want to see here?" he asked. After a moment's silence, the voice of a football club member was heard clearly: "Well, we need a left back for Stanley...."

A more serious mood prevailed as the discussion of a population increase led to fears of a corresponding increase in housing problems and there was general recognition of the fact that despite a new water plant having been implemented, the new system and the recently purchased generators for the electricity station will be unable to handle even a small population increase, let alone the 500-800 in four years talked of by Prynn.

Councillors were asked why they had approved the purchase of comparatively small generators for the electricity station. Councillor John Cheek replied that they had requested larger 3 megawatt generators be purchased but that expert advice had insisted the 1.5 megawatt size would be sufficient for the community needs. ODA had paid for the generators and had insisted on the experts' advice being followed. Councillor Cheek added. Councillors went on to point out that when ODA had been funding the development projects, they had not been in a position to challenge the advice of the experts consulted. With the FIG now in a position to control its own purse strings, councillors were able to have more of a say.

The prospect of a major population increase was an area of concern for many at the meeting. Whilst it was appreciated that immigrants were required to provide some essential skills and services, it was pointed out by those present, that the islands scarcely had facilities to support the present inhabitants, let alone hundreds more. Electricity and water supplied could only just meet present demand and the increase that will come when the housing projects presently underway are completed, let alone future ones and the schools were in a similar over stretched situation.

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BOUND ABOUT TOWN



For a tour guide, leading a group of visitors around Stanley and the town's hinterland can be an immensely satisfying experience. There are so many beautiful areas, fascinating buildings and evocative monuments about which tour groups are as one in their delight and pleasure.

The bright, clean and exceedingly pleasant Stanley experience starts to take a turn for the worse, however, as the tour landrover heads west towards Tumbledown mountain and the always appreciated battlemented tower; for large on the horizon looms the wooden slatted and rusting edifice of the slaughterhouse, looking for all the world like the nightmare animal concentration camp it is.

With the slaughter-house still in sight, the land rover passes the rubbish tip and although the driver speeds up as much as the road will allow, the dump cannot escape the notice of the visitors. Gracious though they are, most agree that, yes, rubbish disposal is a problem everywhere. Recently, though, one visitor suggested a solution.

In the Shetland Islands, where he came from, the council erects an eight foot high wire mesh fence around the dumps. This doesn't stop the grateful sea birds from enjoying the tasty pickings but does prevent the trash from blowing all over the surrounding area and makes the area look as though someone cares at least.

Please, government, for the sake of visitors and residents, can we have a tall fence around the dump? Then there will be nothing except the slaughter-house to spoil the charm and beauty of the Stanley area.

WELCOME BACK, CHAY!

A Public Works Department road sign recently spotted on Davis Street read 'Road Closed Chay!'.

It's nice to see a friendly road sign for a change; after all, chay is simply the local vernacular for friend. There is actually no precise translation but the nearest words to it would be 'pal' or 'chum'.

Perhaps the road sign means that one of our few home grown words is being rehabilitated. For some years now, its use has not been much favoured by many of our slightly superior citizens who consider it rather uncouth and common. But I've always liked the word and used it and indeed, feel proud when a fellow islander calls me 'chay'.

It's good to see you back, chay!

THANKS BELINDA

I'm sure the editor won't mind seeing her name in the column even if mention in Bound About Town has not always been the next best thing to a kiss!

But I must mention Belinda Caminada because she deserves thanks for her hard work and it is appropriate that my appreciation is expressed in Penguin News.

Belinda has done an excellent job for the last year or so and I am grateful to her not only for keeping the issues coming but also for making sure that the standard of writing, comment and reporting has remained high. Some of Penguin News' best editorials have come from her pen and, when deserved, a few deserving institutions and

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individuals have felt the sharp criticism that Penguin News can deliver.

Belinda has set a high standard of writing for the new editor.

Thanks Belinda, and good luck for the future.

Grahahn Bound

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The new dentist, Trevor Barnes arrived in the Falklands on March 7, accompanied by his wife and two children.

Mr Barnes has visited the Falklands on several occasions whilst working for the British Antarctic Survey on the ship Bransfield and is said to have enjoyed his stays and be looking forward to coming here again.

Mr Barnes is to replace Andrew Watts who leaves for the UK on March 12

The Swimming Pool Committee which met at the beginning of March to consider the preliminary plans for the 25 metre pool, prepared by McAdam Designs, have rejected them and are to refer the designs back to the Chief Executive with a list of recommendations.

Amongst other things, the Committee expressed concern that the original plans make no provision for spectators such as mothers wishing to watch their children. There is also no social area and no diving facilities. The plans also lacked any details such as the depth of the proposed pool

The new editor of Penguin News, Rory McCloud, will not now be arriving until the end of March so we have heard. The present editor had delayed her departure once to assist the new editor with the handover, as FIDC requested, but is unable and unwilling to delay her departure again. It is believed Mr McCloud will be arriving on March 29th but it is not known when he will anticipate to have his first issue out. Therefore there will be a hiccup in the production of Penguin News but there is no reason to believe it will be a big one.

The Firearms Amnesty expires on 31 March. If you have any firearms which are not registered you must register them now and no action will be taken.

The amnesty doesn't apply to military weapons that may have come into people's possession following the conflict as these are all crown property. An exception may be made for those which belong to a museum collection.

The inquest into the death of Corporal Rimer whose body was found at the base of the SSVC mast at Mount Pleasant on 22 February has been adjourned. The body has been returned to the UK and the Falklands' Coroner is awaiting results of a post mortem which is to be carried out there.

Stanley Services took over the responsibility of supplying diesel in the Falklands on March 5th, a month earlier than expected, after the company and the F.I.C were unable to reach a satisfactory commercial agreement. It had been expected that the FIC would have a continued role in fuel handling on behalf of Stanley Services but this has not proved possible.

Stanley Services have been handling the supply of petrol and kerosene and fuel bunkering since the beginning of January and the latest acquisition of diesel control means it is now responsible for all fuel distribution.

Stanley Services have said they will continue to use Coastel Shipping to distribute diesel to camp and will be responsible from Voyage A-4 M.V Forrester and Voyage S-10 M.V Monsunen. The Falkland Islands Company are to be responsible for voyages up to and including MV Monsunen S-9 and M.V Forrester A-3

EDITORIAL - continued

What a pleasure to see the Town Hall looking spruce and smart following its recent paint job. The coat of cream with chocolate brown coloured details around doors and windows has transformed the drab, unattractive block of a building into something befitting its central role in the community.

Let us hope that it is merely the first step in a return to a tidier, more presentable face of Stanley.

Anyone out and about in the clear summer evenings recently may have witnessed some amusing goings on.

Certainly one resident of Davis Street was bemused, if not amused, when a stranger knocked on his door and said "Will you help me start my rover, please?" When the resident ventured outside he found that the unknown character was asking for his help to hot wire his own vehicle!

On another occasion, a prowler around the east end of town was seen off by a speedy figure who dressed in nothing but a pair of boxer shorts chased him along Crozier place, down to public jetty, along Ross Road, up part of Dean street to Montys where the pest was finally caught. Not a bad run for some one in bare feet at 4.30 in the morning!!

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"We must get our house in order first before inviting people in" said one person quietly.

One of the most productive aspects of the meeting was the general consensus that a rate of 40 newcomers to the island per year was a rate of immigration which would at once be enough to boost the number of local skills available but which would also be low enough to prevent any crisis of demand in existing facilities. It was agreed that this figure of 40 should be inclusive of all members of a family unit.

The debate moved on to the problems of transport around the islands with suggestion made that a combined service of both land and float aircraft be available so that those camp communities who will be unable to provide an airstrip up to the strict standards required following the Islander crash last June, would be served.

"West Camp pay the same taxes as everyone else" said one Stanley resident, "they should benefit from the same services". A comment which was supported by many at the meeting.

On the matter of the camp road system, Councillor Blake told the meeting that no country in the world had ever developed without a road system but Councillor Cheek said he was frightened by the cost of building and maintaining any sort of camp road network. A further discussion found both the public and councillors agreeing that the future of FIGAS and any road and ferry proposals all hung in the balance, dependent upon which future path of development is adopted in the light of the interim Frynn report.

Another topic of discussion was the role of Stanley fisheries and the FIDC with particular concern expressed by both councillors and the public over the activities of the joint venture companies which, it was felt, are beyond local control. There was widespread support for the suggestion that joint ventures be dissolved and the fishing licence fee increased to bring the revenue more directly under the control of FIG. Although Stanley Fisheries is a subsidiary of FIDC (itself called the development arm of FIG) many present felt that both SFL and FIDC were following their own wishes and paying little regard to local wishes or interest.

One member of the local community suggested that FIDC was making the development policy and not the councillors. Councillor Blake replied that "FIDC should be full of ideas and push them forward, to give the impression of ruling the roost. They needed the impression of being go-getters to get the ideas out. We needed FIDC to use the \$31 million development grant but now that money has almost come to an end the role of FIDC should come under review."

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PENGUIN POST BOX

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7 March 1988.

Dear Mr Bound,

I was interested to read your comments in Bound About Town in issue number 110 of Penguin News and would like to take this opportunity to clarify the Party's position.

You say you are disappointed that a movement has only now been formed when you think "we all stand to control a large fortune". If you have been attending any of the discussions and public meetings held recently you should have realised that the revenue we have is quite limited when you consider how much is needed to be done in the Islands. Also aid from the ODA soon ends and we will have to pay all the bills ourselves, so we do not have the "fortune" you talk about. Party members are very aware of this and want to see funds spent wisely on priority projects to improve the quality of life for Islanders.

I would like to expand on what the Party meant by the statement in our manifesto: "To keep the sovereignty of the Falkland Islands within the British sphere of influence". In a nutshell, we do not wish to remain in a traditional colonial system ruled by Whitehall-appointed civil servants. We want to achieve local control of our government; call it autonomy or internal self-government but not independence as such.

We are as British as the Isle of Man and Channel Islands. They are very much British but they each run their own governments without control from London. Their Lieutenant-Governors are the Queen's representatives and titular heads of government but in practice real decisions are made by the local parliaments of councils. We would like a similar status to the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

I am puzzled that you compare a new party forming here with the UK political parties. I expect this of ex-patriots who do not fully appreciate how an island community evolves. Perhaps a more appropriate comparison would be with the Shetland Islands where you might be interested to hear, a non-aligned political party known as the Shetland Movement carries out a very similar role to our party here. A similar movement also exists in Orkney.

Our manifesto is in its infancy but when implemented it will certainly have considerable impact on life here. It has also to date brought 135+ members who see the points in it as priorities. I note that later in your article you put in a plan for two metre repeaters; this is included in our manifesto and incidentally, so is the principle of continuing land subdivision.

Finally, like you, we look forward to the formation of another party.

Yours sincerely,

Phyllis Rendell

Stan Smith
Stanley

Dear Madam,

October 1982 saw the first Falkland competitors taking place in the Commonwealth Games in Australia in the rifle range competitions; apart from Bisley in the U.K, our first participation against top marksmen of the Commonwealth, where it was inevitable at that time that representation was our main objective.

July 1986 saw further participation in Scotland; this time we were more disadvantaged than on our previous attempts, as no practice facilities were available in the Falklands since 1982; a lapse of over four years at that time.

To date there are still no facilities available and on 14 March 1982 it will be six years since we held our last shooting practice

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In 1990, two years hence, the Commonwealth Games will be held in New Zealand and no matter what magic spell appears, I cannot see any shooting practice being available before 1989. Then there will only be a year to go.

Early in 1987, permission was granted to build a new range. I understand that a small amount of money was made available in the 1986/87 budget estimates and I believe an increase was granted in the 1987/88 estimates to meet increasing costs. 1988 has not arrived but not yet has a single spadeful of earth been moved in preparation of new butts, storage sheds and distance mounds. Much work has to be done before a single trigger will be squeezed in the build up for New Zealand 1990. Perhaps it would be more realistic to make 1994 the ultimate option.

I appeal to all Rifle Club members and anyone who may be interested in rifle shooting to pressurise those holding key positions within the Club to initiate and supervise the construction of a new range at the earliest possible date. As a member of our present committee, now two years old, I have done my best to achieve some movement towards construction but with little success.

I can only sum up the situation by saying that we have one of the most inactive clubs of today. Golf, badminton, darts and football clubs are all apparently flourishing but not the rifle club, centred around a sport which we have achieved much success in since 1926.

It is fair to say that only four members of the Rifle Club, the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and myself, were fortunate enough to take part in the Commonwealth Games of 1982 and 1986 but given proper facilities and the chance, there are young, sharp-eyed, would-be marksmen waiting in the shadows and if the present situation continues they will never be able to prove their hidden skills.

To those in authority, please do something and quickly.

Yours faithfully,

Stan Smith
A Marksman for thirty years with failing eyes.

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5th December 1987

Dear Madam,

Now that the rich viability of the fishing grounds around the Falkland Islands is a proven fact, being taken great advantage of by other nations, there comes the opportunity for the re-establishment of a British deep-water trawler fleet, the like of which faded away some years ago after the bitter Icelandic 'Cod War'.

The increased commercial activity involved in the landing of catches for the home market and the supply and servicing of trawlers and factory ships could also do something to stem the ever-rising tide of unemployment and poverty now overtaking some of the ports in the West of England, so favourably placed to take geographic advantage of this possible harvest from the South Atlantic.

However, with this revitalised trade should go the naval presence and protection to provide the untrammelled peace and security obligatory for the satisfactory pursuance of operations over the vast distances of ocean involved. Despite the immensity of the area, the stationing of a permanent South Atlantic Squadron would not be that difficult since, by mere good fortune, there remain many suitable British dependencies and friendly harbours available to the Fleet. Few will require reminding that Ascension and St Helena still provide safe links in the chain of naval back-up and that bunkering at Freetown is still possible. These together with the constant friendship of little Uruguay, whose help and co-operation in the recent and not so recent past should have long ago led to the conferment of "most favoured nation" status, present a picture not too inimical for the maintenance of the influence that goes with naval power.

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And of course there remains that staunch and immovable bastion, Gibraltar: thrust a thousand miles down into the Atlantic but linked to the home islands by common bonds and peopled by fellow citizens in perpetual allegiance under the crown, always giving of their best in times of trouble. This ideally sited, protected and defended anchorage with its sophisticated facilities thus holds a key position for the regulation of a "forward" policy in respect of the protection of trade, right to the edge of the Southern Ocean. In addition, were the Rock's naval (and military) presence run down and accompanying tokenism to be promptly reversed, the recently witnessed fumbling lack of immediate response in getting a mere half-flotilla of minesweepers ready for operations in distant waters, might, in future, be avoided!

Once the rhythm of trade, albeit, in the first instance, of a specialised nature, were to settle down to a pattern and the exception to become the norm, the opportunity to claw back the enormous general commerce lost to Britain over the last thirty years or so, involving the millions populating the South America, might finally be realised.

Yours faithfully,

R Travers-Bogusz

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Councillor Check sympathised with the general view aired at the meeting that local wishes were too often ignored by the administration and its agencies. "At times the administration do things without our full knowledge and force things through because they believe they are doing the right thing" he said.

"These officials are not Falkland Islanders and although they may be trying to do their best for the islands they will obviously have a different loyalty. We have to fight our own battles and be seen to be doing so."

Councillors discussed with the assembly the idea of having full time, paid councillors with drawbacks to the proposal aired by some councillors. Councillor Wendy Teggart suggested the establishment of a central councillors' office in town where people could drop in to air their views and discuss their problems with a researcher who would man the office full time. The researcher would then look into any problems raised and brief councillors who would check in regularly. The office would be entirely independent, said Councillor Teggart.

WINDSURFERS ACROSS THE SOUND

The sport of windsurfing seems to be becoming increasingly popular in the islands with the brightly coloured sails and boards jangling in Stanley harbour waters, now a common sight.

Three of the most experienced and keen windsurfers in the islands at the moment, dentist Andrew Watts, teacher Dik Saule and Flt Sgt Mick Gillatt from 78 Squadron at Mount Pleasant decided to take their hobby beyond the tame confines of Stanley harbour and Gull Island pond near Mare Harbour to attempt the first windsurfing crossing of the Falkland Sound between the two main islands: an adventure which proved not without its element of drama.

The trio decided to attempt the crossing from Long Point near Egg Harbour on East Falkland to the Port Howard settlement on West Falkland; a distance of some fifteen miles. At 9.00 am on the morning of 20 February the three set off on their boards but having surfed three quarters of a mile, it was decided that the 30 knot south westerly wind was too strong and the first attempt was abandoned.

By early that afternoon the wind had dropped to 15-20 knots and the conditions were ideal so the three wet suited figures, each carrying flares and whistles in case of emergency, set off again. A rigid hull inflatable boat, manned by Dave and Mike McCleod and nurse Judith Bolton, acted as a safety boat, circling around the three boards to check on the men throughout the crossing.

Apart from a few problems with kepp and a dramatic change of wind direction on entering the Narrows at the entrance to the Port Howard inlet, the crossing was uneventful and completed at a steady speed of eight knots.

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An hour and a half after setting out, the three arrived at Port Howard jetty having been accompanied on the last stretch by Robin Lee in a small boat, waving a champagne bottle and a school of friendly dolphins. A crowd of well wishes greeted the exhilarated windsurfers and celebrations continued in the Port Howard Lodge.

It was the return crossing, planned for the Sunday where the trio's fortunes proved less favourable. Strong winds in excess of 40 knots arrived with the dawn and on a trial sail in the protection of the harbour, Dik Sawle was catapulted through the sail on his board by a freak gust of wind.

It wasn't until 6.00 in the evening that the strong winds began to drop and the windsurfers decided that with less than three hours of daylight left they would be safer to make the crossing back to their landrovers at Long Point in the safety boat and not on their boards.

Before setting out, Andrew, Dik and Mike consulted the weather forecasters in the area by radio whilst Bill Pole Evans climbed the ridge behind the settlement to look out to the Sound with binoculars where he reported there was an acceptable amount of swell and few white toppers. With the local consensus that the sea state and wind conditions were acceptable, the safety boat left Port Howard with the three windsurfers and three support crew for a journey anticipated to take 40 minutes.

The first stage of the crossing went well until the boat neared North Swan, a tussock island situated in the Sound, a third of the way across. "Just beyond the small island the boat hit a whirlpool effect where two tides met, throwing up waves ten feet high from all directions" said Dik later. "The boat was still happy in going on but it slowed down our progress."

"The effect seemed to last a long time and we couldn't tell whether it was going to apply to the rest of the crossing so we went into the lee of North Swan to see if we could get out of the wave effect. There was thick kelp in the gap between North Swan and the neighbouring Swan Island so we couldn't get through."

"Finally we beached on North Swan island" said Andrew Watts, picking up the story, "with the intention of staying in the small hut there until the next morning. We secured the boat and used the two metre set to try and call people to tell them we were alright and didn't need help. Les Whitney was to meet us by our landrovers at Long Point and we didn't want him to worry when we didn't arrive. We kept calling and calling but no one replied."

To add to the group's frustration, the lights of the three landrovers which Les Whitney had agreed to line up as a homing beacon for the windsurfers were clearly visible over the six mile distance of water; but it seemed their radio call could not cover the distance with so much ease.

As darkness fell, an anxious Les Whitney consulted Port Howard and it was decided to alert Mount Pleasant who scrambled a Sea King Search and Rescue helicopter, crewed by members of 78 Squadron.

The helicopter swept over the area of North Swan once with the sound of its rotors going unheard by the group over the noise of the wind outside and the six inside the hut oblivious to its search light. It was when the helicopter made its second journey, back up the Sound that the group saw the light through the hut window and signalled to it with a torch.

With the time now 1.00 am camp time, the helicopter landed in pitch dark on the unknown island and collected the six. "We didn't actually want to be rescued", explained Dik and Andrew later "but obviously no one else was to know that and we were naturally grateful to the military for coming out to look for us."

Leaving the boat and equipment on North Swan the Sea King took off and obliged its passengers by dropping them back at their vehicles at Long point where a concerned Les Whitney was still waiting. The group returned to Egg Harbour and next morning Dik Sawle, Judith Bolton and Mike McCloud returned to Stanley whilst Andrew Watts and Dave McCloud flew to Port Howard and then used the settlement's boat to return to North Swan to collect the safety boat and equipment abandoned that night.

How did Dik and Andrew feel at the end of their adventures, I asked them? "We feel a great sense of achievement at having done the crossing but it is obviously tinged with regret that anxiety was caused to those who helped and supported us."

The windsurfers stressed the crossing could not have been accomplished without the help of many people and their warm thanks go to Les and Agnes Whitney, Robin Lee, Bill Pole Evans and all at Port Howard; all those who provided weather reports in the area, the crew of the Sea King helicopter, FIGAS and last but not least, Falkland Islands Tourism who sponsored the costs of the venture.

COURT NEWS

On Wednesday 17th February, Mr Alistair Hume pleaded guilty to the charge of being unlawfully present in the islands.

Chief Police Officer, Ken Greenland, told the Court that Mr Hume had been a crew member on the British Antarctic Survey ship, RSS John Biscoe, which had reported him missing at 10.45 am on Tuesday 16th February, 15 minutes before they were due to sail from the Falklands.

The John Biscoe left without Mr Hume and at 11.50 he presented himself at the B.A.S office in Stanley.

The Court was told that Mr Hume, aged 18 had suffered home sickness on his first voyage from the UK and that the ship was reported to have been an unhappy one with two other crew members paid off and sent back to the UK.

In a statement to police, Mr Hume said he had left the John Biscoe and all his belongings in his cabin, intending not to return. He possessed only £9.00 in cash and the clothes he wore at the time. He explained that he had felt unable to go to the captain to ask to be sent home so had jumped ship. He apologised for the trouble and inconvenience he had caused and said it was not normal for him to behave in this way.

Mr Greenland told the Court that as a crew member of a ship, Mr Hume had been allowed into the colony without a visa providing he left on the same ship when it sailed. As he had not done so he was an illegal immigrant and as he only had £9.00 in money he was also a prohibited immigrant.

The Senior Magistrate, Mr Bowman said that illegal entry to the colony was a serious matter with fines up to £2000 and prison sentences provided for under the recently updated ordinance. However, he said he would take into account Mr Hume's youth, domestic circumstances and the fact that the John Biscoe was, by reputation at that time, not a happy ship. He also noted that the accused had co-operated fully with police and had pleaded guilty.

Mr Hume was fined £50. The B.A.S office supported him until he flew back to the UK three days later.

On Wednesday 17 February, Timothy McCallum and Neil Clifton were both sentenced to three months imprisonment after they each pleaded guilty to assault causing actual bodily harm against Mr David Hall.

The Court was told that the assault had taken place after an incident in the Rose Bar on 12 December when Mr Hall, who had been very drunk, had struck out at Mr Clifton. The blow which had glanced off Mr Clifton's jaw had struck a woman standing nearby who was a friend of Mr McCallum and had broken her nose.

The Chief Police Officer said that following that incident (which was a subject of a court case earlier this year) the two accused had seized Mr Hall and taken him outside where he was beaten and knocked to the ground. Mr Hall was said to have sustained several blows and a kick to the forehead which had left a clear imprint, although it was not known which of the two had delivered it. A passer by found Mr Hall soon afterwards lying in the road in a semi-conscious state and he was taken to hospital. A doctor's report, read out in court said that Mr Hall had suffered abrasions to his forehead and a bleeding nose. No facial bones had been broken and after 24 hours observation, Mr Hall was allowed home.

The Senior Magistrate told the two men he had considered the mitigating circumstances which were that the victim had started the incident, that a lady friend of one of the accused had been injured in it and that they had pleaded guilty. He went on, however, to describe the attack by two big men in retaliation against a man clearly under the influence of alcohol as totally unacceptable.

"Such behaviour must offend members of the community and will not be tolerated in this court" he said. "No one may kick a fellow citizen with impunity" he added.

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before passing a sentence of three months imprisonment on both men.

Mr McCallum and Mr Clifton have appealed against the sentence and the appeal will be heard by the Supreme Justice when he returns to the Falklands at the end of March. Both men have been bailed pending the appeal.

Ernest Barnes gave a plea of not guilty to the Court on Monday 29 February where he appeared charged with being incapable of having proper control of a motor vehicle whilst under the influence of drink or drugs, on the night of Christmas Day 1987.

The Court first evidence from Dr McAdam who gave details of the medical examination given to the defendant on the night of the incident and confirmed that she had believed him to have been incapable of having proper control of a motor vehicle.

Second witness, PC Hemingway said he had first noticed Mr Barnes' rover going up Villiers Street in an erratic fashion, swaying from side to side. The police officer said he gave chase in his marked police landrover and put its blue light on. Mr Barnes' landrover did not stop and PC Hemingway said that parked vehicles on Davis Street into which both vehicles turned, prevented him from overtaking. When Mr Barnes stopped at his home on Davis Street, the police officer said he asked him to alight from the vehicle and accompany him to the hospital which the defendant agreed to do.

Representing Mr Barnes was Councillor Terry Betts who in cross examining PC Hemingway suggested a discrepancy between the police officer's verbal statement in court and written report on the incident. He also suggested that the showing of a blue top light on a police vehicle is not necessarily understood by the public as an indication that the police wished them to stop.

When Mr Barnes took the witness stand he told the magistrate that he had attended the Falklands Club on Christmas night for two hours, leaving just before midnight having consumed four whiskies. He explained that he had not observed the police light behind him until both vehicles were on Davis Street and did not believe it to have meant he should have stopped. Any swerving of the vehicle was done to avoid pot holes on Davis Street, said the defendant before adding "I had 100% control of the vehicle."

Mr Barnes contested PC Hemingway's account of his actions when the vehicles reached his home, saying that he had in fact been out of his landrover and at his gate, several paces away when stopped.

In summing up the case for defence, Councillor Terry Betts pointed out that the doctor had spoken of Mr Barnes' impaired ability to drive in her written report whilst she had talked of him being incapable of having proper control of a vehicle in her verbal statement in court. Mr Betts read out dictionary definitions of the words 'impaired' and 'incapable' to illustrate his belief that the two statements had different implications.

The Senior Magistrate, in passing judgement said that the case was clearly a border line one. He declared that the prosecution had failed to convince him, beyond any reasonable doubt, as is required, that the defendant was incapable of having full control of the vehicle through drink. Mr Barnes was therefore acquitted.

Mr Christopher Smiles who appeared in Court on 2 March pleaded guilty to a drink drive charge in relation to an incident on the night of 20 February when the vehicle he was driving crashed into one of the storm ditches at the junction of Davis Street and the By Pass Road.

Mr Smiles was disqualified from driving for a year and was fined £100.

Also on 2 March, Graham David Sladen pleaded guilty to four charges of driving without insurance, driving without a valid licence and failing to exhibit the proper lights at the front and rear of his vehicle.

When requested by a mobile police patrol to present his driving licence at the police station, Mr Sladen had produced one eight months out of date. The magistrate ruled that, according to Falklands law, an out of date licence invalidated insurance cover. It was pointed out to the magistrate that the

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vehicle being drive by Mr Sladen was one of a pool of vehicles owned by the Falkland Islands Government and he was not responsible for the upkeep of the landrover's lights.

Mr Bowran sympathised with this point but told the defendant that a driving licence eight months out of date could not be attributed to oversight and it appeared to him to have been a deliberate omission.

Mr Sladen was disqualified from driving for a year and fined a total £200 for all charges.

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Sydney Miller
21 John Street
Sydney

20 February 1988

Dear Madam,

At a meeting in the Town Hall on the evening of 17 February, arranged by the Desire The Right Party for members and other interested Islanders, there were present all four Stanley members of the Legislative Council.

During general discussion on the future development of the Colony, I was a little appalled by one or two remarks from the four council members who said that because a strong influence had been evolving over recent months from U.K appointed personnel in the Government House area, there was nothing that Councillors could do about it.

This feeble attitude exasperated me when I thought back 25-30 years to my time on Council where I served 16 years, twelve on them on Executive Council. That was a period of considerable interest to me as we then enjoyed good and capable Governors; men who were always available for personal consultation at Government House, concerning any problems that were worrying us..

At the same time, councillors in those days made no bones about letting Government know exactly how we felt when we differed from their ideas and schemes. I can recall some Executive Council meetings in which frank views were indeed very strongly expressed and I should be delighted if I could once more learn that the present Councillors were, en bloc, tackling the present one sided attitude of the Government's imported advisers and making Falkland Islanders' opinions very clear to them and in fact, chucking their views down their throats which they could take back to Whitehall with them.

Yours faithfully

Sydney Miller

Ron Reeves
Secretary
Port Howard Farm Ltd
Port Howard

31 January 1988

Dear Madam,

Since the completion of the last round of rural and social upheavals, in the guise of sub division, it emerges that Port Howard Farm has become the largest independent sheep farm in the Falklands.

Port Howard Farm covers an area of West Falklands totalling some 723 sq. km and carries approximately 42,000 sheep. With a population of 35, this is a density of 20.65 sq. km. per man, woman and child. If Port Howard Farm had the same population density of the UK at 590 persons per sq mile, it would carry over 164,000 people. In other words for every Howarder there would be over 4,6000 UK'ers.

In fact, with a Gross Farm Product of 1,200 sheep per person there are still far fewer sheep per sq. mile than people per sq. mile in UK

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Regarding wool exports, Port Howard acts as a catchment area for approx 53,000 plus sheep over an approximate 220,000 acres. To conclude, if all West Falkland resident civilians were to board a Jumbo 747 at MPA, there would still be plenty of seats free to swing around in.

Regards,

Ron Reeves
Secretary
Port Howard Farm

J Haughey
DSO
PSA
Mount Pleasant
9 February 1988

Dear Madam,

I would like to correct the statement made in issue 110 as it has created a lot of confusion at Mount Pleasant Airfield.

All plant material and materials necessary to carry out the work ordered was, in fact, supplied by the Property Services Agency. Mr Miller was asked to supply labour only to carry out the work.

Mr Miller or his representative Mr Middleton have overseen all work from initially digging the holes and filling with a made up mixture of peat and compost to the erection of the wind breaks and finally the planting of the trees. Mr Miller is also required to maintain the bases of the trees on two more occasions throughout his contract period.

So, as you will see from the above, a complete plant and maintenance contract existed with PSA, not as you describe in your article.

You also state that it is "doubtful whether the trees will survive because the trees are planted too far apart". * On domestic sites, as opposed to forestry areas the grass has to be maintained whilst the trees slowly mature. With 'ride on' machines reasonably large areas have to be left for maintenance. Furthermore on a working site such as MPA the positioning of trees and shrubs is very much governed by the various electric cables, water pipes and many other services that run below the surfaces.

The above illustrate but a few reasons why the trees are positioned the way they are.

Yours faithfully,

J Haughey
PSA

* This is not, in fact, an accurate quote from the article. The sentence in the article read "They have been planted too far apart for the Falkland winds which means they will probably grow to a stunted height and be rather lopsided" and was a comment not made by the author but by the interviewee. - Bee Caminada

Penguin News has also heard from Peter Short of Falkland Supplies who recently spoke to Rick Jolly, the Surgeon Commander who was in charge of the Ajax Bay Field Hospital during the conflict and who later worked in Stanley hospital.

Mr Short managed through the co-operation of VE3GO Charles (Chuck) Millar in Kingston to speak with Surgeon Commander Jolly OBE ten minutes before he was due to give a lecture and slide show on the Falkland Islands to the Canadian Defence Staff College, Ontario.

Peter Short writes that Surgeon Commander Rick Jolly wishes to be remembered to all his friends in the Falklands and hopes that one day he will have an opportunity to return.

THE POLICE ANNUAL REPORT 1987

The Police Annual Report of 1987, released last month, shows figures which suggest at first glance that despite a severe crisis of morale and manning in the force last year, the crime rate did not increase.

However, the report's author, Chief Police Officer, Ken Greenland, warns that "this is more a reflection of the inability of the force to discover crime by patrolling than of a real reduction in crime."

"On the contrary" he continues, "the number of cases reported by the victims of crime is similar or greater than in 1985 when it was generally thought that large numbers of servicemen and contractors were responsible for much of the crime in the Colony."

The crimes which showed a marked increase were sexual offences which leapt from two in 1986 to 7 last year. Incidence of theft rose from 62 to 75 and criminal damage from 39 to 56 in the same period.

Public order offences went down from 16 in 1986 to 7 in 1987 and traffic offences from 88 to 54.

Commenting on the statistics, the Chief Police Officer writes; "The number of sexual offences reported is disturbing. Especially worrying is the apparent condoning of or apathy towards these offences by relatives and friends of those involved and the public in general. This poses almost insurmountable problems for the investigators and reflects sadly on the moral fibre of the community. Police experience in connection with two cases involving the sexual abuse of children, highlighted the lack of social welfare infrastructure in the Colony which frequently leads to police officers having to take on an additional role as social counsellors for which they are ill-equipped."

The report also points out that the detection rate of verified crime has fallen by 13.3% to 51.6%; a fall which was forecast last year and in the circumstances, unavoidable."

Speaking of the crisis within the police force the report reads: "In 1987, seven officers resigned from the force because of overstretch and poor pay. Three of these were recruits who, after a very short time in uniform, found the conditions of service unacceptable and left before undergoing training. The remaining four officers, however, were experienced men, including the Station Sergeant and the Detective Constable."

"The waste of experienced officers is particularly irksome, since it represents not only the loss of financial investment in their training but also a wealth of experience which cannot be replaced by recruiting. It will take years to repair the damage done to the professional competence of the police force and in the meantime, the public must endure a significant reduction in the quality of the service it can expect. The crime statistics for the year amply bear out this view."

In conclusion, Ken Greenland writes: "The decision taken by Councillors early in 1988 to implement the essential minimum establishment and to take other measures to remedy the dissatisfaction among police officers, should lead to a reversal of the trends outlined above. It is now up to the police force to demonstrate its professionalism and potential by making this reversal happen."

PENGUIN NEWS OPINION:

Since his visit to the Falkland Islands late last year, Mr Dale Campbell Savours, Labour backbencher, has made a number of attacks on Broadcasting Officer, Patrick Watts, in the House of Commons.

In his most recent statement, the Labour parliamentarian told MPs that part of the reason for "Falkland Islanders" intransigence was the fact that the media was more or less in the hands of one person" and he has made other attacks in the past.

Mr Campbell Savours' criticism of Patrick dates back to a press conference held in Government House on October 18th when Patrick firmly questioned the Labour MP about his past statements on the Falkland Islands and his belief in the inevitability of a rapprochement between Argentina and the Falklands.

I was present at that press conference and feel it only fair to say in Patrick's defence that although he was rigorous in his interviewing, he was not 'biased' as Mr Campbell Savours later asserted. The MP answered the questions put to him and the taped interview was broadcast without editing so it was as fair a portrayal of the interview as there could be.

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It was only after the tape recorders had been switched off at the conference that Patrick, making it clear that he was speaking as the only Falkland Islander at the gathering, voiced his feelings on Mr Campbell Savours' attitude. He was firm but not rude and as the only legitimate Falkland voice there was merely exercising the basic right of reply.

The MP was given, at his own request, another opportunity to air his views at a phone-in radio show conducted two days later on FIBS just before the group of back-benchers were to return to the UK. Patrick agreed to Mr Campbell Savours' request, spent considerable time out of his weekend to set up the studio etc to give the MP what, in the end, amounted to an unparalleled amount of air time for a five day visitor to the islands.

Since his return to London, Mr Campbell Savours has named Patrick Watts at least once in the House of Commons where the Falkland Islander is unable to defend himself.

Whatever Patrick's private opinions on Mr Campbell Savours, I can confirm that he did not allow them to interfere with his coverage of the politicians' interview.

If the Labour MP is unhappy with the way he was portrayed in the islands, it is his fault not Patrick Watts. The simple truth is that the vast majority, if not all Falkland Islanders disagree with the MP's views and it is an opinion they would have formed with or without Patrick.

PENGUIN POST BOX

E.P Carlisle
Penyrrlladd
Hay-on-Wye
via Hereford
U.K

4 January 1988

Dear Madam,

It is disturbing to read the recent speech of the Falkland Island representative at the United Nations, from which it would appear that some Islanders are still burying their heads in the sand, the ultimate result of which will be another Argentinian invasion and many more young men having to give their lives for such obstinacy. For there is no possibility of Argentina renouncing her claim to the Islands and now she has the added will to revenge a humiliating defeat and the lives of a thousand of her sons. She would, however, do a deal and perhaps a very good one, for even at the invasion, she was offering local self-government and continuation of way of life, as well as development aid and to share the oil exploration with the UK.

The Islands are indefensible against modern weapons which can be fired from the mainland. Iran and Irak easily buy weapons to rocket each other's capitals, several hundred miles apart. The British people are unlikely to support a war again - in fact they are sick and tired of the Falkland Islands and the huge annual expenditure. All the world are against us at the United Nations and it is certain we would not again get the support grudgingly given last time. The Labour Party is committed to reaching a settlement with Argentina and by the normal progression of events, will in time form the Government of this country. The only British interest in the Islands is to protect our Antarctic claims and as they conflict with Argentina's, the only sensible policy is one of friendly co-operation in protection and development such as is the ideal of the Antarctic Treaty.

Don't be fooled by Mrs Thatcher's expressions of love for you. Over the years, Conservative Governments have been more determined to give away our Empire (usually to tyrannical rules) than even Labour. It was a Conservative government which took away your British citizenship and announced intention to remove the only naval protection vessel, which was such a come-on to the Argentinians and which refused to heed the many warnings; which knowingly allowed the invasion to happen and only re-acted because of such an outcry in the cheap press and Parliament that the government would have fallen otherwise. It was them who appointed the Franks Commission to whitewash and cover up for them. Now they are giving several million pounds to the Mozambique Government, the most murderous Communist regime in Africa and even training their army

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E.P CARLISLE'S LETTER - continued

It is encouraging to hear that Messrs Hardcastle and Pitaluga are trying to form a new political party and intend to talk to the Argentinians. You might have reached an agreement years ago if 'King' Hunt had appointed one of them to his Executive Council instead of co-opting the virulently anti-Argentinian Mr Linton. In fact, but for the impassioned speech of one representative, lease-back would have been arranged years ago. It would seem sensible to do a deal with them now that they have a democratic Government and are weak - in fact you would greatly strengthen it and earn its goodwill - rather than wait until they are stronger and the British people even less inclined to support you.

What a chance for an excellent settlement was thrown away by the shameful sinking of the Belgrano, just when Senor Peres de Cuellar had got the Argentinians to agree to withdraw, which finally compelled the war. The 80,000 odd British people, who live happily in Argentina were put at very great risk and is the plainest evidence of the great goodwill which has always existed between our two countries that none of them suffered. Incidentally, when in Tierra del Fuego, I found that there was a movement there for self-government so you might very usefully get closer to them, but any idea of an independent Falkland Islands is just pie in the sky! There need be no fear of being flooded by Argentinians as they find it very difficult to persuade anyone to go to Southern Patagonia. They all want to live in the sun in the North.

The achievements of the Development Corporation with £30 million of British taxpayers money have been trivial. While they have surveyed the fish stocks for five years, other nations, mostly Communist, gave stripped the seas with up to 600 trawlers fishing under British protection and rescue services. This year you have enjoyed some £11 million of revenue in licences - about one hundredth part of their catch - but in a year or two they will move on and you will be left with the costs of the protection services, precious few fish and so no income.

Next year, the hydroponic garden in which the FIDC have invested £500,000 is expected to commence production but five years ago they turned down a British firm which offered to start one immediately for far less money and supply a skilled manager.

Their investment in tourist lodges is also unlikely to generate much profit until good relations are established with Argentina. Only from there will many people come. Long flights from Europe are too expensive and uncomfortable.

Buying up farms for sub-division and mortgage to the workers has been a marvellous opportunity for the owners and the FIC to get their money out of the Islands. A landowning peasantry is a lovely ideal but it unlikely to be very successful in the Islands with no roads or local markets and problems of loneliness and schooling. In a few years the successful few will end up owning the same farms as before but without the reserves of the old companies. To dissolve our partnership, I allowed myself to be persuaded to sell San Carlos which was capable of reasonable division but most farms do not suit it. However, we are the only owners who have reinvested our money in the Islands in loans to the new farmers and the purchase of a ship to build a meat exporting industry. Unfortunately I have been defeated by Lloyds preventing our sailing and the FIDC refusing, after twelve months deliberation, the financial support I had the right to expect.

The ship is likely to go for scrap and I shall have lost the lot which is tragic because she is probably the only vessel afloat today converted as a livestock carrier which is small enough to use the Falkland Islands harbours and jetties and you badly need such a ship.

The Islands have always been a purely pastoral economy and that should be the chief area of development. Every economic report in the past fifty years - and there have been many of them - has recommended the creation of a meat export industry to remove complete dependence on wool prices, until Lord Shackleton made it out to be uneconomic. In 1986 I intended to convert the ship into a floating abattoir which solved all the problems of driving, collection, electric power, water supply, waste disposal, staff, capital cost, storage and transport. I had 15,000 sheep offered and five hundred cattle and a market in Smithfield but the FIDC instructed the Meat and Livestock Commission to produce a report to kill it.

This report finished by recommending instead: a) a permanent abattoir, b) a bigger ship and c) several portable abattoirs. No a) has been tried and failed and is known to be uneconomic. No b) a bigger ship would be unable to use the island harbours or tie up to their jetties. c) this proposal is too ludicrous to consider with no roads anyhow.

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The other farming need is a great increase in the numbers of cattle in the Islands or possibly deer or goats, to consume the large amount of grass which goes to waste, having got too coarse for the sheep and was traditionally burned off, very often with disastrous results in peat fires. The keeping of cattle is of course, dependent upon availability of an export trade for their meat and hides, or otherwise their shipment live to the mainland, as happened irregularly in the past to Chile. Old sheep were also often so exported. The cattle at present in the Islands are of very deteriorated types and need the introduction of new stock of beef breeds. Also the survival and reproduction rate of the sheep flocks has been very adversely affected by the introduction in the past few years of Polwarth rams which are $\frac{3}{4}$ Merino, in an effort to breed finer wools which sell for a higher price. This policy needs reversing to get back to a hardier flock which is able not only to keep its numbers but to breed a surplus for export also. At present too many old sheep are on farms.

With Mr Harry Milne, former FIC Manager, I have formed a company with the intention of buying farms to develop on the above lines in order to provide the base for a meat export industry. We would welcome investment from any islanders and particularly hope that those individuals and companies who have sold farms for subdivision can be persuaded to invest half their capital realised.

We shall also be applying to the FIDC for financial support for new livestock in this venture. During the three years I was part owner of San Carlos we made good profits and paid some \$50,000 in income tax, so I feel I have some justification in asking other investors to come in with us. Just before the invasion, I had got the Frigorificos at Rio Grande and Rio Gallegos to agree to take old sheep, which is of course the nearest. Now, of course the Argentinians won't trade with us but Chile and Brazil provide markets until better relations prevail.

For all this, a ship is necessary and I hope we can yet save her and turn old sheep to profit instead of the wasteful practice of expensively burning them or allowing their carcasses to litter the islands. Some 20,000 a year in a world short of protein!

Yours faithfully,

E.P. Carlisle

EDITOR : I'm sure the new look Penguin News and its new editor would be interested to hear readers' views on Mr Carlisle's letter!

PORT HOWARD SPORTS MEETING by Ann Clemence

Port Howard sports opened on Monday 29th February with the dog trials in glorious sunshine. In fact the weather proved unfortunate for the handlers as neither sheep nor dogs worked well in the heat. The many spectators enjoyed the trials while acquiring a sun tan and saw Les Morrison with Bounce win the Open Section in fine style. Jimmy Easter with Scott won the Novice section and were the only partnership to pen all their sheep.

Tuesday was race day. Raymond Evans from Pebble Islands swept the board, winning seven races (including the Governor's Cup on Dusk) and becoming Champion Jockey again. Marion Betts had a good day's racing with her string of Sundance, Sundowner and Astor and becoming runner-up champion jockey. Tony Hirtle had an unpleasant fall in the afternoon but recovered sufficiently to go to the dance that night.

Rodney Lee took part in some races and overheard someone say "Ah, but he's too old." Rodney hoped the remark referred to his mount!

Wednesday was a cool, damp day but as we were all in the shearing shed it didn't matter. This was a good competition with fifteen shearers taking part in the men's competition and four shearers in the ladies. The former was won by Robbie Maddocks who intends to give up shearing for a year. The Ladies competition was won by Una McKay.

Thursday saw some fun and games in the Gymkhana and foot events. These provided light relief for the spectators. The Mile was won by Tony Hirtle (along with head stitches). Also running in The Mile were Sarah (6 years old) and Lynne (ten years old) Forster of Bold Cove. Lynne was first lady home and both girls beat their father to the post.

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PORT HOWARD SPORTS MEETING - by Ann Clemence - continued

The Sports ended on Friday afternoon after a particularly exciting steer riding competition. These steers smashed up the inner yard fences before they even got to the crush. Several riders dropped out after seeing them in action. As expected, Arthur Turner won the competition and Jacqui Robertson won the ladies section. One steer had a go at the crowd, ripping Richard Clemence's shirt and denting Jem Harvey's landrover.

It was a good meeting, enhanced by fine weather and good company. Our thanks to all at Port Howard and Bold Cove who made it possible.

Other results from Port Howard: In the dog trials, Ian Hansen was second with his dog Fleet and Susie Hansen third with Jess. In the Novice trials, Susan Hansen finished second with Meg while Tony Hirtle from Pebble Island came third with Trish.

GOOSE GREEN SPORTS MEETING - SOME RESULTS

Tony McMullen of Goose Green is the top dog handler on East Falklands when his dogs Jed and Para took first and second places and his novice Tweed also won that particular section.

OPEN:	1st	T McMullen	with Jed	40 points
	2nd	T McMullen	with Para	46 points
	3rd	E Goss	with Taj	55 points

NOVICE	1st	T McMullen	with Tweed	58 points
	2nd	P Short	with Nap	65 points
	3rd	B Aldridge	with Joe	72 points

Ron Binnie of Fitzroy won the Governors Cup with Sheba, beating last year's winner Owen Summers on Quentin into second place. The Fitzroy jockey narrowly took the Championship Jockey title, beating Eric Goss of North Arm by just two points. Sheba unbeaten at the meeting, also took the FIB Champion Race, while Quentin took the Open Champion Event. Brian Aldridge took the Maiden Plate on Ronnie Larser's Sunshine. So open was this race that not one single tote ticket was taken on the winner all the money having been placed on the mounts of Eric Goss and Ron Binnie. A 10p ticket would have won the punter £25.00 - odds of 250-1

FOOTBALL NEWS by Patrick WattsSTANLEY TRIUMPH

Stanley won back the coveted Shield from HMS Endurance, after winning the third and decisive match in the three game series by 4 goals to 3, after being 3-1 down at half time.

With Endurance having won the first fixture by 6-5 and Stanley the second by 3-2, the stage was set for a thrilling final game and the spectators were not disappointed. Playing against a strong westerly wind, Stanley defended well and broke away to score with their first serious attack. A free kick by Hobman found captain Shay Mahoney, whose header rebounded off a defender to Miranda who scored with a low shot. Endurance hit back and equalised and just when it looked as if Stanley had weathered the storm, the Royal Navy side scored twice in quick succession. Terry Betts, recalled by team Manager Patrick Watts, headed into his own net and a cruel deflection left goal keeper Tony Sykes stranded for number three. Sykes once again had a magnificent match and Stanley have been very fortunate in finding such a competent and brave keeper.

Stanley players felt during the interval that a quick goal on the resumption would unsettle the opposing defence and Jamie Peck soon headed Stanley back into the game and within minutes, Mahoney celebrated his final Shield match with a low shot past an unsighted Endurance keeper. The match was at fever pitch with thirty minutes remaining and Stanley had to survive a period of intense pressure during which Mahoney and 17 year old Alan Steen, in particular, played magnificently. Peck continued to torment the Endurance defence with his many runs, prompted well by the very fast ball work of John Teggart. The winning goal saw Peck again strike with razor

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FOOTBALL NEWS by Patrick Watts continued

razor like reflexes, after a shot by Terry Betts had cannoned off the opposing goalkeeper. There were tears on the faces of several Stanley players when the final whistle went and His Excellency the Governor, Mr Jewkes presented Shay Mahoney with the Shield which Stanley had lost in the 1985-86 season.

The players understandably celebrated their victory in the Globe accompanied by their opponents, who entered into the occasion.

The Stanley team was as follows: T Sykes, A Steen, S Mahoney (Capt), J McEachern, S Jaffray, G Hobman, A Kerf, T Betts, J Peck, J Teggart, R Miranda. Also making up the squad were L Ford, D McCormick, D Clarke and N Mulligan.

MARRS CUP

The Royal Engineers Field Squadron won the Marrs Knockout Cup, easily beating MET (RAF) by 6-2 in the final played on the Stanley soccer field. The Engineers who put Stanley by 1-0 in the semi-finals, established a 4-0 lead and ran out convincing winners.

Cpl Gary Rawlinson received the magnificent Cup donated by J Marr Ltd, from the Commander British Forces, Major General Carlier who along with Captain Graham Botterill and Andrew Howe of Marrs, met the two teams before the kick-off.

Scorers: Royal Engineers: S Ellis 2; R Crosbie, P Mark, J Duff and T Coombes - 1
MET: Jardine and Morgan.

LOCAL LEAGUE

Redsox came out on top in the Local League with 18 points, followed closely by Celtic with 15 and Dynamos a further three points behind on 12. However under the rules introduced last season, Redsox, captained by P Watts and Celtic, skippered by Lachy Ross are now meeting each other over the best three matches to decide the destination of the League Cup.

POSITIONS.	FINAL	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Agst	Points
RED SOX	Flyd 10	6	0	4	22	15	18
CELTIC	10	5	0	5	25	18	15
DYNAMOS	10	4	0	6	16	30	12

Leading goal-scorers.

J Teggart 12; S Mahoney 7; D Ford and R Miranda 6; J Peck 7; M Luxton, J McEachern and L Ross 3.

1st Match Play off (Tuesday March 8): Celtic 3 and Redsox 2. Goal scorers for Celtic, J Teggart 2, T Mearns 1. Redsox scorer-J Peck 2

COASTEL SHIPPING LIMITED

The following is a press release from the Chairman of Coastel Shipping Ltd giving the background to M.V Forrest coming under Coastel Shipping Control:

"FIG did very little towards negotiations in 1986 and we were well into 1987 before the move looked like becoming reality. Eventually, negotiations reached the point where it was agreed that the ship would be handed over to us in January. On the 19 January, CSL provided the FIG with its Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 30.9.87 plus a revised cash flow forecast to 30.9.88 with M.V Forrest included.

In August 1987 we were advised by FIDC that EXCO wished to proceed with the amalgamation of the Monsumen and Forrest services and among other things, set the rate of subsidy at £21,750, based on the earlier cash flow forecast. The revised forecast indicated that the subsidy would have to be £86,825 if there was to be no freight increase for the two ships. This increase in operating costs was brought about by the loss of earnings due to Forrest not being handed over sooner and most significantly, by the major wage increases recently granted by FIG which had to be taken into account by Coastel Shipping Limited, if ship handling was to continue. Two fuel price increases have had a serious effect as well.

COASTEL SHIPPING LIMITED - continued

At the end of January, we were advised that after considering the figures, Exco and SFC would grant a £60,000 subsidy and that Sliding Scales should be applied, designed to ensure that freight carried to the furthest ports would be subject to the lowest freight increases. The CSL Board was given discretion as to how these scales would be applied.

The directors of CSL met on Friday 5 February to discuss FIG's response and complete agreement was reached that we would not countenance any freight increase at this time nor would we approve new freight rates which would cause those farms nearest to Stanley to directly subsidise the more distant ones.

A freight increase of 15% would immediately be required if the £26,000 shortfall on the subsidy offered had to be financed in this way.

The meeting adjourned for a short time while two directors, R.M Pitaluga and W.R Luxton met with the Government Secretary and the Financial Secretary to convey to them the strong feeling of the Board and the two decisions it had taken. They were further advised that rather than impose another freight increase which the farming industry cannot afford, the Board of CSL would recommend to its members that the Company should be wound up and its shipping operation closed down. No timescale could be given for this action should it become necessary, as the Company would continue until its funds were exhausted.

The two senior Government officials took note of CSL's stance and advised us that it would be brought to the attention of Exco for reconsideration as soon as possible. In the meantime, the £60,000 subsidy already approved, would be paid over to the Company to assist its cash flow.

Chairman

Coastel Shipping Ltd

TRISTAR FLIGHT TIMINGS

With the imminent Fire Focus exercise, there has been some confusion about how Tristar flights will be affected. The following shows which flights are to be affected and how:

14th March : Tristar lands Mount Pleasant at 23.15 local time.

15th March : Tristar takes off 02.15 local time. Latest reporting time for this (Tuesday) flight is midnight. Because of the tight turn around time of this particular flight, the Air Movements staff would appreciate passengers booking in before that time. This flight will arrive at Brize Norton, UK at 22.30 local time on 15th March.

18th March: Tristar takes off 12.00 (noon) local time. Civilian passengers will be (Friday) accepted for this flight up to 10.00 am. Again because there is a short time between the Tristar arriving and taking off again, there will be added pressure on the Air Movements staff who would appreciate passengers arriving slightly earlier than the 'shut-off' time. This flight will arrive Brize Norton at 08.15 local time on 19th March.

26th March As normal

26th March As normal

30th March As normal

RANGES INFORMATION

Hookers Point Range : Hookers Point range will be active for the following dates in the near future

27-31 March 1988 (0800-1900 daily)

Onion Range

Onion Range will start being used extensively from 28 March. Except for 1-2, where it is in use, all areas will be used Sunday - Thursday until 16 June 1988

F A R E W E L L T O T H E F A L K L A N D S

So I find myself on the last page of the last edition of the old Penguin News.

As I sit here, in my boiler suit, amongst the clutter of my cosey, soft lit office with its walls hung with maps, photographs, cards and mementos; the floor, table, desks and chairs strewn with the mass of white waste paper the duplicator spat out and the cat asleep in the waste bin, I realise my sorrow in seeing this era close.

It is absurd to get nostalgic about so much disarray and the tempermental trio of typewriter, duplicator and stencil cutter, but I know that when I finally come to scrub the last stains of ink from my hands and face it will be with sadness.

Those who have been close to me will know that there have been times when I have almost been overwhelmed with despair and frustration, usually because of the repeated battles with the machinery which seems primed to break down at 2.am, or other reasons. I am sadly aware that at times that despondency had been reflected in the quality of the newspaper.

Yet through all the lows, when it has been suggested to me that I throw it all in and get a "normal job", I have been unable to agree. For such peculiar reason, the faith in what I was trying to do and the service I wanted to provide the community, may have been shaken but it never quite died. For that I am indebted to those readers and friends who forgave my mistakes and encouraged my best intentions.

Not that it was always so grim. With the bad times there has inevitably been the good, the different and the amusing. Whether it was horse riding across Camp to interview; hanging off a ship's rope ladder over choppy seas wishing I knew the Polish for 'help' or arriving for dinner with an Admiral covered in dust and oil having dealt with a landrover puncture on the MPA road; life with the Penguin News was usually filled with the unusual and the unexpected.

There have been occasions when I have felt it professionally necessary to criticise some people or department. As one who prefers to be on good terms with everyone, it was never an easy decision to take but I felt that if Penguin News was to play its role properly, it had to reflect public concern and it would have been very wrong of me to let personal considerations interfere with the professional role.

The victims of that sharper hib edge may take some comfort from the fact that for all my convictions, it was never easy to look into the face of fury, particularly when it confronted me as I bought tea bags in West Store! I think the worst experience on that theme stemmed from the occasion Penguin News criticised the Administration. The editor was aghast to find herself sitting next to a previous Chief Executive on an Islander flight to Camp the next day! It was the most uncomfortable flight of my life and I am not talking about the air turbulence outside the aircraft!

For all that and similar occasions, I still stand by my editorials in the past year and four months and have few regrets. Perhaps the main regret is that I didn't get out to Camp nearly as much as I wished. Spare time and finances never seemed to show at the same time and consequently I feel there is a big chunk of the Falklands' character I never truly shared in. I can assure Campers however, I never forgot them!

A lot of people have asked me what I am going to do back in London. Nothing is finalised yet but I have a host of ideas and suspect I will try and find myself a niche back in the media world there. One thing I do know is that when I am back in that seething, indifferent mass, under London's drab, dismal sky and hemmed in by concrete and plastic, I shall pine for the Falklands. I shall miss the immaculate air and landscape; the vibrant blues, whites and golds of the waters, beaches and camp. You can always see the horizon in the Falklands; you never can in London.

Most of all, I shall miss the marvellous characters I have met on my travels around; some of them, clichéd though it may sound, I really do feel privileged to have known.

Special thanks to: 'mums' Joan Bound and Clara McKay for tea and common sense; Malcolm and Susan Binn and Maggie and Ben Claxton for their constant kindness; Candy Blackley Maria Strange, Lillian Guthrie and Bonita Fairfield for supreme patience; similarly Camp Education; the Post office for their helpfulness and humour; the bank clerks for their patience with Penguin News' pennies and 5ps; Jenny and Jerry Johnson; Ann and Pick Clumence; Norona McAdam; Sharon Halford; Steve and Mike at PWD; Miriam Booth; Rosemary Wilkinson; Lawrence Blizzard for a reliable paper supply; all at the police station for their sense of humour; Graham Bound and Rana Anderson; Dik Sawle; the Butlers and the Eynons; Tim and Nigel Miller; Kevin and Diane Kilmartin; Mike and Margo Smallwood; Derek and Eileen Murphy; Phil and Stella Middleton; John & Madge Adams; Kate and Robin Baylis; Andy Dolphin and all the military friends who have always proved willing to help with stapling. Very special thanks to Julia Smyth who has been a true friend indeed and to everyone else, sadly too many to list here, many thanks for your help and all the best in the future - best wishes, Bee Caminada

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CONCERNS OVER MEAT FROM CAMP

A report by FIG Veterinary Surgeon, Peter Armitage, has expressed grave concerns regarding the state of a cargo of meat which arrived in Stanley recently from Camp and deemed part of it unfit for human consumption.

Mr Armitage was called to Falkland Islands Company Ltd.'s transit warehouse in Stanley to examine a hindquarter of beef which had just been landed from Camp.

Following the visit he wrote a report which outlined his misgivings regarding the state of the meat and the methods of transport and storage of the meat.

In the report he says he saw "numerous mutton carcasses, fore and hind quarters of beef layed out on wooden palates or on cardboard".

He noted that at one point a vehicle started up beside the line of meat covering several quarters of beef with exhaust fumes.

Most of the mutton carcasses, he states, looked reasonably clean, although possibly a bit old.

According to the vet's observations most of the beef quarters had considerable visible faecal and what looked like oil contamination and several quarters had a gritty dirt as though they had been laid on the ground.

There was evidence of water stains after the carcass had set on several other quarters.

One particular left hind quarter had evidence of faecal and dirt stains, and much of the muscle appeared bruised and looked to be in an early stage of decomposition.

In Mr Armitage's opinion the quarter in question was not fit for human consumption and recommended it be rejected.

He further noted that other quarters appeared to be in al-

most as bad a state.

By Rory MacLeod

Later the vet spoke to Penguin News about ways in which he feels this type of situation could be avoided again.

"There are a lot of possible solutions," he said, "but they all cost money and that is the stumbling block."

"Some form of container on board ship for the meat in which it could be put in and which could protect it from the elements. That would be the minimum."

"The inside should be impermeous so that it could be washed out. I suppose it should be big enough to hang, for instance, a quarter of meat."

"Ideally a refrigerated unit would be better, but it would probably have to be limited in size so the derricks at the different ports could cope with it."

"I understand there have been discussions on providing some kind of container."

From methods of shipping Mr Armitage then turned his attention to possible improvements that could be effected in Camp prior to shipping to try and ensure it arrives in good condition in Stanley.

"It is pure speculation but I imagine that there might be

some distance to transport the meat from where it is prepared to the boat. The meat may have to be killed some time in advance to be ready for the boat."

"There is a fair amount of latitude in the methods of killing and the storage of meat in Camp but refrigerated units would extend the "shelf life" of the meat by a considerable margin."

Mr Armitage felt there was a slight disadvantage for the settlements further from Stanley because of the longer voyaging times the meat has to endure to get there.

He did feel that when the new Chief Environmental Health Officer was recruited, one of his tasks would probably be to bring regulations similar to the UK for the humane killing and despatch of meat in the islands.

Speaking for Coastal Shipping Ltd., Mr Terry Spruce said that it was known by those in Stanley ordering Camp meat that they are not responsible for its condition on arrival.

"The meat is normally carried on hatch covers but it is moved as little as possible," he explained.

"Reports from the Master and Mate of the vessel indicate some of the meat is coming onto the ship in a very dirty condition."

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Welcome!

Welcome to this sampler edition of the new-look Penguin News. It's been a long time coming - three months since the last of the old series - but is now set to return on a regular basis.

This edition comes to you free to let you see a sample of the kind of paper we will be producing in the future and hopefully will inspire you to take a subscription via the enclosed subscription rate card.

The next edition will appear on July 15th, cover price 45p, and thereafter it will appear weekly on a Friday.

The publishing schedule has been worked out so that Camp settlements visited by FIGAS on a Friday will get their copies then and so effectively many places in Camp will receive their copies coincidentally with the readers in Stanley. Copies for readers abroad will have their copies despatched via air mail on the Saturday Tri-Star.

This will hopefully mean the maximum number of people are getting their copies as early as is physically possible.

In Stanley the paper will be available at the us-

ual outlets across the counter.

In future editions Penguin News will sport pictures to accompany stories but unfortunately, for this edition, we have encountered the fabled Falklands Factor and are awaiting arrival of a missing vital piece of equipment to incorporate this process.

It is an old cliché, but this is really your paper and as such the content will be directed at you, so if you have any ideas for articles, features or types of stories you would like to see in Penguin News, then drop me, Rory MacLeod, the Editor, a line or drop in and see me and let me know.

In future we intend to run a range of features including recipes, a women's page, a fashion page, video reviews and charts, a look at the headlines and stories in years gone by and many more.

For the military readership we have established a page for stories particularly of interest to you. At the same time it also lets civilians see what is happening with the military.

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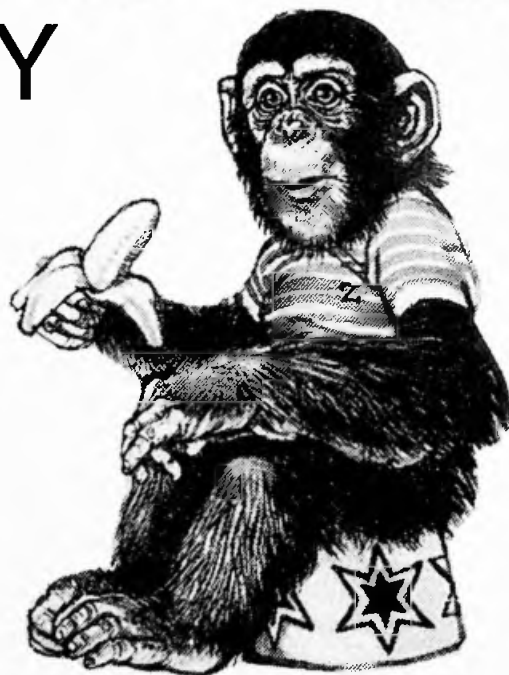
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BUDGET SUMMARY

GOVERNMENT Financial Secretary, Mr Harold Rowlands, last month delivered his 18th and final Budget before his retirement from the Treasury after 40 years service in the department.

In general terms the final deliverances from the Budget mean that almost every islander will find themselves with a little bit more money in their pocket from some measure or other.

Before outlining any proposals at last week's Budget session of Legislative Council, it became clear from both His Excellency The Governor's address and that of Mr Rowlands, that the economy of the Falklands is building steadily from the income generated by the fishing industry.

Mr Rowlands said that in his 40 years in the Treasury he has seen the Estimates of Revenue grow from £98,764 in 1948 to £27.3 million in 1988 and Expenditure from £131,226 to £25.3 million.

Revenue is still healthy with an forecast last year of £23 million having to be revised to an estimate of £27 million, giving £4 million extra.

Another important impact of the increased wealth of the Falkland Islands has been on the flow of aid funds.

Since the 1982 Conflict an average of £8 million a year in aid has been directed into the economy. This will cease completely by 1992 and be very substantially reduced in the meantime.

Thus, Mr Rowlands told the session, the role of the Bud-

get for 1988/89 must be seen as setting the scene for financial self-sufficiency in the face of mounting inflationary pressures, while at the same time designing a programme of development which will consolidate and sustain the economy in the future.

All this must be achieved, he said, within the constraint of revenues which, while much enhanced in earlier years, are still finite and limited.

In the end the Budget gave a cautious package of measures which gives a balance of development expenditure while giving some benefits for the man in the street and still leaves enough to be invested in "buffer" funds for a possible "rainy day".

An operating revenue of £34.5 million was forecast with operating expenditure at £17.5 million.

This will leave a surplus of £17 million of which £10 million will be for capital expenditure.

The net surplus of £7 million will be used to build up reserves and reserves will be £24.3 million by the end of June 1989.

The distribution of the £10 million will include provision for a ferry across Falkland Sound, £2.4 million for housing, £900,000 for the swimming pool, £200,000 to Camp airstrip improvements, £150,000 for the junior school extension, £200,000 for Camp telecommunications improvements including purchase of repeaters, and £1 million available from the European Development Fund will be spent on Camp

tracks with provision made for the continuation of the Estancia Road.

Attention then turned from development to taxation and allowances.

Government service pensions were increased by 20% to pensioners who retired before July 1st, 1977 and by 10% to those who retired on or after that date.

The non-taxable monthly child allowance increased by 20% from £25 to £30 per month and the single parent allowance by 25% from £20 to £25 per month.

Non-contributory Old Age pensions increased for married couples from £43 to £51 per week (18.6%) while single pensioners increased from £31 to £37 per week (19.35%).

Contributory pensions also increased from £50 to £59 per week (18%) for married couples and £33 to £39 per week (18.18%) for single pensioners.

Increases in revenue were generated by two substantial changes affecting fees for fishing companies.

Fishing licence fees are to be reviewed and transhipment fees were increased from £1500 to £1750; but by far the greatest change was the decision to increase FIG revenue was that from January 1st 1989 all those who obtain licences to fish in the FICZ will pay one single fee to Government as opposed to the licence and a joint venture fee to Stanley Fisheries, which operates at present.

A further £30,000 will be

raised by an increase in the duty on tobacco and tobacco products.

30% is to go on cigars and cigarettes 10% on tobacco. In real terms this will mean 6.5p on ten cigars, 8.5p on 20 cigarettes and 23p on a 50g pouch of tobacco.

Proposals to increase the duty on beers, wines and spirits were thrown out by a majority decision of the council.

The increase in duty on smoking products goes some way to balancing personal tax reforms.

The personal tax deduction all taxpayers are entitled to was increased from £2500 to £2750 and the allowance for a wife was increased from £1500 to £1750.

A wife's earned income relief was raised from a maximum of £2500 to £2750 and for a relative in charge of children it was increased from £800 to £920, and dependent relative from £800 to £920.

The Old Age relief income ceiling was raised from £5000 to £6000.

Finally present rates of personal tax were changed so that 25% tax is due on the first £10,000 of chargeable income, 30% on the next, and 40% on the remainder.

This meant the abolition of the former 50% top rate and the reduction of taxation for someone earning between £15,000 and £20,000.

These proposals mean a married man earning £5000 will now not pay any tax and all married or single person will pay less tax on their income.



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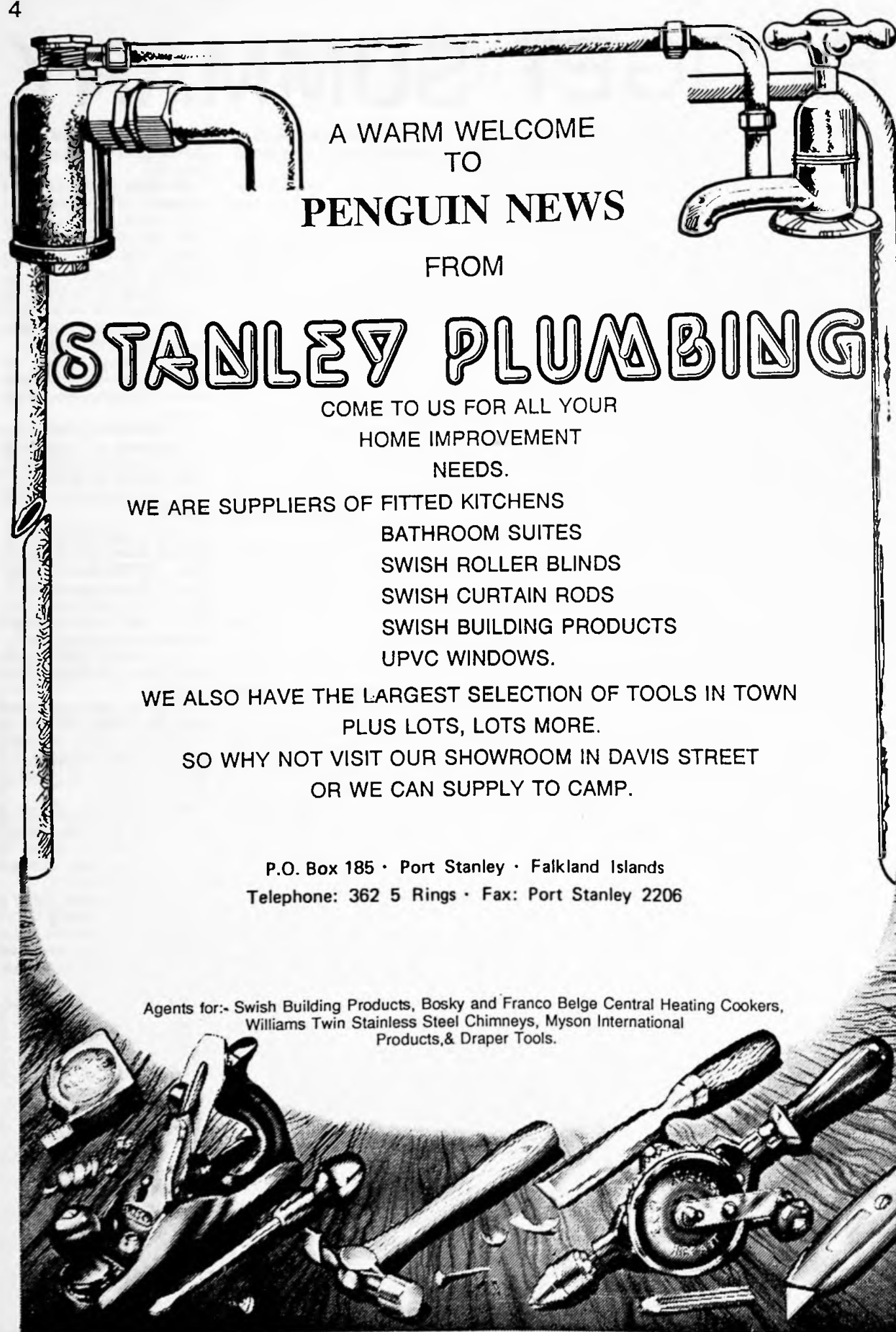
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Two Young Islanders to Go to Kenya?

Two lucky young Falkland Islanders could find themselves winging their way to East Africa just after New Year.

British fishing company J. Marr, who own the locally based fishing vessel "Hill Cove", are keen to sponsor two fit, healthy, outgoing, young islanders to take part in Operation Raligh Adventure expedition to Kenya beginning in the UK in early January next year and lasting 10 to 12 weeks.

The theme of Operation Raligh is science and service.

Young men and women from vastly different backgrounds work together on exciting worthwhile projects set up by multinational teams of experienced scientists and explorers, in unfamiliar places and often under conditions of hardship.

As well as making some contribution to a better world, they grow to respect each others cultures and attitudes and thus help to break some of the barriers of prejudice and intolerance which have always existed, but which seem to be even more obvious in today's world.

It provides young people with a unique opportunity to seek challenges, develop their skills and learn to overcome what may seem like impossible problems.

Such an experience will provide them with the sort of confidence and awareness which will, in turn, help them to accept responsibility in a difficult world.

J. Marr are inviting applications from relatively fit islanders, male or female, in Camp or Stanley, between the ages of 17 and 25, who have a sense of adventure, an affinity for the outdoors, and a keenness to take part in a worthwhile community project during the expedition.

Previous volunteers have enjoyed a wide range of adventure activities such as jungle treks, white water rafting, mountain climbing, caving, desert crossing and sail training, to name but a few activities.

At the same time they have carried out some really worthwhile projects such as constructing schools, Red Cross clinics, churches, bridges, crocodile pens, jetties and adventure playgrounds.

The expedition consisting of approximately 80 venturers plus a team of highly qualified instructors and scientists.

Any young islanders interested in, and who feel they would be capable of accepting the challenge of such an expedition should in the first instance write to Captain John Kultschar, c/o J. Marr, Post Office, Stanley, giving a brief description of their background, academic progress, work experience, and any interests such as sports, hobbies and pursuits, enclosing their address and telephone number, if available.

The decision to offer the sponsorship came about after the visit to the Falklands last month by Mr Richard Snailham, a civilian lecturer at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst.

The Commander British Forces, General Neil Carlier, is a long-standing friend of Mr Snailham and asked him to come to the islands to give a series of talks on the many explorations he has taken part in.

He gave three talks at MPA, one at Mount Kent and Lookout Camp and one to the Corona Society in Stanley.

There were three shows - Down the Zaire River in 1974/75, Disaster on the volcano Sangay in Ecuador in 1976 when two of the team died in a fall, and Journey Down the Blue Nile

in 1968 - which were accompanied with slides and films.

Mr Snailham has 23 years experience of planning and taking part in expeditions to exotic and far-off corners of the world and he too will be involved in the planning of Operation Raligh in Kenya next year.

As well as setting up the deal to sponsor two islanders for that expedition, he also met with His Excellency The Governor and discussed plans to mount an expedition in the Falkland Islands themselves.

The expedition would take place in the early 1990's and it would involve 15-20 people including, he hopes, both younger and older islanders.

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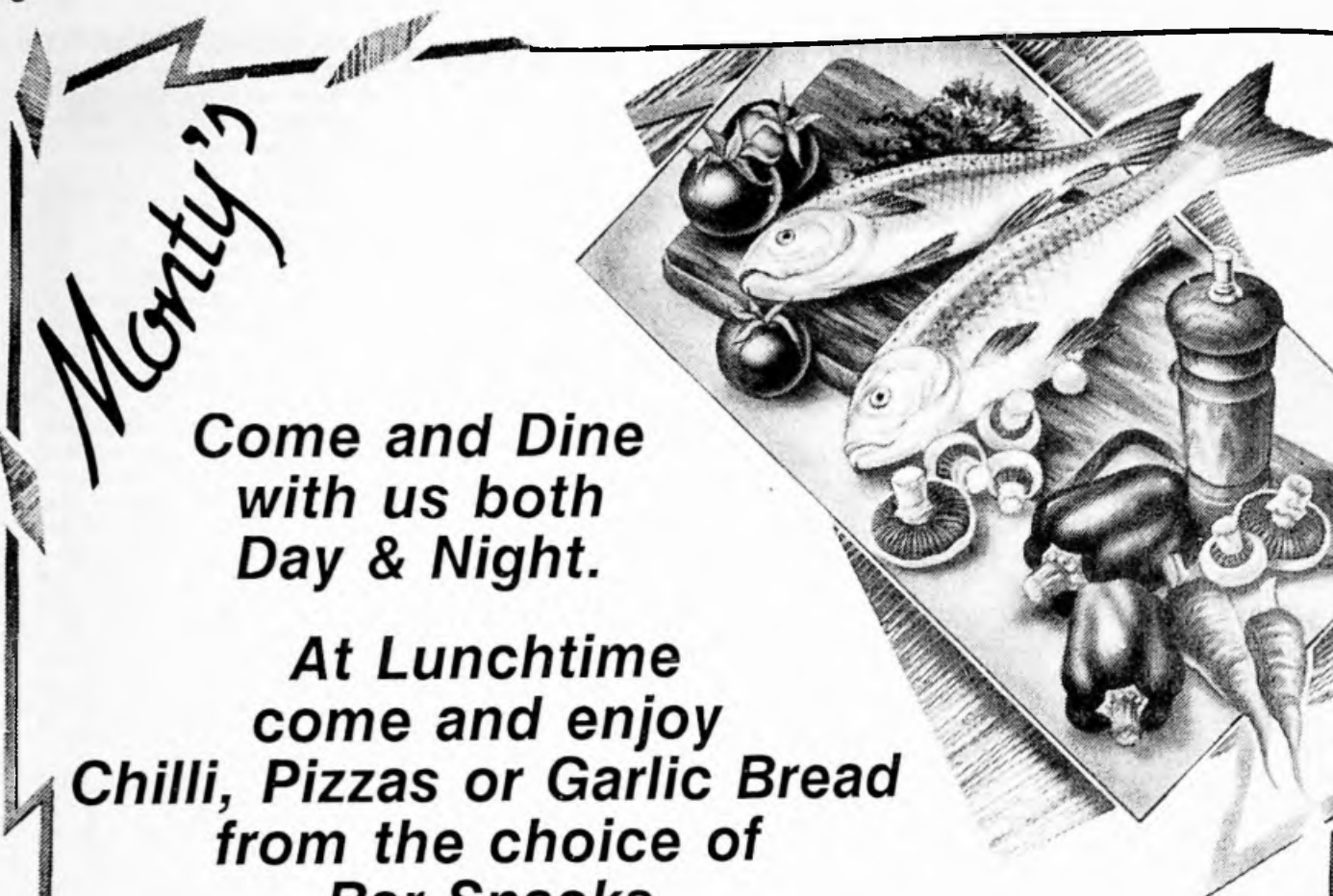
The Chief Officer on board the trawler, Mr Howard Peterson, had not seen his 26-year-old son Darren since January 4 when the latter left the English fishing port of Hull aboard the Fisheries Protection vessel "Falkland Right" as a seaman.

The protection vessel came alongside at FIPASS two days after the arrival of "Hill Cove" and 49-year-old Howard and his son were able to get together for a couple of days.

However, the reunion did not last much longer and soon the two were at sea with father concentrating on fishing and son involved in the business of watching over the fishing fleets and checking for illegal fishing vessels.

The two hope to see quite a bit of each other while they are down here thousands of miles away from their home in Hull.

"It's great to see each other again," said Howard. "Hopefully we'll see more of each other quite often."

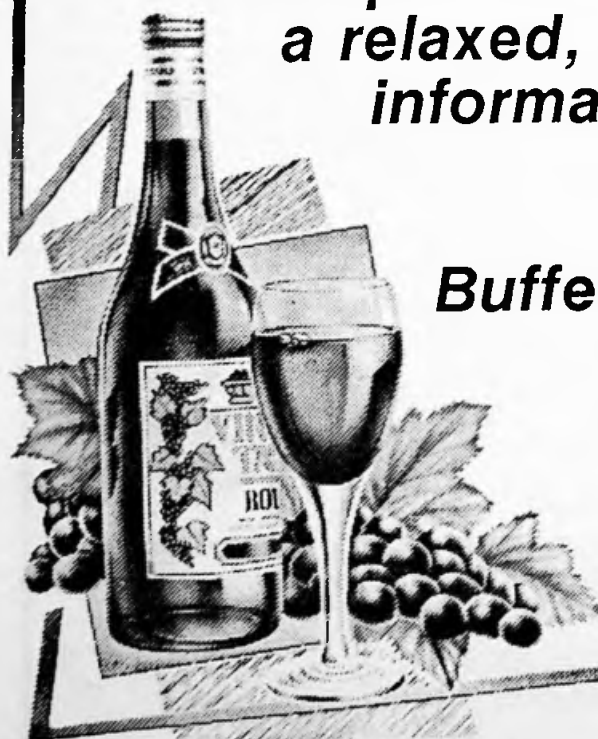


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CARLISLE'S COMMENTS ANSWERED.

Dear Sir,
I refer to the disjointed ramblings of E.P. Carlisle in the last issue of Penguin News. I cannot of course take issue with his assessment of myself but I feel I should defend Messrs. Hardcastle and Pitaluga against his embrace - such 'praise' from Mr Carlisle could be construed as the Kiss of Death for the Desire The Right Party.

I have two other brief points to make. Firstly, with reference to Mr Carlisle's advice regarding sheep. During my, mercifully short, association with Mr Carlisle I quickly became aware how little he knew about farming systems both here and overseas. I have seldom met anyone who could talk so fully on the basis of so little knowledge and his desire to stuff Falklands farms with breeds of sheep producing material fit only for Brillo pads is quite laughable.

Second, I find his description of myself and close to a hundred farm owners like me as 'a landowning peasantry' deeply offensive as I am sure do others. Mr Carlisle may be assured that if I can in any way prevent him and his Argentine friends ever gaining the slightest toehold again in the Falklands I shall do so. My advice to Mr Carlisle would be to take his funds and himself and place them where his heart is - and the next time around he might with luck be one of the *desaparecidos* too.

Yours faithfully,
W.R. Luxton,
Chartres.

Dear Sir,
Since I will not again stoop to writing direct to E.P. Carlisle, may I through the medium of your newspaper, give him a message in reply to his misguided letter to PENGUIN NEWS which was printed in the March issue.

I will not comment on the variety of observations he makes, many of which I have to sadly admit, are valid. It is the man's still utterly blind love and loyalty to the Argen-

tines which stirs my bile. He may rest assured that talks with the Argentines were the one thing Brook Hardcastle and I had no difficulty at all in leaving out of our provisional plans for the political party. Any suggestion that we might, was written into reports of the Party's formation by people who make their money out of sensation, not accuracy or realism.

Assuming that Carlisle subscribes to or at least reads the PENGUIN NEWS, he should have seen in the September 1987 issue my letter to that other blind straw-catcher George Foulkes, which clearly sets out my attitude to any talks with Argentina. With the DESIRE THE RIGHT PARTY now firmly established and the membership in the region of 150 and climbing, I can safely say that it has no intention of condoning any approach to Argentina.

Might we take Carlisle and Foulkes more seriously if they went to live and work in Argentina for about five years before again attempting to push their ill-considered, insensitive, pro-Argentine ideas down our firmly and comfortably closed throats?

Yours faithfully,
R.M. Pitaluga,
Port San Salvador.

Dear Sir,
Captain Carlisle's views (March PN No. 111) have been well aired before. I do not propose to comment, other than stating that anyone who has travelled extensively in Argentina, knows full well the shambles of Argie politics and economics and the cruelty of Argentine society. As exemplified by the bestial treatment of Argentine youth, either as disappeared ones or as young conscripts in the Falklands, under the heel of the Argentine Officer class.

To clarify one point, my family and I through D.S. & Co. (Sheepfarming) were the only owners who reinvested in the islands, supporting islanders with loans to give them the opportunity of owning their own homes and farms. At a time

when Government was turning islanders away.

Captain Carlisle took no part in this, but did reinvest in a shipping and meat exporting scheme.

Generally I would support the view that the UK professional bureaucrats have failed miserably to support agricultural reinvestment and diversification, at a time of fundamental change in the islands' farming community. There is little doubt that the Desire The Right Party, has a valid point, in seeking a return to greater local democracy, which is sadly being eroded by an invasion of professional temporary UK appointed bureaucrats.

Yours faithfully,
Colin Smith,
Knarborough, Yorks.

CHEERS CHAYS

Dear Sir,

May I once again beg the courtesy of your pages; this time to express my thanks to the people of the Falkland Islands for the astonishing generosity shown by the invitation, issued in their name by the Executive Committee, as a token of thanks for what was, for me, one of the greatest pleasures and opportunities of my life. It seems to be almost too much good fortune that having already basked in the reflected glory of the great during the 150 Celebrations, my second retirement should be celebrated in such a delightful way.

It was delightful too. The quiet renewal of friendships, sometimes with leisure to dawdle over teapot or coffee cup, listening to theirs for a change - being lied with 'Diddle-Dee Jelly' and being told it will bring me back to the islands yet again - a hope as sweet as the confection itself. Yet never once staying as long as I would have wished. Perhaps that is the real magic. Always there are things I wish I remembered to say, things I would have wished to do, places I would have wished to see, people I wished to meet but did not.

The fault is mine. The invitation was open for me to choose

times, places and duration. I should have said simply "A year please - everywhere", but even so I suspect this feeling would still be with me. The truth is that like many another, a part of the heart is left yearning for the smell of peat smoke, for the wide sky, for those ludicrously talkative cats, for wild things that have yet to learn to fear us; and for people who not only have no fear of wilderness, but who seek it. The old world has forgotten that a man may build his own house with the help of his wife, while killing and growing for the pot. 'Old Indian' gave me an earful for even calling it a wilderness.

I have lately moved among giants who are not aware of their stature, and graciously been accorded equal status. I have met new people who feel something similar, who already value their time among you, and who I know you will cherish - and overlook the odd misplaced foot - there is so much to understand in the islands.

Changes are reflected in the new confidence of the Kelper. I believe he now does more than Desire the Right - he appears to hold it in strong hands. May he ever do so. This was to be a simple 'thank you', coming from the heart, and from Glen too, for sending me back in such good nick, bringing to our home that simple yet complex symbol of both the warm Falkland hospitality at the fireside - and also of the wide, precious, freedom of the islands: The Goose Wing. We shall meet again, if not at Lincoln's Inn, then at the Ham Gathering.

Cheers Chays all, & thanks.
Peter King,
London.

(Mailbag contd. overleaf)

If you have any views you want to air, points you want to make or wish to answer a letter which appeared in this column, then send your letter to:-

The Editor,
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FALKLANDS FAREWELL

Dear Sir,
I have finished my 16 month tour in the Falklands. When I first arrived in December 1986 Stanley was still a hive of military activity and Operation Flogger was in full swing clearing up Stanley Airfield. In January 1987 HQ BFFI and the remainder of the units in Stanley moved to Mount Pleasant. Only one Coastal remains and FIPASS now belongs to FIGI. Lastly, we have just successfully completed our first major reinforcement exercise, FIRE Focus. Certainly a great deal has happened during the last 16 months not to mention the implementation

of the Falkland Islands Conservation and Management Zone and all that implies. It has certainly been an interesting and exciting time to have been in these islands! During our time here, Margaret and I have got to know many of you both in Stanley and in Camp. We have thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and we both have very fond memories indeed of these islands. From both of us it's goodbye for now but to all of you that we have known we thank you most sincerely for your kindness and friendship. Who knows, it's a small world and paths may cross again!
Yours sincerely,
Col. Gordon MacDougall,
HQ BFFI.

CRISIS AT THE CATHEDRAL

A £1m appeal fund has been launched in Stanley in order to finance critical repairs to the 96-year-old Christ Church Cathedral on Ross Road.

The body set up to administer the appeal has been named Christ Church Cathedral Restoration Action Committee - or, appropriately enough, CRAC, for short.

They are appealing to the whole community of the islands to restore, maintain and continue the life and work of the cathedral.

The salt, sand, dust, rain and winds of the years have resulted in the erosion and severe deterioration of the external fabric and the brickwork in particular is deeply spalled.

A large number of the treasured beautiful cathedral windows are in a precarious condition and after 96 years of service the heating boiler and its shed need to be replaced.

In addition, the roof is leaking and the organ needs to be restored and serviced.

"The cathedral provides the people of these islands, those who come to live and work here, and those whom we welcome as visitors, with their centre for week by week, Anglican worship, for Sunday services, baptisms, weddings, Funerals, and

other special occasions important for these islands," said Mr Des King, chairman of CRAC.

"The cathedral also offers a place of retreat and quiet for prayer.

"The cost of anticipated repairs may be in the region of one million pounds Sterling, it may be a little more, it may be a little less.

"Much support, goodwill and co-operation is therefore needed from us all."

The committee are asking that all those involved in the work of the islands and the South Atlantic who wish to donate should send their donations to him as chairman of the committee at PO Box 169, Stanley, or to the treasurer, Miss V. Perkins, in Stanley.

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Plans how the money will be used are still in the preliminary stages but donations are needed now.



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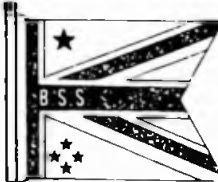
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Klondyke Days For Fishing

Despite market prices making certain aspects of the FICZ less attractive, the overall yields from the fishery in the first season of this year have continued to be good and are still presenting a Klondyke-like boom in the industry.

The majority of the vessels in the zone have been of the jigger variety, and therefore fishing for Illex squid, but it is they who have most felt the effects of the depressed market prices due to large stock piles of Illex in the Far East accumulated during the very successful catches of last year.

Of particular interest to Falkland Islanders this year has been the introduction of three British fishing companies as joint ventures to form the basis of a Falklands fishing fleet.

It would be fair to say these vessels have got off to a stuttering start and initial fishing for the three companies - Stanley Witte Boyd, Stanmarr and Seamount - has not been that good. However, this is not unusual and many companies that were on the fishing ground last year also experienced problems as they learnt the way to fish it. Added to this has been a modicum of bad luck with mechanical problems.

The vessels the three operate are trawlers and concentrate on the Loligo squid and fin fish that abound in the waters around the Falklands. As such they have had the further problem of drops in the catches of Loligo facing all nationalities fishing the zone this year.

The first, and main season, which stretches from February until the end of June, has now come to an end and many of the Far Eastern vessels have departed the waters around the Falklands.

The second season covers August and September and concentrates on Loligo fishing only and proves less attractive to the Asiatic fishers. But many return for the third season which is for fin fish such as Hake, Blue Whiting, particularly favoured by the Poles, and Hoki which is also known as Whiptail Hake or Blue Grenadier.

The latter has a large market in the US as the basis for processing into fish fingers.

Other fish caught are Red Cod and King Clip, otherwise known as Ling.

With July now upon us, the month vessels traditionally head for Montevideo or Punta Arenas for running repairs, Captain John Jackson, Chief Inspector of Fisheries can take a quick breath and look at what has been going on this year so far.

"We have had the British, Spanish, Greeks, Italians, Dutch, Portuguese, Chile, Polish, Koreans, Chinese, Japanese, Taiwanese and Irish fishing down here this year," he reflected.

"There have been lots of other nations involved in supplying, bunkering and the reefers.

"The Government, Hogg Robinson and Stanley Services also have a joint deal to supply bunkering.

"There really is a Klondyke situation here which is similar to what happened in Ullapool but the local community here could possibly benefit better than those in Ullapool did.

"The fishery here is pulling in concerns from all over the world."

Catches in the FICZ have been up this year on last and that was a very successful year.

In the first part of this year there has been eight times as much Hake caught as in the whole of last year but this must be looked at in the light of Illex fishing not being as popular due to depressed market prices.

The Spanish are landing 30 to 40 tons of Hake a day according to Captain Jackson, and trawling about ten tons of Loligo a day.

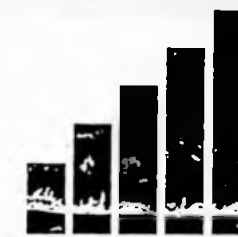
But what of the locally-based British vessels? How have they compared?

"The British vessels aren't doing as well in general but that wasn't to be expected at the start.

"Others have more experience of the ground. The Russians and Poles who discovered the fishing ground have been fishing it for fin fish for about 20 years.

"In the second season all the British ships should do as well, or nearly as well as any other ships down here.

"I don't think they were really expecting to come down here and reinvent the wheel. They've not so much had a false start as they have had to come down, get in and get started and then start the learning process."



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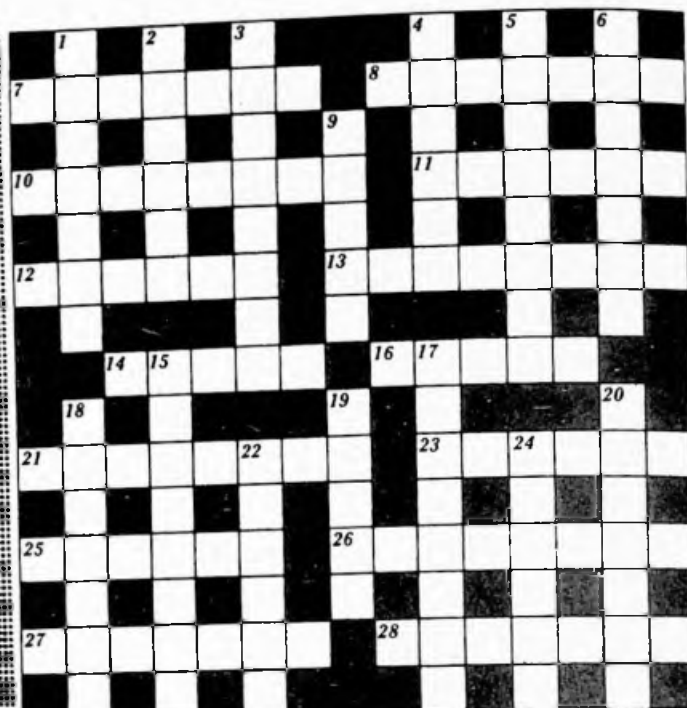
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CHIEF EXEC. RESIGNS

The Chief Executive, Mr Brian Cummings, resigned in a shock move two months ago after only 13 months in the post and then quickly left the islands to return home to his wife and children in Northern Ireland.

Mr Cummings' last day in the office was on May 31st after His Excellency The Governor, Mr Gordon W. Jewkes, accepted his resignation with regret.

Negotiations are now underway between the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and Booker Agriculture International which should pave the way for the secondment of Mr Cummings' immediate predecessor, Mr David George Pendelton Taylor, to serve as interim Chief Executive for a period of months pending the appointment of a permanent successor.

Mr Taylor was Chief Executive of the Falkland Islands from 1983 to 1987.

He will also serve as Executive Vice-Chairman of FIDC, Director of Fisheries and Non-Executive Chairman of Stanley Fisheries Ltd. He would also serve as Acting Governor during any absence of the Governor from the islands.

Mr Taylor is not expected to arrive in the islands for several weeks and in the interim Mr Colin Redston, Government Secretary, will be Acting Chief Executive.

Following his resignation Mr Cummings spoke to *Penguin News* about the reasons behind the move, his thoughts for the future of the islands and the things he will look back on.

Brian Cummings was appointed Chief Executive on April 23rd last year after applying for the post when the head of a division in the Department of Agriculture in Northern Ireland.

He was immediately faced with the fast-growing infant that was to be the Falklands fishing industry.

"David Taylor had been involved from the start in November 1986 and the start up and allocation of licences for the first season," explained Mr Cummings, "but when I took over there was the organisation of fishery management and protection, the emergence of the joint ventures and SFL to cope with."

"There was consequently

suddenly a tremendous growth in the economy of the islands from the fishing income.

"Income from the licence fees was £13.5 million last year but in the first season of 1988 was over £16 million. The JV's in the first year brought in £7.2 million and in the second increased to £9 million and that was with the total number of vessels in 1988 down.

"I would regard it as a considerable achievement to have increased revenue with less vessels."

On top of that figure must be added the income from transshipment fees. This year that has brought in very nearly £3 million compared to £800,000 last year - an increase of 375%.

Much of this was brought about by increased use of Berkeley Sound by vessels.

"We have been persuading the major reefer vessels all to go to Berkeley Sound instead of Montevideo.

"That didn't just happen - it took a lot of hard work and careful assessment of the level of fees we could charge.

"I would like to pay tribute to all the people involved in running the fishery. The Fisheries Department under Captain John Jackson is run extremely professionally with a highly-qualified team.

"This was seen with the recent successes in arresting ships which were all carefully planned operations."

Turning away from fishing, Mr Cummings talked of the tying up of the deal to buy FIPASS which he sees as allowing potential for development.

He is convinced that in the short and medium term the lack of it would mean an inability to produce onshore facilities.

He takes some satisfaction from the hard negotiating which took place to convince the MOD to look to the benefit it would give the islands rather

than the amount they could make for their own coffers.

Of particular satisfaction to the former Chief Executive was the precipitating of the deal with Cable and Wireless for the installation of an island-wide telephone system which will soon start.

"I've spent a lot of time on this one and it had been dragging on for years. However, the availability of additional revenue altered things and the deal was quickly worked out.

"Business will now be easier to conduct and communications between Stanley and Camp, and the islands and the rest of the world will be available to all."

One project he regrets he will not see the completion of is the swimming pool, but did hint that he may return to see it in the future.

One aspect Mr Cummings hopes has improved during his time in office is conditions in public service. He was particularly concerned about the low level of morale in the police when he arrived and now thinks they are a lot happier than they have been for many years.

On reflection he would like to think he has given impetus to a lot of projects which will come to fruition for the benefit of the islands.

In his term 26 houses have been built from scratch and another 30 are under construction at Jersey Estate.

On the finance and security of the islands he feels the latest budget session has been as important as anything he has had to do.

"Both personally and in trying to advise the councillors to take the right decisions.

"Particularly with the change from a one to three year budget it was important to try to get them to see how essential it is to save and be prudent and to balance the future needs of the islands against the immediate needs.

"I have seen a change in the councillors during my time and they are more anxious to take decisions themselves. It is very difficult for them and I would be concerned that they are part-time and in such a small community there are pressures.

"At times they could become subjective rather than objective and that is possibly when they should listen to the advisors who are public servants and have no axe to grind."

One of the things Mr Cummings says he will miss is watching the interaction of the different groups in the islands - Camp with Stanley, East with West, Ex-Pats with locals and the fishing people and military with all of them, and the complexity of views this mix gives.

"The friendliness and warmth of the folk in Camp is incredible. In Stanley, as is true in small towns anywhere, there is a delight and propensity to use rumours and stories, and there have been some incredible stories!"

Finally he talked of the reasons behind his resignation. "I am not in any doubt that if my wife had been able to come with me I would have stayed and completed my contract.

"My children are all at critical ages - 17, 15 and 12 years - and all at day school. The inflexibility of ODA in not paying passages has been particularly irksome.

"They would have paid £25,000 if my wife had been here, but because she's not they won't pay a penny and I have had to pay every time my family have come down which is expensive.

"I am disappointed to be leaving. This is without doubt one of the most exciting jobs in the world with a high political profile.

"I am sorry to leave the Falkland Islands."

PN NEWS EXTRA

During the making of the new-look Penguin News there have been considerable problems with production and machinery which resulted in an engineer being flown from Scotland to the Falklands to tend to mechanical problems with the printing equipment.

Following his efforts the paper has now been produced and you are able to read this copy.

However, during the period of work on the machinery, news - never a great respecter of time or place - has moved on apace. Add that to the four month gap since the last Penguin News and it is easy to see it would be impossible to include everything that has happened in that period.

In an effort to bring some more current news to this edition this four-page extra has been added.

Even so, there will be events or items missed out, but hopefully a cross-section of news has been given while giving you a chance to see the type of product Penguin News Ltd. will be producing in the future.

The next edition will appear next Friday, July 15th, with the fresh news stories of the week and also a selection of photographs taken during the four month break in production from the old to new Penguin News.

SAINTS POINT TO FIG AS SINNERS IN FIPASS MOVE.

A storm has blown up in Stanley between the Saint Helenian workforce and the Government regarding the proposed accommodation for the former which has just been completed at FIPASS.

The collision of opinion revolves around those Saint Helenians employed by the Public Works Department and plans to move them from their present accommodation at Hillside Camp, off Davis Street.

The main objection from the Saints would appear to be that the new accommodation complex itself is completely enclosed within one of the huge warehouse sheds on the massive floating dock at FIPASS.

More than 30 workers are involved in the dispute and the local General Employees Union chairman, Gavin Short, and Secretary, Wally Hirtle, yesterday spent the day in negotiation with government officials and councillors on behalf of the Saints' workforce.

As this paper went to Press last night there was an extraordinary meeting of the complete union membership at their headquarters in Ross Road, to decide what action is or could be taken following the meetings.

Mr Short described the meeting, prior to it convening, as "the end of the road" as far as negotiations are concerned and expected the meeting to result in either a decision for action to be taken or for the Saints to accept the accommodation.

There has been a long

standing plan that accommodation for the Saints Helenian workforce would be built at FIPASS for both those that work at FIPASS and those who work for PWD.

The cabin complex was completed this week with all plumbing, electrics and alarm systems being made ready, but the Saints are unhappy that the building is completely enclosed in a warehouse.

Opinion has been expressed by the workforce that if the building were outside they might be happier but that they are definitely unhappy with its present location.

At present it would appear that two or three of the Saints have moved down to the new block from Hillside, but the majority have stayed put.

A secondary concern amongst the Saints is that the FIPASS complex is too far away from the town and the rent high, but it was stressed that this was not the main thrust of their discontent over the new accommodation offer.

Many of those involved have

said they are willing to bunch up four to a portacabin at their present accommodation if it would allow them to stay at Hillside and avoid a move to FIPASS.

As tempers flared amongst the Saints over the move, union chiefs in Stanley attempted to defuse the growing tension by meeting with government officials yesterday morning and councillors in the afternoon.

Although there were indications of some positive moves the situation did not look hopeful as last night's union meeting drew closer.

The dispute comes at a time when the Saint Helenian Government Social Services Officer responsible for both employment and social policy, Mrs Ivy Ellick, is visiting the Falkland Islands.

Yesterday afternoon Gavin Short said he thought it likely she would have to become involved in the dispute.

She has been over to visit the 100 Saints employed at MPA and those employed in Stanley and, having been at

MPA for a week, was due to arrive in Stanley yesterday for a week.

Her plans had been to visit places of work, meet heads of department and the Government Secretary, and to see where the Saint Helenians are accommodated.

The latter visit has now taken on a new significance.

Yesterday Government Secretary, Mr Colin Redston, said he was sorry this dispute had arisen but said he felt a settlement was not far away.

At that point he still had to meet with the union officials but he was hopeful of constructive talks which would lead to a successful conclusion to this matter.

Mr Redston was particularly involved in the recommendation to bring the Saints to the Falklands which was eventually accepted by Executive Council at the end of last year.

It was seen as helping to solve problems in both countries - Saint Helena suffers from underemployment while the Falklands face an overemployment problem.

STRENGTH KEY TO VICTORY FOR MPA

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In the end the sheer fitness, size and experience of the visitors eventually won this exciting match for the military side.

The Stanley side fought gamely throughout the tie and the scoreline perhaps flatters the MPA side slightly as for long periods of the game they were under considerable pressure.

In wet, greasy conditions it was always going to have to be a handling game played tight. In the first half a strong wind tended to favour the visitors but there was little tactical kicking evident.

Despite the lighter pack Stanley showed some good work in the tight and surprisingly managed a few scrums against the head. Indeed this platform allowed the backs some good possession and a lot of pressure towards the MPA line.

However, this pressure was never capitalised upon and the military team showed they could be dangerous on the counter attack putting tremendous pressure on Stanley full-back Derek "Kruger" Clark on many occasions.

The home-side back row worked well together with Tim Vaughan from EOD guesting at No.8 and he soon built up a good rapport with fellow newcomer Mike Finlay at scrum-half. As the half progressed the visitors came more into their game and the back row and half-backs had to show their defensive skills as well as their attacking abilities.

Competition became fierce for every ball and despite the wet ball there were some nice touches of skill from both sets

of backs. Quite a battle began to emerge in the line-outs and the considerable number of spectators began to see quite a good game of rugby take shape.

With half-time almost due disaster struck for Stanley when two players were drawn out of position in defence and MPA were quick to capitalise on a wide overlap to allow Keith Davies over for the opening score. Graham Morrison then added the two points for the conversion.

Stanley were perhaps unlucky that the wind they had expected at their backs in the second half seemed to fade and prevented them from using the boot to gain territorial advantage.

Soon after the restart the home side were caught pushing forward when play broke down and MPA's huge second row forward Ian Thickpenny, normally a member of the formidable Cross Keys Rugby Club and a Welsh under-21, thundered up the right flank to eventually crash over the line for a score.

Down but not out Stanley pushed back and gave everything but again were unable to crack the military defence.

Some good breaks from the base of the scrum by scrum-

FINANCIAL SECRETARY AWARDED THE CBE.

The Government Financial Secretary, Mr Harold Rowlands, had the CBE conferred upon him in the Queen's Birthday Honours recently.

This was the second honour conferred on 56-year-old Mr Rowlands who has served in the Treasury since 1948.

Born in Stanley he started as a clerk in the Treasury in 1948, a position he held until he was made Assistant Treasurer in 1960.

In 1972 came his appointment as Financial Secretary which also made him an ex-officio member of Legislative and Executive Councils.

Six years later the New Year's Honours List brought an OBE for Mr Rowlands with the citation for public service.

During the conflict in 1982

he became the most senior official in the islands after the deportation of the Governor and the Chief Secretary.

The CBE conferred in the Birthday Honours is again for public service and is particularly appropriate this year as Mr Rowlands has announced his retirement.

In his 40 years service Mr Rowlands has delivered 18 budgets and has helped steer and guide the extremely rapid growth of the budget and economy in the last two years with the advent of the FICZ and the establishment of the fishing industry locally.

half Mike Finlay and the support of the mobile back row brought some close calls but the visitors line stood intact.

Some good moves from the backs, with full-back Clark coming on strong runs into the line, also came to naught.

Fitness began to tell as the half progressed with the home side wilting slightly and only enthusiasm and determination keeping them going at times.

Inevitably MPA were able to use their greater fitness and bulk with more effect and back David Lang found a gap to get through for a try after a period of sustained pressure deep in the home half. This was converted by Kev Redstone.

Stanley continued to fight gamely and it was the good working of back row and half back together which brought

some reward from the game for Stanley.

Tim Vaughan controlled well at the back of a scrum in the visitors 22 to allow Mike Finlay to set off on a delightful jinking run to score on the left.

Any hopes of a miraculous come-back quickly evaporated for Stanley as time ebbed away and the final whistle from referee John Jackson ended proceedings for the day.

Overall it was a hard, well-contested game in which Stanley played well but which they looked unlikely to win as the game progressed. That said, there were some commendable displays in the team and it can only be from playing better opposition that the side will eventually improve.

It is hoped to have more fixtures against MPA in the future.

ISLAND FISHING Co's.

The abundant fishing waters around the Falkland Islands has spawned another locally operated company.

J.B.G. Falklands describe themselves as a company whose purpose is to efficiently and reliably provide the multi-national fleet of fishing vessels operating in and around the islands with provisions and stores. To this end the company's modern office, situated above Reflections in Dean Street, is equipped with Telex, Facsimile and International telephone which all link it with overseas suppliers.

The directors of J.B.G. Falklands have embarked on a series of overseas visits identifying produce available, assessing the quality and negotiating prices to ensure that their customers receive only the highest quality produce at the right price.

"J.B.G. Falklands is a truly Falkland Islands Company," say the three directors. "The directors are Falkland islanders who have a real commitment to the development of the fishing industry for the ultimate benefit of the community."

The company has commissioned and received plans for a comprehensive leisure centre which would provide residents with many facilities presently lacking in Stanley.

They intend to liaise with the

Falkland Islands Government and fishing companies, say the directors, in an effort to raise the necessary capital for the building of the centre.

The directors - Terry Betts, Gerry Johnson, and Peter Guilding - stress the company is not a joint venture but completely owned and run themselves.

In order to raise the necessary capital to support its business ventures J.B.G. Falklands intends to apply for fishing licences on behalf of interested fishing companies.

"Capital obtained by this method will allow the company to accelerate its expansion into other areas of business generating local employment and helping reduce the cost of living to those who are fortunate to live in these beautiful islands," they say.

In an attempt to see examine their market more closely Messrs. Johnson, Betts and Guilding have travelled and will travel to Europe and the Far East for a series of visits.

The company was officially launched at a buffet evening held at J.B.G.'s offices last month.

Members of fishing companies, local business, government and FIDC were present among around 70 guests attending.

all the necessary supportive services.

A spokesman for Goodwin Offshore outlined the future aims saying, "We intend to obtain a fishing vessel to be locally owned and crewed and to train young people in fishing and seafaring skills, so that eventually, we may build up a Falkland Islands fishing fleet."

"We aim to initiate and build up shore based facilities, e.g. cold storage and ship repair, and to improve and expand existing hotel and private sector services."

The spokesman added that Goodwin's would be interested in becoming involved in any future oil related activities off the islands.

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A buffet reception attended by His Excellency the Governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes, at the Colony Club in Stanley saw the launch of new local company Beauchene Falkland Island Fishing and Trading Company Ltd.

At the launch company chairman, Mr James Moffat, welcomed His Excellency and many members of the administrative, business and fishing fraternity on behalf of himself and fellow directors, Mr Tony Loftus and Mr David Hawksworth.

In his speech Mr Moffat said the company's policy was to grow slowly but surely for the future and for the benefit of the Falkland Islands.

"We aim to be honest truthful and upstanding, to respect and be respected," he said. "We are not in the get-rich-quick market, that is not our purpose."

"We have our own successful establishments in Stanley and do not need to prove our commitment to the islands but to enhance and build upon it."

"We also have ideas to support and serve the foreign fishing fleet and integrate with them."

Mr Moffat added that their ultimate aim is to purchase or charter fishing vessels and to achieve this aim they would be looking for support from local government.

The possibility of going public to raise funds was outlined and the company see this as a way for the local community to take part in the new and prosperous fishing industry.

● Mrs Phyllis Rendell has been appointed to the post of Chief Education Officer, in succession to Mrs Eileen Murphy.

Mrs Rendell formerly headed the Camp Education Department, a position she had held since 1984.

● The Hookers Point 61 LLAAAD machine gun range has been booked for use from 11th to 15th August 1988. Civilians are asked to take note of these dates.

BIRTHS

HALL - on April 9th to David and Marilyn of Stanley a daughter, Victoria.

ALEXANDER - on April 30th to Marc and Anya of Stanley a daughter, Ashton Laura.

SULLIVAN - on May 4th to John and Susan of Stanley a son, Jonathan Francis.

BURNETT - on May 8th to Neil and Karen of Port San Carlos a daughter, Kelly Jo-ann.

MAY - on May 12th to Christopher and Linsey of Johnson's Harbour a daughter, Tiphany.

DEATHS

BIGGS - on April 5th aged 68 years, Bernard Layton Biggs.

ALAZIA - on April 21st aged 58 years, Dorothy Fay Alazia.

KIDDLE - on April 24th aged 83 years, Peter Kiddle.

SORNSEN - on April 24th aged 76 years, George Albert Sornsen.

WATSON - on April 27th aged 68 years, Louis James Watson.

MIDDLETON - on May 6th aged 67 years, Marian Sarah Ellen Middleton.

MORRISON - on June 1st aged 62 years, John Murdoch Morrison.

JAFFRAY - on 29th June aged 70 years, Rebecca Jaffray.

MARRIAGES

SMITH - on March 12th Roy Allan Smith and Jacqueline Jennings were married at Weddell Island.

FOX - on March 12th Mary Elizabeth Hughes and Melbourne Adrian Fox were married at St Cuthbert's Church, MPA.

SHORT - on April 2nd Faith Dylis Felton and Robert Charles Short were married at the Registrar General's Office in Stanley.

FURDA - on May 10th Jacqueline Dawn Joshua and Raymond Furda were married at the Registrar General's Office in Stanley.

ARMSTRONG - on July 4th Simon Armstrong and Jackie Guilding were married at the Registrar General's Office in Stanley.

NEW TREES FOR STANLEY CEMETERY

Local tree expert Tim Miller is all set to embark on a large scale tree planting operation at Stanley cemetery.

The trees are to be planted mainly as a memorial to the dead but will also add a decorative feature to the graveyard on Ross Road East.

Since the initial announcement of the tree-planting scheme there have been orders placed for about 100 trees and shrubs to be planted and now the scheme is almost set to be put into operation.

"The idea is to plant a hedge of macrocarpa and also individual trees and hardy shrubs," explained Tim.

"They will be planted in memoriam and some will have plaques."

Some people have their own trees they wish to plant but those that don't are being offered a choice of tress and shrubs from Tim's tree nursery.

"Macrocarpas are about £1.90 for a tree 20-24 inches high and there are various shrubs such as wild shrub roses at £1.25 each or hawthorn or mountain ash.

"The garden centre have agreed that anyone who buys their tree from them will be given the necessary tree ties and stakes free and in the

Spring we will apply fertilizer to the trees for them.

"We hope to start the initial planting at the end of this month. So far, in preparation, prisoners have been involved in digging over the ground just inside the existing stone wall at the cemetery."

The scheme is being run in conjunction with PWD and those who wish to plant their own trees will be given an agreed date to go in and plant.

For the rest Tim will be trying to arrange with Police Chief Ken Greenland to have prisoners plant the trees under supervision. He then hopes any further planting will be an on-going procedure.



"Escape committee nothing - it's another of Tim Miller's bloomin' trees we're planting"

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BOUND ABOUT TOWN - by Graham Bound.

AIDS Testing: Right or Wrong?

If the Medical Department's plan for islands-wide AIDS testing goes ahead the Falklands could be the first country to carry out such a sweeping and comprehensive survey.

That no country (that I know of) has yet conducted such an exercise may be reason for us to be proud that we are acting decisively and efficiently. But is it?

Couldn't there be a reason why so many countries, including those where traditional disregard for human rights would make compulsory universal testing simple, restrict themselves to the checking of immigrants and the encouragement of high-risk groups to volunteer for the test. Why do others pussy-foot around while we prepare to charge ahead?

The reason is that the Falklands Government see AIDS testing as a simple measure; an end in itself which will enable us to sit back reassured. But, as much of the rest of the world know, this is a far from simple issue. FIG should consider the following argument.

It is widely recognised that testing must go hand in hand with counselling. The subject of the test is advised, while there is still time to opt out testing, about the consequences of learning that he or she may be a host to the HIV virus, the possibly dormant agent which will almost certainly precipitate the full horrifying disease in one, two or five years time, whenever.

The person is told about the emotional and mental anguish that will be caused if it learned that the virus has settled and is awaiting its moment.

He or she is told about the consequences to family or lover; the conflict of feelings between anger, guilt, love and revulsion which can destroy everything which is most valuable. Counselling prepares the person to cope with the (albeit slight) possibility of a positive result, and psychiatric care is the obvious follow-up to a virtual death sentence.

Neither skilled counsellors, psychiatric help or even practical help for the family of an afflicted person are normally available in the Falklands.

Ignoring for the moment (if one can) the question of ante and post test counselling and care, one should ask the question, is the test likely to solve the problem anyway? Bear in mind that, unless medicine has advanced substantially since I last discussed the matter with people in the profession, the AIDS test can only state that a subject was clear of the virus until a stage three months before the test.

Unless one has been having a sexual relationship with just one person for at least the preceding twelve weeks or so, there can be no guaranteed clean bill of health. And of course no matter how monogamous the subject has been, there can be no guarantee unless that person's partner has also been faithful.

Total abstinence, of course, can remove all doubt. But this is a complicated message to put over, as traditionally a negative result to any medical test is taken as conclusive evidence that a given health threat has been eliminated.

It is entirely conceivable that negative AIDS test results could lead to reckless behaviour, with falsely reassured people assuring their partners that they are "safe".

This three month grey period seems even more dangerous in a community such as the Falklands, where approximately 50% of the population changes with great frequency.

What about the practical issue of dealing with an AIDS carrier. There is, after all, a chance that comprehensive testing will reveal one or two such unfortunate people.

In the relatively democratic Falklands we cannot condemn a person to a 1980's version of a leper colony simply because he may one day develop AIDS, and in the meantime can easily pass it on. Neither can we adopt the normal method of encouraging the carrier to continue life as normally as possible without endangering others.

The Falklands community is too tiny, completely lacking in privacy, and rumour-ridden for that to be possible. Fear would lead to cruel isolation and the creation of a pariah in the purest sense.

It would not be morally acceptable to send such a person to the UK, as a person with the dormant virus is not really ill. When the disease itself develops, then there may be no option but to send the victim to the UK, as the specialist facilities may not exist in the Falklands. But for a carrier there cannot even be the anonymity of a large society.

Until the testing programme raised its contentious head, the Falklands' anti-AIDS campaign was on the right track. We were right not to ignore the problem, right to educate the community and right to assume that with a frequently changing population we may face a higher risk than other island countries.

But testing is a weapon in the battle against the disease which is to be handled cautiously. Instead of considering universal testing, we should be encouraging individuals to identify if they are at risk and invite those who consider it worthwhile to submit to a test accompanied by all the professional help necessary.

We should strongly oppose promiscuity, but as it is a habit which dies hard, make sure that condoms (the only protection) are easily available over shop counters.

Comprehensive testing, even if we all agree to be tested, is in itself not the answer and could have quite horrifying consequences.

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RED ARROWS FOR FIGAS 40th?

The exciting Red Arrows jet display team could be part of an ambitious Air Display/Open Day at Mount Pleasant Airport in December if plans by Mr Robin Pitaluga of Gibraltar Station get backing.

Mr Pitaluga has outlined the plans, designed to mark the 40th anniversary of FIGAS, in a circular letter put round interested and associated parties, and explains how the initial idea came from an aviation researcher and historian.

Douglas Rough, co-author of "Falklands, The Air War" has, since his last visit to the islands, been very keen and concerned that this anniversary for the Government Air Service be marked in a special way and suggests an air display.

This would seem an appropriate way to celebrate the birthday which apparently falls on December 19th, and the suggested event would probably be brought forward to Saturday, 17th.

Mr Pitaluga, himself a private aircraft owner and pilot, points out that to organise and mount such an event at MPA would require the approval, permission and co-operation of the Falkland Islands Government, the Commander British Forces and the RAF, to name only three.

"The RAF has unrivalled experience of mounting splendid air displays; may we hope that the Red Arrows would come," said Mr Pitaluga.

Doug Rough and Vic Spencer (the first FIGAS pilot) have both offered to assist with ideas and advice for the civilian side which could be a display day for more things than just aviation.

"If there is sufficient interest in this project, an organising committee representing all areas of involvement would have to be formed as soon as possible to determine the feasibility of it, then the format and work on from that point," says Mr Pitaluga.

Market Garden A Growing Success

Stanley Growers Ltd., the Falkland Islands' first commercial market garden is now nearing the end of its first productive season and report it as a good one.

There have been times when it could not supply all the customers' needs, but this was due mainly to demand outstripping supply.

When the plants were first sown, they were planned to an assumed market. That market was larger than anticipated.

In just over a seven week period during March and April 2500 kilogrammes of tomatoes were supplied to the military without letting the local market go without.

Some retailers did not get just what they ordered, but with good crop management for the 1988/89 season this is not anticipated again.

Tomato production has now

ceased but lettuce will carry on throughout the Winter. Different vegetables have been introduced for the winter months and these are now becoming available for sale. These include cauliflower and two or three types of cabbage.

For the next main season it is intended to re-introduce runner beans, and for the first time, celery will be grown.

Marrows are not to be grown as they proved uneconomic last season. The usual supplies of tomatoes, lettuce, peppers and aubergines will be maintained and as will mini-cucumbers which proved popular this year.

During the winter the market garden will be hive of activity as new crops are brought on and Adrian Roberts of Hortiman, the management team, will also be busy training islander Tim Miller who will taking over the reins next year.

X-word Answers:-

Across: 7, Drachma; 8, Brigand; 10, For Goodness Sake; 11, Ousting; 13, Telstar; 15, Trait; 17, Sue; 19, Guard; 21, Pioneer; 23, Coterie; 25, Parquet Flooring; 28, Lyrical; 29, Trainer.
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FICZ REPORT

This week has seen the end of the 1988 High season and all squid fishing has therefore ceased in order to conserve this species.

However, the fishery for Hake and other finfish is still in operation.

The "Falklands Right" is carrying out research fishing in the West of the FICZ in addition to her normal patrol duties, while the "Falklands Desire" returned to patrol at sea on Sunday after two days in Stanley.

Senior Fishery Scientist John Barton has been directly involved with the research fishing programme which is presently measuring the effects of different mesh sizes on the retention of various fish species, particularly Hake.

There has been an upsurge in licencing activity this week with many of the second season vessels arriving.

Twenty five licences have been issued to Polish vessels; five to Spanish; and one to Japan. More are expected in the next few days.

Following the signing of the fuel agreement between FIG and Stanley Services Ltd. in August last year, legal permission has now been given to the company to undertake tests for their proposed new fuel depot on FIG land adjacent to the Fi-PASS road.

McAdam Design have been employed to conduct the tests which will indicate if the land is suitable for the siting of such an installation.

A spokesman for the company in Stanley said that they were very pleased that the tests were going ahead and was already looking forward to putting the building of the depot out to tender.

Stanley services Ltd. have also signed a contract with Shell International Trading Company which will mean supplies of Shell branded marine lubricants will be available to shipping operators in and around the Falklands.

The first consignment arrived in the islands on the MV Asifi and is now available to vessels.

Shell, who are the market leaders in marine lubricants, are also providing Stanley Services with training and full technical support including used oil analysis.

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Good "O"-Level results at Senior School

The 1987 Senior 5 pupils at Stanley Senior School in general received good results from their "O"-Levels this year.

The class of 11 pupils took part in some or all of the eight subjects on offer at the school. All pupils are to be congratulated on their results but a special mention must go to the following pupils:-

	Subjects entered	Subjects passed	
Philp Nutter	8	8	(including 5 'A' & 3 'B' grades)
Andrea Gray	8	7	(including 4 'A' & 2 'B' grades)
Emma Edwards	8	7	(including 1 'A' & 4 'B' grades)
Miranda Cheek	7	7	(including 1 'A' & 3 'B' grades)

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FIRE FOCUS ROUND UP

Operation FIRE Focus has come and gone and, on the whole, Falkland Islanders saw and knew very little about it as it took place.

The injection of extra troops and military hardware to the islands went largely unnoticed as British troops played both defender and attacker to test the defensive capabilities of the islands and how quickly reinforcements and equipment could be got to the garrison.

Both the many strengths and few minor weaknesses of the Falklands' defences were highlighted and overall the military hierarchy seemed happy with the results of the exercise.

A military handout describes the exercise, the largest exercise held in the Falklands since the conflict in 1982, as a huge success.

In a message to the garrison after the exercise, Commander British Forces Falkland Islands, Major General Neil Carlier, said: "It has been a most useful exercise for all in this theatre and many good lessons have been learnt. I have been impressed by the enthusiastic way everyone responded to all the tasks given to them and by the professional way in which exercise incidents were tackled."

During FIRE Focus - FIRE standing for Falkland Islands Reinforcement Exercise, the best part of a thousand extra servicemen arrived through Mount Pleasant Airport. Extra aircraft flown down included Phantoms, VC 10's and Nimrods.

The soldiers, mainly light infantrymen, arrived in theatre in uniform and equipped ready to fight. After initial documentation and feeding they were sent into the field to fight.

At the end of the reinforcement stage of the exercise most of the soldiers took part in further exercises on East and West Falklands.

These were under CBF whose staff planned a number of small interlocking exercises which made of some of the finest training areas in the world.

Only the weather spoiled the realism and most of the visiting forces were amazed to find the islands basking in sub-tropical sunshine. British newspapers reported soldiers as suffering and being hospitalised with sunburn - a totally erroneous story based on local gossip.

However, it is understood the extra troops flown in had to leave considerable amounts of winter uniform and equipment at MPA as it would have proved unnecessary in the clement weather conditions which prevailed during the exercise.

It was part of the Ministry of Defence's long term planning that such an exercise should be held at some time. The Falkland Islands garrison has been slimmed down over the years to fulfil a normal peacetime role. One of the main objects of the exercise was to demonstrate that the garrison could be beefed up if there ever was a threat to the islands.

The cost of the exercise was in the region of £3 million, most of the bill being due to airlift costs. The amount is not being seen as excessive when it is compared to what it would take to keep a larger garrison in the Falklands.

Due to the type of exercise there was very little interference with the normal daily life of the Falkland Islanders. Most of the action was in the MPA area and well away from the public eye.

However, at the end of the exercise, businesses in Stanley benefitted from the larger numbers of soldiers sightseeing in the capital.

Locals help in mountain rescue

Following the rescue of three servicemen lost overnight on Mt. Philomel on West Falkland, the forces at Mount Pleasant would like to thank the islanders in the area for their help in locating the men.

The three signalmen had been tending equipment on the summit of the 1500ft. mountain when the weather closed in.

Due to the poor visibility conditions the helicopter sent to pick them up at a pre-arranged rendezvous could not find them and when they walked down the mountain to a pre-arranged alternate site they had missed the helicopter.

The three then decided to walk out towards Fox Bay, following the line of fences.

They were well-equipped for inclement conditions and overnight camped down in the shelter of some rocks until morning when they continued walking towards Fox Bay.

In the meantime the military had been in touch with locals in the area through the Two-metre system asking if the men had been sighted, and were amazed at the response to their plea for help.

A spokesman at MPA said

that one man even offered to go out through the night to look for them and next day one woman was out in her Land Rover driving towards Mt. Philomel to see if she could spot them.

It was when a helicopter passed over the Rover it decided to go down and speak to the driver. In doing so the helicopter brought itself into the line of vision of the three men and they sent up a flare which was spotted by the chopper.

The men were then picked up and airlifted back to MPA where they were reported to have survived the ordeal unscathed.

A spokesman for the military at MPA said they could not thank the locals enough and praised them in the different ways they helped in locating the missing men.

Longest Serving BFFI Officer

During the break in publication of Penguin News there was a notable farewell from MPA.

There was a military send-off for Colonel MacDougall as he stepped aboard the Tri-Star at the end of April.

He arrived in December 1986 with his wife, Margaret, to take over the job of Chief Staff Officer in charge of personnel and logistics on a 12-month tour of duty.

At the end of that duty he was asked to stay on to be project officer for exercise FIRE Focus. Margaret then returned home and Colonel Gordon spent his last four months as a bachelor.

Colonel MacDougall made many friends among the Falkland Islanders during his tour of duty and a letter of farewell to them can be seen on the letters page.

A keen fisherman, the colonel looks forward to boasting about his record catches in his next job in the Headquarters of the British Forces in Germany.

he will be keeping in touch with the islands, one of his last acts here was to buy a subscription for Penguin News.

When the departing Colonel MacDougall boarded the Tri-Star he was flanked by two ceremonial buglers of the Light Infantry who said farewell with a musical salute.

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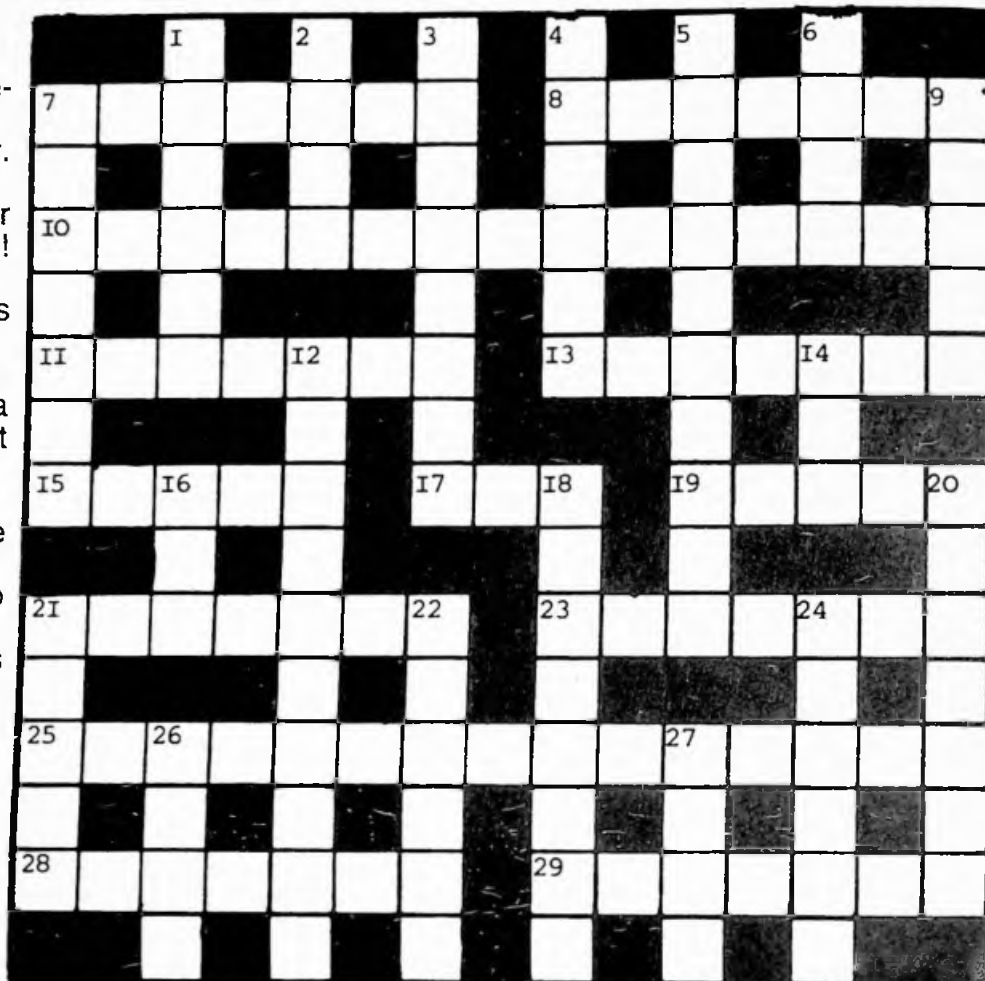
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THE BIG X-WORD

ACROSS

- 7 It can be tendered legally in Greece. (7)
 8 A vessel and a robber. (7)
 10 Out of consideration for virtue. Heavens above! (3,8,4)
 11 Ejecting the trips perhaps. (7)
 13 "Rattles." (Anag.) (7)
 15 Characteristic of a pointless artist perhaps. (5)
 17 Prosecute her. (3)
 19 Watch that Could be black, of course. (5)
 21 Put one in a jetty to go first. (7)
 23 Circle of people that is finished. (7)
 25 "Prolong quite far." (Anag.) (7,8)
 28 Poetical mixture of two boys. (7)
 29 He should keep his athletes on the right lines. (7)

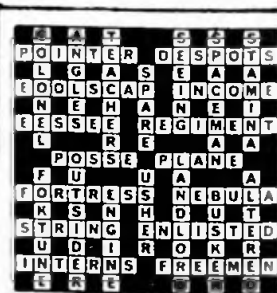



DOWN

- 1 The first person in the grain stores produces children! (6)
 2 Not a scarecrow, but it frightens the birds away. (4)
 3 The musicians get old and cover their wounds with these. (8)
 4 Express disapproval of the thing. (6)
 5 At dawn do it to a cigarette before you smoke it. (5,5)
 6 "This is what comes of blowing your top," as the Sicilians might say, looking upwards. (4)
 7 When the refrigerator's frosted, change it. (2,5)
 9 Listen to the doctor. He's so gloomy. (5)
 12 Desert when you leave this. (2,3,5)
 14 About five's the right number for this meal. (3)
 16 The end of a violent storm. (3)
 18 Go up for a favourite word of politicians today(8)
 20and this can go down and get the mud. (7)
 21 With which teacher may keep an eye on his. (5)
 22 Right! An abstainer is taken by strong drink. (6)
 24 Resign perhaps because of the rules. (6)
 26 Unusual union of two regiments. (4)
 27 Nothing to prohibit here. (4)

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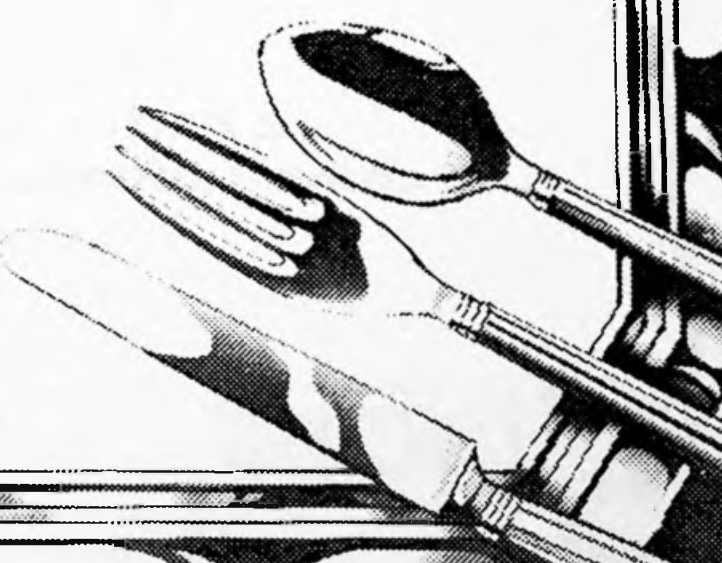
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Redsox Win Local League.

Redsox came back from losing the first match of the play-off series to win the second and third games and to lift the League title by two matches to one.

Celtic will consider themselves unlucky as they saw their hopes of an unexpected victory cruelly snatched from them as first of all their midfield player Tom Mearns suffered a broken ankle in the second match of the play-offs, and then they were deprived of their goalkeeper Tex Hobman through work commitments for the decider.

Mearns' injury just five minutes from the end of the second game shocked everyone as the crack could be heard by spectators some distance away.

At that stage of the game the scores were level at 1-1, with Niall Mulligan having put Celtic ahead and James Peck equalizing with a debatable penalty.

The green and whites were visibly shaken after losing Mearns and two minutes from time their defence failed to spot Shay Mahoney rising high to head home following a corner.

The third and deciding fixture was virtually all Redsox although Celtic did equalize Peck's early goal with an ex-

cellent effort from Aiden Kerr who got in at the far post to head in the inch perfect cross from Steve Jaffray - Celtic's man of the match.

However, Redsox took total control in the second half and with the wind on their backs, attacked incessantly bringing Adrian Lowe, Celtic's stand-in keeper, repeatedly into action.

He couldn't stop Miranda's volley and minutes later kicked the ball straight at Lennie Ford who hit the ball back into the empty net.

Ford scored the fourth with a swirling 40-yard shot to clinch the match and the League Championship for Redsox. Later Peck twice hit the bar with vicious shots.

Redsox: P.Watts(capt.), P.McNeily, R.Evans, J.Mahoney, C.Ford, G.Hobman, G.Tyrell, J.Bridel, L.Ford, J.Peck, R.Miranda. Subs: D.Pettersson, L.Muir.
Celtic: A.Lowe, T.Summers, D.Clarke, A.Kerr, T.Betts, S.Jaffray, L.Ross(capt.), T.Morris, J.Teggart, N.Mulligan, C.McCallum.
Sub: M.Reeves.

FIVE GOAL ROMP

STANLEY 5 HMS NOTTINGHAM 0

A sparkling first half performance from the local side highlighted another excellent victory over a visiting Royal Navy team.

Yet again the home team was indebted to James Peck, their talented forward who rocked Nottingham with a goal on five minutes and added his second, and Stanley's fourth, just before the interval.

In between Gonzalo Hobman completely deceived the visiting defence with a long, low shot into the net, while John Teggart, who ran the opposing defence ragged all afternoon with his twisting runs down the right flank, scored number three.

Peck, Teggart and Hobman linked well, particularly in the first half, and totally demoralized the shaky defence of the team representing the Type-42 destroyer.

Perhaps the local lads felt they had done enough in the first 45 minutes to warrant a

rest, but they never again quite captured their form of the first half, and for 20 minutes Nottingham showed some purpose in their play.

Stanley captain, Shay Mahoney, who took every opportunity to support his forwards, finally got his reward when he headed home superbly from a corner for Stanley's fifth.

The popular Irishman whose career seemed over two years ago when he sustained a broken leg, has made a remarkable recovery and, in addition, to leading the local side throughout the season, also won a medal playing for Redsox, the league champions, and carried off the club's coveted Player-of-the-Year trophy.

Final Table:-

	Pld	Won	Drawn	Lost	F	A	Pts.
Redsox	10	6	0	4	22	15	18
Celtic	10	5	0	5	22	18	15
Dynamos	10	4	0	6	16	30	12

Play-off Series.

Redsox 1 Celtic 3
Redsox 2 Celtic 1
Redsox 4 Celtic 1

Leading scorers:- J.Teggart 10; J.Mahoney 7; D.Ford, R.Miranda 6; J.Peck 5; M.Luxton, J.McEachern, L.Ross 3.

STANLEY SCHOOLBOYS FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The 1987-88 Stanley Schoolboys Football League season came to a close on April 9th.

Dynamos, captained by Tom Blake, finished comfortable winners with a six point advantage over their nearest rivals,

Celtic (capt. - J. Curtis), whose points tally was just one clear of Hotshots (capt. - A. Alazia).

The games were once again contested in a very enthusiastic

and competitive spirit.

The 12-match series produced no scoreless draws with a total of 44 goals scored.

League table (final positions):-

	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	Pts.
Dynamos	8	4	3	1	15
Celtic	8	2	3	3	9
Hotshots	8	2	2	4	8



The Globe Shield was presented to Tom Blake at a special assembly at the senior school.

Celtic gained some compensation as Javier Lazo took the top scorer award with a tally of eight goals to his credit.

Again this year the player-of-

the-year award proved a very difficult decision. Tom Blake, Jonathan Ford, Severine Betts, Jimmy Curtis and Javier Lazo were all close contestants right to the end. Tom Blake took the award, narrowly beating Jimmy Curtis to make it a memorable season for the Dynamos'

captain.

Over the years the Schoolboys League has provided a vital input to the game at senior level, producing young players keen to carry on.

As long as this trend continues then there is a bright future for football in the Falkland Islands.

SPORT- *By Patrick Watts.*

TOP SEEDS CONTEST FINAL

It was fitting that numbers one and two seeds should meet in the final of the £1000 Witte Boyd sponsored knockout tournament, the first major event of the new darts season.

After winning four titles in succession Colin Smith was finally forced to take second place as his team mate James Lang beat him by four legs to three in one of the most exciting and skilful matches ever played in the Stanley Town Hall.

Witte Boyd, the British-Swedish fishing company, sponsored the event and were overjoyed with its success and have already indicated their willingness to go ahead with a similar event next year. In terms of hard cash this competition now takes over the premier spot.

The recently introduced seeding system was used for the championships and three of the top four seeds duly reached their allotted places.

Colin (Tootie) Ford joined Smith and Lang in the semi-finals with newcomer, Master Baker Graham Sneyd, a serviceman stationed at MPA, taking fourth place.

The semi-final games were exciting affairs and Smith, the favourite, could easily have gone out to Sneyd who for once was found lacking when it came to the finishing double.

The Falklands player never allows his opponent two chances and Colin snatched victory in several legs just when it looked as if he would have to admit defeat.

In the other semi the pace was fast and furious as the two local lads put on a superb game of darts for the 300 spectators.

Lang was in magnificent form and won 3-0, but he was pressed all the way by "Tootie" Ford who, on a normal night, would surely have won at least a couple of legs.

The final, the best of seven legs over 301 with a double to start and finish, was action-packed from the first to the last dart.

Smith took the first leg, having opened with 105 and going out on 20 and double 10, while Lang had also started with a ton-plus.

The second leg went to Lang after opening with 80 and 100, he was left with 69. With his opponent closing rapidly, Lang gambled on a two dart finish of 19 then bull which he got.

He took the third notching up another score of 100 in the process, finishing this time on 20 and double 20.

Two-one down, Colin Smith came roaring back in the fourth leg with scores of 100 and 115 and then went out on double four.

He never really got into leg five which was the least exciting of the series. Lang won it on double 10.

The sixth leg was full of incident as Smith won it in 10 darts after scoring 80, 140, and 63 before finishing on double nine at the first time of asking.

In the seventh and final leg Smith brought himself to a double 18 to finish with scores of 105, 60, and 100, but with Lang scoring 22, 85 and 140 he snatched victory with single 14, a miss and double 20.

So Lang took home the £400 first prize with a 4-3 victory while Smith, the runner-up, who had won the three previous individual knockout tournaments, received £200.

Colin Ford justified his seeding by edging out Graham



Sneyd in the third and fourth place play-off.

Margaret Goss, to no-ones surprise, once again proved herself to be the top lady dart player in the islands. She duly took the ladies' title which is run in conjunction with the Open tournament.

In an excellent final she defeated Glenda McGill by 2-1 to win £100, while Wendy Teggart reached the semi-final stages and beat newcomer

Michelle Binnie, once of Fitzroy, in the play-off for third and fourth.

The seeding system once again provided spectators with some enthralling matches in the later stages as top players were kept apart until the fourth round, and it is hoped that the organisers of the big individual tournaments will now heed the pleas of spectators and the large listening audience and continue the system.

NAVY TROUNCED

STANLEY 9 HMS DUMBARTON CASTLE 3

Stanley fielded a combined first and second team against the small patrol vessel, but still ran out easy winners, although they were shaken by an early goal for the visitors, scored by Wilson.

It wasn't long before Tex Hobman equalised, and he then skillfully lobbed the goalkeeper for number two.

The Royal navy side must have had hopes of getting back on equal terms after holding the home side to a 2-1 lead at half-time.

However, James Peck and Gonzalo Hobman decided to show the visitors what they could do in the second period and repeatedly pulled the opposing defence to pieces with some excellent passing moves.

James Bridel put Stanley further ahead when he headed home a corner and then Peck cut through the Dumbarton

Castle defence and crossed for Miranda to hook the ball into the net for Stanley's fourth.

Peck worked well with Hobman minutes later to allow Dale McCormick to score.

The talented Peck then added his own name to the score sheet with two fierce shots which rocketed passed a by-now bemused Navy 'keeper.

An own goal and another by young McCormick made it nine for Stanley. In between the assault, Dumbarton Castle broke away to score twice, through Redfearn and Giles.

In the end the visitors were badly and sadly beaten, but took defeat sportingly.



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NEW GOVERNOR FOR FALKLANDS

The next Governor of the Falkland Islands, to succeed His Excellency The Governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes, will be Mr William Hugh Fullerton.

The report of the appointment was made last Wednesday after Her Majesty The Queen had approved the appointment in London.

The announcement was released locally at Government House some hours after its release in London by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

The announcement read: "Her Majesty The Queen has been pleased to approve the appointment of Mr W.H. Fullerton as Governor, Falkland Islands, High Commissioner, British Antarctic Territory and Commissioner for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands in succession to Mr G.W. Jewkes CMG, who will be taking up a further Diplomatic Service appointment."

Mr Fullerton is described as a career member of the Diplomatic Service.

At present he is serving in London on secondment to the Ministry of Defence.

A married man with

**By Rory
MacLeod**

one daughter, he was previously Ambassador to Somalia and amongst his earlier postings were the Middle East, Jamaica, Turkey and Pakistan.

Mr Fullerton is a graduate of King's College, Cambridge, in Oriental languages and is also a fluent speaker of Arabic.

Prior to joining the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in 1965 he worked with Shell International.

His hobbies listed in "Who's Who" are sailing, reading, walking and travelling in remote places.

Mr Jewkes is set to return to the United States of America. Prior to his taking up the

Governorship of the Falklands he was posted in Chicago.

In his new post he will succeed Sir James Mellon KCMG as Consul General in New York and Director General of Trade and Investment, USA.

The Governor and his wife, Joyce, plan to leave the Falkland Islands in mid-October and are expecting to move to New York in January 1989.

As Governor, Mr Jewkes has seen astounding changes in Falklands life.

During his time in office he has been involved with the growth of the fledgling fishing industry and the wealth from the FICZ established at the end of 1987.

Mr and Mrs Fullerton are planning to arrive in the islands in early November sometime.

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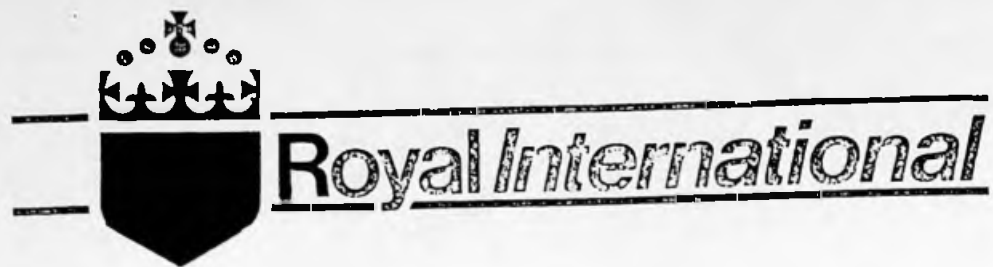
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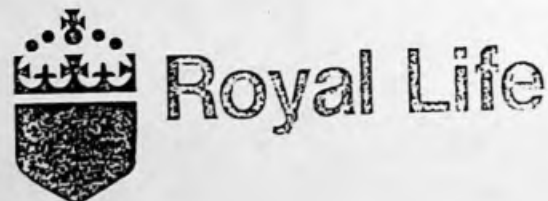


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TWO FIC FARMS UP FOR SALE

Following close on the heels of the sale and sub-division of Port Stephens Farm on West Falkland the Falkland Islands Company are set to sell off two more farms.

Both farms are island groups in the Falkland Sound and are going for £30,000 and £85,000 respectively.

The cheaper is the Great/Swan Group which is comprised of 12 islands.

The more expensive of the two is George and Barren Island which is made up of two main islands.

In both cases the sale includes all livestock, machinery and farm stock and three-bedroomed house or bungalow.

The move means that FIC effectively will be left with farming concerns only in East Falkland having sold the last of their land in West Falkland.

During his recent visit to the islands FIC Managing Director, Mr Brian McGreal, denied that it was a deliberate policy to limit their operation to Lafonia only with no more concerns in the West.

This thought was echoed by Mr Roger Spink of the company in Stanley who described the latest sale as a continued "rationalisation of the structure of FIC's investments in the islands".

"It reflects FIC's continuing attitude of concentrating its investments and efforts on their Fitzroy and Lafonia farms," he said.

"These farms were once share farmed but the nature of these particular farms leads us to believe they would be better worked by an owner-occupying farmer."

Scottish Solicitor Set For The Falkland Islands

By Colin Craig, Aberdeen Business Express.

An Aberdeen solicitors firm is claiming a Scottish national first by opening a Falkland Islands office.

C and PH Chalmers will be the only legal practice and has already identified potential clients with help from the Falkland Islands Development Corporation.

They see great Falklands degree from Aberdeen potential, especially with future oil and gas exploration.

The Development Corporation is expanding the economy and several nations fish the surrounding waters.

A local population of about 2000 will get independent advice for the first time according to Mr David Laing, partner in charge of Chalmers' commercial department.

North-east clients with Falklands fishing operations first interested the company in the idea.

Mr Laing has visited the islands and now partner Mr Gavin Farquhar (29) will fly out in August to set up the Port Stanley office.

A four-wheel drive jeep and office equipment are going out by boat.

Falklands law draws on British experience and has such things as a Bill of Rights - something Britain doesn't have.

Commercial, private and even criminal work will be undertaken along with wide-ranging advice.

Previously government officials were the only sources of legal advice on the islands.

And Mr Farquhar's qualifications for the unique position, apart from an honours legal

degree from Aberdeen University?

"Being single and slightly mad," he laughed.

On the serious side Mr Farquhar has experience of international banking as well as legal practices in Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Foreign experience was an obvious advantage and there was potential for work on the South American mainland despite the delicate politics.

"I see it as a one-off and a tremendous challenge," he said.

"I would be looking to be down there for up to a year, because that is our natural review stage," he said.

If successful at that point someone else would replace him, ensuring updated legal knowledge and a fresh approach.

Communications with the islands is a major expense but telex and other facilities are available to provide back-up from Aberdeen.

"There's a lot of opportunity and I am looking forward to it," said Mr Farquhar.

Mr Laing added that the overall cost was not prohibitive and was about the same as setting up a branch office in, say Stornoway in Scotland's western Isle of Lewis.

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About 3.25pm a Sherpa minibus was headed when it had to swerve for a straying sheep. In the manoeuvre the driver lost control of the vehicle and it ended up on its roof in the roadway.

As the van turned over it struck the sheep which was killed in the process.

The three occupants of the vehicle all needed treatment. The first for shock, the second for an injury to his arm and the third was detained in the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Stanley with an injury to his back.

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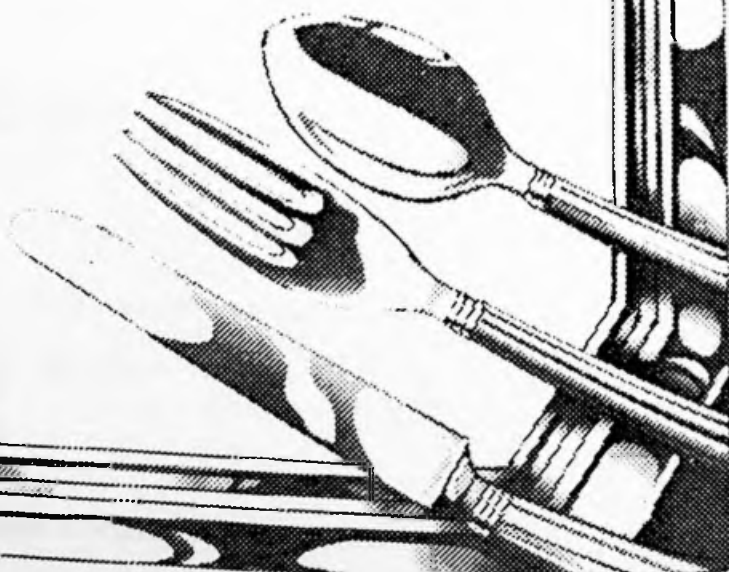
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SAINTS: FIG RACIST?

Dear sir,
As an Islander I have been disturbed by the degrading and virtually RACIST attitude of the top level FIG administration and several councillors towards our much needed contract workforce from St Helena. The inevitable UK press coverage will do great harm to the Islands - for this we can thank the narrow-minded few.

It would be interesting to learn how many of our so called "leaders" would be prepared to live in such unpleasant conditions - let's have equal rights and put the next lot of consultants and experts in a smelly noisy warehouse.

The attitude of FCO officials is not really surprising when one considers that a number of them apparently refer to we Islanders as "white niggers".

Yours faithfully,
Tim Miller,
Stanley.

BRITANNIA LACKING?

Dear Sir,
The Liberation Memorial in Stanley is a fine tribute to all who had their part in the return of Freedom to the Falklands. Like every other visitor I have admired and photographed it many times, for the walls, plaques and the tall central plinth, have a quality and style of their own.

Britannia may be less robust than most, more "Brit Eckland" than "Boadicea", but she looks upwards and outwards to the far hills, with hope and with pride.

It was only when I examined in detail some of the photographs I had taken of her in February last, that I had to conclude that her shield wasn't all it should be.

Britannia should have the conjoined crosses of England, Scotland and Ireland on her shield. In the same way the old British Pennies, and the new gold "Britannia" and the Union Jack joins those three national banners into the banner of the UNITED KINGDOM. Britannia on the Liberation

Memorial, bears only the cross of England and the Saltire cross of Scotland, on the shield by her side.

So it seems someone has forgotten the Saltire cross of Ireland, and anyone can make a mistake.

If someone in Stanley who may read this, would take a pair of binoculars along to the Memorial and check if her shield has only two crosses, instead of the three crosses it should have, then ask the powers that be to put it right, it would be appreciated.

All it needs is for the Public Works Department to arrange to have the narrow Saltire of Ireland, welded onto the shield, and Stanley's Britannia will have the proper shield of the United Kingdom by her side, and all will be well.

Yours faithfully,
Eric Ogden,
London.

RECORD STRAIGHTENER

Dear Sir,
The Annual Report of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation for 1987 states that there was a natural concern among the people of Hill Cove that subdivision would mean that some employees would have to leave the area, and adds - "However, FIDC was able to prevent this by offering a number of surplus houses at manageable prices to those wishing to retire in hill Cove."

As Chairman of Holmsted Blake & Co. Ltd. at the time agreement was reached with Government for the sale of Hill Cove I feel it incumbent upon me to put the record straight. It saddens me that our actions as a Board should be so misconstrued when one of the key concerns at every Board meeting prior to the sale was precisely the subject about which FIDC now take credit.

People may feel that for me now to raise this is quite academic, but in all consciousness, when you consider the long association of the Blakes and the Holmstedts with Hill Cove, such a statement, so palpably

incorrect, must be righted.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Elizabeth Stronach,
London.

PRYNN AND ARGENTINA

Dear Sir,

The Prynn Report was commissioned by Simon Armstrong of FIDC with the intention of initiating a debate on the Long Term Economic Future of the Falkland Islands. May I, as a private individual, whose sympathy is wholly with the people of the Islands, contribute to that debate without implying criticism of anyone. Page 17 of the Interim report lists "a set of objectives for economic development". It does not include an economic policy specifically designed to assist the islands remain British. This is not part of FIDC's function and indeed, Prynn specifically excludes any thought of such problems, stating: "The extent to which the size of the population of the Islands and its degree of economic viability bears on these wider issues is a matter of political judgement beyond the competence of the current writers".

But any report on a long term future of the Falklands that does not take account of the Argentine claim and the likely response to it of future British Governments is of questionable value. The Prynn Report sets out three "scenarios", but there is a fourth option - to formulate an economic policy designed to give the Islanders the best chance to survive politically into the 21st Century. Thanks to the revenue from fishing, the Islanders have a unique chance to decide their own future.

I am well aware that many Falkland Islanders do not wish to see their way of life change and resent, impersonally, the arrival of immigrants. It is an understandable viewpoint, but Islanders should face the hard fact that only with what appears to them to be a massive population increase can the Falklands hope to win support from enough UN Member States to safeguard their

sovereignty.

A population of 15,000-20,000 would probably meet the most critical requirement and is widely accepted by Falkland Islands supporters in Britain who are however acutely conscious of Island feeling on this issue and therefore tend to remain silent. Sooner or later a UK Government will be elected that, for whatever reason, will wish to cut its support for the Islands. Economic decisions taken now will largely determine the outcome when the Falklands face its next international crisis. Islanders have no other means of attempting to safeguard their future and save by a population increase. In view of the feelings about immigration expressed recently at a meeting in Stanley, consideration should be given to establishing a second town away from Stanley. There might be political and social advantages in placing this on West Falkland. It would be quite wrong to view this proposed increase as a retrograde step. It offers much the best future for the younger generation on the Islands and also offers a potential market for produce from the Camp. There is otherwise a clear danger that the inhabitants of the Camp will be left out of the urban prosperity associated with the fishing boom.

Assuming Falkland Islanders are prepared to make the preservation of British Sovereignty the cornerstone of their economic policy, what next? Although the population increase would be spread to the turn of the century, there are obvious problems of shortage of housing and jobs and how these can be paid for. The Prynn Report assumes all housing has to be Government funded. This might have been true pre-1982, but with rising Falkland salaries, and immigrants with their own money raised from the sales of property and businesses in the UK and elsewhere, this is no longer the case.

Are there really no Falkland Island entrepreneurs prepared to build house in the private sector? Having helped to pro-

cess about 600 applications to settle in the Falklands in 1982. I can confirm that at that time at least there were good people with skills and money eager to start a new life in the Islands who did not require the "attractive incentives" that Prynn considers necessary. FIG probably still has the applications. A policy in which immigrants contributed to the cost of new housing as part of the right to settle, would transform housing development. With regard to jobs, Prynn states that it takes roughly £100,000 to create each new job, a large sum in view of the Islands resources. It is questionable if this figure would apply to the Falkland Islands in the context of an expanding population. The steady arrival of immigrants would create considerable short and long term employment opportunities for Islanders and immigrants alike. Since there is already migrant labour in the Islands (the Saints), no unemployment and many people holding more than one job, it is clear that employment is not initially a problem for a planned immigration policy. Prynn talks of intense pressure on the labour force. What of other long term jobs? Despite the increase of sheep farmers since 1982, Prynn takes the view that "raising sheep for wool is at best financially marginal". The SOA can speak for themselves but the implications of the comment for scenario 2 are obvious. A planned strategy for the development of agriculture is missing from the Interim Report. Prynn deals with "policy and strategy issues" but does not discuss many of the most important and contentious subjects that will guide these issues such as oil; Latin American trade; the role of the Falkland Islands Co. The selling of oil exploration licences would potentially bring in a greater revenue than the fishing. A detailed study of these more speculative aspects of the future Falklands economy ought to form part of the final Report. In conclusion, I can only repeat my firm belief that any survey of future economic development must take account of the political climate that has so long clouded the Islands. The Islanders must be given all the facts and be allowed to decide for themselves.

Yours faithfully,

Robert Elgood,
East Sussex,
England.

WHERE'S THE SWIMMING POOL?

Dear Sir,
What annoys me is the fact that in the year 1988 there is still no sign of a swimming pool in Stanley.

A stone was laid, not far from the Town Hall, when I was still attending St Mary's School, and believe me a lot of water has gone under the bridge since then as I have just celebrated my 63rd birthday!

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Olive Johnson,
Manchester.

MAY BALL

Dear Sir,
For the first time since the Scouts became involved in the organisation of the May Ball it was decided not to claim "a poor relation status" and ask all the participants to give their time and equipment hire as a free gift; but to give us a commercial bill for their services. This was our way of putting back some money in the hands of those people who have so generously given us the benefit of their support over many years.

Therefore the total expenses were £325.56 with an income of £1203.60 from entrance fees. This gave a profit of £878.04.

Several persons did give us their time free on one or both evenings for which we are very grateful and thanks also go to Winnie Miranda for relieving us of the burdens imposed by having to operate a "mobile cafe".

Since our very successful May Ball event we have received donations from Peter Short's Junior Darts Competition of over £100 and the prize money from the winners of the large group entry at the Mid-winter Fancy Dress Dance for which we thank the members of the KEMH who took part and their additional helpers. All of the above money swells our bank balance considerably - which is just as well for we will need all our accumulated funds plus other revenue to pay for the resiting of our Scout Hut for which the military have agreed to provide the expert manpower and machinery required.

With Thanks,
Phil Middleton.

INTERNATIONAL FRAUD?

MANY businesses in Stanley recently received notification that they were the lucky winners of an international award created by a Spanish publishing firm for excellence in their particular sphere of business.

However, closer investigation of the paperwork that came with the notification led to suspicions that all was not what it should have been.

The letter claimed that a company in Madrid with the name of Editurin, supposedly publishers of the International Commerce and Tourism, had bestowed on them an award in the "Grand Prix for the Applied Technology 1988".

Accompanying the letter was a glossy picture of a gold-coloured award on a marble plinth which sports a space shuttle rocket taking off.

The letter states, "Our Executive Committee, after the necessary consultations, has already selected definitely your company as one of the most adequate to receive on the coming June 29th, 1988 the International Award 'Grand Prix for the Applied Technology' 1988.

"This award is an unique trophy with extraordinary importance, excelling other ones of its kind and impulsing in this way still more to a maximum degree all marketing activities of your enterprise refering the improvement of already demonstrated applied technology in products and services."

It continued to explain that the "solemn awards ceremony" would take the form of a gala dinner "to which will assist also individuals from all industrial sectors, the diplomatic corps, presidents of commercial associations and the news media."

All nice and plausible, maybe, but the catch comes when the small print on an accompanying sheet is read.

Supposedly in return for two nights in a grand hotel to include the gala dinner recipients of the award were asked to send US\$2800 in advance to allow all bookings to be made.

Addresses, telex, fax and telephone numbers were given and so "Penguin News" decided to investigate further and see if the author, Senor R.M. Fernandez Martinez, could be contacted.

Several calls later brought contact with a lady who said she knew the man but he was

not available at that moment and could he call back.

The call was never returned and further calls only resulted in further promises he would call back.

He never seemed to be available during business hours in Spain and on occasion a small child could be heard crying in the background - most unlikely in an office surround.

The latest calls now only result in the phone being hung up with no conversation.

It would seem that no-one in Stanley was taken in by the hoax but all businesses should take care for similar style letters which are less obvious arriving in their mail boxes.

FICZ REPORT

At present, 51 vessels are licenced to fish within the conservation zone - all for Finfish only.

The majority of the ships are on the extreme west of the Islands, where catches of Hake, Hoki and Red Cod predominate.

The Hake catches, which earlier in the year were exceptional, are now starting to decline.

On August 1st the "low" season all-species licences come into effect, and fishing effort for ships with these licences will be aimed at the high value Loligo squid.

The "Falklands Desire" is out on patrol of the zone, and regular surveillance flights are being carried out by the Dornier aircraft. The "Falklands Right" continues her experimental fishing programme. Lately the trip has concentrated on Loligo distribution, and the vessel has fished around the continental shelf from Beauchene to north of Salvador.

Other research includes the Japanese longliner "Koei Maru 30" - where the target species is Kingclip. She has recently returned to Stanley to change observers and discuss the future fishing programme.

Kingclip catches have however been low and Skate has formed the major part of the catch.

The Department expects to sign a further agreement soon with the Polish vessel "Wieczno", a dedicated research ship, where the programme will concentrate on squid larvae and plankton studies.

BOUND ABOUT TOWN - by Graham Bound.



Calling The South Atlantic.

For some time now I have harboured the feeling that "Calling the Falklands", the BBC's wonderful twice-weekly round-up of news and comment about our islands, is a bit, just a bit, more than we should expect.

Don't get me wrong; I don't think the programme is too good for us, it's just St Helena and Tristan da Cunha, our neighbours in the South Atlantic who are just as much British colonies as we are, surely also deserve such a service. (I do not count Ascension Island, as this dependency of St Helena is really an artificial community.)

Let Locals Look After Us.

There is an undercurrent of dissent (possibly not too far beneath the surface) about the government's tendency to fill senior posts in the administration with persons recruited in the United Kingdom.

Certainly many of the top jobs are advertised locally, but it is well-known that this is largely a formality; a sop to people like me who believe that the Falkland Islanders should look after their own affairs. The fact is that we are becoming more and more dependent upon British administration.

One only has to look back a few years to see a government which had a local face to it. Granted, even then we had no chance of rising to the giddy height of Governor's assistant (the now defunct post of Chief Secretary has now been replaced by no less than two UK recruited officers), but things were much better.

There was a local second-in-command in the Secretariat; a local police chief; a local magistrate. There is still a local Financial Secretary, but it is generally accepted that when Harold Rowlands retires later this year, the office will be passed to an appointee from the UK.

There are people who main-

tain that there is a conspiracy to keep senior administration from Islanders because the Falklands are now too valuable to be in our hands. While I find this theory difficult to accept, there is no evidence to disprove it.

Such evidence could be a willingness to go to greater lengths and expense to recruit local staff. Although it may be easier to employ from a large pool of talent overseas, it is possible to designate local people for senior posts even if their qualifications fall somewhat short of those offered by potential staff in the UK. Further training is always a possibility, and although expensive, this can be carried out by the simple expedient of recruiting a qualified advisor to work beside the local officer.

In the case of the Financial Secretary, it would be possible to recruit a Falkland Islander from within the administration and simultaneously employ an economic advisor to work with the new Financial Secretary for as long as is necessary.

Such methods will be expensive, but the principle of Falkland Islanders occupying key jobs is of the greatest importance, and is worth paying for.

The current heavy bias towards the Falklands does not seem to make much sense, although it is consistent with a very unfair British policy which gives Falklanders alone in the South Atlantic the benefits of full British citizenship and (until recently anyway) very large amounts of financial aid.

The issues of British nationality and aid are ones for another column and another time, but I think we could now consider whether the BBC should give more attention to the needs of other islands.

Might I suggest a compromise? The BBC need not allocate any more valuable

air time to the area, but instead incorporate a St Helena and Tristan service into CTF.

"Calling the South Atlantic" sounds just as good if not more dramatic, and such a change would right a major injustice.

The coverage of Falkland affairs would not necessarily suffer, and the new-style programme may help to cement the relationship now being formed between the islands of the southern ocean.

It is a rather radical idea, but one well worth thinking about.

In the meantime, Rob Watson and colleagues, keep up the good work!

The PN Bouquet.

It's only an imaginary posie of course - fresh flowers are a little hard to come by at this time of the year - but from time to time we award this distinction to some individual or organisation whose good efforts or achievements have gone largely unrecognised.

We would like to turn this feature over to our readers, so if you know a person or persons deserving thanks, let us know and we'll do the rest.

Bouquet of the Week.

This week the PN Bouquet goes to Bob Stewart of the Stanley Bus Service, and is awarded for services beyond the call of duty.

On a few occasions I have noticed Bob's consideration for passengers on the Stanley to Mount Pleasant Airport run.

Not only does the SBS proprietor drive, but he carries bags and helps the ever-increasing volume of foreigners, many of whom speak no English, to pass through the airport formalities.

Bob may not be able to translate much of the RAF Next-of-Kin Form into Taiwanese, but he does his best, and that's what counts.

You Know It's Time To Emigrate When....

"When you've just cleaned out the Rayburn, and you open the door only to have the whole lot blown back in your face. *That's* when I want to leave the Falklands." (overheard in Stanley recently).

Do any readers have similarly sound grounds for instant emigration? If so, let us know, and we will print the most amusing in this column.

If there is any subject you would like to see given the special "Bound Treatment" drop a line to PN and let us know.

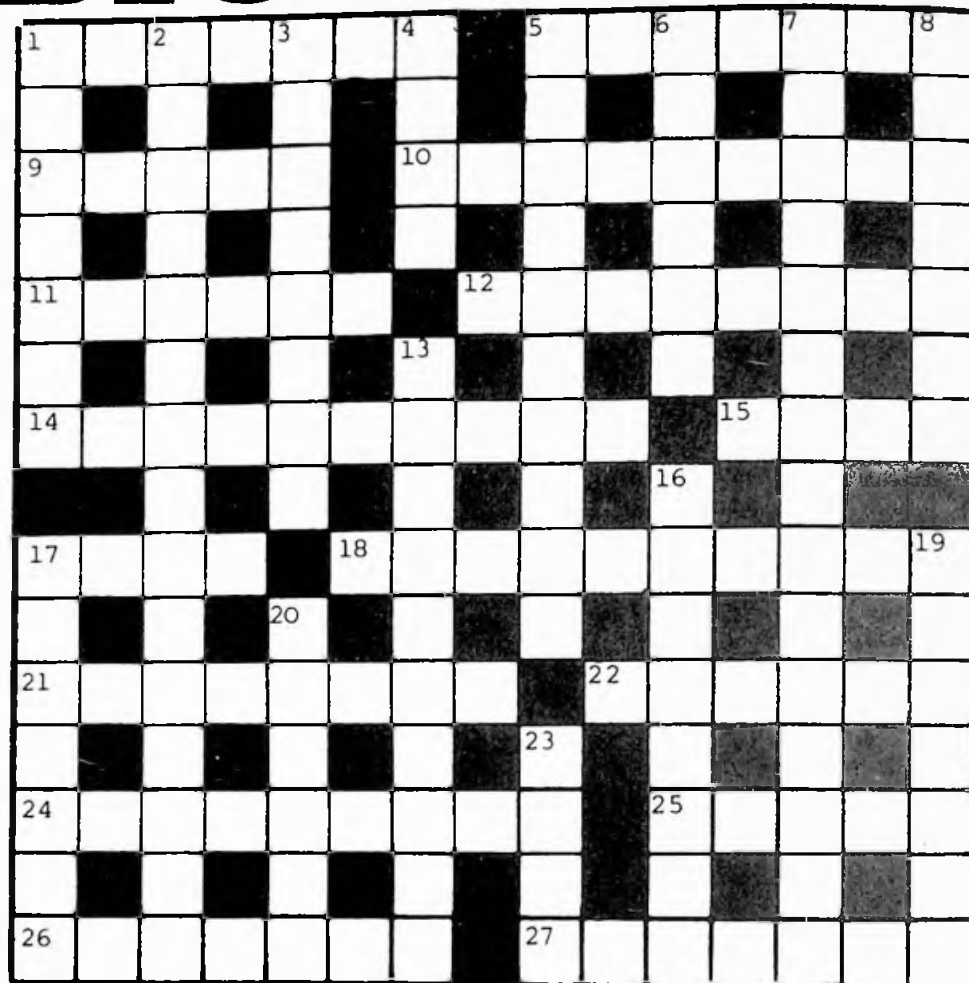
THE BIG X-WORD

ACROSS

- 1 A little work for the newspapers to weigh down. (7)
 5 He's not young, but if he were fifty more he could have strolled around. (7)
 9 Thread-like character. (5)
 10 Enjoyments are certain with excuses around. (9)
 11 Note first written by a young, slender woman. (6)
 12 Cooking that's met in gas perhaps. (8)
 14 He takes the role of the Pied Piper. (3-7)
 15 Covering for a fixed stone. (4)
 17 These rags are far from rags. (4)
 18 I model into a destroying action. (10)
 21 He can't answer to his name at school roll-call. (8)
 22 He assists a sporty Scotsman. (6)
 24 Walk and where to do it on holiday. (9)
 25 A satyr, old as it was, could have held it. (5)
 26 Call on someone you might have lent tie to (7)
 27 "Ye" was said yesterday but isn't in it today, though changed. (7)

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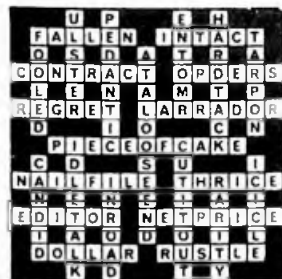
- 1 He gets the pip in the army. (7)
 2 It should always take farewell when divided. (6,9)
 3 It will happen in time. (8)
 4 A short month for a clan. (4)
 5 Unwelcome by First World War soldiers or pontoon players. (4,3,3)
 6 Consternation - does it imply that "C" is April? (6)
 7 Thankyou in short for standing for this. (11,4)
 8 Gives up work or registers for more. (7)
 13 Give more revs with the right foot. (10)
 16 I'm in church. (8)
 17 Come to close quarters when King George takes the fruit. (7)
 19 Irritated with a sharp



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20 Originate in a slit in a garment. (6)
 23 Put it on in school. (4)

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A TRIBUTE TO DESMOND PECK

Desmond Peck passed away in the King Edward Memorial Hospital on July 10th, 1988, aged 81, after a short illness.

Des will, of course, be sadly missed by his wife Beatrice and children Leatrice and Bernard, but many other islanders will also feel that a colourful and unique personality has left their lives.

In fact there have been few better known islanders.

Des, talented salesman, writer of verse and entertainer, will be remembered further afield by the hundreds of visitors who met this outgoing and friendly man.

Des Peck, standing proudly behind his counter, the chalked notices proclaiming a warm welcome for all, was often the first and last islander that a cruise ship passenger would see, and his beaming smile communicated a warm greeting or a sincere farewell.

Des was an entrepreneur before it was fashionable for local people to be ambitious and enterprising, and his business was tailored to the needs of the time.

He would import race horse from Chile, fruit from Uruguay, whisky from Scotland and a plethora of other items to attract the attention of customers in Stanley and the Camp. He built up a frontier-type trading post when Stanley cried out for an alternative to the Estate Louis Williams and the FIC stores.

He was an old-timer who grew up when life in the Falklands was really tough. Des often told stories of the old days, embellished,

perhaps, for the sake of a good yarn, and not infrequently the tale would be told in a song.

He skillfully recalled his involvement in the building of the Stanley to Goose Green telephone line, and the creation of a well-defined track between Goose Green and Fitzroy. That particular project involved the three Peck brothers - Jim, Andrew and Des (all of whom are now dead) - in clearing the turf over 36 miles of track in a few months.

In the days before JCB's, this involved living under canvas and working with shovels and spades.

During the 1939-45 war, Des, like so many of the local men was a member of the Defence Force and spent much of the war on outpost, crewing one of the shore batteries or watching the coast for marauding enemy ships. His younger face is still unmistakable in one of the faded platoon photographs on the wall of the FIDF Club in Stanley.

Des Peck was hard-working and enterprising, but more than anything else he was a warm, attractive personality; a man whose presence gave a great deal to the community which he loved.



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BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

Falkland (Woolsales) Bradford report that there were no primary wool sales in Australia or New Zealand in the week ending 15th July.

In general views of the market could scarcely vary more widely. In primary markets the approach is definitely bullish. From Australia the impression is of fully maintained demand in the months ahead, while stocks are much lower than a year ago and new-clip supplies only fractionally higher.

There has been some talk of uncertainty about whether prices in the rest of the year will do no more than hold steady, or even drift a little if recent high prices meet with resistance. But this does seem to be more the "official" and academic view. Trade comments as received in Bradford are much more bullish and are backed up by firm pricing and caution in selling forward.

New Zealand may not be so buoyantly bullish but there is no question of weakness in the Wool Board's approach to selling wool in 1988-89.

South America gives every sign of being a very firm market with a bullish approach, even after allowing for the inflationary background (markedly so in Argentina at present) which inevitably tends to make sellers' reluctant.

Yet on the Bradford market prices practically throughout are very competitive. Where higher wool prices (assisted by currency changes which increase them further) have been most apparent it is said that trade for many weeks has only been possible where cheaper-bought stocks are used up more quickly than they ought to be, where the potential for averaging is rapidly eroded.

There is some evidence to support this, with individual instances of quite sharp increases in top quotations presumably as there has to be a sudden recognition of replacement costs.

There is also, however, mention of a slower call for deliveries of tops. This again is not universal but it does seem to apply more widely than three or four weeks ago.

On the woollen side, which has often for some time experienced much more difficult conditions, there is continuing mention of short-time working. Thus the market impression varies considerably.

Bradford is not altogether alone in its relatively depressed approach - Continental Europe is finding its difficulties too.

At some stage the contrast and conflict must be resolved. If a new surge of demand does develop on the Bradford-European-Market before wool values show any sign of easing, there is no doubt that Bradford's customers will have to adapt to higher price levels than are possible, here and there, at present.

At the AGM of the Colony Club held in the club premises in Ross Road last Sunday, the following office bearers were elected:-
 Chairman - Tim Miller.
 Secretary - John Pollard.
 Bar Member - Brian Summers.
 Harry Milne was retained as treasurer.
 Committee - Terry Spruce, Andrew Short, Dave Morris, Bill Davis.
 Camp members were returned as last year.

DEATHS

PECK - on July 10th aged 80 years, Desmond Douglas Barnard Peck, shopkeeper.

CLASEN - on July 14th aged 69 years, Frederick James Clasen.



MILITARY MATTERS

GURKHA ENGINEERS AID STANLEY SCOUTS

Men of the Queen's Gurkha Engineers have been laying the foundations for a more conveniently placed home for the Stanley Scout Troop, and will later transport the Scout hut itself from its present location beyond Boxer Bridge to the new site in Dairy Paddock.

The Gurkhas are all members of 1 Troop, 69 Gurkha Independent Field Squadron.

They are normally stationed in Hong Kong and they are here on what amounts to a double detachment. They are doing their four months in the Falkland Islands on detachment from the Royal Engineers' Depot, Chatham, where they are on an 18-month detachment from their customary base in Hong Kong.

A portacabin toilet will be installed and a cess pit dug, and then the Stanley Scouts will have their new home.

There are 41 of them altogether including two officers, one British and one Gurkha. And not all of them are newcomers to the South Atlantic.

Captain (QGO) Birbahadur Limbu (1st left in the picture) was here in 1982, just after the conflict, when his unit took over from 9 Para Engineer Squadron and subsequently lost a man in mine clearing.

This time the foundations for the scout hut represent just one of the projects the Gurkhas have been tackling. Others range from building radar dome anchor points and vehicle shelters, to organising a party for 170 children at Stanley Town Hall.

Five men, with a couple of medium wheeled tractors and an excavator, have been working on the site while another two have been back at Mount Pleasant making the concrete slabs on which the hut will eventually rest.

The Gurkhas have suffered a little from the wintry conditions, for which not even a few months in England was any preparation.

But work has progressed in improving access to the site, then clearing a depth of about half a metre of peat from an area 11 by 26 metres, and

trucking in 30 tons of aggregate. The aggregate is tipped on to Netlon fabric and compacted by heavy roller before the concrete slabs are placed on top.

The final stage of the operation will be to dismantle the hut and transport it across Boxer Ridge and into Stanley.

A portacabin toilet will be installed and a cess pit dug, and then the Stanley Scouts will have their new home.



A sergeant-major of 59 Commando Engineers was sent home on a Tristar last week after extensive damage was caused to both their own club and the Naafi club at MPA.

This was not the first incident of damage involving his men since they arrived in these islands as there had been earlier damage to their accommodation block.

A replacement has been flown down for the man.

59 Commando were twice banned from the Naafi when stationed in Stanley on a previous tour to the Falklands for incidents involving damage.

FIRST EVER MPA OPEN DAY A BIG HIT WITH CIVILIANS

Civilians responded in large numbers to the British Forces Falkland Islands' invitation to attend their first ever Open Day at Mount Pleasant Airport on Saturday.

As if on cue the weather stayed fair for the occasion and the large number of visitors were treated to a host of displays around the base.

Last Saturday was chosen because it was the last day of Farmers' Week and it is perhaps unfortunate that the event coincided with the Craft Fair in Stanley. However, many Stanley residents took advantage of the two military buses laid on to collect them at the Town Hall and take them to the base and back for the Open Day.

The programme of displays and exhibits began at 11.15am with a demonstration of airfield damage repair by the resident engineer squadron who showed how they patch up bomb craters.

They also demonstrated the

latest technique for dealing with plastic mines. This is REDFIRE, a remote controlled flame-throwing device which burns through the plastic and consumes the explosive.

Most of the activity was based around the giant Tristar hangar with exhibits by many of the units which make up BFFI.

The resident infantry company, from the 3rd Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, displayed its weapons and tracked vehicles. There was a sniper in full camouflage and, by way of dramatic contrast, two drummers in the Fusiliers' ceremonial uniform of scarlet jackets and bearskins.

The Joint Services Telecommunications Unit demonstrated its work with a local

teleprinter link which visitors were invited to try themselves. Military dogs showed what they can do, while the military police set up their photographic equipment to produce "wanted" posters for the children.

There was a mock-up of a Rapier anti-aircraft missile site, a display of parachute packing, and static exhibits of aircraft, runway snow clearing equipment and fire-fighting vehicles.

The bakery put some of its more exotic bread on show and the Forces Post Office were selling a First Day Air-mail "bluey" cover.

But undoubtedly the highlight of the day was a spectacular display of fly-pasts with two Phantom fighters and a Hercules transport.

CRAFT FAIR ATTRACTS RECORD ENTRY.

The Craft Fair in Stanley gymnasium last Sunday attracted the biggest ever entry for the event with over 650 entries.

Presenting the prizes His Excellency the Governor he was amazed that in such a small island community there was so much talent and skill in the arts and crafts field.

He said every entry was worthy of praise and he was very glad that so many people had made the effort to go to the show on the Saturday, many having already been to MPA Open Day in the morning.

Section, overall and cup winners were:-

A. HOMESPUN WOOL

- 1-Local homespun fine
- 2-Local homespun thick
- 3-Local homespun/children
- 4-Local Homespun/dyed
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION A.-

E. Hardcastle
K. Bertrand
A. Curtis
M. McPhee
EILEEN HARDCASTLE

B. KNITTING

- 1-Article knitted f/local homespun w.
- 2-Any handknitted Aran/adults
- 3-Any handknitted baby's art./adults
- 4-Any other handknitted article/adults
- 5-Any other handknitted article/child
- 6-Machine knitted sweater
- 7-Any other machine knitted article
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION B.-

E. Hardcastle
J. Sackett
Alison Howe
Carol Cant
Glynis Newman
Pam Summers
M. McPhee
EILEEN HARDCASTLE

C. WEAVING

- 1-Any woven art./bought yarn
- 2-Any woven art./homespun yarn
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION C.-

B. Curtis
B. Curtis
BARBARA CURTIS

D. SEWING AND CROCHET

- 1-Any handsewn article (adults)
- 2-Any handsewn article/children
- 3-Any machine sewn article
- 4-Any cotton crochet article
- 5-Any other crochet article
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION D.-

J. McLeod
J. Davis
L. Burnard
D. Cletheroe
I. Winter
LINDA BURNARD

E. EMBROIDERY AND TAPESTRY

- 1-Any embroidered/bought kit/adults
- 2-Any other embroidered item/adults
- 3-Any embroidered item/children
- 4-Any tapestry/bought kit/adult
- 5-Any tapestry item/children
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION E.-

A. Wright
H. Minnell
K. Marsh
B. Keenleyside
D. Carlier
N. McNeilly
RUTH MCNEILLY

F. SOFT TOY MAKING

- 1-Any homemade soft toys/adults
- 2-Any homemade soft toys/children
- 3-Any bought soft toy kit/adults
- 4-Any bought soft toy kit/children
- 5-Bought doll dressed by exhibitor
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION F.-

M. McPhee
K. & M. Marsh
J. Bain
R. Edwards
D. Keenleyside
MARGE MCPHEE

G. RUGMAKING AND MACRAME

- 1-Wool rug
- 2-Rag mat
- 3-Woven rug
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION G.-

Willie May
E. Hardcastle
Barbara Curtis
EILEEN HARDCASTLE

H. SHEEPSKINS

- 1-Cured sheepskin
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION H.-

E. Hardcastle
EILEEN HARDCASTLE

I. HORN, GEAR AND LEATHERWORK

- 1-Any item of hornwork
- 2-Any item of horsegear
- 3-Any item of leatherwork
- OVERALL WINNER OF SECTION I.-

C. & I. Butler
G. Browning
I. Butler
IAN BUTLER

J. WOODWORK, MODELS, METAL

- 1-Any item of woodwork/adults
- 2-Any item of woodwork/children
- 4-Model/bought kit/children
- 5-Homemade model
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION J.-

D. Evans
Troyd Bowles
Justin Knight
J. Clarke/R. Goss
JAN CLARKE

K. ART

- 1-Pen and Ink drawing/adults
- 2-Water colour/adults
- 3-Oil painting/adults
- 4-Any item/children up to 9yrs
- Any item/children 10-15yrs
- 6-Any other item of art/adults
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION K.-

T. Smith
Mrs Wright
R. Paulini
Simon (FBE)
Ben Cockwell
T. Simpson
TYSEN SMITH

L. PHOTOGRAPHY

- 1-Portrait/b&w or colour photo
- 2-Landscape/seascape
- 3-Wildlife b&w or colour
- 4-Photo taken/processed by exhibitor
- 5-Novelty shot/b&w or colour
- 6-Any photo/children
- OVERALL WINNER SECTION L.-

M. Short
N. McAdam
Su Howes
Cpl. Brown
R. McNeilly
Jane Larsen
IAN STRANGE

Standard Chartered Bank Rose Bowl- Eileen Hardcastle.
FIC Challenge Cup(child runner up)- Jan Clarke.
FIC Challenge Cup(child most pts.)- Glynis Newman.
FIDC Challenge Cup(adult runner up)- Marge McPhee.
Cable & Wireless Cup(adult most pts.)- Eileen Hardcastle.

WORK WANTED

It is my wish to come to live and work in the Falkland Islands with my family. To this end I need the offer of a job, preferably in Stanley.

I am currently employed as a Civil Servant and this has been the case for the last ten years. However, I would be happy to take on any type of work; indeed I would relish a different type of employment.

I am 29 years of age and I am very fit and healthy with good educational qualifications. I am a married man with two young children.

If you feel you have a job for a man like myself please contact myself, Mr A. Maughan, at :-

3 Westbourne Grove,
Teessville,
Middlesborough
Cleveland,
TS6 0AE.
England.

BFBS and FIBS Radio Programme Timetable

SATURDAY:- 0700 News, Sport & Papers; 0715 Breakfast Show; 0800 News; 0803 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0830 on MW Sport on Two until 1300, or on FM continues the Breakfast Show; 0900 Me, Mark Page; 1100 Bullets; 1300 News; 1303 Saturday Live (also on MW); 1500 News; 1503 Top 40; 1700 News; 1703 Counterpoint with Val Bethell; 1733 Children's Corner; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 BBC News; 1915 The Archers Omnibus; 2015 23rd Cambridge Folk Festival; 2045 Feature; 2115 Short Story; 2130 Soul Station with Tony Blackburn; 2230 Rodigan's Rockers; 0025 Tommy Vance's Chart Attack; 0220 Johnny Walker; 0415 Top 40; 0610 Good Morning Falklands.

SUNDAY:- 0700 News and Papers; 0710 Breakfast Show; 0800 The World this Weekend; 0855 Cliftons Corner; 0900 Classic Connection with Roy Foulkes; 1000 News; 1003 Folk Review; 1100 News; 1103 Johnny Walker; 1300 Seven Days with Clive Jacobs; 1345 Sports Roundup; 1400 News; 1403 Country Folk with David Allan; 1500 News; 1503 Bob Harris; 1700 News; 1703 SITREP with Peter Hobday; 1733 Joseph Andrews by Henry Fielding; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 Evening Mass from St Mary's; 2000 BBC News; 2015 Radio Newsreel; 2030 The Best of the Men From The Ministry; 2100 Music in Miniature; 2130 John Peel's Music; 2230 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0025 BFBS UK; 0220 Take Two with Ted King; 0315 Andy Kershaw; 0415 Folk Review with Wally Whyton; 0510 Good Morning Falklands.

MONDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Sixties Hour with Alan Phillips; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 Just a Minute; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Edge of Darkness, Edge of Light; 1730 30 Minute Theatre: The Battle of the Boozie; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 World News and Commentary; 1915 60 Minute Theatre: Sweet Stuff; 2015 Announcer's Choice; 2100 Falkland Island News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Bob Harris; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

TUESDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Soul Station with Tony Blackburn; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 My Word; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Evening LP; 1730 Calling the Falklands; 1800 Blandings; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 BBC World News; 1915 Calling the Falklands; 1945 On Stage: Bucks Fizz; 2015 Mysterious Circumstances; 2045 Himalaya: The Great Wall; 2130 Late From

London; 2130 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

WEDNESDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Redclay Rambler; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 War of the Worlds; 1730 Rock profile: Dire Straits (Part 1); 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 BBC World News; 1915 BBC Beautiful Music; 1930 My Music; 2000 Winter Quiz; 2030 In Concert: The Icicle Works; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Rodigan's Rockers with David Rodigan; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

THURSDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0830 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0900 News; 0903 Rockola with David Simmons; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 Animal, Vegetable or Mineral; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 The Best Day of Your Life: Peter Donohue; 1730 The Mosquito is Winning; 1800 Darts Match of the Week; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 World News and Commentary; 1915 Special Requests; 1930 Book Club: In Custody; 1945 The Amazon Frontier: Power; 2015 Pot Luck with Miriam Booth; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 John Peel's Music; 0425 Rockola with David Simmons; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

FRIDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Country Folk with Dave Allen; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 The Price of Silence; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1230 London Sportsdesk; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Evening LP; 1730 Calling the Falklands; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 World News and Commentary; 1915 Calling the Falklands; 1945 30-minute theatre; 2015 Detective; 2045 Scoop; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 The Friday Show; 2230 TV on Friday; 0030 Why Not with Mick Kiss; 0125 Me, Mark Page; 0320 Bullets with Paul Gambaccini; 0505 60's Hour with Alan Phillips; 0610 Good Morning Falklands.

ACROSS

- 5 Dropped everyone into a bog (6)
- 6 Unblemished diplomatically? (6)
- 9 Come in to make a bargain (8)
- 10 Commissions undertaken by clerics (6)
- 11 Take, for example, a half-return out of compunction (6)
- 12 Dog region in N. America (8)
- 13 Something to eat? This is easy (5, 2, 4)
- 18 Accessory to aid finger-tip control (4, 4)
- 20 How often the heartless heretic reformed (6)
- 22 Red actor, in one word (6)
- 23 Appropriate charge for some tennis equipment (3, 5)
- 24 Foreign currency in Clackmannanshire (6)
- 25 Steal cattle from 1 down (6)

DOWN

- 1 Coat in Ireland (6)
- 2 Schoolmasterish sort of pact I end (8)
- 3 Bury some decadent ombudsman (6)
- 4 Difficult sailing manoeuvre? This takes the biscuit (4, 4)
- 5 Old foe might be (is to be) taken in (6)
- 7 Patron, possibly, of fish (6)
- 8 Disengaged as a detached painter (2, 1, 5, 3)
- 14 Gossip about being unemployed? (4, 4)
- 15 What to do after reading a memorable newspaper item? Stop! (3, 2, 3)
- 16 Frank is able—and performed (6)
- 17 It all depends! (6)
- 19 Attack using part of a one-way traffic system (6)
- 21 Try air redistribution—this seldom occurs (6)

SAINTS GO MARCHING HOME

A group of six St Helenian workers last week chose to fly home rather than stay in the Falkland Islands following a conclusion of the dispute between the immigrant workforce and government.

The dispute arose after the St Helenian workforce in Stanley were asked to move from their accommodation at Hillside Camp to a new complex within one of the warehouses at FIPASS.

The men were suspended on half pay in accordance with their contracts pending further enquiries and the General Employees Union, to which most of the St Helenians belonged, represented the men.

A series of meetings between the GEU and government sought a solution and offers of alternative accommodation were made.

The outcome was that the workers agreed to double up to four to a cabin at their present accommodation at Hillside and to pay an extra £12 a week towards electricity.

However, six of the workforce decided not to accept the compromise and chose to accept an offer to return home where they will surely now face unemployment.

The Saints had been unhappy that the building at FIPASS was totally enclosed within another building and in the early days of the dispute many said that if the building were outside the accommodation would be perfectly acceptable.

Others expressed concern over fire precautions and fire escapes at the complex which cost £15-20,000 to erect.

Fire officers, however, checked the building and passed it safe and approved the escapes.

During the dispute government pointed out that the authorities in St Helena were advised in early March that it would be necessary to accommodate the Saints in a potacabin complex within the hull of FIPASS until a more suitable location could be found for a permanent camp.

GEU Chairman, Mr Gavin

Short, said after the dispute ended that there seemed to have been a breakdown in communication between the St Helenian authorities and their workforce.

He said he was surprised at the way the whole issue blew up.

"I could see their point of view and could sympathise," he said.

"The government initially seemed to launch a full-blooded attack rather than a delicate 'why are you not moving?' attitude.

"In the end it was worked out but six decided to return home.

"They were unhappy with the way they were treated and the majority were married men and felt they couldn't afford the extra £12 a week if they stayed."

As to whether this dispute will have any effect on the future employment of Saints in the Falklands, a government spokesman said he believed the employment of St Helenians by FIG was beneficial to both St Helena and the Falkland Islands.

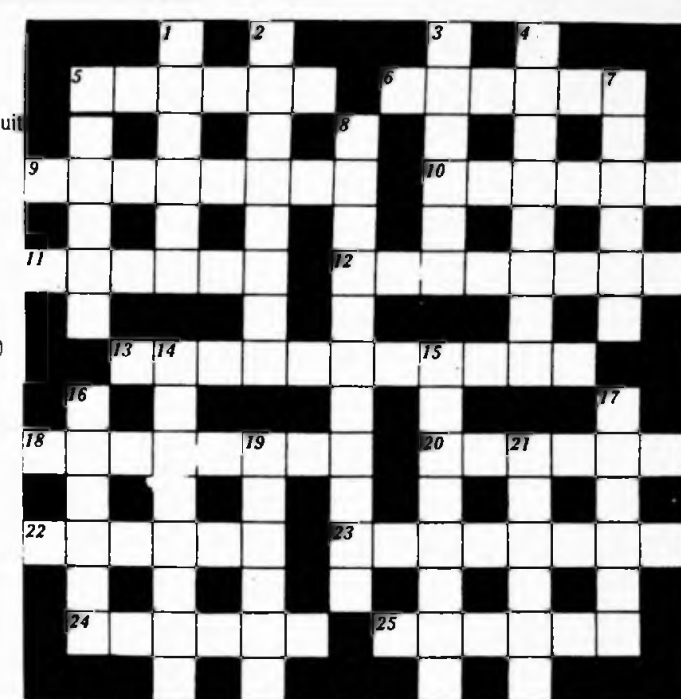
Gavin Short hoped this was the case.

"The dispute may effect the future. It all depends what stories those going back hit others there with.

"I sincerely hope the government gets more Saints if they can't get locals to fill positions.

"As a union we are happy to see the Saints."

There are expected to be more Saints employed in the Falklands as road gangers when the improvements start on roads and tracks.



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controlled by the back row and play began to get tighter.

With a secure forward platform the Stanley backs began to get service and were able to test the visitors defence.

Paul Peck guested at centre alongside his brother Jamie and they began to show their paces with some dangerous forward thrusts.

Despite some strong defensive work by Lookout the game began to turn Stanley's way and as time progressed it became a question of whether the visitors could keep their line intact until half time.

Home scrum half Mike Finlay soon answered the question by jinking his way to a try from a set piece despite colliding with the post en route to scoring.

In the second half the elements favoured Stanley and some lovely kicking from half-backs Finlay and skipper John Pollard kept the pressure away from Stanley's line and on Lookout's.

The mauling back row and speed of Stanley's backs allowed play to become ensconced in the visitors half with only a few breakouts by Lookout.

While near the line a set piece released scrum half Finlay to break up the narrow left side and set up Pollard for the try. It was then promptly con-

verted for the extra two points by Finlay.

At this point a combination of renewed resolve by Lookout and a slight loss of direction by Stanley saw the latter fail to exert their dominance.

However, the lull in their superiority was short lived and Finlay put the tie beyond Lookout with his second, and Stanley's third, try.

A strong run on the right by the half-back allowed him to crash over while taking several of his opponents with him.

Despite protests from some of the Lookout players referee, Graham Morrison from MPA, who stood in at the last minute for the injured John Jackson, allowed the try to stand.

A strong forward display, particularly in the back row, and some excellent half-back play gave Stanley a well deserved victory.

It is a measure of the growing strength of the game of rugby in the Falklands that four extra players turned up for the home side and in the end three guested for Lookout to even up numbers.

As a result of the increased interest plans are afoot to formalise the set-up of a proper club and praise must go to skipper John Pollard for keeping the game alive and kicking enough to reach this stage.

BIG X-WORD ANSWERS.

ACROSS: 1, Oppress; 5, Oldster; 9, Fibre; 10, Pleasures; 11, Chitty; 12, Steaming; 14, Rat-Catcher; 15, Moss; 17, Glad; 18, Demolition; 21, Absentee; 22, Gillie; 24, Promenade; 25, Tyrol; 26, Entitle; 27, Strayed.
DOWN: 1, Officer; 2, Public Transport; 3, Eventual; 4, Sept; 5, Over The Top; 6, Dismay; 7, Territorial Army; 8, Resigns; 13, Accelerate; 16, Minister; 17, Grapple; 19, Needled; 20, Invent; 23, Less.

WAITRESSES - required at the UPLAND GOOSE HOTEL immediately for evening and weekend work. Apply to Bob on 455.

SPORT-

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MacLeod.

NAIL-BITER GIVES HEWITT GOVERNOR'S CUP OF CHEER

In a tense and exciting final it was a contest of civilian versus serviceman with the Governor's Cup the spoils for the victor at the Town Hall last Saturday.

Although the Witte Boyd sponsored knockout tournament is the biggest annual competition in terms of hard cash the Governor's Cup is the most prestigious and has only once ever been won by a non-Islander when a good number of years ago it was won by a Royal Marine stationed at Moody Brook.

It was therefore with added spice that local Garry Hewitt met soldier Graham Sneyd from MPA in the final.

The two were deserving finalists having played some of the best darts consistently throughout the evening and each having met top players at some point en route.

With the early exit of some big names last Saturday there are those who will call for seeding to be introduced to this tournament as in the other big two during the year.

That said the big names that did tumble tended to go out to players who made it to the semis or at least the quarters.

Colin "Tootie" Ford, indeed, went out to Graham Sneyd prior to the quarters after playing a disastrous last leg which saw him only manage scores of 5, 7, and 11 after getting a head start.

Sneyd then progressed to the final by beating Ali Jacobsen in the quarters and Robert Whitney in the semis.

He looked very impressive indeed and as results came through from the other half of the draw fears were expressed that the cup was not going to stay in local hands this year.

However, Gary Hewitt rose to the occasion and in the quarters had a tremendous tussle with Colin Smith who must have been pre-tournament favourite to have his name on the cup this year.

Trouble with doubles, not a normal complaint for this man, cost Colin this match in which Garry Hewitt capitalised well on the time given by Colin's misses.

In the semis Garry despatched Pat Goss to set up what was to be a nail-biting seven-leg climax to a very good tournament.

In the final Sneyd got away

first in the opening leg and checked out with Hewitt still needing 154, but Garry immediately bounced back taking the second leg in an astonishing eight darts with two scores of 100 and a treble 17, Bull finish.

With almost all the local support behind Garry and a sizeable following from MPA shouting for Sneyd, the atmosphere in the Town Hall became electric.

The local man got away first in the third leg and despite a fighting throw of 140 from the visitor, was able to take the leg.

The lead was further increased for Hewitt in the fourth when Sneyd threw the wrong double and Gary was able to nip in and take it with a double 17.

Just when it looked as though the final could slip away from Sneyd he dug in and took the next leg with a nine dart finish ending with a throw of 115 from a treble 20, single 15 and double tops.

With him taking the next leg it came down to a nerve-tangling seventh and final leg to decide the destiny of the trophy.

Hewitt won the darts and set off at a cracking pace putting in two scores of 100.

However, Sneyd hung on and gradually worked back into the leg as Garry found problems getting to a double.

A score of 140 brought the soldier right back into the game and he even got as close as busting himself on double 15 and then scoring 18 next time around.

By this time Mr Hewitt did not need a second invitation to check out and sealed it with a double two to be mobbed by excited friends and spectators almost glad the tension was

over.

Yet again in the ladies', Margaret Goss proved she is the top female player in the islands, but not without a struggle.

It was noticeable in the ladies' that that Campers did very well and Margaret Goss found herself pitted against Heather Smith from Port Howard in the final.

In an excellent final Heather Smith set off at a cracking pace and quickly captured the first leg.

In the second both could get to a finish but Heather bust herself once and Margaret twice before the latter was able to find the double that counted.

In the final leg Margaret Goss powered her way to a finish, rattling in a 120 en route and was able to check out while Heather was still looking for 158.

All in all the Governor's Cup provided some exciting matches with plenty for the spectator but there must be question marks remaining as to whether this tournament should follow the rest and become seeded.

FORWARDS SET UP WIN Stanley RFC 14 Lookout Camp 0

Control in the forwards laid the foundation stone for this win by Stanley and Lookout can perhaps consider themselves lucky that the home side did not push their dominance further and run up a larger score.

Despite their superiority, however, it took Stanley some time to settle and in the early stages of the match Lookout exerted considerable pressure on the home line.

After some frantic play at the start neither side seemed to settle and play was decidedly scrappy.

The home pack lacked any kind of cohesion and had it not been for Stanley lock Paul Robertson's efforts at clearing up loose ball Lookout could have pulled out a surprise score early on.

After a few scares the home forwards seemed to settle better than the visitors and the pack began to gel.

The back row trio of Jim Rae, "Daf" Coulter and Gavin Clifton soon came into their

own, linking well both in attack and defence.

The three soon got the home pack motivated with their strong runs and it wasn't long before the front five followed their example and started grafting.

As the quarter mark approached the home side were beginning to dominate the tight as well as the loose although there were a few sloppy balls lost against the head as Lookout dug in.

The considerable threat of Lookout's skipper Tim Vaughan at No.8 was eventually,

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MINEFIELD GROUNDING FOR STERN TRAWLER

A 1550-ton stern trawler had a lucky escape on Thursday when it dragged its anchor and found itself beached in the middle of a minefield.

The 73-metre long vessel, Waverley Warrior, was originally anchored in Port William but after dragging her anchor found herself narrowly missing rocks and coming to rest on the sands in the middle of Yorke Bay.

The beautiful, sandy beach is now one of the deadly reminders of the Argentinian invasion of 1982 as it is sealed off as a minefield.

For nearly two hours the ship provided a spectacle as it struggled to get free of the beach and shallow water to return to Port William and a safe anchorage.

With the turn of the tide just after 10.30am the flood tide provided enough water for the vessel to use her engines full astern and allow her to break free of her own accord.

After the ordeal 67-year-old Ship's Master Wallace Boden spoke of the experience and his efforts to keep the vessel's stern up the water to save grounding.

"We had dropped anchor in Port William about four cables south of Doctor and Spanner Points in about five and a half fathoms of water.

"I left the bridge under the auspices of the Spanish First Mate about 2.30am. I retired about 3pm and, after checking later, found the ship was still in position about 6am.

"About 7am I was woken by a slight bumping sound which turned out to

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be the anchor pulling hard against the port side as it dragged towards the south.

"The wind was blowing about a force eight from the North and I immediately went up to the bridge and found the second officer in charge. The anchor was dragging with the gale force winds and we weighed anchor quickly and put the vessel full astern.

"I've been 51 years at sea and know the only way to keep a vessel bow or stern to the wind is to keep the engines running. Without power she would have gone beam on to the wind.

"We were beginning to bump on and off the ground and with giving full astern we brought her into the bay away from the rocks at Yorke Point and got her to the sand. I wanted to keep her stern away from the land and towards deep water.

"I was confident once I got the anchor up and got the stern towards deep water we would get off on the flood tide. There was talk of getting the tug 'Typhoon' but I didn't think it necessary and I don't see any skipper wanting to bring his

vessel into shallow water with an on-shore wind of force 8 to 9.

"We were about 1¾ hours on the sand but the vessel is OK and suffered no damage. When we got her off we cleaned out the filters and the like but there was very little sand."

As the Waverley Warrior struggled to free herself from the sand quite a number of locals managed to get to vantage points nearby to watch the vessels attempts to get free.

Many were unaware of what had happened or that Captain Boden was putting oil into the Starboard bow ballasts to keep the bow down and the stern up as the tide finished ebbing.

The Waverley Warrior, formerly the Sir Fred Parks, is owned by English company Putford Enterprises but is at present on charter to Coalsa Lacoruno of Spain.

A special report and picture on the purchase of small cruise ship "Melbidir" for use by Falkland Islands Tourism was due to appear on this page. It has had to be withdrawn at this stage to allow project costs and more information to be verified. Next edition will carry a full report and comment.

Inside This Issue

- Ship goes aground in a minefield - Waverley Warrior rude awakening.

- Farmer's Week - a full report on the events and issues.

- Land for sale in Stanley - FIC sell off more.

- Darts Leagues. Full list of results and statistics.

- Crown Agents closure. Report.

- The weekly wool report from Bradford.

- Islander qualifies as deckhand - report.

- Fresh meat to become available in Stanley store.

- Military Page.

- Full list of BFBS and FIBS radio timetables.

- Crosswords.

- Penguin News Mailbag - military vehicles wanted.

- And much, much more in this edition of the new-look PENGUIN NEWS.

ACROSS

- 1 Not a Latin motto on the battle ensign! (8, 7)
 9 Badly endanger one attracting affection (9)
 10 Pull up, instead, part of the flower (5)
 11 Pound a Greek vessel to make music broad and low (5)
 12 Ground and sea in turmoil—it's not safe! (9)
 13 Vulgarly cheat the people of a gift (8)
 14 Battered one having a responsible position (6)
 16 Fish with hesitation at the back of the ship (6)
 18 Potters about with a hundred safeguards (8)
 22 Noise acts to disturb rest (9)
 23 Six Ionians hold one on the wheel (5)
 24 Surrounded by curried mango! (5)
 25 Application to clear even the debris (9)
 26 The reason for church parade accepted by the recruit (8, 7)

DOWN

- 1 Used artillery to get at the colonel, we hear (7)
 2 To hold a log, plus heavy metal (7)
 3 The end of live ammunition being fired so accurately? (4, 2, 3, 6)
 4 Certainly not rising damp! (4-4)
 5 No heart for genuine change on the railways (6)
 6 Beast used to counter bullion raids? (6)
 7 Irreverent little devil has promissory notes (7)
 8 Its the best policy to put a sharp edge on the pen (7)
 15 Lungs are broken into small pieces (8)
 16 Get it back. Can you do this with double indemnity? (7)
 17 Poles I'd arranged to rob (7)
 19 The aitch in shaken denotes Italian wine (7)
 20 Honest, since a reference is given (7)
 21 Bad Queen's beauty consultant needs looking into! (6)

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BOUND ABOUT TOWN



by Graham Bound.

Brave New Video World.

The video revolution is complete. Just as in Aldous Huxley's novel "Brave New World" where the people celebrate the concreting of the last square foot of earth, we can be proud that the first children are among us who have no knowledge of the cinema. I mean, of course, the real cinema; the great silver screen, the crowded audience being dragged along by the heart strings and funny bone, and the sense of occasion that going to the movies was.

The parish and Town Hall cinemas did not survive 1982, and even in Camp the once or twice weekly show fell easy prey to the wonders of video.

However, I didn't realise how complete and sad the loss was until I heard this story from friends. They had blown the dust off a borrowed projector (remember them?) to show some movies of their beautiful home overseas to assembled friends. As the flickering images filled the screen the amazement of the children became obvious. The youngsters who had grown up with video actually felt the screen and looked behind it in an attempt to understand this flat and superior "television".

It's true that we now have the convenience of Hollywood at home, but at what cost?

What was all the fuss about?

I've just seen a copy (yes, a video!) of "Tumbledown", the TV film which was screened to a storm of hostile hysteria recently in the UK. I do not know what all the fuss was about.

To me the film (which the producers stressed was not a documentary but a drama based on fact) was nothing more than a very good anti-war story.

In spite of this, the production does nothing to denigrate the heroism of those involved in the battle, or the importance of their achievement. Rather it is the personal record of a Scots Guards

officer who was severely wounded and felt that this entitled him to recognition and treatment which was denied him.

It is worrying to think that this relatively mild attack on Mrs Thatcher's government should be considered virtually subversive. As far as I am concerned, a man who left half of his head on one of our mountains is entitled to voice his opinion,

NEW INSPECTOR FOR ISLANDS' POLICE.

The delayed Tristar takes with it Chief of Police Ken Greenland to the UK for a spot of leave, and while he is away newly-arrived Inspector Mark Bullock will take charge of the force on the islands.

Inspector Bullock (32) is no stranger to the Falklands having been a constable here between December 1984 and January 1986.

At that time he was on an ODA contract and left when the ODA secondment scheme ended in 1985.

Now he has returned from the Gloucester Constabulary as an Inspector on a two-year contract.

While in his previous employ he spent some time in the prosecutions department and that will stand him in good stead while he is here as he will mainly be involved in crime and court work.

"This will take a lot of the pressure of Ken Greenland who has had to do this himself until recently," explained Mark.

The post of inspector has been vacant since January and it is with some relief that Mark Bullock has been welcomed at the police station in Stanley by Mr Greenland.

A married man of only a few weeks Mr Bullock hopes to be joined by his wife, Fran, in September dependant on him finding a house to live in.

Following that they hope to be joined by their two Labrador dogs.

"I am happy to be back in the Falklands and look forward to my time here," said Mark.

"Things have changed here. When I came the first time Bill Richards was Chief of Police and there was only him and three PC's. It was during my time here that Ken Greenland first took over as Chief of Police."

LOCAL FISHING COMPANY

Stanley Trawlers Ltd., a company formed last year, will shortly become active in the fishing industry. The company will be jointly run and controlled by South Atlantic Marine Services Ltd. (S.A.M.S) and Franchessa (Holdings) Ltd.

S.A.M.S is a Falkland Island company which was registered in January 1985 and is based at the Boat House in Stanley. Dave and Carol Eynon who are the majority shareholders in S.A.M.S have already been involved in the fishing industry by providing commercial diving services and also acting as agents for a British fishing company.

S.A.M.S was one of the two local companies who last year applied for fishing licences. Although S.A.M.S was unsuccessful in obtaining licences, Dave Eynon firmly believes that serious local participation should be encouraged by the Falkland Islands Government.

He says this was further confirmed in the Governor's speech to the fishing seminar held earlier this year when he said, "I believe we can make this a world class fishery, something which the Falkland Islanders themselves, the protection of whose heritage is central to our thinking, can be full and proud participants."

Franchessa (Holdings) Ltd., the other shareholder of Stanley Trawlers Ltd. will, through their joint owners Jan Huldal and Gordon Forbes, provide the fishing expertise and con-

tacts that will be necessary to transform Stanley Trawlers into a viable local fishing company.

Jan Huldal is a Norwegian by birth but has lived in Scotland since 1958. He has 27 years of work experience in the fishing industry, receiving his skipper's full certificate at the age of 21. He has operated his own trawler, Nordic Prince, since 1974 and has during the past three years spent a lot of time studying fishing in Faroese and Norwegian stern trawlers, going on trips to the Barents Sea and Iceland on large freezer trawlers to gain experience in operating and managing these types of vessels.

The purpose of Stanley Trawlers will be to apply for fishing licences and to act as agents on behalf of companies interested in fishing inside the conservation zone. Their ultimate aim will be to charter a large capacity freezer trawler, possibly from Norway. As this is a high risk capital venture it would be necessary for them to enter into joint venture with owners of such vessels.

They, in line with other local fishing companies, are now seeking support from FIG.

Fresh meat will soon be available in the West Store following the conclusion of a deal between FIC and local butcher Gardner Fiddes.

The availability of the fresh meat in small quantities which will avoid the necessity of buying meat in bulk.

Fresh cuts of meat, lorne sausage, beef mince, sausages, burgers and single chops and the like will all be available to customers.

In preparation for production the butcher has made a £5000 investment in new equipment at the butchery. Among new items have been a mincer and burger press as well as packaging equipment.

For their part FIC have bought in new fridges to house the produce in the shop.

Rumours that the Jason Islands were being put up for sale were categorically denied this week by owner Richard Hill this week.

When reports reached PN that the Jason's could be put up for sale Richard Hill was contacted at his Birdland Wildlife Park in the Cotswolds, England.

He said the rumours were untrue and he had no intention of selling the islands.

"It is categorically untrue," he said. "The Jason Islands will remain as a wildlife preserve."

The remote Western islands were bought by Richard's father, Len, in 1971 and have been a wildlife preserve ever since.

FICZ REPORT

The pattern of fishing for the last week has remained broadly the same inside the conservation zone; the main Polish fleet is situated about 30 miles East of the Jason Islands, where the ships are catching Patagonian Herring, a species that is not frequently caught here.

The target species, for the Polish ships, Blue Whiting, appears to be late this year. The remainder of the fishing activity is centred around 60 miles West of New island, where catches of Hake and Hoki predominate.

The research programme continues, with observers aboard various vessels.

The next trip of the "Falklands Right" is to concentrate on Hake in the West of the zone.

The agreement with the Polish vessel "Wieczno" was signed and the ship has now commenced her work, taking Deputy Chief Scientific Officer Crag Jones and British Antarctic Survey scientist Emma Hatfield along.

Dr. Geoff Tingley of the Renewable Resources Assessment Group has also recently returned to the islands. He will resume his study of Blue Whiting parasites.

The second squid season begins on Monday 1st August, and those vessels licenced for squid fishing are expected to arrive to collect their licences this week.

Both patrol vessels are at sea, the "Falklands Desire" will complete her patrol later in the week. The Dornier aircraft continues to patrol as normal.

Following their announcement last week of the sale of George and Barren and the Swan/Great Island Group, Falkland Islands Company have announced the sale of land in Stanley.

Announcing the sale the company say it is in response to demand for housing land in Stanley.

They are preparing to sell housing plots on Dairy Pad-dock and ask anyone interested to contact Roger Spink, assistant Stanley manager, at the FIC offices in Crozier Place.

VIDEO VERDICT

UK TOP 10

1. Innerspace
2. Flight of Navigator
3. Full Metal Jacket
4. Beverly Hills Cop II
5. Wish You Were Here
6. Rent a Cop
7. Eight Million Ways to Die
8. Critical Condition
9. American Ninja II
10. Rita, Sue and Bob, Too

Reflections Top 10

1. Innerspace
 2. Critical Condition
 3. Rent a Cop
 4. Surrender
 5. Eight Million Ways to Die
 6. Dangerous Affection
 7. Supercarrier
 8. Nam Tour Duty Under Siege
 9. Best Seller
 10. Full Metal Jacket
- (both charts supplied by Reflections, Dean St, Stanley).

Innerspace (PG) - A fantastical action comedy adventure from Steven Spielberg with Dennis Quaid and his lab experiments.

Critical Condition (15) - Wacky comedy starring Richard Pryor as a wrongly accused convict in a mental hospital.

Rent a Cop (18) - Sleazy thrills with Liza Minelli as the hooker who hires ex-cop Burt Reynolds to help save her life.

ISLANDER QUALIFIES

Another young Falkland Islander has qualified from Gravesend Sea Training School.

Robert Wilkinson of Dun-nose Head Farm in West Falkland recently completed his Efficient Deackhand Certificate successfully at the school.

He now becomes the third islander to successfully pass this course, Andrew Newman and Herman Morrison having already done so.

Mr Charles Powell, personnel manager with Marr Vessel Management who initiated the training scheme in conjunction with FIG, said that this was a 100% pass rate and that they were very pleased with the achievement.

Robert Wilkinson is due to return to the Falklands in early August and spend some time with his parents before being engaged with his work on the fishery patrol vessels.

We would like to make customers aware of our competitive price list and new-look invoicing system.

We are sorry to have to draw customers attention to the need to have to charge interest on late payments.

This is due to charges passed on to us at the bank. Late payment by some customers in the past has necessitated this move.

INVOICE Month of 19..... N° 253

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(Falkland Islands Butchery and Abattoir)
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To: Address:

	Total Wt.	Price per lb.	Total Amount
Hind 1			
Fore 1			
1 Sheep			
Full Sheep			
Legs			
Loin			
Chops			
Misc			
Total	£		

Suggested Selling Prices		Per lb.
Full Lamb	@	45p
1/2 Lamb	@	50p
Fore 1/4	@	40p
Hind 1/4	@	65p
Boneless Shoulder (Boneless Weight.)	@	£1.20
Lamb Chops	@	£1.60
Boneless Gigot or Leg Chops	@	£2.10
Full Lamb Butchered (£6 added for butchering)	@	45p
Private Killing	@	£5 + fleece

Actual Selling Prices		
Full Lamb	@	35p
1/2 Lamb	@	38p
Fore 1/4	@	25p
Hind 1/4	@	36p
Lamb Chops	@	60p
Boned Shoulder	@	60p
Boneless Gigot + Leg Chops	@	60p
All Butchered Meat	@	60p
Private Killing	@	£5 + fleece

All butchered meat includes the weight of the bones.

INVOICE REMITTANCE ADVICE N° 253

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(FALKLAND ISLANDS BUTCHERY AND ABATTOIR)
ROSS ROAD WEST STANLEY

Date: 19.....

Even if money is paid to Standard Chartered Bank, this part must be returned to the above address.
Payment should be made within 7 days.
Payment not received within 14 days will be charged at 2% above Bank base rate.

In an effort to make customers aware of the overheads involved in producing their meat, we give you a break-down of costs as follows:-

COSTS BASED ON 30 SHEEP

PURCHASE PRICE PER HEAD @ £6.80	£204.00
DROVING CHARGE FROM SUPPLIER TO MOODY VALLEY PER HEAD £2.00	£ 60.00
MIN. DROVING TIME - COST FROM PASTURE TO ABATTOIR	£ 11.50
HUMANE KILLING - WAGES FOR 2 MEN PER 8 HOUR DAY @ £30.75	£ 61.50
INCIDENTAL COSTS - DOGS FOOD	£ 16.00
SUB TOTAL	£ 353.00
DELIVERY TO HOUSEHOLD - WAGES FOR 2 MEN @ £30.75 PER DAY	£ 61.50
DIESEL FUEL FOR TRANSPORT PER DAY	£ 10.00
TOTAL	£424.50

THE COST OF WATER, ELECTRICITY, WEAR AND TEAR TO EQUIPMENT, LEASES, CARTRIDGES ETC.
PLUS MY OWN TIME HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

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£6.82

We look forward to your continued custom.
Any enquiries please contact proprietor, Gardner Fiddes, at the abattoir or on Tel: 445.

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STANLEY BUTCHERY
ROSS ROAD, STANLEY

FARMER'S WEEK A GREAT SUCCESS

With the increased number of subdivisions in the last year it was a very different type of Farmers' Week in Stanley this year.

However, despite the different atmosphere, the organisers are hailing the week as a great success with a great deal of lively debate and discussion covering a wide range of topics and issues.

The weekend saw the official start to the week with a cocktail party at Government House which many farmers managed to attend.

The main business of the week began on the Monday morning with a general meeting attended by 45 farmers.

Under discussion was the possible formation of a Farmers Association and although nothing definite was decided at the contentious meeting it is hoped something more concrete could develop within a couple of months. In the afternoon Rupert Haydock from FIDC chaired a healthy open discussion.

The following day Robbie Bain and vet Peter Armitage from ARC showed a video after which artificial insemination and the production of cashmere fibre from goats was discussed.

The lunch break was enjoyed by some 35 farmers as

guests of FIC at a buffet at Monty's before the return to the Town Hall and the resumption of discussions, this time on proposals to set up a sheep breeding company.

A steering committee was formed to look into this and into whether it is a good idea to co-ordinate a breeding policy.

Wednesday brought a proposal for a wool marketing board to be set up but this was turned down as many preferred the existing system which they see giving the individual a series of options.

Cable and Wireless manager Ian Stewart addressed the meeting about the new telephone system to be installed in Camp. He outlined the facilities that will be available and many farmers showed a keen interest and agreed this would make business easier and more private in the future.

During the afternoon session Shane Wolsey, assistant general manager of FIDC, answered questions about FIDC and talked about agricultural grants. He was followed by Government Secretary Mr Colin Redstone who outlined

FIG's involvement with farming, FIGAS, Camp roads and Camp education.

On Thursday the farmers of the land heard all about the farmers of the sea when John Jackson, Chief Inspector of Fisheries, gave an interesting run down on what the fishing industry in the Falklands is up to.

Later general topics were raised and discussed. Among these were butchery prices, wool and bale handling, shearing instruction, and abattoir facilities. Bale handling was discussed at some length owing to news that many bales are arriving in England broken and damaged.

The possibility of a wool classing instruction was also raised and Coastal Shipping was discussed.

On the latter it was felt that, despite there now being two ships working in conjunction, there was no great improvement in service.

On the last day, Friday, visits were made by the farmers to the market garden, the museum and the Estancia track.

CROWN AGENTS TO CLOSE

The popular Crown Agents Club in St Mary's Walk, Stanley, is to close its doors this weekend for the last time.

The move has come about after government decided it needed the building, which it owns, to be made into a canteen/dining facility.

The club has for a year or more been a popular drinking place for locals and ex-Pat labourers alike.

The land and the portakabin buildings in that area belong to FIG and were made available to Fairclough-Miller as management accommodation during the construction of the King Edward Memorial Hospital.

Over the last year Crown Agents have operated a club in one of the buildings and no rent has been charged by government.

Now Mr Charles Carter, Public Works Director, has informed Crown Agents that the building is needed.

A government spokesman explained that PWD are recruiting a number of personnel on an unaccompanied basis and needed to house and feed them.

Accommodation was available at this site as there are only six Crown Agent employees housed there and there is room for 16.

At present there are no catering facilities and Fairclough-Miller, whose labour camp lies across the road, have indicated they would provide catering at a reasonable cost, but FIG have calculated that they can provide catering themselves at a cheaper rate.

"We have a complete kitchen unit which which was removed from the old Brewster Hospital building," explained the government spokesman.

"We can now put this in this into what was the Crown Agent Club and therefore have the accommodation available with catering."

MONTY'S CLOSING

Popular Stanley restaurant, Monty's, closes its doors to the public this weekend for what could be the last time.

The restaurant in John Street was opened in May 1987 by John and Jenny Pollard but is now up for sale.

Mrs Pollard said the premises had been on the market for three months.

There are five interested parties for purchase and she decided to shut the restaurant during a time that is traditionally quiet so matters can be sorted out.

ANSWERS TO BIG X-WORD:- ACROSS:- 8, Superintendent; 9, Aria; 10, Disinfects; 11, Knave; 12, Lee; 13, Embody; 14, Entity; 16, Tribal; 20, Affair; 23, Alb; 25, Lake; 26, Looks After; 27, Gone; 28, Sherlock Holmes.

DOWN:- 1, Estrange; 2, Apparent; 3, Bridal; 4, Aniseed; 5, Reindeer; 6, Adverb; 7, United; 8, Tarragon; 17, Ball Game; 18, Likeness; 19, Partake; 21, Frothy; 22, Askari; 24, Barrow.

DEATH OF MR GRIFFITH EVANS

The former manager of Pebble Islands, Mr Griffith Owen Evans, died suddenly aged 68 last Monday.

He was born in Stanley and after leaving school went to work at Port Howard and later Fox Bay.

Following this he went to Pebble Island as a labourer.

Eventually he was made foreman and then, in 1969, Mr Evans was made manager.

He retired from this position in 1984 and moved to Stanley in his retirement.

While working at Port Howard he married his wife, Gladys, on 24th May 1946.

Mr Evans is survived by his wife and children Raymond, who is manager at Pebble Island now, and Joan who lives in the UK.

The funeral will be held in the cathedral this Monday and all friends and relatives are invited to attend.

A young boy was riding his bicycle in Stanley last Monday when he was involved in a collision with a car near the Secretariat.

Young Michael of Jeremy Moore Avenue was riding his bike when he emerged onto Ross Road the wrong way out of the one-way road that fronts the Secretariat.

Mr Douglas Charles Legg from ARC was driving west along Ross Road towards his home at 5 Racecourse Road in his Ford Escort car when Michael Hirtle appeared in the road in front of him.

Mr Legg attempted to take avoiding action but a collision occurred and young Hirtle was knocked off his cycle.

The boy was taken the short distance to King Edward Memorial Hospital where he was detained with a compound fracture of his right leg and suffering from concussion and shock.

On Tuesday he received surgery to repair the damage to his leg.

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

SAINTS - NO OFFER.

Dear Sir,

I am to refer to the item in Penguin News "Saints go marching Home" with particular reference to the paragraph which states - "A series of meetings between the G.E.U. and government sought a solution and offers of alternative accommodation were made."

This could indicate to your readers that accommodation, other than Hillside or FIPASS, would be found, and such an offer was never made to the Union and the Saints.

In addition the Union was not advised that the Saints were to be only housed at FIPASS "until a more suitable location could be found for a permanent camp."

Yours faithfully,
W. Hirtle,
Secretary, G.E.U.,
Stanley.

SOUTH GEORGIA

Dear Sir,

This winter all the Camp Education teachers travelling around the Falklands at present have had the opportunity to go on the "Black Rover" to South Georgia.

Immediately following the Education Seminar in May, the first group of adventurers set off - Carol Skilling, Renny Bailing and Kate Leonard. A few weeks later the second group departed - Neil Pedley, Robert Collie and Rose Hudson, who were joined by Canon Murphy, Virginia Llewellyn, and became known as "The Famous Five".

The journey took three days. It was not until the later part of the third day that the full impact of sailing so far south became apparent. The ship entered the Antarctic Convergence Zone - an area of thick fog. On the bridge everyone was on iceberg patrol; radar had warned of the deadly, silent menace ahead.

During the afternoon of the fourth day the fog slowly cleared and one by one glistening sculptures of floating ice, (many larger than the ship), drifted into sight. By

dusk, "The Black Rover" was sailing down the coast of South Georgia - an unforgettable sight.

South Georgia is a sheer mountain range, rising steeply from the sea bed, with glaciers pushing new icebergs into the ocean, all the way along the coast.

Porpoising penguins and fur seals escorted the ship into Grytviken Harbour - by this time bathed in a scarlet sunset, pink and purple mountain ranges reflected in the sea, a mirror of ice covered water set for the night.

Early every morning the adventurers were up wriggling and squirming their way into stiff, uncomfortable, 'once-only' survival suits.

Lipstick and eye shadow were the only clues to the gender of the lady-adventurers - a gentleman adventurer pointed out that true adventurers did not have time for lipstick!

To get ashore was an adventure in itself. Everyone had to climb over the side of the ship, down a slippery rope ladder, into a small craft bobbing in the ice-covered sea far below.

Brave British smiles were on all faces as they hung and swung and slithered their way down.

Both groups attended a church service at the small Grytviken Church - Father John took the first service, and Canon Murphy took the second. The church bell rang, the organ played and the adventurers sang all their favourite hymns - a chorus of identically dressed Action Man clones.

It was sad to see the way the buildings and equipment left by the whaling companies had deteriorated; however, the end of the whaling industry in South Georgia ensured the survival of the many unique varieties of wildlife so many people travel so far to see.

Visits were made to the cemetery and to the Shackleton Memorial - a mecca for adventurers from around the world. Dozens of cards were posted at the tiny post office, pas-

sports were stamped, and hot tea and coffee were very welcome at Shackleton House, home to the garrison stationed on South Georgia.

Many Falkland Islanders will remember how Cindy Buxton and Annie Price became stranded for a month while filming at St Andrew's Bay, at the start of the 1982 conflict. The second group of adventurers were privileged to visit this bay, and to go ashore to visit the King Penguin rookery, and to see the huge elephant seals lying on the ice, by the shore. At this time of year many adult King Penguins are at sea fishing. Their huge brown, fluffy chicks stay on shore with their "minders".

They were only too happy to be admired and photographed. They also enjoyed watching their visitors change the films in their cameras, and responded well to nursery rhymes and babytalk.

No-one who was there, will ever forget those hours ashore - the penguins, the seals, the mountains, rising icebergs and ledging, and lunchtime sitting on the ice getting numb bums eating sausage and cheese sandwiches, watching icebergs drift by and dreaming of "goof-proof" cameras.

Life on board ship was as much fun as life ashore - wonderful meals, excellent service, (the ladies were served their early morning cups of tea in bed), bingo and quiz games in the crew's mess, and a warm welcome on the bridge from Captain Carew and his officers, whenever the civilians went up "for a look".

Too soon this adventure-of-a-lifetime came to an end. Canon Murphy and Father John returned to their respective parishes, Virginia to the Rose Hotel and the six travelling teachers to their beats out in Camp - the desolate beauty of flat tussock and peat bog, replacing the magnificent splendour of South Georgia in mid-winter.

Yours sincerely,
Rose Hudson,
Camp Teacher.

MILITARY VEHICLES

Dear Sir,

I am a keen owner of four-wheeled drive vehicles in England, mainly Landrovers.

However, my enthusiasm has turned to military vehicles particularly the type which were presumably left behind by the Argentinians at the conclusion of the Falklands conflict, i.e. the Mercedes G-Wagons in military specification.

According to a well known magazine in England there are several of these vehicles still in the Falklands, albeit in dismantled form.

I would very much appreciate if anyone give me information as to has any of these vehicles for sale or addresses of any person in the islands who could help me to acquire enough vehicle parts to make a complete vehicle.

Faithfully Yours,
G.R. Curry, BSc., MPS.,
Beau Cottage, Wilton,
Pickering, N. Yorks.,
YO18 7LE.

FORMER VISITOR

Dear Editor,

My last visit to Port Stanley was in 1946. I was a crew member of the M/V Treppassey.

Quite recently we had the pleasure of viewing a documentary of the Falklands on television.

It brought back many happy memories for me. It showed Goose Green where I on occasion went horse-back riding with Mr Robert Rees, who was a foreman with the F.I. Dependencies.

When I first visited the Falklands I was the wireless operator on the S.S. Eagle.

We brought several Newfoundland pine trees which were planted at Government House.

I wonder if they ever grew? Maybe someone could let me know.

Yours truly,
Harold W. Squires,
19 Pine Bud Pl.,
St John's, Newfoundland,
Canada.



MILITARY MATTERS

TRISTAR DELAY

On Thursday the Tristar due in the Falkland Islands from the UK on Tuesday finally managed to beat the gale force winds and land at MPA.

The plane not only couldn't make its usual landing at MPA but also went through a series of diversions before it finally made it.

On the initial approach to the islands on the Tuesday the captain actually got the Tristar close enough to the Falklands to be given clearance to land but as he descended took the decision to abort as the winds were too strong.

The intention was then to head for Rio de Janeiro in Brazil.

However, this was then changed to Montevideo in Uruguay.

An overnight stop in Montevideo, with the passengers accommodated in a hotel in the city, was followed by a flight to Ascension Island with an overnight stop to allow a change of crew before the journey to the Falklands.

Then on Thursday, two days after the intended touchdown, the winds abated enough to allow the Tristar in.

It is unclear why the Tristar headed for Montevideo after initially setting off for Rio on the Tuesday.

Suggestions have been made that it would not have been politic for the Tristar to land in Rio last week as the city was hosting the South Atlantic Conference which, of course, had an Argentinian delegation amongst those attending.

MPA SHOPS OFFICIAL OPENING CONFUSION

Confusion has arisen over a proposed opening ceremony for the civilian shopping centre at MPA.

Initially it was thought that Mr Roger Freeman, under-secretary for the armed forces, was going to be officially opening the centre during a visit to the islands.

However, some of the shopkeepers at the centre objected to this proposal on the basis that it was civilian centre and that it would be inappropriate to have someone connected with military opening it.

Indeed two shopkeepers indicated that if he were chosen to open the centre they would not be opening their premises on that day.

Now Mr Freeman will not be officially opening the centre although it is understood he may see it during his visit to MPA. It is understood that His Ex-

cellency the Governor will be opening the centre.

The centre, consisting of six shop units, a police station, a cafe and toilets, opened for custom several weeks ago.

The building was designed by Clanwood Components but all the work of erecting the building was done by local contractors. Trevor Browning's Upland Construction laid the foundations and Steve Vincent erected the building.

The centre itself cost over £300,000 to build and so far FIC, Reflections, Kiddcrafts and Hawksworth's Cafe are all represented.

FIDC who funded the project, are looking for uptake of the two vacant units at the centre.

Mt. KENT RAISE £500

The men who live in the remoteness of Mt. Kent have raised £500 to send a cerebral palsy victim to a specialist clinic in Hungary.

The money was raised through a series of sponsored events such as hair cuts, raffles and the like.

Tickets for front seats at the latest CSE show were even auctioned to raise money for the cause and beer spillages also brought in some revenue for the coffers.

The money will be used towards sending a young lad from Bradford who suffers from cerebral palsy to the specialist clinic.

The clinic has gained an international reputation over the last few years for making great inroads into the debilitation caused by this disease and a number of patients from Britain have benefitted from treatment at the clinic in recent years.

More articles are always needed for this page. So if you have any ideas or suggestions for stories relating to the military write to or contact:-

The Editor,
Penguin News Ltd.,
Old PSA Buildings,
Ross Road,
Stanley.

NEW JETTY FOR FOX BAY SETTLEMENT

The jetty at Fox Bay East could soon be made sufficiently safe for the visits of the Forrest and the Monsunen thanks to the efforts of the Field Infantry Squadron.

The jetty was declared unsafe for use by the master of one of the Coastal Shipping vessels following damage sustained from an Argentinian vessel during the conflict.

The 6000 ton vessel had collided with the jetty while docking and 16 reinforced concrete jetty legs were left leaning at an angle of 10 to 20 degrees towards the shore.

The jetty was used by the coastal ships to supply stores and take out any cargo but soon it became apparent that the jetty was not safe enough to be continued in use.

This meant the community

have had to rely on FIGAS to fly in supplies but this precluded the supply of heavy stores.

The master of one of the vessels indicated that he would be willing to use the jetty if two of the piers were straightened and a cross member put in place.

Now the plan is not to repair the whole jetty but to carry out sufficient repairs so it can be used again.

Ten men from the Field Infantry Squadron will be involved in this work for two weeks starting on August 8th.

They will use 10-ton hydraulic jacks on two of the concrete legs which are about 12 feet long by one foot square.

The equipment for the repairs will be delivered to the sight by the Stenna Seaspeed.

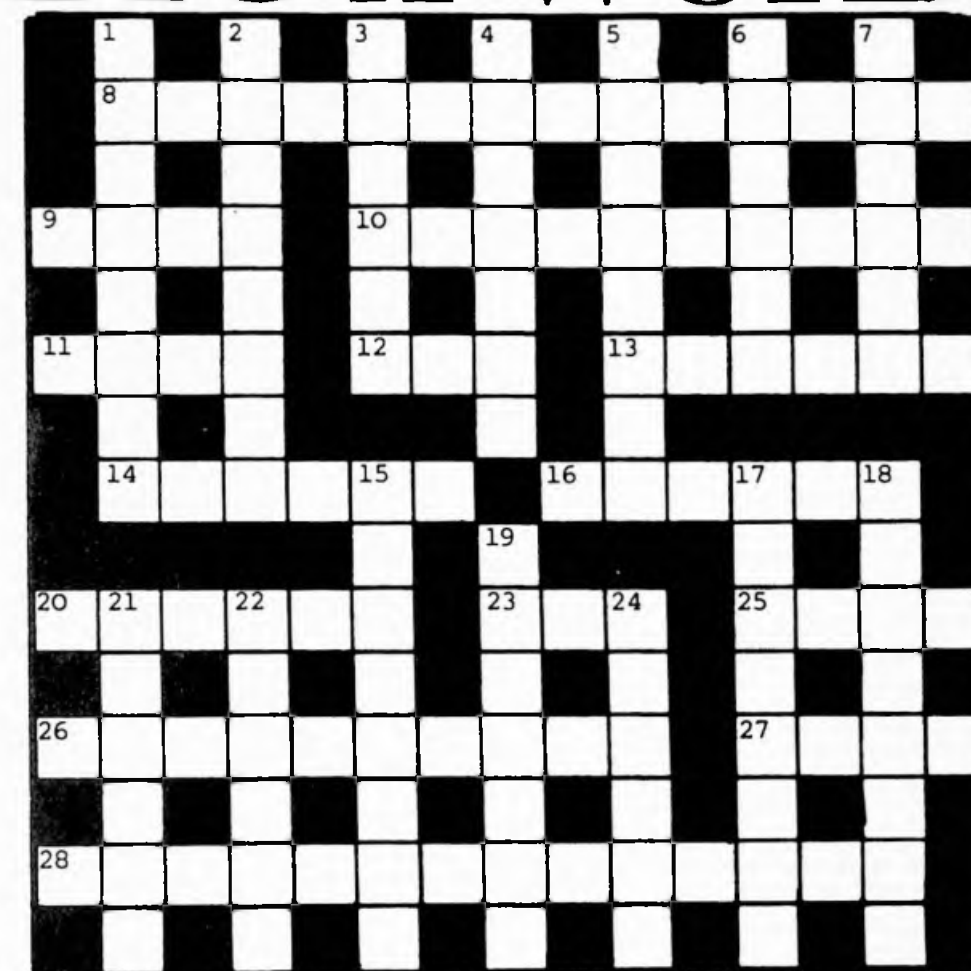
THE BIG X-WORD

ACROSS

- 8 'Ten turn in speed.' (Anag.) (14)
9 Marian takes it to heart. (4)
10 Gets rid of the germs that infest disc perhaps. (10)
11 Scouts don't show it today. (4)
12 Throw the fish back.
13 Include in Dombey (and son, of course.) (6)
14 Existence and in France tiny in a way. (6)
16 Look back for it in a gala birthday. (6)
20 What's the matter with a very loud tune? (6)
23 Take the white of an egg to start with. (3)
25 Pigment for water colour, obviously. (4)
26 Cares for (and shows hindsight?) (5,5)
27 After this the hammer falls. (4)
28 Would he have called the solving of these clues 'elementary'? (8,6)

DOWN

- 1 Alienate; the orient is unaccountable (8)
2 ...though this is obvious. (8)
3 About a wedding or harness to the ears. (6)
4 Carminative is in a requirement. (7)
5 Sounds wet, darling, this animal. (8)
6 Word that might qualify its second part. (6)
7 Descriptive of some football teams. (6)
15 Plant like woodworm, but wine with a finish. (8)
17 It has many supporters in America,



though here it's only played by children. (4,4)

18 Similarity as a cape shows. (8)

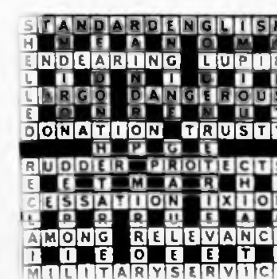
19 Share in a piece first. (7)

21 Bubbly, though not champagne. (6)

22 Enquire first of the African soldier. (6)

24 Tumulus pushed by a coster. (6)

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BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

Falkland (Woolsales) Bradford report that there were no primary wool sales in Australia in the week ending 22nd July.

In Wellington at the first New Zealand sale of the season, with wools from all North island centres on offer, crossbreed fleece was nominally 2.5% dearer on a limited offering.

Second shear, three to four and longer, was up 2.5%, while shorter was firm to sellers' favour. Crossbreed oddments and crutchings were 2.5% dearer.

Competition was mainly from China and merchant scourers, supported by East Europe and the Wool Board. The 21,000 bale offering was 70% shears, 7% fleeces and the balance was oddments. The Wool Board bid on 38% and bought 12%.

In general trading now has very much of the typical holiday atmosphere about it as Bradford enters its final week before the annual two-week summer shutdown.

The market is not entirely lifeless - indeed, one topmaker reports a fair spread of inquiry - but where opportunity exists it is invariably for small parcels.

The prompt nature of most of the inquiry, the majority of which is for export, is such that stock on the shelf is a pre-requisite for any chance of booking the work.

Prices are said to be of the take it or leave it variety - a situation which presumably would undergo a speedy transformation whenever the next buying move begins.

For cheap stocks continue to dwindle, bringing a steady reduction of averaging power at a time when new season forecasts are for dearer wool - even without any possible effects of adverse currency movement.

New Zealand gave the first indication: the opening sale reckoned generally 2.5% dearer and interest now moves to the resumption of Australian auctions next week, with a total of 109,600 bales rostered at Sydney over four days and two days at Freemantle.

BFBS and FIBS Radio Programme Timetable

SATURDAY:- 0700 News, Sport & Papers; 0715 Breakfast Show; 0800 News; 0803 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0830 on MW Sport on Two until 1300, or on FM continues the Breakfast Show; 0900 Me, Mark Page; 1100 Bullets; 1300 News; 1303 Saturday Live (also on MW); 1500 News; 1503 Top 40; 1700 News; 1703 Counterpoint with Val Bethell; 1733 Children's Corner; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 BBC News; 1915 The Archers Omnibus; 2015 23rd Cambridge Folk Festival; 2045 Feature; 2115 Short Story; 2130 Soul Station with Tony Blackburn; 2230 Rodigan's Rockers; 0025 Tommy Vance's Chart Attack; 0220 Johnny Walker; 0415 Top 40; 0610 Good Morning Falklands.

SUNDAY:- 0700 News and Papers; 0710 Breakfast Show; 0800 The World this Weekend; 0855 Cliftons Corner; 0900 Classic Connection with Roy ffoulkes; 1000 News; 1003 Folk Review; 1100 News; 1103 Johnny Walker; 1300 Seven Days with Clive Jacobs; 1345 Sports Roundup; 1400 News; 1403 Country Folk with David Allan; 1500 News; 1503 Bob Harris; 1700 News; 1703 SITREP with Peter Hobday; 1733 Jim Reeves & his Music: Early Success; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 Evening Mass from the Cathedral; 2000 BBC News; 2015 Radio Newsreel; 2030 The Best of the Men From The Ministry; 2100 Music in Miniature; 2130 John Peel's Music; 2230 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0025 BFBS UK; 0220 Take Two with Ted King; 0315 Andy Kershaw; 0415 Folk Review with Wally Whyton; 0510 Good Morning Falklands.

MONDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Sixties Hour with Alan Phillips; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 The Grumbleweeds; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Edge of Darkness, Edge of Light; 1730 30 Minute Theatre: A Cry Almost a Scream; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 World News and Commentary; 1915 60 Minute Theatre: Toytown; 2015 Announcer's Choice; 2100 Falkland Island News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Bob Harris; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

TUESDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0830 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0900 News; 0903 Soul Station with Tony Blackburn; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 My Word; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Evening LP; 1730 Calling the Falklands; 1800 Blandings; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 BBC World News; 1915 Calling the Falklands; 1945 On Stage: Bucks Fizz; 2015 Mysterious Circumstances; 2045 Himalaya: Tribes and

Peoples; 2130 Late From London; 2130 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

WEDNESDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Rockola with Dave Simmons; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 War of the Worlds; 1730 30 Minute Theatre: The Bad Samaritan; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 BBC World News; 1915 BBC Beautiful Music; 1930 My Music; 2000 Winter Quiz; 2030 In Concert: The Christians; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Rodigan's Rockers with David Rodigan; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

THURSDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0830 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0900 News; 0903 Club Radio with Nige Kerr; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 Animal, Vegetable or Mineral; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Ships From Seven Seas: Pacific Outriggers; 1730 The IQ Fraud; 1800 Darts Match of the Week; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 World News and Commentary; 1915 Book Club: In Custody; 1930 Special Requests; 1945 The Amazon Frontier: A Bite From the Jungle; 2015 Pot Luck with Miriam Booth; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Rhythm and Blues; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 John Peel's Music; 0425 Rockola with David Simmons; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

FRIDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Country Folk with Dave Allen; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 Yes Minister: The skeleton in the Cupboard; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1230 London Sportsdesk; 1300 News; 1330 The Archers; 1345 Sportsdesk; 1400 News; 1403 BFBS UK; 1600 News; 1603 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Evening LP; 1730 Calling the Falklands; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Local announcements; 1845 Sports Roundup; 1900 World News and Commentary; 1915 Calling the Falklands; 1945 30-minute theatre: Wednesday is Yoga Day; 2015 Detective: Time On Their Hands; 2045 Scoop; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 The Friday Show; 2230 TV on Friday; 0030 Why Not with Mick Kiss; 0125 Me, Mark Page; 0320 Bullets with Paul Gambaccini; 0505 60's Hour with Alan Phillips; 0610 Good Morning Falklands.

STANLEY DARTS LEAGUE

KENDALL CUP

CHALLENGE SHIELD

FRIDAY 10 JUNE

ROSE B	V SUSTAINERS	3 9	ROSETTES	V WANDERERS	4 11
G.B.A.	V SIDEWINDERS	7 3	FLYERS	V PENGUINS	12 3
GOOSE	V F.I.D.F.	3 7	WINDBAGS	V SPIDERS	7 3
TROTTERS	V ROSE A	3 11	BLOOMERS	V PANDAS	3 3

MONDAY 13 JUNE

ROSE B	V G.B.A.	10 3	ROSETTES	V FLYERS	3 10
SUSTAINERS	V ROSE A	11 4	WANDERERS	V PANDAS	10 3
F.I.D.F.	V TROTTERS	3 7	SPIDERS	V BLOOMERS	10 3
SIDEWINDERS	V GOOSE	14 1	PENGUINS	V WINDBAGS	3 10

FRIDAY 17 JUNE

G.B.A.	V SUSTAINERS	3 10	FLYERS	V WANDERERS	3 3
GOOSE	V ROSE B	4 11	WINDBAGS	V ROSETTES	12 3
TROTTERS	V SIDEWINDERS	3 12	BLOOMERS	V PENGUINS	3 10
ROSE A	V F.I.D.F.	13 2	PANDAS	V SPIDERS	3 7

MONDAY 20 JUNE

ROSE B	V TROTTERS	11 4	ROSETTES	V BLOOMERS	3 3
SUSTAINERS	V GOOSE	11 4	WANDERERS	V WINDBAGS	7 3
G.B.A.	V ROSE A	4 11	FLYERS	V PANDAS	3 3
SIDEWINDERS	V F.I.D.F.	11 4	PENGUINS	V SPIDERS	4 11

FRIDAY 24 JUNE

GOOSE	V G.B.A.	3 3	WINDBAGS	V FLYERS	10 3
TROTTERS	V SUSTAINERS	5 10	BLOOMERS	V WANDERERS	4 11
F.I.D.F.	V ROSE B	2 13	SPIDERS	V ROSETTES	10 3
ROSE A	V SIDEWINDERS	3 9	PANDAS	V PENGUINS	12 3

FRIDAY 1 JULY

ROSE B	V SIDEWINDERS	3 9	ROSETTES	V PENGUINS	5 10
SUSTAINERS	V F.I.D.F.	13 2	WANDERERS	V SPIDERS	10 3
G.B.A.	V TROTTERS	5 10	FLYERS	V BLOOMERS	11 4
GOOSE	V ROSE A	3 10	WINDBAGS	V PANDAS	3 7

MONDAY 4 JULY

TROTTERS	V GOOSE	7 3	BLOOMERS	V WINDBAGS	3 3
F.I.D.F.	V G.B.A.	3 3	SPIDERS	V FLYERS	7 3
SIDEWINDERS	V SUSTAINERS	10 5	PENGUINS	V WANDERERS	7 3
ROSE A	V ROSE B	5 10	PANDAS	V ROSETTES	13 2

FRIDAY 8 JULY

SUSTAINERS	V ROSE B	10 3	WANDERERS	V ROSETTES	12 3
SIDEWINDERS	V G.B.A.	11 4	PENGUINS	V FLYERS	4 11
F.I.D.F.	V GOOSE	7 3	SPIDERS	V WINDBAGS	4 11
ROSE A	V TROTTERS	12 3	PANDAS	V BLOOMERS	10 3

MONDAY 11 JULY

G.B.A.	V ROSE B	4 11	FLYERS	V ROSETTES	1 4
ROSE A	V SUSTAINERS	3 9	PANDAS	V WANDERERS	3 3
TROTTERS	V F.I.D.F.	7 3	BLOOMERS	V SPIDERS	5 10
GOOSE	V SIDEWINDERS	3 12	WINDBAGS	V PENGUINS	10 3

FRIDAY 15 & SATURDAY 13 JULY

GOVERNORS CUP

1ST	GARY HEWITT
2ND	GRAHAM SNEYD
3RD	ROBERT WHITNEY
4TH	PETER GOSS

ROSE BOWL

1ST	MARGARET GOSS
2ND	HEATHER SMITH
3RD	SYBELLA SUMMERS
4TH	LINDA LOWE

FRIDAY 22 JULY

SUSTAINERS	V G.B.A.	10 5	WANDERERS	V FLYERS	3 7
ROSE B	V GOOSE	10 5	ROSETTES	V WINDBAGS	2 13
SIDEWINDERS	V TROTTERS	14 1	PENGUINS	V BLOOMERS	2 13
F.I.D.F.	V ROSE A	2 13	SPIDERS	V PANDAS	5 10

SPORT-

By
Rory
MacLeod.

DARTS SEASON RESULTS, LEAGUES, SCORES & STATS.

With the darts season moving steadily towards its climax. With only four more league games left to play the league tables are beginning to shape up and the possible winners beginning to look more certain.

The following tables give a run down of results positions and winners up to Friday 29th July:-

KENDALL CUP

	P	Won	Legs	Pts.
Sidewinders	10	10	110	27
Sustainers	10	9	97	25
Rose B	10	7	93	21
Rose A	10	6	92	18
Goose	10	4	55	8
Trotters	10	1	49	6
F.I.D.F.	10	2	48	6
G.B.A.	10	1	54	3

CHALLENGE SHIELD

	P	Won	Legs	Pts.
Windbags	10	9	97	24
Wanderers	10	8	92	22
Flyers	10	7	90	20
Pandas	10	7	89	19
Spiders	10	4	75	14
Penguins	10	2	58	8
Bloomers	10	3	56	6
Rosettes	10	0	39	0

	Played	Won	Legs	Tons	101 +	3DF	Bull	Ctr.	Bull	Fin.	1Dart	Fin	1Dart	Srt	Back	Cd
C. Smith	25	24	68	39	34	22	12		5		8		8		148	
J. Lang	25	24	68	24	29	19	5		5		15		15		115	
C. Ford	25	23	64	29	24	12	2		4		10		10		101	
G. Hewitt	25	22	63	42	20	11	6		2		8		8		104	
J. Lee	25	20	60	36	12	10	5		2		7		7		94	

	Played	Won	Legs	Tons	101 +	3DF	Bull	Ctr.	Bull	Fin.	1Dart	Fin	1Dart	Srt	Back	Cd
J. Middleton	23	10	32	6	7	3	1		0		4		11		32	
C. Jacobson	25	10	32	9	2	1	1		0		5		11		29	
T. Lee	23	10	31	5	2	2	0		0		2		7		18	
H. Ford	23	9	29	2	2	4	0		0		1		7		16	
H. McKay	22	8	28	5	5	2	0		0		0		6		18	

LEGS

Jamie Lang	68
Colin Smith	68
Tooty Ford	64
Gary Hewitt	63
James Lee	60

BULL FINISH

Jamie Lang	5
Colin Smith	5
Adrian Lowe	4
Tooty Ford	4

BULL CENTRES

Colin Smith	12
Nicky Bonner	6
Paul Chapman	6
Gary Hewitt	6

TONS

Gary Hewitt	42
Colin Smith	39
James Lee	36
Brian Middleton	34

101 +

Colin Smith	34
Jamie Lang	29
Tooty Ford	24
Gary Hewitt	20

1 DART FINISH

Jamie Lang	15
Wayne McCormick	12
Derek Clarke	11
Tooty Ford	10

3 DART FINISH

Colin Smith	22
Jamie Lang	19
Lachie Ross	15
Tooty Ford	11

1st DART FINISH

Colin Smith	24
James Lee	22
Derek Clarke	20
Tooty Ford	19
Tootie Morrison	17

HIGHEST CH/OUT

Gary Hewitt	157
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MOST BACK CARD

Colin Smith	148
Jamie Lang	115
Gary Hewitt	104
Tooty Ford	101
James Lee	94

1st 180

Colin Smith	
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MOST 180's

Colin Smith	4
Nicky Bonner	2
Paul Bonner	1
Bernard Peck	1
Mike Sackett	1

MOST 3 X3 19's

Angus Jaffrey	1
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FIG ORDERED TO REPAY £205,250 IN FISHING FINES

Following the review of three cases by Chief Justice Sir Renn Davis on two fishing masters fined under the the Fisheries (Conservation and Management) Ordinance 1986 last May, the Falkland Islands Government have been ordered to pay back an astonishing £205,250 in fines.

The reviews involved three cases against two masters in which the fines totalled £210,000, but in all three cases Sir Renn ordered substantial changes in the fines imposed by the Summary Court in Stanley.

In the first case, which began on April 29th, Captain Sei-Jung Kim appeared charged that as master of a fishing boat "No.5 Chung Yong", he fished illegally within the FICZ without a licence on April 25th.

He was also charged that on the same date he failed to notify a Fisheries Protection Officer of fish on board prior to entry to the zone.

He pleaded guilty to both charges and was sentenced to a total of £80,000 with the catch on board his vessel being confiscated.

At the time of the hearing the court heard that the vessel had been spotted inside the zone fishing without a licence. As the patrol vessel approached the ship it stopped fishing and set off towards the perimeter of the FICZ.

After pursuing the "No.5 Chung Yong" for about an hour and repeated calls for her to stop she did so and was ordered to make for Port William, which she did.

At the Summary Court session Captain Malcolm Shakesby of Sullivan Shipping Services represented Captain Kim and told the court that his satellite navigation equipment had been out of order for some five days prior to the incident but admitted the captain had been negligent in not ascertaining his position from the

other fishing boats amongst whom he had been.

**By Rory
MacLeod**

Following the case and the imposition of the fines Mr P. S. Butler, a solicitor representing Captain Kim wrote to the Attorney General asking that the record of the proceedings in the Summary Court be referred to the Supreme Court for review on the basis that the fines and the confiscation of the catch, which was repurchased for £37,500, had been imposed with no inquiry into Captain Kim's means and ability to pay. Further he said that statements made to the Summary Court by the prosecutor as to the profitability of squid fishing were inadequate and misleading.

It was established that Captain Kim's annual income for 1988 was £12,872 and from that around £1000 would go to tax and the rest would be his to support himself, his wife, two children and father.

In his review, Sir Renn said, "It is a well-established principle of sentencing that once a court has decided that it can properly deal with an offender by fining him, the amount of the fine should be determined by the gravity of the offence - with particular reference to the profit the offender may

have received from it - and then reduced if necessary to a sum within the offender's means."

He added, "It is also well-established that it is wrong in principle to sentence an offender to payment of a fine which is beyond his own capacity to pay on the assumption that someone other than the offender would pay the fine."

The mention of this was to show that in imposing the fine it would have been wrong to assume that his fine would have been paid by his employers.

In considering what Captain Kim should pay Sir Renn said that a total fine of £80,000 without inquiring into his means was "not only wrong in principle but was manifestly excessive as a sentence."

He ordered that the fine be adjusted to a total of £2500 and the balance of £77,500 be refunded.

However, he ordered that the order to confiscate the catch should stand.

In the second case involving Captain Kim on May 17th he was charged that on May 6th, while he was master of the vessel "No. 5 Chong Yong", he failed to stow his gear while within the FICZ and, secondly, that he fished within the zone without a licence to do so on

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Again he pleaded guilty on both counts and in their judgement, as they felt the two counts appeared to be related, the Summary Court were prepared to deal with them "as one charge", and sentenced the defendant to a fine of £80,000.

On the same day the owner of the vessel, Daerim Fishing Company Ltd., was charged with being the owners of a vessel which had been fishing within the FICZ without a licence, and after pleading guilty were fined £20,000.

In his written review Sir Renn commented on the case saying, "In mitigation Captain Sei-Jung Kim has said that he believed throughout that he was outside the zone.

"Certainly the behaviour of the 'Chung Yong', as recorded in the log and as observed by the Fisheries Patrol aircraft and patrol boat, would not appear to have been that of a fishing boat under the command of a master who knowingly was fishing in the Falklands fishing waters without a licence.

"Furthermore, it seems to me inconceivable...that Captain Sei-Jung Kim, on his first fishing expedition after having appeared before the Summary Court on the 29th April, and having been fined £75,000 for fishing without a licence, would straightway repeat the same offence.

"It appears to me with respect that the Summary Court in finding that the 'Chung Yong' was found four miles within the zone and that Captain Sei-Jung Kim knew perfectly well that his dead reckoning bearings were 'decidedly inaccurate' formed a far more serious view of Captain Sei-Jung Kim's offences than was justified on the evidence before the court."

Sir Renn again said that the ability of the offender to pay should be taken into account when fixing fines.

He added that he also felt it was wrong that the two counts be considered as one and fined Captain Kim £250 on the first and £500 on the second.

The fine of £20,000 against the company was allowed to stand and the forfeiture of the fishing gear was upheld.

The gear was repurchased by the company after the Summary Court case at a cost of £100,000.

The third case reviewed was that of Captain Yang Jae Bong who appeared before the Summary Court in Stanley on May 2nd charged that as master of the vessel 'Seyang 51' he had failed to stow its fishing gear while in the FICZ.

Captain Bong pleaded guilty to the charge at the time and was fined £50,000.

In his review of the case Sir Renn said again that the amount of any fine should be determined by the gravity of the offence and the ability of the offender to pay. He also added that it should not be assumed that someone other than the offender would pay the fine.

He quashed the fine saying that in the absence of any evidence as to Captain Bong's means he would refer the case back to the Summary Court to ascertain his means and, having done so, to "impose such penalty as the court may think fit having regard to the facts of the case and to Captain Yang Jae Bong's own capacity to

pay any fine to which the court may decide to sentence him."

This week, with the Falkland Islands Company representing him, Captain Bong was fined £1500 by the Summary Court in Stanley.

Commenting on Captain Kim's reduced fine Captain Malcolm Shakesby of Sullivan Shipping Services, agents for his employers, said that on a personal basis he was pleased for Captain Kim.

"On the basis of the result I am pleased that justice has been seen to be done under the Falkland Island regulations," he said.

"It shows that although people are going to be punished for offences, if a mistake is made the legal system is prepared to accept its mistakes. In other parts of the world offenders would not be treated so leniently.

"I obviously don't condone illegal fishing. Any possible loopholes will have to be closed and I'm sure the Attorney General, the Director of Fisheries and the Government will be looking into this."

FIC declined to comment on Captain Bong's case.

£300,000 PACKAGE BUYS FIT TOURIST CRUISE SHIP

In a bold move a passenger ship has been purchased for Falkland Islands Tourism in a bid to attract tourists to take cruises around the shores of the islands.

The 193.6 ton, 35-metre vessel, 'The Melbidir', has been bought from the Australian Government as part of a £300,000 purchase and refurbishment package, and will be named 'Southern Star' when she comes into use in the Falklands.

She will arrive in the islands in early November and will be equipped to carry 10 passengers and a crew of six seamen.

Built in 1973 in Tomago, New South Wales, the vessel has worked off the coast of Australia for the past few years servicing the surrounding islands.

British fishing company J. Marr have been instrumental in assisting FIDC and FIT in finding the vessel and they will be responsible for overseeing the refurbishment and rekitting of the vessel.

A great deal of conversion work is to be carried out with particular attention being paid to passenger comfort.

In a Press announcement FIDC said the 'Southern Star' will represent a large step towards opening up the islands for the tourist industry. They point to the vessel as helping to solve the problem of access to the more remote islands off West Falkland which are at present impossible for tourists to reach by aircraft.

The boat will also provide much needed accommodation not available at some of these locations.

With a shallow draft of only 7ft the vessel requires only minor anchorages. Despite this the 'Southern Star' will carry on board rubber landing crafts to allow people to get ashore in some of the more inaccessible areas.

FIT stress that this vessel is not simply intended for overseas visitors and say local residents should also be taking advantage of cruise trips around the West.

Graham Bound, Managing Director of FIT stated, "It's the most exciting and important development in tourism in the Falkland Islands since the establishment of the lodges around the Camp and we are thrilled about it."

As well as being a great as-

set for the tourist industry the vessel will also serve some practical purpose, say FIDC.

The 'Southern Star' has a considerable cargo capacity and it is envisaged that she may work in conjunction with existing island vessels in transporting cargo around the islands. Meetings between FIT and Coastal Shipping are in hand to ensure a co-ordinated service is offered to everyone's benefit.

With a large freezer room, frozen foods could become available in the West for the first time.

Talking of the vessel Graham Bound said it was primarily for passenger transport in the West.

"It is just a coincidence that some of the most attractive and most inaccessible places in these islands are in the West and can't be currently serviced by FIGAS," he said.

"The problem of how to get people to these places first arose about five or six months ago and it became apparent that the only long-term solution was to get hold of a ship."

Graham explained that events had moved faster than anticipated and it was now a case of going full-steam ahead to get crew, administration and bookings organised for the vessel.

Initial bookings are very promising and it would seem around two-thirds of this tourist season has been accounted for so far.

General Manager of FIDC, Mr Simon Armstrong, said that the vessel had been pur-

chased for around £200,000 and once she had been fully converted and positioned in the islands the total cost would be about £300,000.

"We got a special price from the Queensland Government but should the vessel prove not to be compatible with Coastal Shipping or FIG transport policy we have already been offered more for the vessel than we paid."

Turning to the question of final ownership of the vessel he said he hoped a shareholding split between Marr Vessel Management, FIT and Coastal Shipping would be desirable.

The use of the vessel apart from tourism had been demonstrated in Queensland, he said, where it serviced the remote islands of the Great Barrier Reef and could carry vehicles and dry box containers.

At present a strike by truckers in Australia has hindered the supply of materials, which have to be transported north to the shipyard at Cairns from Sydney and Brisbane, and are necessary to refurbish the vessel.

The vessel's first port of call shall be Tahiti. Whilst en route work will begin on the top deck tourist accommodation and is expected to be completed by the time the boat arrives in Valparaiso. The lower deck shall be refurbished later by tradesmen in Punta Arenas.

Another officer and second mate shall be joining the crew of five for the long voyage across the Pacific.



HYDATID AND ALUMINIUM SURVEY

In response to recent expressions of concern members of the public are advised that the Falkland Islands Government has instructed the laboratory undertaking the scientific work in the Hydatid and Aluminium survey that none of the blood samples being taken in the present pilot study, or in the forthcoming main Hydatid Survey, will be tested for antibodies to HIV, that is the AIDS virus.

The laboratory work in the survey is to be undertaken by a prestigious laboratory in the UK which has an unimpeachable record for both scientific performance and integrity.

The Government is entirely confident that its instruction to the laboratory, that no serum collected for the Hydatid and Aluminium survey should, at any time, be tested for HIV, will be complied with.

Members of the public who wish to have their blood tested for HIV antibodies will have the opportunity to donate a further blood sample for this specific purpose during a further survey period which will be announced at a future date.

Meantime, volunteers for the blood Donor Panel will, as now, be automatically screened for the presence of HIV antibodies.

COASTEL FOR SALE?

A group of seven representatives have been in Stanley this week to look at the Coastel on behalf of the US Navy.

On their flying visit - having arrived on Tuesday and leaving to return to Philadelphia tomorrow - the group have been staying at Lookout Camp and looking at the floating accommodation block with a view to purchase.

At present the coastel is owned by the MOD. It was custom-built for the Falkland Islands as one of three coastels to house the military here while the garrison was stationed in Stanley.

The structure is unusual for that type of unit as it is made up of a series of 40ft containers welded together and made into accommodation units.

FALKLAND ISLANDS TOURISM

JOB VACANCY

FALKLAND ISLANDS TOURISM

Falkland Islands Tourism will have a vacancy for a third member of staff in its Stanley office. The new post of Tour Coordinator will involve the following duties:-

Liaise directly with tour operators and individuals overseas, arrange Stanley and Camp accommodation, airport reception, transfer, lead excursions in the Stanley area and assist generally in the Stanley office with clerical work and support for lodges. Some travel around the islands will be essential.

The work will be varied, and during the months October to April there will be a heavy requirement for weekend and evening work. The successful applicant will have an outgoing personality, a natural in-

terest and enthusiasm for the islands, an ability to accept irregular and sometimes long hours, and should be well versed in general office skills.

We realise that these job specifications amount to a tall order, but FIT staff will continue to work closely together, so the Tour Coordinator will not be working on his or her own.

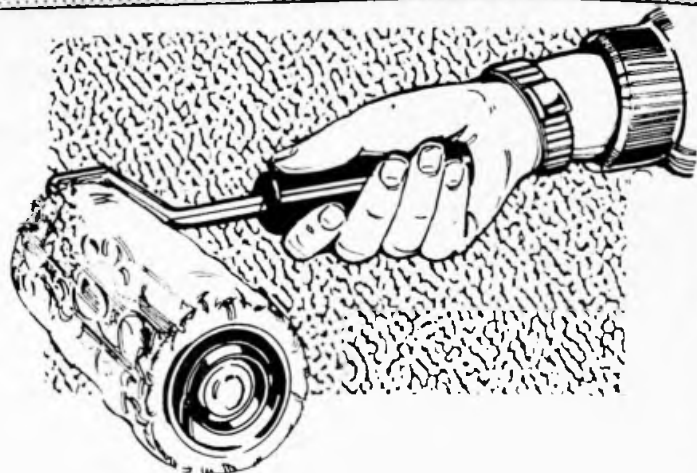
Salary is negotiable and dependent on qualifications and experience. FIT offer a pension scheme and generous local leave.

If you are interested in this position, please apply in writing to the Managing Director, Falkland Islands Tourism in Stanley. If you would like to discuss the job, please drop by our office in Ross Road.

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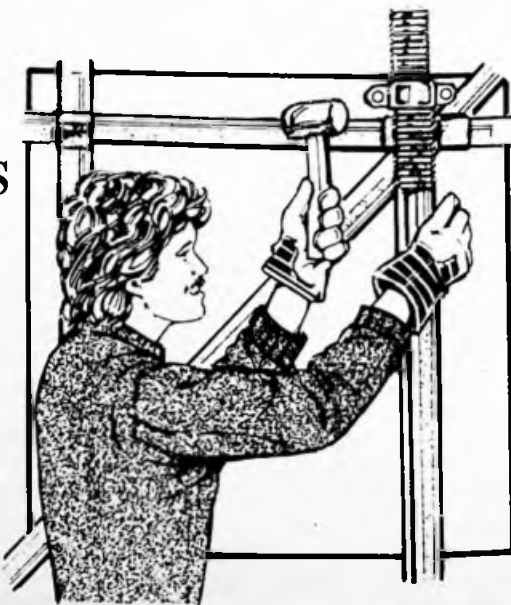
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FIRMER WOOL PRICES

Firmer wool prices internationally seem to have calmed Australian growers' nerves at the start of their selling season.

Chris Sherwell reported last week from Sydney in the Financial Times that "International wool prices appeared to have attained a measure of stability at the conclusion of the third week of the new 1988-89 selling season in Australia.

"The steadiness offered some comfort for those wool growers who had grown nervous about the declining trend which materialised after April, when the market indicator - the benchmark measure of prices of all categories of wool - reached its peak, a remarkable 1,269 Australian cents a kilogram (clean)," he continues.

"By the end of the last season in June, the indicator had slipped back to 1,091 cents. In the first week of the new season, which began at the end of July, it dropped a further 16 cents to 1,075 cents and then last week another five cents to 1,070.

"Yesterday's closing figure was 1,071 cents, however, up two cents from Wednesday, and the Australian Wool Corporation, the industry's premier official body, was expecting continued firmness next week.

The Corporation is also standing by its predictions of last May, when it forecast that the average market indicator price in 1988-89 would be similar to the average for 1987-88 of around 1,000 cents but would show a reverse trend, with strength in the first half of the season and more weakness later.

Behind that prediction lay a combination of bullish factors like reduced wool availability following the general depletion of stocks and bearish factors such as negative buyer reaction to the overall price rise.

Since then the wool supply

picture has improved because of an increase in wool production in Australia, the availability of apparel wool, Australia's main product will be down only marginally, and not by two per cent as originally foreseen.

On the other side of the equation, demand appears to be holding up. Some buyers who stayed out of the market as it rose too high are said to be living from hand to mouth, and although prices may now be lower in Australian dollar terms, the currency has actually strengthened against most major currencies.

How nervous the growers should really get, however is another matter. In July the Corporation set the wool floor price, the level at which it intervenes in the market, at 875 cents up a record 35 per cent on the previous season's figure, and effectively guaranteeing them a strong return for the year.

Wool is meanwhile expected to retain its position as Australia's biggest export earner. It brought in A\$6bn in 1987-88 and analysis expects that performance to be duplicated in the current year.

For the grower this comforting picture is reinforced further by the knowledge that good grazing land is commanding higher prices. Unsurprisingly, some economists see wool and firm commodity prices generally as one of the most important factors explaining the burst of consumer demand driving Australia's current economic expansion."

FICZ REPORT

Fishing activity this week has again been concentrated in two main areas. The European and Japanese trawlers fishing for Loligo squid are located just to the west of Beauchene Island - where, unfortunately, catches do not appear to be good.

The Polish fleet and three other Japanese trawlers are centred in an area in the extreme south west of the zone, where the long awaited Blue Whiting appears to have set in. Catches are reported as reasonable.

One or two vessels, in search of better Loligo catches, have been fishing along the 200 metre depth contour to the east of the islands.

The "Falklands Desire" continues her patrol. On Saturday 20th August she made a short Camp visit to Port Howard, and will complete her patrol this week.

The "Falklands Right" is carrying on with the Hake survey commenced earlier this season. She is still fishing to the west of the islands, and over 70% of the western part of the zone has now been covered. A better understanding of Hake distribution and movement within the zone will result from the survey.

The Japanese longliner "Koei Maru 30" called at Stanley last week to further discuss her fishing plan. She has now sailed to continue her work, and after 11 more fishing days will call at Stanley a final time before departing for Japan.

There was a brief upsurge in the shipping movements within Port William towards the end of last week, as eight Spanish vessels arrived to collect their licences. It is believed they have been fishing as a group outside the zone. Two further vessels are expected this week.

BOUND FOR THE BIG APPLE

Following a local radio appeal two lucky young Falkland Islanders are set to run in the Sport Aid '88 Race Against Time outside the United Nations building in New York on September 9th.

The problem that had faced the organisers in the Falklands was how they were going to afford to send the two youngsters to the UK prior to the flight to the United States.

A target figure of £2500 was set to pay for the two youngsters and an adult supervisor to make the trip.

Following the broadcast appeal there was a tremendous response according to Mr Derek Evans in the Education Department, the co-ordinator of the event in the islands.

"Fairclough Miller donated £2000 and then more came from the Badminton Club, Paul Chapman and Reflections," he explained.

"There were several other private donations and the Pink Shop has offered to supply clothing with "Falkland Islands" on it. Someone else has agreed to donate the footwear so they are properly kitted out."

Falkland Islands Tourism have also arranged for them to take a copy of their promotional video of the islands and some literature so that they will become true ambassadors for the colony.

The lucky two chosen to go are Nina Aldridge who is 11 years old, and Steven Dickson who is 14. They will be accompanied by Lorraine McGill on the trip to New York.

The donations of money mean that the travel to the UK and back is assured. When they reach London, Sport Aid organisers will meet them and take care of them for the flight across the Atlantic to the Big Apple and the race on the 11th.

The threesome will leave the Falklands on the flight on the 7th.



BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

In New Zealand at the Invercargill/Timaru sale on Thursday 25th fleece was fully 2.5% dearer for all types. Crossbred fleece was 2% dearer.

Competition was widespread with China the main buyer and limited Continental support. The New Zealand Wool Board bid on 26% and bought 9%.

In Australia - sales held in Adelaide/Goulburn/Freemantle - the market declined from the high point when approximately 100,000 bales were on offer.

Merinos declined 5AC to 20AC with 24.5 - 25.5 most affected. The limited offering of crossbred wools closed in buyers favour.

B Fault and heavy fault wools were most affected. General strength in the Australian dollar was a feature late last week and into this week, related to an Australian budget statement which underlined improvement in budget surplus, trade deficit and debt situation - with inflation rates also forecast to decline. Allowing for UK problems liable to affect sterling adversely at some stage in the future - in trade deficit and to some extent inflation rate - the chances of a reversal in the recent currency trend favouring the Australian dollar against sterling seem remote at present. On this assumption, there does not seem much likelihood of currency changes liable to make Australian wool cheaper to UK buyers.

The Australian floor price, at 870 cents by the AWC indicator, has been effectively raised in sterling terms by around 5% compared with the rate of exchange when it was announced at the beginning of July. Compared with April (when perhaps it was at least under discussion with imminent decision likely, if not decided already) the rate has changed to an extent involving a near 20% rise in sterling costs.

On the top market there was some enquiry before this week's Australian price fall, and there were some reports of improvement late last week. Nothing particularly substantial was indicated, but at the time the idea was that enquiry could well be translated more widely into positive demand. Prices mentioned were low but the impression was that negotiation was possible if a fair risk was taken on the downside.

Where business was in fact placed it must from the sellers' point of view look more attractive today, with the wool market definitely easing in Australia and only small currency changes to offset the wool market move.

Although August was a little better for new business than seemed likely at the beginning of the month, most firms indicate that order books have continued to run down to some extent.

On the woollen side there is actual and widespread short-time working. On the worsted side there are variations but combing activity is not as high as it was, and many think it could decline further unless there is a distinct and early improvement in the new business.

The Chairman of the S.O.A., Robin Pitaluga and the Managing Director of F.I.C., Bryan McGreal were at Denton Wharf, Gravesend to inspect the third shipment of wool during the discharge of the A.E.S.

The Chairman of the S.O.A. will be issuing a full report on bale condition and handling by the wharf.

As a result of the speedy delivery of product to Bradford, F.I.C. will commence payments to their clients on Wednesday 31st August.

With the escalating bank rate (now 12% base in the UK) it is more important than ever to ensure early payment for your wool.

ANSWERS TO BIG X-WORD:- ACROSS:- 1, Call Me Early; 9, Caliban; 10, Homage; 12, Overturned; 13, Style; 14, Historic; 15, Scored; 18, Accost; 20, Reprisal; 23, Taut; 24, Broadsheet; 26, Earwig; 27, Imitate; 28, Temperament.
DOWN:- 2, Ambitious; 3, Landrail; 4, Echoed; 5, Army; 6, Lighter; 7, Ace Of Hearts; 8, Sleeps; 11, Send A Letter; 16, Christian; 17, Geranium; 19, Crusade; 21, See Saw; 22, Kruger; 25, Swop.

NEW FIT OUTLET AT MPA

On Monday Falkland Islands Tourism hold a special reception to hansom the opening of their new office in the MPA civilian shopping complex.

Joining a number of Stanley businesses already set up at MPA, FIT hope to encourage a larger number of military personnel to see more of the Falklands during their tours of duty in the islands.

As the most southerly tourist office in the world it will be equipped with special display material. Presentation boards will be on show depicting the various places of interest in the islands.

All the FIT brochures will be readily available and souvenir items such as FIT - FIGAS flight bags will be on sale alongside the new promotional video of the islands. Additional gifts on sale include Ian Strange's book on the "Falkland Islands and their Natural History" and greeting cards by Steve Whitley.

FIT receive a large number of enquiries from the military wishing to know more about the tourist facilities available.

The establishment of this new office will enable them to have a more direct, positive

contact with military personnel. Currently in liaison with various military officials FIT also hope to have a military line installed in the very near future.

Raná Anderson of FIT who is in charge of this particular project stated: "As long as we have been in operation we always knew there was a need to provide more information on what servicemen and women could do during their stay."

"We hope we will be able to help them make that decision."

In addition to now being able to tap more effectively the large potential market of the military at MPA, it is hoped that a large majority of civilians travelling in and out of the colony by air will also make use of this new office.

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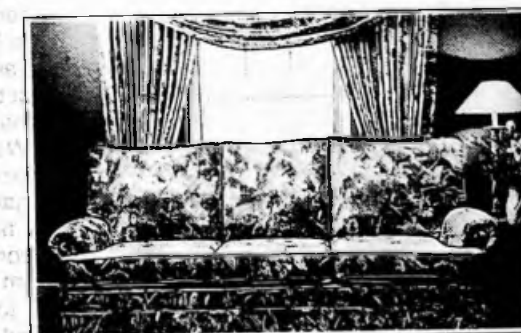
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BOUND ABOUT TOWN - By Graham Bound.

Of Human and Animal Tragedies and What We Can Do

Two news stories have been "splashing" (forgive the Fleet Street jargon) in the United Kingdom over the last week or so, and both are tragedies.

In Sudan, an area of cruel extremes, the poverty stricken millions are threatened with starvation and disease as floods destroy their flimsy homes. It seems only yesterday that their problem was one of drought.

Meanwhile, in a more familiar part of the world, the seal populations of the North Sea and Baltic are dying off in apocalyptic numbers as a result of what is believed to be a viral disease the animals cannot fight. Most scientists believe that the appalling plague would be much less serious if Western Europe had not made the shallow seas off their coasts into veritable cesspits of sewage and industrial waste. It seems highly likely that pollution has weakened the immune systems of sea mammals, leaving them unable to fight the fast spreading disease.

Both the human and the animal tragedies are depressing, especially so because they are so exacerbated by our lack of forethought. Had we wanted a world with a more just distribution of wealth, then the Sudanese would perhaps be better able to cope with natural disaster. If we had considered the needs of the life forms which inhabit the seas we pollute, then the seals may not

be dying.

But I have to admit that it is the animal tragedy which hurts me most. The world will rally around to help the Sudanese (at least enough to ease our conscience) but environmentalists will never persuade industry to stop polluting our environment until it makes good economic sense for them to stop. It is a sad fact that the shareholder's demand for money is more persuasive than the environment's plea for life.

Mute though the animals are, the images from the North Sea, the Baltic and now, it is feared, the British coast are powerful. The face of the orphaned baby harbour seal staring out with wide moist eyes from the front page of the "Independent" is eloquence itself. Thousands of animals like it are starving when their parents die from the disease.

One may wonder what this has to do with the Falklands, and to some perhaps the link is tenuous. But not to me. The point is that we may be looking at our future. We too are a maritime nation, exploiting the sea with little regard. And if you think we are better than any country, just consider that the so-called interim conservation zone seeks to manage only fish stocks, not to protect the needs of other animals and birds in the delicate chain of life. And look back to the great whaling industry of South Georgia, over which we had

some control. We knew that we were exterminating the blue whale, the sperm whale and the other great leviathans, but whaling stopped not because we were shocked at the carnage, but because the industry became commercially unviable.

We are not causing serious pollution yet, but we nevertheless, pay no respect to the ocean's life forms.

We could take several really effective initiatives to protect the seas which (for those who still insist that commercial interests must transcend every other consideration) would not necessarily damage our precious fishing industry.

Firstly, we can make sure (rather than just pay lip service to the principle) that our activities are not disturbing the delicate food chain, by spending much more of our money on research. If we suspect we are depriving birds, mammals or fish of their food, then we must dramatically reduce it, temporarily at least.

Secondly, we can apply first rate pressure on the Japanese, the world's most cynical and savage ocean-going vandals, to cease the whaling that they still conduct in the Southern oceans not too far from the Falklands. They claim that their whaling is for scientific purposes, but nobody is fooled by this. It is a well known fact that these "scientific specimens" wind up on the table of the best To-

kyo restaurants and are sold to various industries. The Japanese also conduct great massacres of dolphins, also considered a delicacy. Their bloody slaughter of these most gentle and playful creatures, whose intelligence is similar to ours, is well known. TV coverage of the Japanese slaughter is stomach churning.

We are perhaps the only people in the world who can stop the Japanese in their killing. Using the only language they really understand, money, we can tell them that unless they stop slaughtering marine mammals, as the rest of the world has, we will not permit them to fish in our waters. Fishing is more important to Tokyo than the whale and dolphin industry, and if they are presented with the choice I have no doubt they will reluctantly change their ways. And again, for those who worry more about money, we can sell the Japanese licences to other countries without any problem. We don't need the Japanese.

But do we have the moral courage to make such a stand, or will we refuse to learn from the rest of the world and tell the environment to suffer on?

If you agree that we should make a strong stand, contact me through the Penguin News, and let's see if together, we can do something about it. Any correspondence should be clearly marked for "Bound About Town".

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RING OUT THE OLD RING IN THE NEW

Major General Neil Carlier left his headquarters for the last time as Commander British Forces Falkland Islands in a style befitting a former Royal Engineer.

He sat on an armchair placed in the bucket of one of the 50-ton Terex tractors which Royal Engineers based at Mount Pleasant use to practise airfield damage repair.

It was a particularly appropriate gesture for someone who had once commanded 39 Engineer Regiment at Waterbeach in Cambridgeshire - a unit which specialises in the business of filling in runway bomb craters.

The tractors can carry about three tons of aggregate in one lift - a rather greater burden than General Carlier. Headquarters staff manned a couple of ropes and symbolically towed their departing boss to the entrance.

Later, at the Mount Pleasant Airport terminal, the General inspected a guard of honour formed by members of B company, the 3rd Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, the Falkland Islands Resident Infantry Company.

However plans to board the homeward bound Tristar immediately after the inspection were thwarted by the weather. The Falklands produced a day of strong southerly winds and driving snow storms as a farewell gesture and the former commander's departure was delayed until the following day.

Instead of being the final act on Falklands soil, the inspection of the guard became something of a humanitarian

act to follow the soldiers to get out of the freezing wind and find some shelter.

Before he left with his wife Daphne and their two children, General Carlier said he would return home with many good memories of the Falkland Islands, the local people and of the unique tri-service force which he had commanded for a year.

The General goes on to the job of Joint Services Liaison Officer in Bonn. His successor is Air Vice-Marshal David Crwys-Williams who comes from being Director of Air Force Staff Duties at the MOD in London.

Aged 48, he was educated at Oakham School and entered the RAF RAF College Cranwell in 1958 and graduated as a pilot in 1961.

Following tours on Beverley transport aircraft at Nairobi and RAF Abingdon he became ADC to AOC-in-C Flying Training Command in 1966.

On promotion to squadron leader in 1969 he commanded NO. 46 Squadron (Andovers) at Abingdon and Thorney Island, did a tour as OC Operations and Administration at Masirah in the Oman, and then attended the

Army Staff College in 1973.

Following a tour as Personal Staff Officer to the C-in-C Near East Air Force and Commander British Forces Cyprus he was promoted to wing commander, became OC NO. 230 Squadron (Puma helicopters) in 1975 and then served as a personnel officer in the Air Secretary's Department.

On promotion to group captain in 1979 he became Deputy Director of Air Plans in MOD and subsequently OC RAF Shawbury, the RAF's main helicopter and air traffic control training station.

He was promoted to Air Cdre and attended RCDS in 1985, after which he became Director of Air Support, and subsequently Director of Air Force Staff Duties. He was promoted to AVM on July 1st and assumed the appointment of CBFFI on August 6th.

Air Vice-Marshal Crwys-Williams is accompanied by his wife, Suzie, and their three children, Huw, aged 12, Kirsty, 11, and Claire, 6.

The two eldest children will return to the UK next month to attend boarding school. Claire is to be educated on the islands.

ALL CHANGE AT MPA CAFE

The running of the cafe at the MPA civilian shopping centre at MPA is to change hands within weeks of it opening.

Until now the cafe has been run by David Hawsworth, proprietor of the Woodbine Cafe in Stanley, but he has now decided to pull out of the cafe at MPA.

A spokesman for FIDC, who manage the complex, said the reason for the withdrawal was because "trade had not been up to what had been hoped".

Kelvin Catering have been asked to take over the management of the cafe in the short term basis.

In the interim period they will look into market to try and determine what is wanted.

The FIDC spokesman said that there may be a call for a fast food type operation which may include either a Chinese or Indian takeaway outlet.

BIRTHS

HAYDOCK - on July 3rd to Janet and Rupert of Stanley a daughter, Ruth Janet.

POOLE - on July 22nd to Ella and Stephen of Stanley a daughter, Jody May.

MARRIAGES

McKAY - on July 28th Michael John McKay and Jeannie Pauline Burston were married in Stanley.

BARKMAN - on July 29th Trevor Donald Barkman and Margaret Mary Smith were married.

McGILLIVRAY - on August 13th Gail David McGillivray and Carol Lynda Jane Buckland Short were married at The Globe in Stanley.

SPANISH VESSEL DETAINED

A Spanish fishing vessel was detained in Port William last weekend following alleged reports of it being involved in fishing irregularities within the FICZ.

The "Playa de Canaval" was spotted in the zone by the Dornier Fisheries Patrol plane fishing without having been to Stanley to pick up a licence.

The vessel was proceeding towards Stanley but fishing on the way and so was, as per the ordinance, fishing illegally because it did not have its licence aboard.

On Tuesday, following investigations by Fisheries Protection Officers, the master of the vessel was formally warned and told in future a very serious view would be taken of any breaches of the Fisheries Ordinance or Regulations.

In a Press Release from the Secretariat it stated, "In deciding not to press charges the Deputy Director of Fisheries took into account the nature of the alleged offences, the previous good conduct of the "Playa de Canaval", and the fact that potentially valuable fishing time had been lost through the vessel being detained in Port William since 20 August, whilst investigations into the alleged offences were being made."

The ship, which had been granted a licence for the months of August and September, has now been issued with its licence and has sailed from Stanley for the fishing grounds.

The master of the vessel is no stranger to these waters or their regulations having captained two licenced vessels down here before - one for two months and another for three months.

Standard Chartered

Standard Chartered Bank announce that with effect from the 25th August, 1988, the base lending rate will be increased by 1% to 12%. Deposit rates have also been affected by this move and the relative increases are as follows:-

Savings Bank Account. Increase from 6% to 7% with effect from September 1, 1988.

Short Call Deposit. Increase from 6½% to 7½%.

1 month fixed deposit increased from 8% to 9%.
3 month fixed deposit increased from 8¼% to 9¼%.
6 month fixed deposit increased from 8½% to 9½%.
1 year fixed deposit increased from 9% to 10%.

Interest on fixed deposits will be increased on all new deposits on or after 26th August, 1988.

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

ISLANDERS OR NOT?

Dear Islanders,
My name is Bernadette Pring, nee Johnson and I would like to bring to everybody's attention a matter that has hurt me deeply.

As a lot of people will know I am a Falkland Islander and only left the Islands after marrying a Royal Marine. This is my first visit home for 11½ years. Being a Falkland Islander my husband and I and our two children qualified for the Islander rate on the Tri-star for our trip here and back to UK.

However on enquiring at FIGAS about a proposed trip to Dunnose Head I was informed that the cost would be £301 -the tourist rate. A difference of over £100 compared to the Falkland Island rate.

To qualify for the Falkland Island rate one must be a resident and pay local taxes. However, a thought springs to mind of an elderly Falkland Island couple who have lived and worked here all their lives and then retire to England. Do they pay tourist rate if they return to visit?

Another thought is the fact that my husband is a Royal Marine and was even given the Freedom of Stanley in 1976 during his tour here.

My husband and I would not have minded paying tourist rate for himself and our daughter - both born in England, but it hurts to be told that you are a tourist in your place of birth.

Where does that leave my son and I? We both were born here in the Falkland Islands.

Yours sincerely,
Bernadette Pring.

LONG LOST RELATIVE

Dear Sir,
We are in search of a long lost cousin who at one time worked on a government sheep station in the Falklands, we have been told.

His name is James Young and he was raised by his grandparents at Kinear Square, Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire, Scotland.

Should any of your readers have knowledge of him and his whereabouts, please get in touch with Mrs Margaret G. Kopko (nee Mathieson) at the attached address.

Thank you,
M.G. Kopko,
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Canada.

FOX BAY JETTY

Dear Sir,
I would like to take this opportunity to correct your inaccurate report on Fox Bay Jetty, which was written in the Penguin News of July 29th, 1988, No. 114. The more obvious mistakes are:-

(a) You have headed your article "New Jetty for Fox Bay", this we most definitely are not getting. Until the eventual communications system is decided on, councillors were reluctant to spend a large amount of money on a new jetty that may not be compatible with the eventual shipping system.

(b) The work is not being carried out by a Field Infantry Squadron, but a Commando Squadron.

(c) The jetty was not declared unsafe for use by the Master of a Coastal Shipping vessel. It was condemned following an inspection by a McAdam Design consultant.

(d) The majority of the damage was caused by the Argentine Transport ship the Bahia Buen Suceso, not by colliding with it, but by tying up at the bows, and then having the stern swung onto the beach by high winds. This had the effect of twisting and concertinaing the end of the jetty.

(e) It most certainly did not "soon become apparent that the jetty was not safe enough to be continued in use" unless six years can be termed "soon".

(f) The community did not have to rely on FIGAS to fly in supplies. Until the last visit of Coastal Shipping, supplies were delivered as normal. Then prior to the last sche-

duled visit Coastal Shipping unilaterally decided only to ship light stores. Heavier goods were not delivered. These could in no way be delivered by FIGAS in any case.

We are most grateful for the offer of assistance from HOBFFI to carry out repairs to the jetty. Bringing it back into service as a good jetty is the first priority in any developing community who's only access for bringing in and sending out any amount of materials is by sea.

In future we would appreciate more accurate reporting about Fox Bay Village, as this will help cut down unjust criticism from misleading information.

Yours sincerely,
Shirley Knight,
Coast Ridge Farm,
Fox Bay.

(Editor's note:- The above points are noted and apologies given where due. It will be remembered that the story appeared on the military page and the information for it was supplied by the military themselves. I am hoping to be out in Fox Bay in the next few weeks to acquaint myself with the village and its people and so gain a better understanding of the place. This will hopefully help prevent any misleading information regarding Fox Bay being carried by PN.)

DISAPPOINTED

Dear Sir,
Regarding the long-anticipated new "Penguin News". I am very disappointed.

Doubtless it will be acceptable to a certain section of the Stanley community - mainly the military and some councillors.

However, I cannot imagine the real "kelpers" - especially those in Camp - being avid readers let alone contributors. The quantity of advertising is a source of revenue for the paper but the people of Stanley know it all and "bush telegraph" in the Falklands can outwit any newspaper!

For those of us overseas who remember the pre-Conflict days, the new "Penguin News" is a shock. I

suppose I should be grateful to you for being bombarded with how up-to-date and all too featureless the new Stanley seems to have become.

For so long I have clung to my memories of the time I lived in the "Ship" (now the Upland Goose). It was true Kelpermutton galore, frequent shortage of butter and cheese awaiting the arrival of the six-weekly delivery from Montevideo aboard the FIC ship "Fitzroy".

Until the free introductory copy arrived, I had planned to visit Stanley in 1990 - a dream I have clung to for many years. I now realise how disappointed I would be. I can have a meal (see the "Upland Goose" menu) at a restaurant five minutes walk from my home!

I do not intend sending a cheque as I no longer wish to be a subscriber to the paper. It is too commercialised and remote and totally lacks the friendly, informality of the original Penguin News - a very sad situation. It is like breaking the final link in a long and valued association.

It would be churlish of me if I did not hope that you will be successful.

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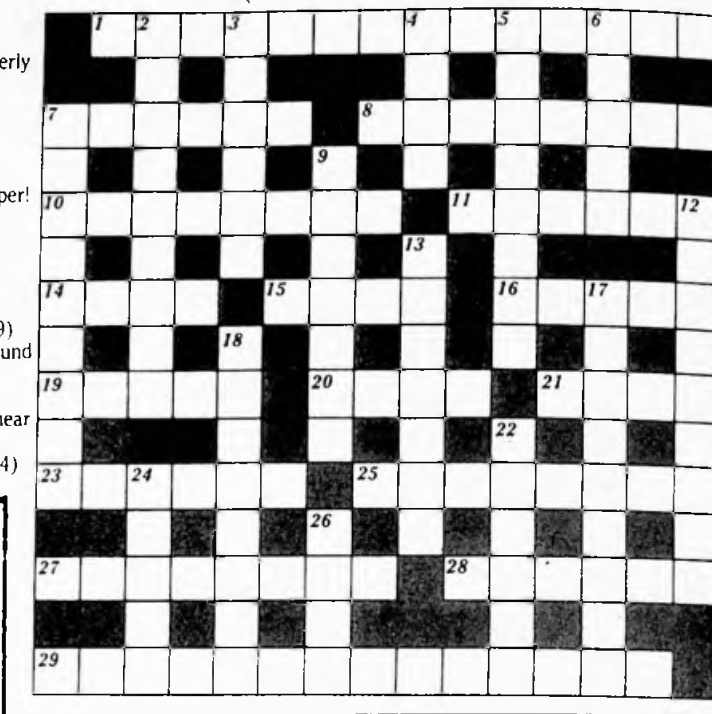
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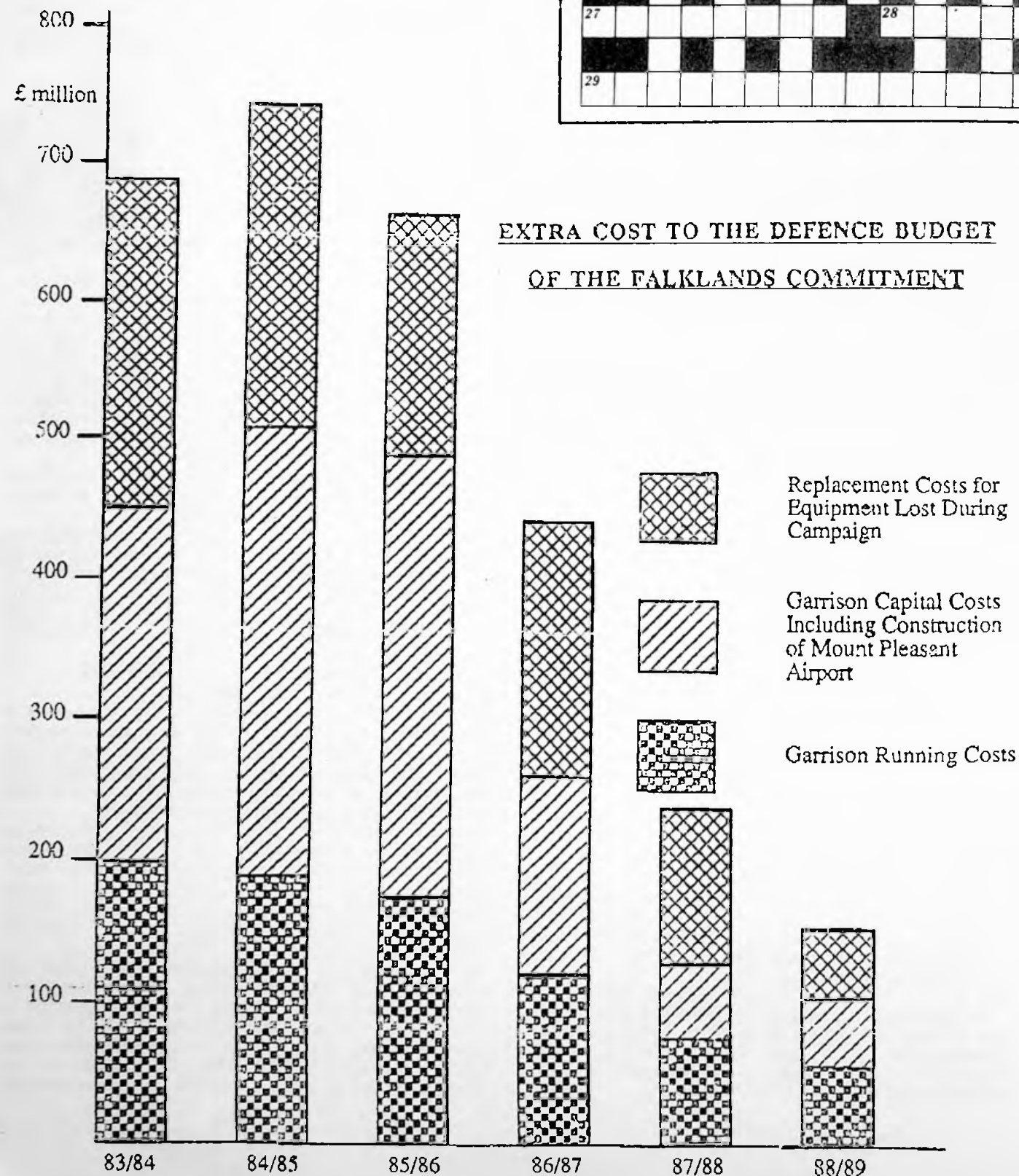
- 1 Students' journal, or the storeroom of the Officer Training Corps? (6, 8)
 7 With me, this is about belief in God (6)
 8 No charge for a drop indulged in by the sky-diver! (4-4)
 10 Prepared for a rise in bread (8)
 11 Frisks about pickles! (6)
 14 Depression north of the border, usually (4)
 15 Place a bearing on a cooking utensil! (4)
 16 Of course they're salts! (5)
 19 Cancel an article from a year-book (5)
 20 A short cut for the gang (4)
 21 Just passable (4)
 23 It's funny this word should describe temperament (6)
 25 He strives for perfection in ladies—it isn't right! (8)
 27 Killers in the ring (8)
 28 Fighting a lawsuit (6)
 29 In certain areas, their medical knowledge is very useful (8, 6)

DOWN

- 2 Cut out children in this operation (9)
 3 Removed outside, one leaves, being disorderly (6)
 4 Tunes to create an atmosphere, up to a point (4)
 5 Means no extremes (8)
 6 I tear about in a rage (5)
 7 How Reuter may send a message for the paper! (9)
 9 Not winnings, but often paid to betters (7)
 12 Proverbially someone good to meet on the way! (9)
 13 Turns up and listens (7)
 17 Its bale is arranged to make things steady (9)
 18 One who started the enterprise took in a pound of fish (8)
 22 He takes steps to please the audience (6)
 24 Tiny bits of dust floating round castles, we hear (5)
 26 Ground rice for an exploratory Norseman! (4)



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Zoo Talk; 2000 Light and Easy with Jeanette Bain; 2100 Mysterious Circumstances; 2130 Late From London; 2130 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

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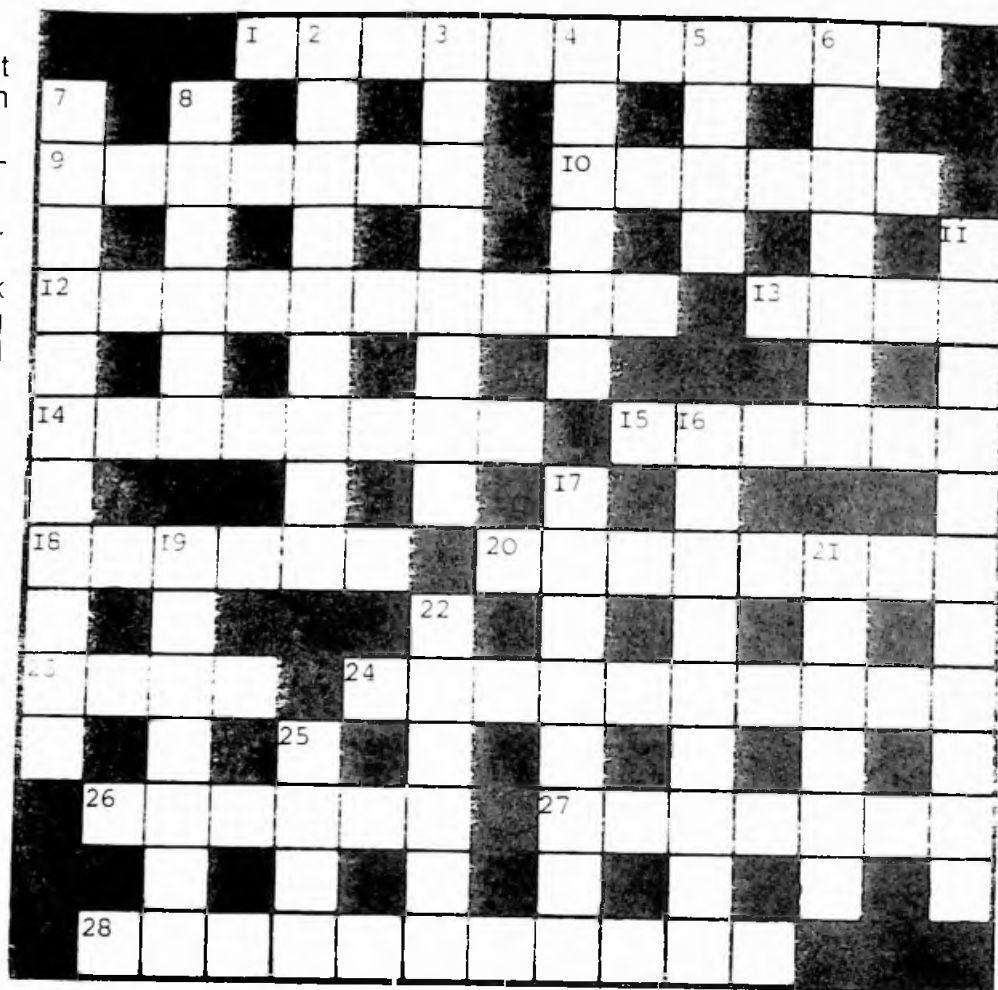
THE BIG X-WORD

ACROSS

- 1 Maternal request from Tennyson on April 30th. (4,2,5)
 2 Shakespeare's tempestuous slave. (7)
 3 It's paid to superiors. (6)
 4 Possibly go back with a dove flying around outside and get split. (10)
 5 What an eyesore! (4)
 6 The man's high spot is being in charge of things past. (8)
 7 Though scratched, made a contribution to victory perhaps. (6)
 15 Solicit (the electricity account?). (6)
 17 Retaliation contains capital confusion. (8)
 18 Instructed audibly in a tense manner. (4)
 19 The wide bed-cover is only printed on one side. (10)
 21 You'll find it if you look near Wigan. (6)
 22 Flatter most sincerely? (7)
 24 To modify has the last word before the start and shows individual character. (11)

DOWN

- 1 Being so was the death of Caesar. (9)
 2 Catch a fish, then go to the bar and find a corncake. (8)
 3 Sent back word in the mountains. (6)
 4 It may come after salvation. (4)
 5 A boat with less displacement than others. (7)
 6 He forecast a re-settlement. (3,2,6)
 7 Dreams, perchance. (6)
 15 Correspond (by tap-



ping out -- on a marriage key?). (4,1,6)

17 He did not exist in 55 BC. (9)

18 "Ruin game." (Anag.) (8)

19 But it was hardly fought for a cursed cause. (7)

21 Two tenses, I observe, in this game. (6)

22 Name of an old South African sovereign. (6)

24 Make an exchange of prisoners who, naturally, return. (4)

ANSWER ON
PAGE 6.

ROYAL BABY GREETING

With the birth of the new Royal baby His Excellency the Governor sent a message of congratulation to the Duke and Duchess of York on behalf of the islands.

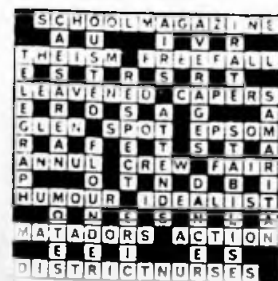
The message read: "With humble duty, I beg to offer on behalf of the Government and people of the Falkland Islands heartfelt congratulations to their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York on the birth of their daughter, the news of which was received here with widespread pleasure".

From the "Royal Matters Section" came a reply which read: "The Duke and Duchess of York have asked us to thank you for your kind messages of congratulations from the people of the Falkland Islands, from those serving in South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, and from those serving in British Antarctic

Territory, on the birth of their daughter.

"Their Royal Highnesses were so pleased to receive these and we are to send all their sincere thanks and best wishes."

ANSWERS TO PAGE 12 CROSSWORD.



CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

STANLEY RFC 4 59 COMMANDO 6

In a hard fought and often gruelling contest Stanley can count themselves unlucky not have kept up their good run and won this bruising encounter.

However, they have only themselves to blame for losing a game that at one point they controlled totally.

All credit must go to 59 for hanging on when they were under pressure and in the second half they came back into the game with a vengeance to eventually pull a win out of the fire.

For Stanley the old cliché of a game of two halves applies. In the first 59 only entered the home half on a handful of occasions and it seemed to be one way traffic towards the visitors line.

Despite initial problems the Stanley pack eventually took an upper hand and possession meant that the Stanley backs were able to show some of their paces and pressure the 59 line further.

Normally a back row player Jim Rae played at inside centre and caused considerable problems for the Commando midfield as Stanley made use of the crash ball move.

Just reward for dominance in the early stages, although slow, eventually came from a copy-book move. The forwards set up from the set piece to allow the backs to move the ball and Dinger, one of the guesting players from Lookout Camp, crashed over towards the right. Unfortunately the wet ball and a rare off day for scrum-half Mike Finlay's boot meant the try went unconverted.

An earlier missed penalty and one after this in the end were to prove costly for Stanley.

The home side continued to push forward but always seemed to lack that final pass or burst of inspiration to cross the 59 line.

Referee Graeme Morrison from MPA controlled the game well throughout but at this stage had to cope with a flurry of breakdowns and infringements which left the game bity and fragmented.

For all the pressure Stanley finished the half with a slender four point lead although looking as though they were going to increase the leading margin at any time.

If the first half had been a bruising encounter then the second half was even tougher with neither side taking any prisoners or giving any quarter. For all that at no time did the game ever deteriorate into becoming dirty.

Hard tackling and a close fought contest in the forwards sapped the reserves of both sides and in the end the fitness of the Commando side may have given them the edge.

It quickly became clear that the visitors intended running every ball with the hope the home side would flag as legs became tired. If anything it had the opposite effect and Stanley battled for everything despite the tiring legs.

The dominance the home side enjoyed in the first half disappeared as the half progressed and 59 came back into the game putting pressure on the Stanley line.

Several close calls resulted in a succession of 5-yard scrums in the home half but their line held secure.

Just when it seemed that Stanley may be able to hold onto their lead the wet ball played a cruel trick.

A maul took the ball back to stand-off Gavin Farquhar in his debut game in the in-goal area.

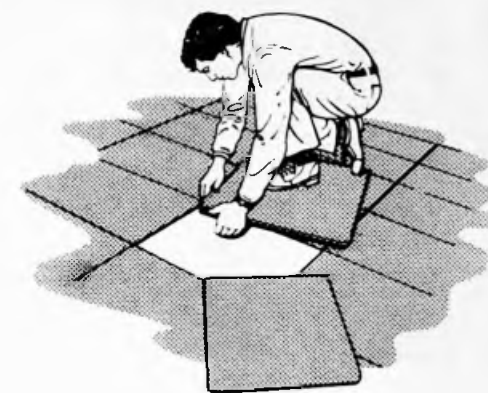
He had played a sound game to that point but as he tried a clearance kick it slipped off his boot backwards and the by-now marauding 59 players broke through to touchdown first virtually under the posts.

Their kicker made sure of the extra two points and this seemed to spur the home side into greater efforts.

The rest of the game provided the growing number of supporters with a delightful spectacle of running and passing rugby.

Valiant efforts by Stanley to retrieve the situation were sometimes only just thwarted and in the end the clock eventually beat them and 59 ran out 6-4 winners of an exciting tussle.

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TOO FREE WITH DUTY FREE?

A full-scale investigation into the sale of duty free goods such as drink and cigarettes has been conducted at MPA by the police and custom officers.

The investigation came about after suspicions were aroused that certain civilians were obtaining duty free goods to which they were not entitled under the duty exemption laws.

It is believed that particular attention has been paid to alleged sales of duty free goods to PSA and Crown Agent civilians at MPA.

In a prepared press release put out through the police it was announced, "Police and customs officers have been carrying out investigations into certain sales of duty free goods made at MPA."

"Their investigations commenced on Monday 22nd August 1988 and have now concluded following examination of certain bar stocks and accounts held at the base."

"Their investigation was

prompted as a result of an alleged abuse of exemptions and duty free privileges by non-military personnel.

"A report is now being prepared for consideration by the Attorney General on his return from the UK later this month."

A spokesman from HQBFI said that servicemen were entitled to duty free goods under the exemption laws but certain civilian groups were not entitled to the exemption.

Many contractors who were involved in the construction of MPA were given exemption during their time here for the building of the base.

SPORT

By
Rory
MacLeod.

EXCITING CLIMAX TO DARTS SEASON

In a nail-biting finish to the darts league season the Victory Bar played host to an exciting tussle between the Sidewinders and Sustainers last Friday night to decide the destination of the trophy this year.

In the end the Sidewinders held off the challenge from the Sustainers and pulled off a 10-5 win to secure the title.

That left the Sustainers having to play Rose B in a decider for second place.

Sustainers misery was complete when they lost 10-5 again and finished the season in third place.

On the Friday there were great celebrations for Sidewinders in a packed Victory Bar and the Kendall Cup was passed round with a suitable beverage for the victors - a Sidewinder cocktail!

The only thing that marred the evening and which left the Sustainers without Colin Smith for the second-place play-off was an unsavoury incident which left Colin with a broken jaw and concussion.

However, Colin can take some consolation from the season on a personal basis as he won the Johnny Walker

Tournament, the individual knockout competition for the second year running, and is in a play-off with Jamie Lang to decide the top player in the league for legs and average per game.

Jamie Lang, also a Sustainers' player, already has the Witte-Boyd Tournament under his belt.

Last year's top individual, Gary Hewitt, won the Governor's Cup this year and was a member of the Rose B team which grabbed second place in the league.

Rose B fought out an exciting final of the Team Knock-out against Rose A but the latter pipped them at the post winning 8-7.

Colin Smith will be looking to win the play-off against Jamie Lang as it will not only give him

this year's top spot but also the trophies for most back of cards and the most legs. There is an extra edge for Colin as he has been runner-up in the individual placing for the last five years - a record unlikely to be repeated.

The Sustainers and Rose B will be looking towards the FIDF medals tomorrow night for some consolation for pushing the Sidewinders so close and losing in the league.

In the Challenge Shield the Wanderers used the last three games to effect winning three out of four to overtake the Windbags who only won two.

The Pandas also played well pulling themselves up to overtake the Flyers to decide the third and fourth places.

KENDALL CUP

	P	Won	Legs	Pts.
Sidewinders	14	13	148	37
Rose B	14	11	133	32
Sustainers	14	12	132	32
Rose A	14	8	124	24
Goose	14	6	88	15
F.I.D.F.	14	3	67	8
Trotters	13	1	64	6
G.B.A.	13	1	67	3

CHALLENGE SHIELD

	P	Won	Legs	Pts.
Wanderers	14	11	130	32
Windbags	14	11	129	30
Pandas	14	10	126	28
Flyers	14	10	124	27
Spiders	14	5	103	19
Penguins	14	4	85	12
Bloomers	14	4	75	8
Rosettes	14	1	64	3

STANLEY DARTS LEAGUE

	Played	BackCrd	Legs	Average
C. Smith	29	172	79	2.724
J. Lang	29	130	79	2.724
C. Ford	29	116	75	2.586
G. Hewitt	29	120	72	2.482
B. Middleton	29	104	67	2.310
J. Lee	29	103	66	2.275
L. Ross	29	84	65	2.241
D. Clarke	29	83	62	2.137
N. Bonner	29	76	61	2.103
W. McCormick	25	86	59	2.360

FIDF MEDALS DRAW

Pandas v. G.B.A.
Rose B v. Trotters
Goose v. Spiders
(wnr v Windbags)
Flyers v. Penguins
(wnr v Rosettes)
Bloomers v. Sustainers
(wnr v FIDF)

SEEDS FOR THREE BARS COMPETITION

1. C. Smith
2. J. Lang
3. G. Hewitt
4. C. Ford
5. B. Middleton
6. J. Lee
7. W. McCormick
8. L. Ross
9. D. Clarke
10. A. Lowe
11. N. Bonner
12. T. Summers
13. S. Morrison
14. R. Whitney
15. P. Goss
16. B. Peck

Last four are non-league players who reached the last four in previous years major tournaments including last year's Three Bars.

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GOVERNMENT INTERVENES AS JV FISHING CO. COSTS REACH £9m

A trail of debts and costs amounting to over £9 million last week forced the Falkland Islands Government to step in and order the run-down and an official inquiry into joint venture fishing company Seamount Ltd.

In an unprecedented move the Colony's Legislative Council ordered that £2.15 million be taken from the budget for this purpose.

Seamount Ltd. is one of numerous joint venture companies established to fish the highly lucrative waters of the FICZ, established two years ago.

The company is a joint venture between Seaboard Offshore Ltd. of Aberdeen, Scotland, and Stanley Fisheries Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation.

The company purchased two stern trawlers which they named the Mount Kent and Mount Challenger.

Having been purchased the vessels were converted and modernised at Tyne Dock Engineering, South Shields on the Tyne before they were considered suitable for the Falkland's fishery. The total start-up cost of the project was estimated originally at £7 million.

As in all joint ventures in the islands, Stanley Fisheries held a 51% shareholding with the joint venture partner, Seaboard, holding 49%.

This meant Stanley Fisheries were committed to an equity investment of £204,000 and a loan of £918,000 whilst Seaboard made an investment of £196,000 and a loan of £882,000.

The majority of the finance for the project came from a Midland Bank loan of £4.8 million which was guaranteed by the Export Credit Guarantee Department of the United Kingdom Government. In this way a loan at low interest rate well below the usual rate was

available. The Export Credit Guarantee Department guaranteed to Midland Bank the repayment of the loan in the event of default by Seamount

By Rory MacLeod

and for such a guarantee Stanley Fisheries were required to guarantee 37.5% of the borrowing.

Advice to the company suggested that the income earned by the vessels would be sufficient to service the loan and make a profit in addition.

Escalating costs of conversion and a series of mishaps to the vessels, however, prevented fishing and the production of income.

On March 29th this year the Mount Kent arrived under a hail of publicity in the islands but after a couple of weeks, and having caught only 40 tons of fish, she was headed to South America in need of ex-

tensive repairs.

Her winch was very seriously damaged through the negligence, it is believed, of her crew, most of whom have been subsequently discharged.

Since early April she has languished in the harbour at Punta Arenas in Chile whilst undergoing increasingly expensive repairs.

The Mount Challenger has never reached Falkland's waters. At first the Department of Transport in the United Kingdom refused to pass her after conversion because of alleged stability problems. She was also arrested for a short time in respect of payments due on the Mount Kent.

Although these problems were cleared up relatively quickly, she only made it as far as the massive Spanish fishing port of Vigo where she has been laid up for several months.

With the increased conversion costs and problems the

Midland Bank loan was increased from £4.8 million to £5.542 million.

Revised project costs were then estimated at more than £9 million and the writing was on the wall as in the absence of any income Seamount steadily ran into debt both in terms of operating costs and of the loan repayments.

Exploratory negotiations were opened with Spanish fishing conglomerate ASPE in an effort to find someone interested in operating Seamount at a profit sufficient to service the loan and to provide the working capital necessary to discharge the project's current liabilities.

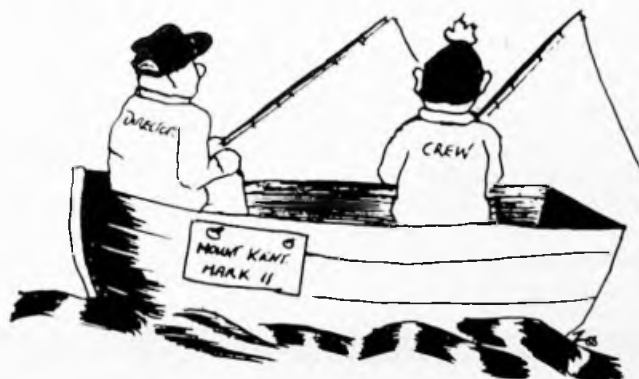
These negotiations floundered when it became clear such a deal would hinge on a guarantee that fishing licences would need to be granted to a number of additional vessels.

In an address to the Legislative Council last week Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor, said at this stage the government felt it had no alternative but "to take the ultimate management responsibility for the project and to propose a controlled run-down of Seamount under their direct supervision."

For this purpose, accountants Peat, Marwick, McLintock and solicitors Holman, Fenwick and Willan have been called in to give assistance and advice.

(continues overleaf)

(Full editorial comment on the Seamount issue and its implications inside)



"HOW MANY FISH DO WE NEED TO COVER OUR DEBTS?"

(continued from the front page)

The £2.15 million approved last week will be used in selling Seamount's assets - the two trawlers - and paying off its debts prior to winding up the company.

In addition, an inquiry will be instigated to investigate Stanley Fisheries' investments in Seamount Ltd. At last week's meeting, councillors made it clear they wanted the inquiry to be far-reaching to prevent such a financial debacle happening again.

Whilst recognising that the management of Stanley Fisheries would have to be looked at with a view to strengthening its structure, Mr David Taylor said the course of action planned demonstrated "a willingness to put our house in order when it needs it, a willingness to be open and honest about our shortcomings, a determination to meet our obligations, and a determination not to let anything like this happen again."

The Honourable John Cheek said during the meeting that it was interesting to note that prior to the establishment of the FICZ the national budget had only been about £10 million and despite the large increase in budget brought about by the productive fishery, Seamount's debts still represented a large proportion of the Falkland's annual national budget.

Mr Taylor said that it was time to put to an end to a project which has been a subject of mounting public concern and which, over the past few months, has "occupied a wholly disproportionate amount of honourable members and officials time and attention and has become a drain on the financial resources of the islands."

Turning to the inquiry he said that it would be a non-statutory private inquiry with its report being made available to Exco and to Legco. He said it was expected they would wish to debate the report and it would appear this is to be in public.

In summing up the Chief Executive gave two cautions.

"With hindsight it is quite clear that what proved to be grave errors of judgement oc-

curred both in terms of the original assessment of the project's likely liability and in terms of the financial commitments entered into on behalf of Stanley Fisheries," he said.

"What is not clear until the inquiry has reported its findings is the extent to which the project's problems could and should have been anticipated, and who was responsible for doing this."

"I must caution that the sum of £2.15 million which we are debating is intended only to



meet those obligations which will fall due, and which must be paid in relation to Seamount Ltd. during this present financial year," he continued.

"It makes no provision in relation to sums which may be payable in future financial years and while we can clearly hope that it will not be necessary for the Falkland Islands Government to appropriate money out of public funds to meet obligations of Seamount falling due for payment in those years, I am by no means able to assure Honourable members that it will not be necessary to do this."

Following the Chief Executive's address those councillors who spoke all said it was with regret, reluctance and, in some cases, anger that they rose to support the motion to grant the appropriation of funds.

The Honourable John Cheek said he thought that as an unsecured loan he thought it very unlikely that the government would ever recover

the £2.15 million from Stanley Fisheries.

He questioned what other commitments SFL had made and said, "Councillors need to be more fully informed. It is partly our own fault that we are not."

"We should have been more ascertive and demanded to know."

The Honourable Mr Tony Blake said he had been exceedingly angry since he found out about the Seamount affair.

He felt that councillors should now keep a finger on all SFL's business ventures from now on and suggested the possibility of monthly briefings. He said he felt they owed it to the taxpayer to do this as it was their money that was being spent to keep the project solvent.

The last to speak was the Honourable Tim Blake who said as a member of the Stanley Fisheries Board at the time of approval of the budget for Seamount he felt partly responsible for the bill before Legco.

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The lack of information to councillors was the thing which annoyed the Honourable Robin Lee.

"This whole affair, even to me as a councillor, has been a series of rumours."

He said that non-Exco members had had only two briefings prior to the Legco meeting and he saw the whole thing as a foregone conclusion and he felt they should have been more informed.

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SEAMOUNT'S SINKING SENSATION EDITORIAL COMMENT

So FIG have decided to pay out £2.15 million to put an end to the Seamount affair and help put Stanley Fisheries Ltd.'s house in order.

But at what cost to the islands? Not just in hard cash terms, but in reputation and confidence?

There is always a feeling after a crisis or disaster that things will never quite be the same and in this case most islanders must hope that that will be the case. Never again will they want to be faced with a situation which is both embarrassing and a drain on the economy.

However, the one thing that must not be allowed to come out of the forthcoming inquiry is a witch-hunt which will only end when somebody's head is metaphorically placed on a pikestaff for all to see. No good ever comes out of such a course of action as personalities and vested interests blur the true objective or purpose - in this case to find out how the situation arose and how to avoid it happening again.

It is clear that somewhere along the line there were serious mistakes made and in hindsight it is easy to say that someone should have pulled the plug on the venture before it became so bad it had to be saved by Government.

One can only hope that Seamount is an isolated incident and that there are not other joint venture companies sitting on a knife-edge waiting to fall.

Having said that the inquiry should be conducted by cool, calm heads with no vested interests, it should also be able to apportion blame where it is deserved. Now that public money has had to be invested so heavily the situation demands it.

There will be those who will be able to say that all along they have said getting involved in fishing would result in this sort of thing but that would be negative and the affair has arisen and is a reality now.

The concern of the man in the street must be that those that are guilty of making a mistake do not try to evade the responsibility and shirk owning up to it. After all everybody is human and capable of making mistakes, but it is the true man who can admit those mistakes and learn from them.

The Honourable Tim Blake stood up at the Legco meeting and admitted his part in the affair as a member of the SFL board that approved the project at the start, and rightly so. The councillors that are on the board are there as the people's representatives and as such should watch out for and look after their interests. But Tim Blake was not the only councillor on that board at the time. The Honourable Terry Betts was also on that board and many, while applauding his speech saying the situation should never have arisen and the inquiry must find out why it did, expected him to admit his part in approving the initial project.

And what of the inquiry? The very fact that it is being con-

OTHER BUSINESS AT THE LEGCO MEETING

There were two other items at the Legco meeting which were somewhat overshadowed by the Seamount affair.

prior to the debate on Seamount there was the election of the new Executive Council.

The first vote was for the election of a representative from amongst the Stanley councillors.

In the first ballot there was a 4-4 tie between John Cheek and Charles Keenleyside. In the second ballot Charles Keenleyside emerged as the clear choice by a vote of 6-2.

In the vote for a representative from the Camp councillors Tony Blake was voted in with five votes and the other three councillors gaining one vote each.

The vote for a councillor representing either Stanley or Camp there was a tie in the first ballot with John Cheek and Robin Lee each gaining three votes. In the second ballot Robin Lee won the vote with five votes to John Cheek's two and Tim Blake's one.

Former Exco member Terry Betts did not present himself

for election. The other event came about at the motion for an adjournment. Chief Executive David Taylor proposed the motion and drew attention to the fact that this meeting was the last time the Governor would be in the chair. He expressed appreciation of the "wisdom, kindness, fair judgement and the tolerance" with which he had presided over affairs since he came to the islands in 1985.

He said the islands had been extremely fortunate to have Mr Jewkes as Governor, with his commercial background and experience, during the formation and establishment of the FICZ.

The Governor said neither he nor his wife expected thanks for the job they had done in the Falklands together. He said they had been a duo as he could not have managed it without her help, encouragement or counsel.

He said they had tried to be professional but with a heart. He said they had a deep feeling for people although it may not always have been apparent.

There would appear to have been a lack of "homework" as Councillor Keenleyside put it, into the initial cost projections for Seamount and now that the public have had their money invested in baling out that mistake they want to know, and should be told, the details as to what happened.

One worry that seems to have arisen from the Seamount affair is the future of Penguin News Ltd. - a wholly-owned subsidiary of Seamount Ltd.

When PNL was first set up the intention was to have a paper which would be subsidised by a fishing company but which had total autonomy editorially with a panel of control made up of locals and media members from the UK to protect it.

At the end of the day that panel has not yet been formed but the intention is still to have a paper which will be editorially free of control from government, FIDC or any other body.

Government have given their backing to this aim and plans are being drawn up to extract Penguin News from Seamount and set it up independently.

Although it would be difficult to see the paper ever being an independent financial viability it would appear some kind of community newspaper could be born.

This might involve some kind of grant, possibly and most likely from government, but it would probably be administered by a board of trustees drawn from the local community in the islands and the editor answerable to this.

Whatever happens, rest assured that a future is being sought for Penguin News in an independent state.

Reflections

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Danger: Suzukis roll over!

Growing concern worldwide regarding the safety of Suzuki jeeps continues with the September issue of British consumer magazine "Which?" putting pressure on the UK government to carry out further tests on the vehicles with a view to having their sales banned.

They carried out their own tests and came up with startling results which could make many Suzuki owners in the Falklands think again about their choice of vehicle.

Under their "Inside Story Special" the article says that in their tests - and from the experiences of Suzuki owners - they show that Suzuki SJ's can roll over at speeds as low as 20mph.

The following is a transcript of the article and some of the experiences of the owners who have come to grief in the vehicles:-

In July we told you that Consumers' Union in the United States had found that the Suzuki Samurai was liable to roll over when being put through their accident avoidance manoeuvre.

We've done our own tests on the very similar UK Suzuki SJ 413 Samurai and also on the smaller-engined SJ410 model. Our tests support the US findings. These vehicles are liable to roll over rather than slide, when cornered sharply. In our view, this characteristic poses an unacceptable risk to Suzuki drivers, their passengers and other road users.

We put the Suzuki at 20mph through a test which simulates an unexpectedly tight bend.

Our driver had to abandon this test part way through because he was sure they would otherwise have toppled over. We've been putting cars through this test for 25 years - normally at twice the speed - and have never before come across a vehicle so vulnerable to rolling over.

Suzuki are aware that their vehicles are far less stable than conventional cars. Their handbook even advises drivers "if at all possible to avoid sharp turns or abrupt manoeuvres". And it says "...failure to operate this vehicle correctly may result in loss of control or vehicle rollover".

But any driver, however careful, may come across situations where a sharp turn is unavoidable. It is just not good enough for a vehicle to topple over if this happens at modest speed.

We've now heard of 24 cases of Suzukis rolling over in the UK at relatively low speeds; these have resulted in two deaths and 23 people injured. In the US 95 roll-over accidents have been reported. We've passed our dossier of

cases on to the Department of Transport. We've also demonstrated some of our test findings both to the Department and to Suzuki. We've called on Suzuki to suspend sales and to issue a warning to all owners. And we've asked the Government to use its powers to make these things happen.

But progress is slow. Urgent action is needed before more people are killed or injured. When we went to press (mid August) there was no sign that Suzuki were about to take action. So we were pressing the Department of Transport to speed up plans for doing its own testing.

Meanwhile if anyone you know has had a roll-over accident with a Suzuki, or any other four-wheel drive on/off road vehicle, please write to us with details (Dept KN, Consumers' Assoc., 2 Marylebone Rd, London NW1 4DX). (Alternatively, contact Penguin News and we will forward details). And if you've got a Suzuki, think very carefully before letting anyone drive it - particularly if they're inexperienced.

The Suzuki victims

Anthony Clements, Durham
Anthony was taking a left-hand turn at 15 to 20mph when he had to swerve to avoid an oncoming vehicle which was on the wrong side of the road. His Suzuki SJ410 turned over on to its roof, trapping both Anthony and his passenger. Two independent witnesses were amazed at how easily the vehicle overturned at such low speed. The vehicle was extensively damaged. Anthony's hand was severely injured and he was unable to do his normal work for over three months.

John Tyson, N.Humberside
John was driving round a corner at no more than 25 to 30mph in a Suzuki SJ410 van. He was amazed when the vehicle "just toppled" and "flipped on its side". His passenger was uninjured. They got out, put the van back on its wheels and his friend drove John to hospital. John Needed 17 stitches and was off work for two months.

Peter Ainsworth, Shropshire
Peter was driving along a country road at no more than 40mph earlier this year. He had to swerve to avoid an oncoming car which was on the wrong side of the road. His Suzuki SJ410 soft-top rolled over and hit a bridge parapet. His brother, Robin(13), was thrown out of the back, injured his neck and needed stitches in his back.

Other cases
Other UK roll-over accidents we have heard about, but not yet investigated thoroughly, include:
● tipped over while doing U-turn in reverse
● slid and then rolled over while taking a bend at 35 to 40mph
● just taken bend at about 25mph when back end spun, then turned over
● toppled over when doing tight turn to come out of car park
● doing approx. 45mph, moved into right-hand lane, hit

Tracey Bishop, Oxfordshire
Tracey was driving a Suzuki SJ410 soft-top last November with four passengers. She was taking a bend at a 'modest speed' when the vehicle overturned. There was no criticism by the police of her speed or driving. Tracey is now severely paralysed, as a result of permanent spinal injuries she received.

pool of water and turned over. Taken to hospital unconscious, three broken ribs and broken collar bone
● veered to left at approx 40mph to avoid oncoming traffic and rolled over
● turned over at 20mph, crashed through railings and fell into sea
● rented Suzuki SJ410 toppled over on a left-hand bend at less than 30-35mph. We've also heard of roll-over accidents in other parts of the world including Canary Islands, Gambia, Oman, France, and Australia.

LIFEBOAT APPEAL

News of an appeal has reached Penguin News from a group of staff and prisoners of Dartmoor Prison in England.

The men explain that they are using their free time to raise funds for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. The note goes on to say:-

To enable us to do this, we appeal for the stamps from your mail.

We are able to sort these stamps to advantage and sell them to provide much needed cash for the maintenance of the lifeboats that save lives at risk at sea.

The RNLI is an entirely voluntary institution which receives no state funding of any kind. To provide the service to those in danger, it must rely on gifts, donations and contributions from voluntary efforts such as ours.

The project also benefits the prisoners involved by affording them a worthwhile way of filling time when locked in their cells. It is not a soft option to normal prison routine, nor do they make any other gain from being involved.

If you are willing to support our project that has already produced worthwhile results, please send your stamps to the address given below. If you include a return address, we will acknowledge your support by sending you our current newsletter. All mail is first dealt with by staff involved, so privacy of addresses is ensured.

We need your support. We are only able to make a contribution if we have it.

Mail stamps to: Stamps, HMP Dartmoor, Princetown, Yelverton, England, PL20 6RH.

MPA SHOPS OPEN OFFICIALLY

The MPA civilian shop complex is to be declared officially open by His Excellency The Governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes, on behalf of FIDC.

The formal opening ceremony will take place on Friday 16th September and will be attended by various government officials and shop owners.

The complex has been open for a couple of months and boasts a range of shops and a cafe in an effort to attract trade from the military population at the base.



INCREASING CRIME RATE IN STANLEY

An soaring crime rate in Stanley has caused the police to plead with property owners to take greater steps to protect their premises.

In the last two months there has been a sharp increase in the number of attempted and successful burglaries in Stanley as well as an increase in criminal damage.

Police are concerned at the number of doors or locks which are inadequate to keep unwanted burglars out.

They point out that a Yale-type lock is not enough to secure a property at night. A mortice is lock is needed they say.

At the end of each day all windows should be checked and those that are not necessary for ventilation or whatever could be boarded up or secured permanently.

The type of door in a property can also be important. If it is of a hollow-type construct then it can be easily kicked-in. To prevent this a metal plate can be placed over the door to

protect it.

Securing a property need not be expensive as, for example, a Chubb five lever lock can cost about £25 or slightly less. Not much when it is compared to the cost of loss or damage caused by many burglaries.

The police invite anyone unsure of the steps they should take to secure their property to contact Sergeant Dave Morris at the police station in Stanley.

He is a trained crime prevention officer and will give advice on particular properties or show the different types of locks that are available for doors and windows.

NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Cable and Wireless have officially announced that a £5.4 million digital telecommunications network spanning the entire Falkland Islands is to be installed and ready for service by early 1990.

The cost of the new system will be shared by the Falkland Islands Government and Cable and Wireless, which currently supplies the islands' international services and will also operate the new domestic network under a 22-year exclusive licence.

The new system will completely replace the existing analogue network providing all telephone customers in the islands with international direct dialling and enhanced features such as conference calling and call diversion through a new System X digital exchange.

Telèx, facsimile and high-speed data services will also become available, while the

digital network will provide for easy access to the Falkland Islands from the rest of the world.

Cable and Wireless has operated in the Falkland Islands since 1974, installing a satellite communications earth station in 1983 to cater for the sharp rise in demand following the significant growth of economic activity in recent years.

His Excellency the Governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes said at the announcement, "I am delighted at this development which, following renewal of the electrical and waterworks, will complete a thorough overhaul of much of the islands' basic infrastructure."

ANSWERS TO BIG X-WORD:- ACROSS:- 8, Gooseberry Bush; 9, Etui; 10, Second Coat; 11, Asti; 12, Lye; 13, Issued; 14, Seethe; 16, Teased; 20, Offing; 23, Ida; 25, Eton; 26, Crosswords; 27, Calf; 28, Country Bumpkin.
DOWN:- 1, Egotists; 2, Domicile; 3, Vessel; 4, Rescued; 5, Ironside; 6, Apacus; 7, Escape; 15, High-wire; 17, Speed-cake; 18, Doodling; 19, Microbe; 21, Furrow; 22, Insane; 24, Assume.

JOB VACANCY STAFF REQUIRED.

Penguin News Ltd. require a part time member of staff in their busy newspaper office.

The work involved is interesting and involves all aspects of producing the newspaper from reporting through to delivery.

It would be helpful if the applicant has experience of using a computer keyboard although this would not be essential.

It is not expected that many applicants will have newspaper or printshop experience and in-house training will be given to the successful applicant in all aspects of the process.

The job would be of a part-time nature, possibly covering four or five days a week. Hours and wage to be negotiated with the successful applicant.

The successful applicant should be someone of a resourceful nature who can learn quickly and be left to work on their own for periods of time.

Anyone interested should contact the Editor of Penguin News, Mr Rory MacLeod, at the Old PSA Buildings next door to Falkland Islands Tourism in Ross Road.

SPORT AID '88 IN THE FALKLANDS RAISES AROUND £10,000 OR MORE

If the organisers of Sport Aid '88 in the Falklands had worried about the idea catching the imagination they would have been amazed at the turn out and response throughout the islands.

In a tremendous effort the islands as a whole raised probably more than £10,000 once all the money is collected in. That's an incredible average of £2.50 or more for each man, women and child in the Colony.

In Stanley hundreds turned out to compete or simply cheer on on what was quite a cold day.

Participants ranged from the serious runner to the comic in fancy dress or pulling, pushing or carrying something.

An incredible age range of runners or walkers turned out with 81-year-old Stan Heathman being the oldest to complete the course while a four-month old baby claimed the youngest.

Dogs, puppies and various other pets also took part sporting their numbers and a teddy bear was also to be seen being carried round the course wearing its own number.

Fairclough Miller workers were done out in fancy dress, a team from FIDF pulled a large Argentinian gun around the course and a joint FIDC, SFL and FIG Fisheries Department pulled a short wheel base Landrover around the course with a little help from others.

Around 40 pupils from the junior school took part and Eileen Vidal led a team of four generations of her family around the course.

There were in all 200-300 entrants in Stanley supplemented by a small contingent of Gurkhas and Commandos.

The Stanley race was started at midday local time by His Excellency the Governor and the firing of the cannon on Victory Green.

The circuit itself went along Ross Road, up Reservoir Road passed the power station, round the bypass to Lookout Camp, along Davis Street, down Philomel Hill and back along Ross Road to end where it had started.

The team pulling the Landrover can lay claim to the most money raised by any single entry.

The Rover was decorated by the crew of the Fisheries Protection vessel "Falklands Desire" and sported the Blue Ensign alongside the Jolly Roger.

Sponsorship had been gained by FIDC and SFL contacting all their joint venture partners and asking for donations for the event.

The result was a startling figure of over £6904 was raised.

To this could be added the personal donations by the team, money donated as they went round the course, money from visits to the Victory and Globe Bars as they passed and £501 raised from crew members aboard the "Falklands Right".

In Stanley the donations on the day amounted to over £400.

At MPA CBFFI, Air Vice-Marshall David Crwys-Williams, began the race by firing a Verrey pistol and a bird scarer cartridge.

About 300 took part despite a very strong wind of about 35 knots and hailstorms and snow.

A Navy contingent took part on bicycles decorated as ships, anchors, submarines and the like. One entrant was disguised as a Tristar while another team pushed a bed around the course.

The services can also officially lay claim to the most southerly event it was confirmed after the race.

During the Race Against Time 25 members of the South Georgia detachment com-

pleted a 25km cross-country ski run.

All around the islands other events were taking place. In Salvador there was fancy dress walk/run while at Sea Lion island there was an hour long run round and round the lodge.

At West Point there was a walk to the top of the mountain and Goose Green and Darwin took part in a 10km run while Fitzroy raised money at their continuing two-nighter. In all around 200 took part in Camp.

Military organiser Margot Muller raised £700 from her trips to Camp before the event while LMA raised £68 from a raffle and FIC donated £100.

While all these events took place in the Falklands the islands were also represented in New York at the official start of the Race Against Time outside the United Nations building.

Lorraine McGill, Steven Dixon and Nina Aldridge were there and prior to their departure they were received at Government House by the Governor.

Just before they boarded the Tristar they were given a special guided tour of the flight deck of the aircraft.

Their trip was, of course, only made possible through the generosity of Fairclough Miller, who donated £2000, Reflections and Paul Chapman, who all contributed the amount for their fares.

Individuals also gave them £500 and others money for them to spend on their trip.

All in all the Falklands can proudly look at themselves as one of the nations who contributed the most money per head of population anywhere in the world.

FAREWELL POEM

People come and go from the Falklands on a regular basis, many having made life long friends during their stay on these remote islands.

However, there can be few who make their farewell in the form of a poem.

Geoff Pratlett who lived at Goose Green has now moved to Telford in Shropshire, England, and called into Penguin News to ask if we would print a poem he wrote to bid all his friends a fond farewell.

The thing that I loved, is the quiet and peace
Just the occasional sound of the gulls and the geese.
In all of my life I've never felt so serene

As at the camp on the East, that is known as Goose Green.
The gathering too on horses and bikes

And even up Osbourne, when we might on those hikes.
All of my thoughts are packed in my head

Even trying to shear when I worked in the shed.
Yes, we had some regrets, when we decided to go
Leaving the Island and friends that we know.

This island of yours will always be in my thoughts
And in a couple of years I'll be back for the Sports.
Yes, this life of yours I can definitely hack

So all the best to you chaps till the day we come back.

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FISHING LICENCE APPLICATIONS

Members of the public are advised that copies of the documents relating to fishing licence applications for the first season of 1989 - which include application forms, guidance notes and the Fishing Licences (Application and Fees) (No. 2) Regulations Order 1988 - will be available for collection from the first floor of the Secretariat, Stanley, from 0800hrs local time on Monday 19th September, 1988.

DEATHS

HEWITT - on August 21st at KEMH, Stanley, David George Hewitt, aged 53.

MARRIAGES

McGILLIVRAY - on August 13th Glen David McGillivray and Carol Lynda Jane Buckland were married at The Globe in Stanley.

LET'S PLAY MUMMIES
AN' DADDIES.



YOU GO TO THE OFFICE
AND KISS ME GOODBYE.



COULDN'T WE
JUST SHAKE
HANDS?



BOUND ABOUT TOWN - By Graham Bound.

MP's - To Have or Have Not?

Most of us have probably heard the news from the police station: nine new policemen sworn in this week....five sworn in last week, and so on.

Of course the men referred to are not new civilian policemen but members of the Royal Military Police based at Mount Pleasant.

In the chaotic Stanley of 1982 this special mixed force was probably necessary, but

six years on normality has returned.

In 1988 should we civilians really be subject to the authority of the military police? There may be a good reason for special authority if an MP is based in Stanley, but otherwise the two forces should be quite separate.

Apart from anything else it smacks of the sort of government we don't like very much.

Father Drum's Night Out

Most of us have been quite amazed that Mrs Wilson, the intrepid hill-walker who became lost on the Wickham Heights, survived her mid-winter night out.

Almost certainly her good sense and suitable clothing has something to do with it, but one wonders if the mountains themselves didn't look after her in some strange way.

Certainly Mrs Wilson was not the first person to spend a night out after becoming lost in that area. I have been reminded about the case of the local Catholic priest of some years back, Father Drum, who had an experience remarkably similar to that of Mrs Wilson.

He had been out exploring the area to the west of Stanley when he was overtaken by darkness and lost his way.

The sensible priest settled down for a cold, but safe night, and the next morning made his way back into Stanley.

Quietly and happily he told the people who were preparing to search for him, presumably frozen, body: "Oh I was fine, I spent a night between the two sisters!"

Father Drum (one would hope) was referring to the same twin peaked feature which sheltered Mrs Wilson, but it seems unlikely that anyone ever let him forget his confession.

The PN Bouquet

This week we proudly present the PN metaphorical slap on the back to Mr Freddy Biggs who now carries the banner for the proud brotherhood; the PWD road cleaners.

He does a good job, soldiering with his broom and shovel, keeping ditches and kerbs as clean as they can be in Stanley.

His contribution was especially important during the recent snowfalls. Mr Biggs probably saved a few sprains and bruises by spreading salt along the sidewalk in Ross Road.

Congratulations to his

The PWD Car Wash

There is a bright side to the matter of Stanley's broken down and pot-holed roads. OK so it's not a very bright side, but I was quite pleasantly surprised to see the gentle fountain of water rising up from the water main beneath the rubble of Villiers Street a week or so ago.

We drove our mud covered cars backwards and forwards through the stream, cleaning the windows and revealing the brilliant paint work.

Sadly the free Public Works Department car wash has now ceased business, but it was a good service while it lasted.

Well done PWD!

superiors, too, for this. We should have a similar service throughout the town.

The second bouquet is awarded to Stanley Bakery who suddenly seem to have moved up a few gears.

I was very pleasantly surprised recently to discover that, quite apart from normal white bread, Sandra Hirtle and her team are supplying wholemeal bread, sausage rolls, and such exotic variations to the normal loaf as pizza bread, mushroom bread and fruit tealof.

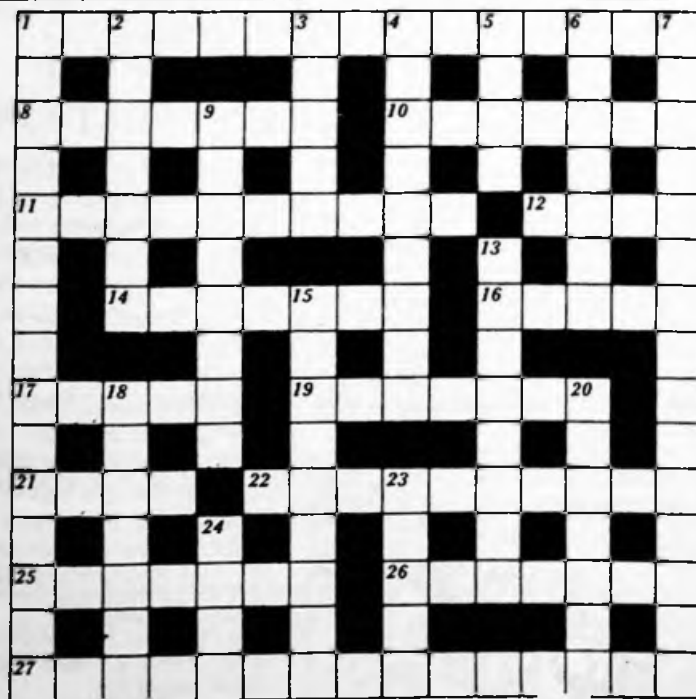
Not bad choice for a little town.

ACROSS

- 1 Not an officer to be seen at the fancy dress ball! (5, 7, 3)
- 8 Bold abstainer has a point about how drink is usually sold (7)
- 10 Hold back the sailor with a bad mark against him (7)
- 11 Out of respect for the court! (2, 8)
- 12 Goddess goes to Jerusalem initially, then the world council (4)
- 14 The sash is folded to protect weapons (7)
- 16 Highly inclined to get thoroughly wet (5)
- 17 Aristocrat gives us an old coin (5)
- 19 Hang on for the tenth man to be dismissed (4, 3)
- 21 The Army call for breakfast in France (4)
- 22 Study a branch of knowledge dealing with morals (10)
- 25 Where ancient landowners divided their holdings fifty-fifty? (7)
- 26 Occupy one's place—as a monk for instance (7)
- 27 Good grounds for enjoying oneself! (8, 7)

DOWN

- 1 So to speak, it's popular belonging to the Socialists (6, 9)
- 2 Seizures, or attempts to get them! (7)
- 3 Spoon with a young man after the French style (5)
- 4 Divines not on speaking terms (9)
- 5 A bishopric, perhaps, designed for luxury (4)
- 6 Old-fashioned dance determined by 18 down, sometimes (7)
- 7 Mind, it's not correct Latin (3, 6, 6)
- 9 Hung on to see the deer come round after the heather (8)
- 13 Some of the Paston-Isherwood letters will surprise you! (8)
- 15 It's difficult—for the High Command? (4, 5)
- 18 Beam, possibly, needed by tightrope walkers (7)
- 20 To start, allow what's defensible (7)
- 23 Arm a supporter with an old weapon (5)
- 24 Eye part of the flag (4)



(Answers on Page 14)

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

BE FRIENDLY TO ARGENTINA

25th August, 1988.

Dear Sir,

The Penguin News of 8th July has just reached me and contains three letters in answer to mine of March.

Mr Smith is quite right that it was his family company, D.S. & Co. Ltd. (our partners), who left their half of the proceeds of sale of San Carlos on second mortgage with the purchasers as they, not we, were very anxious to sell and the Governor and his Committee would only offer about 45% mortgage, though on all subsequent purchases they have provided 90 or 100% of a similar valuation; except in the case of Hamilton Estates whose elderly owners live in Argentina and were paid a disgracefully low price by the FIDC on a pressurized sale.

I am disappointed but not surprised to see Mr Pitaluga write that journalists have falsely attributed to his Desire the Right Party the intentions of opening discussions with Argentina. In my experience the Press always omit part, take out of context or distort what you say to suit their editorial policy.

When just after the invasion I asked the five British reporters who had come to cover it, why they did not write the truth, they told me that they "wrote what their editors and their readers wanted to hear".

If only the British people had been given the truth from the start and the Argentinian Government not misled and set-up by our Government, there would never have been an invasion let alone a war.

I must admit I expected better of Pitaluga and a party of such a high moral title. I suspect he has a bad conscience about his brother-in-law Mr King who, while entertaining all the Argentinian staff officers in his hotel, conspired with the war-mongering editor of the Sunday Express, John Junor, to discredit me when I urged restraint.

Mr Luxton typically writes abuse and questions my farming experience. I can only say

that seeing so many sheep carcasses littering Chartres was one of the principal reasons that convinced me of the need for a meat exporting industry before encouragement of tourism, and that I find myself in agreement with all Falkland farmers I have met except Luxton and that every economic survey of the islands in the past 50 years advocates the same policies except Shackleton.

Even Pitaluga and Smith grant grudging approval in their letters. You must have large numbers of cattle or deer to eat the course grass and complement the sheep. To keep more sheep and particularly old ones as at present is disastrous.

The high wool prices of the last years are unlikely to last and farmers must have another income. For all these purposes export of meat or livestock is essential.

The FIDC and Shackleton know little of farming and their much vaunted fish stocks will soon be exhausted as has happened everywhere else in the world, then the islands will be back to a purely pastoral economy.

All three letters accuse me of a love for Argentina. I had never been there except for a month to and from the islands, but found the people pleasant enough. An European nation with - to my surprise - little noticeable military or police presence or visible poverty.

Despite the gross inflation the people seemed prosperous enough and their economic problems more to do with enjoying themselves too much and not working hard enough.

I only wish I had had the friends and influence they say and could have persuaded them to take the 15,000 sheep I was offered in 1986 and 87 after the FIDC refused support to market the meat in Smithfield. It would have saved me losing a great deal of money and loss and distress to others in the South of France where the vessel lay.

I have always had every sympathy for the islanders' preference to remain British.

But the British Navy no longer rules the world and if you want to live in the South Atlantic today it is best to get on with the neighbours.

In fact the true "Kelpers" I met recognised this; it was only the recent immigrants who were anti-Argentinian. No young people will live in the islands until they can have television and holidays on the South American mainland.

You could have the best of both worlds but your leaders and the lunatic Falkland Islands Association misled you, and Governor Hunt and Luxton inflamed the cheap press of this country with exaggerated reports of fighting and casualties when we know the invaders never fired a shot.

And Mrs Thatcher had the unfortunate epithet of "Iron Lady" to live up to and saw her Government failing. Those who encourage war never fight themselves or send their own sons to do so. That is what all the bother is about over the vice-presidential candidate in the USA today.

There is a democratic government in Argentina now and they have decided to put the matter of the "disappeared ones" in the past - all South American countries have had similar experiences - but it is interesting to note that they are now putting the Junta leaders on trial again, not for invading the Falklands but for failing to hold them, so it is obvious that their claim is in no way diminished.

We hold the islands by force and in defiance of every country at the United Nations and the British Government has several times refused arbitration by the International Court of Justice because they know our case is not good.

Unless your leaders want the blood of thousands more young men on their hands I would advise them to get talking and trading now while there is still a government in Argentina prepared to listen to them, and of course you will greatly strengthen it.

Nothing can be won by war today. I lost most of my friends in the last war and I would do

anything possible to stop it happening again to our children.

Why not offer them West Falkland and joint control of the seas and exploration. It is surprising what might be achieved through cooperation, and the islanders would have a settled future instead of a precarious one in a military base.

Yours faithfully,
E.P. Carlisle,
Hereford,
England.

DESIRE THE RIGHT UPDATE

Dear Sir,

As there has already been mention of the Desire the Right Party in your letters page I would be glad of the opportunity to give readers a brief update and summary on the progress of the Party.

The Party was formed in December 1987 and a steering committee elected. A manifesto was prepared and distributed to all homes in Stanley and Camp. With the release of the Prynne Interim Report much discussion took place and Party meetings were held. A Party response to the report was sent to Mr Prynne.

Postal elections took place in April for which 22 members stood for election for 10 committee seats. Also elected were 13 Camp area representatives, who attend meetings when in town. Mrs Phyl Rendell was elected Chairperson, but since her appointment as Supt. of Education, has had to relinquish the post. Mr Mike Rendell will now take over as Chairman. Committee meetings are held every three weeks approximately and monthly newsletters are sent to all members.

A constitution has been sent to all members recently and should be adopted in September. We are at the moment awaiting information on contingency plans in case of oil spillages, and also on any plan for research into the effects of the fishing on the wildlife. Councillors have been

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advised the Party felt overseas posts should be advertised at local rates through FIGO. failing this, thought should be given to raising local wages, thereby giving young Islanders incentive to qualify. We are, at the moment, corresponding with Stanley fisheries on the six Joint Venture Trawlers. It has also been suggested to Government that a donation be made to Nepal and India after their recent disaster, with the Gurkha's being very well thought of in the Islands after serving here during and after the 1982 conflict.

With membership at 159, Stanley 89 and Camp 70, we are now a well established body representing a fair proportion of the electorate. We intend having Party candidates stand for election to council next year. We have two present councillors on our membership list.

We would encourage any member with a particular point on any subject to contact us. Any person interested in joining the Party should contact the Secretary, N. Poole, PO Box 189, Stanley. Membership is £10 per person/household.

Yours faithfully,
N. Poole,
Secretary.

TIMES REMEMBERED

Dear Sir,
I've been interested in the Falklands since the 50's.

It came about through the Antarctic Survey Ship "John Biscoe" and those who sailed in her like the Jennings' brothers, Hamish, Gerald, Neil and Delano, Bob Ferguson, Aubrey Goodwin, Eric Biggs and son, Stan and Lloyd Hirtle, Owie Smith, Tom Lamosa, Les May, Robbie Peck, Ron Clifton, Ginger McGill, Dai Evans, there were others I can't remember them all.

Two others I know who served on the Biscoe were Cyril Burns and Trevor Morris, they came from this side.

As you will know, the survey ships used to dock in Southampton after doing her stint 'down on the ice', I think the chaps called it. This would be the first or second week in May. The Biscoe, or whatever, would then stay in dock for repairs etc. until October. The retained members of the crew would find themselves shore jobs until their boat went South

again. Some worked in and around Southampton, others went further afield, like to Warner's Holiday Camp in Seaton, Devon, and that's where I met the "Biscoe Boys". Not all the same season, of course.

I was in charge of the kitchen at the time. I think we had about 8 of the crew the first time, 1950 or 51. Some only came the one season, others came several seasons and they were all good workers. When they cleaned the kitchen it was all hands on deck, shoes and socks off, trouser legs rolled up, and bring on the "soapy" as they did three times a day; and other jobs, of course!

There was one thing the boys who came back season after season mentioned. It was the swimming pool they were going to build in Stanley.

I was reminded of this when I read a letter in the Penguin News from a Mrs Olive Johnson who said they were talking about that pool when she was a schoolgirl in Stanley. Are they still talking or has someone started digging the hole?

By the way, I keep in touch with ex-Falklanders. Matter of fact I will be seeing two of them at the end of this month - Gerald and Nancy Jennings who settled in New Zealand some years ago are on holiday in England.

Yours sincerely,
Tom Mason,
Seaton, Devon.

REG PLATES WANTED

Dear Sir,
Hello from Switzerland! My hobby is the collection of motor vehicle registration plates worldwide. Today I have 3026 registration plates from 112 countries and am trying to get one or more plates from the Falkland Islands. Could you please help?

I will pay the postage if requested. All kinds of registration plates - new or old - are of interest.

In a few weeks I will hold an exhibition of my collection in Geneva and Zurich and would be proud to show plates from the Falkland Islands.

Hoping to hear good news from somewhere so far away.

Sincerely yours,
Jean-Jacques Potylo-Glazman
PO Box 591,
CH-8401 Winterthur,
Zurich, Switzerland.

IS THIS REALLY THE FALKLANDS?

Over recent years the perception of the UK public towards the Falkland Islands has certainly improved despite a Press propensity to make the islands seem like a Southern Antarctic wasteland.

However, some elements of the Press - and ones that should know better - continue to propagate the myth of the frozen Falklands.

Latest to join the misinformed bandwagon is a publication that should know better due to its company involvement in the islands.

"Homeline", the monthly company magazine of Laing Homes - one third of the LMA joint venture in the Falklands - recently carried a front page story which does nothing to improve perception for the islands.

The article opens by saying: "Down in the Falkland Islands they're tying down the roofs of their specially designed Super Homes to resist freezing gale force winds sweeping up from the Antarctic."

"Even for houses designed to cope with anything winter can throw at them these conditions are testing and construction must be perfect," the article continues, "so Laing have sent construction supervisor Ken Royle to Port Stanley to train and advise Mowlems, who are erecting the buildings."

"It has taken Ken back to a love affair with the windswept islands that began when he worked to reconstruct the airfield and build new Army headquarters after the 1982 war."

The type of houses being built are then described and the article says, "Their roofs are pinned to the structure of the house with the help of steel straps to help them resist the buffeting of local gales."

"Heating systems in the houses have been modified to take advantage of the abundant supplies of NATO grade fuel left over from the war."

Attention is then turned to the site at Jersey Estate at the back of Stanley beside the bypass.

"There are plenty of sites to choose from and Ken describes the view from the Port Stanley site as stunning - when the weather is good enough to appreciate it."

"They look out over the bay,

up towards the hills. It's winter here and they are capped with snow at times, which is beautiful on a clear day," he is quoted as saying.

The article then continues, "Life for Ken is quiet - with no television service he is entertained by the local community radio, books and his passion for fishing. He lives in single accommodation (a Portakabin) and often works a twelve-hour day. And despite the bad weather work is bang on target."

Ken Royle goes on to describe the weather as changeable and says that if the wind blows from the Antarctic it brings snow and ice and adds that force eight and nine gales are common.

He does redress the balance slightly when he says, "The wildlife here is incredible. I'm arranging some trips for the lads on site to Sea Lion Island to see penguins, sea lions and elephant seals and Saunders Island to see the albatross colony."

"Sitting in the middle of an albatross colony is just like being surrounded by Muppets."

The article finishes by saying the houses should be completed at Christmas and that Super Homes - part of the Laing Group - plan to follow the initial contract with others.

It adds that an influx of foreign labour means extra demand for housing, and some estimates say there could be up to 10 years work.

While it must be admitted that the weather can be bad here when it is cold and snow or hail is wind-blown, the statistics show that the islands boast more sunshine hours and a drier climate than most of the UK.

So come on Laing's and others. It may be more striking to write in terms of a tempestuous, icy climate in the Falklands, but it really does nothing to improve the image of these beautiful islands abroad.

TRISTAR PRICE STRUCTURE TO BE LOOKED AT IN UK

Under-Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, Mr Roger Freeman, indicated on his recent visit to the Falklands that the price structure for flights on the Tristar air link will be looked at again.

After giving an assurance that the number of flights is unlikely to drop below the present two a week, Mr Freeman said that one of the most important things he would be looking at when he returned to the UK would be the pricing structure for the Tristar flights.

From what he said it would appear he was indicating the possibility of a downward movement in price rather than an upward one.

He added that he was conscious of FIG's desire to attract more tourists to the Falklands. Obviously the costs of flights has a bearing on the desirability to travel to the islands.

In his short Press conference the under-secretary covered a wide range of topics relating to his visit.

He said he hoped that more married quarters and schools would appear at MPA in an attempt to get senior NCO's and officers to come out for longer accompanied tours of duty in the Falklands.

His visit, he explained, was routine and was to have a look at the quality and sustainability of the garrison. He did not see the numbers of troops in the islands dropping any further than they have done to date and pointed to operation FIRE Focus as the proof that the Falklands can be reinforced within a few days. He did admit that reinforcement of men had been proved but the reinforcement of equipment at speed was being looked at closely.

He thought the troops down here had a very high morale and were working hard. He said there was no pressure to shift any of the burden of keeping the armed forces in the islands from the military onto the local population and said the commitment to jointly run the KEMH was not in danger and the services were happy with where the hospital is located.

Turning to the Search and Rescue helicopters, Mr Freeman said that no conclusion or comparison should be drawn from the UK experience to the Falklands.

He was unaware what the

percentage of their work in the Falklands was for civilians but he knew that 90% was the figure for the UK. There is no intention to withdraw or cut down the service provided in the Falklands he reassured.

When asked the one thing the forces on the islands wanted and did not have, the under secretary said 99% wanted a swimming pool.

The costs can be prohibitive he pointed out, but he thought the troops would enjoy the use of the new pool to be built in Stanley.

As to one being built at MPA he said this would not be possible from MOD funds, but was delighted at the prospect and would give sympathetic support to any moves to use trust funds or grants available to the services to find the money for such a project.

He added he would be delighted at any plans, as have been mentioned in the past, for the local population to pay the running costs for such a pool as their contribution to the local defence budget.

DAVID GEORGE HEWITT OBITUARY

David or Davie George Hewitt died in the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Stanley on August 31st after a short illness.

Born in Limpet Creek, Salvador, he spent his childhood there before starting his working life at Fitzroy in 1948 as a shepherd.

He then moved to North Arm where he shepherded from 1956 to 1963.

A move from Camp followed as Mr Hewitt worked for 15 years until 1978 in Stanley mainly at the Government Power Station.

He returned to Camp to take up as carpenter at Goose Green. In 1983 he was made foreman at Goose Green, a position he held until the end of April when uncertain health forced a move into Stanley.

Sadly Davie lost that fight

against ill health at the end of last month.

He was always known as a very good carpenter and could turn his hand to all mechanical work.

During his shepherding days he was also known as a very good horse gear maker and an accomplished rider. Overall a good all round man.

Davie is survived by his wife Frances and their children, Brian at North Arm, and Kevin and Sharon in Stanley.

WINTER WITHOUT WATER

The severe Antarctic winter conditions in the lonely South Atlantic island of South Georgia have meant the small detachment of British soldiers have been without water for months.

The soldiers, from the 3rd Battalion The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, have been forced to rely on melted snow for their water supply as pipes have been frozen solid in the icy conditions.

Water is normally piped from a reservoir on the island but despite efforts to keep the water supply moving and prevent a freeze-up the water pipes are blocked with solid ice.

A spokesman for the regiment in the Falklands, where the rest of the battalion are forming the field infantry squadron at present, said this had

been a recurring problem for units staying in South Georgia.

He said that despite keeping the water running, ice can build up on the inside of the pipes and eventually stop the flow.

The military are looking into ways of preventing this and may be putting in a new pumping system at the base over the coming summer months.

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- Baha'u'llah

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SEARCH AND RESCUE HELICOPTER'S CAPABILITIES SEVERELY TESTED

The capabilities of the Search and Rescue helicopter squadron at MPA has been severely tested over the last fortnight with no less than seven mission in eleven days.

The Sea King helicopters of 78 Squadron have been given tasks in that period which have taken them to the edge of their capabilities and each time they have come through with flying colours.

Indeed at times the operations have involved complex logistical link up with other branches of the services to keep the helicopters airborne.

The spate of call-outs started on the night of August 29th/30th when hillwalker, Mrs Maureen Walker, went missing in the heavy mists covering Two Sisters mountain. The squadron had a Sea King airborne in the search for the walker who had become separated from her walking partner during the return trip to Stanley.

The operation also involved the use of men from Mount Kent installation in the attempts to find her and eventually more BV vehicles were brought into use when EOD in Stanley were called in a joint ground search with Stanley police.

Despite exhaustive searching the helicopter failed to find Mrs Wilson but the chopper was airborne twice for several hours.

Thankfully next morning Mrs Wilson eventually managed to make it to Stanley under her own steam, none the worse for the ordeal.

On the 30th the helicopter was again called out to the aid of a Russian trawlerman who had lost a hand in an accident aboard the vessel "Michail Wierbickij".

The vessel was positioned some 250 nautical miles East

South East of the Falkland Islands, well outside the FICZ.

Reports had come in of a man who had lost his hand but who was still conscious despite losing a lot of blood and running a high temperature.

After consultations with a doctor on the radio it was decided to launch the helicopter and, because of the distance involved, the RFA Black Rover was called in to sail to a position where it could refuel the chopper if necessary.

For extra cover a Hercules aeroplane was launched to give "top cover" for the helicopter and to provide radio relay for the operation.

In the end the fisherman was brought in safely to Stanley although surgeons at the KEMH were unable to stitch the limb back on due to the time lapse since the injury and the extent of the damage.

It was a German seaman which caused the next scramble for the helicopter on September 5th. The call came from a Liberian registered cargo ship, "Sun Blizzard" which was around 24 miles south of Cape Pembroke light. A report was sent saying that the evening before a sailor had been unconscious suffering severe concussion but was not thought to be too serious.

However, when his heart started palpitating in the morning an urgent message was sent to Heliopts and the

Sea King was launched just after 9am. Alas the journey in the end could not save the poor seaman's life and he was discovered to be dead when the helicopter arrived at the vessel and his body was flown to Stanley.

The next alert was two days later when a Portuguese fisherman was reported overboard from the fishing vessel "Vila do Conde" some 25 miles west of Beauchene Island. At first it was unclear whether it was diver in the water or a man overboard but clarification came from Fishops in Stanley and the Sea King was launched around 3pm.

HMS Alacrity was also patrolling in the area and her Lynx helicopter was launched to patrol the area to look for the missing sailor. There were problems with the weather as low cloud impaired vision and the Lynx was ordered back to her ship as it was considered unsafe to have two helicopters working in close proximity in the area.

After a four hour search the Sea King returned to base abandoning the search which was continued by vessels on the water's surface. Despite exhaustive searching the missing seaman's body was never found.

The Sea Kings were called out twice on the 9th of September. The first occasion was for a Fusilier at Onion

Range who had suffered a head injury and the second was to airlift an ill sailor from HMS Alacrity which was at Fox Bay on West Falkland at the time.

Possibly the most testing of all the call outs was on Sunday 11th September.

Battling through gale force winds an RAF Sea King helicopter evacuated a seriously ill seaman from a Russian factory ship some 600 miles north east of the Falkland Islands.

The man, named as Viktor Goroshko(46), first mate of the "Mys Frunze", was successfully winched aboard the Sea King while the ship rolled in heavy seas. He was then flown to the KEMH in Stanley where he was treated for a suspected perforated stomach ulcer.

Such was the range of the mission, which involved eight hours flying time, the Sea King had to refuel twice at sea on the deck of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary Balck Rover.

One of the RAF's Hercules aircraft flew to escort the helicopter, provide radio relay and to locate the Russian ship.

The presence of an army medical officer on the Sea King completed the involvement of the three services in the latest and one of the most dramatic rescue missions undertaken by British Forces in the Falkland Islands in aid of international shipping.

FIBS and BFBS Radio Programme Timetable

SATURDAY:- 0700 News, Sport & Papers; 0715 Breakfast Show; 0800 News; 0803 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0830 on MW Sport on Two until 1300, or on FM continues the Breakfast Show; 0900 Me, Mark Page; 1100 Bullets; 1300 News; 1303 Saturday Live (also on MW); 1500 News; 1503 Top 40; 1700 News; 1703 Counterpoint with Val Bethell; 1733 The Archers Omnibus; 1830 Children's Corner; 1930 Local announcements; 1945 Sports Roundup; 2000 BBC News; 2015 Weather followed by BBC Beautiful Music; 2030 Book Club: From Russia With Love; 2100 Top Tunes; 2130 Rodigan's Rockers; 2325 Tommy Vance's Chart Attack; 0220 Johnny Walker; 0415 Top 40; 0610 Good Morning Falklands.

SUNDAY:- 0700 News and Papers; 0710 Breakfast Show; 0800 News; 0803 Classic Connection with Guy Roberts; 0900 The World This Weekend; 1000 News; 1003 Folk Review; 1100 News; 1103 Johnny Walker; 1300 News; 1303 Country Folk with David Allan; 1400 Seven Days with Clive Jacobs; 1445 Sports Roundup; 1500 News; 1503 Bob Harris; 1700 News; 1703 SITREP with Peter Hobday; 1733 Guitar Greats: B.B. King; 1830 Instrumental Music; 1845 Local announcements; 1900 Evening Service from Christchurch Cathedral; 2000 BBC News and Commentary; 2015 Letter From America; 2030 Vintage Comedy: Doctor In The House; 2100 Music in Miniature; 2130 John Peel's Music; 2230 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0025 BFBS UK; 0220 Take Two with Ted King; 0315 Andy Kershaw; 0415 Folk Review with Wally Whyton; 0510 Good Morning Falklands.

MONDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Alan Phillips with Trax; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 The Grumbleweeds; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1400 News; 1430 The Archers; 1445 Sportsdesk; 1500 News; 1503 BFBS UK; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 The Tea Time Show; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 In Concert: New Order; 1900 30-Minute Theatre; 1930 Announcements; 1945 Sports Roundup; 2000 World News and Commentary; 2015 Weather and Flights followed by Announcer's Choice; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Bob Harris; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

TUESDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0830 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0900 News; 0903 Soul Station with Tony Blackburn; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 My Word; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1400 News; 1430 The Archers; 1445 Sportsdesk; 1500 News; 1503 BFBS UK; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Evening LP; 1730 Rock Profile: The Bee Gees; 1830 Calling The Falklands; 1900 Mysterious Circumstances; 1930 Local announcements; 1945 Sports Roundup; 2000 BBC World News and commentary; 2015 Weather and Flights followed by Calling the Falklands; 2045 Light

and Easy with Jeanette Bain; 2130 Late From London; 2130 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

WEDNESDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Rockola with Dave Simmons; 1000 News; 1003 Housewife's Choice; 1100 Animal, Vegetable or Mineral; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1400 News; 1430 The Archers; 1445 Sportsdesk; 1500 News; 1503 BFBS UK; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Tea Time Show; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Feature: The Great Sea Monster Mystery; 1930 Local announcements; 1945 Sports Roundup; 2000 BBC World News and commentary; 2015 Weather and flights followed by Just For A Change and Classics with Kate Baylis; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Rodigan's Rockers with David Rodigan; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

THURSDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0830 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0900 News; 0903 Club Radio with Nige Kerr; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 Pick of the Goons; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 World News; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1400 News; 1430 The Archers; 1445 Sportsdesk; 1500 News; 1503 BFBS UK; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Just a Minute; 1745 Talking About Music; 1815 Falkland Islands Discs; 1915 Baha'i Programme; 1930 Local announcements; 1945 Sports Roundup; 2000 World News and Commentary; 2015 Weather and flights followed by Pot Luck with Myriam; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 John Peel's Music; 0425 Rockola with David Simmons; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

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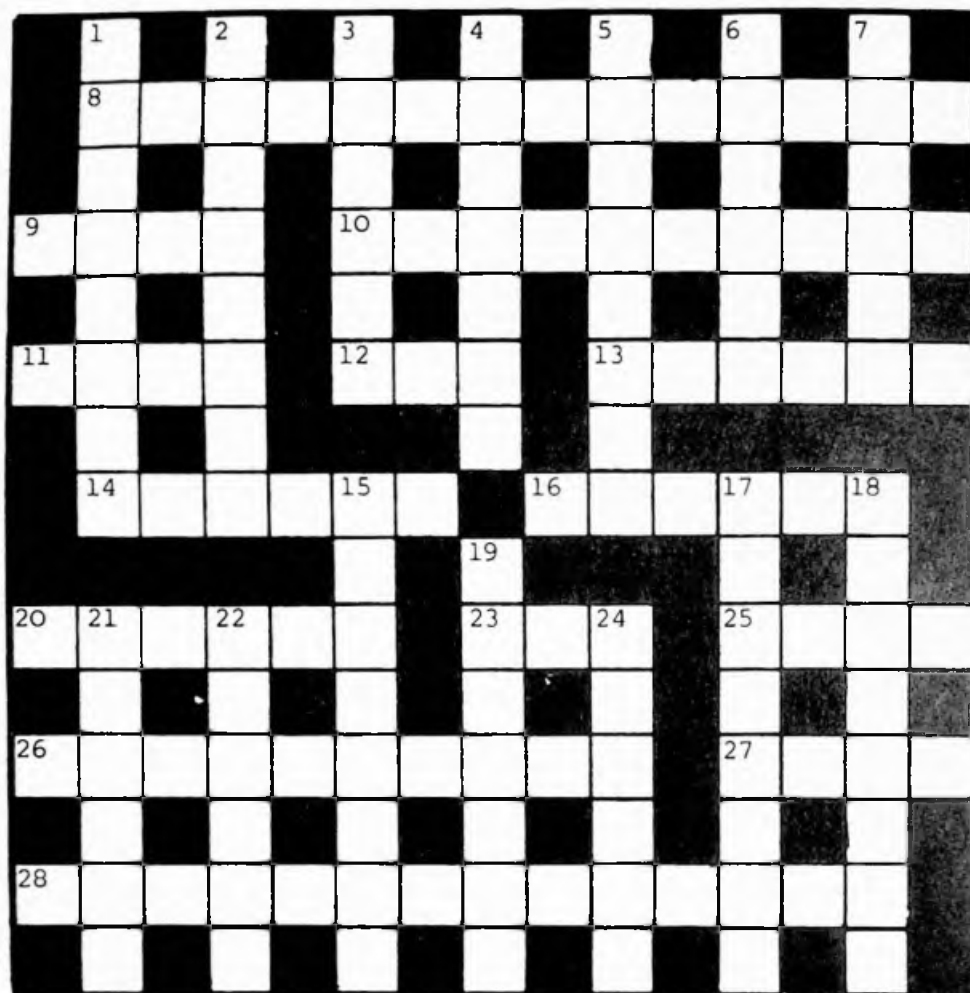
THE BIG X-WORD

ACROSS

- 8 It bears fruit, but does it bear babies? (10,4)
 9 What a case! Always getting needed! (4)
 10 Applied by a conscientious (and cold) painter. (6,4)
 11 On the coast Italians take it in. (4)
 12 Alkali - sounds like the end, too. (3)
 13 Came out and is taken to court. (6)
 14 Be agitated and observe - what? (6)
 16 Untangled but ragged. (6)
 20 In sight in this. (6)
 23 'I've got an idea,' she might say, but it's pointless. (3)
 25 School of note in one way. (4)
 26 I hope these won't make you say them. (10)
 27 Love part of the leg. (4)
 28 He's full of his own importance in a rural way. (7,7)

DOWN

- 1 Conceited fellows who have got in. (8)
 2 Malta's Premier starts to take residence. (8)
 3 You might see blood before this receptacle. (6)
 4 Secured by having been this. (7)
 5 American T.V. character served with Cromwell. (8)
 6 It doesn't count for so much today. (6)
 7 Get away with you! (6)
 15 On which circus performers must be sure-footed. (4-4)
 17 Separate the small loaf and eat it at tea-time. (4,4)

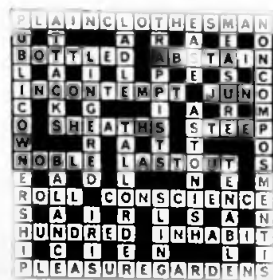


- 18 An actor doesn't give much thought to the sketch if he's doing it. (8)
 19 Little Michael, we hear, gets a garment. (7)
 21 Plough it, but don't have it on your brow. (6)
 22 Gains a new way of concealing it. (6)
 24 Only a fool would start to take it for granted. (6)

ANSWER ON
PAGE 6.

We would like to apologise the wrong grid being insert with last edition's clues.

ANSWERS TO PAGE 8 CROSSWORD.



FICZ REPORT

After the report on FIBS concerning the search and rescue operations conducted on the 7th September, the Fisheries Department would like to describe the sequence of events on that day, in order to add to and hopefully clarify the information that was broadcast.

The patrol vessel "Falklands Right" was fishing south of Cape Meredith at around 0920hrs local time on the 7th September, when she heard and interrupted a VHF radio conversation between the fishing vessels "Pict" and "Hill Cove".

The conversation implied that the Portuguese vessel "Vila do Conde", whilst fishing southwest of Beauchene Island, had entangled some fishing gear around its propeller and subsequently lost a man overboard.

The "Falklands Right" contacted the master of the "Pict" and asked him if he could confirm that there was a man overboard, rather than just a man overside trying to clear the propeller. In the meantime, the senior Fishery Officer aboard the "Falklands Right" contacted the duty officer at Fishops to advise him of the situation.

The duty officer in turn contacted Joint Operations at MPA, who indicated that a helicopter would be available as soon as it was confirmed that there was a man overboard.

The fact that there was a man missing in the water was quickly confirmed and in response a helicopter was launched within ten minutes of the confirmation.

The "Falklands Right" hauled in its fishing gear and began to steam towards the emergency, arriving at the "Vila do Conde" shortly before 1500hrs local time.

At about the same time the

rescue helicopter had reached the limits of its endurance and left the area to return to MPA. The "Falklands Right" and "Vila do Conde" continued to search for the man until dusk, when the search was abandoned due to bad light, rough seas and considering the time elapsed since the man was reported missing.

The following points deserve further mention, to clarify the earlier radio broadcast; 1. At no time was there a delay in assisting the Portuguese vessel due to language difficulty - either at sea or indeed at Fishops.

2. The helicopter search was initiated from Fishops, as is the agreed practice between Fisheries Department and the Services.

3. Many other ships, including Polish and Spanish trawlers, assisted in the search.

Turning to more routine events, there are at present three main groups of fishing vessels within the conservation zone.

The largest group, consisting of Polish and Japanese trawlers, is fishing for Blue Whiting south of Cape Meredith, where good catches are reported.

The other groups are in the Beauchene Island area, where catches are mainly poor, and in the extreme northwest of the zone, where good catches of Hake are being reported.

The patrol vessels and Dornier aircraft continue their respective patrols and activities. When the "Falklands Right" has covered the whole of the western half of the FICZ with her Hake survey, it is planned to continue with her other projects, possibly working on Loligo, until around the end of October.

BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

In Australia sales were held in Sydney, Adelaide and Freemantle. All Merinos 20-24 micron showed gains of at least one dollar each ady with a slower increase in price for lower qualities.

The market closed at the highest point of the week with China the main buyer of light fault fleeces.

After easing quite sharply a couple of weeks ago, and only just showing some signs of greater steadiness last week, the Australian market has been showing definite firmness.

Cape values also showed firmness and British wool sold at higher prices by the end of the week. Recent Chinese interest in British wool tops, seems to have been the disturbing element in the British wool market. China and Russia are also singled out for mention in the Australian wool market this week.

There are varied views on the Bradford wool market, so far, on how this has affected business. Firmer and dearer wool values after some previous easing - can often bring out more buying interest but there is no question at this point of an immediate and all-round buying movement.

FARM CHANGES IN THE ISLANDS

The face of Falklands farming, already changing with the large number of subdivisions which have been completed, is changing again with the announcement of the completion of a further subdivision and the sale of another farm.

Earlier in 1988 the Falkland Islands Government, through its development arm, the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, purchased Douglas Station farm from Mr Harry Camm.

The farm has been subdivided into four sections. Prospective owners of the new subdivisions were recently interviewed, and following discussions with the applicants about their plans for the future of the farm, the new owners were selected from a group of seven attending.

The various sections of the farm were allocated as follows:-

Lorenzo - Mr Michael Clarke;
 Home Flock - Mr Keith Whitney;
 New House - Mr Chris May;
 Bombilla - Mr Carl Jonson.

The farm is situated on East Falkland, near the entrance to Salvador Waters, with its boundary extending to the Wickham Heights mountain range. With an area of 94,000 acres the farm supports up to 21,000 sheep.

The sheep have been divided on a percentage basis between the four section holders. An appropriate portion of the cattle and horses will also be available to each section.

Major items of machinery and vehicles have been allocated to the sections. It is intended that the remainder, along with garage equipment, spares and materials, will be sold by auction or tender with priority being given to the section holders.

The majority of the equipment and the buildings are located in the settlement. The section holders are expected to share the settlement paddocks for the first five years. A co-operative will be established to run certain items required for communal use.

All the land belonging to Douglas Station on the main island of East Falkland has been allocated to the sections. However the Falkland Islands Government will retain ownership of the smaller islands previously owned by Douglas Station.

In addition to the subdivision of Douglas Station, the purchase of Port San Carlos Farm has been announced.

Through FIDC, FIG have reached an agreement with Port San Carlos Ltd. for the purchase of the farm at Port San Carlos.

Situated along the estuary of the San Carlos River the farm extends northwards to Cape Dolphin on East Falkland. It has an area approximately 100,000 acres supporting some 30,000 sheep.

The farm is being bought with a view to subsequent on-sale which is expected to take place during 1989 with the new owners taking possession at the end of September.

Some firms indicate no improvement at all, they emphasise a slowing in the call for deliveries, much reduced machinery activity, and the contrast between buoyancy in finer worsted weaving and most other sectors. Others say business has been better, home and export, over most ranges.

Bullishness has always applied at the wool end, especially overseas. There has never been any significant signs of demand for wool failing to match up to supply. Even where AWC and NZ Wool Board bidding has developed, the impression is that it is used as a signal for improved trade bidding at the prices indicated. It would, however, be misleading to imply that pronounced bullishness has yet developed in Bradford or (from a Bradford viewpoint) in other consuming countries.

There can be better business and something of a buying movement without any major market uptrend. Many in Bradford seem to be adopting this view - that maybe prices are a bit firmer, and some idea of relevant support levels has been given, and there is a need to cover requirements further ahead in some instances, but there is no thought at present of an early return to the pressures and extremes of the earlier months of 1988.

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TOOTIE TAKES THREE BARS AT THIRD TIME OF ASKING

The third ever Three Bars Darts Tournament at the Town Hall proved to be third time lucky for Colin "Tootie" Ford.

He had made to the final of the last two but each time had failed at the final hurdle to lift the title.

This year Tootie showed he meant to rectify that fact as he stormed through to the final without losing a leg on the way.

However, the story of the tournament was one of top players falling in the early stages.

Gary Hewitt, winner of the Governor's Cup this year, went out in his first match to Ally Jacobson. This was the second year on the trot that Gary went out to Ally at the same stage.

Jamie "Wax" Laing also made an early exit in the second round to John Frith.

Player of the Year, Colin Smith, only managed to get to the final 16 when he too went out to eventual fourth-placed Peter Goss.

While Peter Goss and Tootie Ford went through to the semis in their half of the draw, Bernard Peck and Tim Bonner took care of the contenders in their half of the draw.

Bernard Peck must have fancied his chances of making the final having twice thrown 180's on the way there.

However, on the night Tim Bonner had that little extra to take him through to meet Tootie who despatched Peter Goss without the loss of a leg.

In the ladies' tournament it was an equally exciting and tense final.

Out of the 44 starters in the competition it was two of the most consistent players over the year who made it to the final.

Cathy Jacobson had looked good throughout the tourna-

This left Peter and Bernard to battle it out for third and fourth and in the end it was Bernard who got the upper hand to take third place.

The final presented an exciting spectacle as the two close friends prepared to do battle for the Three Bars title.

The large vocal crowd got behind the players from the start. On the results on the evening the odds must have favoured Tootie slightly but Tim showed no signs of letting him get away from him.

The first leg was a close fought contest and despite Tootie landing a 180, Tim won it.

The lead was extended to two legs as Tim took the second with a double tops finish.

At this stage Tootie might have remembered the first Three Bars final when he was two legs ahead of Jamie Lang but still lost three-two in the end.

In the third leg he threw two 100's and Tim one, but a 16, 20 and his favourite double 10 gave Tootie the leg and started his climb back into the game.

At this stage Tootie's confidence seemed to return and his darts improved as he pulled ahead in the fourth leg.

ment as had her co-finalist Lynda McGillivray.

The former had particular reason to win the final having reached the final of the first Three Bars three years ago and ending up at the losing end of an exciting match against Margaret Goss.

Cathy had the satisfaction of

Attempts at double 20 and double 10 left him with double five to finish, but he had three missed chances before the double was eventually gained.

With things tied up at 2-2 a nail-biting final leg awaited the finalists and the excited crowd.

Tootie again managed to pull away from Tim with throws of 100, 60, 100 and 140 which left him with 101 while Tim was lagging behind with 298. A score of 51 then left a bull for a finish.

After he missed the bull an almost comical series of misses at a string of doubles eventually brought Tim up on his shoulder while Tootie was left with double one to get.

Tim was down to double tops and missed and went down to double ten. Eventually he got down to double five and it was straight shoot out to see who could finish it quickest.

Despite the gallant attempt by Tim to save the game it was eventually Tootie who got his double and grab the title.

The big man's seeming cool composure throughout the game then disappeared and he leapt into the air showing the relief from the tension he had been hiding.

putting Margaret Goss out this year in the last 16.

In a tense final Cathy eventually managed to pull away from Lynda and win the day and the trophy which she actually chose as the Ladies' prize three years ago.

NEW SPORTS SHIELD

A new sports shield is being commissioned at MPA to be competed for between the military and the civilians in Stanley.

The shield is being commissioned by supply squadron at RAF Mount Pleasant with a view to a series of football matches deciding the destination of the trophy.

Teams would compete on a regular basis both at MPA and Stanley.

The man behind the scheme is Senior Aircraftsman Brown who can be contacted on military 6283.

THREE BARS DARTS TOURNAMENT FINAL PLACING

Mens

1. Colin "Tootie" Ford.
2. Tim Bonner.
3. Bernard Peck.
4. Peter Goss.

Women

1. Cathy Jacobson.
2. Lynda McGillivray.
3. Lisa Short.
4. S. Summers.

Highest finish - Colin Ford 119.

104 men and 44 ladies entered.

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IS RO-RO A GO-GO IN DIPLOMATIC ROW?

The roll-on roll-off ferry "Indiana I" is this weekend languishing in the French port of Brest with a badly damaged engine and her future hanging by a thread under growing diplomatic storm clouds.

The 1973-built 498-tons gross vessel was purchased from Italian interests by a company calling itself Indiana-Marr S.A., with a view to running an irregular ferry link between Montevideo, Stanley and Punta Arenas but has caused considerable diplomatic pressure to be exerted on Uruguay, particularly, and Chile from Argentina who do not want to see the service run.

The purchase was intended mainly to provide a supply ship for the \$800 a year fishing industry around the Falklands and was recently fitted out in Hull where she is pictured here.

met by insurance although it is understood that "general average" is being claimed and this would put the burden on the insurers of the cargo rather than the insurers of the vessel.

from Buenos Aires.

With the further delay in the arrival of the vessel it gives the Argentinians more time to work on the Uruguayans. Had the ship come down on schedule it would seem the hope



Last weekend she set sail on the long journey to the South Atlantic but on Friday had to be towed into Brest after an explosion in the engine caused by a jammed piston causing severe damage and an explosion in the crank casing.

Thankfully no-one was hurt in the incident but sources say that she will be around two or three weeks minimum in the French port with a new engine likely.

It would appear that the costs of the damage will be

The damage could not come at a worse time as a diplomatic time bomb seems to be ticking away over the vessel.

The Argentinians are very unhappy over the prospect of a ferry link being established with the Falklands and have been applying constant pressure on the Uruguayans in particular to force them to decline to take the vessel in their ports. The situation now appears to be very finely balanced with the Uruguayans on the point of succumbing to the pressure

was to get it working quickly.

The logic for this is that it would be far more difficult for the vessel to be stopped once it was established and running than before it has started.

The Argentinians biggest leverage points would seem to be services and trade that they provide for Uruguay.

The Uruguayans receive a lot of electricity from their neighbours, are looking to agreements on fishing rights with them and also take a lot (continued on page 2)

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of tourists from Argentina every year. These are all major considerations for the Uruguayans who would not like to anger Argentina into either stopping electricity supply, being obstructive in the fishing negotiations or not issuing visas to tourists.

The UK Press has picked up quite strongly on the issue, stressing the diplomatic struggle that is on-going.

In "The Independent" John Eisenhammer on September 9 quoted a diplomat involved in the discussions as saying "Everything looked ready to go ahead a few months ago. But now the Uruguayans are having second thoughts".

The article goes on to say, "Uruguay, which politicians in Buenos Aires tend to treat as if it were a province of Argentina, is fairly susceptible to pressure from its much larger neighbour. 'Clearly the Uruguayans are in a difficult position,' said an executive from one of the companies involved in the ferry venture. 'They want it to go ahead because it will bring money in, but at the same time they do not want to upset the Argentines unnecessarily.'"

The article continues to say that the Chileans will not go ahead unless the Uruguayans do and explains that although Chile is less susceptible to pressure from Buenos Aires they are getting relations on a better footing and do not want to be seen to be going it alone.

As in all articles regarding the ferry there is a strong emphasis to try and show the company as a purely commercial one with no involvement from either FIG or HMG.

But Mr Eisenhammer adds that the British Foreign Office is expressing quiet satisfaction at the prospect of the ferry.

James Brewer, Shipping reporter for Lloyd's List, says "Argentina is suspicious that the move is related to a British campaign against its international standing."

It is understandable that Argentina would be touchy about the ferry service when they still dispute the sovereignty of the Falklands, but there are considerable benefits for the Falklands as a whole.

Obvious beneficiaries from the service would be the large fishing fleet which fishes the FICZ as they would not necessarily have to travel to Montevideo or Punta Arenas for essential parts or supplies unavailable in the Falklands at present.

Hugh O'Shaughnessy, writing in the Sunday Observer, says the sea link will allow workers to be recruited from the South American mainland rather than be sent out from Britain. He adds that it will considerably reduce the cost of heavy materials such as steel and cement, most of which have to be shipped from the UK.

The ferry itself will be managed by J. Marr (Vessel Management) with a British crew but will sail under the Bahamian flag.

Stanley Services have been appointed booking agents in the Falklands and "Indiana I" can accommodate 12 passengers as well as freight.

An agent has already been appointed by Stanley Services in Uruguay and until this weekend it was thought the service would start in early

November.

Understandably information to the Press regarding the ship and the management and ownership structure is scarce as all concerned try to play it down and save any annoyance to Argentina.

Investigations by Penguin News have been inconclusive to date in establishing the set-up behind Indiana-Marr S.A..

Lloyd's List says it is a consortium of businesses from the UK, Japan, France, Taiwan, South Korea and Spain.

A look at the Register of Companies in the Falklands shows that a company formerly called Indiana Ltd. changed its name to Asset Management Ltd.

The board members are listed as Brian Cummings, Simon Armstrong, Michael Gaiger and Shane Wolsey with John Pollard as company secretary. Shareholders listed are Messrs. Wolsey, Armstrong and Cummings and FIDC.

Speculation as to any involvement Asset Management Ltd. may have in the ferry is rife but one source suggests that although the vessel is owned by a consortium their "assets are managed" by this company.

The companies that are involved have each put in sums rumoured to be over £150,000.

It is believed that many or all of these companies are connected to Stanley Fisheries Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of FIDC, the development wing of FIG. This being the case it would not be inconceivable that FIG have had consultations or discussions with HMG in the UK regarding the ferry link.

DOG TRIALS

A few weeks ago the Dog Handler's Association held its third trials this year at Port Howard and Susan Hansen has sent PN this report on the events.

The event proved a success with 18 entries and all 18 dogs working their full 12 minutes.

On a rather cold day it proved yet another victory for Les Morrison and "Bounce" as they lost 22 points out of 150. Although Les and "Bounce" managed to walk away with a prize most times they work as a team, this was the first time Les had been placed in one of the Dog Handler's Association trials.

Most dogs made it through the full course and got to the pen despite coming up against some very stubborn sheep.

Only one dog managed to pen the sheep - Tony Hirtle's "Trish" who came 2nd losing 27 points. The points between the top five dogs were so close that had "Trish" not penned the sheep she'd have been 5th.

This year an extra 5 points per judge were introduced for pen performance and this proved to be very successful as it allowed more points to be given to the dogs that worked well around the pen but were unable to pen the sheep.

There was some very good work from all dogs and it was noticed that the standard of command was very good particularly in the top placings.

There were several novice dogs working in the trials and they showed well against some of the more experienced dogs. Particularly Roy Buckett's "Glen" who came out in 4th place losing 32 points.

Paul Peck's 2-year-old "Bit" also put up a good show among the older dogs, coming in 5th place only 10 points behind "Link" who won third place for Paul, losing 30 points. "Link" did the best out run of the day when there were some very poor out runs.

Overall there was a high standard of dog handling judged by senior judge Ian Hansen and judges Susan Hansen and Bernard Betts.

SEAMOUNT SAGA SIMMERS ON

The saga of Seamount continues with the arrival of the trawler Mount Kent expected in Stanley this week.

The 21-year-old 1,343 ton freezer trawler is understood to be destined to be moored alongside the quay at Navy Point once she has unloaded a large cargo of fruit and timber, among other things, which she is carrying from Punta Arenas to the Falklands.

The UK Press are still showing an interest in the issue and last Sunday the "Sunday Telegraph" picked up on the story.

The story sports a picture of the 28-year-old 989 ton Mount Challenger, which never made it to the Falklands, lying at anchor in the River Fal near Falmouth in Cornwall where she will wait until sold.

It is understood the vessel has been valued at around £400,000 but Shane Wolsey, Assistant General Manager of FIDC, and a director of Seamount along with Michael Gaiger and Kenneth and Roderick MacKenzie of Seaboard Offshore Ltd., said this week that he thought that valuation "very low".

The vessel itself, it is believed, cost around £300,000 to acquire before it went to Tyne Dock Engineering Ltd. at South Shields for an expensive refit under the control of consultants Shiptech Ltd. of Hull.

The move to bring the Mount Kent to Stanley is to bring her "home" and save

paying harbour dues in Punta Arenas in Chile.

In the papers in the UK stress has been laid by several spokesmen that Seamount is an isolated incident in the scheme of joint ventures.

Reports that it would cost the British taxpayer about £5 million have also been refuted and in "The Scotsman" a spokesman for the Falkland Islands Government Office in London said the islands government has agreed to pay back £2 million and said that this would reduce the British taxpayers' share to about £3 million.

In the same paper Kenneth MacKenzie of Seaboard Offshore commented on the effect the collapse of Seamount would have on his own company.

He said the implications of the losses would not be significant as the venture was not a major part of Seaboard's business, which is mainly based in operating rescue ships in the North Sea.

The terms of reference for the inquiry into the Seamount

affair have not yet been officially drawn up.

Attorney General Mr David Lang said that they were still to be finalised and then agreed before they could be released.

A short-list of five eminent Q.C.'s has been arrived at in the search for a candidate to lead the inquiry and he too, will want to see and discuss the terms of reference before they are finally released.

The main question on the lips of the general public in the Falklands would seem to be just who is to blame for the Seamount situation. FIG can be assured that the inquiry will be monitored with the greatest of interest by the public.

Of the inquiry Shane Wolsey said he is looking for "a positive outcome in the restructuring of the controls of SFL or FIDC. I have no objection to strengthening the management".

One question which seems to recur is whether there was sufficient professional advice on the project.

That will be for the inquiry to decide but the Attorney Gen-

eral said twice in his address to legco. that he was not involved in the initial decisions on Seamount and he doesn't feel personally responsible in any way.

One can't help but wonder why a branch of government in the form of SFL would not have, at some point, conversed or checked things out with the government legal department.

As for the age of the vessels which seems to have caused some concern a Foreign Office spokesman told Penguin News recently that when a surveyor, on behalf of the UK government Export Credit Guarantee Department, had a look at the vessels he merely looked at the hull and superstructure of the vessels and not at the gear, pumps and winches and factory deck equipment.

In hindsight this may have proved a fatal error as it is in these departments that problems have arisen for the vessels.

The inquiry is expected to start in the New Year.

The article in the "Sunday Telegraph" regarding Seamount also threw up an interesting situation resulting in another Falklands based UK fishing company issuing a denial they had anything to do with the article.

Talking of the Seamount situation the "Sunday Telegraph" said: "Now experienced deep sea fishing companies in Britain hope that the episode persuade the Falklands Development Corporation to change its policy on fishing rights and to let professional fishermen from Britain 'get on with the job' instead of relying on licence fees from foreign vessels and a number of joint ventures involving the Development Board."

"A Hull-based consortium formed by J. Marr and Witte-Boyd, two of Britain's major

fishing companies, has designed a new class of fishing vessel and wants to send a fleet to operate from a base at Port Stanley.

"The new vessel is based on the experience gained by Marr skippers and crews during a successful partnership with Japanese fishing boats."

"It was this venture which effectively breathed new life into British long-distance fishing."

"But the project has been held up by the refusal of the Falkland authorities to guarantee the consortium enough individual licences for the vessels, and to guarantee that the licences will remain in force for an acceptable number of years. At present Falkland fishing licences are issued on an annual basis."

"A spokesman for J. Marr

said: "Neither the consortium nor its backers has been able to secure satisfactory assurances about the licences or the length of time attached to the licences."

"We are talking about a huge investment and it is only right that we seek some protection."

"If we get the go-ahead it would mean new work for British shipyards and new jobs for British fishermen."

"The companies are angry and disappointed by the delays. They point out that they have brought a number of young men from the Falklands to be trained as fishermen in the latest techniques."

"They also say that, while fleets from Japan and other countries simply fish off the Falklands for a season - namely the first six months of the

year - the proposed British venture would fish all year round, using the new class of dual-purpose vessel to fish for squid and trawl for other species."

"One senior British fishing expert said: 'The islanders will get a shock if they think they can just sit back and get fat on licence fees. They are being offered an all-year industry and they won't take it'."

Within 48 hours Witte Boyd had issued a statement to distance themselves from the report.

In it Alan Johnson and Tom Boyd of Witte Boyd Holdings Ltd. said they would like to make it clear that they have not been contacted nor have they discussed with any representative of the Sunday Telegraph, the contents of the (continued overleaf)

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article. Nor were they consulted by any other British fishing company.

The statement continued: "Witte Boyd would also like to make it clear that Seaboard Offshore are not part of the British fishing industry nor have they ever been so. Their expertise lies in the operation of support vessels connected with safety and pollution control in the North Sea oil industry.

"We are sure the British fishing industry would wish to distance itself from those UK companies who are not genuinely part of the British fishing industry (which they may or may not claim to be part of) and which have acquired vessels for the Falkland Islands fisheries.

"regarding the consortium which tabled a proposal earlier this year to build and operate new vessels. Our view is that whilst the Falklands government were not in a position to guarantee long term licences, current market conditions and prices and the poor catches experienced in this year's Loligo fishery have probably overtaken the long term licence situation in so far as project analysis is concerned.

"In view of the change in circumstances caused particularly by poor catch and market conditions we believe it would be wrong (at this stage) to consider building new vessels costing some £4.5 to £5 million each when we still have much to prove in the operation of existing vessels. We knew at the outset of our operations that there was much to learn and current experience has proved that view to be correct.

"We consider long term licensing to be an essential part of the future of the fishery, but we also understand the problems in formulating a policy.

"We wholeheartedly support the efforts of the Renewable Resources Assessment Group to properly monitor stocks and formulate licence numbers according to that information. It will perhaps be 2/3 years before we can have long term licences but they are essential for the future protection of both FIG revenue and proper planning on the part of vessel owners.

"Our long term interests are the same as those of FIG, we want an assured long term future of the fishery, which will give good long term prospects to the many fishermen dependent to varying degrees on the Falklands Fishery, which in turn will protect the revenue of the Falkland Islands Government and its people.

"More consultation with the industry is needed, but we have already made this point with FIG representatives and would not wish to dwell more on it just now.

WEST POINT ISLAND ART GALLERY OPENS

The prominent Dutch artist Miss Jack Breed from Egmond in Northern Holland, opened an exhibition of her paintings at the West Point Gallery on West Point Island, at the end of September.

The West Point Island Collection is part of a larger project entitled, "A Journey of Seven Winters", which will take Jack to seven inhabited Arctic and Antarctic islands around the world during winter months over the next three years.

Mr and Mrs R. Napier were delighted to have their island used as an inspiration for works which will eventually feature in the international art scene. A cottage on their farm was transformed into a delightful art gallery, probably one of the most southerly art galleries in the world.

Guests were served with Dutch cookies and Faroe Island sweets while viewing an impressive display of large wall hangings painted on sheepskins and jute wool packs.

Whale bones, tussock grass, feathers, shells, driftwood and sea weed brought to life Jack's symbolic statement about the Falkland Islands.

During the afternoon Jack explained exactly how "A Journey of Seven Winters" has developed into a major artwork, and the central focus of her life.

"In seven winters I want to visit seven islands. This takes place in winter because the whole project is about dark and forgotten things in history," she explained.

"I shall be doing some research into Dutch sea-going history in the islands I visit.

"Dutch explorer Seebald de Weert put the Falkland Islands on the world map in the seventeenth century when he was searching for the Great Southern Continent. For many years the islands were called 'The Sebaldines'.

"It is necessary for me to travel back and forth across the world to stay in winter all the time, and to become a wanderer like those early explorers. This must happen by ship, in the tracks of my ancestors.

"The result of my project - "A Journey of Seven Winters" - will be drawn up in my paintings and brought back to the land of origin - Holland."

Jack Breed began her journeys in the Faroe Islands before arriving by sea in the Falkland Islands on the A.E.S. in April.

She worked as a cook/deckhand on the M.V. Forrest visiting farms all around the islands before choosing to go and paint on West Point Island.

The recent UK mail strike has delayed the despatch of some West Point Island works from the Falklands due to be displayed in Holland in mid-October. At the end of October Jack will leave on the A.E.S. to prepare for a Northern winter in Iceland, to be followed by winters in Tierra del Fuego, Greenland, Stewart Island in New Zealand, Spitzbergen and finally ending on the Wadden Islands off the Dutch coast.

On each island she visits Jack builds a tower as a memorial to those Dutch sea-faring ancestors who went to sea to widen their borders and extend their knowledge.

The West Point Tower is sculptured in timber and help to symbolise the part played by the Dutch in the early exploration and charting of the Falkland Islands.

INCREASE IN TRISTAR FARES AND FREIGHT COSTS

Despite indications by Under-Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, Mr Roger Freeman, during his recent visit to the Falklands that prices may fall, the cost of fares and freight on the Tristar have been increased.

Mr Freeman had suggested that the price structure would be top priority to be looked at on his return to the UK and indicated it may be reduced. Yet within days the increase in charges was announced.

The cost of travelling between the UK and the Falkland Islands by RAF Tristar rose by roughly three per cent on October 1. Freight charges also rose with the biggest increases being for private freight.

Making the announcement the MOD said it had a duty to the British taxpayer to try to contain the expense of running the service.

However, HQBFFI say the price rises - the first since July 1986 - are much less than originally suggested and reflect the strong representations made by FIG and Mr Andrew Murray, the aviation consultant hired by FIDC.

Passenger fares are as follows. All prices are for single fares, the cost of a return

being double. Standard economy rises from £925 to £950; apex advance purchase from £575 to £590.

The duty FIG sponsored rate is up from £400 to £415. There is no change yet in the £500 price for group bookings pending further negotiations).

Air Freight charges change as follows. All prices are per kilo of freight. Southbound: standard rate from £6.20 to £10.74; duty rate for official goods from £3.15 to £3.64.

Northbound: standard from £4.13 to £7.09; duty from £2.10 to £2.40.

(A letter with comment on the increases is included in Penguin News Mailbag).

PRESS PARTY

In early November, a press group sponsored by Falkland Islands Tourism, will be visiting the islands.

Eight journalists, including representatives from BBC radio, Angela Wigglesworth from the Financial Times Travel Supplement and Mr Paul Millington from Birdwatching and British Birds, hope to be travelling around the islands to meet islanders.

The group shall be in the Falklands from 1st - 9th November and the BBC staff intend producing items for the "Travel Show" and "Breakaway", as well as other natural history programmes.

Miles Barton and Jessica Holm of the BBC are particularly keen to hear from local people with an interest in conservation and a love of nature and hope to be visiting Sea Lion Island, Salvador and Pebble Island during their stay.

If you would like to help please contact Falkland Islands Tourism in Stanley.

TOURIST SHIP CRUISES TO STORMY FUTURE

The tourist cruise ship bought for Falkland Islands Tourism appears to be sailing into an uncertain future following a feasibility study on her.

The report by Hilary Sunman of London-based consultants, Environmental Resources Ltd., concludes that the 193.6 ton, 35-metre vessel "cannot stand alone financially".

At present "The Melbidir", now renamed the "Southern Star", after her refit at Cairns in North Eastern Australia, is heading across the Pacific from Tahiti bound for Valparaiso, Punta Arenas and, eventually, Stanley.

Following the acquisition of the vessel in a £200,000 purchase and £100,000 refit package, FIDC commissioned Hilary Sunman, co-author of the Prynn report with her husband Peter Prynn, to carry out a feasibility study.

In the report she has examined all the possibilities for the vessel both as a tourist ship - it can carry ten passengers in addition to its six crew - and as a freight vessel. The vessel boasts a large freezer room unlike the Coastal Shipping vessels.

However, the findings of the report have not been too encouraging with a subsidy of £150,000 being indicated as the only way the ship could survive.

In conclusion the report goes on to suggest that the only way the ship could comfortably fit into the general scheme of shipping around the islands would be as a replacement for the M.V. Forrest.

It is by no means certain that this would happen and it would necessitate discussions with Coastal Shipping, FIDC and

government.

Graham Bound, Managing Director of FIT, said, "It was always envisaged that the ship would come down here to work this year purely as tourist ship; thereafter her integration into the Coastal Shipping network has been discussed but not established".

Simon Armstrong, General Manager of FIDC, has already been quoted as saying, "We got a special price from the Queensland Government, but should the vessel prove not to be compatible with Coastal Shipping or FIG transport policy we have already been offered more for the vessel than we paid".

Last week Shane Wolsey, Assistant General Manager at FIDC, said the Stanley Fisheries Board would be considering the report on the vessel and that he thought Exco would also be looking at it.

"I think the next fortnight will see a lot of discussion about it," he said. "It is in the melting pot and decisions have not been taken.

"It has been suggested the vessel could be used as an East-West ferry but it is far from suitable to be used as that."

Whatever the final outcome of meetings following the report, it would seem that the "Southern Star" is sailing into an unsettled, stormy future.

END OF CRAB FACTORY?

The future of the crab factory in Stanley looks anything but certain this week.

Mr Alan Johnson, a director of SWB Ltd. who operate the crab fishery, told Penguin News that there was to be a decision on the future of the factory to be made by the end of this year.

"It was decided at a board meeting last March that a further decision would be taken after 12 months of operat-

ing the factory," he said.

"When we took over from Fortoser the information about the fishery they gave us was wildly inaccurate and we are having to look at the project.

"In the last three months of the year the crabs moult and drop their shells and as last year we have stopped fishing during this period.

"There is a possibility of limited research during this time but as for a decision on the future, that should come by the end of the year."

When asked about a scientist to study the crab fishery Mr Johnson said that he felt that government should perhaps

NEW SCHOOL OPENS AT MOUNT PLEASANT

The newest school in the Southern Hemisphere has opened at Mount Pleasant Airport.

It is situated in one of the so-called Management Villas at MPA - originally built to house senior members of the construction staff - and has a roll of only three pupils.

All are children of families doing a year's tour in the Falkland Islands. They include Claire(6) the daughter of CBFFI Air Vice-Marshal David Crwys-Williams, and seven-year-old Felicity whose father is Group Captain Geoff Brindle, the RAF Mount Pleasant Station Commander. The only boy and the oldest of the three is Timmy(9), the son of Captain John Skipper, commander of the Joint Services Signal Unit.

On opening the new school CBFFI paid tribute to his predecessor Major General Neil Carlier, who had pioneered the project as the first MPA resident to have a school-age child living at home during his stay.

In order to encourage more families to take up quarters at the base, it was thought, the Commander said, that having a school might be an extra bonus and help to foster more of a community feeling.

Among those at the opening was Mrs Phyllis Rendell, the Chief Education Officer, whose department's invaluable assistance was also acknowledged.

Classroom materials and furniture have both been provided from Stanley. Moreover the trio of pupils are to take regular lessons on the Camp radio net as well as going into

Stanley for one day a week to meet and work with children of their own age.

Mrs Rendell explained: "Helping the school with manpower is an impossibility - equipment is easier." So MPA has a founder headmistress brought in from England.

She is an army education officer, Captain Ruth Poole, who is spending three months in the Falklands to get the school operating before she hands over to a UK civilian teacher.

Captain Poole's last job was teaching at the Royal Engineer's Junior Leaders Regiment in Dover. A class of three, each of a different age group, is obviously a very different proposition.

But, she says, it is not difficult compared to a previous experience of teaching different levels to a class of 36 when she worked in a South Wales primary school before joining the army.

She has planned a wide ranging curriculum for her charges with lessons in English, History, Maths, General Science, Geography, Religion and Arts and Crafts.

One advantage the tiny school does have is easy access to MPA's large and well appointed gyms for physical education classes.

ENGAGEMENTS

CARLSON & SKILLING - William Carlson of Goose Green and Carol Skilling, a Camp teacher, are pleased to announce their engagement to family and friends.

assist or even meet the bill for this in full.

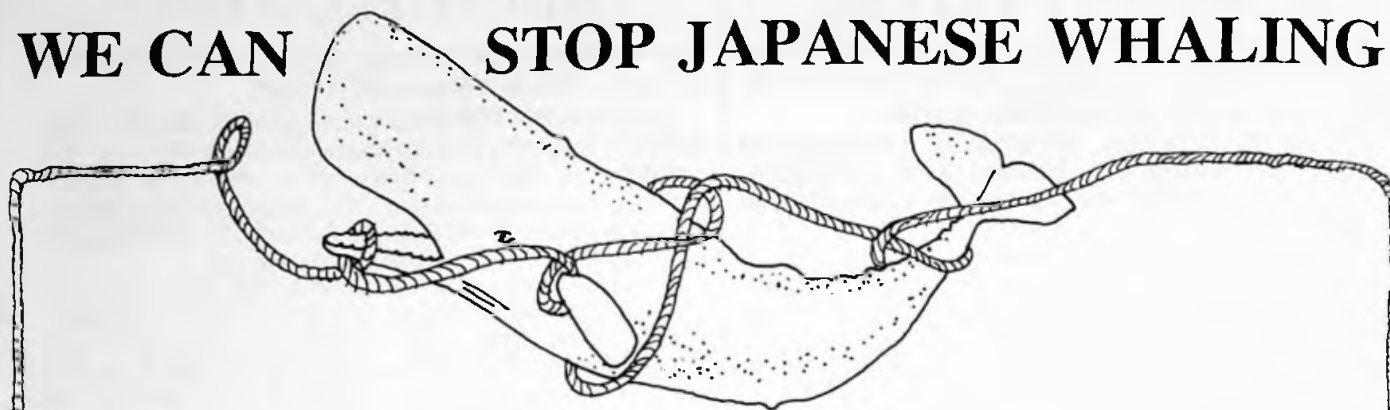
Shane Wolsey, Assistant General Manager of FIDC, said last week said that SFL had no further research finance or other money to give to the project.

"It is a marginal project and SWB are going to have to review it," he explained.

"If it were a roaring success a review would be fairly simple. But it is not a roaring success and not making lots of money.

"The project has been subsidised heavily so far."

WE CAN STOP JAPANESE WHALING



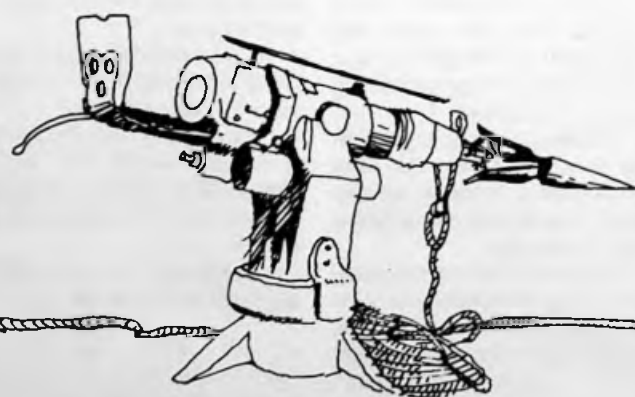
An organised group of Falkland Islands residents believe it is time that our government used the economic power of the fishery for a greater good. It is our duty to use it well. The Falklands should inform the Japanese Government that their country's barbaric killing of whales in the Southern oceans must cease, and that we will not grant their fishing companies licences unless they stop whaling. We believe that this strategy will work, and intend to campaign for its introduction before licences are allocated for the next season.

Most people realise that whaling cannot continue. Several species are on the brink of extinction, and none of the products of the whaling industry are essential. The International Whaling Commission has said that all whaling must cease, but a few governments continue the slaughter. Japan is the major offender, taking advantage of a loophole in the Whaling Commission's regulations which allows whaling for "scientific purposes". Although it is well known that the meat ends up in the luxury restaurants of Tokyo, and the experts say that such "research" can produce no new knowledge, the Japanese Antarctic fleet killed 273 Minke whales during the Southern autumn of 1988. They have announced that they intend to increase their target to 825 Minke whales and possibly 50 Sperm whales during the next season.

The great whales are intelligent, and warm blooded creatures like us. Whales mate and produce their young in the same way we do and judging from eye witness accounts, they treat their young with love similar to ours. They are gentle giants which fall easy prey to the explosive harpoons, and sophisticated technology of the whaling fleets. The survivors need our protection.

In the past the Falklands have been more closely involved in whaling than some would like to think. The Whalebone Arch in Stanley is a reminder of our involvement, and a memorial. Now we have a chance to repay our debt to the whales.

Register your support for this campaign now by contacting one of the following people. We don't want your money, but your support is essential. Contact Fiona Barton, Rana Anderson, Mike Butcher, Eddie Anderson, Graham Bound, or Councillor Charles Keenleyside if you would like to become involved. If you have trouble contacting anyone, call telephone numbers 93 (civ) or 3030 (mil).



BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

In Australia sales in Newcastle dealt with 34,000 bales, Geelong 37,000 bales and Freemantle 35,000 bales.

The markets remained firm and tending dearer for all descriptions with Merino fleece types most affected. The markets closed Merino fleece \$2 dearer. Comeback and crossbred fleece was \$1/2 dearer, closing at the highest point of the week.

Prices for Merino fleece in the 19-23m. range were \$5 dearer in New Zealand on October 6th, halfbreds of 23m. were \$3 dearer, 26-28m. were \$1.5 to \$2 dearer, 30-32m. \$1.5 dearer, crossbred fleece of 35m. was \$5 dearer and 37m. \$2 dearer. Second shears were \$2.5 dearer, oddments \$10 dearer.

The Far East and Eastern Europe were the main competitors with local support. The wool board bought \$1 after bidding on \$6.

In general the world wool market is certainly very firm. In Australia the market indicator advanced daily this week, and New Zealand and South Africa were also up, with excellent clearances.

There are some variations in pace according to category, with finer Merinos clearly again very much in demand and quite substantially dearer. Other categories show less emphatic strength and can vary a little from day to day.

As for Bradford's divergent experience, with the market here relatively depressed or very depressed compared with wool itself, there does seem to have been something of a change.

From the individual topmaker the impression can even be classed as a distinct and very welcome buying movement, with export and home trade all active, and better prices realised in trading.

For some, a certain amount of new business has now to be placed merely to ensure continuity of supply. The threat of short-time working has loomed much nearer for several firms and there was just a little more reported last week in isolated instances even on the side of industry in the UK.

More generally it has been argued that the sudden upturn in the Australian market in mid-September, with a downturn not taking prices back to the starting point, and then the whole market gathering strength again, must all have helped to convince doubters that if wool was going to be wanted at all, it might be a good idea to face up to the fact that present prices had to be accepted and might well run away further.

Bradford still finds considerable reluctance and price resistance, of course, and price advances compared with a year ago are indeed quite large, but experience in the past month, plus of course the higher AWC floor price, does eliminate much thought of downward potential.

Thus after another week of slightly firmer or definitely dearer wool values and some prospect of more in this direction to come, it does also seem that the situation on the Bradford market has modestly and cautiously moved in a similar direction, there has been an improvement in new business, even if ideas of the extent of this still vary.

FIDC REVIEW

A joint ODA/FIG team will undertake another complete review of the activities of FIDC in October.

The ODA representatives are Mr Ron White, Head of the South Atlantic and Gibraltar Department; Mr Timothy Foy, an economic advisor; and Mr Eric Gill, a financial advisor.

The representatives of FIG will be Mr Barrie Collins, a partner in Peat Marwick and McLintock, the Chief Executive Mr David Taylor, who will act as chairman, and local councillor the Honourable Charles Keenleyside.

The review is set for 18th -26th October during which time the team will, amongst other things, be interested to hear local views on FIDC and its subsidiaries.

Any individual or organisation who wishes to express a view is invited to do so in writing prior to the review. Representations should be addressed to the Chairman, FIDC Review. The Secretariat, Stanley.

The review panel will be responsible for the production of a full report of their findings to ODA and FIG which will include recommendations for the future.

This will be the last review before the responsibility for FIDC falls to FIG rather than ODA.

YOUNG ISLANDERS SET FOR EAST AFRICA

Two lucky young Falkland Islanders are bound for East Africa in the New Year after being selected for Operation Raleigh.

Following a series of interviews recently 19-year-old Sheena Newman, a clerk at Falkland Farmers, and 21-year-old John McLeod who works at PWD, have been selected to take part in the expedition.

The interviews were conducted by Captain John Kultschar of shipping and fishing company J. Marr, Inspector Mark Bullock of the Falkland Islands Police Force and Belinda Caminada who has recently been working for FIBS. (Kenyan Rangeland Ecological Unit) and a survey of Mount Suasa crater - the world's largest volcanic crater, being 30km in circumference. The venturers will attempt to reach the isolated island in the crater.

Exploring and mapping the Mount Elgon caves inhabited by elephants and climbing Mount Elgon spur are proposed. Community tasks will be tackled in the villages around the shores of Lake Victoria.

The ten week expedition to Kenya will be sponsored by J. Marr.

There are three main areas identified for proposed projects to be carried out during the expedition. They will survey Lake Baringo to assess water retention and study insects, plants and animals in the area of the lake and Mukutan Gorge. There will also be treks to the north of the Rift Valley.

The second set of projects is based around the Masai Mara National Park. There will be foot safaris with local rangers, animal surveys, fencing and trail making in the park. There will be monitoring of wildlife movement with KREMU.

The expedition is set to leave London on January 7th and should either Sheena or John be unable to make it for the expedition 18-year-old Alan Steen has been selected as first replacement.

In the main the venturers will be sponsored by J. Marr, but any local sponsorship for items of equipment, kit, or incidental expenses would be greatly appreciated by the venturers.

FALKLAND ISLANDS SEMINAR AT FCO

The Falkland Islands are to be the subject of a seminar at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in London later this month.

Mr Tim Eggar MP, the minister responsible for Falklands affairs in the Foreign Office, will open the seminar on October 18th.

The seminar will include representatives from the Falkland Islands Government, visiting Falklands councillors, business people, consultants and experts on social economic and fishery matters as well as officials from the various departments in Whitehall which have responsibilities in the Falklands.

The retiring governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes, and the governor-designate, Mr William Fullerton, will both be present.

Participants will study the impact on the islands of the new found wealth deriving from fishery licencing and examine how this will affect the structure of society, how the Falklands can best use their increased income and how it will affect relations between London and Stanley.

The meeting is intended to enable those present to exchange views and examine options for the future, but it will not issue a final report nor will it take decisions.

BOUND ABOUT TOWN - By Graham Bound.

Let's End an Old Practice

Traditions die hard, but we should not let sentimentality stop us from letting them go when they no longer fit in with current standards of behaviour.

One tradition to which we should say cheerio is that of penguin egg collecting.

Of course not so many eggs are stolen from nests these days, but the status of the practice as a virtual institution was brought home to me a few days ago when the Stanley Police Force broadcast a notice reminding people that a licence must be issued before eggs can be gathered. At £1 per hundred it is clear that this is neither a deterrent (the price is too low to put any egg eater off) or a conservation measure (100 eggs is a lot of dead chicks).

I doubt if anyone was fooled by the tongue-in-cheek explanation that the licences are issued for "conservation management purposes".

When the licencing legislation was introduced, goodness knows how long ago, the only

intention was to make money for government. In those days the revenue might have been quite substantial: schooners from the west would arrive in Stanley packed with eggs which had been stolen from rookeries by the wheelbarrow-load.

Many people can remember the days when every Stanley home had a bucket full of penguin eggs in the garden shed. If you doubt the scale of the operation, just check out one of the black and white prints on sale in the West Store.

The quaint old picture shows two ladies posing proudly before a wheelbarrow load of eggs and surrounded by bemused rockhopper penguins.

No, we no longer need to officially condone the robbing of nests. Hen eggs are easily enough obtained, and will become even more common when the commercial chicken farm is established. The time has come to protect the bird which has been so good to us as a symbol of the Falklands natural beauty.

PN Bouquet for Garden Centre

The bouquet (imaginary as usual) this week is awarded to Tim Miller of the Stanley Garden Centre.

For some years now a great gardening tradition has been dying out in the Falklands, so the introduction of a garden centre where those with green and not so green fingers can obtain seeds, tools, plants and advice, has given the pastime the boost it needed at just the right time.

Gardening is becoming fun and fashionable again, thanks largely to the garden centre.

Well done!

Off The Beaten Track

Young Keith Kelloway of the Berney High School in Newfoundland, Canada, must have been surprised to discover that the dead bird he found on the coast near his home had travelled 10,793kms or thereabouts.

But the evidence was there; attached to the Sooty Shearwater's leg was a message clearly stating that the bird had been captured by Shane Wolsey during a ringing exercise on Kidney Island. According to the note from Keith Kelloway, the bird had covered this enormous distance between the 1st March 1987 and the 25th May 1988.

According to Robin Woods' new book, such a long winter migration is not out of the ordinary. Although not all travel so far, there have been previous recordings of Sooty's reaching the coasts of Alaska and Eastern Canada.

We Falkland Islanders like to travel!

Kinnock is "Kind"

It takes a child's innocence to recognise that the locally unpopular leader of the British Labour Party, Neil Kinnock, is not such a bad chap.

I was delighted to hear that Mr Kinnock took time to show the two youngsters who recently went to New York to participate in the multi-national fun-run there, around the Houses of Parliament when they were passing through London.

I can imagine that there were a few frowns of displeasure locally when Nina Aldridge responded so innocently and openly to the FIBS interviewer's question about what she thought of the socialist leader: "he was kind".

How refreshing to hear a Falkland Islander say something fair about the politician who, regardless of his views on the Falklands, means well.

SCB REP

It is understood a representative of Standard Chartered Bank's senior management staff was in the islands last week.

Unconfirmed sources suggest that the Royal Bank of Scotland Ltd. has expressed an interest to set up in the Falklands when the sole licence serviced by Standard Chartered ends next year.

SUZUKI SURVEY

The British Government seem set to take action over the danger of Suzuki jeeps rolling over at low speed.

Following the publication in the last edition of "Penguin News" of a "Which" magazine report on Suzukis, word has reached us that the British government have now carried out preliminary tests on the vehicles and are concerned at the results.

Junior Transport Minister Peter Bottomley has warned all Suzuki drivers "to be very careful" when using the vehicles.

The government test have confirmed that the vehicles do roll over at low speeds.

Further test on the vehicles have been postponed to allow roll bars and cages to be designed to protect the test drivers during their tests.

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

WHAT'S WRONG WITH WITCH-HUNT?

Dear Rory,

Thank you for outlining the facts in the Seamount Saga.

Your editorial comment presented both pros and cons as to the appointing of blame for this inevitable affair.

A few points keep bouncing around and maybe some person in the know could answer them.

Firstly, why would the prosecution of the guilty be a witch-hunt? Most of the people concerned are paid a comfortable wage for their expertise and accepting responsibility for the good and the bad. They take the perks readily enough.

Why is there not going to be an open inquiry? After throwing in 2.15 million what's a couple of thousand? Time? The government will release what they consider appropriate, and if it isn't quite what they think we should hear? Is this the "willingness to be open and honest"?

The lack of information annoyed Councillor Lee. Have not demands in the past for facts been ignored by civil servants on this and other matters?

Councillors have stated that they were "annoyed", "should have been more ascertive", "angry", "approve with great reluctance", "called upon to rubber-stamp", and yet they do not assert themselves as the leaders of this country but kow-tow to the "experts" and high paid advisors that have gotten this country into this costly decision, and undoubtedly will get us into others.

Lack of control? Who's in control?

Angrily,
G. Mercer,
Stanley.

F.I.B.S. HISPANOPHILIA

Dear Sir,

Is it not time to put a stop to this Port San Carrillos business on F.I.B.S.?

In the beginning it could be regarded merely as a rather silly affectation by one partic-

ular continuity announcer, but the disease is now spreading to her colleagues.

This is an English-speaking country, the Argentines having failed to turn it into a Spanish-speaking one in 1982. In English-speaking countries it is the practice to use the accepted Anglicised pronunciation for proper names of foreign origin.

Of course I may be doing the lady an injustice. Perhaps she is neither suffering from Hispanophilia nor trying to show off her South American accent. She may genuinely believe that the practice in English-speaking countries is wrong.

In that case why only the Spanish? What have the French done to be left out?

I look forward with interest to hearing her read an announcement to the effect that M.V. Beaulieu has sailed from Char-les and is heading for Choiseul Sound via Cape Bougainville, while PWD are digging up Villiers Street for a new water main!

Yours sincerely,
John Reid,
Pebble Island.

TRISTAR TRAVESTIES

Dear Sir,

I was somewhat amused at the recent news of airfare and freight increases by the RAF claiming responsibility towards the UK taxpayer.

If MOD feel this responsibility can someone explain the following:-

1. A large - the largest stationed here - military vessel is possibly due to carry a couple of dignitaries on a "jolly" to Volunteer Point shortly - who pays?

2. For the sake of the taxpayer isn't it about time someone at MPA got organised with supplies so that basics like several tons of Urea for road dressing does not have to be airfreighted in?

3. Why are the RAF planning to airfreight in a disused English red phone box weighing about half a ton - why is this and other items not coming seafreight on one of the

monthly cargo vessels?

4. Why are unnecessary items such as 2 and 3 airfreighted in but not commercial freight which is frequently queuing up, also why the persistent refusal to carry civilian air parcels - for both these the MOD and the taxpayer in the UK would be PAID.

As regards airfares, will there be any improvement in service as well? Travelling recently, medical, having recently undergone surgery I specifically asked in advance for a seat in a quiet area and NOT behind rows of smokers.

Result - a middle seat in virtually the only full row, two-thirds of the way back, completely surrounded by smoke! (Coincidentally the reason for the operation was the result of MOD putting their foot - or rather a 1000lb bomb - in it in 1982).

One could go on at length. To sum up, the best value for the taxpayer would probably be to either privatise the service or put it out to tender from a commercial airline.

Those in power must not forget - it is Mount Pleasant Airport, operated by MOD for military and civil use. Sometimes one gets the impression it's becoming an Airfield only and we civvies are a nuisance.

Yours faithfully,
Tim Miller,
Stanley.

HUSBAND BATTERED IN BEETLE BATTLE

Dear Mr MacLeod,

The following news item appeared in the Daily Telegraph a few weeks ago and I thought it might amuse people here if reprinted in your paper:-

"An Israeli woman's battle with a stubborn cockroach landed her husband in hospital with severe burns, a broken pelvis and broken ribs, the Jerusalem Post reported yesterday.

"The wife stamped on the insect, threw it in the lavatory and sprayed a full can of insecticide on it when it refused to die.

"Her husband later threw a cigarette end into the bowl, ig-

niting the insecticide fumes and "seriously burning his sensitive parts". Then two ambulance men, shaking with laughter at the incident, dropped the stretcher down the stairs, causing the other injuries. - Reuter."

My sympathy lies mainly with ambulance men; I still shake with laughter whenever I look at the cutting!

Kind regards,

Yours ever,

Robin Pitaluga,
Port San Salvador.

NATIONAL SYMBOLS

Dear Sir,

I am writing a book on animals, plants, and minerals that are symbolic or emblematic of the world's nations.

Does your country have a national bird, mammal, flower etc.? Are any animals, plants, or minerals pictured on your coat of arms, flag, etc.?

If you have such symbols, I would appreciate any anecdotal information you can send me regarding how and when these symbols were designed or selected and the role these symbols play in your country's environment, culture and history.

I am also interested in historic events and festivals or holidays that relate to plants or animals.

If you can send me the address of individuals or organisations who could give me more information, it would be appreciated.

If your nation does not recognise such symbols, I would like to encourage their adoption. Such symbols display a nation's pride in its natural heritage.

From a practical point of view, natural symbols add interest to information read by tourists, many of whom have an increasing interest in wildlife.

Yours sincerely,
David Blomstrom,
8565 Stone Avenue N.,
Seattle,
Washington 98103,
U.S.A.



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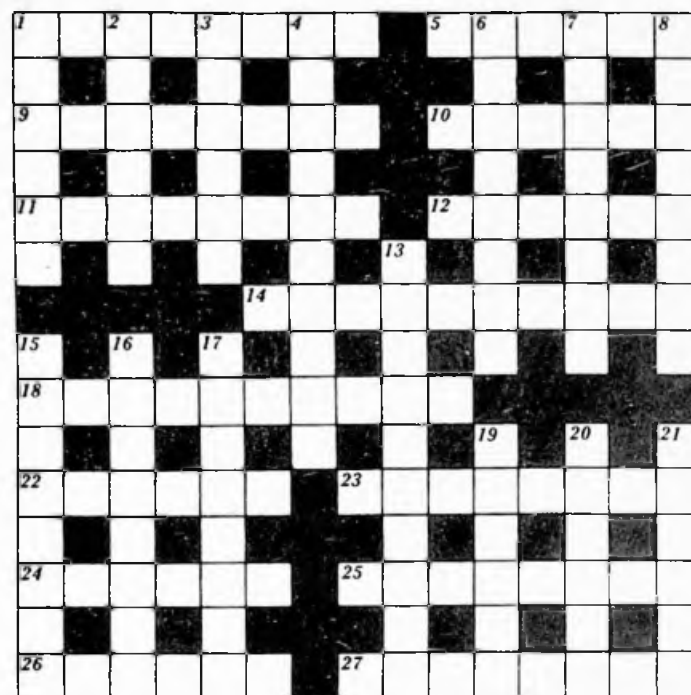
ACROSS

- 1 Sick about the sticky coating for a medicated sweet (8)
 5 Point to the mythical creature prepared for a walk (6)
 9 An attempt to contain a nuisance on the wall (8)
 10 Joins, and in another way sets free (6)
 11 They need a foot or two to be got going (8)
 12 Letters open or sealed (6)
 14 Educational capacity of a particular class (10)
 18 Beauty spot from which one can't take pictures! (3, 7)
 22 Returning part as the governor appears (6)
 23 Mounts a show of deportment (8)
 24 One good quality? Such people have none! (6)
 25 Having a whale of a time at Speakers' Corner? (8)
 26 Relationship between matron and nurse (6)
 27 Sat around among the tangled reeds, and claimed (8)

DOWN

- 1 Eyed an Elizabethan discovery on the table (6)
 2 Folded papers for the engineer (6)
 3 Descriptive of information on the prison grapevine? (6)
 4 In a great way—or for one, by the sound of it! (5, 5)
 6 Bestial member of the grasping type (8)
 7 At the precise time, tenth had nothing to do, strangely (2, 3, 3)
 8 The previous occasion was the final one (4, 4)
 13 Not a sweet bunch—but fabulous! (4, 6)
 15 Prepares hides after tops are turned on board (8)
 16 Positions on the railway (8)
 17 For instance, tortoiseshell vehicle moving swiftly (8)
 19 Like certain underwriters do! (6)
 20 Soggy food. Is it archaic abuse for a Catholic? (6)
 21 Acted as a solicitor for charity! (6)

(Answers on Page 15)



ANSWERS TO BIG X-WORD:- ACROSS:- 8, Counterbalance; 9, Bean; 10, Pseudonyms; 11, Etna; 12, Roc; 13, Attain; 14, Day off; 16, Skewer; 20, Usurer; 23, Ash; 25, Oath; 26, Shop-lifter; 27, Weak; 28, Constructional.
 DOWN:- 1, Accented; 2, Quandry; 3, Stupor; 4, Urgency; 5, Landmark; 6, Garnet; 7, Scampi; 15, Furriers; 17, Woodwind; 18, Rateable; 19, Lattice; 21, School; 22, Repose; 24, Germit.

FICZ REPORT

During the course of the week a number of Spanish trawlers have filtered back into the FICZ. This is a direct result of poor fishing in international waters to the north of the Falkland Islands.

Some of the above mentioned vessels are also remaining in the FICZ to take on bunkers at Berkeley Sound when the tanker "Saronic Bay" arrives there. There are three new licenced vessels this week, all of them Spanish trawlers.

This gives a total of 25 Spanish trawlers and one longliner, although if the hake fishing remains poor, many will leave the zone to try again in the international waters and also, possibly, off the coast of Southern Africa.

The remaining fishing vessels in the FICZ consist of 20 Polish trawlers and one Japanese who are fishing for Blue Whiting south west of Cape Meredith. Catch rates for these vessels this week have diminished slightly.

The UK trawler Waveney Warrior is at anchor in Berkeley Sound with engine defects.

The Falklands Right continues with her research programme and is now concentrating her efforts on the Loligo fishing grounds between Beauchene Island and east of Stanley along the 200m line. The first two days fishing this week to the east of Stanley gave disappointing results with very little Loligo in evidence. The third day off Beauchene was held up due to bad weather conditions. It is hoped that the remainder of the week's research fishing gives more encouraging results.

The patrol vessel Falklands Desire continues normal patrol duties in the FICZ covering all major fishing areas including a patrol along the inside of the segment. No infringements reported for the whole of the patrol.

The Dornier air patrol also covered all fishing areas in the FICZ and again no infringements or unusual activity has been reported.

The Harbour Patrol launch "Warrah" is now back in commission after engine trials recently carried out and is reported to be running well.

Many listeners to FIBS last week may have heard Captain John Jackson, Director of Fisheries, talking as he presented his favourite pieces of music on the programme "Falkland Islands Discs".

During the programme he talked of his lifetime in the maritime service and got round to talking of shore runs for crews of ships.

The reputation of crews having a merry time when they come ashore after weeks at sea was mentioned and the Captain was heard to say, "It is difficult to actually run amok in Stanley when you've been on patrol for a couple of weeks".

As a result of that particular comment this cartoon found its way to Penguin News and with apologies to Captain Jackson, FIBS and, of course, Punch magazine, we have printed it.



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CAMP SCHOOL CHILDREN VISIT MPA

On Wednesday 24th August a small party of children from the Camp schools at Douglas and Salvador had a school trip with a difference.

They were lucky enough to fly into MPA, where they were given a warm welcome by service personnel who eagerly let them into the mysteries of air traffic control and communication with the northbound Tristar, which the children had seen for the first time, as it took off as their Islander came in to land.

The Camp children were joined by children from the airbase, most of whom were on holiday from schools in UK, and together they explored the delights of 1312 squadron's mess and, bubbling over with fizzy pop and enthusiasm, the children investigated the flight deck of a Hercules transport plane before going on to a scrumptious lunch hosted by Mrs Carol Brindle, wife of the station commander at MPA.

Then, full to the brim with ice cream and clutching balloons, the party became budding Top Guns as they each clambered into the cockpit of one of 23 squadron's Phantom jets under the indulgent eyes of flight and ground crew.

Next stop was the Bristow's hangar where the children were welcomed aboard a helicopter and introduced to the intricacies of the controls.

But alas, at that point, they were beaten by time and had

to rush back to the waiting Islander, happy that they had seen and enjoyed so much, but confident that there was plenty more to see on a repeat visit!

Special thanks must go to Flight Lieutenant Debbie Neale who co-ordinated the visit, and helped it go so smoothly and enjoyably.

A terrific hand for Mrs Carol Brindle who provided the wonderful meal and hospitality. And thanks too, to all the service personnel who explained things and answered numerous questions so very patiently.

Also not forgetting FIGAS without whose wings they would never have got there.

It is now hoped that Camp children will be able to host a visit from the MPA children and let them into some of the mysteries of Camp life in exchange for this insight into the workings of MPA.

EMERGENCY AFLOAT DURING SCHOOL VISIT

An ordinary school visit to a an RFA ship in the Falklands soon developed into a full emergency afloat.

When eight Camp Education school children set out to sea on Tuesday 30th August, for an educational outing on the RFA Black Rover, with their teachers, nobody could have guessed that by the end of the day they would be involved in the air-sea-rescue of a seaman on a Russian trawler off the coast of the Falklands.

The children all came in to Stanley from Camp with their teachers on the Monday morning. They spent the afternoon shopping, exploring Stanley and visited Christchurch Cathedral. Robert Collie explained the workings of the organ, heard so often out in the Camp on radio broadcasts, and he played music for the children to sing along to.

At 6.15am on Tuesday morning the children were driven through the snow by Tony Jaffrey to Mare Harbour where a tug was waiting to take them out to the Balck Rover.

For many of the sailors this was the first time they had had with children for nearly six months, as their own wives and children usually remain in England. They made the children very welcome by giving them generous supplies of fresh fruit and posters. Special activities were prepared for the

children, including a man overboard exercise followed by inquisitive porpoises.

When the emergency call came to stand-by, the ship headed out to sea, into a force seven gale. However, the Black Rover was not fully used in the end and returned to Stanley in the early evening.

This trip to sea was a wonderful opportunity for Camp children living on isolated farms to come together and work as a team, making new friends as they helped and supported each other when the ship plunged into rough water.

At the end of the day Ian Butler from Waimera thanked the captain for an exciting and unusual day out on behalf of all the other others.

On the Wednesday everyone flew back to Camp, tired but happy after a wonderful adventure at sea.

DRINKING TOKENS?

Did hotels or pubs in Stanley issue drinking tokens in the past?

That is the question museum curator, Mr John Smith, is asking and looking for help to answer.

The initial enquiry comes from overseas and is quite intriguing as it suggests that tokens used to be issued by hotels, pubs and shops.

About 1900 the Globe Hotel issued at least two types of brass tokens, very much like a coin, about the same size as a 2p piece. They were probably good for a drink at that time as they were valued at 3d and 4d.

Just exactly how they were used is uncertain, as is how long they remained in use. Maybe there are a few people still living in the islands who will remember them.

The Falkland Islands Co-operative Store - not the present Co-op - also used tokens. They were made from thin pieces of metal being just a bit bigger than our present 10p piece. One was definitely for the value of two shillings.

These were probably given to the customers when purchases were made from the store: the Co-operative would then declare a dividend on either a six or 12 monthly basis and then the tokens could be turned into the store as proof of purchase so that the store would then pay the customer the dividend, based on the proven value of their purchases. It is almost certain that other values of token were issued.

If anyone can help with details on the use of tokens they are asked to get in touch with John Smith at the museum.

Like so many other things the use of tokens was so much an everyday part of life that no one really bothered too much about it at the time, explains John.

But now, he continues, it is a part of our commercial history which should be tidied up and set down, thus providing another bit in the jigsaw puzzle of events which go to make up our history.



Pictured here are pencil rubbings of the coins that John is looking for help to identify.

CHANGES AT FOX BAY SALMON FARM

The 19th of October will see the departure from the islands of Simon Hardcastle who has been running the salmon farm at Fox Bay for the last two years.

Simon(27) is off to New Zealand to see other fish farms and gain more experience in the fish rearing business.

The very existence of the salmon farm at Fox Bay owes much to Simon's hard work and fortitude in some of the more difficult times it has gone through.

There had been many surveys on Falkland rivers by ODA and the like to see the feasibility of starting a salmon farm in the islands and Simon says he had always wanted to be involved in any project like that.

He approached Simon Armstrong at FIDC and it was decided to send Simon to the Institute of Aquaculture at Stirling University in Scotland where he was taught fish husbandry techniques.

The institute itself worked out the costings of a project in the Falklands and Simon returned to start the project at Fox Bay with the institute acting as administrators.

The first fish arrived in the islands in April 1986 as eggs and they were hatched into tanks sunk into the clear, fresh running water at Cheek's Creek where a system of tanks was established by Simon.

These were later transferred to a larger growing tank site at Doctor's Creek. This site shows a considerable feat of engineering for one man. An area had been made into a pool by the military and Simon then built a large clay dam further up stream to keep the water level high.

Having done that steel beams and concrete were employed to form sluice channels and the like to control the water flow through huge growing tanks which have been sunk into the ground on a gradient to keep the water flow going.

The first batch of fish, at about 18 months old, were transferred from the growing tanks to floating sea cages

nearby but then disaster struck, quite literally.

It has not been confirmed, but it is thought that a bolt of lightning hit a metal water fountain in the cages and electrified the water and killing the fish.

A fresh batch of eggs were sent over from Scotland, some of them hatching on the Tristar journey.

Luckily not all the fish from the first batch sent were in the sea cages so it was not a case of starting the project from scratch, but it did mean considerable hard work to get the project back on its feet.

That was last year and Simon now says, "We have no problems now and expect these fish to grow to a considerable size."

"There are plans to take a larger site somewhere on east Falkland and plans are being arranged to try and interest farmers in taking cages on their land."

"It would give them diversification from wool all the year around. Two cages could bring in an income of around £20,000 from only one hours work a day. The fish only need fed and they grow themselves."

But what of Simon's plans for his own future? "I'd like to come back in a couple of years and see how the project is progressing and maybe get involved again."

With Simon's departure 30-year-old Marina Harvey has been brought in to run the project over the next five or six months.

Marina has been working on fish farms in Scotland when she was approach by the Institute of Aquaculture, where she trained, to come to the Falklands.

Marina first became inter-

ested in salmon farming when she had to survey a river salmon hatchery while studying for her degree in Zoology at Bangor University.

She has also worked for the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Marina has come to Fox Bay with her boyfriend, Adrian Simpson(30), who has had such diverse jobs as a cartographer, builder, quarryman and is a qualified engineer.

His skills have not been overlooked and almost as soon as he arrived at Fox Bay he was put to work at the woolen mill to overhaul and maintain machinery.

With Simon departing the fish farm there has obviously been a long, hard look at the project which FIDC stress was always a pilot project.

Shane Wolsey, Assistant General Manager of FIDC, said last week: "The long term future has got to be looked at."

"The Institute of Aquaculture will be sending out a report for our next meeting to be considered."

"It was always an experimental project and not intended to be viable. It was to establish whether the fish would grow and what they could be fed on here."

"It has been producing useful information but I think we are nearing the stage where we have as much as we are going to get from the project in its present set up."

The suggestion would seem to be that if the findings are positive that a fully-fledged permanent site would work that would be the way forward with a new site identified. The possibility of involving farms in having small units on their land is also being looked at.

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Roundup; 2000 BBC World News and commentary; 2015 Weather and Flights followed by Calling the Falklands; 2045 Light and Easy with Jeanette Bain; 2130 Late From London; 2130 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

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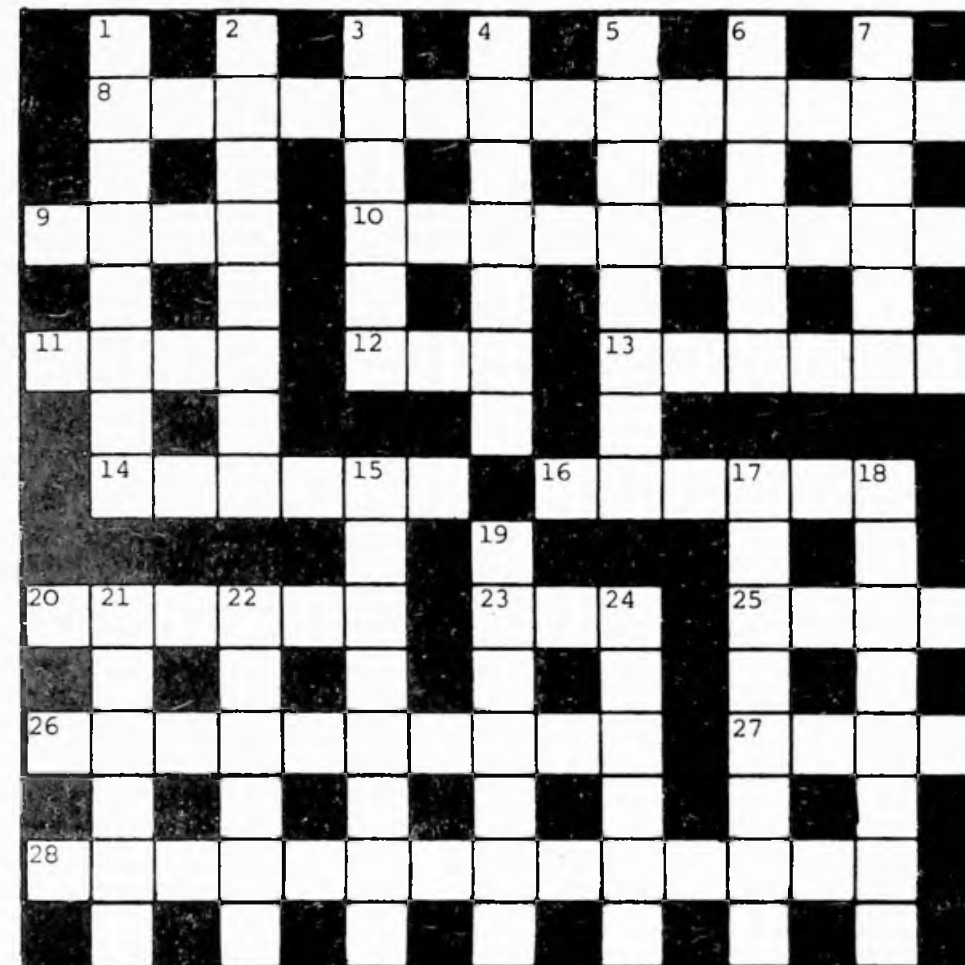
THE BIG X-WORD

ACROSS

- 8 The shop scales could equalise a weight. (14)
 9 Could be a runner, climber or jumper. (4)
 10 By which you can call authors names, even if not true. (10)
 11 Put back the stake -it's eruptive. (4)
 12 Cordite is untied and reversed. (3)
 13 Reach at both ways in addition. (6)
 14 May be taken from a calender or from work. (3,3)
 16 Could be used for pigsticking. (6)
 20 His is interesting work. (6)
 23 Where there's smoke there's -this. (3)
 25 You need not be a gambler to hold a book when you take it. (4)
 26 He doesn't steal the whole store, surely! (4-6)
 27 Feeble for seven days, we hear. (4)
 28 About building, it might be an engineer. (14)

DOWN

- 1 The account could be decent and stressed. (8)
 2 Dilemma to mend socks perhaps in landing place. (8)
 3 Daze could be silly if I'd replace the alternative. (6)
 4 Is an order for pressing a suit quickly a matter of this? (7)
 5 Conspicuous to alight before money is offered. (8)
 6 Gem could be large around the north. (6)



- 7 I follow the rascal in this delicacy. (6)
 15 They may provide winter cover for some. (8)
 17 It's reeded in the orchestra. (8)
 18 Every home has some value, if only this. (8)
 19 Cattle I find in this. (7)
 21 The occupants are in form here. (6)
 22 Rest and sit again. (6)
 24 Recluse takes the lady first. (6)

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SPORT-

By
Rory
MacLeod.

NAILBITER AS STANLEY HANG ON FOR VICTORY

STANLEY RFC 3 FIELD SQUADRON RFC 0

If there can be one moment in a game of rugby when it can be said the final outcome is decided then Stanley can thank full-back Jamie Peck for holding onto their slender lead in this exciting contest.

Just as it seemed the game was going to go in Stanley's favour with no upset, the Field Squadron mounted a sustained attack on the home half and with time almost running out, they broke through for what looked like a certain try.

With nothing between the line and himself the visiting winger looked certain to score until Jamie Peck seemed to dig deep into his reserves of energy and give chase, overhaul the man and bring him down in a smothering tackle despite having what was later diagnosed to be a badly fractured hand.

Had the man made it to the line and scored it is likely Stanley would not have recovered and lost a game they should have won in terms of percentage of possession if not in skill of play.

Stanley have shown this season that they are developing into a side to be reckoned with by any visiting side but of all their victories this year they can probably count this as one of their luckiest escapes.

As usual the dominance in the first half was there for the home side. Strong forward play with some deft touches from the backs brought some close calls on the field squadron line, but as has been the case in the last few matches, possession was not converted to points.

Always at the last push there was just that final pass or flair of run missing to get a player across the line to touch down.

As has been a prevalent feature of the Stanley side all season the back row played some magnificent rugby. Jim Rae, playing in his last game before returning to New Zealand, put in a typically devastating performance breaking down play

and preventing the opposition gaining any space to move.

His fellow wing forward Gavin Clifton also played a stormer showing great mobility and an uncanny ability to be able to steal ball from the opposition.

With four regular players missing from the side Stanley were lucky to have these players on form against a field squadron side that proved both big and strong.

In the first half the difference between the sides was the cohesion of play. The visitors seemed to lack direction and Stanley were able to capitalise on this despite their unusual team make-up on the day.

In the forwards there was a good tussle between the sides as the home pack found it hard to settle and find the right combination of players in differing positions.

Of the two Stanley settled quicker and showed more pattern to their play allowing their backs to get some possession and test their opposite numbers.

With one player short for most of the first half the home side looked concerned when Jamie Peck, playing unusually at full-back, took a late tackle and damaged his hand with only ten minutes gone.

However, the youngster played on and showed no ill effects when he popped over a penalty from about the 22 in front of the posts.

Without the essential penetration Stanley never managed

to add to this before half time but looked forward to the second half.

Their optimism was soon put to the test as the military side attacked the half with a renewed vigour and sense of commitment.

Using their strength and fitness they launched several dangerous attacks and the home side took time to adapt to coping with the field squadron running at them rather than playing a kick and chase game.

Some staunch tackling in midfield kept the danger at bay and the already hard working back row even had to work harder to keep the threat of breakthroughs at bay.

It would be difficult to remark on the tackling of all the backs at different stages in the game but particularly effective were scrum half Mike Finlay, stand-off John Pollard and guesting winger "Dinger" Bell from EOD.

In the middle 20 minutes of the second half Stanley looked as though they had lost direction slightly and had to defend hard against some testing runs by the military side.

On more than one occasion it was only some desperate tackling which prevented the visitors making the home line and their backs slowly began to come onto their game.

With ten minutes left came the breakthrough that looked as though it would bring the visitors their first points, but as already described Jamie Peck

saved the day. The saving tackle seemed to breath new life into Stanley and they then raised their game to compete the last ten minutes and hold out for the narrowest of victories in what surely should not have been their toughest game to date.

After the game Jamie Peck was still suffering considerable discomfort from his damaged hand and a trip to the hospital and a quick X-ray later proved he had badly fractured his hand in that late tackle early in the first half.

Stanley can count themselves lucky Peck lasted the game and was able to bring off that try-saving tackle late on.

The field squadron will be looking for revenge for their defeat next weekend when they will combine with other units to play Stanley.

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WHALING BONE OF CONTENTION FOR FALKLANDS AND JAPANESE

A significant anti-whaling campaign with potential international repercussions has grown up in the Falklands following a "Bound About Town" article and an advert which appeared in the last two editions of the "Penguin News".

The groundswell of opinion favouring anti-whaling has resulted in a petition with over 900 names being delivered to the acting Governor and Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor.

The campaign got underway with exposure in Penguin News and campaigners, led by Eddie Anderson, Mike Butcher, Rana Anderson, Graham Bound and Fiona Barton, put together a fact sheet which they then sent to every household in the islands.

In the sheet they put forward their argument that the people of the Falkland Islands should "use the Falklands fishery as a powerful economic lever to force the Japanese into observing the international ban on whaling" and added "no fishing licences should be issued to Japanese concerns until that country ceases the slaughter of whales".

They gave a date when a petition would be circulated looking for signatures and said that at least 200 residents prior to that had "committed themselves to a campaign against the issuing of licences to Japanese fishing companies".

Following the collection of signatures the campaigners presented David Taylor with a petition bearing 768 residents signatures and 152 construction workers and other temporary residents.

In a covering letter to Mr Taylor it said, "These 582 people of Stanley and 186 from Camp, as well as the 152 temporary residents, have given their support to our request that the Falkland Islands Government refuses fishing licences to Japanese concerns until that country's whaling industry, which continues in spite of an international ban,

ceases".

On receiving the petition the acting Governor and Chief Executive said that he appreciated the feelings of the petitioners and was duty bound to report the petition to the FCO and Exco.

By Rory MacLeod

He said that in the case of one particular Japanese company, Taiyo, FIG were contractually bound to give them licences by a five-year contract signed last year.

David Taylor told Penguin News that there was no possibility of not giving licences to the Japanese for some time.

He said that in the case of one particular Japanese company, Taiyo, FIG were contractually bound to give them licences by a five-year contract signed last year.

"I have a slight conflict because I have a personal aversion to whaling," said Mr Taylor.

"I am concerned having published a particular fishing licencing policy we should introduce a new factor at the last minute.

"It is important to bring stability into the arrangements for the fishery and we have already abolished the JV premiums which is a change.

"It is perfectly open for Exco at a later date to take any position they wish. I am not sure what influence the Japanese fishing companies have over the issue.

"The petition will be taken into account but we can't have government by instant petition. Petitions are important to governments to let them know

public opinion."

Explaining the petitioners point of view Graham Bound said that they were aware of the total disregard for the future of the whale as a collective species that certain countries are showing.

He said a few countries were blatantly denying the ruling banning whaling made by the International Whaling Commission.

"We realised that the Falklands have a virtually unique opportunity to do something about it," he said.

But was he worried about any damage a ban on the Japanese would have on the FICZ?

"I don't think it would do anything to the fishery. Imperial College are trying to assess the levels of licences to conserve stocks and if they knew the Japanese were likely to be curtailed it is easy to see who would step into their shoes. We can adjust the licencing levels to cope. We need not adjust the conservation policy, the college would just need to do more work.

"The Japanese are not going to look for some quick easy option outside and fish elsewhere. The FICZ represents the best concentrated resources there are. the Japanese will take the long term view over 10-15 years and see that it is worth putting their house in order."

Graham continued that if the Japanese did conform then
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they would be welcome back in the zone.

The campaign has the backing of the World Wildlife Fund who are co-ordinating press cover abroad and they have told the campaigners that their action could be "vital".

At present attempts to make the campaign international have been resisted because the organisers see it better to remain a home grown operation at present with backing from the WWF.

At present there is a moratorium on whaling around the world except for "scientific research". This is where the Japanese are finding the loophole to continue whaling and much finds its way onto the tables of Tokyo's most exclusive restaurants.

The campaigners want something done now as the moratorium established by the International Whaling Commission expires in 1990 and they believe the Japanese government and industry are heavily subsidising the whaling so that when the ban lifts they can go back to full-scale whaling again.

"We are actually looking to see if there are any connections between the fishing industry and the subsidising of the whaling industry," explained Graham.

"People are too alarmist about the effect the lack of the Japanese would have on the Falklands. Potentially we have a very effective tool against whaling.

"A lot of people think that if they had to choose between whaling and squid fishing they would take the squid. They want to fish in the Falklands for a long time and the beauty of this campaign is in its simplicity.

"The campaign gives Falkland Islanders the chance to show what they are made of and that they are in control of their own natural resources. They are not just wanting to sit back and make money as has been suggested and most of all they have a conscience."

The campaign has gained media attention in the UK and the campaigners are moving to keep pressure on the Falkland Islands Government.

They are to write to Mr Taylor saying that while they understand his belief that it may be too late to change the policy for the 1989 fishing

season, they have no intention of withdrawing their demand that the Japanese eventually have licences withheld until their nation ceases whaling.

Meanwhile they are asking for a "meaningful and tangible gesture" to be made to show that "FIG respects the wishes of its citizens".

They continue, "We ask, therefore, that our plea for a total boycott is implemented as soon as possible, and if this cannot be before the deadline for the issuing of licences, then we request that the following measures are taken..."

They then ask that the Japanese government and fishing companies be informed of their petition and that a token reduction in the number of licences - possibly two or three - be made to the Japanese as a symbolic gesture made out of respect for the wishes of Falkland Islanders.

The campaigners point to the petition as their proof of strength of opinion as they calculate that they have the signatures of around 42% of the population by the last census, and some 52% of the electorate.

However, there is some strong opposition to the campaign by those who feel it could jeopardise the economic strength of the FICZ. There are also those who feel the petitions were not worded correctly or consistently.

Many feel that if the petition were merely to ban whaling they would have signed it but do not agree with the idea of taking licences away from Japanese fishing companies merely because they come from a country where there are whaling companies.

Others complain that some of the petitions they saw only said they opposed whaling and didn't mention the withdrawal of licences.

However, the biggest fear is that a ban on the Japanese would result in a boycott of the Falkland fishing products by the Japanese and that other countries would feel the pinch because their market for sale would disappear as well.

The result would be a large surplus of squid on the market, forcing prices down, and thus making fishing of the zone less feasible and less attractive.

(See letters page for reader's views on the issue).

BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

In Australia, at Goulburn/Geelong, Merino closed for 18 micron and finer extreme, 100 - 150 cents dearer. 18.5 - 21 was 10-30 cents easier, and 21.5 - 24.5 was par to ten cents easier, with Japan the main with EC supporting.

Comeback crossbreds were generally unchanged for all descriptions with Japan the main buyers.

In Christchurch, New Zealand, on October 26th, Merino fleece of 17-19 microns inclined in buyers' favour and 19.5 to 22 was up to \$2 cheaper.

Halfbred fleece of 32, 33.5 was in sellers' favour, 34 at \$2 dearer and 35-38 in sellers' favour for all a small offering. Crossbred second shear was in sellers' favour. Fine oddments were up to \$2.5 dearer, with crossbred oddments nominally unchanged.

Western Europe was the principal buyer, supported by China, Eastern Europe and local mills. The NZ Wool Board bid on \$14.5 and bought \$5.

In general the absence of production activity in many combing plants during the week's Autumn break has almost been matched by equal lack of inquiry for new business.

A generally softer Australian market - albeit with, for the second week insuccession, a slight steadying on the final day - is providing no encouragement for people to venture into the market.

Consequently, any work reported booked is said to be in modest weights, for early delivery. The few offers relating to more substantial volumes, both for Merino and English qualities, are said to be invariably at machinery fodder prices.

Only minor changes are noted in price lists, limited to the Merinos and fine crossbreds, however, the new strength of Sterling, following much better than expected trade figures, could see some further adjustments next week, particularly if the Australian market continues its easier trend.

LOCAL FISHING SHARES IF LICENCES FORTHCOMING

Witte Boyd Holdings Ltd. have announced that they will set up a fishing company with 50% of its equity available to islanders - but only if they get licences from government.

Witte Boyd describe the plan as "an exciting new plan for future investment and development in the Islands".

The company, Seafish (Falklands) Ltd., a Falklands registered company, currently 100% owned by Witte Boyd has applied for fishing licences on behalf of a foreign fishing organisation for the 1989 season.

"If licences are allocated to Seafish (Falklands) Ltd., the company proposes to make available 50% of the equity to the people of the islands," says Witte Boyd. "This will be a unique opportunity for the people of the islands to partake in and benefit from investment in their own fishery resource."

"The shares on offer will only be offered to Falkland Islanders."

Initially the company will be involved in the licensing and management of squid jigging

vessels; the long term intention is to progress into fishing vessel ownership.

Witte Boyd explain, "With Witte Boyd's involvement in the management, Seafish (Falklands) Ltd. will be a truly local company with acknowledged fishing expertise, covering catching, refrigerated transport and international marketing."

The licence allocation announcement expected on November 15th and the company, if successful in obtaining licences, intend to draft a prospectus and invite applications for shares.

It is expected that the prospectus will be available by the end of the year.

The company is discussing appropriate arrangements with its advisers.

THE FUTURE OF SFL DISCUSSED AT EXCO

At a meeting of Executive Council on October 18th Robin Lee was welcomed for the first time and Councillor Charles Keenleyside was welcomed on his return to Exco. Councillor Tim Blake stood in for Tony Blake who was overseas on government business.

In a ten-hour meeting a series of wide-ranging issues were discussed and following the meeting Mr David Taylor, the acting Governor and Chief Executive, spoke to Penguin News to outline the business of the meeting.

Targets were established for Mr Taylor during his stay in office in the islands. He said he is expected to be in the Falklands for about six months and his permanent successor will arrive towards the end of February.

Four main objectives were established for Mr Taylor to tackle - the future of SFL; the implementation of the Prynn Report; the revised assistance plan for farmers; and to brief and introduce various new people to the islands such as the new Governor, Chief Executive and Financial Secretary.

Fisheries matters occupied a substantial part of the meeting.

"We looked at various things with FIPASS," said Mr Taylor. "We have a responsibility as government for the running of FIPASS."

"We need to recruit a cargo handling supervisor, there is a need for insurance, and the FIPASS access road is to have £50,000 spent on improvements to its surface. The man-

agement of FIPASS can expect to be privatised in the future but we want the best possible deal."

The renegotiation of the contract with Peter Derham Associates, the company which supplies the senior fisheries officers, was looked at as were the patrol vessels and it was debated whether to continue chartering vessels or to consider purchase.

"The future of SFL was also looked at. We discussed what shape it will take as JV premiums disappear and as they disappear so does the raison d'être for the JV's themselves."

"They are a large and unwieldy beast and should be considerably simplified. This was looked at but with no final conclusions. The financing of the JV's was looked at as they are now short of funds with the cessation of JV premiums."

"Councillors had before them a very careful summary of how the money has been spent in the JV's so they could be satisfied that they understood the financial position of

the 17 JV's quite fully.

"With the Seamount affair there was apprehension there might be uncertain future commitments and hidden nasties. I feel we have shown councillors the position over JV revenues. The outgoings are quite clear. In summary, about £16.8 million came into JV's through JV premiums and about £3.9 million remains although in small amounts split between the companies."

Seamount, itself, was looked at. Mr Taylor said Seamount Offshore managing director, Mr Kenneth MacKenzie, had been asked if he had any plans for operating the two vessels but Mr Taylor said they are likely to be sold.

Progress has been made into setting up the inquiry and a QC has been selected to lead the inquiry, but his name will not be officially appointed until the new Governor arrives.

The meeting approved a further injection of cash to Falkland Mill at Fox Bay.

Mr Taylor said the question of the future of the mill is un-

der consideration and a report from consultants Peat Marwick McLintock tends to focus on the marketing side of the mill. He said that the market for the product was a crucial aspect for the future of the mill.

"Any decision would have to be on social and political grounds as well as on commercial grounds. We will continue to give injections of money to the mill until its longer term future is established."

At the meeting the appointment of members of the advisory committee to look at the new Stanley Senior School was made.

The chairman is Councillor John Cheek, the secretary Phyllis Rendell, the Chief Education Officer, and other members are the headmaster Dr Burgess, Director of Public Works, Charles Carter, Mrs Annie Chater and Mr Patrick Watts. They will be looking at the design of the school and the facilities and features it offers. The object of the committee is to make the architects aware of the local needs.

FALKLANDS LOSE INTERNATIONAL SAND WAR

Councillor Tony Blake last week returned to the Falklands having recently attended the Commonwealth Parliamentary Associations' Annual Conference in Canberra, Australia, and the Commonwealth Small Nations Conference in Hobart, Tasmania.

While Tony was able to report having won many new friends for the islands he also had to report having lost a battle while away.

On his return he spoke first of the conferences.

"I found the people at the conferences ignorant about the Falklands but searching for knowledge," he said. "Once I explained that many of their ideas were wrong and pointed out the historical facts and the development of the country it enhanced their whole picture of the Falklands."

"They were interested in the economy and our control of this sector."

"Many pointed out that when they voted for talks with Argentina it was not a vote

against the Falklands or for Argentina, particularly."

"In the end I may not have changed their minds about the Falklands but they went away better informed. They had no negative feelings or anti-Falklands feelings."

"When in Britain I contacted a couple of Labour party MP's as their party is in the process of reviewing their policy towards the Falklands."

Then Tony turned his attention to an international incident which took place while he was in Tasmania and in which the Falklands came out on the

losing side.

A year ago the Falklands went to war with Australia over a major matter - which country had the whiter sand. The challenge came at last year's conference which Lewis Clifton attended.

This year Tony went to battle with the Tasmanian delegate armed only with his little bag of Falklands white sand.

At the conference tables were cleared and scoops of white-grained sand were neatly piled on the glass top table and compared.

After a bit Tony nodded and

manfully had to own up to the fact that Tasmania's sand was indeed whiter than the Falklands.

"It was quite definitely whiter than our sand," said Tony, "but, still, I hope we gained a few friends."

"These meetings can really help especially with our boom economy as they can show us how to avoid the shark syndrome and how to better control the public purse. We can learn from other country's experience."

GOVERNOR LEAVES THE FALKLANDS

His Excellency the Governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes, departed the Falkland Islands for the last time as Governor on Saturday 15th October.

The day before there was an official send off for Mr and Mrs Jewkes at Government House when a guard of honour from the FIDF saluted them, heads of department and councillors said their farewells and members of the public wished them well.

The couple later left Government House in the ceremonial red taxi and drove along Ross Road where they were given a 17-gun salute at Victory Green, before they transferred to the Government House Land Rover and travelled to Mount Pleasant House where they spent their last night before their departure.

Just prior to departure Mr Jewkes had a guard of honour at the airport and there was a fly-past in his honour.

In the week before his departure His Excellency gave an interview to Penguin News covering his three year term in office and a wide range of issues and subjects which he felt important during that time.

Certainly Mr Jewkes oversaw one of the most radical times in the islands' history with the establishment of the FICZ and the tremendous growth in the Falklands economy which resulted.

The following is a run down of some of the questions asked and the answers from Mr Jewkes.

What do you think about the Seamount affair?

"All will come out in the wash of the inquiry. If I could put the clock back I think there should have been a formal requirement by Stanley Fisheries to refer the project upwards to FIDC or the government.

"That essential requirement did not exist primarily because it was a victim of the rush to set things up after the establishment of the FICZ."

How successful has the establishment of the FICZ been?

"I think things did develop too fast. Politically it had to be done quickly and the speed meant we couldn't plan sufficiently in advance. We had to concentrate on policing, licencing, charges and the like.

"The question of the allocation system takes time and there was no pattern of trade here and no indigenous fishing industry.



"The JV's were established to create a link with the islands. But there are benefits and what might be called dis-benefits with that system. It gives half the economic rent away but 51% comes back in. "It is not as directly controlled by elected representatives as is wanted but I don't apologise for what there is and we shouldn't. There is no fishing zone this size which has been set up so quickly by so few.

"We have been suffering for the last 18 months to two years by decisions taken too quickly and with Seamount the system has had a fall out. If we learn from our mistakes then it is a lesson well learnt. We can apply that learning. However, we will make other sorts of mistakes as we can't foresee all of them."

Has your hands off style of governorship been a success?

"It has not been a total success. It is really a little like being a conductor of an orchestra - you have to guide the players through the piece as best you can. But you can't wholly divorce yourself. The Governor's job is to encourage, advise and warn."

Has the establishment of Fox Bay Village been the success envisaged?

"The right formula has never been established although the framework is there. There is a government agent and a

village council which runs its own budget. There is light at the end of the tunnel.

"It hasn't developed possibly as well as its creators intended. It needs an infrastructure of a kind which can meet the demand for water by the mill for instance. But there is a lesson to be learnt from this.

"Infrastructure is unglamorous and if it is not done it can leave you in a pretty powerless position."

What is your answer to those who say that there was an adequate infrastructure prior to 1982 which is now merely being replaced at great cost?

"Even if the services worked they were deteriorating and things would now have been in a state of collapse. The speed of the collapse was hastened by 1982. The demand for electricity increased enormously.

"There is no doubt the system could have creaked on for some years but, for example, the loss of water through leaks has been massive over the last few years so the system needed attention.

"It's a chicken and egg situation really. If there are to be more houses and the like then there must be upgraded services."

How do you react to criticism that there is not enough being done by government to provide sufficient housing in Stanley?

"There is a lot more housing being developed than you might think. The important thing is not whether housing is being built by FIG but simply whether it gets built. Accommodation units are in the course of construction now.

"160 units have been completed and occupied and at least another 75 units are in the pipeline. That does not include plots of land available from other agencies."

Has the programme of sub-divisions of farms ended?

"There is a bit further to go

but the islands do need to maintain a number of employing farms for non-owner occupiers.

"There is a healthy situation with sales and on-sales as some owners may wish to retire or sell for other reasons. In the course of time there may be a reversal in the system as sub-division owners buy-out their neighbours but if it is economically sensible then it shouldn't be resisted."

Do you see the day when key positions in government will be held by islanders rather than ex-pats?

"There is a tremendous contribution from some islanders in the middle management level and they will go on. I hope that those school children with the ability intellectually will go on to further education and get the necessary qualifications to return. But I don't think the islands will be able to provide all the people to meet all the demands.

"The islands are well able to produce potentially good administrators. Providing lawyers and doctors is a different question and I'm not quite sure what the answer is there."

How do you view the Prynn Report?

"It is no more or less than the Shackleton reports and will be a worthy successor. Earlier this year there was some misunderstanding as regards the interim report. It was one man with wide experience of development questions looking at the islands through an expert's eyes.

"FIDC must look after economic development and gave Prynn the options and he gave the implications of these options. The report was reactive rather than proactive. There is no dreaded day when the government must decide to accept his points. Like the Shackleton reports it is one man's blueprint for the future taking account of an enormous amount of consultation.

"The future development strategy will be hammered out again and Prynn has given a

model. The annual budget will really be the prime controller of development."

Will the Governor ever merely become a figurehead as self-government develops in the Falklands?

"That depends on the development of the system. There will be several areas where the Governor is bound to wield considerable authority and influence.

"By the constitution he is the representative of the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth affairs and is responsible for the quality of government. He is also responsible for dependent territories where the Falklands government has no control over external affairs or defence."

What of the new job?

"The change is a bit like chalk and cheese with the difference between a small community and a big city. Although I live in the country in the UK I'm not really a country man. That said I do like the more relaxed atmosphere here.

"I will miss the job satisfaction I get here with the immediacy of the matter. Going to New York will be something of a culture-return shock having come to the Falklands from Chicago.

"I have had a sense of satisfaction seeing things happen here such as the establishment of the FICZ, the opening of KEMH and the expansion of the economy. I really do like the people down here and will miss them."

"INDIANA I" IN HOLLAND

The roll-on roll-off ferry "Indiana I", due to operate a ferry link between South America and the Falklands, is in Rotterdam.

The ship was headed for the Falklands last month when an explosion in the engine room led to her being towed into the French port of Brest. From there she was towed back to Plymouth and after inspection was taken to Rotterdam to have a new engine fitted.

This week the new Deutz engine was put into the ship and it is now expected that after trials she will reach the Falkland Islands around December 16th.

TOURIST CRUISE SHIP REACHES CHILE

The tourist cruise ship "Southern Star" has reached Chile after its Pacific Ocean crossing from Australia.

The 193.6 ton, 35 metre vessel, which a consultant's report has recognised "cannot stand alone financially" if she were to operate in the islands, is in the yachting centre of Tulcahuano, south of Valparaiso.

She is having more renovation and painting work carried out before she heads down the Chilean coastline en route to the Falklands.

Acting Governor and Chief Executive Mr David Taylor, talked after the last Exco meeting about the ship.

He said the vessel, which was purchased by SFL earlier this year, was discussed by Exco.

"The question of whether she will be viable without a subsidy will ultimately need to be addressed by Exco," he said.

"We have been told that it is possible to sell her without any significant loss.

"She could have a use im-

proving the passenger service between the islands, for instance the islands not served by FIGAS.

"We need to take a closer look at the question of Coastal Shipping, jetties, tracks and the East-West ferry rather rapidly. A report on an integrated transport study was done by Prynn two years ago, but we have not yet devised an integrated policy which takes account of these factors."

When asked if the cruise ship would ever come to the Falklands Mr Taylor said that if it was decided to sell her it may be deemed better to keep her in South America until sold.

SALVADOR LODGE

SALVADOR LODGE has now reopened, so if you are looking for somewhere to spend a few days away, with the ability to fish almost at your door, plenty of wildlife within walking and driving distance, as well as seeing how an old-established farm is run, this is the place.

You can be self-catering or looked after, or a combination of both, so if you would like to find out more or just book contact SALVADOR LODGE on the East Falklands.

POULTRY FARM

Plans are still progressing to establish a poultry farm in Stanley.

The project will be FIDC run and it is designed as a supply outlet for eggs.

Assistant General Manager of FIDC, Mr Shane Wolsey, confirmed the project is going ahead and said Geoff Pratlett, until recently from Goose Green, is in the UK at present training in poultry management.

He added that Mr Pratlett has some previous experience in the field.

The farm will be housed in the portacabins which formerly housed the NAAFI near the Coastal in Stanley.

Mr Wolsey said the portacabins would be refurbished, sealed and made watertight. He said the hens would not be caged for in a battery method.

He admitted that the portacabins had a limited lifespan but said that with maintenance they would last at least five years and during that time the feasibility of the project would be looked at.

The military have agreed to carry day old chicks down to the Falklands and the birds will have been certified in the UK prior to departure.

RETIRAL OF A FRIEND

At an informal party held in the Secretariat on Friday 7th October councillors, heads of department and Secretariat staff said farewell to Rex Browning after nearly 38 years of government service.

In paying tribute to him, Chief Executive David Taylor described the numerous posts he had held and the enormous fund wisdom and knowledge which he had accumulated over the years.

David Taylor said, "I have found Rex to be an excellent colleague, a good friend and a continuous source of information and wise advice about practically everything."

Colleagues presented Rex with a set of decanters and glasses as a leaving gift.

TAIWANESE HONOUR THEIR FALKLANDS EXPERT

One of the leading experts on the Falkland Islands squid fishery has been honoured in Taiwan for his services to Taiwanese captains fishing around the islands.

Capt. T.K. Lei, a former squid jigger captain himself, has not only acted as agent for Taiwanese vessels in the Falklands but has also been retained by the Kaosiung Fisheries Authority to brief captains on the requirements of the Falkland Islands fisheries regime.

As Capt. Lei prepared for his fourth Falklands squid season the Taiwan Squid Fishery Association, meeting in Kaosiung, presented him with an inscribed plaque in recognition of his services. Cpt. Lei is pictured receiving the plaque from Mr Teh-Chan Wu, chairman of the Association.

Capt. Lei first went to the Falklands in 1986 as the official representative of the non-commercial SFA to co-ordinate activities under the Voluntary Restraint Agreement. The following year, with the support of the Association, he organised the first voluntary grouping of the highly individualistic Taiwanese captains for services like bunkering, freight, crew movements and other commercial operations in conjunction with the British company Marr (Falklands) Ltd.

Last year Capt. Lei started working with Fortuna Ltd. as well as Marr Falklands and is continuing his association with both companies for the coming squid season.

In the islands he is now a well-known figure and particularly well remembered for his assistance with communications for the Falkland Islands Government when a Taiwanese jigger was attacked and set on fire by an Argentine warship.

SERIOUS ROAD ACCIDENTS

The afternoon of Sunday 23rd October saw two serious road accidents - one in the centre of Stanley, the other on the Stanley-MPA road.

Around 5.15pm young Simon Goodwin was travelling down Dean Street towards Ross Road on his motorcycle when it was involved in a collision with a Land Rover driven by Brian Porter.

The accident occurred at the junction of Dean Street and John Street and the Land Rover was crossing Dean Street heading East along John Street.

The motorcycle collided with the rear offside passenger door of the Rover and Simon Goodwin came off the bike and his head went through the window of the vehicle and his helmet came off.

He then came down on the broken glass and cut his throat before the bike fell on top of him.

The cycle was severely damaged and Simon was taken to hospital.

He was found to have sustained two fractured wrists, a fractured right thigh and lacerations to his throat.

He has since had surgery on the damaged leg.

The second accident involved a military Land Rover

on the road between MPA and Stanley.

The vehicle was being driven by Captain Julia Palmer when the accident happened around six miles on the MPA side of the Mount Kent turn off.

Having hit a rough part of the road the vehicle was headed for a ditch at the side of the road and in a manoeuvre to swerve away from the ditch the vehicle rolled over.

As the vehicle rolled the roof was torn open and the driver and four passengers were thrown out through the roof.

All but one required hospital treatment and were detained for observation at KEMH in Stanley.

Lance Corporal O'Brian sustained severe facial injuries and required almost 50 stitches and was detained in the hospital for a week.

No other vehicle was involved in the accident.



FIT MD BLASTS RAF TRISTAR SYSTEM

Managing Director of Falkland Islands Tourism, Graham Bound, has hit out at the way the RAF Tristar service is run after several tour parties have been thrown into confusion for this tourist season because of cancellations by the military.

Several groups of tourists have had to be hastily rearranged or cancelled altogether because of changes in flight availability by the RAF.

"It is very frustrating," said Mr Bound. "Earlier in October we had to cancel a group of fishermen."

"The RAF said they had no seats for civilians on certain flights at very short notice. This system cannot go on for ever."

"It is bound to effect people and will be in their assessment of this place and the unpredictability of the Tristars is a very negative point."

The problems with the Tristars follow on the heels of the bad news that tour operators Page and Moy had decided to pull out of the Falklands.

Graham said he wasn't sure why they had pulled out but thought that they were a mass market operator and did not specialise or target a particular market as is necessary to promote the Falklands.

"They have tried very hard," said Graham. "But the Falklands are not a mass market destination. FIT's emphasis has always been on specialist tour operators and it will be more so now."

However, the unreliability of the Tristar bookings is still causing problems. Schedules around Christmas and New Year were changed and five tour groups had to be rescheduled with some tours being shifted, others curtailed and some extended.

Graham does not see this situation being able to continue, especially as these tours are very expensive. At present someone coming from the UK pays around £2600 minimum.

Despite the set backs there

are signs that in general tourism is improving.

"We have had a public image problem which we are getting over," explained Graham. "We are being perceived better than the last three or four years."

"Seven people are returning after holidays here last year out of a total of 200 tourists and it is encouraging that seven want to return. It is difficult to attract people in the first place, but for them then to return is good news."

Graham turned to what they are offering tourists in the islands and immediately dispelled rumours that FIT were attempting to secure a bank of the Malo river.

"We would like access to the river but we wouldn't like to look after that, we'd rather give it to someone else to run."

Two new self catering cottages are being made available at Weddell Island and Dunbar. They are aimed more at the local market and are expected to attract walkers and those interested in wildlife.

"We are not just spending money on the overseas market," said Graham. "We are providing facilities for the locally based market, both civilian and military, and signs are encouraging."

Nine cruise ship visits are expected this year by four ships. This is down on last year but this is due to one tour operator not being as active this year explained Graham.

TV OR NOT TV? THAT IS THE QUESTION?

A petition bearing some 450-500 names was handed in to the acting Governor and Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor, on Friday 28th October, protesting at the withdrawal of the television repeater on Sapper Hill recently.

Many Stanley residents had just finished erecting makeshift television aerials and got used to receiving SSVC television programmes from MPA when the service was withdrawn.

The service to Stanley had been made possible by the erection of a repeater by Councillor Charles Keenleyside but government ordered its shutdown as the transmission of the programmes to Stanley represented a breach of international copyright.

Many viewers were upset by the withdrawal of the service and a petition, led by Councillor Wendy Teggart and Mrs Gaye Robson, was drawn up to protest at the "sudden decision to turn off the repeater on Sapper Hill".

The main breach of copyright was for American programmes and the petition said that a timer could be put on the repeater to shut it down when American programmes were due to be broadcast. It also stated that a number of military personnel are stationed at Lookout Camp in Stanley and were enjoying the facility too.

The 450-500 names on the petition were gathered in only three days and on being presented with it Mr Taylor said that he realised the concern of the people and that he enjoyed television himself. He added that he would be raising the matter with the Commander of British Forces at their weekly meeting.

Commenting on the petition Councillor Teggart said: "I personally don't like television but feel the service for the community should not have been withdrawn."

A press release from the Secretariat at the time of the switch off explained the situation regarding television.

It stated that negotiations have been taking place for some time now for the SSVC Television service to MPA to be made available to people in Stanley.

To do this it will be necessary to install a small transmitter, aerials and other assorted equipment at Sapper Hill to design approved by SSVC.

In September Executive Council and Standing Finance Committee agreed to make available £29,000 to cover the cost of purchasing and installing the transmitter together with the first year's royalty payments in respect of programmes of UK origin. In taking this decision the Falkland Islands government noted that the question of copyright for programme material of American origin had still to be resolved by SSVC.

It was hoped, however, that some at least of the programmes of American origin could be cleared for viewing in Stanley on the basis of further royalty payments to be made by FIG. SSVC in the UK is negotiating this with the American right holders.

The equipment has been ordered and will be installed as soon as it arrives. When the service commences no licence fee will be charged.

In the meantime FIG has been made aware of the existence of a small transmitter at Sapper Hill which has been unofficially rebroadcasting the SSVC TV programmes from

MPA to Stanley. This was installed without the permission of FIG or SSVC.

Because of the international law of copyright (which applies in the Falkland Islands), the relaying of these programmes from a private transmitter without an official agreement could have grave repercussions for SSVC on a worldwide basis, and indeed could result in the withdrawal of the service to the MPA military community.

Furthermore, it could jeopardise the whole agreement with SSVC for the transmission of programmes to Stanley over which SSVC have been so constructive and helpful.

In the circumstances Executive Council has had no alternative but to arrange for the closing down of the illegal transmitter. This will doubtless mean that a number of Stanley viewers will cease to receive TV broadcasts from MPA until an officially approved transmitter has been installed.

SSVC have said that this will be done as soon as possible once the necessary copyright agreements have been finalised.

Councillor Teggart said that the main aim of the petition was to speed up the process and suggest that the unofficial transmitter could be restarted with a timer until such time as the government equipment arrives and should a deal be struck with the American rights holders then the timer could be taken off.

BEAUCHENE TRIP

It is understood plans are underway to organise a trip for the government's Lands and Agriculture Officer, Mr Owen Summers, and FIDC Assistant General Manager, Mr Shane Wolsey, to the remote southern Falkland island of Beauchene.

No final arrangements have been arrived at but it is believed the trip would be made to the deserted island by one of the two fishery protection vessels.

"I am in charge of all government lands and would like to go down and have a look as I have not even seen the island," explained Mr Summers.

Mr Summers said that the trip had not been finalised and nothing was properly planned as yet.

Mr Wolsey said that he was going as Mr Summers needed to be accompanied on the trip and he was keen to make the trip.

Captain John Jackson, Superintendent of Fisheries, confirmed that his department are co-operating in getting the two men down to Beauchene.

"We are assisting by providing transport to the island for Owen as a government official and Shane who is assisting Owen," he explained.

Beauchene Island lies approximately 40 miles south of Bull Point on the south coast of East Falkland, and while devoid of human inhabitants is a noted wild animal and bird sanctuary and seal reserve. The main inhabitant of the island is a very large colony of albatrosses.

pass," said Sheila, "particularly as many of the others on the course has six or seven 'A'-levels and a dozen 'O'-levels."

"I might think about going on to do a course to become a legal executive. It really means that I would be glorified P.A."

"But that's a three-year course and I'll have to think about that."

FIRST LOCAL LEGAL SEC.

The Falklands have their first home-grown legal secretary in the form of 19-year-old Sheila Butler who returned to the islands recently after a year training in the UK.

Not only did Sheila pass her course but en route she picked

up two distinctions as one of only three of sixteen who passed from her intake at college.

However, Sheila's training very nearly didn't happen at all when she discovered on her arrival at Southport College of Art and Technology, that she didn't have the requisite academic passes and wasn't enrolled.

The college authorities decided to let Sheila enroll and by the end of the year she had

passed with a series of A and B grades.

The course involved taking on board such skills as legal audio typing, law and economic studies, office practice, shorthand and, for good measure, Sheila took an extra law course.

Now Sheila is the first local to qualify as a legal secretary and for the last two months has been working at solicitor's C. & P.H. Chalmers in Stanley.

"I was really pleased to

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

F.I.D.C.

Dear Sir,
After listening to the 'topic-of-the-day', I felt that I had to give my views regarding FIDC.

I, as I expect the majority of Kelpers are, am very concerned at the operations of this 'WHITE ELEPHANT' wing of the government of the Falklands.

I, as most, had a good laugh at the Seamount saga, only to have it wiped off by the payment of over 2 million SMACKERS, and I'll bet that is not the end of it.

Then to add fuel to the fire, we learn of the ferry 'INDIANA'. What good will that do the islands, with freight and passage charges expected to make it pay?

Now on top of all that we hear of the 12-passenger tourist ship, 'SOUTHERN STAR'. Tourists are continually referring to the very high travel fares. Who will want to increase this by some ridiculous sum in order to fulfil an impossible ambition?

There remains questions that need answering, and by FIDC over the local radio -

1) Who is in the PAY-OFF for selecting those ageing 'antiques' they call 'a sea-worthy ship', after a multi-thousand pound refit?

2) The 'Southern Star'. What IDIOT thought that such a ship could be made to pay going around the islands? It must be obvious that such a vessel will be a further drain on resources. Such a DREAM should be STOPPED NOW, BEFORE IT EVEN STARTS! If the FIC/Coastal Shipping want to buy it, let them, otherwise flog it elsewhere. As FIDC say, they have been offered more than they bought it for.

Finally, if those responsible for making these ridiculous decisions in the beginning are MAN ENOUGH, they would resign immediately.

We Kelpers have seen enough of this so-called 'expert advice' over the past few years, when all it amounts to is a 'SMOOTH TALKING, GLORIFIED HOLIDAY AT THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

EXPENSE'.

Yours sincerely,
B. Peck,
Stanley.

SEAMOUNT

Dear Sir,
With the outcome of the Seamount fiasco many questions on the current running of FIDC/SFL must be asked.

I understood the reason for the formation of joint ventures with British companies was to use their expertise. Why did we go into a fishing joint venture with Seaboard Offshore who's main business is not in fishing?

How long are we going to stand for so called experts palming us off with their reject rust buckets? You say we paid around £300,000 for the 'Mount Challenger'. It was reputed to be for sale for scrap a couple of years ago for £50,000. Any sea-experienced officer will tell you most companies sell off ships which are around 20 years old as they usually become uneconomic to run around this age.

Now with the problems emerging with the 'Indiana' and the 'Southern Star' this so called expertise we are paying through the nose for appears to be a rip-off.

Why was the feasibility study on the 'Southern Star' commissioned after the purchase of the vessel and not before? Has no-one in this organisation got any basic business knowledge?

In your last issue there was a mention of strengthening of SFL and F.I.D.C. management. Strengthening is not the word I would use. We have lost all confidence in the current management. Replacement is the only answer.

I do not think personnel with access to inside information in FIDC or government should be allowed to be shareholders in fisheries related companies which could lead to a serious conflict of interests.

It is also mentioned in your newspaper that a witchhunt is not the answer, but no-one has explained just where the £9 million has been spent and when you spend £9 million and

end up with two ships worth less than £1 million, something has got to be wrong somewhere.

If it was proven that someone had ripped me off I would want his head nailed to the wall right where I could see it.

Yours sincerely,
Ian T. Bury,
Stanley.

PENGUIN EGGS

Dear Sir,
In reply to Mr Graham Bound's item in No. 117 issue of your paper under the heading 'Let's End an old Practice'. I fail to see how the collecting of a few eggs is any threat to the wildlife.

In fact it might have been better if he had proposed some form of bounty on the Sea-hens. As everyone in Camp knows, they not only pinch the eggs, but also the young birds as old as a month. But then that's nature.

People only get what eggs they can use for a change. On some farms, a few people go out and collect for the entire settlement, which probably averages out to about 50 eggs per household.

If there were no other means of transporting the eggs from the rookery now, then it's possible that the wheel barrow would still be in use.

A chicken farm is to be established - when? A few kelpers who have shown interest in the past have been told 'there's not a big enough demand' to warrant a grant. Then who is going to support it now?

Yours faithfully,
B. Peck,
Stanley.

Dear Rory,
I see in your last edition that in 'Bound About Town', Graham got out of town and went to town on the practice of 'penguin-egging'.

It is pleasing that the person leading the government tourism department is seen to be taking the line of total conservation, as in the past some tourist orientated areas had been seen to indulge in selective conservation.

There is much argument about the effect of collecting penguin eggs for human consumption and no hard evidence either way, just much professed 'old-timer' knowledge and some sporadic research.

In the first week of November 1987 the figures I was given showed some 7000 Gentoo penguin eggs were covered by licence, less than 2000 Rockhopper and perhaps a few hundred Albatross eggs. These figures could probably be at least doubled in reality to show the actual amount collected, but even so much less than in previous times.

Unfortunately some do carry out repeated, total and indiscriminate robbery from limited numbers of birds in certain areas.

People may like to ponder that although the Gentoo penguin is considered common, its Falkland population is put at six to seven hundred thousand, about the same as the number of sheep. The Rockhopper is in several millions.

Looked at from this angle the predation and wastage has a different significance, I personally do not believe that the Gentoo population overall is increasing to any degree and they would probably not recover from any natural disaster as readily as did the Rockhoppers.

The bird that should have total protection from egg collectors is the Albatross (black-browed). Although long living, these birds do not breed until a considerable age and then perhaps unsuccessfully for several years, and these birds lay only one egg each year.

Only a limited number of people are in a position to collect these eggs and the need of the collectors in these areas is not pressing, if they stop robbing the Albatross their 'friends' might miss the odd treat, but being friends they probably don't need to be bought with wild eggs.

I was puzzled that Graham, who apparently has
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considerable respect for the rights of individual creatures should be looking forward to the advent of a commercial chicken farm!

Regards,
Eddie Anderson,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,
Reference to some letters in your Penguin News.

1) Firstly I would like to disagree with Graham who seems to have the idea that if we eat some penguin eggs there won't be so many chicks. Rubbish, a penguin is like any other bird, if you rob them they lay again and again, and I should know as when I worked in Camp some rookeries were cleaned out completely and within a week or so they all had two eggs again.

In fact, I was told by some old Camp hands that if you want to build up a rookery, you must rob them.

As for eating hen eggs from the commercial chicken farm, that is another laugh. I have tried three times for help to set up a chicken farm but have been turned down, so I expect it will end up being another good story to read one day.
2) Mr Reid, I was shocked if not somewhat surprised by your letter condemning one of our best announcers.

First of all Carlos is a Spanish name, so why shouldn't it be announced correctly. After all, how many Campers, or should I say Falkland Islanders, call their horse gear English names. I didn't and couldn't and like all Falkland Islanders for years, call the horse gear and colour of horses by Spanish names.

Never mind Mr Reid, maybe one day we will have a French announcer and you will be happy.

Yours sincerely,
V.L. Bernsten.

WHALING ISSUES

Dear Sir,
Much has been said recently in the local Press about the campaign organised to put pressure on the Japanese government to ban whaling by the withdrawal of fishing licences from Japanese fishing companies.

The majority of us, when faced with this moral issue, would have no hesitation in supporting the motion to ban

whaling. However, the means of achieving this end has to be considered very carefully indeed as there are inherent dangers to the Falkland islands in rushing into an action which could have far-reaching consequences for our economy both now and in the future.

Japanese companies are an easy target as they are here and appear to be a simple means of attaining a justified end. However, before denying any Japanese company fishing licences, it is worth pausing for a moment to consider what one such company has done for these islands and what the consequences to us of such an action would be. JBG Falklands Ltd. have an association with KSJ, a squid fishing organisation in Japan, and it is worthwhile to consider what their involvement with the islands has been.

KSJ's involvement in the Falklands began in 1984, when the Corporation was formed out of the most successful squid jiggers of the New Zealand fishery. It was a group of sixteen owner-operators of large squid jigging vessels. It is unique in the history of Japan's fishing industry that KSJ, a group of small fishing companies, works independently in its international activities. The sole initial objective of KSJ was to develop the squid jigging fishery around the Falkland Islands.

The response from the president of KSJ, Mr Masutomi, was immediate and both supportive of our position and clear in its content. He stated: "I am very concerned to hear that the people of the Falkland Islands might feel that whaling is supported by the majority of the Japanese. On the contrary, now most Japanese actually oppose whaling and in fact KSJ is one of the strongest advocates against whaling."

Also, although I do not mean to speak ill of my competitors, over many years KSJ has consistently and rigorously been opposing drift gill netting both for the resultant devastating mortality rates on marine mammals and birds and for its damage to the fisheries resource itself. As one of the leaders in the Japanese industry, KSJ will continue to actively lobby with the appropriate authorities in opposition to continued whaling by Japan."

A number of questions therefore have to be asked. Should we ban an organisation such as KSJ who have done so much to establish the squid fishing industry around the Falklands, and which has

awarded 25 licences to fish within the newly-established Falkland Islands Conservation Zone.

In the 1987/88 season, KSJ again received 25 licences plus one experimental licence. Once again KSJ proved their long-term commitment towards the development of the fishing industry within the islands by experimenting with their vessel 'Koei Maru 30' to test the potential of the Falkland fishing grounds for bottom longlining. In the same season KSJ assisted the FIG with their squid tagging programme.

JBG Falklands Ltd. made KSJ aware of the anti-whaling campaign and of our anti-whaling position by sending the press release from the campaigners and a JBG policy statement which stated:-

"JBG policy is that we cannot condone the continued killing of the whales. Therefore we feel it is important for you to make some representation to your government. In this way you are making an effort to halt this killing which is of great concern to the directors of JBG and the people of the Falkland Islands."

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helped generate the enormous source of income which we now have flowing into the islands? In short, do we bite the hand which has helped feed us?

It is easy to understand the thinking of the Whale Action Group, but should we penalise a company such as KSJ that has consistently opposed whaling and the needless slaughter of marine mammals? Not only have they always lobbied against whaling, but also they have consistently fought for conservation by their opposition to drift gill netting - a practice which results in the wholesale devastation of so many whales, seals, birds and porpoises. By removing a company such as KSJ from the fishing grounds, are we not removing an ally from our cause and also removing a company which has been foremost in helping us realise our natural resources?

KSJ has proved its long-term commitment to the islands. We should combine with them in our efforts to ban whaling. If we remove KSJ, we remove a valuable ally, and we lose a direct route to the Japanese government which could prove to be a useful route in the achievement of our aim, which is the banning of all whaling activity throughout the world.

The fishing industry is an important new venture for the economy of the Falkland Islands, and hasty decisions that could affect the long-term future of the economy of the islands must be given very careful consideration. We hope that the information presented here will both inform and enlighten readers as to the background and present activities of one Japanese fishing company, and trust that readers will reflect on this.

Yours faithfully,
JBG Falklands Ltd.,
Stanley.

NOT ME v. TV!

Dear Sir,
As you are no doubt aware, there are strong rumours going around both Stanley and the Camp at present, concerning an apparent conflict between my video outlet known as 'Reflections' and the reception of SSVC in Port Stanley.

I am therefore writing to you in order to set the record

straight and make public my views on broadcast television in the Falklands.

I have never at any time made any complaint, official or otherwise, concerning the reception of SSVC in the Falklands. Indeed, the only complaint that I have is that the picture I receive at home is, on occasions, not of the best quality.

As far as my video outlet is concerned, I have no complaint to make, and do not regard broadcast television as a substitute for video, but rather as a useful addition to video.

Therefore, it is with some surprise and consternation that I hear I have apparently made an official complaint to the Governor and that I have also been to see the personnel of SSVC at Mount Pleasant. I do not even know where their studio is situated.

Such rumours are totally untrue and unfounded, and I would hope that this public letter will serve to dispel them once and for all. I would be grateful if people would check their facts with me personally before accepting as truth these ludicrous rumours.

Yours faithfully,
G. Johnson,
Stanley.

CARLISLE COMMENTS

Dear Sir,
Part of Mr Carlisle's letter of August 25 will cause consternation but it could serve a valuable and useful purpose if it stimulates thinking about what most foreign governments believe to be true and the possible future effects for the Falklands.

I was one of the 1000 odd volunteers from Argentina who served the Allies throughout the war. In 1942 I was appointed Chief Officer of the 'Fitzroy'. During the summers we went to Antarctica, for 'HMS Tabarin' and amongst other work erected British Crown Land notice boards and protested to the Argentine Base leaders against their presence there.

On the bridge and at table, Falklands sovereignty was discussed occasionally. The attitude then was invariably: 'If Argentina want the Falklands, let them come and take them'. I understood that to mean 'Might is Right'. Such a policy would not have been astonishing for a time after 1833.

Times have changed. In fu-

ture may it not be wise and realistic to study the reasons why British arguments fail to convince abroad and consider more carefully at least some of the desires of the United Nations?

Yours faithfully,
F. Jones,
Bury St. Edmunds,
England.

Dear Sir,
If Captain Carlisle read the CODEP report issued by the new Argentine government in September 1984, during the first flush of election promises, he might reconsider that this barbaric government was in power between 1976 and 1983 when he feels that the British people should have been given the truth.

Further he might reflect that those responsible for the cruel torture and massacre of Argentine citizens are now on trial, not for crimes against humanity, but for losing the 'Falklands war'. So much for the so-called 'Liberal' government of Sr. Raul Alfonsin. Just take one of the less horrific extracts:

"Those kidnapped were taken to about 340 clandestine centres of detention. The Commission in the course of its investigations, inspected a large number of these places. They were run by senior officers of the armed forces and security services. Those detained there were held in inhuman conditions and subjected to every kind of torture and humiliation.

"The extent to which torture was used in these centres and the sadism shown by those who carried it out is horrifying. There is no precedence anywhere in the world for some of the methods used. We have been given evidence that children and old people were tortured so that their relatives would say what their captors wanted".

The Commission investigated 7380 cases of people who had disappeared and was able to state with authority that the majority had no links with terrorist organisations. The accounts of horrible murders cover all ages, women and innocent children, all occupations and classes by order of the Argentine government. No one was spared:

"The terrorism of the state was employed particularly harshly against those church-

men and women who had committed themselves to the needy and to those who stood out against the systematic violation of human rights. Priests, monks, nuns, seminarists together with members of other religions, were kidnapped, tortured and in many cases murdered. The supposed 'accidents' in which the Bishop of La Rioja, Mgr Enrique Angelelli, and the Bishop of San Nicolas, Mgr Carlos Ponce de Leon, lost their lives shows that not even members of the Church hierarchy were free from persecution. In the matter of religion, the hypocrisy of those who were responsible for the repression knew no bounds 'Around 24 december Admiral Massera, rear Admiral Chamorro, Captain Acosta and several others (named) turned up. With extraordinary cynicism they stood in front of thirty of us, who had our legs in chains, and wished us 'Happy Christmas' (case number 6974) 'before letting us lie down on the floor to sleep, the guards made us say the Lord's Prayer and the Hail Mary at the tops of our voices, and told us to give thanks to God that we will live one more day, and also that this would not be our last'".

Yours sincerely,
Colin Smith,
Knaresborough,
England.

TERRY BETTS CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Dear Editor,
I was listening to 'Calling the Falklands' on Friday 14th October, and to Mr Terry Betts, fishing entrepreneur/councillor, in particular.

He was asked a mildly pointed question, 'Do you think there is a conflict of interest between your fishing enterprise and your counselling'. To which Terry Betts replied '...No...'. He went on to say he was going to spend two and a half weeks in the islands before jetting off to Timbuktu(?). By his own admission he had spent very little time in the islands this year.

How can you properly represent your constituents when you are rarely in the islands, Terry? There we have, surely, the conflict of interest.

Yours faithfully,
Jennifer Jones,
Stanley.

PEOPLE'S PAPER?

Dear Sir,
The departing Governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes, thought the absence of a daily newspaper was the single most serious factor hindering the availability of information to the public.

I believe the paper can be used as it is but with more reader participation, i.e. the public asking for specific topics and issues to be discussed. The natural follow-on from that is independent commentary.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs L.R. Blake,
Little Chartres.

REVIEW TEAM THANKS

Dear Rory,
In our role as members of the ODA team reviewing the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, we wish to thank everybody for the help and co-operation we have received throughout our visit.

Many people gave freely of their time to discuss with us the activities of FIDC and their input to the islands' economy. During the last few days we have met councillors, leading businessmen, a number of people who had received support from FIDC and others who had not. Our discussions took place informally and at specially arranged meetings in Stanley, Fox Bay and Port Howard and we were impressed by the interest shown in the Corporation.

There was a willingness to recognise the achievements as well as the weaknesses of FIDC and we were pleased to hear practical suggestions as well as the identification of problems.

The report of the review should be generally available.
Yours sincerely,
Ron White,
FI DESK, ODA.
Tim Foy,
ECONOMIC ADVISER.
Eric Gill,
FINANCE & MANAGEMENT ADVISER.

Thank-you for all the letters which have flooded into Penguin News since the last edition.

We could not possibly print them all this issue and any left out will appear next issue.

ACROSS

- 7 Two-to-one it's the result of being this in church! (7)
 - 8 Rates the income of it, if running the town (7)
 - 10 Stopped and filled a suitcase (6, 2)
 - 11 Washington Irving's hollow! (6)
 - 12 Chosen initially, as the type that's pure (6)
 - 13 Describing those who can't judge between notes (4, 4)
 - 14 Divided by a blow, we colour, as it were (5)
 - 16 Period plays put on here (5)
 - 21 Stand one on a horse (8)
 - 23 Ranged round a pleasant spot (6)
 - 25 They burn objects of affection! (6)
 - 26 Child doesn't finish an attempt to make soldiers (8)
 - 27 Marksman? No, but he may use a pistol to begin with (7)
 - 28 Date-rum cocktail brought to full ripeness (7)
- DOWN**
- 1 God, it's a painful thing, this sense of style! (7)
 - 2 Motorists stop putting them on (6)
 - 3 Tramp on the drum for the funeral march? (4, 4)
 - 4 One soon quiet about a killer (6)
 - 5 Victim of persecution ordered grounded (8)
 - 6 Show Satan after a show (7)
 - 9 Notices the signs of plague, perhaps (5)
 - 15 Tells us where precious metal is manufactured (8)
 - 17 Tower at sea armed for battle and fair contest! (3, 2, 3)
 - 18 The late turn for a sportsman (7)
 - 19 Used by the countryman wanting to make shoes (5)
 - 20 By the sound of it, inters fruits (7)
 - 22 Distributed some of Orsini's suede shoes (6)
 - 24 Expire—thus, the batsman can be dismissed (3, 3)

CASTLE CAPERS

The Offshore Fisheries Protection Vessel, HMS Dumbarton Castle, is due to leave the Falklands on November 12th after two year's continuous service around the islands.

As a farewell to the Falklands the ship's company are having a dance in the Town Hall, Stanley, tomorrow which everyone is invited. There will be a bar and admission is free.

In addition the ship will open for the public to look over her on Sunday afternoon between 2pm and 4pm at FIPASS.

The ship's crew are very proud of their association with the Falklands which began in 1982, a year after she was built.

During her latest two year stint she has been involved round island protection with her 50-strong crew.

The Dumbarton Castle is due to be replaced by the Leeds Castle. At the same time the frigate, HMS Alacrity, will be replaced by HMS Amazon and the RFA Black Rover by the Grey Rover.

NEW EXAM GRADING

The Education Department have issued a notice to employers to notify them of a change in the examination grading system which is being adopted in the Falkland Islands.

The GCSE examinations have been introduced in Great Britain and they are also being adopted in the Falklands.

They differ from the GCE Ordinary Levels in that there is an element of continual assessment in the coursework contributing to the final result.

The examination results are on a 7 point scale of grades from "A", the highest, to "G", the lowest. Candidates who fail to reach the minimum standard for "G" are "unclassified" and receive no certificate.

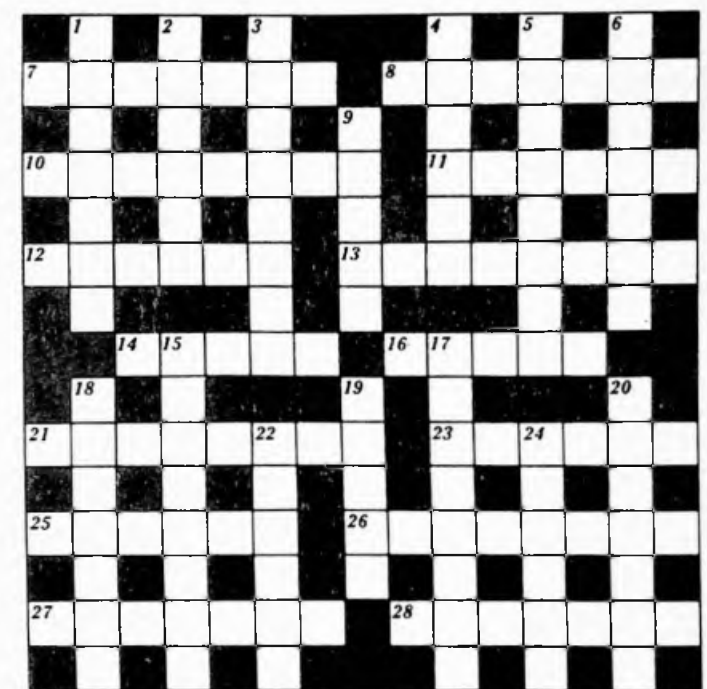
The GCE Ordinary Level examinations will be phased out in the islands shortly.

The grading system is on a 5 point scale with grade "A", the highest, to grade "F", the lowest. A, B, and C are passes, while D and E are fails.

Potential employees may hold CSE results. A grade "1" CSE is the equivalent of a GCE "O"-level.

Anyone with any queries should contact the education office on Tel: 289 or 320.

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SEAMOUNT SITREP

The stern trawler "Mount Kent" arrived in Stanley on Saturday 22nd October from Punta Arenas where she has languished in the harbour for months.

Initially she docked at the FIC jetty to unload a cargo of 20 tons of timber and then she went to FIPASS to unload fruit and drink she had carried over from Chile.

Following her unloading she then was moored alongside the quay at Navy Point where she will be on a care and maintenance until negotiations concerning her future are completed.

The Mont Kent's sister ship the "Mount Challenger" is currently berthed on a care and maintenance basis in Falmouth in Cornwall in the UK.

Meanwhile Seaboard Offshore managing director, Mr Kenneth MacKenzie has been offered a chance to put forward plans for operating the vessels but it is expected they will be put up for sale.

His company meantime, have moved their offices in North Silver Street, Aberdeen, to plush new offices in Carden Street.

A QC has been chosen to lead the inquiry into the Seamount affair.

It is understood three Parliamentary questions on the Seamount affair have been tabled in the UK by Labour spokesman on foreign affairs, Mr George Foulkes.

PRYNN REPORT

Peter Prynn returned to the Falkland Islands last week to present to councillors, senior government officials and members of the development corporation his final report on a possible development strategy for the islands.

The final report sets out Mr Prynn's recommendations as to the development strategy to be adopted.

It takes full account of the wishes of Falkland Islanders as expressed to him in consultations following the publication of his interim report setting out three alternative development strategies.

The report has been seen by Executive Council and with their approval is now available to members of the public.

Executive Council will in due course issue a statement with their view of the report and upon the implementation of its recommendations.

The report is available upon request from Michele Thomson at FIDC, but distribution is limited to one copy per household. A summary of the report will be distributed to, as far as possible, all households in the islands.

In the next edition we hope to highlight the main points of the report and the implications with full comment from the relevant parties.

STANLEY WHALEBONE ARCH TO DISAPPEAR!

The famous whalebone arch on the green next to Christchurch Cathedral is to disappear, but islanders need not worry as the disappearance will be only temporary.

A quick look at the arch proves that the whale jaw-bones have seen better days and are showing signs of weathering and are in need of some kind of remedial repair work.

To this end Mr Ron Croucher from the Natural History section of the British Museum has been in the Falklands looking at the arch.

His trip was arranged by the Falkland Islands Trust and organised by FIDC and was aimed at allowing Mr Croucher to make an assessment of the best way to deal with the problem of the deteriorating bones.

As Senior Scientific Officer in Paleontology and Senior Preparator he has been more used to dealing with fossils, but Mr Croucher explained to Penguin News that the processes of preservation are much the same for fossils as in this case.

"In comparison the whale-bones are recent," he said. "They were first put up in 1933 having been found on an island here.

"They are now pretty well decayed and very porous. They are beginning to split and warp.

"They have deteriorated badly in the last few years and the outsides of all have gone, particularly the two in the front.

"We will have to take the bones away and impregnate them with a durable resin, but first I would like to try and get the warped pieces bent back into place with steam.

"I will have to choose a resin that will not discolour the bones and which has the correct porosity."

Mr Croucher said he had been told the bones were from a sperm whale but he thought they were from an old animal and probably a blue whale.

One thing which did surprise him was the size of the bones.

"They were more massive than I expected. It is unlikely that two that big could be found again and they are fairly well matched."

Mr Croucher said that he would not like to see the bones left outside without treatment for another year. Although not crucial he felt that this would have some effect on the bones.

He expected that in the New Year they would be dismantled and shipped back to the UK in special packaging prior to their treatment and return to the islands.

MAKING TIME FOR THE GOVERNOR

With the impending departure of the Governor, Mr Gordon Jewkes, the British Forces on the Falklands were faced with the problem of finding a suitable farewell gift.

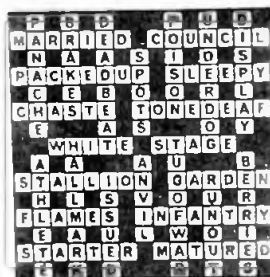
The men of 11 Field Squadron, Royal Engineers, were called in to "fixit" and 24-year-old Stuart Monk came up with the solution.

It was decided a clock would combine memories of the Falklands and the Services which protect them.

For a fortnight Stuart's duties extended to meticulously cutting out a map of the islands in copper and fixing it on a brass 4½-inch naval shell case to form the face of the clock. He also fashioned a teak plaque in which to frame it and a small case to enable the whole thing to travel safely to New York where Mr Jewkes is to become Consul General and head of British trade in America.

Stuart, an Army fitter machinist by trade, found the business of cutting the intricate outline of the Falkland Islands quite tedious. It did, however, make quite a change from his usual tasks which include the production of danger signs for the minefields left over from the 1982 Conflict.

ANSWERS TO PAGE 11 CROSSWORD.



WANTED - Four bicycles. Two adult bikes and two children's bikes for age 8 and age 10. Reasonable condition and price. Contact Alan Jones, Tel: 169.



FICZ REPORT

Fishing activity inside the FICZ is concentrated in the West, from South West of Cape Meredith up to the North West of the Jason Islands.

The Polish fleet, presently numbering 15 vessels is gradually moving from the Blue Whiting fishery off Cape Meredith to the Hoki fishery off the Jason Islands.

This is a typical pattern for the time of year and reflects declining catches of Blue Whiting.

Most of the Spanish trawlers have left the zone. At the time of writing there are four Spanish vessels, four UK vessels and 15 Polish operating in the zone. This figure will decline even further through the month of November following the same pattern as last year.

The "Falklands Desire" is making a normal patrol throughout the zone making a port visit at West Point Island on Saturday.

The "Falklands Right" has completed another research trip which involved fishing for Loligo as well as continuing the grid survey in the west. This survey has now been completed with virtually every grid square west of 60 west having been sampled.

Observers have been deployed on Polish vessels in the Blue Whiting fishery, and on the "Hill Cove".

FIBS and BFBS Radio Programme Timetable

SATURDAY:- 0700 News, Sport & Papers; 0715 Breakfast Show; 0830 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0900 News; 0903 Saturday Gold; 1030 on MW Sport on Two until 1300, or on FM continues Saturday Gold; 1100 Bullets; 1300 Report from Parliament; 1308 Saturday Live (also on MW); 1500 News; 1503 Top 40; 1700 News; 1703 Counterpoint with Val Bethell; 1733 The Archers Omnibus; 1830 Children's Corner; 1930 Local announcements; 1945 Sports Roundup; 2000 World News; 2015 Weather followed by 15-minute Theatre; 2030 The Wordsmiths of Gorsemere; 2100 Nel Richardson Presents; 2130 Rodigan's Rockers; 2330 TV's Soul Bowl; 0120 Kenny Everett; 0315 Top 40; 0515 Good Morning Falklands.

SUNDAY:- 0700 News and Sport; 0711 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Clyde's Classics with Gordon Clyde; 1000 The World This Weekend; 1055 Clifton's Corner; 1100 Kenny Everett; 1300 News; 1303 Soul Train with Andy Peebles; 1400 Seven Days with Clive Jacobs; 1445 Sports Roundup; 1500 News; 1503 Bob Harris; 1700 News; 1703 SITREP with Peter Hobday; 1733 Guitar Greats: Pete Townsend; 1830 Big Wood: The Fire Raisers; 1845 Local announcements; 1900 Evensong from the Cathedral; 2000 World News; 2015 Letter From America; 2030 The Men from the Ministry; 2100 Songs of Protest: This is Your Land; 2130 Startime with Jon Walker; 2230 Tommy Vance's Rockout; 0025 BFBS UK; 0220 Andy Kershaw; 0315 Soft Soul; 0415 Good Morning Falklands.

MONDAY:- 0600 News; 0606 Breakfast Show; 0900 News; 0903 Alan Phillips with Trax; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 The Grumbleweeds; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 Radio Newsreel; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1303 BFBS UK; 1500 Main News of the Day; 1530 The Archers; 1545 Sportsdesk; 1600 News; 1606 The Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 The Tea Time Show; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 In Concert: Spear of Destiny; 1900 Kingsley Amis on Light Verse; 1930 Announcements; 1945 Sports Roundup; 2000 World News and Commentary; 2015 Weather and Flights followed by Announcer's Choice; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Take Two with Ted King; 0325 Bob Harris; 0520 Good Morning Falklands.

TUESDAY:- 0600 News; 0604 Breakfast Show; 0830 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 0900 News; 0903 Soft Soul; 1000 News; 1003 Morning Request Show; 1100 Castles on the Air; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 Radio Newsreel; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1303 BFBS UK; 1500 Main News of the Day; 1530 The Archers; 1545 Sportsdesk; 1600 News; 1606 Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Evening LP; 1730 Behind the Mask: Eric Clapton; 1830 Calling The Falklands; 1900 Essays on Popular Music; Tone; 1930 News and Sport; 1936 Local announcements; 2000 World News; 2015 Weather and Flights followed by Calling the

Falklands; 2045 Light and Easy with Jeanette Bain; 2130 Late From London; 2130 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 TV's Rockout; 0425 Good Morning Falklands.

WEDNESDAY:- 0600 News; 0604 Breakfast Show; 0830 BFBS Top 40; 0900 News; 0903 Neil James; 1000 News; 1003 Housewife's Choice; 1100 Animal, Vegetable or Mineral; 1130 Memory Lane; 1200 Radio Newsreel; 1215 The Lunchtime Show; 1303 BFBS UK; 1500 Main News of the Day; 1530 The Archers; 1545 Sportsdesk; 1600 News; 1606 The Tea Time Show; 1700 News; 1703 The Archers; 1718 Tea Time Show; 1800 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 1830 Jazz at The Questors: Geoff Castle; 1930 News and Sport; 1936 Local announcements; 2000 World News; 2015 Weather and flights followed by Just For A Change; 2100 Falkland Islands News Magazine; 2130 Late from London; 2330 Round Midnight; 0030 BFBS UK; 0230 Rodigan's Rockers; 0425 Good Morning Falklands.

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FALKLAND SUPPLIES/ZETOR AGENCY

With effect from October 1st 1988 the Zetor agency presently dealt with by Falkland Supplies will be handed over to a new company, namely "Bonner's Haulage".

We have taken this action because our years are rolling on and with the increased demand for Zetors in the Falklands, we do not have the space to develop Zetor's future potential in the islands to its full extent.

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THRILLER PROVIDED IN EXCITING DRAW

STANLEY RFC 3 FIELD SQDN 3

Stanley must be beginning to believe they have a mental block when it comes to playing their best rugby against the Field Squadron.

The week prior to this game they had only managed to scrape through with a 3-0 win against the squadron and this time they returned with a strengthened side and the game was even closer.

Stanley expected to meet even more determined opposition in the second clash and were not disappointed.

Again the home side's inability to capitalise on possession and cross the visitors line showed and very nearly cost them the tie.

The play overall was evenly shared and it was fitting, in the end, that the honours should be likewise shared.

With the relatively small pool of players at Stanley's disposal there was yet another change in line-up and Gavin Clifton, normally a mainstay of the formidable local back row trio, found himself at scrum-half.

He played an excellent game and the rearranged back row of Paul Robertson, Derek Clarke and Geoff Tingley were outstanding. Forward pressure again played a large part in the

Stanley game pattern but pressure from the visitors didn't allow the home side to settle.

As in the previous tie the second half saw the visitors come more into the game and they used their fitness to great effect threatening on several occasions. However, the staunch defensive tackling that has been a mark of Stanley's game this year managed to keep them out.

One sad note in the game was the serious leg injury to Dinger Bell, the Stanley full-back, which meant him leaving the field midway through the second half.

The guesting EOD player has played several times both against and recently for Stanley, and Dinger proved a valuable team member who will be missed in future matches.

NEW BOOK ON THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

Many books have been written about the 1982 Conflict in the Falklands, but few people, if any, have written about the period immediately after the liberation.

Now a new book - "The Falklands Aftermath - Picking up the Pieces." by Major General Edward Fursdon - has been released by Leo Cooper books.

After the experience of the Argentine occupation and the subsequent battles, this book records the work in the immediate aftermath of the Falklands Campaign and the restoration of the islands.

The 256-page book costs £12.95 and contains 16 pages of black and white photographs and maps.

It describes the period after the Conflict as a highly complex time, both emotionally and physically for the often shocked and disorientated civilian inhabitants of the war zone as they restore their battered social fabric and resume what life they can.

It continues: "Mine-injured animals have to be shot - unexploded and lethal litter cleared - supplies brought in to a port devoid of any facilities - the filth of the occupation has to be scraped away; and all this time the islands have to be protected against renewed Argentine attack.

"In the hostile environment of snow, high wind chill and booby traps, and appalling mud conditions resembling the Somme, the British servicemen cheerfully work incredibly long and hard hours to help rehabilitate the Falklands and their islanders."

The book also covers South Georgia and in an epilogue highlights key events up to 1986.

The author had a long and distinguished military career himself before retiring from the Army to join the "Daily Telegraph" newspaper as defence and military correspondent.

In this capacity he spent his time in the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and with the Royal Navy at sea in 1982 and collected the material for this book.

He left the Daily Telegraph in 1986 and is now a defence consultant and freelance defence correspondent.

FORWARD CONTROL DECIDES THE DAY

STANLEY RFC 15 HMS ALACRITY 8

Stanley showed a developing maturity in their style of play in this bruising encounter which must signal their best performance to date.

HMS Alacrity came into this game as a fancied side which could end Stanley's good unbeaten run.

On a beautiful evening, the first evening tie of the season got underway and it was soon apparent that for the home side to win this game the forwards would need to control the ball and cut off the supply to the quick and strong-running Alacrity three-quarters.

Once again the Stanley pack rose to the challenge and took the game to the visitors.

With a well-marshalled game plan the pack harried and worked to keep the visitors from getting the ball past their half-backs and starve the handy looking centres and wingers.

After several good forward surges and near misses the home side found just rewards in a touchdown by Rupert Haydock who played a storming game after a long lay-off.

Stung into retaliation, the visitors unleashed their backs for the first time and replied immediately with a lovely three-quarter move which put their extremely fast right winger, Navy player Glyn Mortley, clear to level the score.

The game remained tight with a strong, thrilling encounter developing, much to the delight of the large touchline support enjoying the late evening sun.

Early in the second half some good line kicking took play back into the Alacrity 22 and, from a quickly taken Fin-

lay penalty, Gavin Clifton forced his way over in the corner.

But again the visitors retaliated immediately in style and squared things again with a second superb try for Mortley.

This seemed to knock some of the stuffing out of Stanley and they lost their way a bit and looked as though they could let Alacrity in to win.

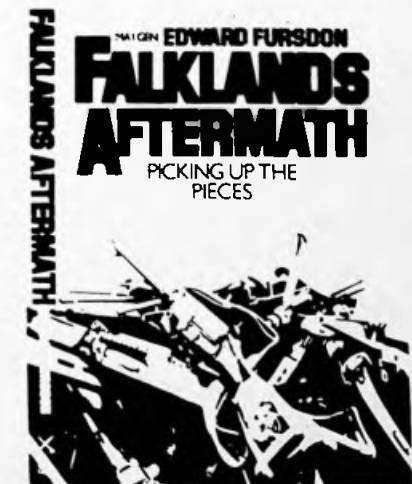
However, the whole team seemed to raise their game again and with time running out and the score poised evenly at 8-8, the home pack produced a crucial well-controlled ball which allowed Finlay an attempted drop goal.

Charged down, the ball bounced kindly out to stand-off Pollard who made no mistake with his drop goal attempt and put Stanley's noses in front again.

Spurred on and refired by the score, the home side drove back to the Alacrity line and a determined side run allowed Finlay to score in the corner moments after having had another crashover disallowed by referee John Jackson.

This tied up the game and Alacrity never came back into it with only minutes left to them to save the game.

Although a very good team performance, special mention must be made about the performance of the back row who, once again excelled. Gavin Clifton had yet another outstanding game as did Mike Finlay at scrum half.



SPORT-

By
Rory
MacLeod.

STANLEY DARTS CLUB 1988 PRIZE WINNERS

As a final round-up of the darts season we offer the complete list of prize-winners of the team, individual and knock-out events throughout the season.

The prizes were presented to all winners at Stanley Darts Club's annual prize-giving in the Town Hall in Stanley.

Kendall Cup 1988:- Runners Up:-	Sidewinders Rose 'B'	Johnnie Walker Ladies:- M.Goss
Challenge Shield 1988:- Runners Up:-	Globe Wanderers Globe Windbags	Johnnie Walker Open:- C.Smith C.Ford
The Wooden Spoon:-	The Rosettes	Player of the Year:-Colin Smith
Team Knock-Out 1988:- Runners Up:-	Rose 'A' Rose 'B'	Governor's Cup Ladies:- M.Goss Runner Up:- H.Smith
FIDF Club Medals 1988:-	Rose 'B'	Governor's Cup Open:- G.Hewitt Runner Up:- G.Sneyd
Highest Ladies Team:-	The Penguins	
Most Legs (79):- Second:-	C. Smith J. Lang	
Most on Back of Card(172):-	C. Smith	
Most Tons (50):-	G. Hewitt	
Most Ton Plusses (39):-	C. Smith	
Most 3-Dart Finishes (23):-	C. Smith	
Most 1st Dart Finishes (16):-	J. Lang	
Most 1st Dart Starts (29):-	C. Smith	
Most Bull Centres (12):-	C. Smith	
Most Bull Finishes (5):-	C. Smith	
Most 180's (4):-	C. Smith	
First 180:-	C. Smith	
Most 3 Treble 19's:-	A. Jaffray	
Highest Checkout (157):-	G. Hewitt	
Lowest Individual:-	M. Murphy	
Doubles Knockout 1988:- Runners Up:	G.Hewitt & J.McLeod N.Bonner & B.Faria	
Individual Knockout:- Runner Up:-	C.Smith J.Lang	
Three Bars Comp. Ladies:- Runner Up:-	C.Jacobsen L.McGillivray	
Three Bars Comp. Gents:- Runner Up:-	C.Ford T.Bonner	

RUGBY CLUB CREATED

A meeting of all interested parties last week brought about the birth of Stanley Rugby Union Football Club.

Following the rise in enthusiasm for the game recently in the Falklands it was decided that there needed to be a more formal arrangement and hence the club was formed.

The framework for a constitution was thrashed out and solicitor Gavin Farquhar will be putting it into a more coherent form in the near future.

The committee co-opted at the inaugural meeting was Club Captain/Chairman, John Pollard; Secretary, Rory MacLeod; Treasurer, Mike Luxton; Selection Member, Paul Robertson. It was also decided to approach former Irish internationalist Canon Gerry Murphy and ask him to be Honorary President of the club.

Non-playing members are encouraged to join as well as playing members. It is envisaged that sessions to encourage youngsters to the game will be a feature of the club.

Several social events are planned throughout the year.

KIDDIES KORNER

By Philip Jones, aged 8.

How Does
Your Cat
Travel to work?

I was in the rover
When Arty got on the
roof. Mum started the
rover. We were driving
with Arty on the roof.
Everyone was pointing at Arty
and we thought they
were waving so we waved
back.



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FALKLANDS ANTI-WHALING CAMPAIGN FAILS TO STOP JAPANESE LICENCES

Despite the vigorous campaign by the Falklands Anti-Whaling lobby the allocation of fishing licences to Japanese vessels came out after the recent Exco meeting only one down on last year in total.

However, a spokesman for the group said although being slightly disappointed, they were not down-hearted and intended keeping the pressure on to make the Japanese government take note of their objections to whaling.

The spokesman admitted that despite the strength of support in the Falklands for their campaign, it might have come too late in the day to affect this allocation of licences to vessels.

The main hope the group take from the latest deliberation over licences is that the members of Exco have asked for further information regarding the implications any withdrawal of licences to the Japanese might have.

For this round of allocations the body of thought seems to have been that it was too late to change the rules for application after they had already been set for the applicants.

Following the meeting the Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor, sent a letter to the campaigners explaining Exco's position.

In the letter the Chief Executive said, "I am now in a position to give you Executive Council's considered reply to the whaling petition which you presented to me as Acting Governor on 31st October and to your subsequent letter to me in that capacity on 3rd November.

1. Exco were unanimous in their very strong sympathy with the feelings expressed by the petitioners against whaling.

2. The Japanese are undoubtedly already aware of the 'strength of Islanders' feelings and steps will be taken to ensure that they continue to be left in no doubt of those feelings.

3. However, Council accepted that the question of taking ac-

tion even of the limited symbolic sort proposed by the petitioners following their meeting with me on 31st October is a complicated one which will need very careful consideration and consultation. It would be all too easy to take action for the sake of taking it without necessarily achieving the desired result and indeed perhaps causing considerable harm to Falkland fishing interests generally in other ways. Council therefore asked to be supplied with more information on a number of points and this we are now arranging.

"I shall be very happy to discuss the matter with you further in due course although at this stage there is probably little that I can add to this letter."

The following day the campaigners replied to Mr Taylor's comments in a letter of their own.

In it they thanked the Chief Executive for his letter adding, "We were pleased to learn of the general opposition to whaling which exists in Executive Council, but disappointed that no firm action was approved."

"We had hoped that at least an official representation would be made to the Japanese Government informing them of the feeling of Falkland Islanders," it continues. "It seems ironic, according to our calculations, one of the principle offenders against our sensibilities, the Coalite Taiyo Consortium, has actually increased its number of licences, receiving nine licences as opposed to the eight awarded last year.

"It is at least encouraging that council are seeking further information, and we would be interested to know precisely the areas which are being researched.

"If we can assist in this process in any way, we would be very pleased to do so. This is precisely what we ourselves are continuing to do.

"Nevertheless, we believe that we have sufficient facts in our possession to prove that the strong action we request would be both practical and effective. We look forward to a continued dialogue with you."

The campaign has gained considerable coverage outside the islands with a carefully orchestrated Press campaign being organised by the World Wildlife Fund.

Newspapers in the UK, notably The Times, have carried articles and letters on the subject.

Following a letter to the Chief Executive expressing his concern and support for the campaign Sir Peter Scott, Honorary Chairman of the WWF International Council and President of the Falkland Islands Foundation, sent a letter to The Times in which he described the campaign as "a remarkable initiative" and said "we should all give our strongest support to the Falkland Islanders".

However, the letter did not go unanswered with a reply from a Mr Christopher Savage, a trustee of the International Trust for Nature Conservation, who wrote from Japan.

In his letter Mr Savage said the campaign cannot "possibly have considered the

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TRISTAR BOOKINGS

As from Thursday 1st December 1988, the civilian Tristar flight booking service in the islands will be dealt with by the Falkland Islands Company Limited.

All enquiries and bookings for flights should be made via the company's general office on telephone No. 60, or by calling in at Crozier Place during normal office hours.

Until December 1st all enquiries should continue to be made through the Secretariat.

Every effort will be made to ensure a smooth and trouble-free handover.

consequences of the action" and warns against opposition to the Japanese resulting in them and other nations fishing the FICZ looking for ways "to unseat the islanders, lest they be blackmailed likewise on other political issues".

Whatever people's feelings the campaign did not succeed on this licence allocation session and the campaigners have now set their sights firmly on next year's allocation.

GOVERNOR FULLERTON SWEEPED INTO ISLANDS ON GUST OF ENTHUSIASM

Frightening crosswind gusts of 30 knots may not have been the ideal welcome for the Falkland Islands' new Governor, Mr William Hugh Fullerton, but it has done nothing to blunt his enthusiasm towards his new appointment.

An exhausting journey via Dakar and Ascension Island before the landing at MPA in maximum crosswinds gave the diplomat and his American-born wife, Arlene, a grueling initiation to RAF Tristar travel to the Falklands.

The delays in the trip meant flying in much later in the day than would have been normal on November 8th and the newly-arrived couple were driven up the road to Stanley and Government House.

Despite the tiring journey the next day was heavy with engagements with the only concession to the Fullerton's late arrival being the shifting of the swearing-in ceremony to the afternoon.

The Town Hall was filled with invited guests and interested on-lookers for the ceremony when Mr Fullerton arrived sporting his Governorial uniform complete with, what he later admitted, was former Falklands' Governor Sir Rex Hunt's sword because his own had not been ready on time.

Mrs Fullerton arrived in a glamorous two-piece red suit with black frill-necked blouse and double chain of pearls all topped off with a hat in black to match the blouse.

Mrs Fullerton having been led to her seat by the Clerk of Councils, Mr Peter King, the Chief Police Officer lead His Excellency the Governor and Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor, into the hall.

Following the playing of the National Anthem Mr Taylor demanded the reading of Mr Fullerton's Commission and that done, then invited him to take the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath for the due execution of the office of Governor, both of which he did.

Then Mr Taylor gave a short speech of welcome to the new Governor and his wife to which Mr Fullerton replied.

In his address the Governor said he hoped to meet as many islanders as possible

and said he hoped that as many islanders as possible would become involved in the development of the Falklands.

A short time after the swearing-in ceremony the Governor was given a gun-salute at Victory Green and inspected a Guard of Honour for him on Ross Road.

Since that day Mr and Mrs Fullerton have kept up a rigorous schedule of visits to as many places, departments and offices as has been possible.

His first weekend in Stanley took in Remembrance Sunday and all the duties he is involved in with that.

With only a few days gone the new Governor was faced with a large and busy Exco meeting covering the vital issue of fishing licences among other things.

Having just completed nine days in the islands, Mr Fullerton spoke to Penguin News of his first impressions and hopes for the future.

"My wife and I visited the junior and senior schools and were very impressed with the quality and enthusiasm of both the staff and the pupils," he said.

"We have had Remembrance Sunday with its services which were touching and attractively done. Visits have included the Hydroponic Garden Centre, FIDC, the Jersey Housing estate, seeing the Town Plan, PWD and the workshops, the power station, the filtration plant, the hospital, FIPASS and the fisheries and the Secretariat.

"I have had my first Exco meeting which I understand was longer and busier than most which I found stimulating with very real issues discussed and things gone into

thoroughly."

What did he see his role as Governor entailing?

"It is hard to know yet. My role is not to come and tell people what to do. I am keen islanders should develop their own ways and future.

"I am very conscious that these are the Falklands and we don't want to give them the stamp of somewhere else. It is all extremely interesting and I want to be involved in that sense and so am not totally hands off."

The islands had been much as he had expected them to be, he said, having done quite a bit of research on them before his arrival. That said, he had to admit he was surprised by the patch of good weather experienced just after his arrival.

But what of his extremely busy initiation to the islands? Was it a good idea or would he have preferred a settling-in period?

"No. I think it is good to come at a busy time and get straight into things.

"There is nothing uppermost in my mind that I see needs tackling. There are a lot of issues to look at and all are considered important."

What of the future of the islands and the wishes of the islanders?

"We ideally want good relations with South America but there will be no change in our basic position with the Falklands. The wishes of the Falklands' people are crucial.

"I would imagine they want to decide and want to take part in the running of their own day to day life.

"This is a distinctive place and I would want people to say what they think."

Etheridge, Dr Burgess and Mrs Rendell met to discuss the presentation of the shields and it was thought most appropriate to ask the public to reflect on the matter of community service and nominate any young person up to the age of 18 in either Camp or Stanley who has undertaken voluntary tasks during 1988.

Tasks might include work with the elderly or helping to improve facilities for others. It is planned that the awards

would be presented in December and the recipients would retain the shields for one year having their names engraved on the plaques.

Nominations explaining briefly what the young people have been doing should be sent to the Education Office, Stanley Cottage, while more information can be obtained by telephoning 289 or 320 or calling in at the office. Nominations should be received by the end of November.

REPORTS CONSIDERED

Two reports of particular interest to readers in Camp are at present being looked at by FIDC.

The first is the "Study of the East-West and West Falkland Shipping May 1988" by Ole Steen Knudsen APS, consultant naval architects.

In the report they look at the concept of an East-West ferry and the implications of such a service.

In it they identify that a suitable type of vessel would cost around £150-200,000 to purchase and a further £5000 a year to maintain.

Port Sussex is identified as the jump-off port on East Falkland and it is stated that a spur of road would need to be built to service the port.

The cost for this is estimated at around £161,000 with an annual maintenance cost of around £1610 per annum.

The second report is the "Report and Recommendations on the Development of Rural Harbour Facilities in the Falkland Islands" by IT Power Ltd of Hampshire in England.

In it they recommend that ten or more ramps be built at harbours around the islands at a cost of about £350,000. The rehabilitation of jetties is recommended where it is more appropriate, such as at "A" listed ports.

The cost of this exercise is estimated at about £110,000.

Some jetties are thought to be better if they were rebuilt with Fox Bay East thought to fall into this category. The cost there is estimated at about £350,000 but another study is recommended in this case at a cost of £15,000.

There is a recommendation towards more containerisation in coastal shipping in the islands. Open top containers are thought more suitable for the type of work the vessels would be involved in.

Concrete ramps or slipways are identified as most suitable and the thought is that prefabricated concrete slabs could be made in Stanley and then shipped out to the particular settlements and constructed.

Overall ramps are seen as significantly cheaper than jetties and require less maintenance and are easier to repair.

FISHING LICENCE ALLOCATION FOR 1989 FIRST SEASON

A total of 589 applications were received for fishing licences for the first season 1989, this being an increase over the 560 applications received last year.

The following offers of licences have been made:-

Licence Type 'B': Illex Squid

Applicant	Fishing Co/Association	Flag State	Licences
Anamer	Anamer	Spain	1
Aspe	Aspe	Spain	1
Dalmor	Dalmor	Poland	5
Odra	Odra	Poland	10
Gryf	Gryf	Poland	8
Fortuna Ltd	TSFA	Taiwan	4
Marr (Falklands) Ltd	TSFA	Taiwan	4
Scotfish	FCF	Taiwan	5
Witte Boyd (Holdings) Ltd	FCF	Taiwan	5
Stanley Trawlers Ltd	TSFA	Taiwan	1
Southern Cross Ltd	FCF	Taiwan	4
BSS Ltd	FIKO	Korea	5
Fortuna Ltd	KOSAC	Korea	7
JBG Falklands Ltd	KOSAC	Korea	7
Marr (Falklands) Ltd	Daewang FCL	Korea	2
Southern Cross Ltd	Dong Bang FCL	Korea	2
CTC Fisheries Ltd	CTC Fisheries Ltd	Japan	8
Fortuna Ltd	JDSTA	Japan	3
JBG Falklands Ltd	KSJ	Japan	9
Marr (Falklands) Ltd	KSJ	Japan	17
Witte Boyd (Holdings) Ltd	OSA	Japan	24
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The overall number of licences offered is determined by the fishing effort of the vessels involved and is a reduction from the 143 type B licences allocated in 1988. This is partly due to an increase in the efficiency of the vessels applying for licences and also because of the need to meet the recommended conservation target.

The Falkland Islands Government has attempted to obtain the agreement of the Far Eastern fishing fleets to voluntarily delay the start of their fishing operations outside the FICZ next season, which it is considered would have benefits both in terms of conservation and also in supporting the market value of the squid.

The Far Eastern fishing fleets have indicated that they have agreed to some delay in the start of their operations in the South West Atlantic next year. To the extent that this proves effective as a conservation measure it may be possible for the FIG to make a further offer of a limited number of Illex licences in late February.

Licence Type 'C': Loligo Squid

Applicant	Fishing Co/Association	Flag State	Licences
ADAPI	ADAPI	Portugal	4
Anamer	Anamer	Spain	14
Argos Ltd	Argos Ltd	Spain	3
Aspe	Aspe	Spain	3
JBG Falklands Ltd	Aspe	Spain	1
Federpesca	Federpesca	Italy	5
SWB (Fishing) Ltd	SWB (Fishing) Ltd	UK	1
Marr (Falklands) Ltd	Stanmarr Ltd	UK	1
SAFCO Ltd	SAFCO Ltd	UK	1
SFP Atlantic Fisheries Ltd	SFP Atlantic Fisheries Ltd	UK	1
Fishing Explorer Ltd	Fishing Explorer Ltd	UK	1
Dalmor	Dalmor	Poland	1
Gryf	Gryf	Poland	1
Odra	Odra	Poland	1
Kastor Maritime Ltd	Kastor Maritime Ltd	Greece	2
Marr (Falklands) Ltd	RvdNZ	Netherlands	1
Cenal SA	Pesquera Interpesca	Chile	1
CTC Fisheries Ltd	CTC Fisheries Ltd	Japan	1
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This represents a slight increase over the allocation of 40 type 'C' licences last season, due to a decrease in the average size of trawlers to be licenced, and is compatible with the conservation target. It is considered that the low level of Loligo catches in the FICZ in 1988 reflects a small stock in that year, but the causes of this are uncertain.

(Please turn over for Type 'A' licences and more information on the allocations)

COMMUNITY WORK SHIELDS

The Education Department holds two shields donated by the Stanley Lions Club in County Durham to be awarded to young people who have been of greatest service to the community in the proceeding year.

A small committee comprising Father John Doran, Mrs

Type 'A' Licences: Finfish

26 of those vessels being offered Type 'B' or Type 'C' licences also requested Finfish licences for a number of months. These requests have been granted.

The following applicants have been offered Type 'A' licences only:-

Applicant	Fishing Co/Association	Flag State	Licences
Anamer	Anamer	Spain	6
Aspe	Aspe	Spain	1
ADAPI	ADAPI	Portugal	1
Gryf	Gryf	Poland	3

A direct comparison with the number of Type 'A' licences granted last year is difficult, because in the first season 1988 a substantial amount of effort was directed onto finfish by vessels holding all species licences. In 1989 there will be no such licences. The total level of effort permitted on finfish this year represents an effective reduction to achieve the recommended conservation target.

Of the fishing companies with local involvement most proved successful in obtaining offers of at least some licences. Companies which did particularly well were JBG Falklands Ltd, Fortuna Ltd, Argos Ltd and Southern Cross Ltd. JBG led the way with a total of 17 and Fortuna weren't far behind with 14. Argos received a maximum three out of three applications at their first time of asking. Southern Cross Ltd managed a total of six. Stanley Trawlers Ltd managed to get one licence after their failure of last year but Goodwin Offshore Ltd failed in their attempt to get a licence. Beauchene, in the end, did not apply for licences.

Despite the strong protests of the anti-whaling lobby Japanese companies seemed to come through unscathed. Coalite Taiyo Consortium, which had been targetted by the campaigners, maintained their share of the allocations for this season.

Following the allocations the Deputy Director of Fisheries, Mr Alastair Cameron, talked about some of the thinking behind the offers this year.

Turning to the issue of asking far Eastern companies to start their fishing outside the zone at a later date, Alastair explained this was purely for conservation. "In the early part of the year squid spawn about 46 degrees South and then move down to the FICZ," he said.

"Intensive fishing before they enter the zone has implications for the state of the stocks in the FICZ. This is essentially with

Illex. There are sound commercial reasons for delaying fishing outside because the value of small sized squid is relatively low and pure mathematics show that the same number can have an increased value because the larger they are the higher the value.

"There is obviously no way we can police outside the zone," he pointed out. "But it is of collective benefit for everyone fishing the FICZ. If they were irresponsible we would not be in a position to grant a further allocation of licences to them. We have dealt with the representative organisations of the nations involved but we have no policy which allows for a punitive licence allocation. The success or failure in obtaining licences in the future would take account of how these companies fished this year."

Mr Cameron was very quick to scotch any ideas that there was an impropriety in the granting of licences. His denial came after unattributed accusations that companies such as JBG and Fortuna which have councillors in their ranks had received better treatment, and consequently more licences.

"The allocation is not decided purely on the basis of a local partner being involved," he said, "and in general terms, the fact these two companies have 'done well' reflects the fact that they were successful in attracting applications from companies with an established position in the fishery."

FALKLAND ISLANDS TO RE-FLAG BRITISH SHIPS

The Falkland Islands are set to welcome more ships under its flag due to changes in the Merchant Shipping laws in the UK.

Due to the Merchant Shipping Act 1988 in Britain which amends the act of 1894, a fishing vessel may only be registered in a British port if it is at least ¼-owned by British citizens resident and domiciled in the UK or by a company ¾ of whose shares are owned by British citizens resident or domiciled in the UK.

This means that vessels owned by companies incorporated and having their place of residence in the Falkland Islands - such as Marr (Falklands) Ltd with the Hill Cove, SWB (Fishing) Ltd with the Lord Shackleton and Seamount with the Mount Kent and Mount Challenger - cannot own fishing vessels registered in UK ports of registry.

Effectively this means that the Hill Cove, Lord Shackleton, Mount Kent and Mount Challenger must be removed from British ports of registry in the UK and registered elsewhere.

The Attorney General, Mr David Lang, has been in touch with the owners of the vessels and with the mortgagees and his understanding is that applications will be made to transfer registry of the vessels

to Stanley.

The Registry was unofficially closed some time ago because it was wanted to discourage non-Falkland Island vessels from registering here.

In 1987 Legco passed the Merchant Shipping Registry Ordinance which came into force late last year. Under that ordinance a vessel can only be registered in the Falklands if it meets certain recommendations unless a permanent governor in council receives it.

The Hill Cove, Lord Shackleton, Mount Kent and Mount Challenger all meet the criteria in the 1987 ordinance. However, to ensure there would be no local objection the matter was raised at Exco but no objections were brought forward.

Foreseeing that some vessels may try to register in the Falklands the government, in conjunction with the Department of Trade and Industry in the UK, passed the Fishing Vessels (Safety Provisions) Ordinance 1987 which applies exactly the same legislation and regulations as apply to vessels in the UK.

DEVELOPMENTS IN FIDC'S FINANCE DEPARTMENT

FIDC have recently appointed Gordon Ewing(42), former Finance and Administration Manager of Ross Harper & Murphy, solicitors in Scotland, as their new Financial Controller.

Mr Ewing is a fully qualified accountant with a wealth of experience in finance and management.

He will assist the Corporation to broaden the scope of its finance department particularly in the areas of financial and management accounting advice.

As well as being charged with the responsibility of the day to day running of the finance sector of the Corporation, he will be available to provide sound advice on the provision of assistance to the various projects currently under the wing of FIDC.

Having lived and worked in Central Africa as a Financial Director for international earthmoving specialists, Caterpillar for many years, Mr Ewing is no stranger to overseas

posts; "I wanted to work abroad again and this appointment has given me the opportunity to do just that.

"Although somewhat further away from home than many of my previous postings the upheaval of moving is considerably less dramatic these days," said Mr Ewing.

With FIDC becoming increasingly involved with promotional training Mr Ewing hopes to contribute to vocational training in the islands.

Mr Ewing intends becoming very much involved in the local community. A commissioned officer in the Territorial Army, he is hoping to join the Falkland Islands Defence

FIGAS WEEKEND FLYING COMMENCES

In line with popular request the Falkland Islands Government Air Service has started weekend scheduled flights as from last weekend.

The move means that FIGAS are hoping to be able to offer flying seven days a week from 7am to 6pm subject to demand and weather.

Consequently it means that it is now possible to travel on a Friday and get a flight back on a Sunday so that a traveller can be back at work on the Monday morning.

"We hope people will bear with us," said Mr Peter Milner, manager of FIGAS.

"We have never done this before and have only three pilots. We must calculate the operations hours correctly.

"We hope to satisfy most requests for flights and if we can't it will be because of operations hours. Whatever, we hope to encourage weekend trips.

"The office will not be open Saturdays or Sundays and all reservations for Saturday, Sunday and Monday should be made by 1400 hours on the preceding Friday. Then we will be able to produce a flight schedule for three days.

"Unless it is an emergency we will not take bookings over the aircraft radio on a Saturday or Sunday, for instance, but we will do what we can.

"The aircraft and pilot hours will be critical as we must abide by the CAA requirements."

In preparation for the weekend flights weekend allowances and shift premiums had to be worked out between government and staff members and ATC cover and maintenance worked out.

One aspect of the service offered by FIGAS to date that worries Mr Milner is the payment for flights.

"I am concerned over payment for flights," he said. "We are owed a lot of money and despite reminders we are not getting paid.

I would like to reiterate that for those whose journey originates in Stanley we require payment prior to travel. For

Force.

Commenting on his appointment with the Corporation, Mr Ewing explained: "Whilst working in Africa I was very closely involved with the Malawi Development Corporation and found I preferred to play a positive

role in development rather than simply number crunching. "I do not wish to be regarded merely as a nameless, faceless accountant in the background and look forward to contributing to the team effort of the Corporation."

Another matter which Mr Milner felt is causing problems is ETA's for aircraft at destinations.

"These do change once the aircraft is airborne. A lot of the time it is out of our control.

"Weather has a bearing. ATC will tell a settlement but the information will not always get to the person required.

"Settlements must be aware that because of operational or weather conditions the plane may have to overfly a settlement and arrive early at the next destination. We give the most accurate information we can."

As to the future of FIGAS MR Milner said they hope to purchase a new Islander aircraft this year.

"This would replace Bravo Foxtrot and we hope to supplement the flying staff with a new pilot from the UK. At present we have three pilots flying our three Islander aircraft.

"In the next nine months we hope to consolidate our position and take the Dornier aircraft in Stanley.

"In the next 12-18 months we may supplement our aircraft with a helicopter or a different type of aircraft."

The advantage of a helicopter would be that it would be able to service places without an airstrip or those places where the airstrip is considered below the necessary standard for a fixed-wing aircraft.

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BUSY EXCO MEETING EXTENDS TO TWO DAYS

After the recent busy session of Exco the Governor, Mr William Hugh Fullerton, and Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor, outlined the many issues covered including the not unimportant allocation of fishing licences for the high season.

There was an extremely busy agenda with around 40 items covered and for Fullerton it was a rigorous introduction to his first sitting at an Exco meeting.

The petition submitted by the anti-whaling lobby was discussed before the licences and the councillors were "sympathetic" towards it said Mr Fullerton.

"They all agreed that they would like to see whaling as something that exists no longer," he said.

"Often you feel better if you are actually doing something about something like this but a move to ban licences for the Japanese could have uncalled for results. Not just in terms of fishing and the economy as some of the fishermen involved in the zone are very careful about conservation.

"There are legal implications and we can't change the system in mid-term. The councillors have asked for legal, foreign affairs and policy information to be made available to them so they can assess the ramifications of any type of ban."

Turning to licencing the Governor said it had been "very hard to satisfy everybody".

He praised the work put into the process of choosing the allocation by Lewis Clifton and Alastair Cameron.

When asked if the rumour the allocation of licences had been changed for the Portuguese overnight following their vote in favour of the Falklands in the annual vote in the United Nations, Mr Fullerton said, "One wants to be helpful to those who are helpful to us."

"The Portuguese have a good record in the FICZ."

Whatever, their previous record it would appear their "helpful" stance at the UN was noted.

Exco granted financial assistance to Joint Ventures Stanley Witte Boyd and Stanmarr amounting to £700,000 for the running of stern trawlers "Lord Shackleton" (SWB) and "Hill Cove" (Stanmarr). The money is on a loan basis at 2% over the base rate with SWB getting £400,000 and Stanmarr £350,000.

"With the sudden end to the JV system the two companies needed help to tide them over

until the establishment of the Fisheries Development Fund," explained the Governor.

A reconstruction of Stanley Fisheries Ltd. was discussed with it to be put under FIG rather than FIDC. David Taylor will be the Executive Chairman of SFL while Harold Rowlands will be the other of the two FIG trustee shareholders. The board of SFL, including the present Executive Directors, Simon Armstrong and Shane Wolsey, will remain in place.

Exco are awaiting the outcome of a consultant's report on SFL but the Governor described the moves as an attempt to simplify what is an unwieldy and complicated business.

David Taylor said the report would be a strategic reappraisal of SFL and decide whether there was a need for SFL at all. He thought the on-going matters needed to be properly controlled but that they didn't want to overburden FIDC's management.

"I am extremely concerned at the climate of criticism of the management of SFL appears to blame the FIDC executives involved," he said. "I think they have had an impossible task."

"The management should have been strengthened over a year ago. My view is that they have done an extremely good job with a near impossible job under intense pressure."

"These people needed for their necessary knowledge in advising me in the reconstruction stage."

Seamount was discussed and the possibility of using the Mount Kent as a patrol vessel rather than selling her. The question was whether the cost of conversion of the vessel and her suitability would make this feasible.

"Instead of a possible loss on the sale of the Mount Kent, the cost of conversion was looked at," said Mr Taylor. "The engines on the Kent are good and the present Marr vessels are getting older and would need to be replaced in 1990."

The management of FI-

PASS was looked at. It was thought certain aspects of it can be managed on a private basis and tenders have been received for the job.

A paper on Agricultural Grants was looked at and £½ million a year is to be made available as either grants or loans.

"The idea is to have fewer restrictions and make it easier to apply," explained His Excellency. "It will make eligibility greater rather than fewer."

The Pryn Report was discussed and is covered in a separate article.

The social report by Bob Storey was discussed and the financial implications looked at.

The Governor said it would be a case of delving into it and abstracting what was useful but thought it early days to talk of constitutional changes as suggested by the report. The idea of paid councillors also raises problems he thought, and they would have to think this through he added.

Amongst capital works looked at was the new senior school and it was decided that a "monumental structure" was needed.

Basically this would be a building which would last about 60 years rather than 30.

"Education is very important and so we need a proper school," said the Governor. "Towards 1992 it is possible we will have a £14 million building for some 200 pupils but with an allowance for 300 pupils in the communal areas."

"The site has not been decided but beside the swimming pool is being considered. However, the decision on the site was not up at this meeting."

"Ross Road is to have the sum of £1½ million spent on resurfacing and as part of their compensation the sum of £467,000 from the MOD is included in this figure."

"The rewiring and heating systems for government buildings was approved and this includes the Secretariat, the Town Hall, the Post Office, Government House and Stan-

ley House."

£450,000 was also approved for the refurbishment of the new FIGO offices at 13 Broadway in London.

The building itself cost £950,000 and lies in a conservation area, just opposite St James tube station.

The purchase of a new Islander aircraft was approved and it was thought after the trade-in and selling of spares of one of the existing planes, the cost would be about £220,000.

It was agreed income tax would be cut. The first £10,000 of earned income will be taxed at 25%, the next £10,000 at 30% and the next £10,000 and above at 40%. Other reliefs will be available.

A subsidy for Penguin News was agreed and that it should be taken over by FIG, but the thought was for a trustee management board to be set up so the paper remained independent and did not become "a tame government mouthpiece".

A decision on the Employment Protection Act was delayed to allow all employers and employees to have further time to study and discuss its implications.

A new road traffic act was accepted which will bring in standards similar to those of the UK.

David Taylor said this did not mean everyone had to wear seat belts as soon as it became effective but it gave the ability to introduce MOT's seat belt laws and the like if they were thought necessary.

Exco agreed that government should foot the bill for a visit to the islands in probably January or February, for former Governor Sir Rex Hunt and his wife.

Dates for their visit are still to be set.

The meeting heard that television could be operational in Stanley again by the end of the month as the equipment has arrived and is being installed.

The transmitter has the facility to block out the US programmes for which the rights have not been approved.

BOUND ABOUT TOWN - by Graham Bound.

Anti-Whaling - This is Just the Beginning.

In Penguin News on the 26th August this year, we launched a bold campaign against the Japanese Whaling Industry. An article entitled "Of Human and Animal Tragedies and What We Can Do" appeared in this column, and it appealed to readers who cared about the environment to do something for it.

As a result, a core of people organised themselves into a body which actively campaigned for the denial of fishing rights around the Falklands until that country ended its killing of whales.

I won't bore you with the detailed story which, thanks to subsequent coverage in the PN and on local radio, is well known. Suffice it to say that no less than 768 residents of the Falklands gave their support to a petition which called for effective action against the Japanese.

Based on the 1986 census, approximately 42% of the population and an estimated 50% of the electorate said that they were on our side. It was a marvellous expression of concern for the environment and whales in particular which showed that, while we are an island people, we are far from insular in our thinking.

Support from overseas came in the form of advice and practical assistance from the World Wildlife Fund, with the honorary president of that highly respected organisation, Sir Peter Scott, describing our action in the Times of London as a "remarkable initiative".

In most western democracies such a mass expression of feeling could not be ignored. A government wielding power in a lively party political environment, where half of any politician's mind is always concentrated on the next election, would simply have to do something to satisfy such a body.

However, we do not have such politics in the Falklands. At the 16th November Executive Council meeting the petition was indeed discussed, but the elected councillors and administrators which make up that body decided that no action should be taken against the Japanese.

We have, of course, no choice but to accept the decision of our elected councillors, and perhaps we should have a charit-

able attitude towards them.

The clear mandate from the petitioners gave little time for the licence allocation to be re-planned and for aspects of the proposed action against the Japanese to be researched. Furthermore, it was some consolation that the council agreed to seek further information and, at least according to a letter received from the Chief Executive, the possibility of future action has not been ruled out. This being the case, it will not be easy for the government to avoid taking action a year from now. By then all of their required planning and research can be carried out.

In the meantime the campaign against the whaling nations will have matured and we will have learned valuable lessons from a few mistakes.

We found it interesting to note that principles can be waived even by our government when necessary. It was stated on several occasions that there cannot be "government by petition", and that councillors sometimes have to look after the "interests" of the people.

This sounded disturbingly similar to the line of argument pursued by the Argentines on another issue. We, with the full backing of the councillors, point out in that argument that it is our "wishes" which count. Let us hope that this is just careless use of language and not the hypocrisy which it appears to be.

The campaign will continue, and both the Japanese and Falklands governments should be aware that with 12 months before the next allocation of licences, we have every intention of achieving success.

Indeed, for the sake of the whales which inhabit our Southern Seas, we must be successful.

We residents of the Falkland Islands are probably the only people who can do something effective to stop the slaughter. Fortunately (to borrow a phrase from one of the local companies which is involved with Japanese interests and which consistently opposed our campaign) in the region of 50% of the population "is a force to be reckoned with".

The Penguin Bouquet - a first in Portakabin-Land.

This issue the PN Bouquet (still only imaginary, but possibly to become the real thing if my marigold plantation is a success) is awarded to Peter and Emily Short of Falkland Supplies, who have become the first people in Stanley to make a Portakabin resemble anything like a normal building.

Portakabins, which (as local readers need no reminding) have taken the place of Nissen

huts as the most common architectural eyesore in the islands, bear all the grace and permanence of over-grown shoe boxes.

However, my faith in Falklands architecture is somewhat restored now that I have seen the transformation carried out on the new Falkland Supplies shop on Hebe Street. OK, so it is still fairly obviously a Portakabin, but what a difference a gabled roof, proper

foundations and a coat of paint have made.

Perhaps this is just the beginning of a whole new school of local Potakabin architecture. Could we soon be seeing mock-Tudor and Gothic edifices rising as permanent testimony to the taste and resourcefulness of the native-born builder?

Probably not, but in any case there is a bottle of wine (small and not particularly

expensive) for the first person to complete a Portakabin-based design which is not identifiable as such. What a challenge!

In the meantime, and before the compulsive contributors to the PN Mailbag put pen to paper pointing this out, I must own up to spending much of my time in one of the self-same abominations. Yes, the Falkland Islands Tourism head office is a Portakabin.

Fiddling With FIBS

Must we stand by quietly and watch as the institutions of broadcasting are meddled with? Granted the BBC's shameful interference with "Radio Newsreel" (now just "Newsreel" and its venerable brass band introduction replaced by a tinkling electronic creation) was beyond our control, but pointless changes to the oldest and most essen-

tial programmes on FIBS (our station) should not be accepted lightly.

I am, of course, referring to the changed timing of "The Announcements"; the small ads column of the air and the much-respected lost kitties and owners reuniting service which has been broadcast at 7.30 in the summer since time immemorial (well, the early

50's at least). Now, however, we find that because the BBC have unsportingly rescheduled "Sports Roundup" and this programme can no longer be relayed live at its usual time, we have to put up with a poor three or four minute BFBS substitute at 7.30.

"The Announcements" are thus delayed because of an illogical desire to learn about

people playing a lot of games 8000 miles away, this hallowed service has been rescheduled. Let's have "The Announcements" back where they belong - on the dot of 7.30pm, and if we have to have sports, then record "Sports Roundup" earlier in the day and play it back where it belongs: in the 7.45 slot.

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

SEAMOUNT IN PERSPECTIVE

Dear Sir,
Ian Bury is quite right to feel as he does over the Seamount fiasco. The total bill we find now is to be around £9 million of OUR money as taxpayers and Islanders. Yes its OUR money that has been lost by a combination of naive administrators and sharp advisors/agents.

It amounts to £4500 which rightly belonged to each and every man, woman and child in these islands (2000 of us) - money which could have been well spent to OUR benefit elsewhere.

To put it into realistic perspective - on a UK scale it is the same as a public company, Government-owned, going bust to the tune of £292 BILLION!!

I hardly think that such an event in Britain would be hushed up, directors still in power, and the subject of a private inquiry at some date in the future! The government of the day would probably fall and at the very least the board of directors resign pending the PUBLIC inquiry. In fact it would be highly likely that CRIMINAL proceedings would rapidly follow from the inquiry.

I regret that not one director of Seamount had the guts to at least offer their resignation pending the inquiry, regardless of where the blame may lie. As an islander who has just lost £4500 due to someone(s) blunders I would like to see a lot more than just a head or two nailed to the door.

If our government hush up the results of the inquiry and edit the report before releasing bits of it, they, in their entirety, deserve nothing less than a swim in the harbour with some heavy weights.

Yours,
Tim Miller,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,
We have heard so much about the fishing saga and the order of £2.5 million or so paid by the local government to save the face of the Falkland Islands.

This is laughable in the eyes

of the fishing world which we were told is a boom business.

If the venture had succeeded, would the islanders not only have the £2.5 million but possibly tax gains, but due to someone botching it up this never came about.

To add insult to injury, it is believed the councillors were angry this money has to be paid. Yet, in spite of that, they agreed with it.

Would the government be so willing, I wonder, to help the smaller enterprise out of a similar situation or do they require dorsal fins and aqua lungs to be eligible.

We look forward with interest to the next possible hand-out in the future in the fishing world.

Robin Goodwin,
Green Field Farm.

WHALING DISPUTE

(The following two letters were written between the anti-whaling campaign and a resident of Stanley, but they both independently asked that their letters be printed in PN and we have done so. First the letter to the campaign and then the reply)

Dear Sir,
Having received your information leaflet today, I feel I must ask you to remove my signature from the petition that I signed in your office.

I would like to make it perfectly clear that I have not changed my position regarding the banning of whaling at all. I feel that it is a barbaric and totally unnecessary activity.

However, from reading your information leaflet, it has been made clear to me that I have not signed a petition to ban whaling, but have instead signed a petition to ban Japanese fishing companies from receiving licences from FIG.

I feel that this course of action will have little or no effect on the activities of the whaling ships, but will remove allies from the anti-whaling cause, as one such company, the KSJ Corporation, continually fights for this cause by powerful lobbying of the Japanese

Government.

All of us who live here owe a great debt to a company such as KSJ who helped establish the fishing grounds here in the Falklands, and whose continued pressure on the Japanese Government can only serve to help ban whaling throughout the world.

Yours sincerely,
Dik Sawle,
Stanley.

Dear Dik,
Many thanks for your letter we received today in which you state that you do not wish to support the Falklands Against Whaling campaign.

We naturally respect your wishes and can confirm that your name will not be associated with the movement.

We feel strongly that the action we propose, the denial of Falklands fishing facilities to Japanese companies until the Japanese Government bans whaling activities by its nationals, will be effective. In fact, the World Wildlife Fund has told us that our action could be "vital".

It is worth bearing in mind that the whaling industry in Japan is already highly subsidised, both by the government and by large companies, in the hope that the industry can survive until the current moratorium on whaling ceases in 1990. It will not take much pressure to make the Japanese withdraw this support for an industry which is already dying.

None of us would like to see the Japanese banned from the Falklands fishing grounds, but if it comes to a choice between continued whaling and the denial of our facilities, then the choice is easy to make.

Our campaign stands every chance of succeeding in which case the Japanese will return to the Falklands fishing grounds within a very short time, if they have to leave them at all. We would welcome their continued involvement in the Falklands but on the condition that their compatriots cease the slaughter of whales.

Yours sincerely,
Graham Bound,

Anti-Whaling Campaign.

FIBS HISPANOPHILIA

Dear Sir,
I was thoroughly disgusted to read Mr Reid's letter in the Penguin News issue of Friday 7th October and feel that an apology is due to our broadcast announcers who not only work unsociable hours, but do a very good job with no professional training.

As far as I am aware the pronunciation of foreign words is not dictated by FIBS, but the people to whom Mr Reid refers happen to speak Spanish very well indeed and it comes naturally to them to pronounce such words correctly.

No doubt if they felt as much at home in French they would pronounce French names correctly too.

Surely the fact that we are a British Colony does not need to make us narrow-minded Anglophiles as well.

Yours faithfully,
Ann Robertson,
Port Stephens.

T.V., WHAT'S THAT?

Dear Sir,
With the recent closedown of an illegal transmitting TV station, the town population seem to have erupted.

We hear £29,000 has been made available for a legal relay station to be installed so that the residents of Stanley can have TV again.

Why has this money been made available for Stanley? Have councillors and heads of government forgotten that once upon a time the farming community in the Camp was the sole provider of revenue for Stanley. Is this the kind of appreciation we come to expect?

Government and councillors will, it seems, agree to anything for Stanley. Surely this must not be allowed to continue. Why were funds not made available for island-wide coverage?

If such a system is to be installed the Campers have an equal right to a fair share of the service.

It seems that while this saga

is going on no-one has, it appears, stopped to think that if it were not for the SSVC at MPA, TV would not yet be in the islands. It is true to say that you don't miss the water until the well runs dry.

It appears Stanley get what they want and very often are supported by the Camp. So now you can return the Campers that favour. What is good for the goose is also good for the gander.

Robin Goodwin,
Green Field Farm.

CUB AND SCOUT CAMP SUCCESS

Dear Sir,
Through your letters page I would like to voice our very grateful thanks to the people who made the cub and scout camp a success.

With the winds of Friday 3rd November making the sea passage to the outer harbour impossible it was a very early start for the girl scouts and female leaders who took the first trip aboard Mickey Clarke's "Dolphin" to Blanco Bay.

Soon the tents sprang up and with camp established Corina Goss, Amelia Betts, Zoe Luxton, Fiona Wallace and Rosalind Harris, along with Jill Harris, Sue Howes and Marian Murdoch, began the epic walk to Rookery Valley via Beagle Ridge.

Meanwhile Mickey had returned to Stanley to pick up the cubs who were soon deposited in the Clamshell huts. Within an hour fires were going, packs sorted out and the male contingent was on a similar course as the girl scouts to get an early season look at the local birdlife.

Beside the Rockhopper penguins, a resident pair of caranchoes and a peregrine falcon were spotted on the hike - plus numerous local land and sea birds. Several vessels were seen in Berkeley Sound and other features of that area were pointed out by those who were old hands to those who were first timers.

By the time both parties arrived back at the Clamshell base camp via Twelve O'Clock Mountain Pass, a round trip of some 16 miles had been walked.

Although the cubs Ian Betts, Marc Short, Mark Spruce, Mark Pollard, Richard Mann, Sammy and Darryl Ford, Alex Lang, David Hirtle and Christopher Plumb were very tired

and glad it was time for bed; all had obviously enjoyed their 'day-hike'.

The girls had a small trudge of another few miles before they reached their campsite but all could proudly say a full 20 miles had been completed successfully.

Stuart Wallace, with help from young James and Harold Nielson, had kept the home-fires burning and Graham Templeman, on loan from the RAF, tended to the various medical needs which included bouts of stomach upsets and cut lips.

The weather was again unfavourable on Sunday, but our intrepid girl scouts decided to walk to the Murrel House late Sunday afternoon to be picked up later by Philip Miller and Les Harris. Whilst the girls were being royally entertained by Claude, his son Lee and 'Kipper' Ford (both of whom had earlier lent a hand with transport on their bikes for some very tired little legs!); the male party settled down for another night in our cosy bunks.

We knew it would be an early start - but it was still a shock to the system to be woken at 5am by the noise of our 'rescuing boat'. The main contingent were soon all packed up and back to Stanley in time for breakfast. It only remained to clear up and the camp was all over by 10am on Monday morning.

However, the aftermath continued for several days as various ailments and general tiredness needed recovery time. Besides children falling asleep at their desks, several of the party returned with a bug that needed a day's rest in a normal bed.

In addition to thanking all the above mentioned persons, several others gave offers of assistance in attempts to get us back to Stanley on the Sunday as originally planned and to them also we can only say a heartfelt thank you.

Any adult who would like to help with the running of either the cubs or scouts is invited to come along to the Monday or Wednesday evenings to find out more.

Phil Middleton,
Group Scout Leader.

SEBALD de WEERT

Dear Sir,
I do not think Penguin News should give space to discov-

ery myths like the one so delightfully expressed by an interesting visitor.

I refer to Miss Jack Breed's remarks that the Dutch explorer Sebald de Weert "put the Falkland Islands on the world map in the Seventeenth Century when he was searching for the Great Southern Continent".

All Sebald de Weert did was sight the outer edge of Hawkins' discovery, the Jasons, as he limped home after being deserted by the rest of his Dutch expedition in the Strait of Magellan.

The Dutch cartographers of the time, not knowing otherwise, hailed de Weert's sighting as a new discovery and named in his honour what they assumed rightly to be a group of islands.

It is doubtful if Sebald de Weert ever knew that Hawkins had preceded him to the Jasons and into the archipelago as, owing to Hawkins' capture by the Spanish on his way home and his subsequent imprisonment, the impact of his discovery took a long time in getting through. Indeed it has still to get through to Argentina, that country continuing to regard de Weert's brief sighting of the Jasons as a discovery of the whole group.

Yours sincerely,
Mary Cawkell,
London.

WRECKS PLUNDERED?

Dear Sir,
I have just been reading over the past year or so of the plundering of wrecks around the world by people who are just interested in the value of their plunder and nothing else.

I have just been reading Ewen Southby-Tailyour's book, "Falkland Island Shores", published by Conway Maritime Press, where he writes that there are about 300 wrecks around the Falklands.

I do hope your government will take steps to retrieve the valuables from these wrecks to either sell them (for they must be worth a fortune) or preserve them before the plunderers arrive.

One wreck I read about contains a cargo of statues which can be seen through the clear water even now. Would it not be a good idea to raise these and, say, sell half to pay for expenses and decorate the streets with the rest?

"The Falkland Island Shores" is about the most informative book I have read about the Falklands, especially about the coastline and waters and I would advise anyone wishing to sail around the islands to read it.

Yours sincerely,
V.K. Thompson,
Reading.

THANKS TO THE POWER STATION

Dear Sir,
In an age when nearly all the news we hear and read is negative and complaining, it would be good if your paper could print a big thank you and well done for the power station.

For a few days Jeremy Moore Avenue has had no street lighting - this morning I rang up the power station informing them of the situation - the same evening we are all lit up.

I would personally like to put on record my sincere thanks - I think the power station are doing a splendid job for us all.

Yours faithfully,
Peter Burnard,
Stanley.

MPA ROAD

Dear Sir,
The Falkland Islands Newsletter of last May contained an article by Admiral Sir John Fieldhouse about his recent visit to the islands. From his comments on the Stanley-MPA road, I take it that this has not yet been surfaced. I used the route early last year when it was already beginning to disintegrate.

For any permanent road the most important thing is to give it a waterproof surface. Without this any road will soon break up and degenerate to the standard of a Camp track.

Money is always in short supply and there must appear to be many more urgent and exciting uses for the funds available than the rather boring one of putting "black top" on the Stanley-MPA road. However it usually makes more sense economically to preserve the infrastructure one already has, rather than to put the money into new projects which may also not be properly maintained.

Tourists will not be impressed as they bump from pothole to pothole on the way from the airport to Stanley.

Yours faithfully,
Angus Dalglish,
Chertsey.

BRITAIN TO END WOOL PRICE GUARANTEE

Farmers in the Falkland Islands may be interested to hear of an article that appeared in the UK Press recently concerning guaranteed wool prices in Britain.

The article appeared under the heading "Britain To End Wool Price Guarantee" and outlined the consequences of such a move.

The article read, "The British Government is to end arrangements under which it guarantees a fixed wool price for wool to British sheep farmers."

"Mr John MacGregor, Minister of Agriculture, said in answer to a parliamentary question this week that guaranteed prices for wool would continue to be paid by the Government for 1989 and 1990 but not for 1991."

"The precise conditions which will apply when the guarantee ends will be discussed over the next two years with the British Wool Marketing Board, the statutory body responsible for collecting, preparing and marketing all British wool."

"However, Mr Alun Evans, Chairman of the Marketing Board, said yesterday that it was likely that market prices would then prevail."

"Mr MacGregor's announcement was not unexpected, because the Government is well known to favour the greater play of market forces in the marketing of agricultural produce. It recently announced that funds would not be provided to the Potato Marketing Board after 1991."

"However, in the case of the wool, Mr MacGregor has made it clear that the board's marketing and collection obligations will continue, a decision

which has been welcomed by the National Farmers' Union."

"The NFU said yesterday that the decision indicated that the Government had "judged the future of the Wool Board on its merits and not allowed any pre-conceived antipathies towards marketing boards to determine its decision."

"Currently prices for wool are some 10p a kilogram above the guaranteed price of 129p on a firm market. The Board operates a stabilisation fund with a current deficit of some £18m which is expected to decline to around £13m at the end of the present year and possibly to £10m in the following year."

"It is expected that the Government will write off any debts outstanding in this fund as part of the new arrangements."

"Last year Britain produced 48m kg of fleece wool and some 14m kg of skin wool, or about 2 per cent of world production."

"Production of wool had increased by nearly 40 per cent over the last ten years, partly as a result of the EC's sheep-meat regime under which British lamb producers get guaranteed weekly prices for lambs sold for slaughter. These arrangements are likely to end within the next four years as part of the reform of the European Community's common agricultural policy."

ARMSTRONG OUTLINES FIDC MEETING

The general manager of FIDC, Mr Simon Armstrong, outlined a recent meeting of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation and the matters discussed at the Corporation meeting.

The meeting itself covered many issues, some of which were still due to be put before Exco for a final decision.

Two issues of particular importance were the consideration of the Storey social report and Peter Pryn's report.

"The Storey Report has implications in relation to the Pryn Report," explained Simon Armstrong.

"The Pryn report was to establish guidance for a way

forward. These reports are normally put forward to Exco with advice from ourselves and these reports will be put forward with comments."

"While the Storey Report captures the spirit it begs questions of viability and how much it would cost to do."

"It can't be done without

FEMALE FEELINGS

A FEMALE OPINION

By M. West.

GOVERNORS

It was nice to see the new Governor and Mrs Fullerton doing the rounds of the Secretariat, the Education Department, the hospital and many others. I was also glad he went to see the 'lads' in the 'yard'.

The islands are only small, the people few. Surely it is not impossible to see every worker at his daily toil at least once in three years. Don't upset the lads let them have the opportunity to shake the hand of the glamorous Mrs Fullerton.

FISHING

I have just read Pryn's final report and on page 30 he says: "Clearly the FICZ has two functions: on the one hand it is a mechanism for undertaking a conservationist policy; but equally, it is a device enabling the Falkland Islands Government to extract revenue from the foreign fleets fishing in its waters."

What could be simpler - if you want to fish in the FICZ you pay a licence fee to the Falkland Islands Government and licences are limited to conserve fish stocks. Why then has a simple theory become a complicated reality?

Stanley Fisheries, joint ventures, the Seamount affair, and even the JBG's and Fortuna's are causing a lot of bitterness, often enraging and disgusting Falkland Islanders.

PLAYGROUND

As a mother I just have to protest about the condition of the children's playground (to the front of Sparrowhawk). It's dangerous, dirty and dropping apart. It looks like the derelict ground of an inner city slum.

Why can't we, with this "enormous wealth" (JBG letter Penguin News, 4th Nov.), spend a few thousand on new play things, landscaping, grass cutting and fencing. The odd donated park bench wouldn't go amiss either.

How many County Rovers would it cost to improve the lot of our children?

BEAUCHENE

Shane - about this Beauchene trip. I wonder if I could go as your assistant?

As you are going because Mr Owen Summers needs to be accompanied and assisted, I could help by assisting in other matters. I am also keen to make the trip.

My husband would also like to go along. He could sing us sea shanties.

And also the woman at the end of the street. Her feet are terrible at the moment and she would love a change.

Do you think, Shane, you could ask that nice Mr Jackson if we could all go along?

huge cost and a huge influx of people but it is sensible and desirable and gives us a shopping list of desirable projects."

Turning to the project to bring the "Southern Star" tourist ship to the Falklands Mr Armstrong said the last of the works had been done on the vessel and the matter had been put back to the board of Starfish who were responsible for the vessel and they would be discussing it with Falkland Islands Tourism.

"I think we will keep her in Chile until we determine her future," he said. "We are more likely to get a good price for her in Chile should we decide

to sell her."

On the question of the Fisheries Village houses becoming available, he said he expected them to be ready for the 23rd November.

"The houses are substantially late by several months," he said. "The whole question of penalty clauses and the like is being looked at between Fairclough Miller and our solicitors."

"Our first desire is to get the project finished and then get the second phase and balance of the houses before Christmas."

BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

In Australia at Brisbane/Geelong Merino closed with choice style wools 17.5 micron and finer continuing to be extreme, 18-19 fully firm, 19.5 tending in buyers' favour, 20-20.5 fully firm, 21-21.5 10-15 cents easier, and 22 and coarser fully firm with 22.5-23 in sellers' favour.

Japan main and EC slightly more active. Comeback Crossbreds were generally fully firm, with 26-32 micron in sellers' favour. Skirtings closed firm.

In New Zealand at Timaru, Invercargill and North Island, Merino fleece 19-20 micron was 2.5% cheaper, 21-23 was 1.5-2% dearer, halfbred fleece 24-25 was 1.5% dearer, and the remainder was in sellers' favour.

Crossbred fleece of good length and style was in buyers' favour and to 2% cheaper. Crossbred second shear was up to 1.5% cheaper for all lengths and styles.

Competition was mainly from China, East and West Europe, and local mills. The Wool Board bid on 32% and bought 9%.

In general movements in wool values and currencies are creating further uncertainties in the market, with consequent reduction in interest in placing new business.

Spinners in an uncomfortably large number of sectors are now said to be complaining of a lack of colouring instructions, in turn affecting the health of topmakers' order books.

Moderate inquiry is reported, but for the most part the only actual placing of work appears to be in topping-up weights for quick delivery.

Currency, depending on the nature of the markets involved, is tending to make wool dearer to buy, and exports harder to book.

The Australian auctions, which have flattered to deceive by firming up on the last sale day of the week for the past fortnight, have again finished on a reasonably firm note, leading once more to speculation on direction of movement next week.

FROM CHRIST CHURCH RESTORATION APPEAL

The following letter arrived on the desk of Penguin News recently regarding the state of the Cathedral restoration Appeal in Stanley.

"Dear Rory, I would be grateful if you would publish the following, concerning the Cathedral restoration Appeal."

"The appeal commenced in March 1986, in the form of a Gift Day, up until 8th July 1988, various donations had been received into this fund."

"On 8th July 1988, the appeal was made official in an open letter published in the "free" publication of the Penguin News. The letter was addressed to all Falkland Islanders and all who are involved in the life and work of the islands and surrounding South Atlantic."

"The result of the appeal so far is £9217.48."

"The following have contributed:-

Original Gift Day Appeal	786.58
The Bailiff of Jersey	50.00
Mr and Mrs L.F. Green, Jersey	50.00
Lord Stewart of Fulham, London	100.00
Mr and Mrs D. Carr, UK	10.00
R.A.O.B.	32.00
The Rev Bernard Rumbold	30.00
J. Campbell, UK	100.00
RAF Mount Pleasant	200.00
Scotish International Ltd.	100.00
Mr Paul Chapman, Stanley	100.00
Padre Lloyd Jones, UK	100.00
Mrs E.J. White, UK	50.00
Mrs A.B. Franks, UK	5.00
Marie Watson, KEMH, Stanley	350.00
Mr D. King and family	1000.00
A.S.P.E., Vigo, Spain	
(A.G.S. Fisheries Ltd.)	5000.00
Various anonymous donors both local and UK	1153.90
	£9217.48

"In addition to the above, an account in the United Kingdom holds donations totalling almost £500, given in memory of Canon T.L. Livermore."

SEAMOUNT ISSUE RAISED IN BRITISH PARLIAMENT

The Seamount saga took another turn recently when questions about the affair were raised in the Houses of Parliament in London.

The questions for written answer were raised by Shadow spokesman on Foreign Affairs, Mr George Foulkes, in relation to Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, to Foreign Office Minister, Mr Timothy Eggar.

The questions and answers went as follows:-

Mr Foulkes: To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what information he has concerning the recent collapse of Seamount Ltd.

Mr Eggar: Seamount Ltd, a joint venture between Seaboard Offshore Ltd. of Aberdeen and Stanley Fisheries Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, was incorporated in the Falkland Islands in November 1987. The company purchased and converted two stern trawlers to operate in the south-west Atlantic. The Falkland Islands Government have appointed financial and legal consultants to advise on a controlled run-down of the company, and have instituted a formal inquiry into the matter.

Mr Foulkes: To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what action is being taken in connection with the recent collapse of Seamount Ltd. and what is the current position in relation to the boats and personnel involved.

Mr Eggar: The Falkland Islands Government have set a formal enquiry into Seamount Ltd. The MV Mount Challenger and the MV Mount Kent are at present in Falmouth and Port Stanley respectively. Seaboard Offshore Ltd, which is responsible for crewing and management of the vessels, is running them on a care and maintenance basis until their future is decided.

"Contributions are now needed. Please support the appeal and send your donation to: Mr D.G.B. King, Chairman, Cathedral Restoration Committee, 38 Davis Street, Stanley, Falkland Islands."

"Or to: Miss V.E.M. Perkins, Treasurer, cathedral restoration Committee, PO Box 67, Stanley, Falkland Islands."

"Cheques should be made payable to: Cathedral restoration Appeal Fund."

Included with the letter was a message sent to the appeal by the Duchess of York in support of the appeal.

The message read: "I am very pleased to give my encouragement and support to the restoration of Christchurch Cathedral in the Falkland Islands. I can understand what this cathedral must mean as symbol of freedom and spiritual reality to the people of the Falkland Islands."

"I hope the appeal is a great success, and may the restoration and maintenance objectives be achieved."

"My good wishes and prayers are with you. Sarah."

COMBINED OPS FOR SOUTH GEORGIA CASEVAC

In an elaborate operation launched from the Falkland Islands an injured army medical officer was successfully evacuated the 800 miles from South Georgia to hospital in Stanley.

The three-day operation involved an SAR Sea King helicopter and a C130 Hercules from RAF Mount Pleasant with the Royal Fleet Auxiliary tanker, Black Rover.

Due to the vast range, the Sea King made rendezvous with the ship at sea and shut down on deck for 36 hours to get within flying distance of South Georgia.

The landing took place in a force 8-9 gale with the ship's deck rising and falling as much as 40 feet. Flt Lt Andy Crawford, the helicopter's captain, later described it as the worst part of the whole mission.

According to his winchman, MALM Bill Payne, the Black Rover's crew were surprised the helicopter managed to get down at all and full of praise for a tricky bit of flying.

The C130, captained by Flt Lt Arthur Huskie, provided top cover for the flight into South Georgia where the Sea King picked up Capt Mark Leigh-Howarth, the garrison's medical officer, who had fallen on a ski patrol and badly injured

his knee. The helicopter delivered a replacement doctor and spent 90 minutes at King Edward's Point being refuelled.

Andy Crawford and his co-pilot, Flt Lt John Tenison-Collins, spent some of his time chipping golf balls into King Edward Cove. They had come armed with a golf club and several balls, determined to be able to claim the rare distinction of having played golf on South Georgia.

Later the Sea King was obliged to negotiate fog and icebergs on its way back to Black Rover as freezing temperatures, with the fear of icing, kept the aircraft down to an altitude of 200 feet.

When the Sea King left Black Rover to head for the hospital in Stanley, the RFA tanker immediately turned sharp right and headed north, bound for England and home,

her Falklands' tour concluded.

This was one of the longest rescue missions, in terms of both time and distance, undertaken by British Forces in the South Atlantic.

The Sea King flew a total of eight and a half hours and provided one unexpected benefit for members of the British Antarctic Survey on Bird Island at the western tip of South Georgia. The crew was able to air drop mail collected from King Edward's Point nearly a month before the island's next scheduled delivery.

From KEMH, Stanley, Capt Leigh-Howarth paid special tribute to the men of the South Georgia detachment who dragged him back by sledge over difficult terrain to King Edward's Point after the accident.

Only two miles distance the going, as usual for South Georgia, was very difficult.

PRYNN REPORT

FIDC have announced that due to the high cost involved in producing the "Working Papers" referred to in the Prynn Report these papers are not available for distribution from FIDC.

However, if anyone would like to see the "Working Papers" there are now copies available in the local library for reference by the public.

BIRTHS

HEWITT - on October 9th in Canterbury, England, to Alison and Brian of North Arm a daughter, Christine Alison Elizabeth.

SHORROCK - on September 6th at KEMH, Stanley, to Joyce and Nigel Shorrocks a daughter, Amber Victoria Elizabeth.

VELASQUEZ - on November 7th at KEMH, Stanley, to Oscar and Arleen Velasquez a son, Evan Oscar Christopher.

DEATHS

SMITH - on November 7th at KEMH, Stanley, David Smith aged 59 years.

KONSULTANT'S KORNER



Penguin News is proud to present to its readers a new column featuring the sometimes forgotten and misrepresented character in the middle of the recent widespread development in the Falkland Islands - the consultant.

This rare and select breed of people are often misunderstood in the hurly-burly of rapid development. Among various definitions, consultants have been described as people who borrow your watch to tell you the time and then charge you for the privilege. But to say that would be cynical and there is no room for that type of thinking on this page.

At reasonable cost Penguin News has managed to secure the services of their very own konsultant - the reknowned and well-respected Dr. E.X. Pert. In each edition the learned doctor will use his wide experience and training to clarify issues of the day and attempt to put them in perspective.

We present here three items by Dr. Pert to launch the series:-

Local residents are reacting emotionally and without realising the hidden reasoning behind what appears as capital losing ventures.

These are designed for specific reasons and with great after-thought. To illustrate I will attempt to name and detail a few of the more "emotional" topics.

The "Mount Kent" wasn't purchased to compete with the poor Third World fleet fishing around the Falklands.

It is moored to have its hulk add to the sub-aquatic environment a suitable site for the propagation and growth of various algenates and mollusks and, of course, the supporting micro-organisms. It can also be used as accommodation for transient fishermen and a factory ship for the development of a coastal fishing fleet.

If "proper" research had taken place before purchasing this valuable asset these developments would not be possible.

Then there is Fox Bay Village. This is a prime example of controlling a rampant economy that could ruin the Falkland way of life. By supporting this Second City we eliminate large sums of money that would otherwise sit idly in the bank collecting interest.

F.B.E.V. is a much larger asset than most shortsighted people realise. By

being situated "out there" bothersome monies that could upset the stable economy we have now can be sunk without controversy.

We support the mill, to keep the houses full, to use the new generators. There is still the deep water port facility, warehousing and more infrastructure to burn funds on thus supporting intricately planned social and political decisions of the past.

I will finish with the ideal money consumer for stabilising the economy and that is the "Southern Star". A vessel that doesn't confine us to one use through design of construction. We have the perfect opportunity here of disposing of extra capital by multiple conversions.

One week a tourist ship, the next an East-West ferry; just a short trip to the coast for a conversion. If the lunatic fringe force us into selling this asset we have now changed the situation so we can at least lose in the final transaction.

Basic economics. I hope the public now have a better insight into money management. It solves multiple problems.

No money, you don't have to build houses, no nasty infrastructures, no search for the ever-elusive suitable immigrant.

Dr. E.X. Pert.

While reviewing old files over my third morning coffee I chanced upon the Upland Goose files produced by Dr. Rouse.

He spent untold hours and churned out very comprehensive reports including the verification that geese amazingly lay an average of six eggs.

Locally at the time there appeared to be a lot of controversy. At last a local has joined with us on conserving these beautiful natural resources.

Unfortunately he has blinkered vision on specific animals (cute ones). He must broaden his horizons to include ALL species. **ABOLISH ALL WILD EGGING NOW!**

This brings me to another burning topic in the fight for conservation.

With the advent of more machines cutting peat and laying waste acres of natural heathland, we should phase out the use of peat as a fuel and convert to fuel oils.

This will conserve our natural fauna and habitat of the local birds, bugs and berries. **STOP PEAT CUTTING NOW!**

Conserve ALL our resources.

Dr. E.X. Pert.

P.S. Next edition I hope to address the topic of petrol and non-renewable resources.

I am glad to see that the FIG is at last working with FIDC and putting out articles to keep the locals in touch with all the valuable work we do.

I am, of course, referring to the forthcoming Beauchene trip.

I must freely admit I usually take Miss Fling to assist me on these trips. She is both knowledgeable and experienced. Well there's no accounting

for other's tastes in assistants.

I am working on the new Camp track survey.

We have spent a weekend at the Malo River to familiarise ourselves with the problems of Camp driving.

Unfortunately I feel to get the picture more finely tuned another weekend or two is in order.

Dr. E.X. Pert.

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REFLECTIONS UP FOR SALE

The popular Stanley shop, Reflections, in Dean Street has been put up for sale by its owner, Mr Gerry Johnson.

The sudden announcement came this week and the news has brought a spate of enquiries from interested parties.

Within hours of news filtering out about the proposed sale three parties had expressed a very keen interest to buy.

Gerry dropped into Penguin News' offices to explain his decision to sell the attractive outlet.

"My wife, Jenny, and I talked about it and decided it was the best thing to do," he said.

"With my involvement with JBG in fishing it limits what I can do for Reflections. At present to keep both going I am having to do a 14 to 16 hour day.

"Jenny is due to have our first baby in three weeks and what we were going to do with Reflections was a continuing worry.

"Jenny had a very big input into Reflections and won't be able to do the same with the baby around.

"We both believe for the benefit of the people of the Falklands there is scope for other shops and there could be more benefit to the people from Reflections.

"We are selling simply because Jenny is pregnant and we cannot afford to operate the shop six days a week with the new baby.

"Personally I would have to do 100% Reflections or 100% JBG as I can't do both. We now know where the future of JBG lies so I am going with that."

The shop first opened for business on St Valentine's Day, 14th February, last year and proved an immediate success.

However, the future owner would not be buying the attractive building which houses both sections of Reflections and the offices of JBG.

"The building is not being sold," said Gerry. "We will lease the shops with fitments and all stock. JBG will maintain their offices."

PRYNN EXPLAINED

In an attempt to define the role of the Prynn Report in the future of the Falkland Islands' development, the Chief Executive has issued a Press release.

Executive Council meeting on 16th and 17th November, he says, again considered the Prynn Report following the consideration given to it by the FIDC Corporation on 25th October at which Peter Prynn presented the report in person to Corporation members and councillors.

Like Corporation members, they were extremely impressed at the clear and cogent way in which the Prynn's have analysed the complex issues involved in deciding how the islands should be developed.

Like Corporation members too, they recognised that the report was not a blueprint for the economic future of the islands but that it provided the basis for a series of long-term development strategies.

They wished to emphasise that while many, or even the majority of people in the islands, would agree with its recommendations, they remain recommendations, all of which must be examined systematically and accepted, rejected or altered. Even those recommendations which are accepted now may need to be reconsidered in the future as time passes and circumstances change.

At this meeting council made no attempt to take any decisions or to take a consid-

ered view of any of the recommendations, though some members questioned the report's apparent lack of emphasis on Camp tracks and the related provision of an East-West ferry.

Council believes that the best way to take decisions is in the context of a development plan. Such a plan would set out FIG's agreed policies and priorities in each area dealt with by Prynn (for example, fishing, agriculture, tourism, social services, education) the ways in which that policy would be implemented over the years, and the cost of doing so. The thinking of the development plan would again be reflected in the annual budgets of FIG and FIDC.

To make the best use of Prynn and to prepare a development plan on these lines will certainly require a strengthening of the staff in the Secretariat and probably the creation of a small policy planning unit. It will also be very important to create appropriate planning and consultation machinery to ensure that there is adequate and continuous liaison between FIG and FIDC in development matters. This will be for consideration by council in the coming months and is also likely to be discussed in the FIDC Review when it appears.

FICZ REPORT

Once again, there are fewer vessels fishing inside the conservation zone this week than last.

Three Polish vessels have left for maintenance, and two Spanish vessels completed fishing and are at present alongside FI-PASS transshipping cargo.

The main fishing effort inside the zone is centered about 60 miles North of the Jason Islands, where the vessels are targeting Hoki.

Catches are reported to be reasonable - up to 20 tonnes per day. A few isolated vessels are also fishing some 90 miles WSW of Cape Meredith where the catches of Blue Whiting predominate.

The patrol vessels and Domier aircraft are operating as normal, with one ship undergoing her maintenance period.

The harbour launch is making occasional trips to Berkeley Sound, although activity there is minimal after the departure last week of the Polish mother ship "Gryf Pomorski". Her sister ship the "Pomorze" is reported to be on her way to take over the Berkeley Sound role, but no arrival date has been given as yet.

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THE HEWITT'S BABY GIRL

Anyone who has listened to BBC Radio's "Calling The Falklands" programme over recent months cannot have failed to have heard the updates and reports on the birth of Alison and Brian Hewitt's little daughter in the UK.

Recently Alison returned to the Falklands clutching little Christine Alison Elizabeth following the birth on October 9th in Canterbury.

They were met at Mount Pleasant airport by anxious father Brian who had travelled from their home at North Arm. They then proceeded to Stanley where a christening was held at Christ Church Cathedral on the night of Sunday 13th November.

The service was conducted by Canon Gerry Murphy and the godparents were Patrick Watts, Rev. Glyn Williams, the chaplain at MPA, Mrs Joy Murphy and Mrs Isabel Hutton.

Little Christine was born in Canterbury and Alison said on

POLE DIES AT SEA

A Polish seaman died of a heart attack aboard a trawler in the FICZ last Wednesday afternoon.

A Sea King helicopter was called out from MPA late in the afternoon when a distress call was received from the Polish trawler "Lutyan" about 110 miles north east of the Falklands.

It was reported that a crewman aboard the vessel had had a heart attack but he was found to be dead by the time the Sea King reached the ship.

The helicopter then air lifted the body of the dead man to the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Stanley.

her return that she was surprised to find that Canterbury and Stanley are actually in the same Diocese according to the Church of England.

Last week a tired but happy Alison returned home to North Arm with Brian and Christine having been away a total of three months.

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By
Rory
MacLeod.

STANLEY'S GOOD RUN ENDS AS FIELD SQDRN. HAS FIELD DAY

STANLEY RFC 4 FIELD SQUADRON RFC 18

Stanley's fine unbeaten run came to a crushing halt when they met the Field Squadron for the third time.

The first two occasions had been close with a 3-0 win to Stanley and a 3-3 draw and the visitors approached this game looking for revenge.

The problems for Stanley actually began before the game even started.

A string of injuries to key players meant the team had to be selected from a depleted squad. Then there were last minute call-offs which made the situation worse and there was concern that the home side weren't going to be close to having enough players.

In the end a team was raised with guesting players from Lookout Camp and the game got underway.

The Field Squadron showed from the kick-off that they meant business and chased the game from the start.

It was very quickly apparent that Stanley were lacking any kind of cohesion and seemed to be missing a sense of direction or purpose.

In the past forward play has been a strong feature of their game, but during this evening game they seemed distinctly contained by the strong Field Squadron pack.

When a key player has an off day it can have a profound effect on any side, but with Stanley it was more a case that several players were having a bad game with no spark of inspiration to lift them.

Field Squadron, on the other hand, had obviously got their mental approach right and were fired up and ready to

go.

The first ten minutes saw exchanges of play but missed tackles saw the visitors winning increasingly large amounts of ground with each surge.

Indeed it was a surging run and a series of missed tackles which let the visitors in to open the score.

Instead of the home side being stung into action it was the visitors who seemed to raise their game and the writing was soon on the wall for Stanley as they found themselves fighting a rearguard action to keep out the strong running backs of their opponents.

While the home side can possibly make excuses about missing players and men having to play out of position, at the end of the day they have to admit that they were thoroughly outplayed on the night.

Apart from a ten-minute period towards the end of the game they showed none of the strong running play which has been a feature of their successes to date.

The mental attitude before the game was wrong, obviously, and this then filtered through on the physical side on the pitch.

Field Squadron were worth their win and a measure of the confidence they had was that in the second half they ran just

about every penalty in the belief that they could run in a try if they wanted.

That confidence was the dividing factor between the sides.

In the forwards pack leader Rory MacLeod had a bad game and failed to inspire and the normally exciting back row was muted.

To make matters worse wing-forward Gavin Clifton suffered a torn ear which needed five stitches put in a nasty looking wound after the game.

In the backs it was a story of mistiming and misunderstanding for much of the game.

Overall commitment was missing from the home side and the result is a sobering lesson in what happens if they don't apply themselves from the start.

It will be a question of picking up the pieces for Stanley for the next game. Reports from MPA say that there are now three teams in training there and Stanley will now have to work harder in the future to secure the types of wins they enjoyed in the past.

Anyone interested in joining the newly-formed Stanley Rugby Club is asked to contact Mike Luxton to pay subscriptions. They are set at £5.

Playing and non-playing members are invited.

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STANLEY FOOTBALL CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of Stanley Football Club was held in the Town Hall, Stanley, on November 10th.

The meeting was chaired by Patrick Watts and there was a disappointingly low turn out of club members and interested parties.

Despite the small number attending there was a very thorough meeting with, at times, some heated debate.

The new committee was elected with the following office bearers:- Chairman, J. McEachern; Treasurer, G. Summers; Secretary, G. Tyrell; Others, T. Sykes, L. Ross, A. Steen.

Patrick Watts was elected as selector/manager for the club.

Much time was spent discussing the future of the football pitch near Government House.

With work on the new swimming pool due to start in

the near future, fears were expressed that the site would spill over onto the pitch. Letters were produced from the Director of Public Works and the Government Secretary which said this would not happen.

Thye possibility of moving the pitch to another venue was discussed but rejected. An inspection of the present pitch was arranged and it was passed as fit to play.

The question of subscrip-

tions and match levies was tackled and went to a vote on the type of system to be employed this season.

A motion to continue the present subscription system without a match levy was defeated and a motion to abolish the subscription and charge a £1 a game match levy was adopted.

The Young Player of the Year for 86/87 was presented to Alan Steen, and for 87/88 to Trevor Morris, at the meeting.

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A MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS.

Compliments of the season to all our readers wherever you are. We hope you have a happy Festive Season and can look forward to a happy and prosperous 1989.

We invited both His Excellency the Governor and the Commander British Forces to use Penguin News to pass on a special Christmas message to you all.

On the occasion of this my first Christmas in the Falkland Islands I would like to take the opportunity kindly offered by the Penguin News to wish all readers and their families, and indeed all in the Falklands, the most happy and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

W.H. Fullerton, Governor.

At Christmas time the thoughts of the majority of servicemen and women based in the Falklands will naturally be with their families back in Britain and Germany. Those few of us, lucky enough to have our families with us, will perhaps have the most reason to reflect on the ties of the wider family which bind us to the people of the Falklands with much respect and understanding. But it is on behalf of all those in the British Services in the Falklands that I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful and Prosperous New Year.

Air Vice-Marshal D.O. Crwys-Williams,
Commander British Forces Falkland Islands.

ANGLO-ARGIE RELATIONS

There was an exchange in the House of Commons recently between MP Mr Campbell-Savours and the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, Sir Geoffrey Howe, regarding Anglo-Argentine relations.

Mr Campbell-Savours asked what subjects were discussed at recent meetings between Her Majesty's ambassador at the United Nations and the new President of the General Assembly.

The Secretary of State replied saying, "No such meeting has yet taken place. However Dr Caputo, in his capacity as Chairman of the UN General Assembly, has asked to see our permanent representative to the UN, Sir Crispin Tickell. This invitation has been accepted but no date has yet been fixed."

Mr Campbell-Savours then asked if we were warming to the Argentines.

"We have been pressing on the Argentines initiative after initiative for movements towards the re-establishment of more normal relations," said Sir Geoffrey. "As I have said many times, the table of my opposite number is groaning with the weight of fresh proposals.

"For example, as long ago as 1982 we removed all financial and trading discrimination, but the Argentines' response has been disappointing. They are continuing to discriminate against British goods and firms despite all that we have tried to do to press them in the opposite direction.

"We are still trying - as I told the House that we were in 1986 to see whether it is possible to establish a multilateral framework for the management of fisheries disputes. We have been looking constantly for a way of normalising relations, but sadly there has been an insufficient response."

FALKLANDS '88 HIGHLIGHTS

With New Year almost upon us it gives a chance to look back at some of the main events of 1988 in the Falkland Islands.

JANUARY

- Lord Shackleton visits the Falklands and is given the Freedom of Stanley.
- FIPASS handed over to FIG officially.
- Desire The Right Party takes first tentative steps to formation.
- The interim report from Peter Prynn is considered with the much-documented three scenarios.

FEBRUARY

- FIC breaks with the general Employees Union.
- First intimation of Operation Fire Focus given in the House of Commons.
- FIGAS aircraft crash report released and cause given as take-off happening from an unsuitable area alongside the designated strip.
- Exco considers Camp airstrips.
- Stanley butcher, Mr Laurie Butler, sells business to Mr Gardner Fiddes.
- Dentist Andrew Watts, teacher Dik Sawle and Flt. Sgt. Mick Gillatt windsurf across Falklands Sound.

MARCH

- Operation Fire Focus held in the Falklands between 7th and 13th March. Tests the capabilities of quick reinforcement of the islands and involved over 1000 troops being flown in.
- AIDS tests for all proposed at time of hydatid test later in the year.
- Well-attended public meeting held in Stanley for first time in over a year to put questions to councillors on a wide range of issues.
- Penguin News changes hands and the new company, Penguin News Ltd., is established with new printing equipment and a new editor.
- Stanley Services took over the supply of diesel in the Falklands on March 5th.

APRIL/MAY/JUNE

- Financial Secretary Harold Rowlands delivered his 18th and final budget before his retirement.
- Chief Executive Brian Cummings resigns from the post.
- Financial Secretary Harold Rowlands is awarded the CBE.
- Some Saint Helenians leave the Falklands after dispute and strike regarding accommodation at FIPASS.
- Three new local fishing companies launched in Stanley.
- Locals involved in a mountain rescue of three servicemen on Mt Philomel.
- Wax Lang wins the £400 first prize in the Witte-Boyd darts tournament.

JULY

- It is announced that Mr Gordon Jewkes will be succeeded by Mr William Hugh Fullerton as the new Governor of the Falklands.
- Mr Gavin Farquhar announced as the first independent solicitor for the Falkland Islands.
- FIC put George and Barren Island and Great/Swan Island Group up for sale.
- First ever MPA Open Day held by the military.
- Stern trawler, Waveney Warrior, goes aground on Yor-

ke Bay minefield.

- Police station announce that Mark Bullock is to return to the Falklands as the new Inspector.
- Farmer's Week held and hailed a great success.
- Monty's and Crown Agents Club both close.
- New MPA shops officially opened.
- Military repair jetty at Fox Bay following damage it sustained in 1982.
- Gary Hewitt wins the Governor's Cup in the darts.

AUGUST

- FIG ordered to repay £205,250 in fishing fines by the Chief Justice.
- New tourist cruise ship - The Melbidir - purchased in £300,000 package.
- CBFFI Major General Neil Carlier leaves to be replaced by Air Vice Marshal David Crwys-Williams.
- Police investigate duty free irregularities at MPA.

SEPTEMBER

- Government intervenes as joint-venture fishing company Seamount Ltd. finds debts of £9 million.
- A £5.4 million digital telecommunications network spanning the whole of the Falklands is announced by Cable and Wireless.
- Sport Aid '88 in the Falklands raises over £10,000.
- Under Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, Mr Roger Freeman, visits the islands.
- FIDC buy the farm at Douglas Station with a view to subdivision.
- Tootie Ford wins the Three Bars Darts Tournament.

OCTOBER

- The roll-on roll-off ferry "Indiana I" breaks down en route to the Falklands after an engine explosion.
- Fears that Stanley crab factory is set to close.
- New school opens at MPA.
- Anti-whaling campaign launched in the islands in the pages of Penguin News.
- ODA/FIG team review FIDC.
- Young islanders Sheena Newman and John McLeod chosen to represent the islands on Operation Raleigh.
- Falkland Islands seminar at the FCO.

NOVEMBER

- Anti-whaling campaign gains momentum in the islands.
- Illegal television transmissions in Stanley ended by government.
- Governor Jewkes leaves the islands.
- FIT MD blasts RAF Tristar system.
- Fishing licence allocations announced and anti-whaling campaign fails to stop Japanese allocation.
- Governor Fullerton arrives in the Falklands.
- FIGAS weekend flying commences.
- Prynn final report released.
- Seamount issue raised in Houses of Parliament.

DECEMBER

- Tourist cruise ship arrives in the Falklands.
- Television officially launched in Stanley.
- LegCo restricts agricultural grants to companies with a majority shareholding in the islands only.

LONG LEGCO SITTING PROVIDES SOME SURPRISES

On December 12th a lengthy meeting of Legislative Council from 10.30am to 7pm considered 17 bills and sprung a few surprises for interested parties.

The biggest surprise of the day came in a debate on the Supplementary Appropriation (1988-1989)(No.2) Bill 1988, with regard to £200,000 being set aside for agricultural grants.

Stanley councillor, Mr John Cheek, raised an amendment to the bill which inserted a clause calling for the restriction of expenditure on agricultural grants. His amendment read: "No monies be expended on Agricultural Grants or loans....except in favour of persons who are ordinarily resident in the Islands or companies the majority of the shares of which carrying voting rights are beneficially owned by persons ordinarily resident in the Falkland Islands".

The resultant debate brought out a clearly defined split between the Stanley and Camp councillors. The Stanley councillors supported the amendment while the three Camp councillors present - Councillor Tony Blake was unable to attend - voted against.

The Camp councillors

seemed to be caught on the hop by the amendment and a heated debate followed.

Eventually a vote was taken and the amendment was carried four votes to three.

In the same bill it was agreed to allow £3 million be appropriated to the new Fisheries Development Fund.

It was pointed out by the Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor, that the money was for loans and not grants and the loans would be given at commercial rates.

The Licensing (Amendment) Bill 1988 brought about a tightening up of the licensing laws.

Councillors asked for points of clarification on this one and the Attorney General was able to outline the implications of the bill.

Barmen are obliged not to serve anyone who they think is drunk. Hours for off-sales were set from 8am to 8pm and restaurants are allowed to serve alcohol from 10am until 11.30pm.

The most striking parts of this legislation affects

blacklists. It introduced an allowance for blacklists to go into licensed restaurants provided they are not served with alcohol. If they were served it would lead to heavy fines for both the barman and the blacklisted individual.

When queried it was made clear that blacklists would not be allowed into darts matches if the bar were in the main hall of the Town Hall but they would be allowed to go if the bar were in the refreshments room.

The Road Traffic (Amendment) No.2 Bill 1988 makes provision for the introduction of compulsory seat belts and MOT's if they were deemed necessary at a later date.

However, this was only an enabling provision and could only be activated by a resolution of LegCo at a later date. It would therefore have to come before the house again before it could be used.

The Telecommunications Bill was passed and finally allows government to spend £2.6 million for the installation

of the new telephone system in the islands. It also allowed for the adoption of the schedule of charges for the service.

Regarding the latter there was an amendment put forward. It was carried and now the rental of lines across the board in Stanley and Camp will be the same. It was previously to have been £12.50 a month in Camp but will now be the same as Stanley - £4 a month for a domestic phone and £8 for a business one.

The Customs (Amendment) Bill 1988 was passed to provide customs duty exemptions for persons present in the Falkland Islands for defence purposes.

An amendment was raised by Councillor Cheek and he asked for clarification of who these exemptions were for.

It was explained that they were for civilian personnel employed by the military, but when it was made clear that it would only involve around 10 NAAFI and three SSVS employees and not extend to contractors, Councillor Cheek withdrew his amendment.

FLYING DOWN TO ANTARCTICA

An RAF C130 Hercules from RAF Mount Pleasant made a rare visit to Antarctica on December 10th in aid of the British Antarctic Survey.

The plane flew six scientists - two each from Britain, the United States and West Germany - to King George Island at the tip of Grahamland, and returned with two more.

While the scientists prepared to travel on by Twin Otter aircraft to Rothera Station and Faraday Island, the Hercules crew were warmly welcomed by Commandante de Grupa (A) Juan Bastias who commands the Chilean base on King George Island.

Crests of RAF Mount Pleasant and 1312 Flight, the crew's Falklands unit, were presented to the base, along with the crest of 30 Squadron, RAF Lyneham, the formation to which the airmen belong in the UK.

There was also an exchange of gifts. The Hercules brought with it a personal gift from the Commander British Forces (Air Vice-Marshal David Crwys-Williams) to Commandante Bastias who, in turn, presented a couple of commemorative tankards for the crew to take back to MPA.

Flt. Lt. Arthur Huskie, who captained the Hercules, said afterwards that the flight had been uneventful. Low cloud had reduced visibility at the destination but the landing on a gravel airstrip had presented no problems.

The Teniente R. Marsh Martin base lies at a latitude of 62° South - outside the Antarctic Circle but a lot further south than the normal range of RAF activities. The last visit was nearly a year ago when another MPA based Hercules was sent down to evacuate an injured British scientist.

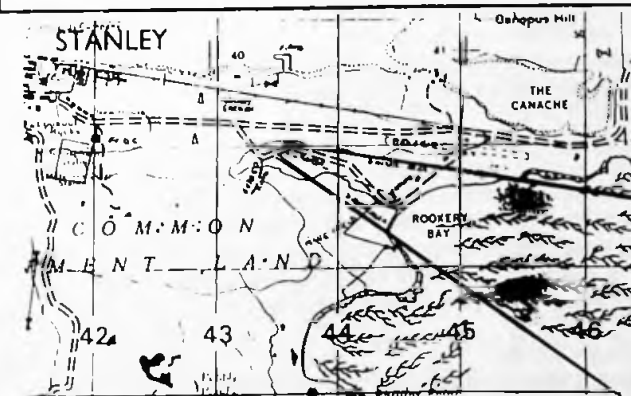
But RAF Hercules have in fact flown as far south as the American Scott-Amudsen Base at the Pole. This was back in 1973 when they were taking part in Operation Deep Freeze on the run from New Zealand to the Antarctic ice.

APPLICATION FOR RESTAURANT AND RESIDENTIAL LICENCES

In accordance with Section 7 (1) of the Licensing Ordinance, Mr Simon Armstrong, Director of Starfish Ltd., has applied for a Restaurant Licence and a Residential Licence for the M.V. "Southern Star" to be berthed at the East end of FIPASS.

Any objection to the granting of the licences must be made to the Treasury within 21 days from the appearance of this notice in the Penguin News.

The Treasury,
Stanley.



NEW RIFLE RANGE

The Falkland Islands Defence Force will shortly start using their new rifle range at Rookery Bay.

The axis of the range is along the old road and the targets close to the minefield fence behind the beach.

The map shows the danger areas.

Several peat banks are in

the danger area and cannot be used when firing is in progress. When long-range shoots are taking place other banks will also enter the danger area.

Peat banks to the south, approached along the track locally known as Ferrets Road are safe and can be used at any time. It is hoped that as little disruption as possible will be caused to peat cutting.

Any queries on the range contact Robin Bell at the drill hall on telephone 97.

FEMALE FEELINGS

A FEMALE OPINION

By M. West

AIR TRAVEL

Not long ago I was listening to the man from Marrs "Calling The Falklands" and criticising his Tristar flight. There was a film he couldn't hear and lighting that didn't work.

Tim Miller was even more critical of his Tristar flight (PN 7th Oct.). He asked not to be crowded among smokers for medical reasons but that was exactly where he found himself. Tourists criticise Tristar flights to the Falklands because they cost too much money. And nobody likes the amenities, or the lack of them at MPA (or is it RAF Mount Pleasant?).

Just to add my voice to the many; I'm not happy because the only way I can get out of the islands for a holiday is through MPA, on the Tristar, to the UK, regardless of whether I want to go to the USA, South America, Africa, Europe or New Zealand. And just to compound the unhappiness, I happened across a Shackleton Report of 1982 and under the section on Transport it was recommended an air-feeder service to Punta Arenas be set up with onward connections to Santiago and the world, virtually. Of course it was pointed out this would require the right to cross Argentine airspace and would need negotiating, which brings me to the second alternative put forward by Shackleton, and that was an air service through Montevideo. (I hope Prynn scores more points than Shackleton).

Wouldn't it be nice if Falkland Islanders could have a choice of destinations when leaving the islands, and a civil airline with all the frills, or am I just on a flight of fancy.

CHILDREN'S TEETH

Mr Trevor Barnes, dentist, laid it firmly on the line that children's teeth in the Falkland Islands are in a poor condition, for reasons which include high sugar and sweet consumption and the absence of natural fluoride in the water.

The lack of fluoride in the water can be remedied by giving children fluoride tablets, but what can be done about children eating sweets? The sweet habit is hard to break and has come about because the healthy alternative - fruit - is rarely available. The implication of no fruit should have been realised and sorted out six years ago. It isn't impossible to get fruit to the islands regularly, after all the military do.

In '82 it was suggested the Falkland Islands become part of a South Atlantic Shipping Company so they could benefit from fresh fruit from Africa (just one of the many benefits). What happened to the idea?

Apart from changing eating habits - if we want to promote a responsible attitude to teeth, children should have three-monthly dental check-ups. Once a year is not enough.

OUT-OF-DATE CRISPS

This is your friendly consumer watchdog reporting. Have you noticed that all the crisps are out of date again? Now crisps are very important. They can be an effective substitute for sweets (when fruit, etc. etc.). Crisps are non-cariogenic.

If crisps were bought fresh from the factory in the UK then we wouldn't have to eat out-of-date crisps in the Falklands.

TOWN PLAN

Well, I liked it! It was interesting, beautifully laid out, and a fascinating insight to the way things could be.

Mind you, it wasn't planned that my house should be a youth centre, or end up in the new PWD yard, or have a zoo in its back garden. And maybe the positioning of the new hotel needs rethinking. And the mere mention of "tightening-up" housing makes me cringe.

But, all that aside, didn't you just love the tree-lined streets, the flower beds, the park areas, the shopping/commerce centre, and the extensive recreation facilities for all ages.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY RETIRES NEXT MONTH

The beginning of January will see the retiral of Mr Harold Rowlands, the Financial Secretary, after almost 41 years service in the Treasury.

The popular Financial Secretary's replacement, Mr John Buckland-James, arrives in the Falklands on January 6th and within a few days Mr Rowlands will retire.

Before talking of his retiral Mr Rowlands described his successor.

Mr Buckland-James is a Welshman in his early 50's. He has been involved in council work in the UK and has overseas experience having worked with the council in Bulawayo in Zimbabwe and with the government in Gambia.

In the latter posting he was responsible for installing a completely new accounting system.

He is a married man and will come to the islands with his wife. Their sons are grown-up and will not be accompanying them.

"His main task, apart from acclimatising," said Mr Rowlands, "will be to get down to preparing the 1989-90 Budget."

For Harold the arrival of Mr Buckland-James will signal the end of a distinguished career in government which would span 41 years on February 1st.

He started work in the Treasury in 1948 and in 1972 was made Financial Secretary.

In that time the biggest change has been in the size of the budget available to the islands. In 1948 the payments amounted to £162,000 and in this last year they are around £30 million with next year's estimated at around £36 million.

He has seen the economy change from a reactive one to a proactive one. "With the fisheries we have real money to spend and can run our own development programme," he explained.

"In the past we have had to try and get development money from elsewhere and it is difficult to convince ODA to give it to us unless they can be shown a sure productive investment.

"Before the money started coming in our infrastructure

was falling apart and we had difficulties with the economy from time to time.

"Especially when the wool prices dropped like in 1967 and 1971. It was very difficult those years but if you charted every year on a graph it would show things come up again.

"For the past 100 years we have produced a balanced budget but, of course, the funds came from the UK."

So what will Harold miss most about the job when he eventually retires?

"I'll miss the staff," he says. "We have always had good staff here. Probably the best quality for some reason and they mainly seem to be local and the top people from the school.

"When we had the government saving bank here I enjoyed the contact with the public but I am pleased that we now have commercial banking as the Shackleton Report of 1976 said was necessary."

He has no specific plans for his retirement but says he has all kinds of rough plans although he is not sure what to do first.

"I'll be keeping my options open," he explains. "For the first few months I want to get out in the fresh air and do some physical work. I'd like to lose this gut and get fit again.

"I want to travel and go abroad for a bit. I'll probably study for something as well."

Whether the study would lead to a further job, the 57-year-old Financial Secretary was being quite coy.

But what has made Harold decide to retire?

"After 41 years in service and producing 18 budgets I think that's enough," he says.

"The people need a change of style. My predecessor said he was in the job for 12 years and that was far too many and recommended I do only five!

"I can't move anywhere else in government now. I have no commercial experience to have aspirations to be Chief Executive or anything else.

"The public need a change and so do I."

The 1978 New Year's Honours List brought an OBE for Mr Rowlands and this year's Queen's Birthday Honours brought a CBE.

KONSULTANT'S KORNER



I would like to outline a recent meeting for those that are confused on the conflicting reports on newsletter and in the Penguin News.

We covered many issues but I will outline the most important.

Firstly Numero Uno blew it. I believe he is going native and must have a holiday, or better yet, a familiarisation trip in the Bahamas or Fiji.

Of course people don't say what they want - they don't realise what they want until we tell them. Complaints of doing the wrong things are from knowledgeable persons who don't have the whole picture, such as the Rynn Report working papers.

They were recalled because they went above the heads of the general public. There are two other sizes of the report. A thin synopsis for the Government, company officials and pseudo-intellectuals. There is also the three-paragraph report for general distribution so

every householder can get a copy as previously promised.

The "Southern Star" project is under way as a hotel. Next year we will try it as a ferry, since it is an amazingly versatile boat. More work for us, of course, in the way of reports.

We informed Exco of our decisions on Bob Torey and Peter Rynn's reports. We will have to make sure their correlation of facts are broken into units to study the questions of viability, whether the huge cost and the huge influx of consultants can be met. The number of reports we can undertake on these alone form a complete shopping list of desirable projects.

We don't want to be seen as setting FIG policies, but the Vietnamese boat people are on the way.

I must close now. What with my developing the islands and government, my new fishing company takes up all my spare time.

Dr E.X. Pert.

BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

There were no primary wool sales in Australia this week.

In Dunedin, New Zealand, on December 21st Merino fleece was nominally 2% dearer and halfbred fleece fully 3% dearer.

Coarser crossbreds were fully firm and unchanged. Competition was widespread with East and West Europe supported by China and local mills.

In general the bulk of the UK industry will be at a standstill until January 3rd. Christmas and New Year holidays also involve a similar pause throughout most of the wool trading world.

In the past ten days the main feature was the firmer tendency shown by Australian wool values.

There are now some quite bullish forecasts from primary markets especially from Australia. The idea is that relative weakness in November and into the opening days of December could well have represented the lowest point of the season.

Seasonally heavy offerings with somewhat reduced buying activity from some of the major buyers like China (perhaps related to spasmodic availability of foreign exchange) led to the low point, and from now on the idea is that these bearish factors will no longer apply.

Reopening of primary markets - Australia on week commencing January 9th; New Zealand, Friday 6th January; and British Wool, Wednesday 11th January.

Falkland (Woolsales) Bradford would take this opportunity of wishing all clients and friends in the islands a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The labour shortage in Stanley is starting to be felt even by us dedicated researchers. With the solicitor for the Seamount inquiry due we had to clean our own offices since we couldn't get in outside help.

While my assistant's assistant was dusting the furniture I was shredding all those messy papers to simplify Mr Mitchel's job.

The boardroom was so bad for a while there, we had to hire the Upland Duck for our Fox Bay Mill meeting and charter the Islander to Port Howard for another conference.

With the state of the conference room a shambles to match a non-researched project, and the extra work pending immediate verification, we adjourned our usual drinkie-poops and met in Mac's office. After some liquid relaxation we started playing a party game for a local recreation report.

What was to amount to a monumental new town plan started with one squid canape being dropped. Prince Charles would undoubtedly class our designs as far-sighted.

I can with all honesty claim part of the credit for this creation since in the ensuing free-for-all my biscuit took out the FIDF hall. Once again it is shown that, even with a G&T hangover, we dedicated consultants are a force to be reckoned with.

Dr E.X. Pert.

To end a busy and most productive week, I met with Mr Telps and discussed the problems concerning housing in Stanley.

Being a brother consultant we had an informal comparing of notes. We confirmed there is a shortage of proper housing for the expertise and immigrants needed for development.

More and higher quality houses are needed in the future. In the past the form and materials used in construction are well below the current state-of-the-art and I use my shabby Brewster house as an example.

Dr E.X. Pert.

BUSY STANLEY HARBOUR OVER XMAS & NEW YEAR

A total of eight vessels are expected in and around Stanley harbour over the Festive Season and that means a busy time at FIPASS and for harbour officials and launches alike.

The British Antarctic Survey vessel "John Biscoe" is already alongside at FIPASS with engine trouble and is expected to remain until January 4th.

Tourist cruise ship "Society Explorer" is expected in Stanley on Boxing Day between 2pm and 8pm and tourists will be able to come ashore and see the Sports and visit some of the shops which will open specially on the day.

The presence of the Navy will be doubly strong over New Year. "HMS Endurance", the Ice Patrol Ship, and "HMS Leeds Castle" will be in port from December 30th until January 2nd.

Another tourist cruise ship, "Illyria", will visit on New Year's Day from 8am until 1.30pm and the research ship "Charles Darwin" will be in port from January 1st to the 3rd.

The two fisheries protection vessels, "Falklands Desire" and "Falklands Right" will be alongside at FIPASS over the Christmas and New Year period.



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR TELEVISION

The Services Sound and Vision Corporation

CHRISTMAS EVE

- 4.00 Bugs Bunny's Loony Christmas Tales
- 4.20 Barbados or Bust
- Probably the hardest way of getting to Barbados is by sailing across the Atlantic, with children on board.
- 5.10 TV Movie: Killdozer
Thriller adventure about a giant bulldozer that seems intent on destroying workers at a construction site on a remote island. Clint Walker stars.
- 6.20 Pop Spot
- 6.50 The Noel Edmonds Saturday Roadshow
- 7.40 Doctor Who
- 8.05 First of the Summer Wine
- Foggy is turning himself into a "total fighting machine".
- 8.35 A Question of Sport
- 9.05 The Lenny Henry Christmas Special
- 9.40 No Further Cause for Concern
- A play set in a prison during a prison riot.
- 10.40 The Home-Made Christmas Video
- The saga of one family and a video camera featuring Griff Rhys Jones and Mel Smith.
- 11.15 Carols From Kings
- The celebration of lessons and carols from the Chapel of King's College, Cambridge.
- 12.15 Closedown

CHRISTMAS DAY

- 3.00 The Queen
- HM The Queen speaks to the Commonwealth.
- 3.10 Film: Yogi's First Christmas
- Yogi and Boo Boo awaken from hibernation to experience their first Christmas in this full-length animated film.
- 4.45 Sports Review of 1988
- 6.15 Marching as to War
- Roy Castle continues the story of the Salvation Army.
- 6.45 The Russ Abbot Christmas Show
- 7.25 Blind Date
- 8.00 'Allo 'Allo
- 8.25 Christmas Night with the Two Ronnies
- 9.15 Tales of the Unexpected
- 9.40 It'll Be Alright On Christmas Night
- Denis Norden's sparkling collection of the funniest out-takes.
- 10.25 Film: Death Trap (1982)
- Starring Michael Caine, Christopher Reeve and Dyan Cannon.
- 12.15 Closedown

BOXING DAY

- 4.00 Defenders of the Earth
- animation series of action-packed adventures.
- 4.20 Film: Knight Rider - The Movie
- 5.35 Christmas Robbins
- Starring brother and sister, Kate and Ted Robbins.
- 6.10 Beadle's About
- 6.35 The Golden Oldie Christmas Show
- Dave Lee Travis presents specially made visual interpretations of some famous pre-video Christmas hits.
- 7.00 Bobby Davro's TV Annual '88
- 7.35 The Paul Daniels Magic Christmas Show
- 8.25 Only Fools and Horses
- Del has got a nice little earner for Rodney in this

special extended episode - as Chief Mourner for the local undertaker!

- 9.25 Entertainment USA
- 9.55 Game, Set and Match
- 10.45 The Dame Edna Experience
- 11.40 Closedown

TUESDAY 27th DECEMBER

- 5.00 Count Duckula (New)
- First in a new animated adventure series.
- 5.20 Behind The Beat Michael Jackson Special
- A look at the most sought-after entertainer in the world.
- 5.45 Eastenders
- 6.40 Cue Gary's Christmas!
- 7.15 The Record Breakers (New)
- With Roy Castle and Cheryl Baker.
- 7.40 Steptoe and Son
- Harold lays plans for a sunny Christmas holiday far away in Majorca - the problem is telling Albert that he is going on his own.
- 8.25 Fields of Fire II
- Part 1 of the continuing saga set in the cane fields of Australia.
- 10.05 Clive James in Japan
- 10.55 Thompson (New)
- Emma Thompson blends humour, drama, dance and music in a new comedy series.
- 11.25 Closedown

WEDNESDAY 28th DECEMBER

- 5.00 Scooby Doo
- 5.20 Benson
- 5.45 Film: The Train Robbers
Starring John Wayne as an ageing gunslinger who is offered \$50,000 by a beautiful woman to find a shipment of gold stolen by her late husband.
- 7.10 Coronation Street
- 7.35 The Les Dawson Show
- 8.25 Club Culture
- a look at "house music", its influences and its arrival in the UK.
- 9.15 The Return of Sherlock Holmes
- 10.05 John Cleese's First Farewell Performance
- 10.55 C.A.T.S. Eyes (New)
- The girls from Covert Activities, Thames Section, in a series of crime thrillers.
- 11.45 Closedown

THURSDAY 29th DECEMBER

- 5.00 The Train Now Departing
- The Holiday Line - Waterloo to Exmouth.
- 5.30 Record Breakers Dominoes Special
- Highlights of a spectacular and colourful event when 1,500,000 dominoes, set up in patterns, were sent toppling for a new world record.
- 5.55 Strike It Lucky
- 6.20 The Bill
- 7.05 The Krypton Factor
- 7.30 The Return of Shelley
- 7.55 Fields of Fire II
- The second and final part.
- 9.35 Colin's Sandwich
- 10.05 The Equalizer
- 10.50 Lionel Richie: The Outrageous Tour Live!

11.40 Closedown

FRIDAY 30th DECEMBER

- 5.00 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds
- 5.20 Prove It
- Chris Tarrant puts cranky claimants to the test.
- 5.45 The Flying Doctors
- 6.30 Survival
- Antelope: The graceful art of success.
- 6.55 Coronation Street
- 7.20 Tomorrow's World Christmas Quiz
- Pit your wits against Dr Who and his team to separate fact from fiction.
- 7.50 Fawlty Towers
- 8.20 On The Big Hill
- On Everest Dave Nicholls' summit team, 25,000 feet up at Camp Fire, face two days climb to the top.
- 8.45 An Audience with Victoria Wood
- 9.35 Clive James in Japan
- 10.10 Film: American Graffiti
- Starring Richard Dreyfuss, a nostalgic comedy in which four young men get together for a night out, chasing girls and baiting the local police.
- 11.55 Closedown

HOGMANNAY

- 5.30 Pop Spot
- 6.00 Doctor Who
- 6.25 First of the Summer World
- 6.55 Top of the Pops Christmas Show
- 7.55 Civvy Street
- A look back on Albert Square some 45 years ago.
- 8.55 A Question of Sport
- 9.25 Film: Police Academy 2
- Capt. Lassard takes on six raw recruits from the Police Academy to help fight a wave of crime in his precinct.
- 10.45 The Last Resort
- 11.25 Luther Vandross in Concert
- 11.55 Closedown

NE'ER DAY

- 5.00 Cartoon Alphabet
- 5.25 Edinburgh Military Tattoo '88
- Highlights from last year's spectacular display.
- 6.35 Marching As To War
- 7.05 Blind Date
- 7.40 'Allo 'Allo
- 8.05 Reaching For The Skies
- Part 3, Trailblazers.
- 9.00 The Zero Option
- A complete action-adventure drama involving terrorists and gangsters in a deadly cocktail of crime.
- 10.45 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
- 11.10 Nothing By Chance
- 11.40 Closedown

MONDAY 2nd JANUARY

- 6.00 Defenders of the Earth
- 6.20 Knight Rider
- 6.45 Coronation Street
- 7.10 Beadle's About
- 7.35 Double First
- Situation comedy series with Michael Williams as N.V.

Standish.

- 8.05 David Dimbleby's TV Guide to the Galaxy
- A look at what the UK can expect when satellite television comes into being.
- 9.00 Entertainment USA
- 9.30 Game, Set and Match
- 10.20 Abricadigence
- Richard Digance with comedy, nostalgic observations and original songs.
- 11.00 Closedown

TUESDAY 3rd JANUARY

- 6.00 Count Duckula
- 6.20 Eastenders
- 7.15 Record Breakers
- 7.40 Family Fortunes (New)
- The family game show hosted by Les Dennis.
- 8.05 Film: North to Alaska
- Starring John Wayne and Stewart Granger in a knockabout western.
- 9.50 Reefwatch
- Wonderful photography from beneath the Red Sea.
- 10.40 Thompson
- 11.10 Closedown

WEDNESDAY 4th JANUARY

- 6.00 Scooby Doo
- 6.20 Benson
- 6.45 Coronation Street
- 7.10 Behind the Beat
- including clips from Michael Jackson's "Moonwalker".
- 7.45 Des O'Connor Tonight
- With guests Englebert Humperdinck, Harry Secombe and Elaine Paige among others.
- 8.35 The Return of Sherlock Holmes
- 9.25 Affairs of the Hart
- an investigation into staghound hunting.
- 10.15 C.A.T.S. Eyes
- 11.05 Closedown

THURSDAY 5th JANUARY

- 6.00 The Train Now Departing
- Steam trains on the Isle of Man.
- 6.30 Strike It Lucky
- 6.55 The Bill
- 7.40 The Krypton Factor
- 8.05 The Return of Shelley
- 8.30 David Dimbleby's Review of 1988
- 9.45 Colin's Sandwich
- 10.15 The Equalizer
- 11.00 Closedown

FRIDAY 6th JANUARY

- 6.00 Dogtanian and The Three Muskehounds
- 6.20 Prove It
- 6.45 Coronation Street
- 7.10 Fawlty Towers
- 7.50 Flying Doctors
- 8.30 On The Big Hill
- Last in the series following the British Services Everest Expedition 1988.
- 8.55 Alexei Sayle's Stuff
- 9.25 Film: Monty Python's The Meaning of Life
- Preceded by The Crimson Permanent Assurance.
- 11.05 Closedown

PSEUDONYM SNIPING

Dear Sir,
I note with considerable feeling the increase in Penguin News of articles written under pseudonyms such as M. West (presumably the same lady who once asked if her friend was just pleased to see her or was it a pistol in his pocket) and Dr E.X. Pert.

Neither of these good people feel able to put their true names to their highly personalised attacks on such venerable institutions as FIDC (in which individuals are criticised and named at some length), fishing companies in general, our newly appointed Governor, attempts at economic development, development of further tourist activity and general mockery of advice given by experts.

I can understand why, given the law on libel, such people feel the need to hide behind these false names - after all, one does like to have a peaceful drink in the bar after a long summers day.

As for the "Bound About Town" column which seems to have become a voicepiece for the anti-whaling group, the "Impatient Announcement Listeners Action Party" and the powerful "Let's Make Portakabins Beautiful and all Live Happily Ever After Party", I must give Mr Bound full credit for putting his name to this column where most would not do so.

It is a refreshing change to see that at least one local person has the courage to state their views clearly, if simply. More than I dare do.

Yours faithfully,
Captain Birdseye,
Stanley.

THANK YOU TO Dr E.X. PERT

Dear Sir,
The most reliable source of weekly wool price movements are the Australian Wool Corporation, the New Zealand Wool Board, the South African Wool Board and numerous textile industry organisations. Comparing this accumulated measure over a period of

time to your published "Bradford Wool Report" we feel we must comment that there is no conformity or pattern and your "Bradford Wool Report" is misleading.

We are sorry to bring this to your notice as we feel your publication is otherwise excellent and informative.

We are very impressed by the superior and now publicly shared knowledge of Dr E.X. Pert. We really must tell your readers that the sudden insight into the grand design behind capital losing ventures, resulting in simplified no money economics, was stunning to this marked member of the lunatic fringe.

We now realise the purpose of planned neglect for agriculture and realise our error promoting and marketing Falkland wool.

The brilliance of the combined Konsultant's/FIDC/Prynn reports prepared at great effort and cost, concluded that the promotion of Falkland wool was NOT recommended.

Must close now - gone fishing.

Yours sincerely,
Colin Smith (Director),
D.S.&Co(Falkland Farming)Ltd
Knaresborough, England.

SEAMOUNT, SFL, FIDC CRITICS ANSWERED

Sir,
I see that two letters about Seamount, SFL and FIDC have followed those of Mr Peck and Mr Bury in your 4th November issue.

I had decided to ignore the first two but following these two further contributions to your paper I feel that I must make some reply.

I would like to make five points:-

1) It is quite clear that SFL, with its complex joint venture system, should from the start have had strong management with fisheries expertise independent of FIDC. I was responsible for setting up SFL; I advocated a strengthening of its management as I left the islands in April 1987.

2) In the event the management of FIDC who had been

enormously successful in managing that organisation were expected to manage SFL as well. By sharing the management of the two companies, there was an obvious saving in costs but the arrangement, in my view, imposed a quite excessive burden of work on those concerned. Again in my view, the remarkable thing is not that some mistakes were made but that SFL generally ran as well as it did. It did so because of the hard work, commitment and managerial skills of those who are now implicitly or explicitly criticised in letters written by people with no managerial experience of any significance.

3) Seamount is freely acknowledged by FIG, SFL and FIDC in advance of the Inquiry for the blunder that it was. SFL's unpaid non-executive directors have freely, bravely and honestly acknowledged their part. Their continued presence on the SFL Board is needed during SFL's reconstruction. The £2.5 million and any subsequent monies voted in connection with Seamount are not being paid to fishing interests: their main purpose is to ensure that there is no default on a British Government loan to the project. In view of all that the British Government, and the British taxpayer, have done for the defence and development of the Falklands since 1982, that scarcely seems unreasonable.

4) The Inquiry Report will be made available for open debate in Legislative Council and FIG accepts that the full report should be available to the public. Eminent lawyers, such as Mr Boyd QC, do not undertake inquiries of this nature on the basis that their findings are to be subsequently hushed up.

5) It is not easy to get local people of the calibre and of the integrity shown by SFL Board members to serve on public bodies. Given the small population base, there are simply not enough able people to go round. Nor is it easy to find good managers to work here; again given the small population base, there must continue to be recruitment of

expatriates, like it or not. It will be even more difficult to find both local people and expatriates to involve themselves in the development of the Falkland Islands if it is seen not merely to be a thankless task but one which they may be expected to be the constant target of ill-informed criticism.

Yours faithfully,
David Taylor,
Chief Executive,
Executive Vice Chairman,
FIDC & Chairman, SFL.

SORRY FIDC - BUT IT'S YOU AGAIN

Dear Sir,
At a distant glance on entering the Town Hall foyer last week, I complimented the school children on a colourful scene of a possible DALLAS town.

However, on getting closer, we find that this is not so, but another FIDC saga. A "dream-like" future plan of Stanley.

In the company of two ladies and a gentleman, I noted some of their comments.

1) One week we hear that the location of the new school has not yet been finalised, yet the next is on plan in the Government House triangle. The building itself looks good on paper, but should be painted white - another white elephant.
2) That the cemetery future development area is already the existing area. How nice it will be to have that BMX track there, giving the burials a roaring send-off.
3) Wonder what the residents of the properties in the east of the racecourse think, finding themselves in the centre of a children's zoo?

4) Fancy Stanley House with its new look and the two hostels, the Sir Rex and Lady Mavis, being converted into a bank and a public visitors centre. It all looks good on paper - BUT?

5) Public park area at the racecourse, without any houses. What is going to happen to them?

6) What is the meaning of the "Town Centre Action Plan"?

-public toilets?
7) At least they are honest, in that they have a spot marked

in the harbour, most probably a permanent park for the "Mount Kent".

Fancy having trees all around our coastline. Dallas will soon look out of place - some hope.

Is it true that this load of 'C___P' cost the islands an average of £108 per head of the population?

Councillors - it's up to you.

Yours sincerely,
B. Peck,
Stanley.

THE TOWN PLAN AND MY HOUSE

Dear Sir,
Today I paid a visit to the Town Hall to view the "new" town plan.

According to it, I and my neighbours do not even exist, and if we do we are in the middle of a PWD yard, which has been built on private land.

If the planner doesn't have an existing town plan he can always borrow mine, or possibly try looking around for himself to see what is already where.

I would like to know where the children of Stanley House are expected to eat as their dining rooms and kitchen have been turned into offices, and they have nowhere to play as all the land around Stanley House has been used for other purposes.

If they are expected to walk to the school for everything except sleeping, surely this is a step backwards.

It was announced on the radio that the person responsible for this plan was to be in attendance to explain, but when I made both of my visits today he was nowhere to be seen, and under the circumstances I think it is as well that he was not there.

Apart from the obvious spelling mistakes of HANGAR and RESTAURANT, both spelt correctly here, I think the best comment of the day was, "I see Walt Disney is still alive after all".

Of course, this is not the first town plan I have seen. What happened to the Dickson report and how much was paid for it and wasted?

This one looks as if it cost more and that will probably be wasted too.

Yours sincerely,
K.J. Reddick,
Stanley.

NARROW-MINDED LEGCO.

Dear Sir,
As an Islander I was appalled at the narrow-minded attitude of Stanley councillors over the amendment to the Agricultural Grants and Assistance Bill at Legco this week.

All this talk about absentee landowners - there's only one major one now as they well know - are they too scared to name the Falkland Islands Company?

I would suggest to Stanley councillors that Coalite probably couldn't care less on a commercial basis if they own land here or not - they represent such a minor part of overall business. Consequently as the economics of large farms become steadily worse - except for boom wool price years like the last two - it would be quite feasible for Coalite to just simply shut down their farms and pay off all employees rather than continue to lose money.

Such action would make no difference to Coalite - it would make a hell of a lot of difference to a couple of hundred Falkland Islands men, women and children who live and work on those farms - people whom it would appear, are irrelevant to Stanley councillors determined to pursue an ancient and now irrelevant vendetta against a company who in recent years have done a lot of good and put their employees first.

I am horrified how the British Press will receive the news that Islanders were happy to receive money from Britain in the past - now we intend to legislate against British businesses owning properties in the Falklands - so much for loyalty and being British.

Yours faithfully,
Tim Miller,
Stanley.

THANK GOD FOR STANLEY COUNCILLORS

Dear Sir,
Listening to the LegCo debates on FIBS, 13th December, left me with the feeling of "Thank God for Stanley councillors" and their majority vote behind Councilor Cheek's amendment to a bill to prevent Falkland Islanders from subsidising overseas owned farms' incomes with this grant money.

It seems the Camp councillors were so confused in their

opposition that they started arguing against each other in their effort to confuse the whole issue. It made laughable listening.

The Stanley councillors are right in their thinking that this small amount of agricultural grant aid would not stop overseas investment in the islands, only the extensive extraction that has always been the case.

It is good to see that the large overseas companies have lost some of their grip on local politics.

Keep it up Stanley councillors for the Camp's sake.

Yours etc.,
I.J. Butler,
Waimea, San Carlos.

GET RID OF MILITARY POLICE

Dear Sir,
Now that the learned Judge has been and gone and Arthur Turner has been found not guilty is it not time that the powers-that-be had another hard look at the policing methods in the Falklands?

After all this is nearly 1989 and the war ended in June 1982! It is repugnant to me that a MILITARY POLICEMAN can be sworn in as a reserve constable of the Falkland Islands Police and have the right to arrest me without recourse to the civilian police force and seemingly attempt to do so without proper regard to normal police procedures.

The events of the last few days have proved this to be an unsatisfactory situation and in my opinion it is time the system was changed.

Yours faithfully,
L.J. Butler,
Stanley.

F.O.G. OFF PLEASE!

Dear Sir,
I am writing to express my annoyance to the too frequent playing on BFBS programmes of that awful song about F.O.G.'s, (Falkland Old Guys).

Not only is that particular song an insult to the people who choose to live in the Falklands, but just proves how wimpish the British Army/Air Force/Navy is becoming.

If a grown man cannot handle a 17-week separation from his wife and family, then in my opinion he should never have married whilst still a serving serviceman.

I remember well pre-1982, when the Royal Marines

served 12-14 months -unaccompanied, lived in condemned barracks, received mail once a week/fortnight (if they were lucky) and did not have the perks of "freebie blueys", no gyms, TV, cinema, service women, NAAFI, fresh produce, only one bar, etc. etc. The majority were volunteers and actually applied to come back again!

Admittedly 40 compared to several thousand is a big difference, but if the attitude of the servicemen now having to serve a relatively short time here, was half as good as the Royal Marines, then the civilian/serviceman relationship would be much improved.

As a "genuine Benny" I am grateful to the British servicemen for liberating us from the Argentines and for maintaining the security of the islands, but please give us a break and get on with the job in question, change your attitude and TRY to enjoy your time here.

Merry Christmas,
Claudette de Ceballos,
Stanley.

OPEN UNIVERSITY FOR THE ISLANDS?

Dear Sir,
A while ago I read that the Open University courses were open to the English speaking people in Belgium and Luxembourg. So if them, why not the British people of the Falkland Islands?

I wrote to Lord Briggs, Chancellor of the University and today I got the reply.

After pointing out the problems, he went on to write, "Nevertheless, if the civilian authorities were to approach the university for access to our courses, we would give the matter very serious consideration and do our best to find solutions to these difficult problems."

After writing about the service to students in the Falklands, he concluded, "However, if we were to receive an official approach, we would look at it very carefully."

If any of your readers, or anyone else, is interested in further education, no matter what age, and wishes to get a degree, I would suggest that they write to the FIG and show support.

I'm sure that with the help of the RAF and backing of the FIG, these courses, would not only help the persons concerned, but help the future

of the islands as a whole.

Yours sincerely,
V.K. Thompson,
Reading,
England.

GRYTVIKEN SHIP

Dear Mr MacLeod,
Recently I received word that John Smith reports the "Louise" (ex "Jennie S. Barker") had been burned in the harbour at Grytviken in South Georgia. As there had been discussion of the possibility of making fairly extensive documentation of her construction details, I would appreciate any information.

My interest in the "Jennie" stems from the fact that she is (or was) the only remaining more or less intact example of a "downeaster" sailing vessel. She was built in 1869 in Freeport, Maine, about 35 miles west of where I live.

Nicholas Dean,
No. Edgecomb,
Maine, USA.

SALE OF SWAN ISLAND GROUP

The Falkland Islands Company Ltd. recently completed the sale of 12 islands situated in Falkland Sound, first advertised in Penguin News, issue No. 113, in July.

The new owner, Mr Raymond Poole, was the first Falkland Islander to come forward with a firm offer and he has been down to the island to start shearing.

The group comprises:-North Swan Island, Swan Island, North Tyssen Island, Flat Tyssen Island, Sandy Tyssen Island, Peat Tyssen Island, High Tyssen Island, West Tyssen Island, Sandbar Island, Great Island, Tickle Island and Ruggles Island.



COUNCILLORS CAN'T DICTATE

Dear Rory,
I was shocked to hear Councillor Lee say he thought there should be half an hour's shut down of TV, to make sure that the people listened to the local radio, otherwise they might miss important announcements.

I would like to remind Councillor Lee that many precious British lives were lost, to regain these islands from the Argentine invaders (perhaps he has already forgotten) so that our people could live the life they desired, and be free.

This is not freedom if councillors, or anybody else, *dictate* what they think is best for us.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs M.A. Hirtle,
Stanley.

MOT's - SEAT BELTS - LEGISLATION

Dear Sir,
Come to the sunny Falkland Islands, we hear. How about the New United Kingdom. Because with all the laws and regulations we now have its becoming exactly that.

Now we get MOT's and seat belts. Not yet but we will. The norm in a democratic society is facts and figures to convince the MP's and dispute the Public's opposition. Here Exco decides and LegCo does, forgetting that these islands are as individual as the persons resident here.

Just about every paper presented to LegCo becomes a foregone conclusion. For instance four to three votes should not be a pass if all councillors are within the islands, even if one cannot attend. There is such a thing as deferral.

Seat belts - it would be a laughing matter apart from the complications and realities of all driving and accident processes. For instance the police or government have no F.I. facts and figures to warrant this. Not to say seat belts can save lives. However the facts show that they cause more general injuries, such as neck, back and chest injuries.

For instance did you know that the pressure exerted on the brake pedal in an emergency stop can be from 10 to 20 tons. That same pressure is exerted on the chest by a two-inch wide web belt. It is also a

fact that a driver, depending on vehicle type, has less control whilst wearing seat belts in a serious skidding accident. It is also possible for a seat belt to be lethal in a roll-over situation.

But let's consider the children in the centre seat or on mother's lap. The practice is banned in most countries, for being the most dangerous to life. More so than not wearing a seat belt. Especially when most passengers think they should relax in the passenger seats. Don't forget the centre lap seat belt, it doesn't stop a relaxed body flying forward.

So if you make this law then make it for passengers and no kids in the front seats. Head rests must be fitted and belts must be of the inertia type. But give all drivers the freedom of choice.

Now what about MOT's, or the Motorists Other Trouble, especially as a certificate is valued for only 24 hours after the test? Then its up to the motorist to keep the vehicle up to standard. Damned expensive and difficult here, especially with the road and track conditions.

But who will operate the system? Certainly not the police as this is a civil road safety regulation as should also apply to driving tests and road tax.

For one thing the police do not have the experience or facilities for such activities. So I suppose government will call in an expert when there is enough experienced persons here anyway, albeit they may need some overseas training. Which is cheaper.

Now to put things in order. MOT becomes law today, 75% of vehicles off the road tomorrow. That includes some police vehicles, most government vehicles and more, I dare say, an ambulance or two. Then we have drivers being sacked for not taking, say, an ambulance out because he considers it unfit. You see these are just a few of the problems centred around the MOT. There again I support the idea if it is implemented properly and by civilians with experience in the procedures involved.

But then the government will have its work cut out to improve roads and road safety as the MOT and roads run together as do road tests and

road tax. For instance when the MPA road becomes a road, i.e. blacktopped, that will be a very very big step towards road safety. Oh yes, did you know that the majority of accidents occur at under 50mph and that's on good roads.

In general, just think how things could change if residents could vote after three years. Or how much less investment will be forthcoming from absent landowners. Now the idea of "no freight" for Campers is excellent. But why not drop the housing levy on Campers' tax as well? After all government has no claim on these properties and does nothing towards their up-keep. It doesn't take an expert to show how this can be done.

While you are at it why don't you drop taxes from cigarettes etc. and stop discriminating between them and us, cigarettes and booze? I'm sure the goodwill would be worth more than the tax return. Anyway its only another bit of legislation.

Looking at the legislation of the past five years you would think there was 10,000 persons instead of only some 2000. Obviously Exco seems to forget this is the Falkland Islands and not the United Kingdom, especially when we talk about land based infrastructure.

Well, that's my views, you can criticise or agree if you like. If you don't like freedom of the Press and freedom of speech, then that's your problem. But don't start moaning when you have to pay up for three seat belts or possibly more for rear passengers, or when you suddenly find you're paying for a new set of tyres when there is still two millimetres of tread left.

There are laws for the good, there are laws for the bad; the interpretation of misappropriate laws only leads to disastrous results.

This should liven up the debate on the LegCo meeting. I was a qualified MOT examiner in the UK and also held a German T.U.V. licence along with the equivalent in Holland.

Regards,
Derek R. Packham,
Goose Green.

BOUND ABOUT TOWN - by Graham Bound

Excuse me, did they really say 14 MILLION?

Perhaps I am just a little slow in adapting to the now accepted custom of adding a string of noughts onto the cost anything.

It's silly, I know, but, for example, a three bedroom house costing £130,000 still seems a mite expensive to me.

I think I am slowly learning to think expensive, but I was still pretty stunned to hear that the Government plan to spend fourteen million pounds (I spell it out because I can understand it better that way) on a new school in Stanley.

Somehow, even with my knowledge of the way planners throw figures around like confetti, I can't see how anyone can spend that much on a school for a community of about 2000 souls, even allowing for substantial population growth. One million I could accept; two million would seem a shade extravagant, but fourteen million....

I trust that if we are to go ahead with this project (and please understand that I would like to see some improvements to the physical structure of our forlorn education system) then we will not scrimp on the amount of money spent on

employing teachers in adequate numbers and of adequate standard to ensure that we can take any child right through his or her secondary education without having to go overseas.

I am certainly of the opinion that the material nature of schools is of minuscule importance compared to the importance of good teaching. The danger is that in our enthusiasm to improve the comforts and facilities and sporting opportunities we will forget that these are not the crucial elements in education.

A teacher and student can, quite conceivably, achieve just as much working in a tin hut as they can in a fourteen million pound super-school. It's hard work, dedication and future career opportunities which make for a good education.

Governor Fullerton has described the project as "monumental". We should hope it is not a monumental waste of money.

Now I must stand back and watch the letters from "Angry of Jeremy Moore Avenue" and "Outraged of Ross Road West" pour in.

A Four-Legged Friend

Animals, like humans, sometimes become a little crotchety when they get on in years. But Pat, a venerable 28-year-old horse, whom I met a few weeks back, has an understanding owner who is quite prepared to accept the odd impatient nibble on the arm.

Pat was spending a while in our back yard cropping the wilderness when his friend and owner, Richard Hills, came along to take him home for a sheltered night and a supper of commercial fodder. I commented over the garden fence that caring for the old fellow must take up quite a lot of time.

As Pat chewed his sleeve in a way which quite obviously meant "can we please go home now", Richard explained that Pat and his elderly retired sheep dog occupied around two hours of his time every day. Of course it is difficult for any owner of a horse in Stanley these days, now that the Common is mined and inaccessible, and whatever short-term grazing that can be found in the paddocks and gardens of Stanley must be used. It means a lot of intensive care if an animal is to be well looked after.

The day-in-day-out chore is, however, a pleasure for Richard Hills who says simply that he owes his animals a lot. When he was sheep farming around the Stanley area pre-1982, the assistance of his four-legged friends was indispensable.

"I can't remember a day when he was off colour or refused to work," said Richard of the horse, as Pat pushed his nose into the back of his owner's head.

"On one occasion we drove cattle for seven days non-stop from Douglas Station, Port Harriet and Sparrow Cove, and he never complained. I haven't ridden Pat since 1982, but look after him so well now because he's been such a wonderful animal. And the dog was the same. Without good animals you're lost, aren't you?"

Absolutely! And I might add that it's not much of a life for domestic animals if their owners don't treat them like the valued friends which they are.

Our special Christmas bouquet is awarded to Richard Hills and his animals.

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BUSINESS ASSOCIATION SET UP IN THE FALKLANDS

With the tail-off in activity of the Falkland Islands Traders Association over the last year a new Association of Businesses in the Falkland Islands was inaugurated at a launch party held at Monty's recently.

The man behind the launch was Mr Stewart Wallace who was the chairman of the old traders association.

At the launch he welcomed the Governor and explained the set up which led to the new association being formed.

The need for some type of business forum was recognised some years ago and The Falkland Traders Association was formed which, thanks to the efforts of a number of dedicated people, flourished for a few years.

Recently the traders association had not been active and until this year's AGM it looked as if the association would simply fade away. However, at that meeting it was felt that there was a continuing role for such an organisation but along less formal lines and there was also a feeling that the title of Traders Association did not reflect the desire to encourage all businesses in the islands to become part of the association - and so the Association of Businesses in the Falkland Islands came into being.

Turning to the role and aims of the association, Stewart Wallace, said he would like to see the Business association putting forward ideas to government aimed at encouraging companies to arrange more management training for their employees - at present there is assistance available from FIDC but no tax incentive at all beyond the normal expenses write-off.

"The lack of management skills in the Falklands is often

remarked on, this is one immediate way government could begin to address the problem," said Mr Wallace.

He pointed to the exciting opportunities the proposed sea link with South America presents to businesses. He said businesses should be readying themselves for this and highlighted fuel, tourism, retailing, construction and catering as some of the areas which will benefit greatly.

"I would urge everyone to spend some time now making contacts and if necessary, seeking advice and generally acquainting themselves with the possibilities," he said. "Perhaps a delegation of business people, or several groups, could be arranged by the association."

Mr Wallace added that his own view of the Falklands in the future is of a confident, enterprising community of people living in Stanley and Camp, united by good roads and communications, enjoying a high standard of living in the town, settlements and houses around the islands.

"Our councillors must set the scene," he said, "but it will be people like those gathered here this evening who make this vision a reality."

A programme of events has been arranged once a month throughout the next year for members and the committee is expected to meet once a month.

"Falklands Right" which has also finished maintenance, will spend Christmas and New Year alongside at FIPASS.

The Dornier aircraft and harbour launch are operating as normal, although the level of activity in Berkeley Sound remains extremely low.

On the 24th November, the tug "Oil Mariner" successfully installed a new buoy and radar beacon off Mengeary Point. The buoy was reported to be operating satisfactorily, and should assist foreign vessels making approaches to the harbours of Berkeley Sound and Port William.

One of the lights for Berkeley Sound, at Strike Off Point, is also operational, with two further lights to follow.

STANLEY PULL BACK THREE GOAL DEFICIT

Stanley FC 3 HMS Amazon 3

The local side fought back to earn a creditable draw after being 3-0 down against one of the best Royal Navy teams seen on the Stanley pitch for some time.

The visitors were sharper on the ball, stronger in the tackle and desperate to win, while for long spells Stanley seemed to be a yard slower and some players appeared to lack enthusiasm.

Not for the first time since he took over the No. 1 spot, goalkeeper Tony Sykes kept Stanley in the game with a series of brave saves, but could do little to stop the three goals which it must be said were the result of basic errors by the back four.

A 1-0 deficit at half-time quickly became 3-0 for the home team as they were hit with two goals within five minutes of the restart.

The Navy XI must have been confident of victory at that stage, but Gavin Clifton and Jamie Peck, for the first time in the game, showed their skill and determination and rocked the visitors with some excellent attacking football which turned the match.

From a free-kick Clifton reacted quickly to score his first goal for Stanley by stabbing the ball passed a bemused Amazon goal-keeper.

Mike Finlay, like Clifton playing his first game for Stanley, beat the opposing defence with his speed and caught the goal-keeper off his line with an accurate low shot which was running into the net, when Ramon Miranda pushed it over the line to make sure.

Stanley won several free-kicks as they attacked relentlessly, and it was Finlay who again proved too quick for his markers and taking an excellent ball from McGillivray, he shot low into the corner of the net for a deserved, if unexpected, equaliser.

With the important Shield series matches against HMS Endurance to come, this tough encounter provided excellent practice for the Stanley team in their first representative game of the season.

Once again Tony Sykes had an outstanding game in goal, while Gavin Clifton's 100% contribution in midfield caught the eye, backed by some good second half work by Jamie Peck.

Clifton and Peck dominated the final 30 minutes, taking full advantage of a tiring Amazon midfield.

BIRTHS

JOHNSON - on December 10th at KEMH, Stanley, to Jennifer and Gerrard a son, Daniel Thomas.

ORMOND - on December 18th at KEMH, Stanley, to Kevin and Christina, a daughter, Krysteen Alison.

TITTERINGTON - on December 9th in Stockport, England, to Lesley and Robert Titterington a son, Robert Harry James.

DEATHS

OLAS - on November 23rd at sea off the Falklands, Jerzy Olas, seaman, aged 36 years.

DUNCAN - at KEMH, James Alexander Duncan, aged 68 years.

ETHERIDGE - on December 21st at home in Stanley, William Arthur Etheridge, aged 58 years.

MIDDLETON - on December 15th at KEMH, Stanley, Stewart Middleton, aged 80 years.

MORRISON - on December 9th at KEMH, Mary Ann Morrison, aged 73 years.

MARRIAGES

ARCHER - on December 20th David Archer and Ruth were married at Ambridge Church, England.

BELL - on December 17th Robin W.S. Bell and Margaret M.E. Fowler were married at Christchurch Cathedral, Stanley.

CARLSON - on December 11th William Thomas Carlson and Carol Ann Skilling were married at Fox Bay Village by Deputy Registrar Ken Halliday.

GROCOCK - on December 10th Trevor Grocock and Diana Dawn Plato were married at Christchurch Cathedral, Stanley.

SULLIVAN - on December 10th John James Sullivan and Susan Vera Ross, were married at 15 Jeremy Moore Avenue, Stanley.

TEALE - on November 26th Colin Edwin Teale and Jeanette Bernsten were married at 6 St Mary's Walk, Stanley.

REMNANTS OF SIDE SALVAGE SOME PRIDE

Stanley RFC 10 HMS Amazon 18

Stanley Rugby Club will have to look to themselves if they want to keep the game alive and kicking in the islands with any kind of regularity.

For the second game running players never turned up and there was an embarrassing period before the game where skipper John Pollard had to ask the opposition if he could "borrow" a few players to make up numbers and allow the game to go ahead.

It is becoming increasingly obvious that there is a strong core of rugby players in the Falklands but there are only a few in their numbers who are prepared to make the effort to turn out even if a game is at a more awkward time of day or part of the week.

Stanley probably lost this game through lack of key players rather than through lack of ability.

Guesting players from Lookout Camp and "spare" Amazon players saved the blushes and indeed provided much of the best home play.

When the kick-off finally took place Stanley were still one man short and battled hard to keep out a lively Amazon side who showed dangerous signs of strong back play.

Inevitably Amazon went into the lead with a fine try before Stanley were able to make their numbers up to fifteen.

With so many players out of position it was more a matter of learning to play together than tackling the game. At one point five props sported the Stanley colours with two of those playing at wing-forward!

That said, some staunch tackling and determination minimised the damage that Amazon inflicted and at times Stanley pressurised the visitors line but to no avail.

When Amazon ran in their second try Stanley heads dropped slightly and it seemed that for all their hard work they were on a hiding to nothing.

A constructive talk amongst the players at half time brought back some of the resolve to the local side and they pressurised in the visitors half for long periods.

However, Amazon always looked dangerous on the counter-attack and a missed tackle allowed them to break out and score on one of their rarer second half sorties into the home half.

Indeed Stanley soon found

themselves 18 points down without looking like replying.

At this point they suffered a double blow as scrum-half Mike Finlay had to leave the field to attend an appointment and one of their guesting forwards had to leave the field with a neck injury.

With Stanley reduced to thirteen men it might have appeared to Amazon that they would now be able to run up a host of scores.

Strangely, the reduction in manpower seemed to fire the remainder of the home side and they dug in with a commendable fighting display.

The forwards worked doubly hard with only six of a pack and provided ball for the backs to deliver some testing runs at the visitors and to put over some testing kicks.

Amazon did not revel in the pressure and found themselves having to make some desperate tackles and clearance kicks to keep Stanley out.

A brilliant solo run through onto a kick and chase ball allowed the guesting Stanley centre to dribble the ball over the line and fall on it just under the posts. The conversion followed and Stanley started to believe in themselves again.

Late in the game Stanley managed to put themselves close to the Amazon line with a penalty.

The line-out was not deemed straight and pack leader, Rory MacLeod, made no friends among the forwards when he called for a scrum rather than the line again.

However, the pack seemed to work harder for that ball despite being two men light and No.8 Derek "Kruger" Clarke picked up from the back of the scrum and made for the line.

He was followed by MacLeod, now playing at scrum-half, and when tackled just short passed inside for MacLeod to crash over.

Some pride salvaged, at least.

FISHERMAN'S FORUM

It's nice to see that Mullet is still popular on the dinner tables of Stanley. It should be too, as few other fish can match the flavour of this clean, white-fleshed, local species.

With the return of summer it is once again shoaling around creek mouths and river estuaries.

Mel Lloyd, with his boat, "Valery-Anne", have into Stanley harbour recently with a couple of hundredweight of Mullet taken with net from Port Louis.

I was lucky enough to have joined him on the trip and was quite impressed with Mel's method of creek netting for Mullet. He uses a 100-foot length of net which is laid across the creek and hand-hauled by two men for a distance averaging 100 yards. When fish are seen to be in the net, evidenced by a 'boiling' of the waters surface around the leading edge of the net, one end will then be brought around and the net is then closed and tied-off to keep the catch totally encased.

The net is then brought completely onto the creek's bank, where the net is then opened and the catch transferred to suitable containers. However, on this occasion, the net, complete with catch, had to be towed along the creek into deeper water, where the "Valery-Anne" was anchored and the catch then transferred to her deck.

Due to the combined weight of the net and catch the hoist and winches on the "Valery-Anne" had to be utilised. This is a very satisfying method of 'quantity' fishing as few technical aids are involved normally and the fish population of the creek being worked receives the minimum disruption.

Although Mel fishes largely for his own enjoyment, he hopes that a large enough demand for fresh Mullet will be generated to enable him to make a weekly expedition with his nets. It is hoped anyone who wants fresh fish will be able to buy it from him at the public jett. In addition to Mullet, he also fishes for that other noted local delicacy, "Smelt".

For the rod fisherman, Weir Creek is fishing well and some good sized Mullet are being taken on Minton weighted for bottom fishing or 'ledgering'.

Hookers Point, the Murrel estuary, Mullet Creek and even Moody Brook outflow, are all fishing quite well. So get yourself a tide-table from the Harbourmaster's office, cast on a rising tide and have some fun.

The Murrel fishing is quite well for Trout and some nice specimens are being taken. Mostly on spinner, but they will rise for fly.

The majority of the fish have been reported to be in a very clean state and have excellent weight for size. It would be nice to have some up-to-date info on a few of our more notable rivers and creeks, so drop me a line here at PM and get your favourite water into print!

Smelt are beginning to appear around the mouths of the smaller creeks and although they are rather diminutive they are fun to fish for and make great eating. Tackle should be as light as possible. A fly rod is ideal with line of about 2-6lb breaking strain, an 8, or smaller, hook and single maggot or worm. An unweighted line with small float and above all, quick reflexes, can provide for hours of entertainment and a pretty tasty supper.

Rather similar to a Dace, with a turquoise longitudinal stripe, they tend to shoal and turn close to the water's surface, disturbing it and creating a 'boiling effect'. Often found near a fresh water outflow, they can grow to a surprising weight. Quarter-pounders are not uncommon.

Sea angling is still proving to be a disappointment. Grounds tested to date have been Kidney Island to Volunteer Point and Menguera-Cape Pembroke.

There are some fair sized Skate and possibly Dogfish in these areas and some good specimens have been brought up in the trawls of fishing boats testing the grounds. Rod fishing for them from a good-sized boat could provide some exciting expeditions for the more adventurous angler, providing the fish can be found. Again, advice and/or information would be appreciated.

I have fished the areas mentioned several times. Although I have had no success, I have enjoyed myself nonetheless. There is some very attractive scenery out there, particularly in the Kidney-Cochon islands area.

The wildlife here is astonishingly rich in variety and quantity and one finds a perpetually changing scene which offers considerable opportunities for the photographer and hours of interest for even the most casual observer.

I wonder who will catch the last Trout this season?

Rod.

FICZ REPORT

With the approach of Christmas and New Year things are very quiet in the FICZ at present.

Only 12 ships are fishing within the zone, all of them from the Polish fleet. The situation is not expected to change much until the New Year.

The trawlers are situated between 60 and 80 miles north of the Jason Islands where catches of up to 15 tonnes of Hoki are being taken.

The pattern of fishing is broadly similar to that occurring at the same time last year.

The "Falklands Desire" has completed her maintenance and, like the

SPORT-

By
Rory
MacLeod.

SOCCER SEASON GETS UNDER- WAY WITH GOALS GALORE

By Patrick Watts.

Dynamos have established themselves very firmly at the top of the League Championship table with a string of impressive victories, scoring 22 goals in the process conceding just eight, and have remained unbeaten.

Celtic look like providing the only serious challenge and they are in second place with six points, having lost twice to Dynamos and having beaten the luckless Redsox twice.

Last year's champions have yet to gain a point, and have already conceded 22 goals in their four games.

Dynamos strength has been their quality in important positions. They have Stanley's First team goal-keeper Tony Sykes, the team captain Jamie McEachern in the back four, and in Gavin Clifton, son of Ronnie Clifton who graced the Stanley scene nearly 30 years ago, they have the outstanding player of the season so far.

Backed by Gonzalo Hob-

man and Ramon Miranda, and with the fire-power up front of newcomer Mike Finlay, Dynamos simply have quality players in the important positions.

Celtic who have just been edged out by Dynamos by the odd goal on each occasion they have played each other, naturally have relied very much on Jamie Peck, but he has played with a knee injury and has found the going tough.

Many of his excellent crosses have been wasted, although the return of Dale

McCormick after illness might make a difference. Goal-keeper Tex Hobman has had a lot to do, and has responded well, making many vital saves.

Poor old Redsox have never been able to field a full strength team and despite having a multitude of defenders, have been found wanting in midfield.

Up front John Teggart has been left to fight a lone battle in most games but has managed to find the back of the net on a couple of occasions.

Results to Date

Dynamos	8	M.Finlay 4, G.Clifton 2, W.Harvey, R.Miranda.
Redsox	0	
Celtic	4	J.Peck, C.Jaffray, P.Philips, R.MacLeod o.g.
Dynamos	5	R.Miranda 2, M.Finlay, G.Hobman, G.Clifton.
Redsox	1	W.McCormick.
Celtic	2	J.Peck, L.Ross.
Dynamos	6	R.Miranda 3, G.Clifton, J.Thain.
Redsox	2	B.Watson, J.Teggart.
Dynamos	3	M.Finlay 2, R.Miranda.
Celtic	2	F.Jaffray, J.Peck.
Celtic	6	P.Philips, J.Peck, J.Ford, D.McCormick, A.Lowe o.g., J.Butler o.g.
Redsox	4	J.Teggart, W.McCormick, T.Bonner, D.Ford.

League Table	
Dynamos	12 pts
Celtic	6 pts
Redsox	3 pts

Leading Scorers	
M.Finlay	7
R.Miranda	7
J.Peck	4
G.Clifton	4

Late Result

Dynamos	1	G.Tyrell o.g.
Redsox	3	W.McCormick (pen), G.Hobman, G.Ross.

FIC GOLF COMPETITION

On Sunday 11th December the Falkland Islands Company Ltd. sponsored a golf competition which was played for a Challenge Cup.

The competition was followed by a lunch and presentation of prizes by Mr Bryan McGreal, Managing Director, in Monty's Restaurant.

Prizewinners were:-

1. Barry Cardno	30
2. Joe Marsh	30
3. Ken Whiteside	30
4. D. Hamilton	29
5. R. Tuckwood	28
6. T. Butler	

Best Front 9 - Kevin O'Connor (18)

Best Back 9 - Colin Redston (16)

Best Gross - Robert Titterington

Consolation - Ian Handy

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18-YEAR-OLD DIES IN SECOND SERIOUS FIRE IN A FORTNIGHT

Young Jason Wingate tragically died in a blaze at the private-members' Falkland Club, locally known as the Glue Pot, in Drury Street, Stanley, on January 11th.

The fire raged through the caretaker accommodation at the club and the caretaker, Sheena Ross, only managed to escape the fire by forcing an escape through a small window in a bathroom in the house.

This was the second serious fire in Stanley in 15 days as Admiralty Cottages were ravaged by fire on Boxing Day evening. Fortunately in that case no-one was hurt.

The alarm for the Glue Pot fire was raised just before 2.15am on the morning of Wednesday the 11th by Michael Summers who saw the fire from his house and heard screams from Sheena Ross.

Chief Fire Officer Marvin Clark was quickly on the scene and ordered the general siren to be set off at 2.23am. He was immediately informed that someone was still in the building and there was a danger of the flames spreading to adjacent properties.

Stewart Morrison had to use two fire extinguishers to put out flames on his garden fence.

The general alarm brought a large turn out of the public and many became involved in setting up an additional water supply by pumping water up from the Government Jetty.

The seat of the fire was in the kitchen/living room in the South-East corner of the building and three teams of firemen using breathing apparatus fought the flames bringing the fire under control in 20 minutes and the blaze was extinguished by 3.30am.

Sheena Ross had been alerted to the fire in the building by smoke in her upstairs bedroom and bravely attempted to fight the fire by dousing flames with water from a tap.

With her route to the exter-

ior door blocked by the fire she then had to resort to smashing a window with her hand wrapped in a towel. She then squeezed through the small window to land on the ground outside and escape to safety.

By Rory MacLeod

Jason Wingate was less fortunate and was unable to escape from the living room downstairs where he was found lying on the floor near to a window on the south wall of the house.

Police Inspector Mark Bullock said that it is likely Jason was dead before the alarm was even raised as he was near the seat of the fire and would probably have been overcome by smoke.

An inquest into the incident and his death is to be held by Deputy Coroner Rosie McIlroy this week.

There were two areas of concern following the fire.

Reports suggested that there were fire hydrants not working or constructed in such a way as to make them almost unusable.

However Fire Chief Marvin Clark later refuted this saying that he had tried to use three hydrants which have not yet been cleared for use by Crown Agents and luckily found one worked. He stressed that he had not really expected any of them to work and the one that did work had been an unexpected bonus.

"There was a lack of water in two hydrants because they are not on supply yet," he explained. "But that never at any time impeded the operation."

"There was never a shortage of water."

He went on to explain that with the two fire appliances and the two bowzers at the scene there were 4300 gallons of water available without the pipeline to the harbour.

Marvin Clark did admit that something did arise out of trying to use the new hydrant points. In one of the ones that wasn't connected the outlet was lower than it should be and the lugs had to be cut off one of the stand pipes to make it useable.

This has been taken up with Crown Agents and they will be rectifying this fault in this and other hydrants before they officially hand over the new water system to Government.

They have also agreed to provide more hydrants than was initially specified in the contract in areas identified by the Fire Service.

As well as criticism of the water system there was criticism of the ambulance and medical cover provided at the scene.

Councillors Wendy Teggart and Terry Betts expressed concern that it took three quarters of an hour before an ambulance was on the scene.

In answer to that the Acting Chief Medical Officer, Dr McIlroy, said they only attend-

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ed such incidents if asked to by the police or fire service.

In this case a doctor was requested at 2.45am and six minutes later an ambulance was asked for. Both were there within 15 minutes.

"It would be a waste of effort to attend every fire," said Dr McIlroy.

The fire on Boxing day evening left the South end of Admiralty Cottages gutted.

The alarm was raised at 8.53pm as the building was spotted alight.

The fire got a good hold and by 9pm the Chief Fire Officer decided more water might be necessary and ordered the sounding of the general alarm siren to get more manpower to the scene to set up a water relay.

The appliances had arrived just before 9pm and teams of fire fighters using breathing apparatus set about fighting the blaze which was concentrated in the south end and adjoining flat.

The main fire was brought under control by 9.15pm and extinguished half an hour later.

Marvin Clark explained that a two man team was sent in from the east side of the building and went into the loft space. He said that the blaze had fireballed from one end of the loft to the other but had the two men not been in the loft they could have lost the whole building.

The two flats at the North end were undamaged apart from smoke and water damage. The flats at the south end, occupied by Juanita Brock and policewoman Sue Howe, were totally gutted apart from a couple of rooms which were extensively damaged.

The Chief Fire Officer said there was no positive cause identified for the cause of the fire but said there was a possibility it was connected with a breakdown in a refrigerator.

DEATHS

ANDERSON - on January 4th, John Charles Anderson (Sharkey), in Stanley, aged 80 years.

HARVEY - on January 10th in Stanley, Claude James Harvey, aged 70 years.

MOLKENBUHR - on December 24th in Stanley, Claude Eugenio Molkenbuhr, farmer, aged 57 years.

MARRIAGES

SMITH - on December 30th Eric Smith and Iola Winifred Burns were married at Johnson's Harbour.

INDIANA'S MAIDEN VOYAGE A SUCCESS BUT FUTURE ROLE STILL UNCERTAIN

The roll on-roll off ferry "Indiana I" returned to Stanley this week after a successful maiden trip to Uruguay and Chile, but there still seem to be problems facing the operators if they wish to continue using Montevideo as a port of call.

The ship was greeted in the Uruguayan capital by a small group of Argentinian protestors but the real problem seems to be coming from the unions in the South American port.

With Argentinian pressure on the Uruguayan government to try and halt the service seeming to have failed, the Argentinians now appear to have persuaded the dockers union to state that they will refuse to handle the vessel in the future.

Similar pressure was attempted on dockers in the Southern Chilean port of Punta Arenas but those dockers used by the ship's agents there are non-union and appear to be happy to service the Indiana.

The vessel's operators, Indianamar S.A., are still confident the irregular service will run to both countries as planned and see the union problem in Uruguay as surmountable.

When the Uruguayan unions announced that they would not handle the vessel again the General Employees Union in Stanley was asked if they would be trying to contact them in an attempt to persuade them to handle the ship.

Union leader Gavin Short said they would not as it was a political issue and the union did not get involved in political matters.

This answer led to an element of confusion in some quarters.

GEU President Terry Betts felt he would have attempted contact with Uruguay had he been in Mr Short's position.

"I only hold an honorary position," he explained. "Had I been actively involved I would seriously considered sending a message to Uruguay."

"The Government can't do anything officially and the matter seems to have reached a union level."

"A couple of years ago the UK dockers were contacted when they were on strike to get a special dispensation to load the AES at Gravesend. It worked."

"Things are at a union level and usually internationally trade unions talk to each other, but obviously not in this case."

When the 1973 French-built

777 tons gross vessel, "Indiana I", purchased from Italian interests, slipped into Montevideo and Punta Arenas she was greeted by groups of Argentinian nationalists demonstrating against the service but there was no real trouble.

On her trip back to Stanley she carried timber, fruit, gas containers, and paper and ink for the Penguin News amongst other things.

The next trip by the vessel could possibly be in four weeks time.

The Indiana can carry 1350 tons of cargo in two enclosed decks as well as on the upper deck. The main business is thought to be in the handling of containers but crated cargo and vehicles are also being sought.

Further trade is expected in the passenger market with 12 berths available. In addition, there is the possibility of 10 berths being made available to those wishing to work their passage and sign on as complement to the eleven-man crew. For £600 return in the high season, or £500 return in the low season, passengers can enjoy the comfortable accommodation on the 259-foot vessel.

Businesses using the vessel can expect, for a single voyage, to pay £60 per freight ton for general cargo, £40 for bricks or cement and £1200 for a 20-foot dry container and £1500 for a 20-foot refrigerated container.

Much of the direct political pressure to stop the vessel has appeared to have failed as Indianamar push on with their plans.

The company contend that no formal arrangement with the Argentinians or anyone else as they are not running a scheduled service and will only be going to South America as and when the business warrants it.

"It's not a regular service, which is significant, because we don't know where demand will come from," said Mr Gra-

ham Botterill, manager of the vessel and representative of J.Marr (Vessel Management) of Hull who are part owners of the ship.

"We could go anywhere. We could even go between here and Europe."

"We are an international commercial venture and as such can go anywhere in the world we like."

"Montevideo is full of ships which have come from, or are just going to, Falkland waters. This has been the case for the last two or three years and I don't see what the difference is with our vessel."

"Uruguay want to make money out of this just as we do. It is important to their economy. It may be only three times a season that we will go to Monte."

Allegations by certain sections of the Chilean Press that there had been negotiations between the Uruguayan and British governments, and that fishing licences in the lucrative Falkland fishing zone had been offered to the South Americans in return for accepting the vessel, have been vigorously denied in the Falklands.

Mr Alastair Cameron, Deputy Director of Fisheries, said the Uruguayans had "expressed a tentative interest" in fishing the zone.

"All our dealings with fishing interests are done purely on a commercial basis," he explained.

Of the rumours in the South American Press he said, "There have been no government to government discussions on that issue."

On her maiden voyage the ship carried several businessmen from the Falklands who took the opportunity of the special trip to establish better business links in Uruguay and Chile.

Turn to the Editorial Column for comment on the union's decision not to contact Chile regarding the vessel.

EDITORIAL COLUMN

HEADS IN THE SAND?

So "Indiana I" has run into union trouble in South America. Not unexpected might be the thought of many, but there are ways in which such problems can be overcome.

Government cannot, particularly in this politically sensitive case, be seen to become involved. Therefore the most logical line of attack would seem to be through the Trade Union in the Falklands. When the idea was put to the union in Stanley they seemed to shy away from the issue and take a distinctly ostrich-like stance - head buried in the sand.

There can be little doubt that a ferry link with Uruguay and Chile could have benefits for all the Falklands community with cheaper goods, supplies and fruit available. Therefore it is something worth fighting for and which should be encouraged and protected. Why then did the union not take a stance and approach the unions in Uruguay and ask them for co-operation?

Links between the unions here and in Uruguay used to be on a sound footing until the early 1970's and there was contact between the two. Would this not have been an ideal opportunity to re-establish those links?

There was a successful appeal to the British dockers two years ago which allowed a dispensation to load the AES at Gravesend. This allowed essential supplies through to the Falklands as well as wool cargo away. Surely a similar appeal to the South Americans is called for for the sake of the Indiana.

To say that a trade union is not political displays an almost incredible naivety. By their very nature they are inherently political. Surely in this case there are stevedores and dockers jobs to think of initially with more jobs likely with the trade links in the future.

If the GEU has "bottled-out" in this case by sticking their heads in the sand, one wonders if they will adopt the same stance with an impending dockers strike looming in the UK and all supply ships to the Falklands likely to be affected.

FALKLANDISATION OR INSULARISATION?

The restriction of agricultural grants to Falklanders and Falkland companies brought a mixed response locally with many seeing it as a snub to any outside companies wanting to invest in the Falklands. Now there appears to be a move to bring the same thinking to bear on what has, until now, been the Falklands international fishery.

There are moves afoot to have some kind of fishery advisory or liaison group with membership limited to Falkland Islanders. This would be defined as companies which are majority owned by Falkland Island residents in which the decision making control is held by Falkland Island residents.

There may be mileage in such an approach but there are four or more points to bear in mind while considering such moves.

1. The very success of the fishery around the Falklands to date has been achieved by an internationally based fleet. There is merit in trying to make sure the local population benefit, can be involved and do not lose out. However, it must be done carefully and monitored so that protectionism doesn't turn to greed and avarice.
2. The expertise of the foreign fleets is needed and, if possible, passed on so that locals can learn and become involved in this lucrative business.
3. Any form of outside investment in the islands must not be discouraged as it can only help in the development process. Any barriers against outside companies can only serve to help discourage interest.
4. Any move which may alienate British companies must be seen in terms of the EEC. The Falklands qualify for associate membership of the EEC through Britain. Moves seen against Britain could backfire in 1992 when tariff trade barriers in the community will be abolished. If the Falklands are seen as hostile could those very barriers not be used against them. The wool trade would certainly not benefit from that.

WEST FALKLAND RAM AND FLEECE SHOW 1988

By Nigel Knight.

The morning of Tuesday 27th December 1988, was bright and blustery. This was in marked contrast to the deluge of the previous 24 hours, which made travelling overland to the second "West Falkland Ram and Fleece Show" more difficult than usual.

These conditions however, did not deter the more progressive and innovative West Falkland Farmers from bringing their entries to "The Show" on the day.

Entries trickled in at first, then with the approach of the one o'clock deadline, the trickle turned into a flood, this gave Robert Hall and Steve Howlett a busy time coping with the sudden influx. Each entry was allocated a number, no names were displayed. In all ten Full Wool Ram Hoggetts and eight Full Wool Mature Rams were entered. What splendid specimens they were too and a credit to their owners, looks of admiration were commonplace. Closer examination of their fleeces only served to heighten the covetous glances of the onlookers.

The magnificent display of 28 lustrous Hoggett fleeces and 15 other fleeces, left one in no doubt as to why Falkland wool is so highly regarded. The Hoggett fleeces could all be put in the same bale so even was their appearance, whilst the fleeces from maturer animals were equally outstanding and had the advantage of quantity.

On entering the woolshed to commence judging in the afternoon all participants were faced with the ominous task of guessing "Frazzles" weight. He was once again appearing by kind permission of Mrs Joyce Halliday.

Judging was by public ballot. Interested members of the public were asked to judge each ram in the two ram classes individually, by awarding points out of ten. The fleeces were judged differently, here the participants were asked to select what they considered to be the five best fleeces in both the fleece classes.

The votes were collected and prizes were awarded to the top four. Robert and Steve were joined by Niamh to work out the results and the winners' rosettes, presented by the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland with the help of Jim McAdam, were pinned on.

The prize giving was at 5.30pm and Mr and Mrs David Carden of Witte Boyd Holdings kindly agreed to present the prizes at this year's show.

In the "Best Guess" for Frazzles' weight, Jimmy Forster came closest to the actual weight of 110lbs with a guess of 112lbs. The £25 prize was donated by Lakelands Farm.

In the "Full Wool Ram Hoggett Class", Bill Luxton of Chartres won first prize with 248 points. He got an engraved Challenge Shield donated by Mr and Mrs Austin Davies, plus £50 donated by Standard Chartered Bank. Second prize of £50 donated by FIDC and the third prize of £25 donated by FISOA, also went to Bill Luxton with 243 and 229 points respectively. Fourth prize of £10 donated by R.M. Pitaluga and Family went to Nigel Knight of Coast Ridge with 209 points.

In the "Full Wool Mature Ram Class" Leon Marsh of Rincon Grande won the first prize Falkland (Woolsales) Challenge Cup donated by Falkland Woolsales Bradford, plus £50 donated by Lake Sullivan Farm with 290 points. Leon also won second prize of a Royal Brierley Crystal Jug donated by FIC for 247 points. Third prize of a 200 unit phonecard donated by Cable & Wireless went to Nigel Knight for 240 points. Fourth prize of £20 donated by Little Chartres was also won by Leon for 225 points. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners also received gold, silver and bronze medallions donated by Peter Short.

Class three "Hoggett Fleeces" was won by Bill Luxton, with 113pts. He won £75 donated by Witte-Boyd Holdings. Second prize of a £50 voucher donated by Falkland Farmers was won by Nigel Knight with 54pts. 3rd prize of £20 donated by Argos Fishing Co. and 4th prize of shearing gear donated by ARC, were both won by Bill Luxton, with 41 and 40pts respectively.

Class four "Any Other Fleece" was won by Jimmy Forster, Bold Cove, he won £75 donated by Witte-Boyd Holdings with 108pts. 2nd prize of a £50 voucher for Falkland Farmers went to Bill Luxton with 53pts. 3rd prize of a pure wool jumper went to Leon Marsh with 45pts. 4th prize of shearing gear donated by ARC was won jointly by Alastair Marsh, Shallow Harbour, and Nigel Knight with 44pts.

A Challenge Cup donated by Owen Summers for the competitor with the most points in all classes was won by Bill Luxton.

One of the highlights of this year's event was the spectacle of changing a "woolly jumper" into a "woolly jumper" in under three hours. It started off by three sheep being shorn, the raw wool from these sheep was then scoured, carded, spun and knitted by the Falkland Mill into a quality jumper in the remarkable time of two hours 51 minutes. The world record is believed to be somewhere in the region of two hours 28 minutes, so for a first attempt this is quite an outstanding achievement. This unique garment was then auctioned by Tony Blake with the £55.50 realised going to show funds.

The organisers would like to thank all those who helped, particularly ARC sub-centre Fox Bay, FIGAS for carrying fleeces free, and FIBS.

COMMITTEE & ASSOCIATION DENY RIFT WITH FIG

Following an interview broadcast on the BBC's "Calling The Falklands" programme the United Kingdom Falkland Islands Committee and Falkland Islands Association have issued a joint statement denying comments made about a "lack of co-operation" from the Falkland Islands Government Office in London.

The Vice-Chairman of the Joint Executive Committee of the Committee and the Association contacted Penguin News with the statement following the broadcast on January 13th.

The statement reads: "At a meeting of the Joint Executive Committee of the United Kingdom Falkland Islands Committee and the Falkland Islands Association held on Monday 16th January 1989, the committee considered a report of a broadcast interview with Mr Eric Ogden (a member of the committee) with Rob Watson of "Calling The Falklands" on Friday 13th January.

"In the course of the interview certain remarks were made by Mr Ogden implying a lack of co-operation on the part of the Falkland Islands Government Office in London in the mounting of the Falkland Islands Photographic Exhibition at the Commonwealth Institute in London.

"The Committee wish to dissociate themselves from Mr Ogden's remarks (which were made without their knowledge or consent, and do not represent the views of the Falkland Islands Association) and deeply regret any embarrassment caused.

"The Committee further wish to state that they value greatly their long-standing close relationship with the Falkland Islands Government Office, and the co-operation of the present representative, Mr Lewis Clifton, in particular."



JAMES ALEXANDER DUNCAN OBITUARY

It was with deep sadness that all family and friends of Jimmy learned of his death just before Christmas.

Jimmy represented the very best of the completely capable Falkland Islander.

There were simply very few things he could not excel at in the course of our usual varied life, in fact he was so good at so many things that it is difficult to know where to start.

His colts were superbly tame, his dogs were some of the very best. Were there many other people in the Falklands who sheared 200 sheep in a day with blade shears? Jimmy did.

He would regularly cut 50 yards of peat in a day in his younger days. He was a carpenter of professional standards, building two houses at least at Chartres in his time. Likewise plumbing and bricklaying.

However his last decades at Chartres were as mechanic where his ability to keep things running came to be taken for granted. A graphic example of this might be the fact that for 30 years Jimmy had sole charge of the settlement generator. The number of nights without power during this time could be counted on the fingers of one hand.

Jimmy lived at Chartres for almost all his working life, apart from a brief spell at the Albermarle Sealing Station as a young man.

He worked for three generations of the owners over a period of more than 50 years and certainly the writer (Bill Luxton) will sadly miss the valuable advice imparted over the last 30 years.

He married Avis Binnie who was born at the Black Hill House and had lived at Chartres all her life until they finally decided to retire in April of 1988 and planned to move to Stanley in the following Spring which they did.

His passing is particularly sad as Jimmy was looking forward to making his Stanley house as complete as was his home at Chartres with its trees and superb gardens from which he supplied many customers throughout the islands with potatoes.

To Avis and his family we extend our very deepest sympathy.

NEW POWER SCHEMES FOR THE CAMP

Hydro-electric and solar power are set to be installed at Port Howard and Sea Lion Island respectively following studies of the two venues by energy consultants.

Plans are now underway to develop the first hydro-electric power system in the Falklands at Port Howard.

The decision was made following a comprehensive study of the viability of the project by energy consultants, IT Power, commissioned by FIDC in June this year.

An investigation into a hydro-electric scheme at Port Howard was carried out as long ago as 1955 but at the time was considered too expensive.

Over the last few decades, however, the settlement has grown considerably becoming one of the most important in West Falkland. The farm has grown and diversified with the tourist industry now playing a very important part in the local economy.

The need to establish a reliable 24-hour electricity supply has become essential not only for the Port Howard Tourist Lodge but to accommodate the increased availability of modern electrical appliances.

With the present diesel generator working at full capacity an additional energy source must now be identified.

With regard to the probable future escalating cost of diesel fuel and maintenance, IT Power consider a hydro-electric scheme to be more cost effective. Such a scheme is capable of producing electricity at significantly lower unit costs than if diesel generating capacity were to be increased.

"The installation of a hydro-electric scheme can be compared to buying a generating plant complete with a free fuel supply for the next half a century," stated IT Power.

Although the scheme will not be capable of providing more than a part of the settlement's needs, it will ensure a significant reduction in diesel operating hours and

running costs in the future.

As the Falkland Islands enjoy more sunshine hours than the South of England it has been decided to try a solar powered system at Sea Lion Island.

In an attempt to utilise this available renewable energy source, FIDC intend installing the system.

IT Power considered this project and suggested that a solar system would be a useful addition to the pilot energy-saving projects already planned for the tourist lodge on Sea Lion Island. This project will incorporate a demonstration of the use of solar technology primarily for the provision of domestic hot water at the lodge.

The introduction of this new pollution-free solar energy system will avoid the need for burning peat through the tourist season. This is presently necessary to heat the water at the lodge, but makes the building uncomfortably warm during the summer months.

The solar regime of the Falkland Islands in the summer season is well-suited for the use of solar energy. The lodge will also benefit from the small solar contribution during the winter months which will help keep the building dry and will avoid the freezing of pipes.

It is intended that this new system be monitored in order that valuable information may be collected to assess the possible use of this scheme at other settlements with similar requirements.

As Sealion Lodge is a tourist centre every effort will be made to ensure that the system is attractive in appearance and will harmonise with the general style of the building.



FRIDAY 27th JANUARY

6.00 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds
6.20 Prove It

- Chris Tarrant puts cranky claimants to the test.

6.45 The Flying Doctors

7.30 Rising Damp

- Rigsby decides to tell Ruth of his feelings.

7.55 Surprise, Surprise!

- With Cilla Black, Bob Carolgees and Gordon Burns.

8.45 Supersense

- Sound Sense. A journey through the animal world.

9.15 Alexei Sayle's Stuff

9.45 Film: Crimewave (1985)

- As Vic Ajax awaits execution, proclaiming his innocence, he recalls the amazing events that took him to death row.....

11.10 Closedown

SATURDAY 28th JANUARY

6.00 Pop Spot

6.30 Doctor Who

6.55 Last of the Summer World

7.25 A Question of Sport

7.55 Dallas

8.40 Brush Strokes

9.10 Taggart

- The Killing Philosophy, Part 3.

10.00 Aspel and Company

10.35 A Bit Of Fry And Laurie

11.10 Closedown

SUNDAY 29th JANUARY

3.15 Sunday Sport

- Football with Nottingham Forest v. Aston Villa, and rugby with Scotland v. Wales and Ireland v. France.

6.00 Eyewitness

6.40 Highway

- With Harry Secombe in Weardale.

7.10 The Chart Show

8.00 'Allo 'Allo

8.25 Reaching For The Skies

- Part 7, Giants of the Air.

9.20 Minder

- Fatal Impression. A reformed gambler dies owing Thur Daley money.

10.10 Whose Line Is It Anyway?

10.35 Film '89

11.05 Closedown

MONDAY 30th JANUARY

6.00 Defenders of the Earth

6.20 International Pro-Celebrity Golf (New)

- Professionals Lee Trevino and Sandy Lyle with, this week, Sean Connery and Max Boyce.

7.10 Coronation Street

7.35 Beadle's About

8.00 Double First

- Situation comedy series with Michael Williams as N.V. Standish.

8.30 Tomorrow's World

9.00 World In Action

9.25 Game, Set and Match

- The final episode reaches a blood-stained climax at

The Services Sound and Vision Corporation

the Berlin Wall.

10.15 This Is David Lander

10.40 Soap

11.05 Closedown

TUESDAY 31st JANUARY

6.00 Count Duckula

- Mutinous Penguins.

6.20 Record Breakers

7.15 Eastenders

7.40 Family Fortunes

- The family game show hosted by Les Dennis.

8.05 Wyatt's Watchdogs

8.35 Body Styles

- Why have religions made such strict rules about covering up different parts of the body?

9.00 Bust

9.50 Behind The Beat

10.25 Thompson

10.55 Closedown

WEDNESDAY 1st FEBRUARY

6.00 Lost In Space

6.45 Newsview

- For the week ending 28th January.

7.20 Coronation Street

7.45 Headliners

8.10 The Paul Daniels Magic Show

8.55 Rumpole of the Bailey

9.45 Hunter

10.30 The Last Resort

11.05 Closedown

THURSDAY 2nd FEBRUARY

6.00 Scene Here

6.20 Strike It Lucky

6.45 Top of the Pops

7.15 The Krypton Factor

7.40 The Bill

8.25 The River

8.55 Horizon

- This week, an investigation into the hazards of diving.

9.45 Casualty

10.35 The New Statesman

11.00 Closedown

FRIDAY 3rd FEBRUARY

6.00 Dogtanian and The Three Muskehounds

6.20 Prove It

6.45 The Flying Doctors

7.30 Rising Damp

- Rigsby inserts an item in the personal column - with amazing results.

7.55 Surprise, Surprise!

8.45 Supersense

- Part 4, Super Scents.

9.15 Naked Video (New)

- They're back! Siadwel, The Bald Man, Helen in the Wine Bar, and Rab C Nesbitt.

9.45 Film: Copacabana

- A colourful musical romance starring Barry Manilow, Annette O'Toole, Joseph Bologna and Estelle Getty.

11.20 Closedown

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AN ANNOUNCEMENT FROM FALKLAND ISLANDS TOURISM LTD.

Falkland Islands Tourism Ltd. are accepting bookings for the first Falklands cruise of the MV "Southern Star".

The cruise will take a small group of travellers on a journey to some of the Falklands most attractive islands, departing from Stanley early on the morning of Friday, the 3rd February, and returning on the morning of Monday, 6th February.

Highlights of the voyage will be calls at New Island and Carcass Island where passengers will spend leisurely visits exploring the attractive settlements and fascinating wildlife.

The cruise will cost £185 per person with accommodation in comfortable twin cabins. If you would like to be a member of this select group of travellers, contact Falkland Islands Tourism on civilian phone 93, military phone 3030 or by calling in person at our offices at Stanley and MPA.

Join FIT and the "Southern Star" to discover the Falklands.

OBITUARIES

Stewart Middleton

(Died 15th December, 1988)

Stewart Middleton was born at North Arm in 1908, and he spent his early years there. He married in Stanley and his first home was at Lion's Creek Shepherd's outside house.

In the late 1920's he went to live and work at Fitzroy. All his working life was spent with the Falkland Islands Company. In 1950 the company placed him in responsibilities at the East Jetty in Stanley where he remained until 1968.

He is survived by his two daughters, Laura and Marie. In 1968 he went to live with Laura and her family in New Zealand. In 1984 he travelled to the United Kingdom where he stayed for a couple of months before returning to the Falklands in time for Christmas 1984 from which time he lived with his sister Mary Burns.

William Arthur Etheridge

(Died 21st December, 1988)

Bill Etheridge was born in Fox Bay East in 1930. He was always proud of the fact that he received much of his early education from his mother while the family lived at Fox Bay East and Chartres.

He won a scholarship to the British School in Uruguay and received his secondary education there.

On leaving school he returned to the Falklands and joined the meteorological office and subsequently spent several years with the Falkland Island Dependencies Survey in Antarctica.

Bill left FIDS and went to radio college in Wales and on qualifying spent a number of years in the Merchant Navy, mostly running between the Far East, South Africa and Europe.

On his return to the Falklands he became clerk to Stanley Town Council and then joined the European Space Research Organisation in Stanley. On its closure in 1974 he joined the Post Office and was quickly promoted through the Government service to clerk of councils, a post he held until 1980 when he became Superintendent of the Posts and Telecommunications department.

Bill also found time to establish a successful private retail business - Southern Imports.

He was a very private person, very much of an independent mind, with a wonderfully dry sense of humour. In his earlier years he was a keen and very competitive badminton player - a very determined opponent to have in either sport.

He was very much a Falkland Islander. He combined a love of the Falklands with a wide knowledge and appreciation of other societies and cultures, his penetrating observations of our local social and political scene were always worth hearing.

Bill has a sister, Shirley in New Zealand, another, June, at Chartres and another, Bunt, in Stanley.

He is survived by his wife Alice whom he married in 1972.

Claud Eugenio Molkenbuhr

(Died 24th December, 1988)

Claud Eugenio Molkenbuhr was born in Punta Arenas in 1931. His mother Amy Lee, a Falkland Islander, still lives in Punta Ar-

enas today.

Claud grew up there and came to the Falklands on the Gen- too in 1953. His original intention was to be in the islands for 18 months but he decided to stay and worked at Pebble Island. Eventually he ended up at Shag Cove, Port Howard.

He married Judy in April 1963 and gained three stepdaughters, Gwynne, Gail and Sharon. His daughter Lisa was born in 1965, and his son Lee in 1974.

Claud was promoted shepherd boss. He then moved into the settlement. He left Port Howard after 20 years when he was successful in buying The Murrell, the first of the large land sales to come up.

After 22 years of marriage his wife Judy died leaving him to manage the farm on his own. Claud was well known colt tamer and dog handler and many people brought their animals to him to be trained.

He was a kind and loving father and he liked to be surrounded by his five children and five grandchildren, especially at Christmas. He is going to be sadly missed by them all.

John Charles Anderson (Sharkey)

(Died 4th January, 1989)

John Charles Anderson, affectionately known as Sharkey, was the son of the late Paulina and Bill Anderson. He was one of ten brothers and sisters.

His early days were spent in Long Island, followed by periods of time at Salvador, Saunders and Rincon Grande and many other places throughout the islands.

His life was centred on shepherding and the life and work of the islands. There is an apocryphal story of how he obtained his unusual nickname. Apparently he was involved in a boxing match. At the time there was a well known boxer called Sharkey. After this particular boxing match or perhaps in the course of it, his friends called him Sharkey to encourage him in his boxing pursuits.

Sharkey was a horseman and trainer of horses and dogs. He was also a gifted cook and there were occasions when he was employed in this way.

He is survived by his daughter Yvonne, by his two sisters Gwen and Evelyn in England, and by nephews and nieces in these islands.

Jim Harvey

(Died 10th January, 1989)

Jim Harvey was the son of Alice and Bill Harvey and was born in Stanley in 1918. He was the first in a family of four - three brothers and one sister, Jim and Ruth and Jack and Don.

His early years were spent in Salvador, followed by periods of time in San Carlos, Port Howard, Saunders and Chartres. In all these places he took part in the normal activities of a full Camp life.

In the mid-Sixties, following the death of his father, Jim returned to Stanley where he worked in Stanley Cottages and in PWD. He retired after the Conflict.

He is survived by his sister Ruth and by a number of nephews and nieces.

EVENING CLASS PROGRAMME

A programme of evening classes has been organised by the Education department to commence on Monday 13th February.

A range of subjects are covered to provide something of interest to most people.

On Mondays between 7pm and 9pm there is Typing/Word Processing with Mrs Murdoch; Tuesday 6.30-8.30pm Typing/Word Processing with

Mrs Murdoch, Tuesday 7-9pm Art with Mrs Simpson; Wednesday 7-8.30pm English with Mrs Cheek, Wednesday 7-8.30pm Bookkeeping with Mr Ewing; Thursday Spanish with Mr Whiteside, and Thursday 7-8.30pm Music with Mrs Dey.

For further details concerning the courses and enrolment contact the Education Office, Stanley Cottage, or telephone 289.

They would like to hear from people interested in other subjects for future planning.

APPLICATION FOR A PACKET LICENCE

In accordance with Section 7 (1) of the Licencing Ordinance the Master of the M.V. "Southern Star" has applied for a Packet Licence.

Any objection to the granting of the licence must be made to the Treasury within 21 days from the appearance of this notice in the Gazette and the Penguin News.

H.T. Rowlands
Financial Secretary.

The Treasury,
Stanley.

FEMALE FEELINGS - A FEMALE OPINION

By M. West.

ONCE MORE UNTO THE BREACH

Never let it be said that I don't put up a good fight, even with a typewriter. As the critics form their ranks, just a quick word to some of them:-

Mr David Taylor - the fact that Falkland Islanders put pen to paper and have opinions is to be congratulated. If you consider what we say and write to be "ill-informed criticism" then it is up to you to keep us better informed, particularly during the first few years of considerable change in the islands.

Capt. Birdseye, who can't enjoy his drink at the bar whilst discussing highly confidential government secrets with the barman for fear M. West or Dr X may be listening - well, I at least can put your mind at rest. I rarely frequent bars, but do watch what you say whilst deliberating over the fish fingers at the West Store on Friday evenings.

Mr Graham Bound, who is not a critic yet but may well be in the future - teachers and students will NEVER achieve as much "working in a tin hut" as they would in a purpose-built, light, airy, attractive building. Working environments are extremely important. How would you perform in a tin hut, 6 hours a day, Graham? Could you still maintain all that sparkle and enthusiasm?

TO BE OR NOT TO BE THAT IS THE QUESTION?

Now for my 1989 predictions, which the Press love to do at this time of year. 1989 will reveal itself as a - "To be or not to be" - kind of year, with us all wondering about the following:

Will the new SENIOR SCHOOL be next to Government House and use the controversial triangle as part of its playing field, or will it be on the water-logged old BFFI site, or even on the wind-blown land south of the by-pass?

Will the SOUTHERN STAR remain moored at the Stanley beauty spot of FIPASS, or will it slip away and sink under criticism, or will it take tourists on cruises to the wild, far-flung outer islands?

Will the INDIANA benefit the Falkland Island community and get fruit to us regularly, and bring in scores of kit houses so we can all have a decent roof over our heads at a reasonable price, or will it be a seven day wonder?

Will FOX BAY VILLAGE survive if the mill has to close, is there a community spirit, a sense of purpose and co-operation among the residents of Fox Bay to help it survive, or will it end up little more than two farms?

Bearing in mind the current situation, public opinion and the

Prynn and Storey Reports, and by some considerable crystal ball gazing, I've come to the following conclusions:-

The new SENIOR SCHOOL will be next to and extend to the rear of Government House, and the playing area will extend into the controversial triangle, and it will cost a fortune (hopefully nearer Prynn's £7 million than the Government's £14 million) but if it benefits the whole community it should be money well spent.

The SOUTHERN STAR will depart FIPASS and after doing some feasibility jollies will go on to service Camp settlements rather than benefit the tourist, and will be phased out as grossly uneconomic when the East/West ferry comes into operation.

The INDIANA after some initial hiccups, will be successful particularly in bringing freight to the Falklands, although only the privileged few will be able to afford the passage. Bringing kit houses to the Falklands from Chile will be a major breakthrough, buying land in Stanley on which to build them will be the problem.

FOX BAY VILLAGE won't survive. The Falkland Mill will wind down gradually from the time it next comes under review. Storey's "strong social grounds for the continuing support for the mill" won't be enough to keep it functioning. Because many of the residents of FBV depend directly or indirectly on the mill for their livelihood, they will have no other alternative but to leave. The salmon farm will transfer to the East and ARC, once they finish the grass trials, will close the sub-station. FBV will revert back to FBE which leads one to believe FIGAS knew what was going to happen all along.

Some good will come out of the FBV situation. The need for a mill has been proven. The next will be in Stanley using new technology and with a local person being trained to manage it (in situ by a UK specialist). When FBE becomes a quiet back-water, Port Howard will become the centre of the West, so when the East/West ferry comes into operation it shouldn't be necessary for it to call at any other port (except very irregularly). If this settles arguments presently raging and destined to get worse then Fox Bay's new identity won't be such a bad thing.

I must remind all my readers that I have relied very heavily on my crystal ball to write this column and none of it may turn out to be fact.

It only remains for me to apologise to William Shakespeare for the irreverent use of his quotes, and wish you all a Happy New Year.

POLITICAL MOVES IN NEW FISHING GROUP CAUSE CONCERN

Members of a new Fishing Liaison Group in the Falklands have expressed concern at what are seen as political moves by one of the local companies involved in the group.

The group is in the process of being set up to provide a forum for all aspects of the fishing industry in the Falklands to have a voice, share information, and discuss common problems.

However, following the initial meeting local fishing company Fortuna Ltd. sent a letter round all concerned saying membership should be limited to Falkland Islanders.

They defined Falkland Islanders as any Falkland Island resident (as defined by the electoral ordinance) or company which is majority owned by Falkland Island residents in which the decision making control is held by Falkland Island residents.

The letter continued, "We would like to see such a group adopt a policy of 'Falklandisation' - this is the long term maximisation of the return to the Falkland Islands from the exploitation of the country's marine resources."

In the letter they ask such a group to support and promote

four points: all Government policies directed towards the ownership of fishing rights by Falkland Islanders; every attempt to obtain access for Falkland Island fish products on overseas markets; every opportunity to expand employment opportunities in any sector of the fishing industry but particularly at management level; and policies which promote the control of the Falkland Islands fishing industry by Falkland Islanders.

Captain John Jackson, the Superintendent of Fisheries, is initially to be the group's non-exec, non-voting, ex officio chairman. When asked about the letter from Fortuna he said that the group was not, as far as he was concerned, to be political in any respect and would be open to anyone in-

involved in the fishing industry and support services in the Falkland Islands.

"The group is still under formation and is not fully formed," he explained. "It is useful to the Fisheries Department to foster the development of the group as a forum for the industry."

"We need access en masse to the fishing community for operations and a monthly meeting is a very attractive proposition."

As to the suggestions in the letter from Fortuna he said he had not been approached about it although he was aware of the letter.

"It is not an unnatural desire for the islanders to control their own destiny," he said. "But there is a middle road to be trod."

"There is obviously particular interest in licences and how they are allocated and that is a natural concern."

"But as civil servants my department, and myself, cannot get involved in politics or anything outside of carrying out government policy."

"We can give general and technical advice and help and guidance, but this office is not here to promulgate policy."

Captain Jackson saw the role of the group as two-fold - firstly to pass on information to and from Fishops and to gauge the feelings of the fishing community as a whole; and secondly to measure the feeling of the local fishing community.

KONSULTANT'S KORNER



The Christmas season was quite satisfactory in so much as we could mix pleasure with work. We had a grand time at Fanny Cove house except for a little bump in one of the vehicles we took.

County County County's are alright for running around the town but it was testing them a bit on those tracks so we took the Panda.

In my opinion we were lucky not to get "bogged" with the horrendous state of those tracks. The information I could glean on this trip has helped with my report on Camp roads, but I must ignore two of the comments I received from locals as complete fiction.

The first was that it was a lot worse before

POTENTIAL CHIEF EXECs. IN THE ISLANDS

Mr Ronnie Sampson, one of the two potential Chief Executives chosen by the Interview Board in London in December to visit the islands this month arrived in the islands on 20th January for five days.

Mr Tim Bellers, the other short-listed candidate, arrives for a similar visit on the following Friday accompanied by his wife.

Mr Sampson is 52 and a widower. He was in the Army from 1956 to 1974, served in the Parachute Regiment and was commissioned in the Royal Signals.

On leaving the Army he joined the South Yorkshire County Council to set up their Employment Promotion Unit, leading a team with responsibilities for economic development. He became Director of the Industrial Development Department of the Grampian Regional Council in 1974 and left there in 1982 to become the first Chief Executive of the West Midlands Industrial Development Association which, in addition to the West Midlands, has offices in USA, Japan, Hong Kong and West Germany.

Mr Tim Bellers is 56 and married. He too was in the Army from 1950 till 1968, serving in the Gurkhas in various parts of the world.

I would like to start the year out looking to a positive and prosperous New Year.

It will be prosperous indeed for us especially once the new CDE is in control of the secretariat and the economy.

As for positive, one would hope the anonymous sniping at experts and consultants will stop. If there are any questions or any points to be made I am always available to people that manage to make an appointment with me through my numerous assistants.

One must realise we are extremely busy dragging the Falklands into the 20th Century in order to bring the locals all the advantages of a well ordered and regulated society.

For example Mr Fang is slaving night and day to update the archaic laws so the strengthened and more efficient police department can protect citizens from the drunken killers rampaging in uninspected vehicles. Mr Farter is forever changing and respecifying every aspect of the regulations concerning the construction of buildings so that the new housing of the Falklands

the MPA track was completed and the second was it can get worse in the winter. What could be worse than three bumpy hours to Goose Green? Dr E.X. Pert.

is state-of-the-art in both materials and costs. Mr Faylor is setting qualifications and years of experience required for the newly established positions in the Secretariat so that the islanders can leave the running of their country, with complete peace of mind, to an expert for the next three year contract.

Locals grumble (don't worry, they can't do anything) that the papers needed for high powered jobs disqualify them from these positions even though they are capable of performing them efficiently and with a knowledge of the land and people's needs.

We acknowledge this is true. To rectify the situation we will be advertising for local candidates for the new positions as well. The successful applicants will be sent away for the training and experience needed, but in the meantime we must hire experts to do the jobs for the next 10-15 years, until the local trainee is conversant with the way we do things.

Dr E.X. Pert.

BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

In Australia's Adelaide/Goulbourn markets closed this week with Merino fleece 19.5 micron and finer generally maintained, 20-22 was up to 40 cents easier, with the finer end least affected and 22-24 was up to 50 cents easier.

In all microns, good style, good length and sounder wools were less affected. The EC and East Europe were principals, Japan buying only moderately. Merino skirtings were 20-25 cents easier, EC principal with moderate general support.

In Dundedin, New Zealand, halfbred fleece 24-27 micron was 1.5%-2% dearer, 28-31 in buyers' favour.

Crossbred fleece was in sellers' favour for all lengths and styles and crossbred second shear 33-35 micron was up to 2.5% dearer, coarser fully 1% dearer.

Crossbred oddments were generally up to 2.5% dearer, poorer unchanged. Lambs 28.5 and finer were 2.5% dearer, coarser in sellers' favour.

Competition for South Island wools came from China, East and West Europe and for North Island from Merchant Scourers, China and East and West Europe.

In general, reaction to last week's overheated resumption in Australian salerooms has brought reductions this week in all but the broad qualities, although a stronger Australian Dollar relationship with the Pound has tended to whittle away some of the resulting price advantage.

New Zealand's North and South Island sales on the other hand were dearer, due very largely to aggressive Wool Board intervention, making New Zealand wools often dearer than their Australian counterparts.

In contrast, the British Wool Marketing Board was able to leave things in the hands of market forces at the Bradford sale this week. Under keen competition, prices moved basically 5-7.5% higher compared with the last Bradford sale on December 14th and where comparisons are possible, by 2.5% and more on last week's Edinburgh sale.

The perceived weakening in Australian has given the trade's customers a reason to foresake their desks for the nearest fence until further indications of market direction are received from next week's sales.

Most people in Bradford, where recent higher levels have been very difficult to digest, would welcome an easing in colonial raw wool values. However, such a trend would bring little hope of volume turnover in the short term. Business, therefore is said to be quiet and although a fair amount of price inquiry is reported, individual weights continue to be small.

Currency changes have as usual been erratic and mixed. Strength in the US Dollar has some textile-related benefits but Sterling's strength against some leading European currencies is not helpful either to wool textile exports or imports.

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

MR TAYLOR ANSWERED

Dear Sir,
I read with amusement, Mr Taylor's letter in your Christmas Eve issue.

However, I wish to take him up on part of his remarks in point No.2, quote: "letters written by people with no managerial experience of any significance".

I would like to point out to Mr Taylor that there are quite a few LOCAL businesses, big and small, being managed by "THE BENNY", and have been, and still are, SUCCESSFUL. More than can be, and is being said, for SFL/FIT, that seem to have been awarded the motif 'IMPORTED BANKRUPTCY'.

Sorry Sir if that was a bit below the belt, but as a well known proverb says "people in glass houses should not throw stones".

Yours sincerely,
B. Peck,
Stanley.

AGRIC. DEVELOPMENT GRANT SCHEME

Dear Sir,
I write after hearing the sessions of Leg Co at which we all know seven of our eight councillors were present, the eighth being otherwise engaged and rightly so, in personal business.

This made it interesting when it came to the subject of the new development grant scheme, and as a result, I wish to express my grave dismay which I know to be shared by many others, in that this scheme is now not to be available to overseas companies.

This motion, carried only by the combined forces of Stanley councillors due to the Campers being a man short. I feel it should never even have been tabled, let alone put through and approved.

Whilst agreeing that vast land holdings by overseas companies in the past was certainly not the way forward for a developing community, the fact that not a lot is held by absentee landlords compared to ten years ago and to suggest that such property tenure is an

unsavoury reminder of "colonialism" (or words to that effect that the proposer used), sounds dangerously like an attack based on personal emotions.

The fact that this was supported by the "townies" and opposed by the "Campers", makes me wonder if some people are forgetting where they came from or how they got here. "Colonialism" might sound bad to some but we wouldn't have been here today without it.

I do not oppose the new changes taking place and am fully in favour of land reform, but at the right pace. To disallow grants to overseas companies in a developing situation can only cause them to look closely at their involvement locally. Even if they do have a system for "syphoning-off" profit. It is a slap in the face to those people who wish to remain working for their absentee employers. Not everyone wants a farm.

I hope that when the appropriate time is up an amendment to this bill is tabled in order that this silly mistake can be rectified before it is too late. One overseas-owned farm was more into developing new facets of agriculture than ARC in the last few years; how keen are they going to be now?

A bit like the saga of the Governor's official transport change; that was kept low-key wasn't it? The mere fact that a Range Rover Vogue costs more than two FX4 RS has little to do with the price of fish. Minor detail though it is, none the less it is part of our heritage which never failed to get a mention, but if it was "colonial", get rid of it.

Definitely dangerous thinking, but then maybe we could disguise the "Mount Kent" as a "colonial relic" and that might go too. Did I hear £2m for it? Where's the other £18m? Ouch!

Yours faithfully,
N. Pitaluga,
Salvador.

FIC'S REACTION TO THE RULING

Dear Rory,
Through the medium of your columns I would like to express the dismay and concern of FIC at the recent LegCo ruling concerning grant to farms in the Falklands.

To set the scene for those who are less familiar with the scheme I would first explain the FIDC introduced grants a few years back on the basis of the smaller the farm, the larger the grant. There was not great logic to this because to the best of my knowledge farming subsidies elsewhere in the world have been granted against criteria of which size has not been one.

The idea is to give support to the farming industry through loans, grants or subsidies with the objective of enabling the farmer to improve his efficiency, hence his productivity. Any improvement in productivity has to benefit not only the industry, but the community at large.

The Pryn Report in the working papers actually advocated that any grant system should apply equally to all.

Proposals were therefore put to LegCo to that effect but as we heard on the broadcast an amendment was introduced excluding British owned farms from grants altogether. As far as I know there is only one other farm apart from FIC that will be excluded.

My initial reaction was one of dismay as it seemed to be Parish Politics at its worst. FIC do not deserve to be discriminated against and I must admit that on first hearing of the decision I felt that it stemmed from a prejudiced minority who swayed the majority who did not think it through properly.

On reflection however, the decision is far more misguided than that and is one that should cause many people great concern because it actually demonstrates a clear bias against the United Kingdom. Hardly the sort of thing that would endear the British public to the Falkland Islands. This I feel is very shortsighted - the islands need friends in the UK,

not enemies.

Since becoming the Managing Director of the Falkland Islands Company in mid-1987 I have studiously avoided making any political comment as it is not my belief that it is the company's role to do so. However, I do feel that this ill-judged decision should not be allowed to pass without comment.

Anyone who is connected with the islands is delighted about the new-found fishing wealth and lessening dependence on the UK but please - let not the fingers of scorn be pointed at Britain quite so soon.

British, and indeed other non-Falkland companies still have a great deal to offer by way of 'know-how' and investment. Discrimination such as we have just seen would make some think twice about further investment in the islands when it is realised how easy it is for LegCo to change the rules.

I do not pretend to be a Euro-politician but I cannot believe that the French would be able to legislate against West German companies in this way, nor Great Britain against Spain.

Is it really right that in the Falklands a grant system can be set up that is open to all farming companies except two who are British-owned and who pay their taxes in the Falklands and predominantly employ Falkland islanders.

B. McGreal,
Managing Director,
Falkland Islands Co. Ltd.

DISGUST AT THE FALKLAND CLUB

Dear Sir,
I would like to express my feelings of disgust towards the members of the Falkland Club, more commonly known as the Glue Pot.

A fire anywhere is a terrible shock to everyone in a small community like ours, but when somebody dies, the situation changes from terrible to tragic.

Surely as a mark of respect to the bereaved family, the importance of finding new club premises should have been

delayed until at least after the funeral.

The speed at which they managed to get back to the seemingly more important things in life was quite breathtaking.

Yours most sincerely,
Mrs Anya Alexander,
Stanley.

CHIEF OF POLICE RESPONDS

Dear Sir,
I am prompted to write by recent items that have appeared in the Penguin News concerning the role of service policemen as members of the Falkland Islands Police Reserve.

It would be improper for me to comment on individual cases which might have given rise to concern, but one or two general comments might help to set the record straight.

In an ideal world I would agree with your correspondents that service policemen should not be required to exercise the powers of constable in relation to members of the public. In the particular circumstances of the Falkland Islands, it is impossible, for reasons beyond the control of the police force, to recruit and retain enough officers to fill the establishment, and it is only by virtue of the assistance of the provost that essential police services are maintained.

When those essential services are in the nature of life-saving or other emergency assistance, I have no doubt that the public are genuinely grateful for military intervention. The fire at Admiralty Cottage on Boxing Day provided a perfect illustration of the point.

At the time the alarm was raised, there were two civil police officers and three military police NCO's on duty. One policeman was engaged on watchkeeping duties at the police station and one was responding to an emergency call received some time before the fire was discovered. The other three were committed to another incident which was taking place elsewhere, but were able to make an emergency response to the fire. They reached the scene in just over a minute, evacuated the building and managed to carry out some damage limitation effort before the arrival of the fire appliances.

Had the service police not been helping to overcome the civil police manpower shortage, no emergency response to the fire would have been forthcoming from the police.

It is not only in Stanley that the effects of the police manpower shortage are felt. Mount Pleasant is a centre of population as large as Stanley and it has a considerable number of civilian residents who are not subject to military law.

The crime rate at the airport is marginally greater than in the rest of the Colony put together and there is no doubt that civilians, including Falkland Islands residents, are becoming increasingly involved, either as offenders or as victims. The responsibility for policing the civilian population clearly rests with the Falkland Islands Police, but the fact is that the Falkland Islands Police is incapable of discharging its responsibilities with the manpower it has available.

It has been made very clear to me by the military authorities that they would much prefer not to be involved in the policing of any part of the civilian population. Their only interest is to ensure that Mount Pleasant Airport is adequately policed. Since they cannot rely on the civil authorities to do this, there is no real alternative but for service policemen to become members of the Police Reserve.

As police reservists, they take an oath to serve the Sovereign in the office of constable "without favour or affection, malice or ill-will....and to discharge all the duties thereof faithfully according to law." It is by virtue of this oath that they draw their powers and undertake to apply the law equally to all people within the jurisdiction. When they exercise their powers, they are accountable to the Chief Police Officer, and if a civilian is reported in connection with an offence, any decision about a prosecution is taken by the Falkland Islands Police.

Whilst I also look forward to the day that it will no longer be necessary for servicemen to be sworn as constables, the fact remains that for the time being, the service police are providing a valuable service for the community as a whole.

If only more public spirited Falkland Islanders were to come forward to serve in the police or the police reserve, it

might be possible to hasten the day of change.

Yours sincerely,
K.D. Greenland,
Chief Police Officer.

THANKS TO THE RAF FOR THE TRISTAR

Dear Sir,
As a fully fledged Kelper of several generations I wish to comment on a few points made in the Christmas Eve issue of the Penguin News.

Firstly I wish to say that I am truly delighted and satisfied with flights by RAF Tristar. I am not a seasoned traveller by any means, but the Tristar is the most comfortable aircraft I have travelled on to date, and most important of all it is BRITISH ALL THE WAY. I have no wish to travel on a commercial flight at a considerably higher cost; the RAF record for flight safety is impeccable and security is good. Thank you RAF for a completely relaxed flight. Long may you continue.

The slight inconvenience to travellers who have to fly to Britain before they can go worldwide is acknowledged, but I believe only a very small minority is affected.

We have heard much recently about trade with South America and what we are lacking, years of experience of trade with South America leaves one with the knowledge that the price is no less but the quality is, and despite what the media say a very large percentage of our imports always came from Britain.

Recent fruit prices - something like 62p for a pear, 40p for an apple, certainly limits the quantity of fruit the average islander can afford. The so-called improvements to our living standards being offered are beyond the means of a family, and the "Indiana" prices recently quoted do not suggest improvements in this field.

Finally I agree with Mr Packer. Why should "ships that pass in the night" tell islanders what they need and what they lack. We live here because we like the lifestyle and freedom for ourselves and our young people. A number of permanent immigrants have come here because they too like the relaxed way of life the islands has to offer.

So please remember "when in Rome do as the Romans do". It is a good maxim.

Yours sincerely,

Velma Malcolm,
Stanley.

BOUND TO DO BETTER

Dear Sir,
It is difficult to see what point Graham Bound was making in his article about the proposed new school in your last edition of Penguin News and so I write, not as "Angry", but "Confused" of Jeremy Moore Avenue.

Is he complaining about the proposal to spend £14m or does he doubt whether value for money will be given? Does he want an improvement in educational facilities and if so what does he think is a reasonable sum to spend? How many tin huts would he have built to house the Falklands secondary education in the 21st century? Is he criticising the present standard of teachers and intimating that there are presently insufficient numbers? Does he indeed have any real knowledge of the costs involved in building and equipping a school to 'A'-Level standard; or is this actually what he wants to see? Finally, to whom are his comments directed? The Governor? LegCo? The school staff? The makers of tin huts? Whom?

The article is the sort of uninformed and irresponsible comment one expects from a fourth form contribution to a school magazine. It is very easy to criticise, especially if one is simply intending to fill column inches, and it is relatively easy to make pointless puns and to quote selectively. It is more difficult, but very much more useful and productive, to offer reasoned alternative proposals based on fact.

But when was the last time Graham actually visited a secondary school or read any serious and informed educational comment - or indeed built a school (or even a tin hut)? Plainly he has read Mark Twain's sarcastic advice that to succeed, all you need is confidence and ignorance!

If Graham wants to be taken seriously, he must produce more structured and logical criticism together with realistic counter-proposals. Wild and demonstrably silly statements which reveal his lack of knowledge of the requirements of modern educational courses do not strengthen what might well be a good case (if only we

knew what it was); they weaken it.

And incidentally, his offices are a lot more comfortable and plushly appointed and accommodate fewer people to the square metre than most of the present school classrooms. People who live in glass houses.....

In summary, Graham's report for the Christmas term is an unambiguous, 'Could do better'.

Mike Latter,
Stanley.

NEW EXAM GRADING EXPLAINED

Dear Sir,
Your article, 'New Exam Grading', in the Penguin News of November 4th, accurately sums up secondary educational certification in the islands at the moment.

However, I would like to emphasise to the parents of those pupils presently taking or studying for GCSE examinations that GGrade 'F' records a satisfactory performance for an average pupil. It represents the foundation standard in all subjects and, as such, is a worthwhile and creditable achievement.

With the transfer from one examination system to another, there is always the danger of making an inappropriate comparison between the two grading scales. As you rightly say, the GCE offered a five-point system but what may have been considered a 'Fail' in this essentially academic examination, represents a positive standard of achievement at GCSE where assessment over a two-year period contributes a significant part of the final grade.

Yours sincerely,
Dr D.F. Burgess,
Headmaster, Senior School,
Stanley.

WHAT ABOUT THE RUGBY PITCH?

Dear Sir,
As secretary of Stanley Rugby Football Club I feel compelled to write following a recent broadcast on FIBS' Falkland Islands News Magazine.

During the programme there was an interview with the consultants for the new school a much talk of the likely facilities to be provided with the new complex.

As a reasonably keen sportsman I was glad to hear the football pitch was not only

to be saved but upgraded. I was further heartened to hear that a smaller pitch for football and/or hockey was possible, with a running track and high jump and long jump facilities being considered.

What did alarm me slightly was the lack of mention of rugby facilities and the fact that this was not picked up by Mr Watts during the interview.

Obviously there will be those who claim I have a bias towards the sport but the recent interest shown in the sport suggests that it should almost demand as much consideration as football facilities.

When it was announced that a rugby club was being formalised interest in the idea was widespread throughout the community. The football club can boast over 40 members this season and interest in the rugby club would suggest that a similar figure will be on their membership role.

The main difference between the two would appear to be that the rugby club will have playing and non-playing members and include many children interested in the game.

The reason for that system is two-fold - firstly non-playing members are encouraged for social functions and to pass on experience they have of the game to others, and secondly children are encouraged to bring on the test in the game at a young age and produce a new generation of players in the islands.

In respect of the new school this second point is crucial. If the sport is not encouraged at school level then this task becomes very difficult.

Having helped coach colts and junior sides in the UK I am well aware of the need to start teaching the game early and the fun the youngsters gain from it.

Before anyone complains that another pitch would be another drain on the resources available to the new school, let me explain a simple solution that could see football, rugby and hockey pitches co-existing.

Many schools in other countries are tight for space for pitches and have to compromise. The simplest solution is to share the main pitch and have a simple construct at either end which has two crossbars, one higher than the other, which provides football goals and rugby posts combined. It has been done

before with considerable success.

As to wear and tear on the pitch, football is played mainly in the summer in the Falklands although could be played all year around if the school became interested. Rugby is mainly a winter sport and a playing season could be established. There are less competitive sides in the islands anyway and so games are less frequent than with the football.

Surely there can be some compromise reached whereby another sport, which is showing promising signs of taking a firm grip in the Falklands, could be allowed to flourish and co-exist alongside other sports.

I ask the committee considering the school and its facilities to consider these points.

Yours sincerely,
Rory R. Macleod,

Secretary, Stanley RFC.
HAVE A BREAK - SPEND IT IN THE FALKLANDS

Dear Sir,
I've enjoyed every minute of my Christmas/New Year break.

The Stanley Sports had me rivetted to the finishing post, and to be £5 up on the last day of the races was an added bonus. I was amused by the valiant attempts at steer riding by 'Dinga' (FID) Bell, Rory (PN) Macleod and Shane (FIDC-sorry to mention it again) Wolsey. A couple of local lads and a New Zealander showed them how to do it properly.

After Stanley Sports it was off to Port Howard. It was great to get on a horse again (but boy am I out of practice) and Robin Lee has created such a relaxed and congenial atmosphere in the lodge I can't wait to go back.

On to Weddell Island, only stopping to drop passengers at Chartres. Bill Luxton was there with his Rolls Royce - rather novel I thought. Weddell was beautiful, loved the cottage (John Ferguson has done a great job on it), and after beach-combing, picnics and penguins there was Mt. Weddell to climb. The views from the top are incredible!

As for the rest of the family - the kids has a whale of a time placing their 10p bets, riding horses and climbing mountains, and the old man got his fishing in at every conceivable opportunity and caught dozens.

Regards,
Jennifer Jones,
Stanley.

SCOUT HUT ARRIVES WITH THANKS

Dear Sir,
Thanks to the tremendous efforts of the F.I. Field Squadron our eight bay Wyseplan building has been removed from the Canache and re-erected on our government leased land behind Brandon Road.

The building was originally used by the NAAFI as a Junior Ranks Club, known as the Shed; and it was bought by the scouts after discussions between the then Government Secretary, Mr Fernyhough and BFFI HQ.

The F.I. Field Squadron undertook the complete task from drawing up plans and operations report, the terracing and construction of a hard core ramp, the manufacture of concrete blocks, the dismantling, transport and re-erection of the main building, and the siting of our portaloos unit.

Several contingents of men have been involved including Royal Marine Combat Engineers, Gurkhas and Royal Engineers; plus invaluable behind-the-scenes assistance from the command secretariat and HQ BFFI. PSA supplied materials that were unavailable from the Public Works Department. The latter helped with considerable supplies of materials and much advice, particularly from Mr Alex Smith and Mr Les Harris.

Some minor constructional work still has to be completed before the re-wiring, plumbing, partitioning and repainting can begin. We aim to complete all these tasks with community volunteer labour and in that way the scout hut can become a symbol of joint military and civil enterprise which is at the centre of the scouting spirit.

When the hut becomes operational it will be available for use for all youth orientated activities; cubs, scouts, venture scouts, Duke of Edinburgh's Award and the re-introduction of a specific girls uniformed movement of all ages.

More details of how you can help get our hut operational or how you can get further involved with our projected activities by becoming a helper, instructor or leader can be obtained from Mrs Jill Harris or myself.

Phil Middleton,
Group Scout Leader,
1st F.I. Scout Group.

BOUND ABOUT TOWN - By Graham Bound.

Of Doctors and Disasters

Even at 9 o'clock in the morning the agonised sound of the fire alarm has the power to arrest all activity momentarily and chill the heart, until, an instant later, one remembers that it is only the regular Monday practice. But when the peace of a dark night is disturbed by the same hellish howl, the effect is infinitely worse.

The knowledge that somewhere in Stanley a fire is threatening property and, very possibly, life, and the awareness that those threatened may be family or friends, is terrifying. Volunteer fire-fighters frantically rub the sleep from their eyes, drag on the first clothes that come to hand and run off into the night. The rest of us nervously search for the flames and smoke and try to learn the whereabouts of the disaster. Few Stanley folk remain in their beds.

The dreaded routine was repeated last week, when the Falkland Club, or Glue Pot, was severely damaged by fire. A young occupant, Jason Wingate, was unable to escape and, tragically, died. Another young person barely escaped by clambering out a narrow window.

While the matter is essentially sub-judice, pending the inquest, we should not discuss most aspects of the disaster in any detail. However I find it impossible to ignore one thing: that no ambulance or doctor appeared on the scene until approximately forty-five minutes after the

alarm was sounded. This fact was admitted, according to a report on the local radio station, by the Chief Medical Officer, who blandly stated that the hospital policy is not to attend such an incident unless specifically requested to do so by the fire brigade. I have no idea who is responsible for such policy making, but did he or she not think that in confusion and chaos of a fire, which could be of a very large scale, it might be difficult for someone in authority to call the hospital, or that one person might assume another is summoning medical aid with the result that no one does until it is too late? Did the policy maker not think that the inherently dangerous work of the firemen demands that medical attention should be on hand just in case something suddenly goes wrong? If rescue attempts go awry there may be no time to summon a doctor and then wait the five or ten minutes while an ambulance speeds to the scene?

I doubt very much if the earlier presence of medical staff would have made much difference to the profoundly sad outcome of last week's fire. But next time it might. If the magistrate does not use the opportunity of the inquest to strongly recommend a change in medical practice at fires, I would be very surprised and disappointed.

The Best Free Show in the Islands.

The CSE shows, with their leggy dancers, risque comics and trendy musicians are good, but my favourite free entertainment is to be found far from the Stanley Town Hall, in the chilly waters of the coves and harbours of our coasts.

Fortunately my work frequently takes me out in boats with groups of people who are intent on enjoying the beauties of the islands. On most occasions we are given the great pleasure of seeing dolphins at play.

The stocky little Commerson's dolphins and the more sleek Peale's play around the bows of our boat,

riding the bow wave and leaping from the water with a sheer joie de vivre which is inspiring and infectious. Many experts believe that these intelligent animals are able to communicate a special kind of energy to humans, and I would be the last to call this theory far-fetched. Leaning far over the bows I have sometimes stared into the eye of a dolphin which is speeding along effortlessly on its side just inches below the surface of the water. It is an emotional experience, although I don't know why.

It is not always necessary to be at sea to watch these lovely creatures, although it is

something very special to be at the centre of their attention in a boat. I have seen dolphins swimming just outside the surf in Gypsy Cove, off Elephant Beach on Pebble Island and Grave Cove near Dunbar. I am told that there is a particularly entertaining pod of Commerson's off Bertha's Beach, and I intend to search for them myself before long. They seem to be quite territorial, and so are probably there most of the time. If you too could do with some heart-warming entertainment, take my advice, and go find a dolphin.

A First for Fox Bay.

While we all await with concern the outcome of deliberations which may well decide the future of the Falklands' only woollen mill, it appears that some unconventional moves are being made to keep the establishment in the public eye.

The Falkland Mill's manager was reported to have said recently that the owners were considering changing the name of the business to "Antipodes". It seems a slightly strange choice of name, if for no other reason than the word actually means the opposite side of the earth, and we are only the antipode of a point quite near Novokuznetsk in Siberia. As far as I know there are no plans to market Falkland jumpers and knitting kits to the good people of Novokuznetsk. However it was explained that the Antipodes Mill will feature very near the front of the classified ads in magazines and newspapers (at least I think that was the explanation). That being the case, can I suggest that "Aardvark Industries" may be an even better name?

I'm only kidding!
Whatever name is eventually to be stitched to the labels of the jumpers emanating from Fox Bay, I hope that production continues, and the current difficulties are sorted out. The mill and the growing band of knitters who use its yarn do great justice to the beautiful fleeces for which we are known.

FICZ REPORT

Only one further vessel entered the conservation zone during the last week, and the number fishing within the zone is now 12 Polish trawlers.

The fleet is still fishing to the north of the islands, but they have divided and are fishing in two smaller groups in the search for good catches. Hoki remains the predominant

species.

The "Falklands Right" has continued with her experimental fishing prior to the arrival of the commercial fishermen targeting squid. She has spent most of the last week in the north of the zone near the commercial fleet, and amounts of all species have been taken. She will sail to the south again this week to undertake further Loligo research.

Chief Scientist John Barton left the islands last week to take part in a meet-

ing with other scientists involved in last years research cruise undertaken by the Polish vessel "Wieczno". Fisheries research in general within the conservation zone will also be discussed.

The "Falklands Desire" and Dornier aircraft continue to make regular patrols of the zone. The harbour launch "Warrah" spent a busy day in Berkeley Sound on Saturday, installing two further navigation lights at Long Island and Volunteer Point. The unit for Volun-

teer Point required considerable manhandling over the rough ground, but was satisfactorily installed. The Fisheries Department would like to thank Mr Neil Watson and Mr Osman Smith for their kind help and assistance during the process of establishing the lights.

Work will shortly commence on the remaining site of Blanco Bay in Port William, which should be in place before the start of the main squid season.

WHALING ACTIVITY PUT IN PERSPECTIVE

An article which appeared in the International Whale Bulletin may help to put all the recent interest in whaling activity in some perspective.

The status of whaling following the recent International Whaling Commission conference in Auckland, New Zealand, recently is as follows:-

Japan

Earlier this year, killed 273, out of a proposed 300, minke whales in the Antarctic for 'scientific' reasons. Future research whaling plans unclear. Wants coastal minke whaling reclassified as 'small-type whaling', and exempted from commercial whaling moratorium. Meanwhile, wants an interim quota of 210 minke whales.

Iceland

Put forward proposals to kill 80 more fins and 20 more seis in N. Atlantic for 'scientific' reasons. Proposals rejected by IWC.

Norway

Recently stopped commercial whaling. Put forward proposal to kill 30 minke whales, and anaesthetise 5 more, for 'scientific' reasons. Proposal rejected by IWC.

Rep. of Korea

Put forward scientific whaling proposals in 1986 and 1987, but has now stopped whaling.

USSR

Has stopped commercial whaling. Aborigines take up to 179 grey whales in Eastern North Pacific each year.

Denmark (Greenland)

West Greenlanders granted quota of 60 minke whales and 23 fins a year for aboriginal/subsistence purposes. East Greenlanders granted quota of 12 minke whales.

United States (Alaska)

Alaskan Inuits granted quota of 44 bowhead whales struck, or 41 landed, each year until 1991.

St Vincent/Grenadines

Bequia islanders allowed to kill up to three humpbacks a year in the North Atlantic for 'aboriginal/subsistence' purposes.

Portugal (Azores)

Last year saw an attempt to restart Azores sperm whaling. Portugal is not a member of the IWC.

STENA TO THE AID OF SAILING RECORD ATTEMPT

The forward repair ship, MV Stena Seaspread, spends a lot of time taking other ships alongside for maintenance and repair.

But rarely, if ever, has she had to deal with anything like her first client in 1989.

For a four day period, which ended on New Year's Day, the Stena became the floating workshop for an American yacht attempting the 130-year-old record for a passage under sail from New York to San Francisco via Cape Horn.

"Thursday's Child", a 60-foot racing yacht designed for shorthanded offshore sailing, was nine days in front as she past the Falklands in her effort to beat the record of 89 days set by the clipper "Flying Cloud" in 1854.

"Then we struck something," explained owner and skipper Warren Luhrs. "I don't know what it was, but we struck something and suffered hull damage."

A vote was taken among the crew of three, all of whom are based in Florida, and by 2-1 decided it would be unsafe to proceed. Their agent back home in the United States contacted the British military in the Falkland Islands and it was agreed that "Thursday's Child" should head for East Cove as the nearest port.

The Stena Seaspread was on stand off at Sea Lion Island when the message came through. The yacht was only 13 miles distant at the time and was able, after rendezvous at sea, to follow the Stena into harbour.

As speed was essential there was no time to wait for

supplies to be flown in from the UK. Fortunately the right sort of materials, resin and fibre, were successfully located at Mount Pleasant and work on the damaged hull was able to go ahead without too much delay.

The business of cutting out a section of the inner hull and replacing it with new fibreglass involved several of the Stena's Royal Navy repairmen in many hours of painstaking work.

Near the end Mr Luhrs confessed he had been delighted by the response to the call for help. "It went beyond my wildest fantasies," he said. As an act of good faith the American yachtsman deposited a substantial sum of money with the Standard Chartered Bank in Stanley so that all bills could be paid before sailing. It is understood the final bill was in the region of £8000.

When "Thursday's Child" eventually left East Cove, the yacht's lead in the record attempt had slipped to five days. But the crew headed for the south-west with every hope of making up more time rounding the Horn.

Warren Luhrs is a noted single-handed yachtsman who has won the round Britain race for monohulls and established a transatlantic record with "Thursday's Child" in the 1984 race from Plymouth to Rhode Island.

SOCIETY WEDDING WITH A SLIGHT DIFFERENCE

From time to time strange reports are dropped into Penguin News' offices in Stanley about weird and wonderful happenings and events around the Falklands.

The following report is one such item submitted about a touching little event that occurred in Fox Bay last month....read on and enjoy!

A wedding with a difference was held at Fox Bay Village on Sunday 11th December. The ceremony took place at the penguin rookery where the blushing and windswept bride, Carol Skilling (the local school teacher (c.42)), married tanned debonair groom Mr William Carlson (occasional shepherd) (possibly 17).

The bride looked very pretty in a stylish dusty pink, calf-length afternoon dress with full sleeves caught at the elbow. The pink was dusty due to the dryness of the track, and the state of Nigel Knight's Land Rover - which was decorated for the occasion with flowers, ribbons and a golden penguin inspired by Bill Luxton's Rolls Royce which was unable to be present.

About 30 people were at the rookery to witness the amazing ceremony having braved a mile long trek through rough roads and minefields. One resident was heard to say that she had seen nothing like it before and she hoped it was not a sign the Argentines had arrived and did not addle the eggs.

Elegant registrar Ken Halliday (of unknown age) performed the ceremony with his usual panache although he found difficulty in raising his voice above the heckling from onlookers.

After the ceremony all the guests who did not have eggs to sit on or chicks to mind, returned to the village for a booze-up. This took place at Nigel and Shirley Knight's house where everybody became legless and ate too much.

Notable absentees from the celebrations were The Governor and Brook Hardcastle, President Alphonsin (whose nation kindly donated the minefields), Mrs Thatcher, Alf Garnett, Bill Luxton, and the whole cast of Jesus Christ Superstar and finally the whole of Camp Education who were currently touring the South Atlantic with their production of "Linderella" with the exception of Ms Hudson and Ms Balingier who found time to avoid the latter function.

Thanks must be given to Camp Education who provided much of the tasteful decoration materials, Colin and Neil who kindly arrived late, Auntie Betty who donated the cake, Mum who sent the dress and bouquet and finally the shearers who knocked off two hours early in order not to miss the booze.

The bride was due to leave for Sealion island on the Monday and was heard to state she hoped she and William would be able to meet up before the end of the honeymoon.

MAJOR CHANGES IN FIDC MANAGERIAL STRUCTURE

There have been some changes of responsibilities within the management structure of FIDC recently.

Simon Armstrong has relinquished all day to day responsibilities as General Manager of FIDC and from now on will work closely with the consultants, Peat Marwick McLintock and the Chief Executive on the wind-down of Stanley Fisheries Ltd.

Shane Wolsey has relinquished his responsibilities in SFL and taken over as Acting General Manager of FIDC. He will hold this post until his contract finishes in early March.

There will, in the future, be two Assistant General Manag-

ers of FIDC, one responsible for administration and the other for operation matters.

Falkland Islander, Mike Summers (36), has been appointed to the new post of Assistant General Manager Operations.

NEW AGRICULTURAL GRANT SCHEME UNVEILED

Following last month's LegCo decision to limit assistance to Falkland Islanders or Falkland Island owned companies, a more enhanced form of farm capital grant scheme has been introduced.

Called the Agricultural Grant Scheme it is designed to encourage further investment in agriculture and provide help for those farms whose owners are ordinarily resident in the Falkland Islands.

Since the introduction of the land subdivision programme initially recommended in the Shackleton Report, a considerable number of large absentee-owned estates have now been split into a series of smaller farm units, and on-sold to local farmers in the islands.

The previous scheme known as the Land Development Scheme worked well in providing grant aid for essential infrastructural projects such as fencing, buildings and equipment for the newly created small farms.

Alongside the establishment of better livestock and agromonic husbandry, the scheme has enabled the small farms to become more efficient, develop quicker and improve their economic viability.

The success of the land subdivision programme has been quite dramatic. These farms have managed to improve the overall productivity of the same land by 23% in terms of extra sheep and 27% in terms of extra wool produced over the last few years.

The AGS will offer assistance not only to new small farms with "infrastructural aid", but also more appropriate grants for established small farms and larger farms.

The introduction of the new scheme will now mean that most farms on the islands will be eligible for assistance on expenditure up to a ceiling limit of £100,000. This will be for a five year period.

The scheme will comprise two sections; Improvement Grants and a Five-Year Devel-

opment Plan. Assistance will also be available for the first time for replacement purposes as well as for development.

On the Improvement Grants side, development can attract a grant of 40% with replacement up to 20%. In the development Plan development can attract 75% and replacement 30%. All investment projects must have a life of at least ten years and meet acceptable standards in the opinion of agricultural officers.

Explanatory leaflets have been issued by FIDC to all eligible farms which include those whose owners are, or where the majority shareholding is beneficially owned by persons, ordinarily resident in the Falkland Islands.

The architects of the new scheme are Rupert Haydock, agricultural economist with FIDC and ARC, and Owen Summers, FIG's Lands and Agriculture Officer.

Their original proposals for the scheme were that it should be available to every farm on the islands and so they had to make certain minor changes following the surprise decision by LegCo last month.

Mr Haydock explained that some of the finance - about £300,000 - for the first year of the scheme will come from an EEC Stabilisation of Export Earnings (STABEX) grant.

Fears that this grant would be put in danger by the latest LegCo decision were allayed by Mr Haydock who said it would not affect it as the reasons the islands qualified for it have not changed.

Mr Summers has spent a considerable time abroad working as a manager of project finance and development for Humphreys & Glasgow Ltd. and has a wealth of experience in many aspects of senior management.

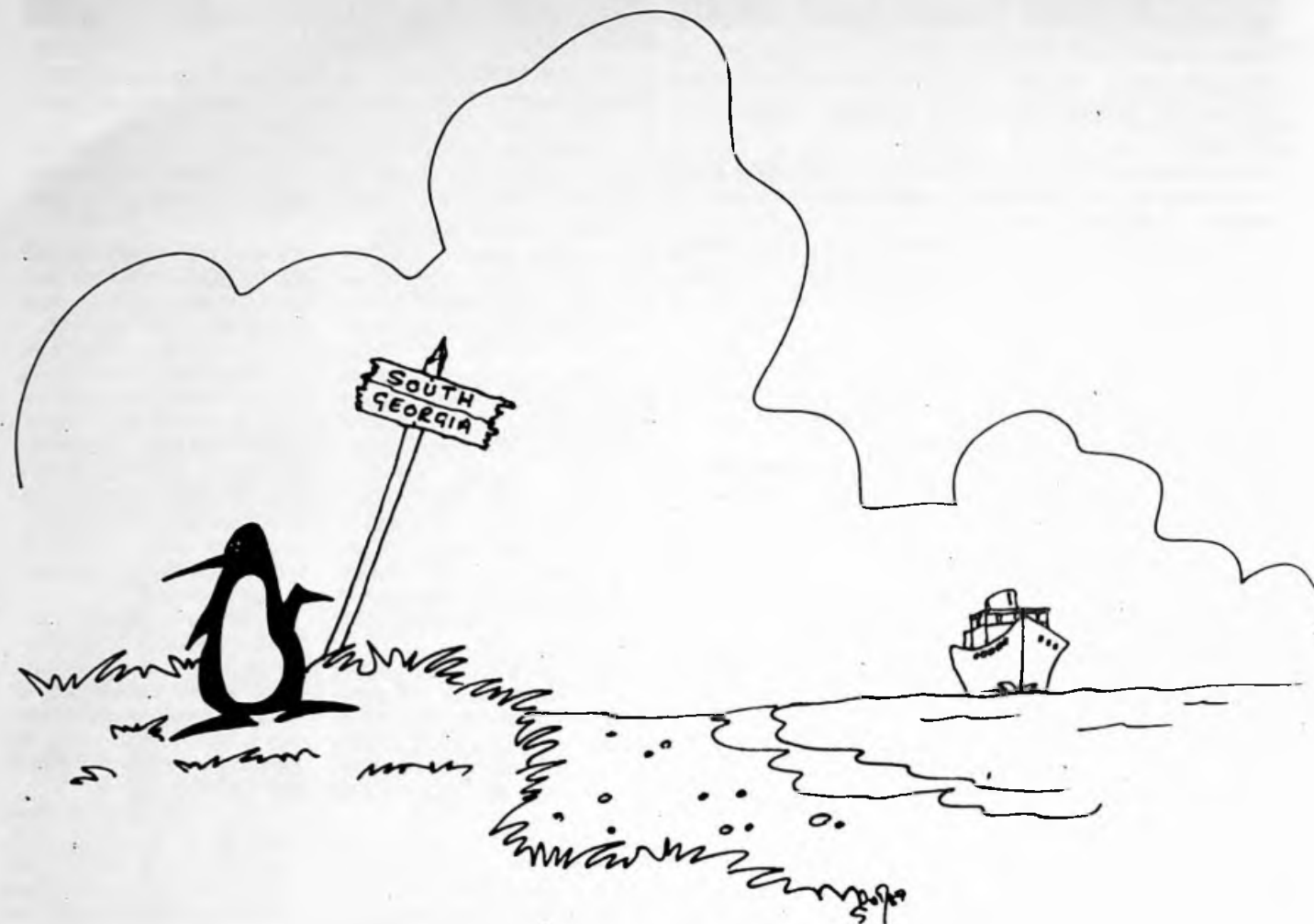
Although based in the UK for the majority of his career,

he has been responsible for developing business in some difficult parts of the world.

Mr Summers has recently been the Chairman of the Falkland Islands Association in the UK.

He is expected to arrive in the islands on January 27th to take up this new role.





"RIGHT YOU LOT START WALKING FUNNY AND FALLING OVER THERE BACK AGAIN"



"George, WHAT EXACTLY DID THE HOUSING COMITTEE SAY?"

Port San Carlos Prize, 440yds.

1. Quickstep - T. Whitney.
2. Toulah - Andrea Turner.
3. Sherwah - W. Morrison.
4. Quint - M. Binnie.

Armed Forces Challenge Cup.

1. Tears - Sgt. Howarth.
2. Katies - Capt. Skiffer.
3. Sally II - Trpr. Roe.

Ladies' Tug-o'-War.

1. Sybella's Streakers.

M. Gaiger Challenge Trophy.

1. Quickstep - T. Whitney.
2. High Noon - B. Bernsten.
3. Quint - M. Binnie.
4. Shekinah - E. Goss.

Andrew Bruce Trophy, 600yds.

1. Moonshine - D. Gilding.
2. Sudan - R. Binnie.
3. Starphiller - T. Whitney.
4. Ben Wee - E. Goss.

440 Yards, Foot.

1. J. Whitney.
2. T. McLaren.
3. F. Jaffray.

Chartres Plate, 500yds.

1. Sheba - R. Binnie.
2. Sandie - L. Watson.
3. Cleopatra - W. Goss.
4. Long Island - T. Whitney.

Veteran's Handicap Race, 80yds

1. S. Cletheroe.
2. W. Morrison.
3. I. Hanaford.

Troop Race, 300yds.

1. Quickstep - T. Whitney.
2. Shekinah - W. Goss.
3. Toolah - A. Turner.
4. Mill Reef - R. Binnie.

Falkland Chase, 500yds.

1. Quint - M. Binnie.
2. Smokey - P. Watson.
3. High Noon - B. Bernsten.

STANLEY LIONS SHIELD AWARD

On Friday 23rd December His Excellency The Governor presented Miss Lisa Laffi with one of the two Stanley Lions Shields for community work.

The presentation took place at Government House where Mr Fullerton learned about Lisa's interest in the day centre at the hospital and how she spends much of her free time helping the old people.

Mrs Maude Watson had nominated Lisa as holder of this year's shield and she came along to Government House for the presentation.

Lisa will retain the shield for a year. Hopefully her activities helping others will encourage more young people to be involved in community work in 1989.

Ladies' Sack Race.

1. S. Dickson.
2. P. Barnes.
3. C. Goss.

York Races Challenge Trophy.

1. Gina - T. Whitney.
2. Quinten - O. Summers.
3. Chrisma - E. Goss.

Coalite Challenge Cup, 800yds.

1. Long Island - T. Whitney.
2. Moonshine - D. Gilding.

Ladies' Race, 80yds, Foot.

1. S. Dickson.
2. C. Goss.
3. J. Barnes.
4. B. Colbert.

Falkland (Woolsales) Plate.

1. Sheba - M. Binnie.
2. Sandie - N. Watson.
3. Ben Wee - S. Halford.

Junior Gallop, 600yds, Open.

1. Mandy - C. Summers.
2. John - R. McKay.
3. Flicka - G. Phillips.

Southern Cross Trophy, 500yds.

1. Mandy - C. Summers.
2. Flicka - G. Phillips.
3. Tears - B. Watson.

Speedwell Store Prize, 700yds.

1. Gina - T. Whitney.
2. Sheba - R. Binnie.
3. Quinten - O. Summers.

440 Yards, Foot, Ladies.

1. S. Dickson.
2. N. Luxton.
3. P. Barnes.

Ladies' Gallop, 500yds.

1. Sandie - L. Watson.
2. Toolah - M. Turner.
3. Shekinah - H. Bowles.

Consolation Race, 500yds.

1. Brown Beauty - B. Bernsten.
2. Martini - S. Morrison.
3. Smetanka - T. Whitney.
4. Sabra - M. Binnie.

Bobby Short Gallop, 400yds.

1. John - K. McKay.
2. Mandy - C. Summers.
3. Flicka - G. Phillips.

Relay Race, Mixed, Foot.

1. T. McLaren & S. Dickson.
2. T. Summers & G. Watson.
3. M. Keenleyside & N. Luxton.

Salvador Prize (Champ. Race).

1. Gina - T. Whitney.
2. Quinten - O. Summers.
3. Sudan - R. Binnie.
4. Quint - M. Binnie.

Woolbrokers' Plate, 600yds.

1. Sheba - R. Binnie.
2. Cleopatra - W. Goss.
3. Quickstep - T. Whitney.
4. Ben Wee - S. Halford.

Ladies' Trotting Race, 1 mile.

1. Ascot - H. Bowles.
2. Tiny - E. McKay.
3. Princess - J. Mann.

Association Race, 500yds.

1. Long Island - T. Anderson.
2. Ben Wee - N. McPhee.
3. Wante - S. Morrison.
4. Stilts - P. Gilding.

Men's Tug-o'-War.

1. Gossie's Gang.
2. Shearers.

Champion Jockey.

Tyrone Whitney 32pts.

Steer Riding Challenge Cup.

1. Steven Jennings.
2. William Goss.
3. Atawhari Huaraki.
4. Steve Roe.

FINANCIAL SEC. RETIRES

Civil servants said farewell to Harold Rowlands at an informal office party held in the Secretariat on Friday evening.

In paying tribute to Mr Rowlands, the Chief Executive mentioned his unfailing helpfulness, unfailing dry humour, unfailing loyalty and friendship, total integrity and, as he said, "above all his modesty and unpretentiousness."

He asked those present to drink to Harold Rowlands "a great and modest public servant and a great and modest Falkland Islander".

He was presented with two pictures and a crystal decanter and glasses subscribed to by his colleagues.

CAPE PEMBROKE LIGHT RESTORED

On the last day of 1988 Captain John Jackson, the Chief Inspector of Fisheries, made the final adjustments to the new light at Cape Pembroke just in time to welcome in the New Year.

The original light was installed in the early years of this century and functioned up to the time of the 1982 Conflict, but vandalism in the immediate post Conflict months was serious enough to prevent simple repairs being carried out.

However, with the rise in fishing activities a general programme of light replacement

and installation is being undertaken by the Fisheries Department.

The new light at Cape Pembroke is a modern fibreglass structure situated on a concrete plinth 35 metres east of the old light, and is fully automatic being powered by a battery/photoelectric cell system.

Apart from a light, which flashes three times every 20 seconds, the new structure also incorporates a radar beacon, and will be visible to ships up to 10 miles away.

The old lighthouse will continue to act as a daymark, although access to the lighthouse itself is now barred due to the presence of poisonous mercury waste inside the building.

YOUNG TYRONE MISSES RECORD AGE FOR CHAMPION JOCKEY BY ONLY TWO MONTHS AT STANLEY SPORTS

Despite a deluge of rain forcing the postponement of the opening afternoon of the Stanley Sports on Boxing Day, the event again produced the usual exciting chronicle of thrills, spills, results and sheer fun.

The events lost to the rain on Boxing Day were made up over the next two days and brought an exciting contest between the young Tyrone Whitney and the experienced Ron Binnie for the title of Champion Jockey.

For all the threat of rain hung around the sports, the weather overall was sunny and warm despite a strong breeze at times.

A large and strong list of entries was attracted with a high standard of competitive racing taking place.

For the victors there was the largest and best sponsored set of prizes ever on offer and only the foot events produced a poor turnout of contestants. Several events in this category had to be cancelled due to lack of interest and entrants.

As the meeting progressed it became increasingly clear that Tyrone Whitney and Ron Binnie were emerging as the clear favourites for the Champion Jockey title with edge lying with the younger rider.

The pair produced an exciting tussle for all to follow over the two days of racing.

The two interchanged regularly for top positions in races and Tyrone eventually pulled away using Gina, Quickstep and Long Island as his main

mounts while Ron Binnie again showed that Sheba and Sudan have enough speed to take beat all-comers.

Overall Tyrone had nine winners and had four second places, three thirds and one fourth giving 32 points. Ron on the other hand, rode seven winners, had one second, four thirds and two fourths.

At 16 years of age Tyrone came close to the record for the youngest jockey to win the title, but a bit of checking at the end of the meeting revealed that the popular youngster was just two months too old to claim the achievement.

After 26 years of trying it was, however, fitting that it should be Ron who won the Governor's Cup on Sheba, forcing Tyrone on Gina into second place.

The threat of rain or not did not discourage spectators and the Tote reported good, brisk business although there were some extremely low pay-outs due to the popularity of some jockeys at the booths.

The steer riding had to be put back to late on the third afternoon as the missed races on Boxing Day were made up, but as usual the prospect of thrills and spills attracted a large crowd to the paddock at the butchery.

Despite the intermittent rain over the preceding few days there can be few riders who fell off that would have considered the ground softened up to any degree!

Unfortunately Keith Heathman found this out to his cost as an awkward fall left the shearer with a broken hip and in need of medical treatment in the UK. There can be few who would not wish him a speedy recovery from his nasty injury.

Luckily there were no other serious injuries to report.

Champion steer rider Arthur Turner decided to try and give a showmanlike display and came out of the shoot holding on American fashion with only one hand and feet and spurs flailing. He almost made it to the ten second mark but found

himself unseated just before it.

In the end it was Steve Jennings who took the title with an excellent ride and a perfect landing on his feet. William Goss had to spur hard against a fairly tame steer to work his way into second place.

As usual there were the normal crop of "Ex-pats" and "Townies" willing to give it a go and they provided some of the more spectacular "exits" from the beasts. The writer is no exception and proved, as so graphically said in radio commentary by Eric Goss, that penguins can't fly.

With little more than bruised pride to show for my efforts I had to settle for last place in the knowledge that the steer gained more points than the rider!

At the end of the event Arthur Turner showed the Ex-pats and others how it should be done when he virtually rode the steer into submission!

The 76th Annual Meeting of Stanley Sports Association results:-

STANLEY THROW AWAY THREE GOAL LEAD

Stanley 3 HMS Endurance 3

Stanley opened their defence of the coveted Shield by squandering a 3-0 lead, missing a penalty and finally having to hang on grimly to prevent a rampant Endurance from snatching victory.

The pattern was much too familiar to last season's first Shield match when the local side, 4-0 ahead at one stage, ended up losing 6-5.

On this occasion they were ahead within 35 seconds when John Teggart stabbed the ball into the net following a corner.

Minutes later Mike Finlay made it 2-0 with a similar effort, and Endurance's obvious discomfort at corner kicks was further highlighted when Jamie Peck scored following a goal-mouth scramble again after a Hobman corner.

In between these goals Peck sinned by missing a penalty after he had been blatantly brought down in the penalty area.

The Royal Naval side also blotted their copybook when Stanley's goal-keeper Tony Sykes dived to his right to save a spot kick awarded after Steve Jaffray had pulled down an Endurance forward.

Panic in the Stanley defence

allowed the visitors to score twice before half-time and on each occasion the ball should have been cleared.

When Endurance scored an equaliser midway through the second half it was odds on that they would go on to win, but with some luck, good goal-keeping by Sykes and, at times, desperate defending, Stanley managed to hang on.

Once again a shaky defence caused Stanley's downfall, while the midfield after dominating the first 45 minutes, gradually surrendered control as the game progressed.

Stanley team: T. Sykes, J. McEachern (capt), D. Clarke, S. Jaffray, L. Ford, G. Hobman, J. Peck, G. Clifton, G. Ross, M. Finlay, J. Teggart. Sub: P. Philips.

NO RATIONING OF GOALS AS PECK ON RAMPAGE

Stanley 6 Rations Sqdn MPA 1

This match was a personal triumph for a rampant Jamie Peck who scored four times with his third and fourth goals being brilliant individual efforts.

Stanley gained ample revenge for a 6-1 defeat inflicted upon their second team by the Rations Squadron who demanded better opposition.

Peck, watched by a Hull City scout, turned it on in the second half and repeatedly tore great holes through the heart of the visiting defence with his strong runs.

His first two goals had a stroke of luck about them, catching the opposing goal-keeper well off his line.

This performance apparently convinced the Hull scout that the local lad is worth a week's trial in England, probably in September.

Scorers: J. Peck 4, R. Titterington, J. McEachern.

STANLEY SELECT SPOIL LOOKOUT'S PARTY

Stanley Select 4 Lookout Camp 2

A combination of Stanley first and second teams outplayed the scratch Lookout team, who looked better prepared for a party than a football match given the amount of beer flowing before kick-off.

Mike Finlay hit two good goals and completed a well deserved hat-trick with a glancing header following a back-header by Dale McCormick, one of several promising youngsters who impressed in this game.

Finlay could have had six as he missed a penalty and was

unlucky with two other shots which just went wide.

A rocket shot from Peck injured the hand of the opposing goalkeeper who managed to protect his face from the ball but suffered the injury in doing so.

Scorers: M. Finlay 3, W. McCormick.

RECORD GOLF OPEN ENTRY DESPITE INCLEMENT WEATHER

Despite the promise of heavy showers the Stanley Open, Stanley Golf Club's major event of the year, took place on Sunday 15th January and attracted a near record entry of 25 golfers, who battled bravely against the periodic torrential hail showers which dampened a few spirits and score cards!

In spite of the difficult golfing conditions some excellent scores were returned.

The trophy itself, a silver plate, was presented to the club by former Governor Sir Rex Hunt in June 1983 to mark the affiliation between Salisbury and South Wilts. Golf Club and Stanley, and it has been competed for every January at the Open.

This year Colin Redston won the Salisbury Plate and a crystal decanter for the best nett score (65) and being competition winner.

The best gross score went to Robert Titterington with 78 and he won a crystal decanter.

The second best nett went to Barry Cardno with 65 and the third to John Hearst with 66. They won a Walkman stereo radio-cassette player and an engraved glass tankard respectively.

Graham Maitchell took the best gross front nine with 40

and won weatherproof jacket and leggings while Neil Carmichael took 41 for the best gross back nine and won a cased pen set.

Nearest to the pin on the fourth hole went to Peter Coombe at a distance of 36 feet and won him a glass paper weight depicting a golfer.

Nearest to the pin on the 16th went to David Mallock who narrowly beat Keith Tuckwood by a foot at a distance of four feet from the hole and brought a prize of a glass engraved paperweight.

The longest drive on the 18th hole went to Rod "Slammer" Tuckwood and won him a Jack Nicklaus golf book.

Jean Mallock was the best lady golfer with a nett of 81 and won a glass paperweight depicting a lady golfer.

A nett of 67 brought Tom Swales fourth place a prize of a golf ball while Jeremy Tho-

mas (68) and David Hamilton (71) won a golf ball each for the fifth and sixth best netts.

The worst nett score of the day, after elimination due to higher scoring competitors having already received a prize, was secured by Charles Carter with a 92 and he won a "Lazy Sheep" for his efforts. Nice one Charles!

The worst gross score after the same elimination process went to new member Steve Vincent who received a "Read Me" before you "Use Me" loo roll for his hard fought round of 118.

A consolation prize for the most disastrous score of the day went to Peter Coombe with a gross of 142. His prize consisted of "The Divot of the Year" award; tee peg and a rather hacked up golf ball.

Stanley Golf Club want to thank all helpers and sponsors. The "green staff" of Don Campbell and Peter

Coombe for battling against bad weather to prepare the greens in time for the Open.

To the sponsors -Supahomes, the housebuilding division of Laing's; Standard Chartered Bank; Fairclough Miller Joint Venture; Bristows Helicopters; McAdam Design; Mr and Mrs Buckland-James; and not forgetting Stanley Golf Club and its members who provided the balance of funds to meet the competition costs.

Thanks to Emma Steen the treasurer and Kevin O'Connor for providing the curry lunch and to Karen Maitchell for preparing the remainder of the spread together with helpers Shirley Coombe and Norman Lawson.

The "19th Hole" was provided by Karen and Graham Maitchell and during the festivities there the prize giving took place.

Malden Plate, 600yds.

1. Nikita - R. Binnie.
2. Rosemarie - B. Bernsten.
3. Sea Breeze - K. Whitney.
4. Katies - L. Watson.

200yds, Foot.

1. G. Naylor.
2. S. Wolsey.
3. S. Walker.

JBC Falklands Trophy, 440yds.

1. Gina - K. Whitney.
2. Shekinah - E. Goss.
3. Quickstep - T. Whitney.

Kempton Park Race, 600yds.

1. Sheba - R. Binnie.
2. Quinten - O. Summers.
3. Sandie - L. Watson.
4. High Noon - B. Bernsten.

Potato Race, Ladies.

1. Nicky Luxton.
2. Glenda Watson.
3. Maggie Goss.
4. Syb. Summers.

Henry Smith Trophy, 800yds.

1. Long Island - T. Whitney.
2. Moonshine - D. Gilding.
3. Sudan - R. Binnie.

Junior Rincon Grande Plate.

1. Flicka - G. Phillips.
2. John - K. McKay.
3. Tears - B. Watson.

One Mile, Foot.

1. J. Bythell.
2. S. Wolsey.
3. G. Naylor.
4. G. McBride.

Chief Executive's Plate, 600yds.

1. Shekinah - E. Goss.
2. Quickstep - T. Whitney.
3. Sudan - R. Binnie.
4. Quint - M. Binnie.

Wheelbarrow Race, Mixed.

1. M. Talbot & D. Gilding.
2. G. Watson & P. Rich.

Governor's Cup, 700yds, Open.

1. Sheba - R. Binnie.
2. Gina - T. Whitney.
3. Sandie - N. Watson.
4. Quinton - O. Summers.

Pinza Gallop, 300yds.

1. Flicka - G. Phillips.
2. John - K. McKay.
3. Tears - B. Watson.

Rincon Grande Plate, 900yds.

1. Gina - T. Whitney.
2. Quinten - O. Summers.
3. Sudan - R. Binnie.

Twigworth Trot, 1 mile, Open.

1. Tiny - R. McKay.
2. Ascot - E. Goss.
3. Princess - A. Turner.

The A.G. Barton Prize, 500yds.

1. Sheba - R. Binnie.
2. Quickstep - T. Whitney.
3. Cleopatra - W. Goss.
4. Ben Wee - S. Halford.

Berkeley Sound Plate, 600yds.

1. Sandie - P. Watson.
2. Long Island - T. Whitney.
3. Rosco - O. Summers.
4. Rose Marie - R. Binnie.

100 Yards, Foot (Men).

1. Rocky Os.
2. Unconfirmed.
3. Frank Jaffray.

The Mile, 1 Mile, Open.

1. Sudan - R. Binnie.
2. Moonshine - P. Gilding.
3. Snow King - K. Whitney.

SPORT-

By
Rory
MacLeod.

DYNAMOS PLAY-OFF FAVOURITES AS CELTIC AND REDSOX BATTLE

By Patrick Watts.

Dynamos still look odds on favourites to contest the League Championship play-off despite gaining only one point from their last two matches.

However there is something of a keen contest going on between Celtic and Redsox to see who will contest the three-match play-off series with Dynamos.

Redsox after a pointless first team would go through the season unbeaten. and Wayne McCormick with a penalty, Gonzalo Hobman with a splendid free kick and Glen Ross scored for Redsox while Gary Tyrell blasted a shot past his own goal-keeper for Dynamos solitary effort.

four games, shocked everyone, and not least Dynamos' players, by beating them 3-1 and apparently losing Dynamos' captain Jamie McEachern £25.00 in the process, as he was sure his

With Gavin Clifton not at his best and the free-scoring Mike Finlay being well held by Mike Luxton, Dynamos never looked like repeating their 8-0 opening victory over Redsox,

Celtic 0 Dynamos 0

Celtic, trying hard to make up ground on Dynamos, found the going and were happy to settle for a goal-less draw in the end with Tex Hobman excelling.

He made several point blank saves as Dynamos' forwards attacked relentlessly.

Dynamos suffered a severe blow when their captain Jamie McEachern was sent off by referee Terry Peck for dissent and he will, under Club rules, have to "sit out" his team's next two matches.

Celtic 3 Redsox 3

Celtic, with only nine players, did well to share a six-goal thriller with Redsox in blustery conditions, and on three occasions after going behind came back to equalize.

Not for the first time Jamie Peck was their hero as he scored twice, although he did miss a penalty for the second week in succession, blasting the ball this time well wide of the goal, while young Jon Ford kept his head to score Celtic's third.

Redsox had gone ahead through their best player Glen Ross, who despite scoring again, had the misfortune to hit the woodwork on three other occasions. With John Teggart and Wayne McCormick also hitting the bar, Redsox forwards could justifiably feel that luck was not with them.

Tex Hobman contrived to score the oddest own goal seen for some time. The goalkeeper collected the ball from Mike Luxton then juggled with it for what seemed an eternity before allowing it to fall from his grasp and into the net.

Since last month's report, Gonzalo Hobman has transferred at his own request from Dynamos to Redsox, and it must be said that the blues haven't looked as awesome as when Hobman orchestrated their moves from midfield, while Redsox have looked considerably better with his skills.

LATE RESULT:-

Dynamos 2 Redsox 1

On a cold, blustery, showery night conditions were anything but ideal for football, but this encounter still proved exciting.

Dynamos found themselves short of players before the off and ended up fielding only nine players.

They were lucky enough to have the strong wind at their backs in the first half and very quickly started to pressurise the Redsox goal with the trio of Finlay, Clifton and Miranda beginning to work well again.

The opening score involved the trio after a long wind-assisted kick out from guesting keeper Neil Clifton. The three worked a neat triangular passing move before Miranda finally shot passed Patrick Watts in the Reds' goal.

With difficult wind conditions Dynamos continued to pressure and Finlay and Clifton both came close with the woodwork helping to frustrate them on one occasion. With the first half waxing on Miranda forced an opening on the right for the league leaders and moved through to push the ball passed Watts on the narrow side.

In the second half Redsox attempted to use the wind to pressure the Dynamos' defence and on several occasions the quick running and link up between John Teggart, Tim Bonner and Glen Ross almost brought dividends. On three occasions only one-handed saves by Neil Clifton saved the day for the Blues.

A bad defensive mix up with a floated ball into the box from Bonner eventually allowed Teggart through to pull one back for Redsox and put a different complexion on the game. Dynamos immediately changed their set-up to cope with the wind and tighten the defence.

This worked well and allowed Dynamos to hang onto their lead and gain the three points which guarantees a play-off place for them.

Leading Scorers:-

	League	1st XI	Total
J. Peck	6	6	12
R. Miranda	9	1	10
M. Finlay	7	2	9
G. Clifton	5	1	6

Latest League Positions.

	Plyd	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Agst	Pts
Dynamos	7	5	1	1	25	12	16
Celtic	6	2	2	2	17	16	8
Redsox	7	1	1	5	14	28	4

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BATTLE ROYAL BREWING OVER SFL WIND-DOWN

Storm clouds are gathering over the wind-down of Stanley Fisheries Ltd. with several joint venture companies set to battle over the spoils to be split between government and themselves.

The main thrust of the wind-down of SFL is to have the joint venture companies go into voluntary liquidation and be wound down individually and thus clear the way for SFL to be wound up in turn.

However, it would seem there are a number of the joint venture companies which are not happy with the proposals and are set to do battle with SFL regarding the voluntary liquidation proposal.

Mr Simon Armstrong of SFL is however hopeful that these difficulties can be overcome and a mutually agreed deal worked out with negotiation.

In a specially prepared release he outlined what is happening with the wind-down of SFL.

"When the FICZ was established, the Falkland Islands Government faced with the need to agree a just and equitable basis for the allocation of fishing licences in a situation where demand far exceeded supply," he explained.

"It was decided that preference would be given to companies entering into a joint venture with Stanley Fisheries Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation (itself the development arm of the Falkland Islands Government).

"This system was in force for two years but their development was such that a quite disproportionate percentage of the islands' revenue was out-with the immediate control of the islands' elected representative.

"It was therefore decided to discontinue this system.

"The effect was twofold.

"Firstly, the *raison d'être* for the existence of SFL was re-

moved and a decision was made to gradually wind down its operations and those of its joint ventures.

"Secondly, the source of income to joint ventures dried up. FIG was concerned to ensure that Falklands and British

**By Rory
MacLeod**

fishing interests were not severely disadvantaged by this. It therefore established a support fund to help Falklands and British interests through this transitional phase.

"Commercially confidential negotiations are now in progress with SFL's joint venture partners on one or both of these aspects."

Talking later to Penguin News, Mr Armstrong admitted that the voluntary liquidation of the joint venture companies would be the end result of all the negotiations.

"There will be a split of assets to, hopefully, the mutual satisfaction of all parties concerned," he added.

However, he did admit that not all the JV companies were in favour of the voluntary liquidation scheme.

"Most are finding no problems accepting the packages being put forward," he explained. "But with some a great deal of negotiation will be needed before a package that will be agreeable to both sides will be reached."

Three companies - Australis, SNZ and Stancal - have an-

nounced their voluntary liquidations and more are expected to follow from the 17 JV companies.

That said there is set to be a monumental battle with some companies who feel they are not going to get a fair deal out of the wind down and voluntary liquidations.

Penguin News understands that there are at least five companies which have already refused to the initial package put forward and who intend to fight to the bitter end to get a better deal.

"On the surface it would seem a perfectly fair deal -49% of the company goes to the JV partner and 51% to SFL," said one representative of a dissenting company.

"That's OK if everything is thrown into the pot and divided up equally, but what seems to be happening here is that the biggest assets are being claimed as 51% and those assets which have high overheads or are a liability are being classed as the 49%.

"It's not really fair."

The companies which are set to dispute the packages proposed are set to join forces and stand together to obtain the best deal all around.

It is unclear what action they intend to take, but it would seem likely they will stand their ground and wait for further offers to be made by SFL and then react to them.

Whatever happens it would seem the death throes of SFL could be protracted and painful.

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● FIDC "virtually acts as a surrogate state" says MP.

● Government to take over Penguin News.

● Argentinians in Stanley Harbour.

FICZ REPORT

Lotigo squid fishing is still good within the zone, with the 40-plus vessels licensed for this species reporting good catches.

Highest catch reported to date for a single day is in excess of 85 tonnes! The first transshipments of this high value product are now being made, with fish shortly to head for the European markets.

This fishery remains by far the largest inside the zone. Polish vessels are still taking smaller amounts of Hoki to the north of West Falkland.

The "Falklands Right" has commenced its final fishing trip for the moment, again concentrating on pre-season Illex in the northern half of the conservation zone. She will remove her fishing gear to resume normal patrolling duties during the high season.

It is expected that the 80-plus vessels who still need to collect their fishing licences will arrive over the next few weeks, ready for the 15th March start date for the Illex fishery.

The Dornier aircraft and harbour patrol launch continue to make their respective regular patrols.

GOVERNMENT TAKE-OVER OF PENGUIN NEWS

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Penguin News is to be taken over by the Falkland Islands Government and a new editor appointed.

Hence this will be my last edition as editor and could also be the last edition for a while.

Penguin News Ltd. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Seamount Ltd. and, as regular readers will be aware, Seamount is in the process of being wound up. As a result Penguin News Ltd. is affected and government, who have taken the ultimate management responsibility for Seamount, have decided to put forward a rescue package for the paper.

Negotiations for the sale of the newspaper have been underway for some time and an agreement has been reached for the transfer of ownership to FIG. The government propose to set up an editorial board to administer an annual grant which will be given to cover the running costs of the paper.

The board is to be made up of representatives from all walks of life in the local community and will also be charged with ensuring the editorial independence of the newspaper.

As part of the process of change I was told by Simon Armstrong that Exco had decided to terminate my contract on March 14th. I understand a new editor is to be sought in the Falklands, but should a suitable applicant not be found the post would then be advertised in the UK.

Recently Mr Graham Bound assumed the role of Executive Editor to oversee the composition and make-up of the newspaper.

Personally speaking I will be sorry to relinquish the post of editor as I have enjoyed the position despite the multitude of technical and administrative problems which have arisen during my year at the helm. The Penguin News is a fine journal worthy of preservation for the sake of the islands and islanders.

It would be easy to become slushy and sentimental about my leave-taking but I want to avoid that save to say thank you to everyone who has helped me through the more difficult times and who have contributed to the paper in so many ways. However, there are a few reservations I have about the future of the newspaper and how it will develop.

My main fear is that the paper will not stay truly editorially free. Exco must exercise extreme caution in picking a truly representative cross-section of the community for the new editorial board. A board which was not truly representative of ALL sections of the community would inevitably reflect the opinions of certain sections better than others. I have to ask if, in a situation where many are worried that government will control the input to PN, Exco should be the ones to select the initial board.

With all due respect to Patrick Watts and FIBS, who do a good job in the dissemination of news, Penguin News has been to date the only completely independent news medium in the islands. The letters page, and its growth over the last year, has been an indicator of the need for a forum in which islanders, and others, can let off steam and express their opinions.

The interest has also been shown with readership more than doubling in the time since I took over editorship.

The readership must take a part in protecting the freedom of the Press in the Falklands. It is the paper which claims to be "The Voice of the Falklands" and will only remain so if islanders have input to the paper in both letters and articles. An editor can only do so much but will need help.

As far as a replacement for me is concerned, I understand no-one has been appointed although there are strong rumours of different plans of action. Some say Belinda Caminada will return. Irrespective of my going, I think this would be a retrograde step and someone totally new should be appointed for a fresh approach. I would ask that whoever takes over, you, the readers, give them help in getting to grips with what is an unenviable job at times.

I would like to clear up one misconception I think may have been gained over the last year. Some seem to think that I hate or am against FIDC, SFL and possibly FIG. That is definitely not

FIDC PROJECTS UPDATE WITH SHANE WOLSEY

The position of General Manager of FIDC is being filled by Shane Wolsey at present and recently Penguin News spoke to him to get an update on projects involving the Corporation.

Mr Wolsey said that FIDC was deliberately adopting a low profile at present to allow the new Assistant General Manager, Mr Mike Summers, to settle in and to sort out things with the impending departure of both Shane Wolsey and Simon Armstrong.

Talking of the MPA shopping centre Mr Wolsey said that FIC will maybe be taking on another unit giving them a total of three. At present only they and Tourism occupy units in the centre.

Exco0 have raised no objection to their being a Chinese restaurant in the cafe at the centre and Mr Wolsey said they were attempting to identify suitable restaurateurs for the position.

He felt Chinese would probably be most popular and initial enquiries had shown less interest in an Indian outlet.

Turning to the Southern Star cruise ship and floating hotel he said that negotiations were underway to move the vessel into town.

"We would love to see her moved into town," said Mr Wolsey. "The FIC jetty would seem a possibility for this."

The mill at Fox Bay became the next subject for attention with Mr Wolsey saying there is a paper on the mill to be considered at the next Exco meeting.

Consultants Peat Marwick McLintock have put forward recommendations and strategic options open to them.

Mill management proposals will also be considered but Mr

Wolsey said the idea of a management buy-out had not actually been put forward to FIDC yet.

Mr Wolsey then spoke of FIDC and also of his own departure. He said his contract officially ends on March 9th but he had holidays due. He has nothing decided for his future, he added.

Since the discussion with him it has been learnt that Mr Wolsey will be leaving the islands on March 9th on the ferry "Indiana I" and will return home via South America. The vessel will be going to Rio Grande in Brazil on this trip, in addition to its usual ports of call in Montevideo and Punta Arenas.

Mr Wolsey said that Mr Mike Summers is likely to take over as General Manager of FIDC and then two Assistant General Managers - one for operations and the other for administration - would be appointed. At present they are awaiting for responses back to adverts.

"We are in the process of considering a short-list," said Mr Wolsey. He admitted the jobs had not been advertised locally but said no-one locally was coming forward for the positions.

the case.

I have no axe to grind with any of them as organisations. I certainly have nothing against FIG. The misconception may have arisen because many stories in the last year have seemed to concentrate on FIDC/SFL projects that have experienced problems. But that is only to be expected because they are involved in more projects than anyone else and, as the last Governor said, with that number of projects there are bound to be some failures.

Therefore, seen in that context, it is not the organisations themselves I am against. What I have been concerned about is that as Penguin News is for the passage of information to the general public, there seemed to be a lack of information about these organisations' operations. At times there seemed a positive desire by individuals in these bodies to suppress information. This led to a great feeling that there was a lack of accountability for their actions. After all these organisations are publicly-funded bodies, whether by the UK or the Falklands, and therefore should be accountable and make an effort to let the public know what is going on.

Anyhow, I hope that explains why many of the articles this year may have seemed to concentrate on these organisations.

Thanks to you all for the help in the past year and I have very good friends and memories made in the Falklands and I will most definitely miss the islands which have been good to me.

SEAMOUNT INQUIRY OPENS IN THE FALKLANDS

The inquiry into the affairs of Seamount Ltd., the joint venture fishing company which crashed last year with total debts thought to be around £9 million, opened at Government House on February 13th.

The Inspector appointed for the inquiry, Mr Stewart Boyd QC, opened the proceedings with a statement outlining his position, experience to date and the course the inquiry will take.

"The Seamount Inquiry was set up by the Governor following a resolution of the Executive Council to inquire into the affairs of Seamount Ltd., and I am sure I don't need to explain to anybody what that involves," said Mr Boyd.

"It is obviously a very unhappy episode in the life of this community, and it has naturally given rise to a great deal of concern as to how so much public money could have been spent with so little benefit to the islands.

"When the problem first came to the attention of the public it was understandable that there should be very much speculation as to the conduct and motives of the people concerned with the Seamount joint venture, and it was felt desirable that somebody should be appointed who was completely independent and unconnected with the islands to carry out an impartial inquiry as to what had taken place. My job is to find out what happened and what went wrong, and why it went wrong, and as part of the inquiry I have to try to sort out the truth based on substantial evidence from simple rumour and gossip, and that is what I am here for the next week or so to do.

"In the process, I envisage that it may be necessary to draw conclusions which are critical of various actions which were taken. I have a completely open mind about that, but naturally if criticisms have to be made then they must be made; but I would like to stress it is not part of my function to carry out any kind of a witch hunt or to find scapegoats, any

more than it is part of my job to conduct anything in the nature of a whitewash. My job is simply to find out the facts and by and large to allow people to draw their own conclusions without interposing, except where necessary, my own opinions.

"In carrying out this inquiry the Governor has agreed to give me a completely free hand as to what I may not investigate and as to what I should investigate. The terms of reference are simply to investigate the affairs of Seamount. There are no restrictions on the scope of the inquiry beyond that. But the Governor has indicated a number of topics which are of particular concern, and, of course, I shall be looking particularly closely at those aspects of the matter."

"This is not my first inquiry of this kind. Some years ago I was appointed by the United Kingdom Government to conduct an inquiry into an underwriting agency at Lloyd's which had run into very deep trouble. There were allegations that sums in excess of £24 million had been removed from Lloyd's through a network of offshore companies, and inquiries very rapidly revealed that money had been channelled offshore through places such as Switzerland and Gibraltar and so on. As a result of those inquiries charges have now been brought against two of the Lloyd's underwriters concerned.

"So I have a good deal of experience in following up avenues of inquiries which have been the subject of clandestine operations. So that,

should anything of that kind prove to have taken place here, I think it is unlikely that it will escape my attention. I should stress that at present I have an open mind about matters of that kind.

"Lastly, I would just like to say a brief word about the procedure involved. This is, of course, a less complex investigation than the one I have just described. I have been assisted by the fact that Stanley Fisheries Ltd., who are the majority shareholder in Seamount, have co-operated very fully with my inquiry. I have already been provided with very full documentation from the files of Seamount and Stanley Fisheries and from various other sources, and I have been provided with written statements from many of the principal people involved. I have naturally looked at those very carefully already. I have initiated a number of inquiries of my own which have yielded some valuable information.

"So that I have come here with some knowledge, and in considerable depth, as to what has actually taken place, though, since I have not yet seen any of the witnesses and still have further inquiries to conduct in the United Kingdom, I still have very much an open mind on the matter. I shall be in the Falkland Islands for a week or more and then returning to the United Kingdom for further inquiries."

Mr Boyd later said that he would not be administering oaths during the interviews with witnesses.

"I am always myself very doubtful whether in modern times administering an oath to the witness has the slightest effect on the truthfulness of what he says," he explained.

"I am afraid bitter experience tends to show that those who come to court determined to lie do so whether they are made to swear on the Holy Bible or not."

He added that he expected everyone involved to tell the truth but if he felt they didn't he would say so "loud and clear" in his report.

He did not feel there would have been anything to be gained from holding the inquiry in public and, conscious of costs, he thought it would have made the whole operation very much more expensive.

Mr Boyd did not think that anyone involved with Seamount or Stanley Fisheries in this matter would "escape" him. However, he added that if anyone chose not to come forward he would of course mention it clearly in his report.

The Inspector said he would be attempting to have his report completed and available for consideration by Legislative Council in public later in the year.

Among those who gave evidence in the Falklands were Messrs Simon Armstrong and Shane Wolsey of FIDC/SFL/Seamount, Mr Bill Luxton, Councillor Terry Betts and Mr Rory MacLeod, Editor of Penguin News Ltd., a subsidiary of Seamount Ltd.

Interested parties in the UK have still to be interviewed by Mr Boyd.

SNZ FISHERIES LIMITED

(In members Voluntary Liquidation)

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to rule 106 of the Companies (Winding-up) Rules 1949 (S.I. 1949 No 330) that, by resolution of the members dated 1st March 1989, I was appointed Liquidator of SNZ Fisheries Limited, having its registered office at The Old Transmitting Station, Airport Road, Stanley.

Any person claiming to be a creditor of the company is requested to lodge full particulars of his claim with me by 20th March 1989, and all persons indebted to the company are required to make payment to me by the same date.

All creditors have been, or will be paid in full.

Consultancy Services Falklands Limited,
44 John Street,
STANLEY.

Andrew Dey,
Liquidator.



EDUCATION MOST VITAL SAY DESIRE THE RIGHT

Education and support for the agricultural industry are the most vital issues of the day according to a survey of Desire The Right Party members.

A questionnaire was distributed to 180 members asking them to say whether each of the issues listed was vital, important or insignificant.

A total of 64 forms were returned completed which the party chairman, Mr Mike Rendell, said he understood is "about par for a survey of this sort".

Third most important issue came under the slightly ambiguous title of unity. It seems

perhaps unclear whether this means unity between Camp and Stanley, Kelper and Ex-Pat or the Falklands and the UK.

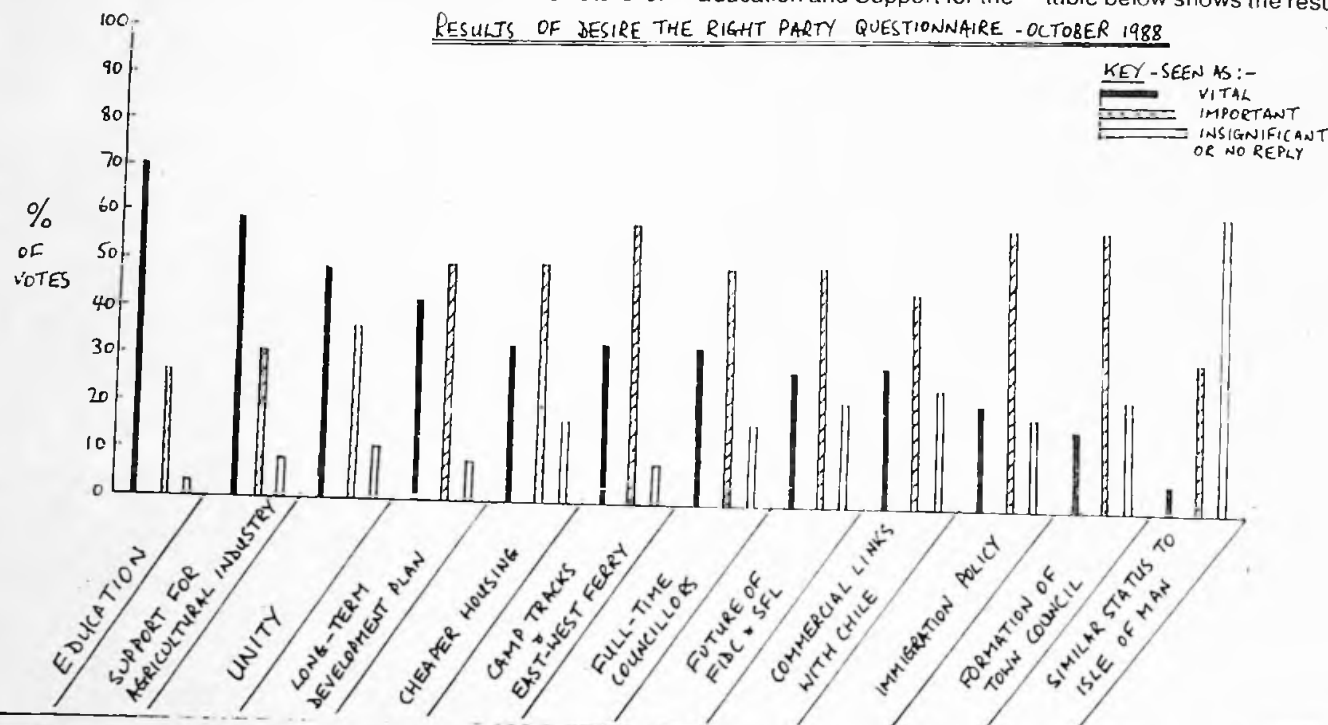
Long term development, housing and Camp tracks and the East-West Ferry, full-time councillors and the future of

FIDC and SFL all, not surprisingly, featured prominently while, for all the talk of comparisons over the years, a similar status to the Isle of Man attracted very little interest.

"Looking at the results I was not greatly surprised to see Education and Support for the

Agricultural Industry come out with the highest votes," said Mike Rendell.

"However it may surprise your readers to see the need for Unity and for a Long-Term Development Plan in third and fourth place respectively." The table below shows the results.



BRADFORD WOOL REPORT

In Australia sales were held in Brisbane and Gelong. All markets in this mainly primary wool sales closed with Merino fleeces unchanged except for 22 micron wools which were up to 10 Acents easier.

Comeback and crossbreds were generally firm and unchanged except 29 micron wools in buyers favour.

AWC Quotations:- (2nd p/kilo col. is compared to last week)

MICRON	A/CENTS	P/KILO	P/KILO
24	910	427	+1
25	844	396	+8
26	731	343	+10
27	678	318	+11
28	643	302	+9
30	575	270	UC

In New Zealand the Napier sale was cancelled due to lack of wools available for sale. The next sales on North and South Islands are on March 9th.

In general, whilst a number of our clients mentioned improved inquiry, the difficulty of translating inquiry into actual orders is as difficult as ever.

Fluctuations in the Australian Dollar during the past week have been sharp, and there were earlier rumours, subsequently denied, of Australian attempts to talk it down. The rate against Sterling on the week shows no great change.

Weaker Sterling, while making wool dearer to buy, could now begin to have a worthwhile effect on exports to the Continent, the German Mark and French Franc both having improved about 4% against the Pound Sterling in the past month.

FOX HUNT AT WEDDELL Is.

Following the savaging of a number of lambs on Weddell Island by Patagonian Silver Foxes, farm owner John Ferguson called on the services of the military to help with the problem.

The resident Infantry Company at MPA were called in to see if they could out-fox the predators and protect the lambs.

A four-man patrol led by Cpl. Paul Disley of "A"-Company, 1st Cheshire Company arrived at the island to set about their task.

Armed with 12 gauge shotguns they despatched 17 foxes in three days. The best specimen is to be donated to Stanley Museum for the new natural history section. The Patagonian Fox is noted for the silver tinge to its coat.

EDUCATION COURSES

The Education Department have announced that the National Extension College can offer home-study courses for Falkland Island residents.

Subjects include GCSE "O"-Levels, GCE "A"-Levels, computer, business, health, editing, writing, leisure and returning to learning courses.

A small number of degree courses are also offered through the N.E.C. from London University.

A comprehensive list of courses together with costs is available on request from the Education Office, Stanley Cottage, telephone number 289.

BIRTHS

ROSS - on February 2nd to Glenn and Janet Ross a daughter, Christine Aislinn.

SWALES - on January 31st to Tom and Jane Swales a daughter, Charlotte Louisa Jane.

KONSULTANT'S KORNER



When one is ruminating in the Rover waiting for the Crown Agents plant to move, little questions pop in and out of one's mind. Such as:-

What with FIG sponsoring Ministers, tourist agents and "Home-comers" flights and the Tristar controversy, should the FIG offer locals free flying lessons?

As I mentioned last week we have a local expert trained up

and returned to start work. He has a lot of experience in the way we do things. He has got it down to our usual three year contract.

People might suggest that Mr Fang's proposed Education Bill abolishing Sports Week is another step towards killing Falkland traditions. We are helping to replace the dying ones and helping to keep others alive. Once the mussel

farming trials are terminated will the *Mount Kent* be added to the long proud list of Falkland wrecks?

With our help some local fishing companies now think they are grown-up. We are kicking out SFL and joint ventures and getting away with it. Are the local companies big enough to kick out the foreign fishing companies and get away with it?

Tourists have mentioned the state of the local's houses and yards. Mr Fang's proposed new land bill might solve this annoyance to the tourists. Will allocating areas where the locals can build, out of the main sights of interest, increase tourism? Sort of like Disneyland.

Little questions. Such as, is this JCB ever going to move? Dr E.X. Pert.

People have said that we don't communicate enough.

That is to change. We are going all the way with Cable and Wireless' new systems.

Every staff member will be a communication network.

Each will have separate lines for telephone (both at home and office), fax, telex, answer service for day or night contacts, auto-paging, car phones, and unlisted numbers.

Dr E.X. Pert.

FIT is in the fore front of everyone's mind. The Southern Star is touring around the islands.

I'm glad they are moving now so we could avoid the rumoured legal battles over room bookings and liquor licences! (As an after thought we are applying for a packet licence to keep in the law).

There appears to be some extra money being wasted on the new senior school so to up the number of tourists this year we want to pay fares so half of Southampton can come and see the penguins.

Dr E.X. Pert.

Awfully quiet in our offices these days. One can blow a horn about starting projects but it isn't good publicity when shutting them down.

With spare time on his hands Numero Uno decided to take a boat trip to the Murrel. He had to be rescued.

The next day he did the same thing and had to be rescued AGAIN.

One would have think he would have learned to stay away from boats by now.

Dr E.X. Pert.

FALKLANDS SHEARING RECORDS TUMBLE

The possibility of someone in the Falklands shearing 400 sheep during an eight-hour day was generally deemed impractical, but not only did New Zealander Steve Cochrane achieve this magical figure, he well and truly cracked it by shearing 421 at Goose Green.

Fellow Kiwi Steve Smith kept pace with his compatriot for most of the day and ended up with 387.

Cochrane from North Otago has proved to be one of the most constant sheep shearers ever to grace the Falklands' sheds.

On 17 successive days he sheared more than 300 on each occasion and in doing so broke the Falklands' record for shearing wether sheep, with 334. At Chartres, while shearing the Ewe flock his tally reached 390, shortly after he had heard that Smith had broken the old record with 377.

When both shearers got together at Goose Green they decided to 'go for it' and as news spread around the settlement as first 300 and then 350 was passed, an excited crowd gathered to cheer the two men during the last hour.

"It's all in there," said Steve

Cochrane, as he held his hand across his heart. "You either have it or you don't," said the unassuming New Zealander.

His average time on his record breaking day was one sheep every 68 seconds, and that includes pulling the sheep from the pen, starting his shearing hand piece, removing the wool and pushing the shorn sheep through into the holding pen.

The "local" record is still held by Roy Smith with 368, while two other islanders, John Jones and Peter McKay, have also hit the 360 plus mark.

The first time a 300 tally was recorded in the Falklands was in 1964 when Stewart "Tootie" Morrison, using the much smaller combs, surprised himself with 308.

Join Falkland Islands Tourism for a week-end of discovery aboard the cruise vessel "Southern Star".

The following mini-cruises are planned for the next few months.

FAR WEST - Fri 17th - Mon 20th March.

HERITAGE TOUR - Sat 8th - Mon 10th April. Supported by Stanley Museum and led by John Smith, this cruise will visit some of the most interesting historical sites of the Falklands. Artifacts from the places to be visited will be carried along with helpful literature.

THE FAR WEST - Sat 15th - Tues 18th April.

AROUND EAST FALKLAND - Sat 22nd - Tues 25th April.

The all inclusive costs of these cruises vary from £125 to £185, with accommodation in very comfortable twin cabins. Contact FIT at the office on Ross Road or on telephone 93 (civ) or 3030 (mil). We will be pleased to give you more details of the cruises and even show you around the "Southern Star".

FALKLAND ISLANDS TOURISM

ISLANDERS IN EXILE

It is perhaps opportune, at a time of a growing economy and rising population that we should commence a series featuring islanders who, for one reason or another, have left the colony to settle elsewhere.

Not surprisingly, most, if not all, have been successful whether one measures success by standards of materialism or personal happiness, but all have retained links with the colony and an unswerving loyalty towards it.

The first in the series, Karl Lellman, left the colony during the decade following the end of the Second World War when the islands lost many able and talented people.

Karl was born in 1910, his father being a carpenter/shipwright with FIC and his mother the daughter of captain Frank Rowlands. This parental link with the sea and the family dwellings on the shores of Stanley harbour led to a lifetime's interest in sailing ships in which he became an established authority, contributing several articles to the magazine 'Sea Breezes'.

He began his working life at the Secretariat in 1926 at an annual salary of £48 but left in 1928 to join the FIC's West-Store Office where he was responsible for Camp Shipping amongst other things. In 1941 he left Stanley to become bookkeeper, storekeeper and teacher at Darwin/Goose Green, but upon formation of the Stanley Town Council in 1948 he became its first Town Clerk.

Although not politically ambitious, Karl was concerned over the lack of opportunity within the islands for Kelpers and, more particularly, for his two young sons. The family emigrated to New Zealand in 1953 where Karl worked in the Public Service sector for 20 years, mostly for the Forestry Service but latterly for the Trade and Industry Department. The work was challenging and rewarding being principally concerned with staff administration during which he interviewed a young Kelper for a post.

Karl's two sons have developed highly successful careers, one obtaining a de-

ARGENTINIAN FIGHTER WRECKAGE LOCATED

The wreckage of an Argentinian fighter-bomber has been found in a remote area of the Warrah River region of West Falkland.

It was located by a unit of Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) after wreckage and a crater were reported by a local resident.

INQUEST VERDICT

Deputy Coroner Mrs Rose McIlroy returned a formal verdict of accidental death at the inquest into the death of 18-year-old Jason Wingate.

Jason died in a tragic fire at the Falkland Club in Drury Street, Stanley, in the early hours of January 11th.

During the proceedings the court heard that it was believed the fire had been started by a short circuit in an audio lead which ignited the cable sheath.

The short circuit appears to have taken place directly underneath a wicker basket and it is probable that this was the means by which the flames spread initially.

In delivering her verdict Mrs McIlroy said she suspected Jason had been attempting to fight the seat of the fire and had shown great bravery in doing so.

gree and an administrative post with Auckland University and the other becoming a technical director in television.

Karl also has two grandchildren, a sister, niece, nephew and cousin in NZ, three cousins in the Falklands and a brother in England. he attends the reunion party in NZ where he has met three former pupils, Henry McLeod, Adrian Biggs and Alice Clifton (nee Cartmell).

He retains a close interest in the islands, is a subscriber to the Falkland Islands Journal and a member of the Falkland Islands Philatelic Study group for which he has contributed articles. Karl also provided photographic material for the attractive 4d and 1/3 values of the 1938-1949 issue of stamps. His plans to revisit the islands in 1982 were frustrated by the Argentine invasion.

The unit's next task is to identify the wreckage, believed to be a Mirage fighter-bomber. EOD will also determine if the pilot was on board at the time of impact and will locate and dispose of any remaining ordnance.

As with previous incidents, any remains, when identified, will be offered to Argentina or will be given a military funeral in the Falklands.

The wreckage of a similar aircraft at, more or less, the same map reference was reported late in 1982. This was investigated by the military, but it now appears that the team went to a different aircraft nearby! This the first investigation of the newly-reported sighting.

It should be appreciated that a number of Argentinian aircraft were shot down in this part of West Falkland. The likelihood of two similar aircraft crashing so close to each other in such a remote area is extremely rare.

MOUNTAIN MEN COME A CROPPER

The men of 303 Signals Unit atop Mount Kent have paid dearly for the privilege of having their heads closely cropped.

They took part in a charity hair-cutting marathon by the Officer Commanding, Squadron Leader Brian Gregson, who personally wielded the scissors and clippers.

In a 12-hour non-stop period he clipped 50 heads of hair. This included brother officers Steve Jones and Piers Warburton who auctioned off half of their moustaches as well as their flaxen locks.

Total proceeds were £250. Half goes to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution and half to a Stanley project through Father John Doran.

FUTURE OF P&T DEPT.

Councillor Terry Betts has been asking questions of the administration regarding the future of Posts and Telecommunications Department staff with the forthcoming introduction of the Cable & Wireless telephone system.

Councillor Betts asked, "I have been approached recently by staff within the Posts and Telecommunications Department, in particular the Broadcasting Studio, asking me what is to be their future with regard to further employment now that the new telecommunications contract has been awarded to Cable and Wireless plc, and that system being installed and running by the end of the year.

"Will they be made redundant or offered alternative employment? What about passage rights, accumulated and other leave entitlements, and other casual employment benefits?"

The Chief Executive, Mr David Taylor, replied to the question saying, "A great deal of thought has already been given to the future of those staff in the Posts and Telecommunications Department affected by the installation of the new telecommunications system and I am grateful to the Honourable Member for Stanley, Mr T.S. Betts, for the opportunity to say so publicly.

"The total of staff involved is 14. First of all, every effort will be made to find them jobs in other Government departments and Cable and Wireless have also expressed interest in principle in employing former staff of the department.

"Where alternative employment in FIG is not possible or where employees move to Cable and Wireless appropriate pensions or gratuity payments will be made to both established and unestablished employees as well as pay in lieu of accumulated leave and compensation for the proportion of passage benefits foregone where this is appropriate.

"I understand that discussions with all the employees concerned have already begun. This reply covers the broad outlines. I have asked the Establishments Secretary to write to you more fully."

FEMALE FEELINGS

A FEMALE OPINION

By M. West.

THE TROUBLE WITH KEEPING US IN LINE WITH THE UK.

About two months ago Mr Lang, Attorney General, at a LegCo meeting, mentioned seat-belts and MOT's for the Falkland Islands to keep us in line with the UK.

The idea somewhat stunned me at the time. Only now can I write rationally on the subject without getting very angry. In the UK a convincing argument can be made for seat-belts, and to a lesser extent for MOT's (although I was never convinced the MOT did any more than line the pockets of those in the automotive industry). But are they necessary in the Falklands?

If we had fast motorways and congested high streets, I think there would be a case for seat-belts. But MOT's - never! Surely it is enough that the police can pull off the road a suspect vehicle (defective lights, noisy exhaust, etc.) and make sure it does not go back until it is in a road-worthy condition?

So, Mr Lang, if you would like "to keep us in line with the UK" you could always give more important issues - health and safety at work, consumer protection, and legal aid - your expert consideration. Concerning the latter, I do recall a comment made by you that the Falkland Islands have had no history of legal aid so why should they need it now? Why indeed, Mr Lang? More to the point why do the Falkland Islands need seat-belts and MOT's?

THE TROUBLE WITH OUR HEALTH SERVICE

The KEMH is hardly flavour of the month - see Bound About Town (PN 27th Jan). I must say I share his concern. Other aspects of the hospital are also worrying.

One gets there much too often. You know what it's like with children - if they are not getting sick, they are cutting this and breaking that. I am always aware of a tension between the civilian and military staff. I've heard more than once derogatory comments. If there is a rift I would rather not know about it whilst my child writhes in agony.

During a hydatid test, a friend of a friend, wondered if her blood could be tested for anything else (AIDS). It could not on that occasion but she was not encouraged to make another appointment. I should have thought the hospital would promote AIDS testing at every opportunity being that AIDS has now reached epidemic proportions in the UK and there is so much traffic of bodies between the UK and the Falklands. Is the hospital becoming a little blasé over the whole AIDS affair?

Yet another friend of a friend had had a trouble-free pregnancy and was hoping for the straight forward birth of her baby at the KEMH. After all she wanted to register the birth - born, Falkland Islands and not UK. But like many other Mums-to-be found herself despatched to the UK. At a time when she needed the love and support of her husband and family, she was separated by 8000 miles, for three months, in an alien environment.

The health of a patient should never be compromised but if the staff of the KEMH can't cope with Mums over 30 and breach babies then perhaps the time has come for less GP's and more specialists, in particular in Obstetrics and Surgery. (A surgeon would have been ideal for the lad with the dislocated hip).

THE TROUBLE WITH MY WILL POWER

I said I never would do itI resisted the temptation for a long time.....I thought my will power second to none. But I have to admit it.....I've finally succumbed. I went into a shop and bought myself a 'Barbour' jacket.....I've joined the Falkland Island Yuppies.

I'm now on the bottom rung of the FI Yuppy ladder. What I need now is my 4x4 and my invitation to cocktails.

Perhaps if you are a FI Yuppy you may like to ponder over which category you come under - ex-pat FI Yuppy (contract personnel), new FI Yuppy (immigrant), old FI Yuppy (born and bred islander), alternative FI Yuppy (blue Barbour brigade) - or any combination thereof. Or perhaps you are something entirely different?

NIMRODS DON'T EXIST!

Is it a bird, is it a plane, is it an Argie, is it British - no, it's a Nimrod!

The Falklands are at present playing host to two Nimrod aircraft, but according to the military there are no Nimrods here.

That being the case, residents of Stanley may have been a little confused when an aeroplane closely resembling a Nimrod flew low over the harbour twice on Tuesday afternoon.

A military spokesman at MPA said that officially there were no Nimrods at

the base but did say there was a "no comment exercise" going on.

So for any military readers we have, Penguin News would like to say that we have found Nimrods in the Falklands if they happen to have lost any. If they would like to reclaim them we would be happy to point them in the right direction!

On a more serious note, the Nimrod aircraft are used for submarine hunting or early warning systems around the world and rumour is rife as to why two should suddenly appear in the Falklands.

The most popular reason

is that the impending general election in Argentina is bringing some inflammatory comments regarding the sovereignty of the Falklands from some of the candidates.

It is thought that the Nimrods are here as much for a show of strength as for any practice of any role they may need to play in the future.

So if you see a large plane, larger than a Hercules and smaller than a Tristar, sporting British military colours, then it is most likely to be a Nimrod.

ARGIES IN STANLEY HARBOUR!

Uninvited Argentinians sailed into Stanley Harbour for the first time since 1982.

A group of four students and a journalist managed to sail a 28-foot yacht, "Patagon", into Falkland waters and almost to Stanley Harbour before they radioed in to say where they were.

They claimed they had a damaged rudder and requested permission to come into Stanley Harbour to carry out repairs.

By international maritime law the Falklands were duty bound to permit their request but an immediate security operation was put into effect with police guarding Government House and an armed police officer keeping a wary eye on the yacht.

Chief of Police Mr Ken Greenland said the Argentine adventurers were impeccably behaved and just seemed very happy and elated to have made it into Stanley Harbour.

They said they had set off from Mar del Plata and come to the Falklands via Porto Desiada.

They did not attempt to come ashore and moored to a buoy in the harbour. A Government House spokesman said there was no question of customs or immigration clearance for the Argentinians and that there had been no application for visas to enter the Falklands.

After taking on fresh water and having their rudder repaired by a welder from FI-PASS the Patagon sailed and was escorted by, firstly, a harbour launch and then by Fisheries Patrol Vessel "Falklands Desire" to the edge of the protection zone.

A military spokesman at MPA said that the small size of the vessel had been one of the reasons for its undetected path to the Falklands.

He said there is around 500,000 square miles of water to patrol in the zone but that there was no international legal requirement for the Argentine yacht to seek UK permission but Argentine aircraft and ships are advised to seek permission. Islanders are urged to report sightings of unknown yachts to the military.

PENGUIN NEWS MAILBAG

KELPERS MUST HAVE CHANGED

Dear Sir,
Once Kelpers were renowned as pioneering folk, able to cope with any situation using their own resources of skill and improvisation.

If one is to believe Penguin News, how things have changed. There seems to be nothing but discontent.

Take the Tristar service, subject of endless complaint. Compared with normal commercial flights there is more leg room, the food is far superior and the cabin staff friendly and efficient. Not much wrong there.

Now even the routing is being questioned. I would have thought Britain to be the logical destination for people who say that they are British.

Would they rather fly to Comodoro or Buenos Aires? In Argentina the military are already half way back to control, so there would be every chance of joining the "disappeared ones" en route; at least the voyagers troubles would then be over.

I am sure that people are not really like this but seriously, could not your contributors be a little more constructive instead of endlessly "knocking" everything that others try to do.

Yours faithfully,
Angus Daigleish,
Chertsey,
England.

WHO NEEDS F.I.T. ANYWAY?

Dear Rory,
Who needs F.I.T. to organise a holiday in the Falklands?

Robin and I have just had a really good holiday touring the East Falklands. This was made possible by the kindness of people over there.

First we must thank Alisa and Tony, without their Rover it would not have been possible. Also we would like to thank all those people who gave us tea and dinners. Also those that gave us beds. Many thanks to all.

We started our trip by flying to Green Patch and picking up the Rover there.

We visited the following:-

Long Island, Brookfield, Horseshoe Bay, Rincon, Port Louis, Johnsons, Estancia, Riverview, Teal Inlet, Douglas, Salvador, Port San Carlos, Wiamea, Greenfield, Blue Beach, Merryfield, Wreck Point, Sussex, Goose Green, Darwin, North Arm, Walker Creek, Mount Pleasant, Fitzroy, Bluff Cove, and Port Harriet finally reaching Stanley, a total of 424 miles with no bogging sessions.

The only complaint we had was wouldn't it be nice to have track signs. Also signs on gates to say what land belongs to who.

Lastly it **MUST** be time the maps were up-dated!

Many, many thanks to all.

Yours,
Heather and Robin Smith,
Harps Farm,
West Falkland.

LAST TIME WE WILL ASSIST GOVERNMENT!

Dear Sir,
We were concerned to learn that Falkland farmers will not receive from FIG, substantial compensation paid under the EEC STABEX scheme.

As a matter of fairplay and common justice surely this compensation should be paid directly to those farms (or their successors) that suffered the low wool export earnings in 1985/86.

When we assisted FIG in providing detailed wool price information, we were given to understand that any compensation paid by the EEC would be paid directly to the farmers (or their successors) who had directly suffered the loss of income.

These substantial STABEX funds have now been appropriated by FIG for general funding purposes. It is patently "window dressing" to claim that about £300,000 STABEX funds for the first year are being used for an Agricultural Grant Scheme.

STABEX is a separate and distinct issue and in our view FIG is misusing funds already due to farmers.

The Agency has withdrawn all further assistance to FIG in providing further wool price

information, as we believed this compensation would be paid to farmers.

Yours faithfully,
Colin Smith,
Director,
D.S.&Co(Falkland Farming)Ltd
Knaresborough,
England.

THANKS FOR HELP AFTER THE FIRE

Dear Rory,
I hope there is room in your next edition of Penguin News to say a great big thank-you to all the people who have helped me during the aftermath of the fire which gutted my flat at Admiralty Cottage on Boxing Day.

Several people gave me anonymous gifts for which I am most grateful. The warmth and generosity of all those who responded to my need were overwhelming.

My appreciation and thanks goes out to everyone who helped.

Yours,
Juanita Brock,
Stanley.

HOSPITAL SAYS A BIG THANK YOU

Dear Rory,
I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Ben Watson from Long Island for his help in collecting £35.08 for the Old Folks Day Centre at KEMH.

Ben, with the help of his young friends, gave rides (for a small fee) on his Shetland Pony to willing and eager children attending the Christmas Sports Meetings.

Well done Ben and a big thank-you from all the regulars at the Day Centre.

Also I would like to thank Steve Cochran, and his dog plus Patrick Bernsten et al for their epic pub crawl on the 29th December. These valiant lads managed to collect £237.87 for the KEMH Fund.

This money will go towards patient comforts, e.g. purchasing a TV to enable the patients to watch Coronation Street, Eas-tenders etc!

Wendy Fitzgerald,
Chief Nursing Officer,
Stanley.

FIDC, ARGENTINA & ABSENTEE LANDLORDS

Dear Sir,
Mr Colin Smith who in his impassioned letter Penguin News 4th November, seeks again to inflame hatred of Argentina, seems to have forgotten that shortly before the invasion he had himself formed a partnership with Argentinian businessmen.

It is not to condone the undoubted excesses to point out that they faced a very serious and ruthless urban guerilla uprising and that the French were just as brutal in suppressing the Algerian uprising in the 60's.

And when our government had the notorious Lieutenant Alfredo Astis in their hands - obviously put on South Georgia for us to pick up - they failed to try him for the alleged murder of French and Swedish women so who are we to complain?

Mr David Taylor writes PN No. 120 to complain of any criticism of the FIDC for losing £9 million in a disastrous fishing venture. Why did the ODA allow this when the whole philosophy of this British government is to get government out of trade. Just like the Ajax Bay scandal all over again.

I want to complain for when I asked for a loan of one hundredth part of this sum to export the 20,000 old sheep annually destroyed in the islands, FIDC initially encouraged me enough to complete the purchase of a ship and then, in collusion with Lloyds, double-crossed me and refused it many months later. They cost me the ship and others lost too.

The owners had better get the celebrated Jones as captain, and good lifeboats, if the Indiana is going to sail to Uruguay and Chile.

The Argentinians cannot be expected to forget that the Belgrano was sunk far outside the published exclusion zone and without declaring war, and we have not been able to make peace yet.

A deed as callous and dishonourable as the forcible re-

turn of the Cossack Corps to Russia in 1945 which equally shames us all. There can be no peace till Mrs Thatcher makes apology.

I note the determination of John Cheek and others that no money, though donated by Britain, shall be lent to Britons wishing to farm in the Falklands.

Are these the same councillors who are jumping on the gravy train of fishing licences, a practice which would not be allowed in the motherland?

Stirred up by Shackleton and Hunt they still spout envy of the "absentee landlords", the old and admirable farming families - Waldrons, Hamiltons, Blakes, Greenshields, Bonners, Camerons, Millers and others - who built the Falkland Islands over several generations, whose taxes financed the island economy and who were traduced for paying pensions or dividends to their retired members.

I was proud to be one for three years during which our company paid £50,000 taxes to the FIG. I wonder how much the government collects from all the new farmers today.

The only exploitative absentee landlords over the years have been the owners of the FIC starting with the crooked Lafone who got half the land without paying anything for it and never even went there, through Slater Walker and other companies who milked them to Coalite who sold the airport land for 250 times its true value in their books.

There's gratitude to the men who gave their lives to restore their property to them.

I am not criticising the actual FIC management who are all decent enough and have done a good job, it is the parent companies who have been the hard men.

Yours faithfully,
E.P. Carlisle,
Hereford,
England.

LEAVE STANLEY COMMON ALONE

Dear Rory,
Recently a number of people have spoken, even written, about the waste of grazing on what was Stanley Common.

It seems that some of this area may be reclaimed for use by grazing animals. As this was the traditional and normal use of such an area close to

town no argument of any credibility to the majority of people can be made against it.

I would urge those who may not have had a chance to look now at some real growth of Falkland vegetation not reduced by animals. Our common is now perhaps the only long-term rested area of low-land grasses on our main islands.

Not looking of course for such grass as is given preference by human and stock input, but continued natural growth such as survived to make these islands an apparent gift to farmers after many, many thousands of years left to itself with no intellectual, scientific or shot-in-the-dark management.

Those interested in the natural history of these islands will see, or may have been seeing for several years now, more than what is thought of as wasted grass!

The mines will yet keep a good part of this area and I am not afraid to give some thanks for this.

The charge to run "hobby horses" on the reclaimed area will no doubt be rather high to reflect the minority benefit against the public cost of reinstatement.

Few of us, I regret to concede, will count the cost to the now more numerous breeding birds etc. within non-mined walking distance of Stanley.

Eddie Andersen,
Stanley.

WALKING HOLIDAYS IN THE FALKLANDS

Dear Sir,
Following our recent return from a wonderful time in the islands, my wife, Jean, and I would like to thank you all for your kindness and friendship during our visit.

We will especially remember those we met at Gibraltar Station, Salvador, Dunbar, Pebble Island, Port Howard, Sea Lion Island and Stanley, including the crew of the Southern Star.

As active walkers in many parts of the world, we were very impressed with the possibility in the future of walking holidays from several centres within the islands. We discussed this at length and if the question of some sort of simple accommodation and facilities be resolved, we are certain there would be a steady flow of

small parties of walkers from the UK.

Walking holidays for the older but still active rambler is very much a growth industry here and we think your lovely country should be part of it.

We would like to return one day to explore your coasts and hills.

Yours sincerely,
Michael Lane,
Cobham,
England.

BE CAREFUL WITH IMMIGRATION

Dear Sir,
In the Falklands recently there has been much talk of immigration and rightly so. It is a very important subject and can make or mar the prosperity and well being of a country.

New Zealand, as you no doubt know, was settled by British people and is still predominantly British, but over the years other migrants have come. Pre-1914 War a lot of Dalmations (Yugoslavs) settled in the North Island and have become good citizens.

In 1950-51 we received a big influx of settlers from Holland. Trade Unions were very worried saying they would take their jobs but the opposite was the case.

These Dutch settlers were mostly soldiers that were fighting in Indonesia and they were young and keen. Most of them turned into first class settlers taking jobs as builders and transport drivers and employed others which helped our employment problems no end.

Since then there has been changes in immigration laws and governments and we have been subjected to "swamping" by people from the Pacific islands who are totally different culturally and ethically.

Most of them seem to live on our hard-earned social security system and have set up their own culturally different centres.

Please be careful when selecting immigrants. Select people that will fit into your way and aims in life.

J. Duncan Johnstone,
Southland,
New Zealand.

WHERE IS SNOWIE ALDRIDGE?

Dear Editor,
I am wondering if perhaps you know where Snowie Aldridge

is now.

I last met him at Richmond, London, 39 years ago and have not heard of him since, was in the RAF, and I made for New Zealand.

Yours truly,
Leslie Barnes,
47a Winstone Avenue,
Hamilton,
New Zealand.

WHAT ABOUT TURKEYS AND BRICKS?

Dear Sir,
I was very sorry to read that your Christmas mail did not arrive in time for Christmas, including your turkeys.

I was most surprised by this, as I would have thought you would have bred turkeys in the Falkland Islands. This is because I have understood you have less rainfall than we have in the UK and I know turkeys do not like the wet.

I would have thought turkeys would have done well in the islands as I understand your climate is much like our North east and we have one of our largest breeders of turkeys in the North East.

I have just read "postcards of the Falkland Islands" by Henry and Frances Heyburn, published by Picton Publishing.

There is a piece about Government House which states: "a decision was reached to use locally manufactured bricks" although half the job was done with 40,000 imported bricks.

I think this was because local brick at the time was 33 shillings per thousand as against £7 for the imported ones.

The point of my letter is, if bricks were once made in the Falklands, why not again?

They must still work out to be cheaper to build with than imported goods. The FIDC is having people trained, I understand, why not have people trained in brickmaking and masonry?

The Falklands would never have to depend for building on outside help again.

Yours sincerely,
V.K. Thompson,
Reading,
England.

DOES BONNER'S CAR STILL EXIST?

Dear Mr MacLeod,
Prompted by the April issue of the Falkland stamps depicting various vehicles, I wonder if you or your readers can help

with any further information on the vehicle featured on the 24p stamp?

It is the Citroen - Keggresse, known locally as Bonner's car which is very rare. Does it or any parts still exist?

Has anyone first hand experience of it? What were its uses on the Falkland Islands? Does anyone have any photos of it?

My interest originates from owning a heavy Crossley Keggresse, but I am compiling an index of all vehicles with Keggresse tracks. The UK register I think is complete and I have extensive listings in France.

Yours sincerely,
Malcolm Simpson,
'Merriehill',
Close House Lane,
Macclesfield,
Cheshire SK10 2PJ,
England.

CHOCOLATE CAN BE GOOD FOR YOU!

Dear Sir,
Through Penguin News I'd like the opportunity of thanking Cadbury's Limited in the United Kingdom for arranging:-
1. The trip to the Falklands for my parents Mr and Mrs Taylor who arrived on 10th February.
2. Chocolates which were sent to my daughter Katrina whilst she was visiting Wroughton Hospital in December 1988.

My parents won two British Airway tickets to anywhere in the world plus a considerable amount of spending money.

Thanks also go to the RAF at Mount Pleasant, Rene Rowlands and British Airways for the exchange of tickets allowing my Mum and Dad to travel via RAF.

Goes to prove eating chocolate isn't always bad for your health, eh?

Yours faithfully,
Linda Lowe,
Stanley.

A SMACK IN THE TEETH FROM FIC

Dear Sir,
Well! Well! The good old FIC strike again. Another firm, well delivered smack in the teeth for the Campers.

It will not do the market garden a lot of good either. I mean who can afford £9.27 for a head of lettuce that you might be able to salvage a dozen or so good leaves from?

If this company is finding expenses hard to bear then they should take a look around at a few of the money wasting staff they have in the West Store.

I never fail to need something from the stockroom when

I go into millinery (all sizes of everything on sale **should be on sale**) for sizes that are pretty normal everyday sizes.

The request to look in the stockroom is usually followed by a pained expression on the assistant's part. Last time one whined 'I don't know where they are' and an older member told her it was about time she found out and sent her packing. Perhaps if some of these type could be removed then things might not be so tight money wise.

I don't doubt that they will not relent towards Camp customers, but then we always were the dregs of humanity weren't we?

I would like to think that, if they could be shamed into it, that they would relent and at least carry weekly stores home for old people in Stanley. No-one could be that much of a money grabber or could one?

Pen to paper people please.

Yours sincerely,
Shirley Knight,
Fox Bay East.

GREETING FROM GUERNSEY

Dear Sir,
I was recently given several back issues of the Penguin News and decided to write to you in the hope that some of your readers might be interested in helping me with my hobby.

I collect colour view post cards from around the world and would like to contact anyone who'd like to exchange a few cards.

Unfortunately I can't write to anyone as a penfriend but am hoping to hear from collectors who would like to swap a small amount of postcards, (about 10), on just one occasion.

In return for new, colour cards from the Falklands I will be able to send cards with views of the island of Guernsey.

Guernsey is one of nine islands known as the Channel Islands and we are situated roughly 20 miles west of the coast of France.

All the islands are quite small compared to the Falklands. Guernsey is the second largest, but still only measures nine miles by five.

I'll look forward to any reply I may receive from this letter, and thank you in advance for your help.

Yours sincerely,
Ms. M. Hewlett,
Alderney,
La Bukit Estate,
St Sampsons,
Guernsey,
Channel Islands.

CRUISE SHIP RESCUES SINKING ARGENTINE SHIP

The tourist cruise ship "Society Explorer", a regular annual visitor to the Falklands, was involved in a spectacular rescue operation in Antarctica involving a stricken Argentinian ship.

The vessel, the 435-foot Bahia Paraiso, ran aground on rocks 600 miles south of Cape Horn near the American base at Palmer Station and started off a major pollution alert as she spilled deisel oil into the clear Antarctic waters famed for their rare wildlife.

The vessel was on her way to the Argentinian Esperanza Station near the tip of the peninsula on January 28th when she crashed onto underwater rocks in the narrow Bismarck Strait and tore a 30-foot gash in her double steel hull.

An SOS was sent out and the cruise ship Society Explorer went to her rescue.

Doris Martin, a cruise director on board, said they arrived at the scene about two hours after the grounding to find passengers in liferafts and the ship's bow up and the stern down.

"We assisted in towing the liferafts ashore to the American Palmer Station," she said. "We lowered our Zodiac boats to help. But with 314 passengers and crew in total Palmer couldn't cope with them all.

"The captain of the Bahia Paraiso and the station manager at Palmer asked if we could take as many as we could hold to the Chilean base of Teniente Marsh on King George Island in the South Shetlands."

The ship took 132 spread over every available space in the ship and spent 18 hours steaming to the base.

"The last we saw of the ship she was lower in the water and we knew she was spilling fuel oil into the water," said Doris. "Another cruise ship came about two hours later and picked up another 80 people and an Argentinian ship took the rest from the base about two days later."

In all the ship was carrying 81 passengers of a mixture of nationalities including Finnish, Italian, American, South American and British. However, the main task of the ship was to take fuel to the Argentinian station and this fuel was causing concern as it spilled into the water.

The crew of the Society Explorer were surprised to see the Bahia Paraiso, a ship

which was in the Falklands during the 1982 Conflict, where she was aground as it was not a channel ships normally use because of the dangers of running aground.

In the end the vessel ended up about 80% underwater on her side with floating oil drums all around her.

Fuel spilling through the gash in the hull resulted in dead krill and limpets being washed ashore in large quantities.

The Argentinian Navy denied reports of a 10-mile wide oil slick but the National Science Foundation in Washington said the death of the krill could cause a break in the foodchain and produce an "uncontrollable disaster" with more than 24,000 penguins nesting in colonies nearby. The krill feed on diatoms and whales and birds on the krill.

An Argentinian icebreaker and tug made for the scene and recovery ships were expected to drain the fuel tanks.

Snr. Enrique Marschoff, the head of the biology department of the National Antarctic Directorate, part of the Argentinian Navy, said, "There is no immediate risk unless a disaster occurs, such as the ship splitting in two and we don't see why this should happen."

Lt. Juan Pablo Barros, a spokesman for the Chilean Navy which assisted the crew and passenger evacuation, said from Santiago he understood the Bahia Paraiso was hauling 800 tons of diesel mainly for bases in Antarctica.

He said "no significant quantity" had escaped.

A US Navy transport aircraft flew 52 tons of oil spill contamination gear to Punta Arenas in Chile where it was put on a Science Foundation ship.

Scientists at the American station at Palmer said the spillage of oil they saw could set back research 20 years and permanently damage wildlife.

SIR REX AND LADY HUNT VISIT THE FALKLANDS

For the first time since their departure from the Falklands in 1985, Sir Rex and Lady Mavis Hunt have visited the islands where he was Governor.

The couple completed a three week trip around the islands as guests of the Falkland Islands Government.

Sir Rex explained that they had decided to travel to the Falklands as tourists but FIG offered to have them as their guests.

"It was very kind of them and we are most grateful," said Sir Rex. "They left the itinerary to us and then Peter King and FIGAS did the rest.

"The whole trip went exactly according to the way I asked."

The couple had a tight schedule to keep to see everybody they wanted but did manage relaxation as well, such as fishing at Chartres where Lady Mavis caught five large trout and Sir Rex three little ones.

Their tour took in Fox Bay East and West, Chartres, Little Chartres, Port Howard, Hill Cove, Weddell Island, San Carlos, Salvador, Darwin, Goose Green, Fitzroy, Johnson's Harbour, Port Louis, Brookfield, Green Patch, Long Island and Stanley.

Events were laid on during their visit and they included the opening of the museum, an Falkland Islands Association open meeting, a dinner and reception at Government House with the present Governor, Mr William Fullerton, and numerous other dinner dates and receptions.

During his busy tour Sir Rex managed to speak to Penguin News about how he saw things in the islands compared to when he left in 1985.

"There is a sense of permanence at MPA," he said. "It was still a construction site when I left but now it is neat and tidy and is very reassuring."

In general terms Sir Rex was optimistic about the future of the Falklands but referring to Seamount he added, "As long as lessons are learnt from mistakes".

He said he and Lady Mavis had been very pleased to see old friends and hoped to return to the islands in 1992 for the 150th anniversary of the founding of Stanley.

"The FICZ and the money it brings present a bright economic future. This emphasised by the number of young Falkland Islanders who are coming back which is most encouraging. I am terrifically heartened by their attitude."

it and the future.

However, Sir Rex did admit that there were some changes that were not for the better.

"There is a sense of greed that wasn't there and didn't exist before. It is sad. There are greater divisions between Camp and Stanley, Ex-pats and the Kelper and the civilians and the military."

"The divisions are regrettable. Good will is not self-generating and must be worked at."

Sir Rex then looked to the future and how he saw it for the islands.

"The most significant result of the fisheries bonanza is that FIG does not now come under HMG for development money and can now conduct its own development and can get better value for money that way. It is now only defence the British tax payer is paying for."

"The islanders are doing very well in developing their own infrastructure and economy but the islands are worth defending if the islanders are going to do things for themselves and they are worth paying for as long as there is a threat."

"I would like to say that there is a tendency for the mainstay of these islands to be neglected. Squid may come and squid may go, but the land is here forever. There is a tendency for farmers to be neglected."

He said he thought things had not so much changed since his last visit, but that the process of change had begun and attitudes had changed. A feeling of inertia on his last trip had changed to one of accept-

FIDC "VIRTUALLY ACTS AS A SURROGATE STATE" SAYS MP

A Tory MP attacked the role played by FIDC during a recent visit of MP's to the islands as guests of FIG.

Dr Keith Hampson was one of a group of five MP's - four Tory and one Labour - who were the first group ever invited to the islands by FIG rather than the Foreign Office or MOD.

During a press conference Dr Hampson discussed many aspects of the trip and the Falkland Islands as he saw them.

While discussing councillors, development and the future of the islands Dr Hampson said that councillors must take a larger role in deciding many issues which are coming to a head and should not be allowed to drift. He then added, "I don't think it is a particularly healthy situation in which a development corporation virtually acts as a surrogate state."

He thought this had come about because it hadn't been given an actual strategy and programme it has to address.

This was Dr Hampson's second visit to the Falklands, having been here as private personal secretary to Michael Heseltine during the Secretary of State for Defence's visit in January 1984.

This time he was accompanied by Mr David Harris, a Tory and Private Personal Secretary to Sir Geoffrey Howe at the Foreign Office; Mr Andrew Stewart, Conservative and Private Personal Secretary to John McGregor, Secretary of State for Agriculture and responsible for fisheries; Mr Roland Boyes, Labour's Front Bench spokesman on foreign affairs; and Mr Christopher Gill, a Tory MP. They were accompanied by Lewis Clifton from FIGO and Steve Byfield from Broad Street Associates.

During their visit they saw around government departments including fisheries, visited Sea Lion Island and stayed at Port Howard Lodge, visited Chartres, toured FIDC and the school and housing.

Dr Hampson became the nominal leader of the group and therefore conducted the press conference.

He said he thought things had not so much changed since his last visit, but that the process of change had begun and attitudes had changed. A feeling of inertia on his last trip had changed to one of accept-

ing and welcoming change but with many different views as to which way that development should go.

Talking of fishing Dr Hampson said he was worried that there could become a British or Falkland Islands flag of convenience and he felt this would not help the islands.

"It would give certain people more money but it doesn't necessarily improve the scene here," he said. "We (MP's in general) are going to look with great interest at licencing policy and how it works and evolves".

He expressed concern at the possible emergence of "front" companies for licences. He thought that a company which brought more money into the Falklands and expanded the economy and provided jobs was alright, but did not see a company working virtually as a licence broker being an asset for the Falkland Islands.

He admitted that Britain would look at the situation with "some concern" if there were no British trawlers down here.

He thought housing was critical issue facing the islanders and one which councillors needed to address and establish firm policy on. He did not see "Falklandisation" as a good way in the short term as he saw a lack of the expertise in the islands but thought those with the expertise could be encouraged to settle.

He thought a way forward would be to have a foreign wing of a development corporation looking for such people or for FIGO in London to be boosted in size and operation.

Dr Hampson felt a marketing campaign to change perception of the Falkland Islands abroad was necessary.

The following week two peers, seven MP's and two MEP's visited the islands as guests of the MOD.

Their trip included a visit to Government House and FIG as well as military installations and settlements around the islands.

DRAMATIC RESCUE OF BRAZILIAN YACHT BY K.C.

The farm at Port San Carlos, better known locally as K.C., was involved in a dramatic rescue of a Brazilian yacht which was recently marooned by a storm on the isolated Elephant Beach at Foul Bay.

The 29-foot "Maitairoa", registered in Rio de Janeiro, had been making for Stanley when she experienced gales and was driven ashore on the sandy beach.

The yacht, with Roberto, Eileen and Astrid Mesquita Barros, Roberto Alan Fuchs and a Siamese cat "Mimi", aboard had originally set off from Rio via Mar del Plata in Argentina to go through the Beagle Channel, around Cape Horn and then return to Brazil via the Falklands.

However, shortly after leaving Mar del Plata they realised they had engine problems and were overheating and decided to head for Stanley. When they were North of the Jason Islands they set a course to go North of East Falkland and round to Stanley harbour.

Roberto Fuchs explained that they saw a point they took to be Cape Dolphin and having confirmed their position with a passing ship, experienced strong South-Westerly winds. Their hope was that they would be able to make the north shores of East Falkland and travel on the leeward side of the winds.

Roberto said they did not realise the strength of the tidal currents and the wind then shifted to the North-West and put on the windward side of the islands. With their engine shut down they were forced further south and could do nothing about it.

About 3am they hit ground but did not damage anything. They dropped anchor but the strong conditions broke the strong rope and they drifted closer to the beach and were pushed higher all the time. A second anchor initially hit rock but pulled onto sand and although it slowed their progress towards the shore could not stop the yacht being pushed further inland.

Roberto said they could see land on both sides and knew the boat was strong enough to cope with the conditions but the weather did not ease and they eventually went ashore by dinghy. They started taking everything ashore to lighten the boat but it was aground and lying at an angle of around 50 degrees.

"We too a walk around and had thought it would be easier to find people," said Roberto. "We saw a house and made for it, but there was no-one there and we sat outside waiting in case anyone came back to the house."

In fact they had come across Cape House which is only occasionally used by shepherds. After a while, as the door was open they went inside and later went back the one hour's walk to the boat to get some food.

The exhausted sailors slept for a while and after, using a nautical chart, decided where they would make for. They first thought of making for Douglas but changed their minds and went back and worked on the boat for several hours.

They returned to Cape House and while the others slept, Roberto decided to walk out for two hours and then retrace his steps in an attempt to find help. In the end he got as far as Corral Brazo before returning.

From the time the yacht became grounded the stranded crew had been trying to raise help on the VHF and SS and had let off flares. At one point they heard port control but it would seem no-one could hear them.

In the end they were just about to leave Cape House to return to the boat for more food when they saw a military patrol coming towards them. They too tried their radio but found they were in a black spot.

Eventually, a short walk away, the military were able to contact base and help was arranged for the next day. That night the stranded party and the military patrol enjoyed a shared meal at Cape House cooked by the Brazilians.

Next day the yacht party were taken by helicopter into Stanley and the job of how to rescue the yacht was tackled.

At first it was thought the yacht would need to be dragged across land on a sledge to K.C. for repairs to the

ENDURANCE HOLED THEN RESCUES PERUVIAN SHIP

The Royal Navy ice patrol ship HMS Endurance has been involved in drama on the high seas recently when she was first holed by ice and then went to the rescue of a sinking Peruvian ship.

The 3685 ton vessel was on a routine patrol of British Antarctic Survey bases with its crew of 140 and six passengers - including His Excellency the Governor, Mr William Fullerton, Mrs Fullerton and his aide Mr Don Bonner - when she hit ice and was holed.

The accident happened on the afternoon of February 6th about 650 miles south east of the Falklands but thankfully damage was minor and no one was hurt.

The ship had been sailing through a four knot ice flow when she hit what was described by a military spokesman as a submerged fragment of ice.

The ice left a gash in the ship's hull and she started taking on water although it was kept under control. It was quickly determined that there was no pollution scare and it was decided to make for calmer waters to assess the extent of the damage.

Passage was made for Deception Island but it was several days before the waters were calm enough for a diver to be put over the side to have a look at the damaged hull. It was then decided a patch could be put over the hole and repairs were effected.

This done the ship continued on her voyage but in heavy seas later the patch was taken off and the forward repair ship MV Stena Seaspread was sent down to rendezvous with the ship.

It was while the two ships were together in the Southern waters that the emergency with the Peruvian ship arose.

On February 27th the Endurance rescued 65 sailors and scientists from a Peruvian ocean research ship after she ran aground on rocks in An-

tartica and started to flood.

The Peruvian ship, the 1980 ton "Humboldt", hit rocks at the entrance of Marion Cove on King George Island not far from where the Endurance was sheltering from bad weather alongside the Stena Seaspread.

On receiving the SOS from the Humboldt, the Endurance immediately sailed from Potter Cove and put damage control parties aboard the stricken ship from her own crew and the naval party 2010 on the Stena.

They were flown to the ship by Endurance's Lynx helicopter and quickly reported that conditions aboard the Humboldt were becoming dangerous. The Endurance started to evacuate the Peruvians as well as the damage control parties and used one of the Stena's boats to do so.

With weather conditions deteriorating and threatening further boat operations, Endurance completed the rescue of all 65 and made way to March Base, a Chilean station, to land survivors.

The Stena is standing by the Humboldt and it is planned the Endurance will stay in the area for two or three days to monitor any pollution and to assist in any salvage work.

The Peruvian skipper and five of his crew have been put back aboard the stricken vessel and the Endurance will stand by to see if they need any further help.

While there Morris Davis and Neil Burnett worked with the Brazilians to fix the yacht. Morris made a new rudder and fixed the engine and the Brazilians then sailed round to Stanley where they stayed for a week before sailing home to Brazil.

The only sad note to the whole affair was that Mimi the cat had to be destroyed by vet Peter Armitage. It seems Brazil has an indigenous rabies problem and with no quarantine facilities it was decided to destroy the animal.

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THE FALKLANDS THROUGH THE EYES OF A PHILATELIST

By Stefan Heijtz

Although I am from Sweden, I have for many years been very interested in the Falklands, and finally I have had the opportunity to visit the islands.

Some may wonder about the connection between Sweden and the Falklands.

In my case the first contact with the Falklands was through the stamps and from this first touch with, from my point of view, an exotic part of the world, my interest has grown and made me a keen supporter of the islands in many more aspects than just the stamps.

This interest in the Falklands eventually led to the production of a handbook of the stamps and postal history of the islands and one reason for my visit is to research further in this field. My job as a freelance journalist also made it easier to come here since I can combine this interest in the islands with my work.

Being a philatelist I naturally have had to visit all present and past locations of Post Offices in the islands and I have spent much time going through old records and trying to find more information about the postal history of the Falklands. I have received a lot of assistance from the Post Offices in Stanley and Fox Bay, and although my wishes have not always been reasonable they have definitely given me more help than I probably deserved.

Besides the post offices in Stanley, Fox Bay and Mount Pleasant, I was lucky to be able to go to New Island where I tried to locate the foundation of the old post office which was closed more than 70 years ago.

I have also had the opportunity to visit many of the smaller islands and settlements and I have especially tried to go to places of historical interest. As one of the passengers on the first cruise of the Southern Star, I was able to see the Falklands the way I think they should be seen - from the sea.

The Southern Star is a very nice cruise ship with a pleasant atmosphere, good accommodation, excellent food and a nice crew. A cruise on board this ship is definitely something I can recommend.

Used to travel worldwide, I must also express my appreciation of the service FIGAS offers. I know that critical voices are sometimes heard but I am not prepared to agree.

Something I am not very impressed with though is the state of the tracks. I think the islands are in desperate need

of roads of some kind, and although it is a very large investment, it is necessary if the Camp is going to survive. I also think that Stanley could use a "face-lift". Some parts of the town look more like a junk yard than anything else.

One fantastic thing here is the way the people treat you, both in Stanley and in the Camp. Everyone is most kind and helpful and without this kindness many things would not have been possible for me

to do. This mentality is very special and probably makes the Falklands unique; it is definitely something to be proud of.

For me this visit has been a great success and I am most grateful for all the help I have received and all the kindness that has been shown to me. When I leave these islands I will do so with a very positive impression and I hope to return one day.



FRIDAY 10th MARCH

- 6.00 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds
- 6.20 Trick or Treat
 - Fun and games with Mike Smith.
- 6.45 The Flying Doctors
- 7.30 Square Deal
 - Emma gets a belated insight into the horrors of Nigel's character.
- 7.55 Surprise, Surprise!
 - With Cilla Black, Bob Carolgees and Gordon Burns.
- 8.45 Flying Squad (New)
- 9.15 Naked Video
 - With Siadwel, Rb C Nesbitt and Co.
- 9.45 TV Movie: Sky Heist
 - Rescue helicopter is hi-jacked in plan to steal gold.
- 11.10 Closedown

SATURDAY 11th MARCH

- 6.00 Pop Spot
 - Up and coming videos presented by Mark Page.
- 6.30 Doctor Who
- 6.55 The Russ Abbot Show
- 7.25 A Question of Sport
- 7.55 Dallas
- 8.40 The Hippodrome Show
- 9.30 Wish Me Luck
 - The agents are in danger. Injured Gordon needs help.
- 10.15 Saturday Night Clive
 - Clive James goes worldwide and looks at what's on.
- 11.00 Closedown

SUNDAY 12th MARCH

- 3.25 Sunday Sport
 - Ruby with Scotland v. Ireland, England v. France; British Open snooker; and World Indoor Athletics
- 6.00 Eyewitness
- 6.40 Songs of Praise
 - From St Patrick's College, Maynooth.
- 7.10 The Chart Show
- 8.05 'Allo 'Allo
- 8.30 Survival Special
 - An interesting look at snakes.
- 9.20 Boon
 - Topspin: Ken and Margaret hired to protect a woman.
- 10.10 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
 - With John Sessions and Clive Anderson.
- 10.35 Film '89
- 11.05 Closedown

MONDAY 13th MARCH

- 6.00 Defenders of the Earth
- 6.20 International Pro-Celebrity Golf
 - Professionals Lee Trevino and Sandy Lyle with, this week, Terry Wogan and Bill Beaumont.
- 7.10 Coronation Street
- 7.35 Snub
- 8.05 High St Blues
 - Chris finds some gold sovereigns in a desk and is persuaded to find the original owner.
- 8.30 Tomorrow's World
- 9.00 World In Action
- 9.25 Agatha Christie's Poirot
 - Triangle at Rhodes.

- 10.15 Spitting Image
 - Highlights of the best from recent shows.
- 10.40 Soap
- 11.05 Closedown

TUESDAY 14th MARCH

- 6.00 Count Duckula
 - Two innocent victims seek shelter at Castle Duckula.
- 6.20 Sportsmasters
 - A sports quiz hosted by Dickie Davies.
- 7.15 Eastenders
- 7.40 Family Fortunes
 - The family game show hosted by Les Dennis.
- 8.05 Joint Account
- 8.35 Q.E.D.
 - Part 2 of the story of Baby Dale who was born with massive heart defects.
- 9.05 A Quiet Conspiracy (New)
- 9.55 Carrott Confidential
- 10.30 It's Showtime at the Apollo
- 11.15 Closedown

WEDNESDAY 15th MARCH

- 6.00 Lost In Space
- 6.40 Newsview
 - For the week ending 11th March.
- 7.25 Coronation Street
- 7.50 Little and Large (New)
- 8.25 Headliners
- 8.50 Only Fools and Horses
- 9.40 Midnight Caller
- 10.30 The Groovy Fellers
 - Jools Holland and a Martian on a quest to unravel the secret of earthy life.
- 11.05 Closedown

THURSDAY 16th MARCH

- 6.00 Scene Here
- 6.20 Strike It Lucky
- 6.45 Top of the Pops
- 7.15 This Is Your Life
- 7.40 The Bill
- 8.25 Desmond's
- 8.50 Horizon
- 9.40 A Bit of a Do (New)
- 10.30 Floyd On TV (New)
- 10.55 Closedown

FRIDAY 17th MARCH

- 6.00 Dogtanian and The Three Muskehounds
- 6.20 Trick or Treat
 - Fun and games with Mike Smith.
- 6.45 The Flying Doctors
- 7.30 Square Deal
 - Emma determination to divorce Nigel prompts him to seek Sean's advice.
- 7.55 Surprise, Surprise!
 - With Cilla Black, Bob Carolgees and Gordon Burns.
- 8.45 Flying Squad
- 9.10 Film: The Outlaw Josie Wales
 - Clint Eastwood plays the cool Josey who encounters bounty hunters, renegades and an ambush.
- 11.10 Closedown

Dynamos 4 Redsox 1

Redsox faint hopes of making the three match play-off series for the league championship were well and truly buried following this shocking reversal for which a woeful defence must take most of the blame.

Dynamos stand-in goal-keeper Neil Clifton, not for the first time, pulled off several remarkable saves to continually thwart Redsox forwards.

Ramon Miranda scored his 11th league goal of the season midway through the first half, while young Troyd Bowles hit his first following a corner by Miranda.

Redsox looked as though they might make a fight of it when Watts slotted home a typical opportunist goal to cut the score back to 2-1. Fierce pressure from Redsox failed to bring a much needed goal and Dynamos made the game safe when they scored twice within two minutes of the restart.

Dave Thomas, not generally known as a prolific scorer, got both. First of all he backheaded a mammoth throw-in by Gavin Clifton past Wayne McCormick, and then he was allowed enough time to blow his nose before prodding a low shot through a static Redsox defence.

At the other end Neil Clifton threw himself into the fray and beat out goalworthy efforts from Hobman and Morris to ensure another three points for the blues.

They will now meet Celtic in the three-match play-off series to decide the championship.

LATE RESULTS:- **Redsox 4**(G.Ross,C.Ford,P.Watts 2)

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	Pts
Dynamos	10	6	1	3	35	21	19
Celtic	10	4	2	4	31	31	14
Redsox	10	3	1	6	24	38	10

STANLEY GAIN REVENGE IN GOOD WIN OVER AMAZON

Stanley RFC 18 HMS Amazon 4

Stanley sought revenge over a defeat by Amazon a few weeks earlier and went at this game with determined purpose.

There were signs of a slight rustiness in the Stanley in the opening exchanges due to the length of time since their last game, but once the cobwebs were blown out they started to take a grip on the game and looked the part for the win.

As has become the hallmark of any Stanley side, the pack soon got working and gained the upper hand on the Navy side gaining the majority of possession.

However, the lack of games showed in the lack of control of possession and the lack of co-ordination in the forwards in the loose play. With the lack of control there was always the danger the Navy side would break away and run in opportunist scores against the run of play.

Again the Stanley back row were impressive and the inclusion of Rupert Haydock at No. 8 played a large part in their strength and dominance.

Indeed it was Haydock who put the first points on the board for Stanley when he took a pass from a penalty close to the Amazon line and charged over for the score. Scrum half Mike Finlay did the honours for the conversion.

The scoring for Stanley stayed with the back row as Gavin Clifton showed his running strength and thirst for the ball on forward runs.

Amazon's failure to tidy up loose ball on the ground cost them dear with the mauling Clifton. A kick over the top by Finlay at a line-out allowed Clifton to run forward and pick up to take the ball in for a try. He then converted his own try.

Clifton nabbed a second where he pressured the full back and picked up a loose ball to run in again. This time he missed the kick. Amazon did managed to pull back a try on a rare attack.

LATE RESULT:- **Stanley RFC 8 Engineers 4**

Celtic 5 Dynamos 4

A nine goal thriller, which entertained a good crowd on a beautifully quiet evening, saw Celtic beat Dynamos for the second time in succession and make themselves favourites now for the play-offs.

Referee Gary Tyrell awarded three penalties to Celtic, two of which were converted by Dale McCormick and Jamie Peck, but Peck also missed as he once again pulled the ball well wide of the goal.

It looks as if his penalty taking days might be over having missed three of the last four he has taken. He can score some incredible goals from the halfway line or from the most acute angles, but at the moment a straight shot from just 12 yards seems rather difficult for him.

Celtic swept into a 4-1 lead, with the best goal being a solo effort by young Jonathan Ford who ran from the halfway line. He later had several other clear cut opportunities but could not keep his head and shot wide on each occasion.

With a few minutes to go Celtic were 5-2 ahead but late goals by Finlay and Bowles, his second of the game and third in two matches, gave just rewards for intense pressure on the Celtic goal line by Dynamos.

Another youngster, Chris Jaffray, made several good saves for green and whites as they scrambled on occasion to clear their beleaguered line.

Celtic 2(J.Peck 2) and **Celtic 4 Redsox 5**

Leading League scorers:- J. Peck, 13; R. Miranda, 11; M. Finlay, 8; G. Ross, 7; G. Clifton, 5; J. Teggart, P. Philips, and T. Bowles all 3.

STANLEY MAKE HARD WORK OF ONE-SIDED VICTORY

Stanley RFC 10 Engineers 0

Buoyant from the win against Amazon Stanley went forward to this game against the Engineers with a team including many new faces.

There was an extra edge to the game as the Engineers' side included Captain Tim Vaughan who had been in the Falklands last year with EOD and had played with some distinction with Stanley.

From the kick-off it looked as though Stanley were going to run away with the game with them opening their account from the first move of the game.

The visitors kicked off towards the Stanley forwards and they set up the ball for the backs. The guesting Steve Coolidge at centre broke past his man and fed newcomer Mike Summers who made a charging run towards the Engineers' line before being brought down.

As he went down he popped up the ball for wing-forward Gavin Clifton who, as always, was backing up and took the ball over for the opening try. Mike Finlay then stepped up and put the conversion over from just to the side of the posts.

If Stanley thought they were then going to run away with it they were to be sadly disappointed and have only themselves to blame for that.

The Engineers rallied well and at times looked dangerous, attempting to use their backs to break down the Stanley defence which at times was desperate as they repelled many breaks for the line.

Stanley only secured the result in the second half. Conditions did not favour back moves but it was one which brought the try.

Second phase ball from the forwards allowed a rare running backs move and an overlap allowed Steve Coolidge to squeeze in on the right for the winner.

SPORT-

By
Rory
MacLeod.

SECOND HALF FIGHTING DISPLAY SECURES SHIELD FOR STANLEY

Stanley FC 5 HMS Endurance 3

By Patrick Watts.

A brilliant second half fight back by the local side who scored five times, ensured that the coveted Shield will remain in the Falklands for another year.

Last season Stanley regained the trophy, winning the series by two matches to one and after the first game of this series was drawn it seemed as if the destination of the Shield would not be decided until the final match.

However, as Stanley cannot now lose the series they will retain the trophy even if the third and final game is lost.

The local side had an early shock when they lost regular goalie Tony Sykes owing to a family illness and the team manager had to don the gloves and prepare to confront a rampaging Endurance forward line.

They took full advantage of an early defensive error when a pass back was too short and then Watts fumbled the ball which resulted in Huck shooting into an empty net from an acute angle.

Endurance's second goal came from a free kick when their central defender Phil Cowling, who later had to leave the field with a badly bruised eye and a bleeding nose after a mid-air clash with Stanley's hard man Mike Finlay, took a short pass from Barratt and hit the ball hard and high. He watched Watts push the ball onto the underside of the bar from where it fell into the net.

Two nil down Stanley had an awful lot to do in the second

half and they responded with some attractive quick passing movements which left the tall Naval defenders off balance.

James Peck took a short pass from John Teggart and scored, and then an indirect free kick just six yards from the goal-line caused mayhem in the Endurance defence and Peck hit an unstoppable shot through crowded legs for the equaliser.

Stanley then went ahead when Teggart chased what seemed a lost cause and retrieved the ball just short of the goal-line, cut inside the defender and squared it to Peck who lashed the ball passed a bemused Endurance goalkeeper and completed his hat-trick.

Within minutes the visitors equalised when the tall Woodhouse rose high to head home a free kick.

Stanley then made an inspirational substitution bringing on Miranda for the tiring Glenn Ross, and the hard-hitting Dynamos forward had the ball placed perfectly on his trusted left boot and rocketed the ball into the corner of the net

for Stanley's fourth.

Minutes later Finlay scored the goal which his endeavour deserved when he threaded his way into the penalty area and shot across the body of the Endurance keeper for Stanley's fifth.

Once again local lad Jamie Peck had hit the goals which brought Stanley victory, but he would be the first to admit that Teggart - who laid on all three goals for him - Clifton and Finlay all played a large part in bringing about a magnificent second half recovery.

At the back Stevie Jaffray and Glen McGillivray both had outstanding games, whilst the loss of the experienced Cowling obviously was a blow to Endurance, their defence noticeably weaker in his absence.

Scorers: Stanley - J. Peck 3, R. Miranda, M. Finlay; HMS Endurance - Huck, Cowling, Woodhouse.

Stanley team:- P. Watts, R. Titterington, G. McGillivray, J. McEachern, S. Jaffray, M. Finlay, G. Hobman, G. Clifton, J. Peck, G. Ross (sub R. Miranda), J. Teggart.

JOHNNIE WALKER STABLEFORD GOLF TOURNAMENT

On Sunday 5th February Stanley Golf Club hosted, for the first time, the Johnnie Walker Sponsored Stableford Competition.

Golfing conditions were reasonably fine with a fresh south-westerly bringing the

occasional light shower.

An average field of 20 players teed off and scores were good, with the following results being recorded:-

First was Evergreen Don Campbell with 36 points, second was Tony Butler with 35 points and third Rod Tuck-

wood with 34 points.

The best front nine was recorded by Robert Titterington with 18 points and the best back nine came from Joe Marsh with 17 points.

Nearest the pin on the fourth was Mark Talbot and nearest the pin on the 16th was Colin

Redston.

The club wishes to thank Johnnie Walker for a most splendid event and prize list.

Many thanks to Richard Neal for arranging this sponsorship.

Thanks go to Joe Marsh for this report of the event.

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IT'S ALL CHANGE AS LOCALS SWEEP IN

IT WAS the Falkland Islands' biggest election and the verdict was: We want Islanders to run our country.

Of the eight candidates elected only one was born outside the Falklands and none was in the outgoing administration.

The huge turn-out reflected the enormous interest that the elections had aroused - nearly 81 per cent voted in Stanley and a staggering 93.3 per cent in Camp. Taking all the votes in both constituencies into account, the total poll was a cool 85 per cent.

The turn-out and the result also reflected the very great concern that the Islanders have over what they see as appalling waste in Government spending.

The 936 votes for the 18 candidates took five hours and five minutes to count. In the end, Harold Rowlands (386), Terry Peck (381), Gavin Short (280) and Gerrard 'Fred' Robson (262) were elected for Stanley while Bill Luxton (239), Norma Edwards (197), Ron Binnie (169) and Kevin Kilmartin (151) will represent Camp.

Kevin Kilmartin is the only non-Islander elected and all through the count it was a neck-and-neck race between him and the local Eric Goss. In the end, Kilmartin won by just eight votes.

The Islands' only political party, Desire The Right, crashed badly at the polls. One of their candidates, Tim Miller, even losing his deposit. Mike Rendell (91) in Stanley and Ann Robertson (64) in Camp came lowest of those who did not lose their deposits in each constituency.

Two other candidates lost their £100. Dave Eynon, Stanley, recorded just 57 votes, only nine short of the 66 he needed to save his money while Fred Clark, Camp, at 17, was well short of the 31 he required.

Top scorer in terms of votes was Harold Rowlands, Stanley, with 386, that's 50 per cent of the town's total. But the highest scorer in terms of per-



Opening the first ballot box . . . Returning Officer Rex Brown with Chief Magistrate Rosie McIroy prepare for the count

entages was Bill Luxton who collected an amazing 72.4 per cent of the votes cast in Camp.

One of Council's new boys, Gavin Short is the General Employees' Union chairman who won one of the Stanley seats. He told *Penguin News*:

"I quite overawed by the colossal weight of responsibility on my shoulders . . . all those people who believed in what I said.

"I would like to see more Falkland Islanders in top jobs.

"Basically, the qualifications they want these days put the jobs out of reach of most Islanders

"It's only a new policy that you must have these qualifications before you

apply." Terry Peck, who has served on Council previously, said: "I want to get to grips with the wastage of money.

"I find the councillors have never really got down to the problem. I hope all the elected councillors will meet with every head of department and their staff in an attempt to learn exactly what's going on and how savings can be made."

Another first-timer, Gerrard Robson, commented: "I am looking forward to it. But I suppose I am a little apprehensive."

The eight new councillors will be sworn in at a special ceremony on Monday morning.

The full results: How you voted

HERE'S how each candidate fared. A ★ means the candidate succeeded. A ● means he lost his deposit.

STANLEY

JOHN CHEEK (202)
DAVID EYNON (57) ●
JOHN HALFORD (145)
CHRISTEL MERCER (103)
TIM MILLER (58) ●
TERRY PECK (381) ★
MIKE RENDELL (95)
'FRED' ROBSON (262) ★
HAROLD ROWLANDS (386) ★
GAVIN SHORT (280) ★
WENDY TEGGART (161)

CAMP

RON BINNIE (169) ★
FRED CLARK (17) ●
NORMA EDWARDS (197) ★
ERIC GOSS (143)
KEVIN KILMARTIN (151) ★
BILL LUXTON (239) ★
ANN ROBERTSON (64)

More election news inside and on back

Aboard the flying polling booth

PROVING THAT THE SKY'S THE LIMIT FOR DEMOCRACY, FALKLANDS STYLE



Point of no return . . . Susan Pole-Evans votes at Saunders



Tony Chater shares a joke with Dr. McIlroy on New Island



Cheerful voters at San Carlos waiting by the plane for their turn to use the ballot box

ALL DURING the beginning of this week teams of Electoral Officers were touring the Camp by air and by Land-Rover.

Their object: to take the ballot box to the Islands' lonely outposts and settlements - the places where the inhabitants would find it impossible to reach a conventional polling station.

This way, even the most remote-living Falkland Islander is sure of a chance to vote.

To follow the progress of democracy in action, Falklands style, *Penguin News* swung and bucketed its way round the Skies of West Falklands and the North Camp with an airborne team led by Dr Robin McIlroy and including Chief Magistrate Rosie McIlroy, Eileen Davies, Bonita Fairfield and Frazer Wallace.

Piloted by the FIGAS Chief (and only) Pilot, Andy Alsop, the plane's first calling point was Port Howard. Here Rodney Lee ran out from his waiting Land-Rover to meet Frazer and Mrs McIlroy who were left behind with their ballot box while the rest of the team moved on to Pebble Island.

The landing strip here was a beautiful silver-sandy beach. Andy firmly requested everyone not immediately involved in the proceedings to stay put. He didn't want sand in the aircraft.

Once on the ground Dr McIlroy immediately commandeered John Reid's Pebble Hotel Land-



X marks the spot in the hotel Land-Rover on the beach at Pebble Island

Rover as a polling booth. The ballot box was put in the back and seven voters lined up in the biting wind ready to do their bit for democracy.

Penguin News was to discover later that when no Land-Rover was immediately available voting took place either in the plane itself, making it a flying polling booth, or with the ballot box resting on the ground just beside it.

When the Islander was used, the box rested on the seat normally occupied by your reporter. So he had to get out whether he liked it or not. Luckily it was not raining.

He spent part of the time distributing *Teaberry Express* which proves how, on this democratic occasion, the British tradition of fair play really came into its own.

New Island and Carcass Island had only one voter each - Tony Chater at New Island, Rod McGill at Carcass.

There were penguins alongside the plane when it landed at New Island but when approached by your reporter they decided to carry the secrecy of the ballot to absurd lengths by disappearing down their burrows, refusing to talk even to *Penguin News*.

Later on the trip, too, it literally was a case of 'tell it to the birds' when the upland geese lining the airstrip at Dunbar waddled off disgusted on discovering the flight was only to do with politics.

The sun came out at Saunders but it made no difference to the wind and Rob Maddocks and the Pole-Evanses, whatever the colour of their politics, were certainly blue by the time their local hustings were over. At Hill Cove the Islander dropped off

Eileen Davies and Bonita Fairchild before flying on to Roy Cove, Dunbar, Carcass and Westpoint where Andy Alsop made a superb landing on what appeared to be an extremely tricky strip.

There was quite a surprise at Weddel when a motor-cyclist roared up to the plane with a gun slung over his shoulder. Hi-jacker? Political terrorist?

No, just Robert Short coming to cast his vote.

Only at Port San Carlos was there any real mix-up - and that was really a minor matter for the five families that had taken over their sections just three weeks before.

Although running half-an-hour late, plane time, the team arrived 20 minutes earlier than expected, KC time. The airstrip appeared deserted as the plane swooped in. Where was everyone?

Suddenly, there they all were as a procession of Land-Rovers and a four-wheeler streamed up the hill.

At every stop, each time the last ballot paper was placed in the box, the slot through which it had been dropped was re-sealed with a voter's signature written across the tape to verify this had been done.

The first voter at the next stop would then check the tape to ensure that it had not been tampered with.

At Stanley airport, the boxes were taken off the plane, tied and sealed again with wax before being driven into town for safe keeping - and like a Christmas present not to be opened before the Big Day.



Robert Short armed for action . . . and voting



Mrs Linda Hirtle makes her choice at Golding

In for the count

COUNTING for the Falklands mega-poll began soon after seven and lasted until after midnight

The operation was slightly delayed because a ballot box had to be brought from Goose Green.

First the postal votes were counted. Then the boxes were emptied, each one then being displayed to the 30-odd onlookers - candidates, their friends and the public in general - just to prove there really was nothing left inside.

It all smacked rather of the Paul Daniels television show.

One member of the public, Mrs Siggy Barnes, had been coming along to these occasions for some 20 years.

The tellers were Jane Cameron, Dr McIlroy, Mrs McIlroy and Candy Blackely.

It seemed quite an important social occasion as well. The Attorney General, David Lang, was there; the Chief Executive, Ronnie Sampson, showed his face for a few moments and the Chief Police Officer and his wife also made several visits.

There was a visit, too, from a Spanish television team who looked vaguely interested for a while before disappearing back into the night.

Candidates and their friends wandered in and out and many people went off to sample cans of soft drink - and stronger.

The atmosphere was relaxed but highly efficient.

To facilitate counting the tellers stopped after every 25 papers had been read out by Returning Officer Rex Browning to check that they each had the same figures.



The count is under way in the Court and Council Chamber



Claudette casts her vote in the Stanley constituency



ABOVE: Harold Rowlands who received the highest number of votes in Stanley.

RIGHT: Bill Luxton who was the favourite of the Camp candidates.

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Exclusive from Downing Street MAGGIE AFFIRMS HER COMMITMENT

**We are
not
amused**



PRETTY Margaret Butler may not look much like Queen Victoria but she certainly shares that good monarch's sense of humour when it comes to this tasteless T-shirt.

Hardly the sort of thing to win friends and influence people, it was on sale at the West Store.

Many Falkland Islanders took offence when they saw it being worn. Now *Penguin News* has bought up the last one.

But we have a problem. What to do with it? We will send a fiver to the person who sends in the best (clean) suggestion to reach the *Penguin News* by November 14.

IN an exclusive message to *Penguin News* for the people of the Falklands, Prime Minister Mrs Margaret Thatcher reiterates her government's commitment to the people of the Islands.

Her message must come as a big boost to the newly elected councillors who have all gone on record as being totally against any links whatever with Argentina.

Mrs Thatcher writes:-

I have a deep affection for the Falkland Islands and for the loyal British people who have made their homes there; many of their families have been there for generations.

I reaffirm our commitment to the Island-

ers and your freedom to choose your way of life.

So I am delighted that *Penguin News* is starting up again. The Islanders deserve a really good local newspaper; there is certainly enough news to fill one as you move forward to a future which has been transformed by the opportunities which the fishing industry has brought.

I hope *Penguin News* will also enable many friends in Britain, and further afield, to share more closely in the life of the Islands and follow developments there. To the new venture I wish every success and to the Falklands continuing good news.

Many townsfolk are still without phones

LAST Friday Cable & Wireless claim to have connected 891 people to the new push-button telephone system.

Fitzroy, Walker Creek and Goose Green were also connected.

It was hoped to have 100 more subscribers on stream by the weekend - but this seems highly unlikely. *Penguin News*, for example, was promised connection by Wednesday afternoon. We were still not connected Friday morning.

Because of this it has been impossible to discover consumer reaction to the new system.

Certainly, there have been some hiccups. The Legal Office, for example, was receiving calls for FIGAS and the PWD. This was

because people did not understand the new Government system and were dialling the outside code for an internal call.

The Jersey Estate will be the last area to be connected. Cable & Wireless are still waiting for written permission to bore holes in the walls for the cables.

Camp will be connected through repeater stations run by batteries charged by solar power, hopefully by February.

At present there are two telephone teams working in Stanley. One is installing sets, the other sorting out teething problems like faulty connections.

Already there are plans to enlarge the system by 991.

The previous switchboard used by Cable & Wireless was designed for use in large hotels

Camp well represented in new ExCo

BECAUSE three of the Stanley-elected councillors preferred not to stand for election to ExCo, the town will be out-voted two to one in the new assembly.

The new ExCo members are:-

Terence Peck (Stanley), Norma Edwards and William Luxton (Camp).

It is understood that Cllrs Gavin Short and Gerrard Robson considered themselves to be too new to politics to stand, while Cllr Harold Rowlands felt he had been too closely connected with ExCo on the 'official' side too recently.



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Penguin News regrets that for reasons outside its control it will be possible to publish only one week's television programmes in each of the next few issues. It is hoped that this situation will be put right in the New Year

FRIDAY, November 3

6.00 COUNT DUCKULA New cartoon series about a vegetarian vampire duck. Became a cult in UK.
6.20 BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY with Sarah Kennedy.
6.45 INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW from Southampton.
7.30 CORONATION STREET First of the regular Friday editions
7.55 HORIZON First of a new series. This one is on why buildings can make you sick.
8.45 BROOKSIDE
9.30 CRACKERS Film comedy with Donald Sutherland, Jack Warden and Sean Penn

SATURDAY, November 4

6.00 POP SPOT
6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
7.15 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL
8.05 RUSS ABBOT
8.35 MURDER SHE WROTE An idyllic weekend turns into terror.
9.20 FFIZZ Hugo has gone missing.
9.45 THE EQUALISER
10.30 SATURDAY MATTERS Sue Lawley meets Jane Fonda, Sir Robin Day and the Editor of *Private Eye*, Ian Hislop.

SUNDAY, November 5

2.55 SPORTSNIGHT includes boxing, rugby and European Cup soccer.
6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits Pitlochry.
7.15 EASTENDERS
8.10 THE HISTORYMAN Breweries and pubs.
8.15 BLANKETY BLANK with Les Dawson.
8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
10.15 HALE AND PACE
10.40 THE WALDEN INTERVIEW

MONDAY, November 6

6.00 SCOOBY DOO
6.20 SPORTSMASTERS
6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 SINCERELY, HAROLD WASHINGTON A shy young man seeks a partner through a dating agency.
8.05 TWIST IN THE TALE A chilling story by Ray Bradbury.

8.30 SOB SISTERS Comedy series.
8.55 THE VET Face to face with a gorilla. (Final in series)
9.25 HARD CASES (Final in series)
10.15 IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH Alf is terrified of the outback.
10.45 WORLD IN ACTION In-depth current affairs.

TUESDAY, November, 7

6.00 THE SNORKS
6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
7.30 DAD'S ARMY Bombers hit a pumping station with Godfrey and Walker inside.
8.00 THE BILL The C.I.D. celebrate after a vicious security van raid is foiled.
8.25 THE BEST OF MAGIC Last in the series.
9.25 CASUALTY.
10.05 THE YOUNG ONES Last in the series.
10.40 FILM '89 Barry Norman reviews *Shirley Valentine*; *The Cook, the Thief, His Wife and Her Lover* and *Old Gringo*.

WEDNESDAY, November 8

6.00 LOST IN SPACE
6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending November 4.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 RAPIDO
8.20 THE HISTORYMAN Longthorne Tower.
8.25 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO Confusion as both the Gestapo and the Italians dress up as British airmen.
9.35 CONFESSIONAL Part two of a four-part thriller.
10.25 THE PLANETS Venus and Mercury.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

6.00 THE BODYMATTERS ROADSHOW Dr Alan Maryon Davis and Maggie Philbin brave the Common Cold unit.
6.30 DOCTOR WHO: Ghost Lights
6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
8.00 THE BILL An old detective can't be found.
8.25 TOP GEAR Motoring magazine.
8.55 SQUARE DEAL
9.20 SARACEN
10.10 SING COUNTRY with Bobby Bare, Earl Thomas Conley, Lorrie Morgan and Pinkerton's Colours.

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Driver praised but then banned

AFTER complimenting Kenneth Stewart on his driving skills, Chief Magistrate Rosie McIlroy fined him £100 at Stanley on October 19 and banned him from driving for a year.

Stewart had admitted being in charge of a tipper truck in Reservoir Road on October 4, having consumed more than the prescribed amount of alcohol. Woman Constable Trudy Hazell, prosecuting, said Stewart was breathalysed after an accident at the entrance to Sullivan's shipyard in which a post was knocked down.

Round the Isles in seven days

NEXT month will see another 'first' in Falkland Island tourism when the cruise ship *Nordbrise* arrives for a seven-day visit. Until now, visiting cruise ships have spent only two or three days to show off the islands to their passengers.

Nordbrise, chartered by Mountain Travel of California, plans two visits, arriving on December 1 and March 12. The 45 passengers on each trip will be accompanied by specialist guides and lecturers.

Defending, Mr Kevin Kilmartin said Stewart had agreed to tow a very long trailer from the Great Britain hotel and while waiting there had consumed a few drinks.

Manoeuvring such a long vehicle into the shipyard was a difficult operation. Stewart helped his father with his bus business in Stanley and the loss of his licence would cause difficulties.

Mrs McIlroy told Stewart: "It was a lot due to your your driving skills that you got that load as far as you did. It may well be that your drinking played no part in your accident."

"In your circumstances, if it were possible to let you keep your licence, I would."



It's a whale of a campaign

YOU can't have missed them. There are more than 20 of them stuck up around Stanley. And they all read: *Say no to whaling*.

They are the billboards created by Mike Butcher of FAWN - *Falklands Against the Whaling Nations* - and part of that organisation's campaign to in-

volve more people in the cause and remind islanders "that we have a roll to play in the protection of these endangered animals and that we may have a unique means of doing so."

Our picture shows activists Mike Butcher and Graham Bound posing symbolically with a harpoon gun



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UK LETTER

from SIR REX HUNT

AUTUMN is with us once again - the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness.

We are certainly getting mists (more accidents on the M25) but I do not know about the fruit. We have no fruit trees in our garden.

Judging from the number of beechmasts and acorns, however, I should say that most trees have been exceptionally fruitful.

The horse-chestnut crop has been a schoolboy's delight. Watching the golf at nearby Wentworth the other day, we were trampling hundreds of shiny brown conkers underfoot.

The leaves started falling some time ago. After the long hot summer, everything seems to have started earlier: the football season; the House of Lords; the party conferences; shopping for Christmas.

I resumed my speaking engagements in places as far afield as

It's a time of hope for the Falklands and the world

'Penguin News' is both proud and delighted to welcome Sir Rex Hunt, who was Governor of the Islands at the time of the Argentine invasion, as a regular contributor. Sir Rex has kindly agreed to take it in turns with Jeff Moir, a member of the Falkland Islands Association Committee in London, to write this feature.

Bury St Edmunds, Reading and Uppingham.

My usual talk is on 'The Falklands: Past, Present and Future' but I had a welcome change last week when I addressed a football referees' association in London.

They were intrigued by my description of the Stanley football field and your league system.

Their technical topic for the evening was whether the referee in a game on the previous Saturday should have awarded a penal-

ty after he had blown for half-time.

Apparently he had failed to see that the linesman's flag was up. After consulting the linesman he had recalled the players and awarded the penalty. Some of his colleagues thought he was wrong, others that he was right. In the absence of a consensus, the chairman's final advice was that the referee should make a point of looking at the linesman before blowing for half-time or full-time.

If only we could settle all disputes in such a neat and practical way! Take our talks with the Argentines for example. We agree to disagree on sovereignty but agree a median line equi-distant from the Falkland Islands and Argentina and recognise each other's right to a 200-mile zone elsewhere.

It sounds simple enough, but diplomats are not football referees. Nevertheless, this is a time of optimism and hope, not only for the Falkland Islands but also for the rest of the world.

Despite natural disasters like earthquakes and hurricanes (we were in Charlotte when 'Hugo' hit) and man-made reverses like the

Tiananmen Square massacre and financial market blues, the world seems a brighter place than it was even six months ago.

The Soviet Union is undergoing fundamental change, Poland has broken its Communist shackles, Hungary has opened its borders and thousands of East Germans have voted with their feet. Perhaps Robert McNamara is right when he says that after 40 years the West has finally won the Cold War. If so, there is a lot of rethinking to be done.

It is far too early to lower our (Western) defences yet, but is it too much to hope that the dream created by Churchill and Roosevelt when they signed the Atlantic Charter might now one day be realised?

I do not minimise the difficulties but, should it come to pass, in this century or the next, and a really effective world peace-keeping force, backed by the super-powers be established, the future security of the Falkland Islands would be assured.

Until then, Britain must continue to defend the Islands for as long as there is a threat from Argentina.

Councillor Luxton writes:-

MAY I please have the opportunity, by means of *Penguin News* to express my most sincere thanks to the Camp electorate for the very large vote of confidence which they gave me in the General Election.

It was a little overwhelming and I hope I am able to live up to it.

However, I go to LegCo and now ExCo as well, secure in the knowledge that nearly all of us share the same views about any involvement by Argentina in our affairs - a firm desire that there should be no such thing for the foreseeable future.

Councillor Edwards writes:-

WOULD you be kind enough to express my thanks to the people who sponsored, supported and voted for me during the election.

I hope in due course to visit constituents in the Camp who don't have a councillor near at hand, and will be pleased to hear from anyone via 2-metre or AEL. And, of course, once the phones are installed anyone may ring me at any time. However, our phone is not due until February, so, until then, I hope people won't mind using the public network. If they have a problem they don't wish to discuss on the air, I shall be only too happy, to answer any letters.

ALL GO FOR BROWNIES AND GUIDES

Glad to be here



Kevin ... hoping to stay

ONE man living life to the full in the Falklands and with every reason for wanting to stay on - and on - is Sgt Kevin Ormond of the Army Catering Corps.

The reason? He is married to local girl, Teena, whom he met at Goose Green when he was here during the conflict, fighting with 2 Para.

Now, Sgt Ormond has been given a second year's extension to his tour and hopes to stay on until he leaves the army in 1993.

Teena was on her way from Stanley to Weddell Island when she was stopped and imprisoned by the Argies at Goose Green.

Romance bloomed when, after the liberation, she and Kevin found themselves together cooking for the Islanders, the soldiers and even the Argentine prisoners. Now Kevin is at Look-out Camp where he and Teena live with their two daughters.

THE Islands' Brownies and Guides are now firmly and officially part of the organisation's worldwide fellowship.

Miss Mary Willatt, one of the movement's international trainers, has just spent four-and-a-half days (from Tristar to Tristar) in Stanley training the new leaders and setting up an infrastructure for their association.

No-one seems to know when the last Brownie pack or Guide company existed in the Falklands, but one thing is certain: There are now 24 Brownies and 25 Guides in Stanley - and all are very keen.

Brownie Brown Owl is Mrs Sue Martin who is helped by Mrs Nicky Luxton, Maria Browning and Linda Burnard.

There are five Guide Guiders - Kereena MacDonald, Beulah Kluznick, Lesley Titterton, Jane Swales and Fran Bullock and two Ranger Guides - Marion Purvis and Rhoda Metcalf.

Training took place in private

homes and Miss Willatt reported: "Everyone was most enthusiastic and had already been planning for the future."

The Governor's wife, Mrs Arlene Fullerton, is the power behind the new organisation. She visited Guide Headquarters in London and asked about setting up a Guide company here. She will also be president of the local Guide council set up to manage the Falklands association.

Miss Willatt is a volunteer and fitted in her Falklands trip during her half-term as a primary school teacher.

She has been in the movement since she was seven and, as a trainer, has travelled all over the world, including Kiribati and Tuvalu in the Pacific and the Caribbean.

On one occasion she was lying on a beach when, unknowingly, she put her handbag down on top of a group of hermit crabs.

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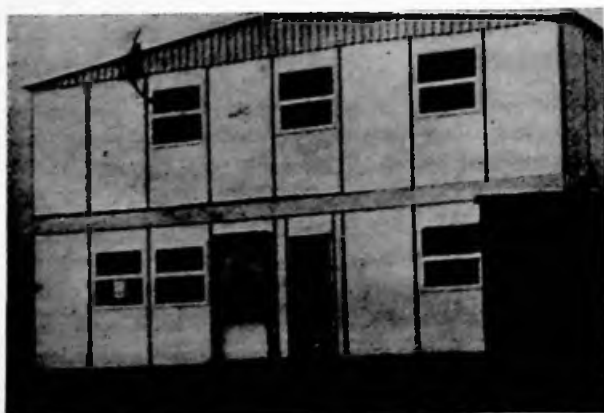
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Court slates doctor

A WOMAN doctor who has left the Islands came in for heavy criticism at Stanley magistrates' court.

Commenting at an adjourned drink-and-drive case, Chief Magistrate Rosie McIlroy said: "I am most annoyed that she behaved with what appears to be a total lack of responsibility . . . I hope in future care will be taken inside the Medical Department to stop such irresponsible behaviour by doctors."

"It is a great pity the doctor involved has left the colony, otherwise she would have been

required to give evidence before the court to explain her actions - or lack of them."

Gavin Browning of Stanley was fined £100 and banned for 12 months for driving while unfit through drink. He was also fined £50 for driving without a licence and £20 for failing to show his insurance certificate.

He was given 14 days to pay and pleaded not guilty on all counts.

When Constables Longley and Bell saw Browning's Land-Rover in Davis Street on August 30 it was swerving about the road. P.c.

Longley said Browning's speech was slurred and he smelled of drink.

Browning said he was an asthmatic and could not use the breathyliser.

So the police took him to KEMH for a medical examination. They arrived at 10.18pm but were not seen until 11.45pm when an examination took place.

Commented Mrs McIlroy: "It seems to have been a somewhat perfunctory affair which the constable estimated as lasting two minutes. We are completely in the

dark however as to what the doctor's evidence is as she has left the colony without seeing fit to produce a report or even, according to the evidence, making a written note for the hospital records.

"It may be that her examination would have been unable to tell us anything anyway. I have myself training and experience in the field of forensic medicine and I cannot conceive of the fact that a competent examination could ever be carried out in two minutes."

"In any event since Mr Browning was taken to the hospital at 10.18pm and did not see a doctor until 11.45pm any evidence that the doctor had seen fit to give us would have lost credibility anyway because of the time lapse."

On the licence charge Mrs McIlroy said there was one strong mitigating factor. Browning's licence - for motor cycles only - had been marked in a most ambiguous manner.

As to the insurance. He had shown the certificate to police but only when they had visited him on another matter. He had not shown it at the time and place required.

Doug scrabbles in £600

DOUG Legg, the man from ARC who played Scrabble for 48 hours non-stop last weekend, helped to raise about £600 for Jelly Tots, the Stanley mothers-and-children group.

Apart from a couple of baths, Doug sat at his board in the King Edward Memorial Hospital day centre from midnight Friday until midnight Sunday.

Meals were brought in from the Upland Goose and Malvina House hotels.

The target of 20,000 points was passed with six hours to spare as around 25 people arrived to challenge Doug in 57 games. Despite being so tired he lost only eight. Doug is on a two-year tour in the Islands. He told *Penguin News*: "All this

time I've been looking for someone to play Scrabble with - but without success."

"Now I have only two weeks to go I have been meeting plenty!"

Jelly Tot committee members had earlier gone round town knocking on doors for sponsors. "We had only three refusals," said one member.

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My job: To help Islanders get the life they want

THE one thing that might strike you as strange about His Excellency William Hugh Fullerton, Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George, Governor of the Falkland Islands and Commissioner for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, is that he is an expert in Arab affairs.

So what is he doing so far from Riyadh? Surely, even the Foreign and Commonwealth Office cannot confuse the Camp with rolling desert.

But Mr Fullerton does not think it at all odd that he should be posted here. "It is Foreign Office policy that one spends about two thirds of one's time using one's speciality and the other third taking a break from it and broadening the mind . . . I think that's a good thing."

The head of the Falkland Islands section at the Foreign Office, David Tatham, he's an Arabist too. As indeed is the British Ambassador in Washington and also the head of the Diplomatic Service."

Before coming to Stanley, Mr Fullerton had been on loan to the Ministry of Defence working for the Defence Export Service. He had been involved in the mega-sale of Tornado aircraft to the Saudis.

Next week he will have clocked up one full year at Government House.

Are the Falklands anything like he thought they would be?

"Pretty much," he says, "because I had done some research and seen some videos. But there is much more going on than I expected. Life is much more busy and more varied."

And what, looking back over that year has given him most job satisfaction or pleasure?

The question stops him for a moment while he tries to decide . . . "My wife and I have had so many new and enjoyable experiences it would take about two weeks to decide from the myriad of things we have done."

He pauses again, then says: "Possibly presiding over a legislative council which is something I had never done before - in fact, not many other diplomats have done it either. It was a most interesting and broadening experience and a privilege."

And what about the future and the great changes everyone is talking about?

"What we are looking for is the best of what we can get in the way of modern infrastructure while preserving what the islanders want themselves of their traditional way of life."

"It's for the Islanders to decide . . . and when they tell us what to do we try to do it."

"It is a fact that the Islanders are responsible for almost everything except defence and



Governor William Fullerton

foreign policy. It is the Islanders who make the decisions and in my time here I have never seen the officers who are *ex-officio* members of the Executive Council vote."

But even on aspects of foreign affairs, local councillors can and do make their views known through Mr. Fullerton to the Foreign Office and London can take action on their behalf.

He cites the case of whaling when a protest resolution from the Council was passed to Whitehall, then on to the Japanese government.

All during the interview Mr Fullerton kept stressing . . . "It's what the Islanders want . . . it's nothing to do with anyone else."

So what about the differential between what an Islander earns and what an ex-pat earns for the same job?

The Governor gave the stock reply. You could not expect people to disrupt their lives at home and travel thousands of miles to a land they had never seen, without some financial incentive.

But hadn't he missed the point? No-one denied that. It wasn't a question of should the ex-pats be paid less, rather one of shouldn't the locals be paid as much?

A diplomatic shrug. "It's a question of finance. If the Islands can find the additional funds that would be fine, but FIG are actually working on evening out the difference. It may well be that salaries will soon be the same with only a simple inducement element for ex-patriates."

In any case, he added, unskilled wages here were about the same as in the UK.

Fifty-year-old Mr Fullerton joined the Foreign Office from Shell in 1965 and since then has served in Lebanon, Saudi, the UN in New York, Jamaica and Turkey. He was later consul general in Islamabad, Pakistan, and was ambassador to Somalia before being lent to the Ministry of Defence.

He was married in 1968 and has a daughter, Elizabeth who is now 19 and reading French and German at New College, Oxford. A keen environmentalist - hence his interest

in the 'Clean up Stanley' campaign - Mr Fullerton lists his hobbies as travelling in remote places, sailing, reading and walking.

Having enjoyed a year in the Falklands, how does he feel about the future? "I cannot see any fundamental change in the status of the islands in the years to come. The British public must fully see that we went to war for a principle - a war in which soldiers on both sides have died . . . we can't possibly change."

And he has no time for those in Britain who bleat about the cost of Fortress Falklands. He says: "It isn't so much . . . £54 million a year, that's about the price of two Tornados."

Then he lists the training benefits that the Islands provide for the forces. Naval captains have more freedom to manoeuvre and show their initiative than when attached to a large fleet; the infantry gain experience of a different terrain and have a superb firing range, while for the RAF, the Falklands must be the only place in the world where low flying is actually appreciated by many inhabitants.

No UK civil aid comes to the Islands.

Then he goes off on a slightly different tack - and could their be a flash of anger in those calm, diplomatic eyes? "Some people seem to think the Falklands are rolling in money . . . What rubbish!" And he lists the items on which the cash is being spent - roads, school, new homes, the pool . . . "And hopefully some in the reserves. All that does not leave much change out of £30 million."

The new senior school - the Governor describes it as "the Rolls-Royce" of schools - will cost a small fortune. But, says His Excellency, that's what the Islanders wanted. And he sympathised with that.

One thing is for sure: he would like to see the clean-up campaign carry on. "I appreciate Stanley is a working town," he says. "It's a real place, but I would like to see it a little tidier."

He would also like to see plans being brought to fruition so that people could see how the money was being spent and that they were getting good value for it.

But most of all he would like to see a 'pulling together' of all the people. For example, the popular feeling that when it comes to jobs, the British get first choice was just not true. People who wanted to see more Islanders in top jobs were knocking at an open door as far as he or anyone else was concerned. There was certainly no policy to put the British first.

But with a population of only 2,000 the islands were just not able to supply all the talent they needed. There had to be some people brought in from outside - but he hoped they would not be looked upon as outsiders.

He accepted that there had been unfortunate experiences in the past but he thought the ex-patriates here now were doing a good, professional job and making a substantial contribution.

Penguin News

Voice of the Falklands

Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands.

WELCOME back! *Penguin News* is certainly pleased to be with you all again.

And following the sell-out success of our *Election Special* - in fact we had to restock some shops in Stanley - we hope to be with you now for a long time to come ... regularly every other Friday.

But first we must make a few points clear:-

● Number one, if only because it concerns money, is about subscriptions.

The new *Penguin News* inherited no records whatever from its predecessor. We have no information on how many papers were ordered by whom or where. We have no copy of accounts.

What we did find among the rubbish that filled eight plastic sacks and six large cardboard boxes was a list of overseas names and addresses which had been copied several times.

We are treating this as a subscription list and will fulfill the obligations this implies.

When it comes to Camp, however, there is no such list. Some of you have written in and we will try to sort out something for you. In the meantime, if you feel we owe you papers, *let us know*. We will do our best for you.

● Point two is very important.

There seems to be some strange belief that because there has been some financial help from Government in the re-establishment of *Penguin News* the paper has become 'the voice of Ronnie Sampson'.

Rubbish! And Ronnie Sampson knows that as well as anyone.

In any case Ronnie Sampson is the Chief Executive, not the Government. You, the readers of *Penguin News* are more the Government than he is because you elect your councillors and they run the country. Or should do.

But *Penguin News* is not the voice of the councillors either ... or the Governor ... or anyone else. *Penguin News* is the voice of the Falklands and, hopefully, their conscience and advocate. That is why we welcome all letters and articles expressing all shades of opinion.

● Thirdly, we had hoped to have 20 pages. Unfortunately our printing plates appear to have been lost in mid-air (or mid-ocean). We must also be the only news organisation in the world to have produced two editions without a telephone.

Gurkhas dive in for the sake of Stanley museum



John Smith with *Malvinas* bolt

SOUTH Georgia's icy waters proved no barrier for the divers of 69 Gurkha Independent Field Squadron stationed in the Falklands. They inspected the jetty at King Edward Point and dived on the hulks of three whaling ships at Grytviken.

They closed the stop-cocks on one, *Petrel*, and she has since been refloated. There is even talk of towing her back to the Falklands and restoring her.

One of several artifacts the Gurkhas found and presented to Stanley museum curator John Smith, who is well-known in the garrison for his Falklands history lectures, was a four-ton anchor from Stanley harbour. Mr Smith says it is at least 200 years old. It lay in Stanley's outer harbour until shortly after the conflict when it was raised and deposited, temporarily, in the bay opposite the Upland Goose hotel. The team also investigated two interesting wrecks off Saunders. One was the coast-er *Malvinas*, the first vessel in Falkland waters to use both an engine and sail. The Gurkhas recovered parts of the engine and a large iron bolt used to secure her woodwork.

The other vessel was an 18th century sealer. One man more than sorry to see the Gurkhas go was John Smith: "They have been a tremendous help to us," he said.



On parade ... the FIDF present arms to the Governor

We want nothing to do with the Argentines

IT was swearing-in time at Stanley on October 16 when the Islands' eight new councillors took the oath.

And those new councillors who spoke all declared they wanted nothing whatever to do with Argentina.

The FIDF paraded in the rain and presented arms to the Governor, Mr William Fullerton, who was in full-dress uniform.

Attorney General David Lang was in wig and gown.

Speaking on the motion to adjourn, Cllr Ronald Binnie (Camp) said: "The electorate of these islands do not want, under any circumstances, any part of any agreement which may allow Argentina access to, or participation in Falkland Islands affairs."

Cllr Terence Peck (Stanley) spoke of the future. "I foresee the following few months as being very critical. A very careful appraisal of our country's economy must be our first priority. "Decisions will be made: they will

not be applauded by some but they will be made nevertheless, because it will be in the people's and country's best interest."

Of Argentina he said, "We must have a 200-mile limit around our islands. We must be recognised to have the right of self-determination."

"Argentina could and should recognise our country and the rights of its people and they would then receive the respect of the International World."

"By continuing to be the big bully boy there can be no respect. Their implied threats and aggressive statements further convince us in the Falklands that there can never be any links with Argentina."

Referring to the Madrid talks, Cllr Mrs Norma Edwards (Camp) said: "We have no objection at all to Britain and Argentina renewing relations and repairing fences but we really feel strongly that we have to be careful that we don't go down the slippery slope of the seventies again and we have to make sure there is no involvement by Argentina either in our waters or certainly in the Islands themselves."

"But apart from that we wish them well with their talks."

Mrs Edwards also warned about money. "We are all fresh and raring to go," she said, "and think we are going to move mountains. I don't expect we will but we will have a go anyway."

"One of the big things I think we are going to find is that we haven't the money we thought we had available to do all the things that we will want to do, so a fair warning to the people of the Falklands that maybe not everything that they hoped would happen in the four years is going to happen."

Cllr Harold Rowlands (Stanley) referred to his days as Financial



Attorney General David Lang administers oath to Terence Peck

Secretary. He said it would give him great pleasure to sit where he could keep an eye on his successor. He also criticised the lack of information available on Council affairs and suggested a short broadcast every evening.

Mr John Buckland-James the Financial Secretary said he was delighted to feel he would have Harold's beady eye upon him.

The Chief Executive, Ronald Sampson, said the new Legco would see the opening of the new swimming pool; the commissioning, building and first terms of the new school; the first real progress in Camp routes and housing.

It would also be able to play a part in the diversification of the economy and "given the right lead they should also be able to oversee the greatest degree of 'Falklandisation' that the islands have known."

Not that the Islands were doing terribly badly in that respect already.

"Where else in the world would you find a population of 2,000 that produces eight Legislative Councillors, not to mention the eight that have just started a long holiday, but seven department heads and many many more filling key posts including a Representative in London."

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Now the parents of these children told them firmly they would have to be careful and did their best to instruct them in road craft.

It was lucky for the child in question that the driver knew of the danger and was going slowly.

Had the child encountered the irresponsible 40mph lunatic, or the drunk driver, he would now be dead. So what can we do about the problem?

A few phone calls to the police could stop the speed merchant. And we could have a play park for children at the west end of town

Woman about TOWN

(similar to the one in the centre but equipped with slides, roundabouts and swings and things).

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Children will have a road of their own. Vehicles will be permitted - but only for access.

I don't want to read how a child on a bike was killed by a speeding motorist in Ross Road West. Nor do I want to hear the words: *It was only a matter of time.*

Diary of a FARMER'S WIFE OR An everyday story of Camp folk

WELL, I did think Spring had sprung - daffodils blooming, sickly lamb reviving in the Rayburn and clucky hens everywhere - but now I'm not so sure.

A vicious frost has massacred many an unwary potato and precocious lettuce in other peoples' gardens and polyhouses and I was grateful our garden is dug but not yet planted.

Then came icy winds that find every possible way into our house. Our pups Sam and Floss seem unconcerned - they delight in the wind, playing happily at *Chase My Tail* and *Hunt the Bone*, the latter, a favourite with generations of pups, explaining the dearth of flowers in our garden.

The horses are in for delousing but in this gale I am the one that would get deloused, so they will have to wait.

Jody, also known as "The Donkey", needs her feet trimming and I am dreading it. Not

only are they the worst I have seen for for shape and crackability but she weighs a fair old bit and loathes being touched. Giving her a pedicure is like wrestling an agile elephant. And it always ends in tears - mine.

Lambs are still appearing; our Merino has quite a few and the young ewes and mainflock are doing well. To my delight and most other people's disgust the Jacob ram is throwing sooty black lambs. (A blue raddle shows where he has been, while it's red for the Merino.)

In the garden 'rough piece' (to distinguish it from the not-quite-so-rough piece) we have three pet lambs including a Merino-cross A.I., Sheila, and Tina, found by an R & R. lad.

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Times have changed, so lay off the police, Bill!

HAVING learned I am one of the few that didn't vote for Bill Luxton I feel that at least one person should highlight what I consider to be the disgraceful outpourings of his personal view that appeared in his election speech.

I, along with a large proportion of the Camp voters applaud Bill's positive views on tracks, Argie-Falkland relations, the 200-mile economic zone etc.

Bill will make a great ambassador for the Falklands on the international scene being seemingly relaxed and composed in these circles.

However, I do find his views on the police, especially because they come from someone with a big personal influence in the Islands, unacceptable.

Nobody likes the police's high profile. It is a big change from the

old days. But it is no longer the old days.

Today, temptation abounds and traffic has increased dramatically with a lot of heavy vehicles.

Who can remember, before the war, people stealing vehicles and smashing them up; pinching cassette players from Rovers; or breaking and entering.

The police have changed to combat the change.

If there is a need for 24-hour policing it means a three-shift system and there must be a minimum number to work this, plus enough to absorb holidays, illness etc.

The number is only statistically bad because it is calculated against such a small population.

The Police department isn't perfect - what Government department is? But if laws are made and I think I am right in saying they have all been passed by our own Councillors - why start wimping

when you suddenly find you have to conform to them? Bill really stooped to an all-time low when he criticised the breathalser and almost seemed to condone drinking and driving.

I am sure Bill has never considered the possibility that the breathalser has helped the medical department.

Not only are doctors no longer bothered when they are busy, but no longer are they asked to point an accusing finger at someone who might even be a friend.

A gadget does not discriminate. The breathalser makes people think twice before drinking and driving. Drinking and driving is never acceptable. Let's not wait for statistics to prove this.

Lay into the Argies, drive roads through East and West, Bill, but if you want to come into town and party - hire a taxi.

RICHARD STEVENS
Port Sussex

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Miss Joyce Smith,
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Cape Coast, Ghana.

Miss Smith is 23 and her hobbies are cooking and dancing.

Miss Silvia Shirley,
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Cape Coast, Ghana.

Miss Shirley is 24 and her hobbies are exchanging gifts, travel, music and marriage.

Nice place you have here - but where can I park?

STANLEY is a fast-growing town. And it is growing naturally which means that one day it will become a really super place.

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I am told Stanley has one of the highest ratios of vehicles to head of population in the world and already there are parking problems.

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Bank joins computer age

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In the years intervening, rapid economic growth has taken place

and standards of living have been affected by increased prosperity, rising wages and an influx of grant aid.

With the introduction of the Fisheries Conservation Zone, one of the natural resources around the Islands is being protected and has led to a huge boost in earnings for the Falklands.

In recent months there has been

a surge of interest in mortgages - both for new housing and that which is currently available.

It is important that with such a flurry of activity going on that the bank continues to respond to the needs of its customers both in providing finance and professional advice and assistance.

It is also necessary for it continuously to review its operations to maintain an efficient and effective

service to the public and to look at the products it has to offer and identify any new ones that it can introduce.

At present, the Stanley bank still uses hand-written ledgers and statements. However, it will shortly be undertaking a computerisation project aimed at introducing improved services by next March.

It is hoped improved technology will improve the bank's services and lead to better delivery and response times for customers.

New telephone arrangements will start shortly. This will be particularly useful in dealing with the farming sector, where, because of the geographical spread and present poor communications it often takes a substantial amount of time by correspondence to resolve a query.

Now the bank looks forward to being able to pick up the telephone and resolve in a matter of minutes matters that have previously taken weeks.

Both bouquets were arranged by Mrs Iris McPhee.

Donna and Tania wore identical white lace tiered dresses trimmed with pink and pink and white flowers in their hair.

Best man was Tooty's brother, Robert.

Later some 40 guests sat down to a supper prepared by Tooty's parents, Mr and Mrs C. D. Ford.

Then some 400 guests enjoyed a reception at the town hall.

Bells ring out for bride Leann

THE cathedral bells rang in Stanley on October 14 when Leann Whitney married Colin 'Tooty' Ford.

Given away by her father, Dennis, Leann wore a beautiful floor-length white satin gown with a long train set off with panels of lace.

The high neckline was also set in lace while the leg-of-mutton sleeves were satin to the elbow and lace to the wrist.

A three-quarter length veil

was held by a spray of white flowers while her bouquet was of pink roses and fern. The three bridesmaids were Michele Binnie, friend of the bride, and Donna and Tania Ford, Tooty's neices.

Michele wore a pale pink puffball style satin dress with a bow at the back and three-quarter length sleeves. Her white hat was set off by a pink rose. She carried a bouquet similar to the bride's.



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Smith a mighty man is he

Patrick Watts takes a farewell look at the 1989 darts scene

THE Falklands top darts player, Colin Smith, added yet another title to his ever-increasing total when he took the £150 first prize in the 'Three Bars' championship.

He had already proved victorious in the 1989 'Witte Boyd' and 'Governor's Cup'.

His triumph in this latest tournament came after a thrilling encounter with Gary Hewitt who lost earlier to Smith in the 'Witte Boyd'.

Smith's overall record of title wins in all major competitions is unrivalled in Falklands darts history: he has nine outright victories and two runners-up positions to add to his further 10 League titles of various categories.

This season he remained unbeaten in League games winning an incredible 91 legs from a possible 96 to clinch the title for the second year in a row. (He was runner-up in the five previous seasons). Colin also won the Individual Knockout tournament for the third time in succession.

The breakdown of his major title wins is most impressive:-

GOVERNOR'S CUP: Champion 1981, 1987, 1989.

JOHNNIE WALKER: Champion 1983, 1987, 1988. Runner-up 1985.

THREE BARS: Champion 1987, 1989.

WITTE BOYD: Champion 1989. Runner-up 1988.

INDIVIDUAL KNOCKOUT: Champion 1987, 1988, 1989. Third 1981.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP: Champion 1988, 1989. Runner-up 1981, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987.

BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE: (Aggregate of all 100s, 101 plus three-dart finishes etc.) Champion 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989. Runner-up 1981, 1984.

While, understandably, Smith's latest performance in the 'Three Bars' individual knockout tournament attracted most attention, his opponent in the final, Gary Hewitt, also produced an excellent display in a competition that probably produced the highest standard of dart playing ever seen in the Falklands.

This was in no small way attributable to the appearance of a

group of very good players from Mount Pleasant.

Two of the military players, Steve Martin and Simon Grindley reached the semi-final and it required a supreme effort by the two local players to prevent something that has never happened in Falklands darts history - an all-serviceman final.

Both Gary Hewitt and Colin Smith later admitted they had had to "go up a gear" to hold off the challenge. Their opponents also, quite naturally had to contend with a partisan audience.

It would not be frivolous to say that several recent big tournaments have lacked some sparkle as the local lads, Smith, Hewitt and the Ford Brothers have tended to monopolise the events, becoming rather complacent.

The 1989 'Three Bars' championship made them all search for their best form and, as it transpired, both Smith and Hewitt were equal to the challenge on the night.

It is difficult to recall a game in the Town Hall where a player has scored two tens in a row and still lose. But that is what happened to Grindley in his semi-final.

If ever the advent of matches being played over 501, coupled with a straight start and double finish, needed a boost locally then this tournament provided that thrust.

Spectators, commentators and players watched enthralled as the final eight players produced a standard rarely seen in the Islands.

All the players later remarked that playing over 501, as opposed to 301, gave them the chance for several big scores before they had to start adjusting for a double finish.

In the first semi-final Hewitt quickly established a 2-0 lead in the best-of-five-legs game, winning the first in a moderate 24 darts but taking the second in a brilliant 15. His scores were 125, 100, 180, 78, which left him with 18. This he scored with a 9, 1 and double 4.

Smith took leg three in 21 darts and legs 4 and 5 in 19.

Hewitt then went "off the boil" allowing his opponent back in the game. Martin seized his chance to take the third leg in unspectacular fashion (30 darts) and the fourth in just 20, knocking up a ton and a 95 en route before leaving himself with 62 which he scored with a splendid treble 10 and double 16.

The fifth and deciding leg was another excellent game with Hewitt holding the edge all the way with scores of 85, 121, 81, 60, 60, and 79, leaving himself with 15 which he scored in two darts with a 7 and double 4.

Martin's ton came just a little too late to matter.

In the second semi-final both players produced some massive scores and Colin Smith had to be at his best to overcome Simon Grindley by 3-1.

Smith narrowly missed a 15-dart first leg, hitting a 25 when needing a bull. He eventually went out on double 4 in 24 darts having earlier scored 100, 140, 80, 60 and 96.

Grindley played superbly to take the second leg in 22 darts with scores of 100, 100, 60, 60, 60, 53 and 52 before going out on double 8.

Smith took the third leg in 20 darts with some more spectacular scoring . . . 60, 140, 85, 60, 118 and 22 before completing with a double 8.

The fourth and, as it transpired, final leg again saw both men hit massive scores. Smith (43, 60, 100, 100, 83 and 99) leaving 16 which he scored with double 8. Grindley, meanwhile, had notched up 100, 100, 60, 60, 60, 39, 37.

The final was another great match with Gary Hewitt coming back from one leg down to square it at 1-1, but his brave fight back ended then and there for Colin romped away with the next three legs leaving Gary just out of reach on each occasion.

Gary's second leg performance included another maximum of 180 and this coupled with a score of 140 gave him the game in 26 darts.

Smith took leg three in 21 darts and legs 4 and 5 in 19.

FINAL PLACINGS:
1st Smith - £150
2nd Gary Hewitt - £80
3rd Simon Grindley - £40
4th Steve Martin - £40.

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Sybella makes the top after 11 years

SYBELLA Summers must have thought she was destined never to win a major individual title, but 11 years after appearing in her first final, she won the Ladies' Tournament this year.

And she showed her happiness when she threw her hands high in the air to acknowledge the crowd's applause.

Top woman player of the season and favourite for the tournament was Joan Middleton surprisingly lost in the quarter-finals to Nora Smith, mother of champion Colin.

Nora then went out to Shel-

ley McKay, while in the other semi-final Sybella Summers turned back the challenge of Petula Clark.

Petula had caused a major shock in the quarter-finals by defeating Margaret Goss of Horseshoe Bay but she found Sybella on top form in an entertaining semi-final.

The overall standard of the tournament was high and the prize money reflected the interest there now is in women's darts.

Sybella took home £100, runner-up Shelley £50 and the two losing semi-finalists £25.



A spring wedding for Stephanie

OCTOBER 21 is a date Stephanie Courts and Brian Middleton will never forget. For that is when they were married at Stanley Cathedral by the Rev Nicholas Rundle.

Most of the large number of

family and friends who attended received a good share of the rice and confetti as the strong Spring winds haphazardly redistributed the offerings.

Later, a dance at the town hall lasted until the small hours.



'Rescue' at the pool

STANLEY'S long-awaited swimming pool is still not open, but on October 22 the public went along to see what it will look like when they are finally allowed in.

A steady stream of visitors looked at the water hopefully and peered into the dressing

rooms. Most people seemed to be genuinely impressed. And when they had gone away future lifeguard Emma Reid was put through a mock test - part of her training before she can work at the pool.

Here she is 'rescuing' one of her friends.

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IS THIS THE LAST

VISIT OF AES?

Gas leak stops the Royal occasion

IT was business as usual yesterday for the disappointed staff at Falkland House, the Islands' prestige new offices in London's Broadway.

All trace of the escaping gas that had caused such trouble and ruined the Royal visit on Wednesday had been dispersed.

Then, the ceremonial opening by the Duchess of York had had to be cancelled when police sniffer dogs detected the fumes emanating from a damaged main outside the building.

Immediately, that part of the road fronting the office was closed (although the public were still able to use

St James's Park Underground station which is opposite).

The Duchess had already left Chelmsford, in Essex, where she had had an earlier engagement.

Mr Lewis Clifton, the Falkland Islands Government representative in London had been due to meet the Duchess. Among 70 other disappointed VIPs were the Governor and Mrs Fullerton and Cllrs Norma Edwards and Harold Rowlands.

It could take more than six months to arrange another Royal date. Meanwhile the Falkland Island flag flies defiantly from its new masthead.

THE Falkland Island Company confirmed this week that it was seriously considering ending its charter of AES, the Islands' main cargo ship link with the UK for 17 years.

Said Terry Spruce, the company's Islands manager: "We are considering withdrawal. The company is always conscious of cost. There will be a new vessel to carry the pre-Christmas wool clip and another, larger, ship to run the second and third wool voyages."

Neither of the two new ships has yet been named as negotiations are still in progress.

Recently, the AES - owned in Denmark but registered in the Bahamas - has been dogged by bad luck. On this trip in Stanley her

No. 3 winch began to spurt oil and had to be shut down during repairs - as was No. 4 winch to which it is connected.

This was expected to cause an 18-hour delay.

Earlier this year AES was delayed when she went to the assistance of *Asifa* and had to tow her. Later, the AES broke down and was longer in dry dock than expected.

Her crew consists of three Danish officers, a Spaniard, two Chileans and a Colombian. A Dutch sailor signed off at Stanley.

She normally carries about 1,000 tons of cargo. This trip she had two houses aboard.

AES is chartered by Darwin Shipping, a subsidiary of FIC. The initials stand for A. E. Sorenson, the name of the original owner.

Marching along to £1,000



TODDLERS turned out in force to meet the seven soldiers who marched from MPA to Stanley to raise more than £1,000 for Stanley Nursery School.

Leading the squad was Sgt Kevin Ormond, master-chef at SAD, whose three-year-old

daughter, Terri-Anne, attends the school.

With him were L/Cpl Steve Jackson, Ranger Ian Taggerty, Driver Rob Ford, and L/Cpl 'Higgy' Hignet from SAD; L/Cpl Graham Morris from the MT unit at MPA and L/Cpl

Daren Morgan stationed at Stanley hospital.

The marchers were met outside St Mary's Catholic Church with balloons and a big banner.

But the soldiers, lying on the presbytery lawn recovering were almost too tired to notice.



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FRIDAY, November 17

6.00 COUNT DUCKULA
6.20 BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY with Sarah Kennedy.
6.45 BANANAMAN
6.50 MAGIC OF DAVID COPPERFIELD who attempts to unravel the mystery of the Bermuda Triangle.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 HORIZON A technique that will revolutionise doctors' work, the environment and the purity of food.
8.45 BROOKSIDE
9.30 CHINA HAND Film in which David Soul searches for missing gold.

SATURDAY, November 18

6.00 POP SPOT
6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
7.15 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL
8.05 RUSS ABBOT gets involved with the Barrats of Wimpole Street.
8.35 MURDER SHE WROTE Jessica investigates the murder of a gem dealer
9.20 FIZZ
9.40 THE EQUALISER
10.25 SATURDAY MATTERS Sue Lawley meets Edwina Currie, Dorothy Lamour, Kathryn Grayson and Van Johnson.

SUNDAY, November 19

3.45 SPORTSNIGHT includes boxing (McAuley v Penalosa) and Rugby Special.
6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits Hereford.
7.15 EASTENDERS Halloween at the Vic.
8.15 BLANKETY BLANK with Les Dawson.
8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
10.15 HALE AND PACE
10.40 INSIDE STORYT New series starts with story of how Britain's secret service was hoodwinked by the KGB.

MONDAY, November 20

6.00 SCOOPY DOO
6.20 SPORTSMASTERS
6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.

7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 FRESH FIELDS
8.20 TANAMERA: LION OF SINGAPORE The price of forbidden love.
9.10 THE ROBBIE COLTRANE SPECIAL
10.00 NAKED VIDEO Batmania special in which the jokers get their revenge on the Caped Crusader. 10.30 WORLD IN ACTION In-depth current affairs.

TUESDAY, November, 21

6.00 THE SNORKS
6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
7.30 DAD'S ARMY helping with the harvest.
8.00 THE BILL
8.25 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT
9.15 CASUALTY.
10.05 BLACKADDER GOES FORTH
10.35 FILM '89 Barry Norman reviews *The Rachel Papers* and *The Cook, the Thief, His Wife and Her Lover!*

WEDNESDAY, November 22

6.00 LOST IN SPACE
6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending November 18.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 RAPIDO
8.25 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO Rene and staff undertake to rescue the British airmen 9.35 CONFSSIONAL Final episoder.
10.25 THE PLANETS Mars.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

6.00 THE BODYMATTERS ROADSHOW
6.30 DOCTOR WHO: The Curse of Fenric
6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
8.00 THE BILL
8.25 TOP GEAR Motorcycle Show special.
8.55 SQUARE DEAL
9.20 SARACEN
10.10 SING COUNTRY from the Festival of Country Music, Wembley.
10.40 SCENE HERE BFG magazine programme

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Jelly Tots choose committee Arthur Turner sent to gaol for 3 months

STANLEY'S Jelly Tot club for mothers and toddlers held a general meeting on October 30 to agree a constitution and elect a committee.

The officers, who will hold their positions until the annual general meeting next July, are: Chairperson, Christel Mercer; Secretary, Marilyn Hall; and Treasurer, Stella Prindle-Middleton. Other committee members are: Sharon Zuvic-Bulic and Vanda MacDonald.

Two trustees, appointed for a period of three years, were: Lorraine McGill and Phyllis Rendell.

Members also put on record their thanks to Doug Legg for his 48-hour effort in the Scrabble marathon.

ARTHUR Turner, a well-known Island horseman and Sports Day competitor, was gaoled for three months at Stanley on November 1.

He had pleaded not guilty to causing Jason Davis actual bodily harm at Stanley on Friday, October 27 in Philomel Street.

Mr Kevin Kilmartin, defending, said that late on the Sunday night, Davis had started to beat up Turner's sister, Andrea, and both had ended up in hospital for treatment.

Andrea suffered bruises and a scarred knee. Davis had a broken hand.

Arthur Turner arrived in town the next day and heard what had happened. However, he agreed to do nothing that might jeopardise

his position in regard to a suspended prison sentence. (Imposed for a previous assault on Davis causing actual bodily harm)

On the Wednesday ExCo recommended that Davis be deported. This, said Mr Kilmartin, gave the police power to take someone into custody. However, although the decision was taken on the Wednesday, the Governor did not sign the order until late on Friday and it was not served on Davis until after the weekend by which time the two men had met.

"In the circumstances", said Mr Kilmartin, "Mr Davis, walking the streets of Stanley, was a provocation to a number of people, not just Mr Turner."

He submitted that Turner was wrong, Davis was wrong and that the police, ExCo, the Governor and the Attorney General's department had all made mistakes.

Confirming the previous three-month sentence and sentencing Turner to another three months to run concurrently, Senior Magistrate, "Mrs Rosie McIlroy, said Davis's hand was bandaged at the time of the incident "and we can safely assume Turner saw that."

Mrs McIlroy went on: "I believe Mr Turner when he tells the

court that he did not intend to hit Mr Davis when he stopped him.

"I believe him when he says he thought Mr Davis was going to strike first.

"But I do not, cannot, believe that the amount of force used was necessary in his defence."

She doubted Mr Turner's evidence when he said that when Davis had walked away from the fight there was nothing wrong with him.

That was not the doctor's view. Turner was a strong, fit young man. Davis was smaller, thinner and had injuries to an arm and hand.

The blow he allegedly struck did not harm Turner.

On the other hand, Dr Cunningham found that Davis had a loose tooth and a swelling on both sides of the neck.

"The only conclusion one can draw from the facts," said Mrs McIlroy, "is that Mr Turner hit Mr Davis not once, as he claimed, but a good number of times, and therefore any defence he had under the self-defence rule is not valid."

Mrs McIlroy also reprimanded Mr Kilmartin, saying she would not have the Governor or the Attorney General's office criticised in her court.

Time factor beats B-test driver's claim

WHEN Neil McKay appeared at Stanley charged with having drunk more than the prescribed amount of alcohol when driving, he said he had had his drink after leaving his vehicle but before the police breathalysed him.

The senior magistrate, Mrs Rosie McIlroy, said that in a case of this sort the onus of proof shifted to the defence. McKay had produced no corroborating evidence.

According to a British Medical Association report the Breathalysers would register after between 30 and 90 minutes and the reading would increase for quite a period of time.

Any mouth alcohol that may have been present would, accord-

ing to the authorities, have been dissipated within 20 minutes.

Therefore the case was proved.

McKay who was working as a sheep shearer in Goose Green was a valuable member of the Camp community, said Mrs McIlroy. He seemed to think that the police were "after him".

McKay was disqualified for 12 months and fined £200

Christel is commissioner

CHRISTEL Mercer, chairperson of Stanley's mother-and-toddler club, Jelly Tots is to be the first Commissioner of the newly formed Guides and Brownie association in the Islands.

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Practise what you preach

IT IS far too early to comment on the ability of our new councillors.

However, one thing is clear. After a speech at the swearing-in ceremony criticising the way information on public matters was disseminated, the councillors themselves make no attempt to keep all the Press informed about what they do.

Two of them are now in UK; a meeting was held before they left and a report given to local radio. So far, so good.

However, local radio is not the only medium for spreading news in these Islands.

Why were the rest of us not informed?

Do the elected members seriously wish to keep the public fully informed of what they are doing (as indeed Cllr Rowlands seems to think proper)? Or are they interested only in forming a small cabal answerable only to themselves and certain chosen members of the media?

They have started off on the wrong foot - all of them. But it is not too late to get back into step.

Playground

SOME want play-streets; some want an adventure playground; some think today's children get too much given to them anyway.

But the fact remains that unlike children in Camp who have plenty of space in which to run around and make a noise, those in town do not.

Obviously something must be done for them. The swimming pool is a help for some age groups but they have still got to get there and traffic in the capital is becoming heavier and heavier. And more dangerous and more dangerous.

Once again it is a question of cash. Let us hope it is a matter that will be resolved soon.

Find the treasure for £500 reward

STRICTER security checks are facing all people leaving the Falkland Islands and all outgoing mail is being X-rayed.

This is part of the intense police effort aimed at solving the country's second largest robbery - more than £8,000 worth of jewellery from the Gozomie Box gift shop at Mount Pleasant airport.

The two watches shown here are similar to two of those taken. They are worth around £400 each.

And each has an expandable gold bracelet.

Among other pieces stolen were: two-strand cultured pearl bracelet; three-strand cultured pearl bracelet; gold pin brooch with one pearl slightly off-centre; single cultured pearl pendant on gold chain; heavy gold chain; pearl cluster earrings; blue pearl earrings; pearl brooch in the shape of a



bunch of grapes. These were all by Mikimoto.

A bracelet and necklace made of square flat pieces of gold inlaid with emeralds and made by Attwood Sayer are also missing.

You should also look out for a black crewneck pullover with a Mohair label.

Investigations are being carried out by the Special Investigation Branch of the Royal

Military Police and the Falkland Islands police.

The reward, offered by Kelvin International Services who own the Gozomie Box, is for information leading to the conviction of the thief or thieves.

If you have any information, phone the SIB on Military extension 6328 or 6738; or ring Stanley civil police on 27222

Stanley's 'twin' sends a present

AN ornamental paperweight was presented to the Governor, Mr William Fullerton, on behalf of the mayor and townsfolk of Whitby, Yorkshire, Stanley's twin town in England.

Carrying the gift was Sgt C. S. Tonnar who comes from Whitby.

In her letter to the Governor, the Mayor of Whitby, Cllr Dorothy Clegg, said she looked forward to more regular correspondence "with yourself and the people of Port Stanley."

Two hurt in accident

TWO people were taken to the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Stanley last Sunday following an accident between a motor cycle and a Land-Rover at the junction of John Street and Villiers Street.

However, neither Paul Phillips nor Eva Clarke were detained.

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STANLEY SWIMMING POOL OPENS QUIETLY . . . TO A HECTIC RUSH

Plans for adventure on town's Snake Hill

A CAMPAIGN to turn Stanley's Snake Hill into an adventure playground for children is now under way.

A group of interested people - Angela Moffat, Moira Buckland-James, Judy Summers and Margaret Butler - is already checking the viability.

Infant and junior school pupils and teachers have been approached and all are reported keen and coming up with ideas.

It is hoped to fund the venture from business inside and outside the Islands and as a community project.

QUIETLY, almost surreptitiously, after all these years, Stanley's swimming pool opened to the public at mid-day last Monday.

But although the opening may have been low-key, the action certainly was not.

Excluding the schoolchildren from classes Junior 3 and Senior 1, nearly 150 people paid for a swim and of those, 14 bought season tickets.

The children filed down the roads to the pool carrying their FIC plastic shopping bags stuffed with towels and costumes, their eyes alight with excited expectation.

So great was the rush that the superintendent, Jim Fairfield, who was due to go off duty at

3pm, had to stay on until 8.30 to maintain essential lifeguard cover.

"It was pretty hectic," said his wife, Alison, who helps to run the pool. "But we are absolutely delighted."

But Jim's problems did not end at 8.30. A faulty boiler that involved having to lower the water level before replenishing it again, kept him at the pool until after 3am.

Earlier, he and his staff had worn out six wire scrubbing brushes in their efforts to have the pool open by Monday.

That their efforts were all worthwhile was easy to see. Said one happy swimmer: "I really enjoyed it. The water was just right and when I was in the changing rooms I wasn't hit by howling draughts."

Many of the children, too, came back for another go during the public session.

So, at long last, Stanley swimming pool has opened and proved a winner. Early next year, David Wilkie will open it officially. It has been a long haul since the idea was first mooted in a Stanley parish magazine . . . in 1917.

Schools board members named

THE new Education Board will be made up as follows:-

From the Council, Kevin Kilmartin (chairman)

also representing Camp and Gerrard Robson (Stanley); parents, Mrs C. Mercer (under 12s) and Mr L. Harris (over

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SERVICEMEN and women from all branches of the armed forces, together with members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force, Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs, paraded at the Cross of Remembrance last

Sunday to commemorate Armistice Day.

The service was conducted by Canon Gerald Murphy of the Church of England and Father John Dorran, one of Stanley's Roman Catholic priests.

Wreaths were laid by the Chief Executive and Acting Governor, Mr Ronald Sampson; the Commander, British Forces, Falkland Islands; members of the armed forces and representatives of such organisations as the Red Cross.

The Last Post and Reveille were played by Sergeant Bob Purvis, Drum Sergeant of the Green Howards, who comes from Whitby, in Yorkshire.

On Saturday, Father John had accompanied 150 members of the Royal Engineers Field Squadron for a service



Drum Sgt Purvis

at the Sapper Memorial on Sapper Hill. The men marched from the Catholic Church.



Brownies relax before going on parade

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'I'M AFRAID it's a bit Dickensian,' apologises Mrs Merle Christie as she leads a somewhat intricate way up stairways and along twisting passages to the Falkland Island Association offices in London's Greycoat Place.

Mrs Christie is the association's honorary secretary and she runs the office.

Assisting her are two part-time secretaries, Mrs Kay Hellier and Mrs Gwenda Jones, working on a job-share basis, and an honorary membership secretary, Mrs Joan Martin.

Major General Alan Mills still looks after the books although he has retired as honorary treasurer - a job now carried out by David Powell.

The purely voluntary association sees its job as keeping the Falklands in the public eye, helping the islanders to make their wishes about their future known and providing a back-up service to enable them to do this.

There are about 700 members in the UK although surprisingly few ex-patriate Falkland Islanders have joined.

The association is a direct descendant of the Falkland Islands Emergency Committee formed in 1968 when, even then, proving that things don't change, there were fears that Anglo-Argentine talks might lead to a transfer of sovereignty.

At first it acted like a volunteer Falkland Island Government office dealing with political matters, lobbying and advising on immigration and trade.

Gradually, however, since the opening of the official government office in 1982 it has transferred most of its activities. Now, it is more a private Public Relations operation - its major effort being dedicated to producing the quarterly Falkland Islands Newsletter.

Getting this out can be a major job for such a small organisation. Once Major Ronnie Spafford has edited and prepared the journal and the printer has delivered, it is all hands on deck for the 48-hour job of seeing that each one is correctly addressed and circulated. Nearly 4,000 copies are distributed.

Another useful job carried out by Merle Christie and her team is the fielding of questions that the busy government office really has not the time to answer.

These cover a wide range - from schoolchildren asking for stickers and prospective teachers asking what to wear when they arrive, to a letter from an anxious Iranian surgeon who wanted to see all the information available on the Islands.

But perhaps the most fascinating of them all was the one that set Merle Christie off on an investigation like a real-life private eye.

Last January she received a letter from a man who signed himself 'Bluey' Mottershead. 'Bluey' is the secretary of the old wartime 158 (Bomber) Squadron, RAF, and wanted the association's help in tracing a mid-upper gunner from the Falkland Islands who was stationed with the squadron at Lissett, East Yorkshire, just before the war ended.



Merle Christie... Private eye, public relations

The gunner's name was Stephen Courtney. It took Mrs Christie much time and many telephone calls... and although she did not actually locate Mr. Courtney, she did the next best thing.

She discovered he was the half-brother of Don Bonner, the governor's chauffeur in Stanley.

She also discovered that Mr Courtney had been born Gleadall but had changed his name.

One of the association's big dreams at the moment is to re-establish the Falkland Islands Exhibition as a permanent display at the Commonwealth Institute in London.

But such ideas cost an awful lot of money, says Mrs Christie. And as always, money is in short supply.

Nevertheless, the association has been able to chalk up quite a number of good deeds to its credit. It organised the famous Marplan poll that demonstrated once and for all to the world that the Falkland Islanders wish, overwhelmingly, to remain British.

It has, too, published some useful pamphlets, most notably *The Way Forward* which was sent to every parliamentary candidate before the last general election.

The association also helped to form the The Falkland Islands Foundation, a charity with almost the same aims as the National Trust in Britain, being concerned with wild life and the conservation of historic buildings and wrecks.

It was also instrumental in creating the United Kingdom Falkland Islands trust which has sponsored scholarships and agricultural research in the Islands.

The association, too, was responsible for the appeal in 1982 to assist the Islanders after the conflict and the balance of the money left over

has provided a substantial contribution to the new swimming pool.

One of the association's less successful ventures, through no fault of its own, was in 1978 when it formed the South Atlantic Fisheries Committee, which represented not only the entire British fishing industry, but many consumer organisations as well.

A plan for British commercial fishing in the South Atlantic was put to the government who commissioned a study - only to take no notice of it once it was published.

The association was founded by an informal committee chaired by Mrs Christie's husband, Mr E. W. Hunter Christie, the current chairman of the publications committee, who is a well-known London barrister specialising in maritime affairs.

Mrs Christie became involved when the Argentines invaded. She went to work in the office in order to take some of the load off her husband's shoulders.

In fact most of the present committee seem to have become involved in a rather haphazard way. General Mills, for example, knocked at the Christie front door as soon as the conflict started to ask if he could be of any help.

Others called in at the office. Mrs Christie visited the islands in 1987 and was able to make contact with her opposite number in Stanley - Mrs Velma Malcolm who is honorary secretary of the local branch of the association.

When the swimming pool is officially opened next year, members of the association will be invited to the ceremony. They will be able to see the facility to which they have contributed so much and meet the islanders whose interests they have worked so hard to promote.

A SHIP'S bridge looms above the buildings of the FIC jetty, an ungainly black hull rests alongside the pier: the *Black Pig* is preparing to sail once more. Now, having been laid up for six years, she resembles a scrap boat. Her dirty decks clogged with boats, buoys and cables hardly seem worth a second look.

But not so many years ago, just after the conflict, it was a very different story. For then, her ungainly hull was looked out for by the people of Camp as she appeared on the horizon laden with goodies. For many she was the main link with Stanley and the outside world.

Today, Campers still regard her with affection and nostalgia. Officially she was *HMS Falkland Sound* but to the world at large she was, and always will be, the *Black Pig* - named after the flagship of that redoubtable, if somewhat incompetent pirate, Captain Pugwash, whose exploits used to be recorded on children's television.

It's Steve Beldham who is putting some pride back into the old girl. He has just bought her and plans to use her as a workshop for ship repairs - the fishing fleets being obvious customers.

Steve has been involved with ships more or less since 1977 and his experience includes welding on a Channel ferry, repairing a big boiler on a Polish vessel and fixing up the deck of a British trawler in Holland.

A few weeks ago, in Stanley, he was part of a team of seven workers welding the last Coastel to the barge that was taking it to America.

Steve arrived in the Falklands in September, 1983, attracted by a friend's account of life in the South Atlantic.

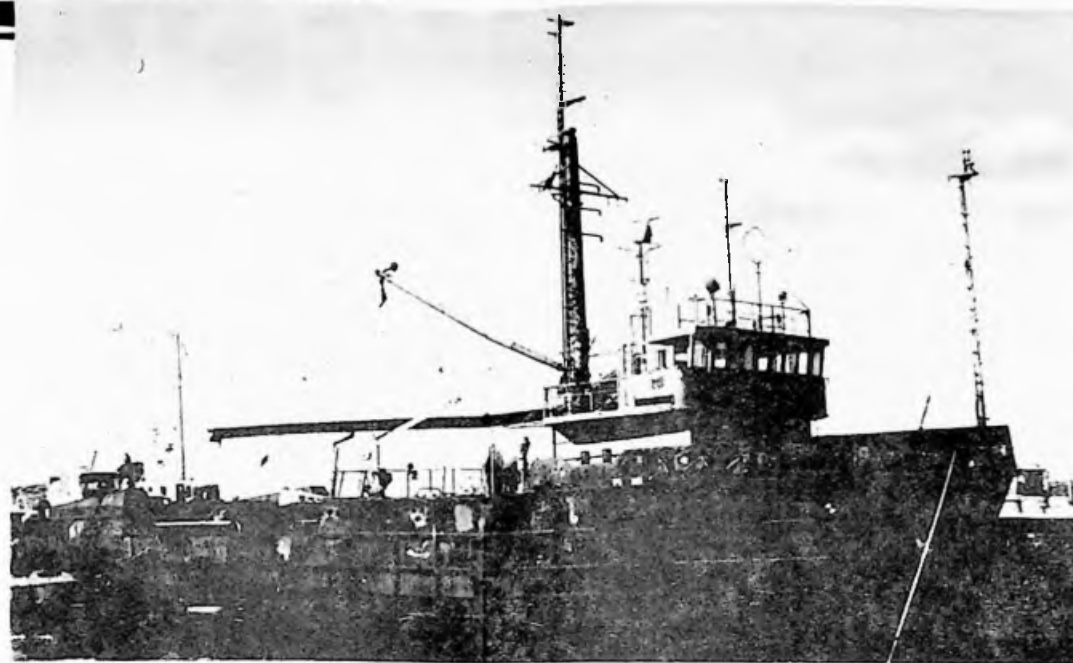
After working for two years at Bluff Cove farm as a general hand and mechanic, he is now living in Stanley.

He spent some time in Europe looking for a suitable ship - one was found in Holland but the first purchaser, an African fishing company without funds, suddenly came up with the money, so he came back to the *Black Pig* project.

He is restoring her and is determined to have her on the move again soon.

"There is a lot of expertise and knowledge in the Islands," says Steve who has received many offers of help

THE good ship *Black Pig* (right) has found its own niche in Falklands history. Here FRANCOISE de la BERNARDIE, herself a sailor, investigates the past, the present and the future of the ship with many names - *Yehuín*, *HMS Falkland Sound*, *Black Pig* - and tells of the man whose ambition it is to refloat her... and of that invisible crew member whose only record is a note in the galley.



The Black Pig and ship's ghost prepare for yet another exciting life at sea



The dream: Steve on the bridge of *Black Pig*

locally. "People are fed up with massive economic failures involving ships and so look favourably upon the *Black Pig* venture which is done locally and privately without aid of any kind."

After the initial shock at the current state of the ship which had been heav-

ily vandalised, Steve spent 10 days surveying every corner and started work with four or five friends.

Things are now moving along. One of the 950hp German-made MWM twin engines is already running after six years of silence.

To make up or adapt the missing parts took four people a full week's work.

Steve did not inherit any papers and the mass of Spanish, German and British spare parts dumped in a corner has yet to be sorted out. And this is where his three years' accumulation of equipment comes in handy. As anyone who has had to fix up a boat without any chance of new parts will know, a junk yard is paradise.

A generator installed by the Royal Navy is in working order. Two more will be needed but should be easy to find.

There are the essential controls on the bridge, two good anchors and the hull is sound - so what's a bit of rust when the steel is 15mm thick?

The nine cabins, galley and head are beginning to look viable again. Every day brings its share of good surprises (a locker full of chain in good condition) or bad news (another locker full of oil that has leaked from a vital part). All in all, moral is high on board.

Built in 1967 in Hamburg, the 900-grt ship started her career in Germany. She was then found in Singapore in 1973. Later as the *Yehuín* - a Patagonian Indian name? - she was run by GeomatterSA of Buenos Aires as an oil rig supply ship in the South Atlantic, bringing crew changes, food, fuel, water and cement.

These supply ships were sometimes called mud boats as instead of cement

they occasionally carried bentonite, which, when mixed with water makes a sort of mud used to pour down the wells and hold down the oil.

The year 1981 saw *Yehuín's* involvement with the Falklands. On March 6, a FIGAS pilot on a normal run from Stanley to Lively Island via Beaver and New Islands with a party of Royal Marines on board spotted her tucked away in French Harbour on Weddell Island. He landed the plane near enough to read the ship's name, then reported the incident.

HMS Endurance sent a plane to investigate and found the captain's excuses of radio trouble and being blown 400 miles off course in heavy gales unconvincing.

The ship was ordered to sail immediately and disappeared for a year. Officials wondered whether she had been testing the British ability to de-

Somewhere a ship's captain must be wondering what has happened to his ship



The reality: Still a long way to go before all is shipshape and Bristol fashion... Some of the mess Steve must clear before the ship can be ready for sea

tect strange ships in Falkland waters.

One afternoon in early May, 1982, *Yehuín* suddenly reappeared in Port Stanley, none the worse for having run the British blockade.

"She just moored alongside the government jetty and unloaded," recalls John Smith. "She was carrying numerous containers and the aft deck was awash with the weight of her mysterious cargo."

The owner-captain - "a pleasant rogue" according to one Islander who met him, had elected to stay on board under the Argentine navy's orders rather than have his ship commandeered and taken from him. Unfortunately for him, shortly after his arrival he fell from the bridge and broke his back. He spent some time in hospital and was flown home two weeks before the conflict ended. (Is he still wondering what happened to his ship?)

On June 15, 1982, she was captured intact and taken over by a crew from *HMS Fearless*. Renamed *HMS Falkland Sound* she operated for a short time taking water and stores to ships in Berkeley Sound and ferrying troops to the *Canberra* for return to the UK.

Then, for two years, she sailed up and down the harbours as a dustbin boat gathering garbage from the accommodation ships and dumping it far away in the ocean: an undistinguished but important job.

Painted black all over and decked with the house flags of each of the ships, the foul-smelling craft came to be known fondly as the *Black Pig*. She

flew her own house flag, displaying a black pig, of course, and only missed a black pig figurehead to resemble her much-feared pirate namesake.

From 1984 to 1986 things were not so good. Captain Pugwash would have been furious. For the good ship *Black Pig* was laid up at Navy Point and visited only by vandals.

FIC bought her in 1986. Towed by the tug *Lively* to her current mooring, she has not moved for three years. She has been used for storing fuel and as a dock for small boats.

Then, in August this year, Steve rescued her from a possible bleak ending as a practice gunnery target.

He proposes to keep the name *Black Pig* - although he looks nothing whatever like Captain Pugwash.

Steve loves the challenge and fun of his new project and goes about his business undeterred by the invisible ship's ghost.

Ghost? Apparently it does exist. I am an incurable romantic and went aboard full of expectations. However, it was morning and I gather the ghost does not like daylight.

Little is known of his history. An Argentine crew member named Perez is known to have hanged himself somewhere aboard. But the only trace of his presence is to be found on a list in the galley, detailing, among other names: Perez - coffee - 2 sugar.

Perhaps one day a screaming cook will let fly a pot of stew and, thanks to Perez' ghost, the crew will have to go hungry.

As a mariner, the sight of a static ship saddens me and I hope that soon we shall see the *Black Pig* back in full splendour sailing off... perhaps for South Georgia? Good luck, Steve!

Too heavy to steal or vandalise... the propellers, at least, are still intact and frame Steve as he goes about his business of restoration



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Diary of a Farmer's Wife

OR AN EVERYDAY STORY OF CAMP FOLK

Just how many lives does a baby chicken have, I wonder?

A DETERMINED little black hen has just hatched 11 out of 14 self-set eggs - a lovely colourful assortment of yellow, black and stripey bundles of fluff, all hell-bent on escaping the maternal clutches (if you'll pardon the pun).

I spend half my time blocking off exits that would defy a black beetle and yet still they appear triumphantly on the wrong side of the run, accompanied by squawks and shrieks from mum.

One particularly noisy outburst alerted me to the fact that Floss the dog had a chick cradled between her paws. She was lying there admiring her trophy when I let out a war whoop that sent her scurrying for cover, new-found friend between jaws.

Rapidly adopting reverse tactics, I told her what a clever dog she was and conned her into bouncing back, tail furiously wagging, to deposit her prize unharmed in my hands. Now thinking of training her as a gun dog.

That same chick obviously has a death wish as it was later rescued from our cats, Cleo and Proper, when a good 50 yards away from mum.

Not sure how many lives chicks

have, but that little chap must be running out fast.

And still the wind blows . . . but at least it's been dry and the shearers are getting a good start to the season. With sub-division, the number of sheds to be visited is increasing, making the logistics of travel and the like more complicated. Perhaps it's more interesting for the gangs now that they spend less time in one place - only they could say.

The two pups helped to bring in the mutton yesterday - great fun for them as they are both as keen as mustard.

They conveniently forgot the "down" command, dropping as

and when they themselves saw fit. Eventually the Boss and I grabbed a squirming, enthusiastic bundle each and let matronly Fly get on with the serious work.

Sam and Floss live in our porch - heaven for inventive pups with all those wellies, boots, brooms and assorted jackets to be tackled and subdued.

The Boss can frequently be seen hopping round the garden in search of a missing boot, muttering sweet nothings. (At least, I think they are sweet nothings).

November 7

Just returned from a weekend break with friends - a short splashy boat ride and Rover trip away.

Bought a nice mare to swell our small troop (now deloused by the way).

Good to see how another farm is developing with the various problems of house, gardens, shearing shed and the rest being gradually overcome.

Had an excellent beach bonfire to roast Mr Fawkes and found that flattish rocks thrown on to embers make satisfying clouds of sparks - homemade fireworks.

Next day we had a barbecue - a huge feed washed down with hot toddies and wine.

An early start this morning got us home before breakfast all the better for our break.

Some shopkeepers really want to have jam on it

BECAUSE I believe in the equality of the sexes and a fair distribution of the workload, I do most of the washing, ironing, dishes, vacuuming, while my husband does most of the shopping and cooking and the children do little bits of everything.

It's because I don't do much shopping that I've probably taken longer than most people to realise things are not all they should be on the food front.

I suppose it's been the gradual progression towards tedious meals, empty cupboards, uninspired freezer and only milk and lettuce in the fridge that eventually prompted me to ask: Why?

Why had I not eaten cornflakes, Special K, Crunchy Nut, tasted fresh orange juice, Double Gloucester, Flora, indulged in ice cream, frozen chips or a packet of crisps (other than the foul out-of-date ones) for absolutely ages?

I was promptly told by my husband that there was precious little on the shelves in the shops and the situation had been like that for nearly two months.

Undaunted, I pursued the matter.

I argued that there was a ship into the Islands every month. Why wasn't this facility being utilised?

I admitted that there had been times in the past when shops

WOMAN ABOUT TOWN

carried less on the shelves and folk still got by. Did that mean we should strive to improve standards?

I suggested folk were earning more and spending it. They wanted to eat healthy and have variety of choice. Were shop managers out of step with current trends in the Islands?

A bit of forward planning or market research wouldn't go amiss.

I pointed out that just because folk were earning more they didn't want to be cheated out of it. And if 99p for a jar of jam wasn't a rip-off, what was?

(Can the shop in question justify that price? Allowing for freight charges and and generous mark-up I consider 63p more than enough for a jar of jam).

Thoroughly disillusioned by Stanley shops, I went to the Church Bazaar and stocked up on pastries, cakes and biscuits.

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MARKET COMMENTARY

THE US dollar opened the week higher and better than anticipated US employment data.

This reduced the short-term chances of the Fed (Federal Reserve Bank) easing interest rates.

Sterling opened higher against major currencies following the sharp falls caused by political uncertainty. And overall, the US dollar showed a slight weakening against the £.

Locally, the International movements made little impact. Deposit rates are easing but expected to stay around the same level.

The US producer price index will be released soon and this may give the situation impetus.

MORE wool money is arriving in the Islands but prices have dropped due to pressure on sterling coupled with a drop in demand.

Meanwhile several new commercial projects have started locally or are due to start shortly.

These include the opening of a photographic printing and developing business, the consideration of a dry-cleaning business and the purchase of a small boat for general lighterage.

Several other projects await the results of the forthcoming (first season) fishing licence allocation.

On the consumer side, lending continues to be steady with vehicles and personal expenditure topping the list.

There is a growing demand,

too, for housing with both new and old stock in demand. Home improvements and extensions also continue to be popular.

Since our last issue, the local bank's UK general manager, Mr John Davidson and the director, City office, Mr Robin Christie, visited the islands.

Mr Davidson is Standard Chartered Bank's most senior official to visit the Falklands and his arrival reflected the importance of the bank in the Islands.

Various meetings were held, some with local businessmen, government officials and local representatives of the fishing and agricultural sectors.

The visitors also went to Goose Green, further trips to camp being hindered by lack of flights.

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Recognise yourself?

IN OUR article about the new Girl Guides Association which appeared in the last issue of *Penguin News* we said non-one seemed to know when the last Brownies or Guides existed here. Now Mrs Betty Miller has written to tell us - and enclosed two photographs to prove her point. She says: "The first troop of Girl Guides was formed and run by Mrs Marjorie Williams (of Estate Louis Williams - i.e. Waverley House) and Miss Alice Felton in 1929 and carried on by Miss Betty Felton from 1930 until she married in 1933." Miss Betty Felton is, of course, Mrs Betty Miller now. The pictures show a picnic at Hell's Kitchen, Sapper's Hill, and Church Parade in Stanley, 1930. Are you in the picture? Let us know.



These roads are meant for driving

I THINK the *Woman about Town* has got it wrong. Firstly, G. Forbes is constructing new roads. Secondly, children should be taught *not* to play on the street. The real and theoretical drunk driver and speedster are being controlled by the police. What the woman really wants is a "play park for children at the west end of town", better equipped than the one in the centre and with a "long, smooth surface(s)" for bikes and things.

What we need first are new roads. *Woman about Town* appears fortunate enough to live close to the racecourse and the common for her children to play on and in future her children will have the concrete areas around the "new hostel" for their bikes, once the construction of the road is completed. I have and am raising my children on a hill

in town . . . they play in the yard. Gold stars for Cable & Wireless. Those without phones on line should give them a break - all right?

The Governor is into the clean up Stanley bit. I agree. I try to keep my property as neat as possible given the time and situation. So let's have the FIG clear their trash off their land.

Start with the shed and things on Ross Road West, the Industrial Triangle, Hillside Camp, along by the by-pass, Ross Road East along the waterfront, around the YPF and the biggest mess - Megabid.

Not only trash removal is needed. The removal of rusty sheds and fences or their rehabilitation, too. That takes time and money.

This applies to the private sector as well. The two-edged sword is required: house improvement grants to help the willing and fines to encourage those that are not. I agree with Mrs Potter. I told the

Planning/Building Committee that I thought *all* applications for office and commercial premises should be required to have car park areas.

This police thing is the talk of the town. Mr Luxton's speech; Richard Stevens' letter. The courts seem to have been very busy recently with several drink-related offences. More skulking? Better detection? Fire where there is smoke? GILES MERCER, Stanley.

PEN PALS

Penguin News has been receiving letters from people seeking pen pals in the Falkland Islands.

If any reader would like a pen pal, please contact the office.

Apart from the Ghanaians featured in our last issue, we have a 20-year-old Norwegian lad willing to write to anyone "between 0-100" and a mother of two teen-agers whose hobby, appropriately enough, is wildlife.

This lady comes from Mill Hill in North London.

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Goose Green triumph for Kevin

KEVIN Clapp justified his pre-championship support by winning the Goose Green individual knock-out tournament. He beat Tony McMullen 3 - 1 in an exciting, if not spectacular final.

June McMullen who led the Ladies' Individual table all season easily won her final by beating Liz Shepherd 3 - 0.

Clapp turned back the anticipated challenge of former Governor's Cup winner Ian Clarke when he won their quarter-final clash 2 - 0.

He had expected to meet Goose Green's Number 2 player, Brian Hewitt, in the semi-final. Surprisingly, however, Brian went out 2 - 1 to young Jason Alazia who then went on to win a leg from Tony McMullen.

The other quarter-final produced something of a surprise when Brian Aldridge beat John Lee 2 - 0 before going down by the same figures to the tournament champion.

Soccer buoyant despite cash flow problems and prospect of short season

THE soccer season looks like starting very soon. And everyone is keen.

The annual general meeting which usually attracts half-a-dozen members this year pulled in 20.

The club accounts were presented by treasurer George Summers and showed that the cost of running football in the Islands is outweighing the income from donations and subscriptions.

A fund-raising scheme is now being put together and, hopefully, this will keep the club going.

Despite a generous offer of sponsorship from three companies, the cost of footballs, nets, shirts, shorts and socks increases every year.

With the new school about to be built on the soccer pitch, players are resigned to the possibility of



a short season.

Nevertheless, they are looking forward to the new pitch which will be built in conjunction with the school and will have a six-lane running track skirting the perimeter.

So the traditional area for playing local soccer will be maintained. Furthermore, a syn-

thetic surface means it will be possible to play football 10 months of the year.

The advantages this will offer, particularly to schoolchildren, are enormous.

Meanwhile, plans are going ahead for this season and the popular *Marrs Knockout Cup* which offers military units a chance to play in Stanley is expected to be the highlight once again, although the local team who reached the final last year will also be anxious to retain the *Shield* against HMS Endurance.

Patrick Watts will again run the Stanley 1st team in addition to taking up the duties of chairman. Gary Tyrell remains as secretary and George Summers will again look after the club's financial affairs.

Adrian Lowe, Glen McIlvray and Glen Ross were also elected to the committee.

The prospect of extending the *League* competition to four teams instead of the usual three is being discussed, while subscriptions have been raised to £10 for adults and £3 for schoolboys to keep abreast of rising costs.

Johnnie wins our T-shirt £5

WINNER of what to do with the unfunny T-shirt was Johnnie Blyth of Stanley.

Johnnie's entry was one of the few printable ones we received. And we did stipulate *clean*.

He wants the T-shirt displayed in the West Store or Post Office and under the words: "I was sentenced to four months in the Falklands" he wants to add: "Where there is freedom of movement (and) NO pollution; car bombs; letter bombs; ambushes; shootings; muggings."

Johnnie's fiver will be on its way as quickly as possible.

Will wins prove a handicap?



MAL Eglon, skipper of the fuel vessel *Oil Mariner* is in grave danger of having his handicap severely pruned.

He has just won the last two major events on Stanley golf course.

Eglon shot a round of 66 to triumph in the *Merchant Providence* cup, an 18-hole stroke play competition for which the prizes were presented by Laing-Mowlem-ARC Joint Venture, the companies that built the Mount Pleasant airport complex and military barracks.

In the 18-hole *Stableford Kelvin Cup* contest, sponsored by Kelvin International Services, Eglon had just one point to spare over Jim Stewart and Robert Titterton who tied for the runner-up position with 38 points each.

But Stewart was awarded second place after a countback.

Oddly enough the first three home in the *Kelvin Cup* were similarly placed in the *Merchant*

Providence Cup which at one stage was threatened with abandonment when a 20-minute squall of sleet and hail hit the 25 players out on the course.

After some time, the first local players are emerging on the prize list with Tony McMullen of Goose Green being "nearest the pin at the 16th hole," while John Teggart has impressed during practice and should soon be among the prizes.

Kelvin International who have supported the club since its rebirth after the conflict, not only provided the prizes for the competition it sponsored, it also put on a superb buffet at the Colony Club for the players and their families.

Several women have now got the golfing bug and have joined Eileen Davis who, for some time, has fought a lone battle. Nikki Summers, Shirley Dey and Jenny Cox have all recently hit the prize list with Mrs Davis.



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Army and RAF draw in high wind

THE contest kicked off at 10am in conditions more suitable for speed wind-surfing than football.

However, it was soon apparent that the weather would not deter either Army or Navy and after only 20 minutes the Army ran in a neat try.

But after only a few minutes of the second half the Navy equalised. However, the Army back row could not be contained and their work at the coalface released their backs who crossed for two further unconverted tries to bring the score to 14 - 6.

Then it was the turn of the Navy against the RAF. After their success in the Inter-Service sevens, the RN believed they could beat the RAF again. But the Air Force forwards dominated the Navy backs, denying them possession. The final score was: Navy 10 RAF 20.

by **PETTY OFFICER
GES LAKER**

In the final, between the Army and Air Force, it was obvious from the start that no prisoners would be taken.

The Army, with the wind in their faces managed to keep the RAF's half-time score to 8 - 4.

As in the last game, every time their backs ran the ball they looked like scoring.

However, a change of tactics by the RAF denied the Army backs any possession as they mauled, rucked and rolled their way up the park. In the end, the clock was on overtime and the referee waiting for the next infringement when the Army grabbed an opportunity and crossed to level.

However, the conversion was charged down and the game finished in an 8 - 8 draw.

Stars at night are big and bright, deep in the heart of Stanley



STANLEY'S May Queen, Daniella Watson pressed a plunger and . . . *whoomp!* . . . the town's Guy Fawkes bonfire burst into flames. Ex-pats from the UK, used to standing around in soggy playing fields and damp back gardens waiting - and waiting - for something to happen were amazed and

impressed.

As the fire began to tire more than £2,000 worth of fireworks went off in 12 minutes. It was a spectacular display and all over before the children became bored or cold.

It was all organised by John and Wendy Teggart who are already preparing for next year.



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PETROL AND DIESEL COST UP



Major Tony is at MPA to help . . .

A GUNNER major is the new Civil/Military Liaison Officer at Mount Pleasant.

Major J. A. (Tony) Bleakley (pronounced Blakely) is on his second tour in the Islands. Last time he was responsible for land operations.

This time he is the point of contact for any civilian who has a problem with the military or feels the services might be able to help him.

Sometimes Major Bleakley is dealing with complaints from a landowner, at others he is organising assistance at a lamb marking or with farm fencing.

"Our task," he says, "is to defend these Islands. And if you have a military presence accidental problems are inevitable.

"My job is to help and advise and foster understanding and mutual trust."

Major Bleakley will be here for a year. His last posting? Cambridge University where he was taking his Master of Philosophy in International Relations. The subject of his thesis was "The Use of Military Power in South Africa." He is already a BA.

His extension at MPA is 4236.

PETROL and diesel prices have gone up. An extra 5p went on a litre of petrol on November 20.

An extra penny goes on a litre of diesel from today.

This is the first increase in petrol prices since Stanley Services took over distribution a year ago.

The rise has had to come because the MoD, who are the only wholesale suppliers in the Islands have put up their price to Stanley Supplies by 4.3p agallon.

The final price to the public is controlled by a formula which is part of a general agreement between the company and the Falkland Islands Government.

From today, diesel is back to 20p a litre - the price it was when Stanley Services took over the distribution.

This price is also controlled by the company - FIG agreement.

A spokesman for Stanley Services said that until an oil depot is built which could be supplied from the sea the company would have to rely on the MoD for supplies.

"However," he went on,

"There are plans to build an oil depot near FIPASS.

"This would allow the company to source the products at the most competitive prices and would undoubtedly link in with the company's bunkering operation which takes place in Berkeley Sound."

The spokesman was keen to stress that since Stanley Services had started to distribute fuel in the Islands the MoD had always been "helpful and very co-operative."

Penguin News understands that when the depot is in operation it would be possible for whoever is buying the island's fuel to shop around on the international market for supplies.

Bomb men called to Camp fire

STANLEY firemen who rushed to deal with a fire at Cortley Hill called in bomb disposal experts when they discovered the blaze was close to old Argentinian positions which may have contained live ammunition.

Such a call is routine in such a situation. No live ammunition was found.

Firemen reached the fire - on the other side of the valley from Wireless Ridge - within 20 minutes.

They used the water from Stanley Harbour using three pumps and 26 lengths of hose. Each length is 25 metres.

Said Chief Fire Officer Marvin Clarke: "We got there just as it was about to roaring off."

STOP PRESS

EYNON (Page 5)

Stanley Trawlers awarded short term loligo licence

Eynon said: "I am happy with the outcome although it's been a lot of work to get it.

"But I'm back in action again."

FAMILY IS DEPORTED

A MOTHER of three children, including a girl of seven, is being deported from the Falkland Islands. The children will, therefore, have to go too.

Richard Cooke, a former project manager on the Jersey Estate has been asked to leave the country. His wife, Sandra, has been told to go.

Mr Cook says that none of the family has broken any law and that he stands to loose about £25,000 as a result of having to move. He intends to pursue the matter further on arrival in the UK. Mrs Cooke was formerly Mrs Sandra Villalon.

A senior Government spokesman said the deportation was the result of a peculiarly difficult domestic situation and had only been actioned after much heart-searching.

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The British Forces Broadcasting Service

Penguin News regrets that for reasons outside its control it will be possible to publish only one week's television programmes in each of the next few issues. It is hoped that this situation will be put right in the New Year

FRIDAY, December 1

6.00 COUNT DUCKULA
6.20 THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS
6.40 A.L.F. Comedy with an Alien Life Form.
7.05 CLOSE TO HOME
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS. New documentary series with Nigel Palin taking the place of Phileas Fogg.
8.45 BROOKSIDE
9.30 FRUIT MACHINE Film in which a runaway witnesses a murder.

SATURDAY, December 2

6.00 POP SPOT
6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
7.15 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL
8.05 RUSS ABBOT features the 'World Chess Championship'
8.35 ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF TELEVISION Insight into one day's activity behind the scenes.
10.25 SATURDAY NIGHT CLIVE Clive James looks at other people's TV

SUNDAY, December 3

4.10 SUNDAY SPORT Rugby: Barbarians v All Blacks. American football.
6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits Morecambe Bay.
7.15 EASTENDERS Intruder at the Vic.
8.15 IN THE HIGHEST TRADITION In Battle: The British soldier fights for his mates and his regiment and never forgets those who do not return.
8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
10.15 SPITTING IMAGE Exclusive Parliamentary coverage.
10.40 INSIDE STORY Children's dreams.

MONDAY, December 4

6.00 SCOOBY DOO
6.20 SPORTSMASTERS
6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 FRENCH FIELDS
8.20 TANAMERA: LION OF SINGAPORE

9.10 THE TROUBLE WITH JOAN COLLINS The star tells of her best and worst times
10.00 NAKED VIDEO How to create fusion in your living room
10.30 WORLD IN ACTION Parts of the Berlin wall come tumbling down.

TUESDAY, December, 5

6.00 THE SNORKS
6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
7.30 DAD'S ARMY The one where the German pilot gets stuck on the town clock.
8.00 THE BILL
8.25 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT Guests include Freddie Starr.
9.15 CASUALTY.
10.05 BLACKADDER GOES FORTH
10.35 FILM '89 Barry Norman reviews *New York Stories*, *Great Balls of Fire* and *Parenthood*

WEDNESDAY, December 6

6.00 LOST IN SPACE
6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending December 2.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 RAPIDO
8.25 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO
9.35 MOTHER LOVE
10.30 THE PLANETS Is there a planet beyond Pluto?

THURSDAY, December 7

6.00 FIRST OF THE SUMMER WINE New series tells of Compo, Wally and Seymour when young.
6.30 DOCTOR WHO: The Curse of Fenric
6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
8.00 THE BILL Nothing goes right for P.c. Edwards.
8.25 TOP GEAR
8.55 A QUESTION OF SPORT
9.25 SARACEN
10.10 FLOYD'S AMERICAN PIE New series about food.
10.40 SCENE HERE BFG magazine programme

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Situation vacant in Stanley

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Tracy: Voice of Stanley House

MEET 11-year-old Tracy Evans, the voice behind the radio commercial advertising Stanley House open day which raised £284 on November 18.

Tracy - from Saunders Island - is no stranger to this sort of thing. She once appeared on a video that was shown on John Craven's Newsround on BBC television.

The script for the commercial was written by the deputy head of Stanley House, Lorraine McGill. Tracy was tutored by Sheila Summers.

But despite her good clear voice, Tracy has no intention of going into acting as a career.



Alison Alazia of Fox Bay East and Amanda Forster of Bold Cove

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"It's not a surprise offer," he said, "when you take into consideration the background of Anglo. The possibility of the company being run from here was discussed during the recent visit of Mr Muirhead."

"I would assume the Chief Executive would report direct to the board of Anglo which would mean on the spot control instead of going through someone in the UK and then on to the board."

Swim trophy

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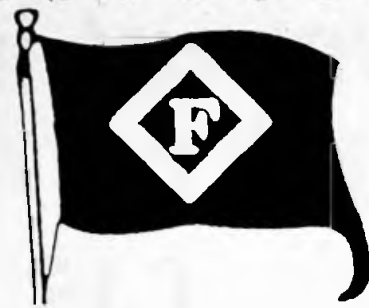
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Slanmarr	one	1
SAFCO	one	5
Dalmor	one	3
Gryl	three	7
ADAPI	two	10
Fortuna/ANAC	two	8
ANAMER	six	17
ASPE	one	5
Beauchene	two	7

Illex		
COMPANY	FLAG	LIC
Okeanski Ribolov	Bulgaria	1
CTC	Japan	8
Fortuna/JDSTA	Japan	3
JBG/KSJ	Japan	12
Marr (FI) KSJ	Japan	21
Witte Boyd/OSA	Japan	29
Marr (FI) Daewang	Korea	2
Berkeley Sound/FIKO	Korea	8
Fortuna/KOSAC	Korea	7
JBG/KOSAC	Korea	7
Witte Boyd/KOSAC	Korea	6
Southern Cross	Korea	2
Dalmor	Poland	4
Gryl	Poland	4
Odra	Poland	5
ANAMER	Spain	1
ASPE	Spain	1
JBG/FCF	Taiwan	4
Southern Cross/FCF	Taiwan	3
Witte Boyd/FCF	Taiwan	8
Fortuna/Go-Rising	Taiwan	6
Marr/Go-Rising	Taiwan	6

Loligo		
COMPANY	FLAG	LIC
SAFCO	Britain	1
Slanmarr	Falklands	1
SWB	Falklands	1
Kastor	Greece	2
Federpesca	Italy	2
CTC	Japan	1
RVNZ	N'lands	1
Dalmor	Poland	1
Gryl	Poland	1
Odra	Poland	1
ADAPI	Portugal	3
Fortuna/ANAC	Spain	1
ANAMER	Spain	7
Argos/ARCOMAR	Spain	2
ASPE	Spain	1
S'dore & Fishery	Spain	1
Polar	Spain	1
Southern Fisheries	Spain	1

£350 givent to youth project

RAF Mount Pleasant Charities Committee is to give £350 to the Falklands Youth Committee, chaired by the Governor's wife, Mrs Arlene Fullerton.

The money will go to a special project for 15-to-25-year-olds.

Meanwhile gifts bought with money raised by the MPA Ladies Luncheon Club have arrived.

Stanley Nursery School has received exciting-looking instruction kits from the Early Learning Centre while the Infant/Junior school now owns some large construction sets.

The Seniors have fine new sports trophies.

Eynon bitter over fish licence refusal

LOCAL fishing companies are reasonably pleased with the way this season's licences have been allocated.

Says John Cheek, of the Association of Falkland Islands Fishing Industry: "It's progress towards what we would like - 23 to 24 per cent have been granted to local companies which is an improvement - but we would like to see at least 50 per cent."

"We would like to see more money coming in without expenditure by our exchequer."

Mr Cheek also feels that the policy laid down for the granting of licenses is ambiguous and that this can lead to ill-feeling and unnecessary disappointment.



Eynon . . . disappointed

In fact, the Association is taking up the case of South Atlantic Marine Services run by David Eynon.

SAMS' subsidiary Stanley

Trawlers had a licence last season but was refused one for this.

So sure was Mr Eynon of receiving a licence that he had a Norwegian vessel - *Juvel* - ready to sail on a time charter.

Part of the agreement with the Norwegians was that he should provide 25 per cent of the crew - which, he says, could have included Falkland Islanders.

Mr Eynon is bitter about not getting a licence.

"The policy is weak and wishy-washy," he says. "It says 'strong emphasis will be placed on Falkland Island involvement in the fisheries' - yet mine is the only company to have been involved either indirectly or directly right from the beginning."

Welcome to
Anne Boye

THE Falkland Islands Company says the Danish ship *Anne Boye* will replace the *AES* for the pre-Christmas wool run.

Anne Boye is "fractionally bigger" than *AES* and will sail from Shoreham in the UK.

Councillors learn the Shetland way

BACK from the UK after the disappointing non-opening of Falkland House are Cllrs Norma Edwards and Harold Rowlands.

But their journey was not all wasted. Part of their time was spent in the Shetland Isles where they were able to study how another small island community dealt with the problems and benefits of sudden wealth.

"They handled their money so well," says Mrs Edwards. "They set up a trust fund from which a great many things of benefit to everyone were funded."

"Although it's too late for us, now, for the fishing, if there is going to be oil here we can learn a lot and I feel we should keep up contact anyway."

"They were very open with us. The vice-convenor of the council, Willy Tait, used to work in the whaling industry in South Georgia."

The two councillors met interested MPs - both for and against the Falklands - and liaised with the Foreign Press Association. They also visited Imperial College where most of the fishery research concerning the protection zone is carried out.

Mrs Edwards was also very impressed with the work of the Falkland Island Association (profiled in our last issue).

"They are doing a marvellous job for us over there," says Mrs Edwards. "They are the best PR of all and they need all the support we can give them."

"But they do have money difficulties and I do feel that we on the Islands should help them as much as we can - particularly with their magazine."

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A school by any other name

WE seem to have hit a slight semantic problem out here in the Falklands.

In his interview with *Penguin News* the Governor described the new senior school to be built in Stanley as a "Rolls Royce" of schools.

Of course, it is not for *Penguin News* to put words into His Excellency's mouth, but for "Rolls Royce" we understood him to mean "bloody nice".

However, Governors cannot use phrases like that.

But whatever he may have meant, his remarks have upset the local educational establishment and we have a strong letter on the subject on our Letters page.

But what does it all mean? Does it matter by which label the school is described?

Surely the point is that someone, somewhere, had the good sense and foresight to order a school of which the current generation can be proud and in which future generations of Islanders will be able to learn without feeling they were second-class citizens in some old shack.

This is a time for celebration, not a semantic squabble. You have only to turn to our centre spread in this issue to see that this new school deserves more than hard words.

Penguin News has been thinking hard about all this and has come to the conclusion that perhaps it is not a Rolls-Royce school, nor a damn (whoops! Sorry) good school, but a Re-built Official Location for Learning and Science - or even a Really Ordinary Youth Centre for Education.

After that, we gave up. Perhaps some of our readers can think of a better name? We will send a tenner to the best suggestion.

Prynn fears for Islands' future

Giles is the first home from Chile



GILES Mercer checks out the first house kit to be imported into the Islands from Chile.

The building will be put up on his Unaydid Avenue estate.

Says Giles: "I'm very happy with it. It may not be as well engineered as some of the UK kits but it is certainly much sturdier. And everything is included - the wash basins, paint, even the paint brushes. There are no extras."

He hopes it will be the first of several such homes. "Once we have the first one or two up they should take only about six weeks each to complete," he says.

Giles calls his road 'Unaydid' because, he claims, he is the only builder in the Islands not to have received government aid.

PETER Prynn, author of the famous report detailing the various options open to the Falkland Islands after the arrival of the fishing money was back in Stanley recently.

This time he was retained by Anglo United, the new owners of the Falkland Islands Company, to discover how the company fitted into the community both socially and economically and how the community regarded the company in the same areas.

The sort of questions he was asked to investigate were whether there should be local shareholdings and whether there should be a local board.

Anglo United also wanted to know whether the company should be more responsive to local desires.

His report should be ready in a few weeks.

Before going home, Mr Prynn slipped into the *Penguin News* office with a dire warning about a



possible downturn in the Falkland Economy.

He was particularly worried about the Illex squid. "It looks to me that the Illex fishery could collapse within the next year or so," he declared.

He had little faith in voluntary restraint agreements outside the protected zone where fish was being hoovered by unscrupulous vessels.

"There has got to be government to government agreement about fishing levels in the future," he said.

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Penguin News PROFILE

CBFFI

ONE thing is certain. Anyone meeting CBFFI - in English, that's Commander, British Forces, Falkland Islands - must come away thankful he is on our side.

One might almost (well, almost almost) begin to feel sorry for any Argentine soldier rash enough to try his chances.

For, if the phrase had not such deep-rooted Gilbertian overtones one could, in all honesty, describe Major General Paul Stevenson OBE as the very model of a modern major general.

He is brisk, gives an immediate impression of top-brass efficiency that only the military can - yet is obviously very concerned with what a civilian personnel officer would call man management.

One of the main failures of the Argentine army, he believes, was poor junior leadership that took no care or interest in the ordinary soldier. "Nobody looked after him."

General Stevenson was commissioned into the Royal Marines in November, 1948, and joined 41 Commando, later moving to 45 Commando.

From 1963 to 1965, however, he was deeply involved in such athletic pursuits as the modern pentathlon, the biathlon and cross-country skiing. He went to the Tokyo Olympics as the modern pentathlon team manager and a reserve competitor and later managed the British biathlon team at the World Championships in Norway.

In 1965, he became Officer Commanding Royal Marines in HMS Mohawk until joining the Marines depot as adjutant in 1968. The year 1971 saw him at the Royal Military College of Science and Army Staff College, Camberley.

He then spent three winters training in Norway before going to Northern Ireland and Crossmaglen where he earned an MBE.

Next, he worked as Amphibious Operations Officer in HMS Bulwark and was promoted major on the last day of 1975.

The following April he became a staff officer at Commando headquarters, Plymouth, concerned with mountain and Arctic warfare and in October, 1978, was appointed the Marine member of the Directing staff at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich. This was followed by a period with 3 Commando Brigade headquarters and with UK Land Forces headquarters.

Next thing, he was here in the Falklands as Jeremy Moore's chief planning officer.

Just before the main push, he found himself in a small hole in the ground at Fitzroy. That hole, he maintains, still exists.

He remembers Stanley as "chaotic", knee-deep in Argentine soldiers and equipment. His overriding thought about the enemy was how dirty they were. "They did not appear to have

any lavatory training." At Stanley airport he found the situation unreal - the Argentine soldiers, abandoned by their officers, were living in filthy squalor, their only shelter being

A man determined to deter aggression and guarantee self-determination



Major General Paul Stevenson OBE
... Enthusiastic about Falklands

tin sheets. "Yet the officers were strutting about with little black malacca canes. There was a complete breakdown in junior leadership."

After leaving the Islands, General Stevenson spent six months with the British military advisory and training team in Zimbabwe.

In May, 1983, he took over command of 42 Commando and undertook another emergency tour in South Armagh the following summer when he was appointed an OBE.

In 1985, he was appointed Chief G3 (Ops/Trg) at Commando headquarters where he stayed until going to Rome where he attended a NATO Defence College course.

In May, 1987, he joined the Department of the Commandant General, Royal Marines, as the Director, Manning and Personal Services.

He had been attending the Royal College of Defence Studies before coming to the Islands for the second time.

'We are totally committed... the crews of submarines and surface ships, army forces, those who fly the aeroplanes and those who support them'

And of his duties here, he reckons he has just enough resources to be effective. "But I wouldn't be happy if I lost anyone - even a cook."

Obviously he would like more. Any cuts would be unthinkable.

He is enthusiastic about the sort of training that the Falkland Islands have to offer... for the infantry, almost unequalled. Junior leaders out in Camp can do their own thing and there are plenty of opportunities to practise basic skills. The terrain, too, is great for character building.

And for the air force there is the chance to practise low flying.

It was at the Swearing-in ceremony after the General Election that General Stevenson reiterated the role of the British forces here in the Falklands. Their job was "to deter external aggression to these Islands, the South Sandwich Islands and South Georgia."

He then went on: "We are totally committed to that, and by we, I mean the crews of the submarines, surface ships, army forces and those who fly the aeroplanes and all those who support them, serving in either Mount Pleasant or in one of our out-stations."

"We are totally committed to your defence."

The general is also very keen on developing good relations between the military and civilians. In his first two months he visited at least 10 Camp homesteads and he and his wife intend to visit many more.

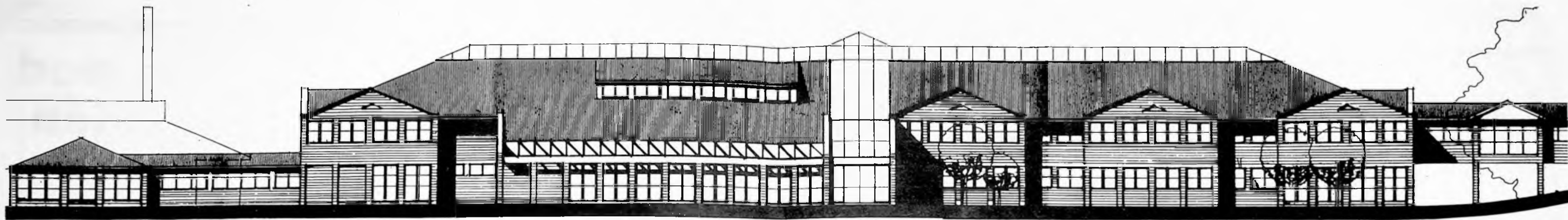
He is on record, too, on the subject of mountain tops. "We shall also take every step we can in the subject of civil/military relationships to try to work on the access to the mountain tops but I regret that in a year we are not going to solve those problems."

"It is a bone of concern, I am sure, to those who are the landowners... and it certainly is to us and we shall do our best to try and develop more permanent ways of reaching the tops other than churning up the ground... If I had more helicopter hours and more money I'd be able to do it more quickly."

His own enthusiasm for making the military part of the community is reflected in a directive that all men, during their time on the Islands, should get off base and spend their time on an R & R project "doing something worthwhile in the Islands."

General Stevenson is also a great supporter of the Falkland Islands Defence Force. "We could do with considerably more of them," he says.

And he goes on: "I believe the FIDF deserves the support of the Islanders and the military and to that end I shall certainly be seeking support to increase the facilities in the Drill Hall... so that their excellent weapons and equipment can be used to the best effect."



Reading' Riting and 'Rithmetic with kiln and a darkroom too

HERE it is. Stanley's new senior school, ready for occupation early 1992.

At the top of the page is the architect's drawing of how it will look from Ross Road, while the main illustration shows a plan of the ground floor.

The school will be able to cope with 200 pupils, with an option to extend to take another 100 if necessary. It is expected to have a life of at least 50 years, serving the whole community and not just the school pupils.

On the teaching side, it will not only provide a wider range of education for the children enabling them to study the national curriculum to fifth form level so that they can go on to the UK for A levels, it will also offer better facilities for grown-ups seeking to improve themselves with further education.

Public events, it is hoped, will be held in the school, making use of the specially-designed multi-purpose hall.

But it is probably the Islands' sports fans who are most looking forward to seeing the project completed.

There will be both indoor and outdoor sports facilities, including squash courts and an all-weather football pitch surrounded by a running track.

The sports hall will contain a spectators' gallery.

Bookworms, too, should really enjoy school from early 1992, for the library in the new building will be capable of holding 7,000 volumes.

The Art & Craft room, for the creative among us, will contain a kiln and a photographic darkroom while the Music room will be big enough to take a choir or orchestra of up to 40 players - or even a brass band.

There will be two laboratories - one

for biology and chemistry, the other for physics. Budding Dr. Franksteins will have the advantages of projection screens and a greenhouse.

If your children's ambitions run more towards clerical work or making a million on the stock market, the Business and Office Studies room with its 20 word processor stations will be more for them.

One end has been designed to look like an office with its own reception desk, switchboard, filing, post and duplicating areas.

Modern language pupils will have the use of a recording studio.

Like the Business Studies room the Home Economics department, is larger than originally planned and now consists of two rooms. It was found impossible to fit all the requirements into the space originally allocated.

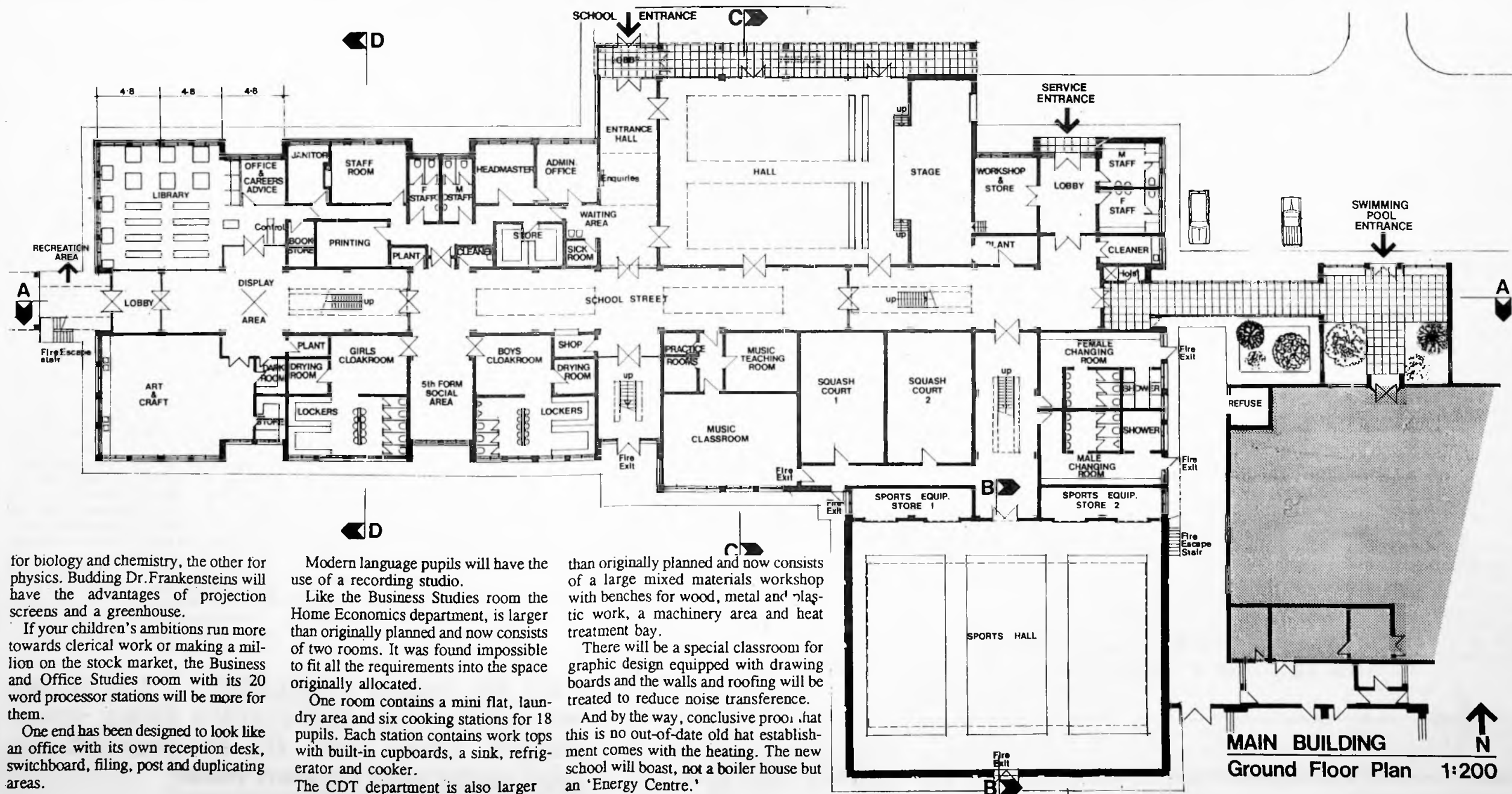
One room contains a mini flat, laundry area and six cooking stations for 18 pupils. Each station contains work tops with built-in cupboards, a sink, refrigerator and cooker.

The CDT department is also larger

than originally planned and now consists of a large mixed materials workshop with benches for wood, metal and plastic work, a machinery area and heat treatment bay.

There will be a special classroom for graphic design equipped with drawing boards and the walls and roofing will be treated to reduce noise transference.

And by the way, conclusive proof that this is no out-of-date old hat establishment comes with the heating. The new school will boast, not a boiler house but an 'Energy Centre.'



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Steve jibs at authority



STEVE Beldham has a grievance. And, judging by the size of his protest, it must be a large grievance. For he drove his big mobile crane along Thatcher Way in front of the Secretariat and left it there - but not before he had summed up his case in one succinct message of four words and scrawled it on the jib. "What about my land?"

Steve's complaint is this. Some time ago he was sold land for use as a scrapyard. Then the Government changed its mind and decided he should move as the area was now wanted for

housing.

The Government said it would find an alternative plot and pay for the moving. But it hasn't. And Steve wants to plan his life. At the moment he can do nothing as he does not know if, or when he has to move.

He does not want to move at all, but says: "If I have concrete evidence of housing being built up to the boundary, then for the sake of the view and children's safety I'll go."

And has his protest had any effect? None whatever.

Falkland airings



by GERARD ROBSON

BARELY a month has passed since Election Day.

Yet already it seems like forever, mainly because of the newness of it all.

It has been a busy time for all of us - official meetings of Exco, Standing Finance Committee and Legco mixed with innumerable not so official meetings.

There have also been the various board and committee meetings we have inherited.

Probably the most difficult part of Council work at present is trying to acquire a working knowledge on all manner of different subjects.

I have certainly discovered that my knowledge on subjects I thought I knew something about is not as comprehensive as I thought.

The chasing down of hard facts is time-consuming but necessary and at the same time satisfying.

The opening of the councillors' office with a research assistant will no doubt help enormously. I am confident that a central point for councillors will be welcome for both them and their constituents.

This office should be up and running fairly soon.

This article is by way of a trial run but will hopefully be the first of many. I would like to think it will give as many people as possible an insight into what I would loosely call our "affairs of State" or, alternatively our "state of affairs."

In conclusion, I would like to say that a lot of work has gone into the last month or so - a lot behind the scenes by a lot of different people and I am hopeful that the present momentum can be continued in the long term to the advantage of the whole country.

In the next issue I hope to write on specific issues and am open to suggestions for topics. I cannot promise your pet subject will be included, but the possibility is always there!

MPA's Red Baron strikes again

THE Falkland Islands' most belligerent red-backed hawk - the Red Baron of MPA - has claimed another victim.

He and his mate now have a tally of two confirmed 'kills' and a number of probables.

The latest casualty was a visitor from the UK who, despite

warnings, was given a summary clip round the ear when approaching the Baron's end of the airfield.

The Baron and his mate have chosen a suitably aristocratic residence on a navigational beacon which is constantly patrolled by his own squadrons of low-flying Phantoms and Tristars.

No-one is quite sure how the

breeding is going as no-one has been able to get near enough to find out. Approaching the nest has proved impossible.

The RAF has proved most understanding over the matter and all birdlovers in the Islands thank them.

Red-backed hawks can be dangerous and will protect their nests with vigour. Another recently attacked two men trying to climb up to its nest near Port Sussex.

The latest person to be hit was attempting to take photographs of one bird when the other flew at him out of the sun and gashed his cheek.

And be warned. This bird usually goes for the eyes and head.

Court will hear of glass incident

A MAN is to appear in court in Stanley following an incident in Fox Bay Village.

It is understood that an argument ended with one man receiving injuries to his face caused by a broken glass.

A warm smile, but a Chile greeting



SOME of you will know the voice of Willie Meno Calondo, but few will have met him.

For Willie is the schoolteacher at Puerto Eden on Isla Wellington in the Patagonian canals some 400 miles north of Punta Arenas on the coast of Chile.

But he is also a radio 'ham' and when he met John Reld from Pebble Island recently, he spoke of talking to stations in the Falklands. He particularly mentioned "Lucy".

So come on, Lucy. Perhaps Willie would like a picture of you.

Who owns our Islands?

LIKE many people in Stanley I would like to buy the house in which I live.

But because Government have seen fit to put a ludicrous price on property, I can't afford to buy it.

I won't go into details or drag up old arguments; they were discussed at some length at a public meeting and broadcast on the radio.

(Unfortunately *Penguin News* wasn't around at that time - the debate would have looked good in print.)

WOMAN ABOUT TOWN

No details, I promised, except to say I was unconvinced by the Financial Secretary, Mr John Buckland-James's question and answer session in *Government*

News, when he tried to justify the high prices.

Hopefully the issue will be sorted out next Exco.

What I am presently concerned about is . . . If you want to buy your house but need a mortgage, the chances are it won't be a Government mortgage any more but a Standard Chartered Bank mortgage. And if you want a loan for improvements, extensions, etc., the chances are it will be a Standard Chartered Bank loan.

And if you want to buy a farm or land in Camp, the chances are that Standard Chartered Bank will provide the mortgage for that too.

Pretty soon, Standard Chartered are going to own a fair share of the Falkland Islands. They could even be replacing FIC as the new landowners which will leave Falkland Islanders with as much control over their own destinies as they had before 1982.

Any monopoly is bad news (and the bank isn't the only one), it puts ordinary people at the whim of the big boys.

Until this unhealthy situation can be remedied by an alternative bank or building society, Government will have to stop putting more and more business Standard Chartered's way and should, instead, continue in its original role, offering mortgages and home improvement loans.

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Woman About Town should check first

IT WAS with regret that I read *Woman About Town* in your issue of November 17.

Regret, may I say, in that prior to this article no enquiries had been made of the writer or the West Store manager as to the facts concerning the shortage of foodstuffs, especially cereals and other short-life products.

We can give many reasons for the shortages but they all look like excuses for not having the items in stock.

The major reason for shortages is the size of the population. With it being small, any slight variation in supply or demand is of paramount importance and with many of the items mentioned if larger stocks are ordered they are out of date before the next stock arrives.

If stocks are brought in each month, then the costs increase as the orders are even smaller and many suppliers would not deal with the orders as we would fall below their minimum order requirements.

Costs for delivery of the goods to docks would be very similar even though the quantities would be far lower.

This would mean a rather large increase in the price of goods across the counter.

It has been the very nature of the place that being so small it soon gets around that a certain item is running short which then results in 'panic' buying and that item disappearing rapidly from the shelves.

If we were to order goods as soon as it was noted that our stock of an item would not last, it would be an absolute minimum of two months before new stocks could arrive, even if the urgent order connected with the sailing of a ship from the UK.

We are so much in the hands of suppliers 8,000 miles away and it is only well after a boat has left do we find out that an order has not been placed on board.

An example of this occurred with cornflakes and other cereals.

Originally they were not loaded on the AES due to the dock strike.

They were then transported to another dock for loading on *Jenka* (which brought the remainder of the cargo shut out of AES by the dock strike) but the transporter mislaid the lorry containing the cereals.

As soon as we realised it was not on the *Jenka* we placed an urgent order for an MOD vessel but the supplier did not deliver on

time for loading. The result was that on the last AES we received three orders - the original one, the MOD vessel one and the normal order for the AES.

Jam at 99p seems to be the *Woman About Town* to be a 'rip-off' (quote). I wonder how she is comparing prices, maybe with a UK supermarket where often jams and other products are sold for less than we can purchase direct from the manufacturer through large discounts for vast purchases.

By the way, the original cost at the factory for the jar of jam in question was 53pence and on to this must be added delivery to docks plus wharfage UK plus freight plus insurance plus wharfage, Stanley, before any mark-up is added.

I am sure that many other retailers in Stanley have the same problems as to delivery of goods, especially if some of them arrive in the islands damaged and contaminated.

Once again I would stress that Mr David Castle, the West Store manager, can be contacted, as indeed can the writer with any constructive criticisms and suggestions to improve our warehousing and retailing operation.

T. G. SPRUCE
Stanley manager,
Falkland Islands Company

Our new school is no flash 'Roller'

IN YOUR recent interview with the Governor he referred to the new senior school as a 'Rolls-Royce' school

As a former chairman of the Education Committee from 1982 - 1988 and having been involved in the planning of the new school, I must take issue with this description.

The school was planned to meet the needs of the community for the next 30 - 50 years. To do this we provided the basic educational requirements for 200 children with the possibility of extending the facilities for 300 children if the demand requires it.

In planning the school we consulted parents and teachers locally. We also took considerable advice from schools in small communities similar to ours in parts of Scotland and Shetland.

There may be 'Rolls-Royce' schools in these areas; however, we took as our model those schools that provided basic educational requirements.

The exceptions to these requirements are the sports facilities provided for both students and the community. We were aware of the demand for a sports complex and to provide it in this way enabled a considerable saving over the provision of a dedicated facility.

The other community activities which will be available will be provided at little or no extra cost in building.

I find the Governor's comment unfortunate. It smacks, probably unwittingly, of that attitude of some towards education prevalent in the Islands up to the 1950/60s which was that improved education would do little good but cause problems by enticing labour away from the farms etc.

J. E. CHEEK Stanley

● BECAUSE of pressure on space this week, several letters have had to be held out. They will appear in the next edition of *Penguin News*. In future letters will only be printed when the name of the writer is known to the Editor. Such information will be kept strictly confidential if it is the wish of the writer.

Hello! Hello! Hello! But what are we meant to say next?

NO DOUBT everyone has by now realised the vast difference in cost between our old and much-valued telephone service at £30 a year and the newly installed C & W telephones at a rental of £48 a year with calling charges of 5p a minute.

A way of life for senior citizens, especially the ladies, is now denied them as they can no longer have their half-hour daily chat with a friend or relative.

I mentioned the 'much valued telephone service' and we should record our thanks to all the ladies who have filled the operators' posts over three-quarters-of-a-century.

The first I can recall was a Miss Sigrid Enestrom (daughter of the engineer who came here on the *Great Britain*).

Sigrid's small exchange was situated in a room at the east end of the Chief Constable's quarters. It was later moved to the west end of the building where Sgt Morris has his office today.

It was moved to its present site during the late 30s or early 40s.

The first telephone link-up was between the FIC and Stanley House, the home of the manager.

The expert responsible was a Mr Homer. The late Mrs Liz Perry was living at Stanley House and she told me this story.

Mr Homer said he would go to the office and make the final link-up. Then he would ring on the phone. Mrs Perry was to pick up the hand-set and call: "Hello".

This is what happened:

Mrs P: Hello. Mr H: Hello. Mrs P: Hello. Mr H: Hello.

At this point Mrs Perry replaced the hand-piece, saying: "If he thought I had nothing better to do but say 'Hello' all day, he was very much mistaken."

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FALKLAND FINANCE

by NORMAN BLACK

Farm sections joined up

ALTHOUGH UK deposit rates were being quoted at slightly lower levels than in the past few weeks, local rates have been maintained at existing levels.

There was little change in the US dollar/Sterling rate during the period.

One interesting development on the agri-

cultural side is the sale of Waimea to R & M Goodwin.

This represents the first recent amalgamation of two recent sub-divisions.

The arrival of AES brought an increase in retail sales which also began to reflect the coming of Christmas.

TWO NEW FEATURES FOR THOSE WHOSE HOBBY IS WATCHING

Sex and GBH - tell it to the birds

HERE is a round-up of new videos available in Stanley. We hope this latest *Penguin News* service will help you to plan your evening's entertainment at home.

NORTHERN FLIGHTS

If you want to see explicit sex, robbery with GBH, philandering and all set in remote treeless islands, this is the vid for you.

The fact that the stars are the hen harriers, the puffin, great skuas and many more should not put you off.

Jeffrey Boswell has produced a competent and digestibly sized insight to summer birds of the Orkney Islands.

Were those islands enjoying the austral summer, the lighting, would have been improved.

A good one to see again and again. This video has been sponsored for the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds by S & J D Robertson, one of Stanley Services' partners.

FROM THE HIP

Difficult to swallow legal drama. Hero Stormy Wethers (Judd Nelson) could be a fugitive from *Police Academy* films.

The plot is strong and a convincing performance from John Hurt as the heavy who exudes evil while looking like Lester Piggot, makes up for some over-the-top but amusing courtroom hystionies.

Bob Clark directed (over 15).

CRIMES OF THE HEART

Greatest crime was not fully to stretch the talents of Diane Keaton, Sissy Spacek and Jessica Lange. Like many plays it lost some magic in the movie.

Some find it a very funny film. Sissy was nominated for an Oscar for her portrayal of one of three sisters who scandalise a Mississippi township.

Bruce Beresford directed.
(Over 15). BYRON

Mr Yellowlegs Senior makes a flying visit to Mount Pleasant

MAJOR news for bird-watchers is the sighting of a Greater Yellowlegs (*Tringa melanoleuca*) on a creek near MPA by Phil Gregory on November 11. This was a notable first sighting for the Falklands.

Fortunately the bird decided to hang around this particular creek, allowing himself to be scrutinised by other birders, including myself, Alan Henry and Dave Osborne. All of us confirmed the bird's identity.

Photographs taken by Phil will be sent to John Marchant, a guru of waders and shore birds, for final endorsement.

The Greater Yellowlegs is a larger relative of the Lesser Yellowlegs (*Tringa flavipes*) which occurs more regularly as a vagrant - having been seen three times in the Falklands since 1924.

The Greater Yellowlegs breeds in northern North America in 'muskeg' country - scattered trees, marshy ponds and open areas - flying south to winter in South America.

It usually arrives late August or early September, returning home to breed by March.

The Greater is larger than the Lesser, has a different call and a distinctive bill. But the two can be difficult to tell apart, particularly if, like this one, they are not standing next to each other or other birds for comparison.

The creek where Phil spotted the bird seems no different from hundreds of others. The chances are, therefore, that more similar birds are about.

A lack of records is more likely to mean a lack of bird-watchers rather than a lack of birds.

Anyone wanting further details about the Greater Yellowlegs or about bird watching in the Falklands in general should give me a ring at MPA on Military 4261.

Copies of the second edition of the local Birding magazine, *Falkland Islands Birding News* is available on request.

"May your list lengthen."
DIBBY MUNN

Signs of recession in the UK

THE US dollar began this week a little firmer in the wake of comments by defence officials that defence spending may be cut and with the easing of East/West tension.

The dollar ended the week lower on expectations that the Federal Reserve Bank (FED) is preparing a softening monetary policy.

Sterling opened lower on continuing worry over the state of the UK economy.

There are signs that recession appears to be coming and this is reflected in both the pressure on Sterling and the uncertainty in deposit rates.

The latter opened firmly in the past week but dwindled as the days went on. Longer term rates showed signs of a reduction of between a half and 1 per cent over previous levels.



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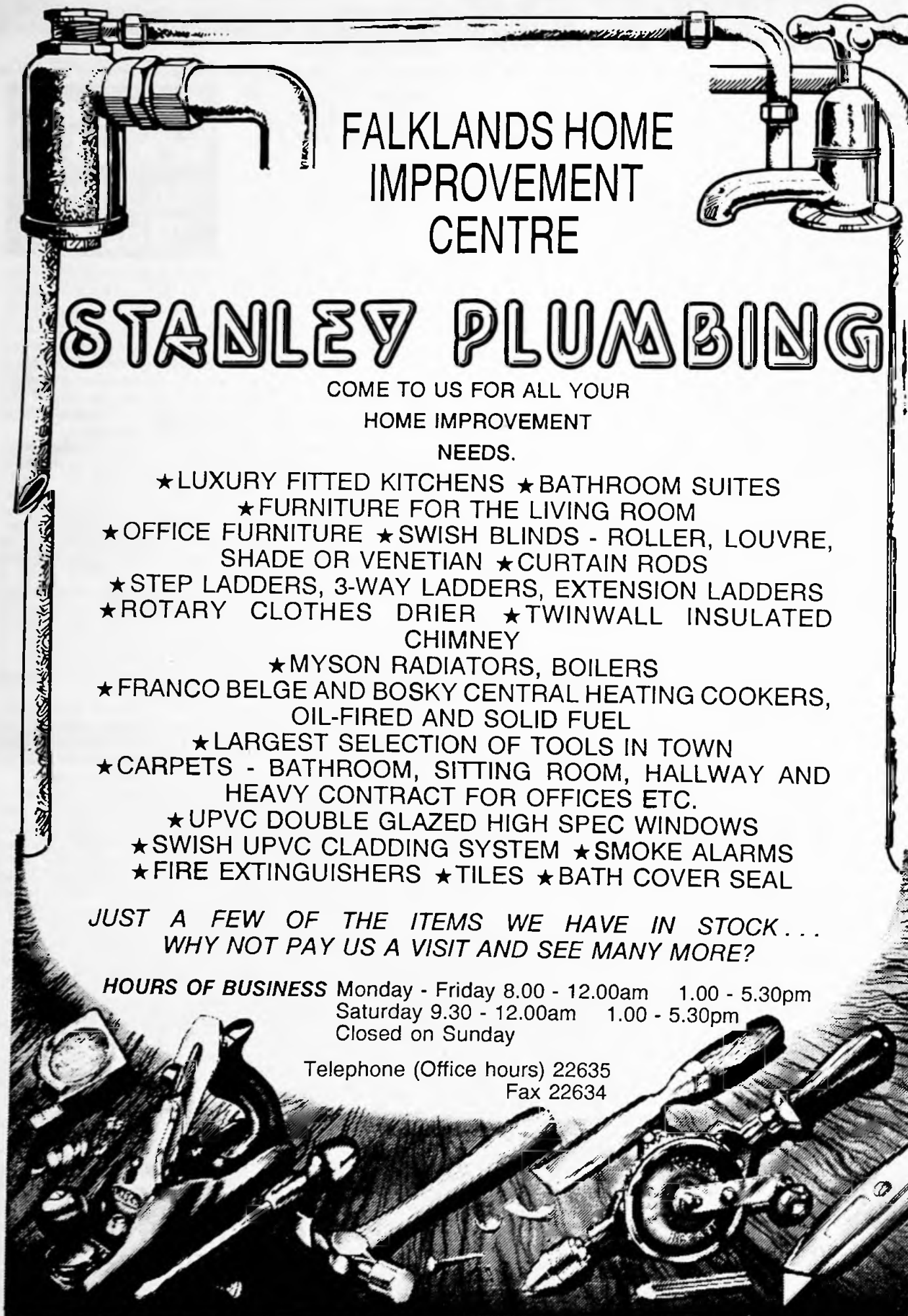
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MUSTANGS UNBEATEN

REDSOX 4 (R. Miranda 3, G. Ross)
DYNAMOS 2 (D. Hannath, B. Watson o.g.)

MUSTANGS remain unbeaten with six points after the first four games in the League Championship, sponsored by Stanley Services.

The committee once again experimented with a four-team league.

The 'pool' system has also been re-introduced. This allows a youngster to guest for another team while retaining his own allegiance.

This should ensure that teams take the field with 11 players while giving youngsters more experience.

Redsox Ramon Miranda opened the season in goal-scoring mood, hitting a first-half hat trick and laying on the fourth late in the game for captain Glen Ross.

Redsox with a strong breeze on



SPORTS REPORTS by PATRICK WATTS

their backs needed quick goals and Miranda obliged with one from the penalty spot, another with a quick shot on the turn and a third from close range.

Dynamos fought back strongly in the second half with Daren Hannath hitting a good goal and Redsox Boyd Watson putting through his own. The Blues pressed strongly but Ross's late goal sealed a 4-2 victory and three points.

MUSTANGS 5 (G. Clifton 2, T. Spencer, G. Tyrrell, Roy Summers)
CELTIC 3 (J. Teggart 2, F. Hernandez)
CELTIC's young goalkeeper, Chris

Jaffray, will want to forget this game.

He twice let long shots pass him and on two other occasions lost the ball which then ran directly into the path of onrushing Mustang forwards for two further goals.

A quiet first half saw Celtic take the lead when John Teggart got clear on the right and centred beautifully for Hernandez to score with a header.

A strong half-time pep talk from Mustangs captain Glen McGillvray set the pattern for the second half and Jaffray was forced to tip a long shot over the bar in the first minute. Gavin Clifton scored twice while Gary Tyrrell's long shot found the net

after bouncing several times. Tim Spencer also scored with a long shot.

Celtic equalised twice through Teggart - once from a free kick from Gonzalo Hobman, Celtic's captain, and again after goalkeeper Lowe had only parried a shot by Rory Coward.

Young Roy Summers went home happy after scoring in his League debut for Mustangs.

MUSTANGS 3 (G. Clifton, D. Clifton, D. Livermore - pen)

REDSOX 2 (G. Ross, R. Miranda)
MUSTANGS had to fight all the way.

Redsox held the lead, went behind, then equalised before losing to a goal by Daren Clifton.

Captain Glen Ross put Redsox ahead from an acute angle but Mustangs equalised when Al Crowie fouled Clifton and Daren Livermore scored from the spot kick.

Gavin Clifton then put Mustangs ahead after a goalmouth scramble, but Miranda scored his fourth goal in two games, breaking clear and firing the ball past Adie Lowe.

The game was decided by Daren Clifton 10 minutes after the restart, although Ross, Paul Philips and Tottie Ford all went close for Redsox.

CELTIC 6 (J. Teggart 4, F. Hernandez, P. Williams o.g.)

DYNAMOS 2 (I. Liggett, T. Morris)
THIS game was a personal triumph for John Teggart who ran riot and scored twice in each half to dominate the game which Celtic deserved to win because they never faltered, even under severe pressure.

Two goals in five minutes ensured Celtic's first victory of the season.

Ian Liggett in the first half and Trevor Morris in the second, replied for Dynamos whose defence was often exposed by the speed of Teggart and Hernandez.

Robert wins despite weather

One regular woman player, Eileen Davies, won the Ladies' prize comfortably from runner-up Shirley Dey.

NOVEMBER MEDAL

FOR the first time this season unfavourable weather caused several golfers to abandon a competition before the final hole.

Ten of the 25 members taking part in the November Medal pulled out as vicious hail squalls swept across the course.

But the weather did not deter Financial Secretary John Buckland-James who soldiered on to win with 65. Alex Smith was second on 68.

with a handicap of 11, mastered the blustery conditions to triumph in the Standard Chartered Bank Rose Bowl competition although his victory came only after a countback from Gordon Forbes.

Newcomer John Teggart snatched third place after equalling the winner's score on the back 9.

SCB manager, Norman Black, said how encouraging it was to see so many new faces. A few years ago a Sunday contest would find just nine or 10 stalwarts but a tournament today attracted between 20 and 30 players, including several ladies.

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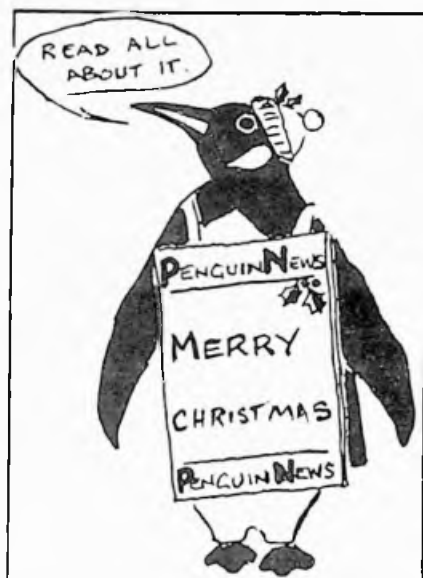
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DUMP N-WASTE IN ISLANDS - SAYS MP



A WELSH Member of Parliament is to ask in the Commons: "What consideration has been given to the possibility of radio-active waste disposal in the Falkland Islands?"

Dr. Dafydd Thomas, who represents Meirionnydd Nant Conwy, will also ask Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary John Major what consideration has been given to the development of windpower farms and oil exploration.

Immediate local reaction to the nuclear waste dump idea ranged from a laugh of disbelief to a flat "no way".

Cllr Terry Peck was adamant: "We wouldn't allow it within 1,000 miles. Not so long as I live."

And Cllr Harold Rowlands: "Absolute nonsense! Good God! We don't want any pollution here. Conservation is our aim."

John Cheek, director of Fortuna, said: "This sort of thing has been tried on before. Harry Camm who used to own Douglas Station was involved in waste."

"We opposed it then and we oppose it now."

Mike Rendell for the Desire the Right party said: "A number of nut cases have suggested this before."

"Why should the Falklands be the place where this stuff is dumped? If it is clearly unfit for other places - then it is clearly unfit for the Falklands."

Taiwan drops 10 licences

TAIWAN has decided to reduce the number of licences it holds for catching squid in the Protection Zone by 10.

This will mean a loss of around £1 million to the Falklands.

Chief Executive Ronald Sampson was answering a question from Cllr Gerard Robson at last week's Legislative Council when he dropped the bombshell.

Mr Robson had asked him to explain the criteria used for the recent allocation of licences.

One criterion, said the Chief Executive, was to ensure the conservation of resources and it was for this reason Taiwan had acted.

Later Mr Sampson said: "This is excellent news. Conservation is really important to us. We may have lost £1 million but it must be worth it to us in the long run."

Stanley fishing circles were more cynical. "The Taiwanese have over-fished for their home market," said one company director. "They now have a squid mountain."

"They would normally sell to the Japanese but that market is now frozen and the Koreans buy only from Korean ships."

No prosecution to follow incidents

INTENSE speculation throughout the islands has been aroused by two recent incidents that may have involved crime.

So *Penguin News* approached the Attorney General, Mr David Lang QC, for clarification.

The first incident involves the allegation that a male police officer raped a female officer.

Mr Lang said that in this case an intensive investigation had been carried out by both civil and service police.

All police documents in the matter had been sent to him - as is usual in cases of alleged rape.

Mr Lang went on: "I decided there was insufficient evidence of rape for a jury to be able properly to convict and therefore decided there should be no prosecution."

"The woman's story may have been true or not, I don't know. There was no independent evidence confirming it... I don't make up my mind whether one side or the other is lying - only as to whether the jury would be able

to decide without doubt who was telling the truth."

The other case concerned an incident at Fox Bay Social Club. The Chief Police Officer had consulted him in regard to three alleged assaults.

Said Mr Lang: "Having carefully considered all the circumstances I concurred with the Chief Police Officer's view that a prosecution would not be in the public interest."

Penguin News asked if this meant any prosecution would fail.

"My view is that there would have been a conviction in all three cases," said Mr Lang, "But I also have to decide whether such a prosecution would be in the public interest and in this particular case I came to the conclusion it would not."

TRI-STAR TIMETABLE CHANGING

FROM the New Year the Tri-Star service to and from the UK will be re-timed. This is due to emergency runway work at Ascension Island and the Commander, British Forces, regrets that he has

been able to give such short notice. The new departure times from MPA are: Noon, January 3; 10; 12; 17; 19; 24; 26; 31. February 7. 11am, February 10. Noon, February 14.

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Penguin News regrets that for reasons outside its control it will be possible to publish only one week's television programmes in each of the next few issues. It is hoped that this situation will be put right in the New Year

FRIDAY, December 15

6.00 COUNT DUCKULA
6.20 THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS
6.40 A.L.F. Comedy with an Alien Life Form.
7.05 CLOSE TO HOME
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS. Nigel Palin drives across Arabia and sails in a dhow.
8.45 BROOKSIDE
9.30 THE BAY BOY Film in which a 16-year-old witnesses a murder.

SATURDAY, December 16

6.00 POP SPOT
6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
7.15 THE SAINT
8.45 SURVIVAL SPECIAL Antarctica - The Last Frontier.
9.35 WHEEL OF FORTUNE New general knowledge quiz.
10.00 THE DAME EDNA EXPERIENCE New series in which the Australian megastar cares, shares and uses the rough edge of her tongue.

SUNDAY, December 17

2.15 CAMPBELL'S KINGDOM Film starring Dirk Bogarde and Stanley Baker.
3.50 SUNDAY SPORT Highlights of second round FA Cup matches.
6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits County Mayo.
7.10 BANANAMAN
7.15 EASTENDERS
8.15 IN THE HIGHEST TRADITION Charge of the Light Brigade.
8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
10.15 SPITTING IMAGE Summit spectacular.
10.40 SONGS OF PRAISE Carols by candlelight.

MONDAY, December 18

6.00 SO THIS IS CHRISTMAS
6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 FRENCH FIELDS
8.20 TANAMERA: LION OF SINGAPORE Final episode

10.00 NAKED VIDEO Meet a man who has eaten 48,611 potatoes.
10.30 WORLD IN ACTION Falling standards in British schools.
10.55 CLASSIC GHOST STORIES

TUESDAY, December, 19

6.00 THE SNORKS
6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
7.30 DAD'S ARMY Guarding a captured submarine crew.
8.00 THE BILL
8.25 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT Guests include Bruce Forsyth and Tina Turner.
9.15 CASUALTY.
10.05 BLACKADDER GOES FORTH
10.35 FILM '89 Barry Norman revies *Back to the Future Part II*, *Fields of Dreams* and *A Dry White Season*.

WEDNESDAY, December 20

6.00 THE CANNON AND BALL SHOW.
6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending December 16.
7.30 CORONATION STREET
7.55 RAPIDO
8.20 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO Last in the current series.
9.35 MOTHER LOVE
10.30 WHOSE LINE IS IT ANYWAY? New improvisation show.
10.55 CLASSIC GHOST STORIES

THURSDAY, December 21

6.00 FIRST OF THE SUMMER WINE
6.30 DOCTOR WHO: Survival New
6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
8.00 THE BILL
8.25 VICTORIA WOOD First of six comedy plays featuring Victoria Wood, Julie Walters, Susie Blake and Celia Imre.
8.55 A QUESTION OF SPORT
9.25 SARACEN
10.10 FLOYD'S AMERICAN PIE
10.40 SCENE HERE BFG magazine programme
11.05 CLASSIC GHOST STORIES

WE'LL BE SEEING YOU AFTER THE HOLS

BECAUSE of the Christmas and New Year holidays *Penguin News* will not be back on sale until Monday, January 8 when we hope to publish two weeks of television programmes. In the meantime we would like to

thank all those who have helped to bring the paper back to life - the printer, contributors and the lady who draws our penguins. We wish them and all our readers a really lovely Christmas and happy New Year.

Marine band plays in Battle Day



ON a beautiful day, the Royal Marine band looked spectacular as it led the Battle Day parade from Stanley Cathedral to the memorial. Earlier it had taken part in the service conducted by Canon Gerald Mur-

phy who was assisted by Monsignor Anthony Agreiter, The Rev. Nicholas Rundle from MPA, Father John Doran and Father Paul Donavon, the padre from HMS Penelope.

The Naval prayer was offered by Commander Bray, the captain of HMS Penelope.

The first lesson was read by the Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton, and the second by the Commander, British Forces, Major General Paul Stevenson.

At the memorial the Governor took the salute as the band, the FIDF and a contingent from HMS Penelope marched past.

A RAF Hercules and two Phantoms also roared past in salute.

Government honours Tim Blake



A SURPRISE party at Government House saw Tim Blake of Hill Cove being presented with a crystal decanter on behalf of the Government of the Falkland Islands.

The decanter was inscribed on a silver band round the neck and the presentation - made by the Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton - was to honour Tim's long and unstinted public service to the community which included 17 years as a councillor.

Helping others

THE children at Stanley Infants and Junior School raised £150 at a bring-and-buy sale they organised themselves.

The money will be split between Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children, in London, and the Montserrat hurricane appeal.

Mrs Hulda Stewart who was behind the enterprise said it was good to make the children think of others at this time of year.

FIGAS is flying into the 'nineties

A MIDNIGHT deal in the Upland Goose hotel and Bravo Foxtrot, FIGAS's oldest Islander was sold. By Christmas she will be working on a commuter service in Canada wearing the livery of Air Madeleine. She is seven years old, yet FIGAS obtained \$US 180,000 for her.

"That was considerably more than we had ever hoped for," said FIGAS manager, Peter Milner, "and it reflects tremendous credit on the maintenance staff."

The Canadian airline men had earlier walked into the hangar, taken one look at the plane and made an offer on the spot.

Now FIGAS has taken over the Fisheries job, two new special maritime versions of the Islander have been ordered and will arrive next May.

The planes will be able to maintain dawn-to-dusk coverage, and, says Peter, provide twice the service at considerably less price. Two Islanders cost £900 an hour to run: one Dordier costs £1,500. Other benefits come with spares back-up and versatility.

He says, too, that the pilot situation will soon be solved.

Eddie Anderson is joining Andy Alsop and Chris Francis, while Alistair Gamley will be available on an *ad hoc* basis from the Dornier. Bob May would be joining in January, followed by Derek Clarke on return from training.

On the vexed subject of wage differentials, Mr Milner admitted there was still a large gap between a local pilot's earnings and those of someone brought in. But Government was addressing itself to the problem.

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Long may this style of Christmas continue

FIRST, a very merry Christmas to you all.

With the great festival only 10 days away, everything in the Falklands seems so delightfully relaxed compared with the commercial hysteria that has been going on in UK for at least six weeks now.

And long may the Falkland way of doing things last.

Dubious Father Christmases in last year's and the year before that's dusty garments smelling (after the lunch break) of beer and dishing out rotten presents to worldly-wise children for a large entry fee to their polystyrene grottos can do little to further the cause of such a momentous occasion as the birth of Christ.

Because of the way the holiday falls this year and because of certain technical problems concerning the publication of television programmes, *Penguin News* will not be back until Monday, January 8.

We apologise for the long gap, but assure you there is a good reason for it.

So, go out, enjoy your holiday and we will see you in January.

And may we leave you with the same wish that Cllr Gavin Short bestowed upon the Legislative Council: *A happy Christmas and skeleton-free New Year.*

Battle Day

JUST a thought. If the good ladies of Fitzroy had seen the German fleet steaming towards them in 1989 how would they have raised the alarm?

One thing's for sure. They would never have got through to MPA on the telephone.

UK LETTER

from
SIR REX HUNT

MY Government will honour their commitment to the people of the Falkland Islands.

Thus spoke the Queen in her speech at the opening of Parliament. Such is the quaint custom of our British constitution that it is not the Queen's speech, but the Prime Minister's. Mrs Thatcher writes it: the Queen delivers it.

What is the Government's commitment to the people of the Falkland Islands? Simply that the sovereignty of the Islands is not negotiable.

Nothing could be plainer or more reassuring. As long as Mrs Thatcher runs the Government, therefore, you can sleep soundly in your beds.

Since Nigel Lawson's resignation, however, the media have been claiming that Mrs Thatcher's days are numbered. Some maintain she will not see the end of this Government, some that she will lose the next election and some that she will step down after winning a fourth term.

Now I have had sufficient experience of the media to take what they say with a large dose of salt. Far from believing 'It must be true, I read it in the paper, didn't you?' I regard all political reporting as slanted.

When I read that the electorate no longer regards Mrs Thatcher as a credible leader, it is the writer who becomes incredible in my eyes.

Of course I am biased, but I continue to regard Mrs Thatcher not only as a credible leader, but also as the only credible leader of this country.

Despite all the vituperative attacks against her in the media, I know that this view is shared by many of my fellow countrymen and women. So, too, is the conviction that a change of leadership now would be suicide for the Conservative party and disastrous for the country.

A Labour victory at the next election is possible but only if there is an economic collapse. However, I believe that John Major is the right man for Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Incidentally, I also believe that Douglas Hurd is the right man for the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. He was himself a diplomat before entering politics, he knows the ways of FCO officials and - an added bonus - he has a detailed knowledge of the Falkland Islands through his parents who paid several visits there in connection with the Falkland Islands Company.

Reports of Mrs Thatcher standing down after the next election came, allegedly, from her own

Don't worry, Mrs T will stay in charge

mouth, in an interview with the *Sunday Correspondent*.

Suspicious as usual, I bought a copy and searched in vain for the substance behind the lurid headlines.

When asked, *How long do you want to go on?* Mrs Thatcher replied: 'I have no idea'.

When the interviewer remarked that one or two of her former colleagues had said that it was 'not inconceivable' that she would fight a fifth election, she replied 'That is nice of them isn't it?'

Finally, when asked directly.

Do you think that is likely?, she replied: 'No, because I think people would think it was time for someone else to carry the torch.'

I leave you to draw your own conclusions. If people did not think it was time for someone else to carry the torch . . . ?

First, however, she has to win the fourth election, which brings me back to the state of Britain's economy.

It is a grim irony, is it not, that the future of the Falkland Islands could well depend upon John Major getting his sums right.

TOUGH BUT GENTLE

MORE than 100 people attended the memorial service for Alastair Cameron at Lincoln's Inn Chapel in London.

In his address, former Chief Executive David Taylor said that Alastair - who was Director of Fisheries in Stanley when he died in an accident on the MPA road - had been only 32 when he became Falkland Island Government representative in London.

Fisheries was another pressurised job in which he sometimes had to deal with greedy or unscrupulous people.

Said Mr Taylor: 'His grasp of detail, clear thinking and utter integrity were crucial . . . Under his gentle exterior he could be very tough as some bullies and manipulators who confronted him discovered.'

Ewen Alastair Lindsey Keith Cameron was 37 when he died.



New Rover for cathedral

STANLEY cathedral's new Land-Rover was dedicated by Canon Gerald Murphy at a special ceremony at the roadside outside the cathedral on December 3.

The Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton, and members of the Falkland Islands Company were present.

The cost of the new vehicle came from the sale of the old Rover and money given in memory of Canon Murphy's father-in-law, Canon T.L. Livermore.

The FIC paid the freightage. Canon Murphy said he hoped the vehicle would be of use to everyone living in the Islands.

The occasion also marked the last appearance at the cathedral

of lay preacher Major Noel Daves who is Army Operations Officer at HQ British Forces, Falkland Islands.

Major Daves who took cathedral services during Canon Murphy's enforced absence in UK has finished his tour.

Lynne is the champion again

IT WAS ice cream for all at the Stanley Infants and Junior School sports. Even the parents. Stanley Sports Association allowed not only use of the racecourse but the public address system, too. And a great day was had by all.

For the second year running Lynne Forster of Bold Cove and Junior 4 was Champion Girl while Alastair Summers of Stanley and Junior 4 was Champion Boy.

Champion mum was N. Luxton and champion dad, P. Gregory.

House result: 1st Beaver Island 66pts; 2nd Saunders Island 56pts; 3rd Lively Island 47pts.

The trophies, donated by the PTA, were presented by Mrs. Janice Black, wife of the Standard Chartered Bank Manager.

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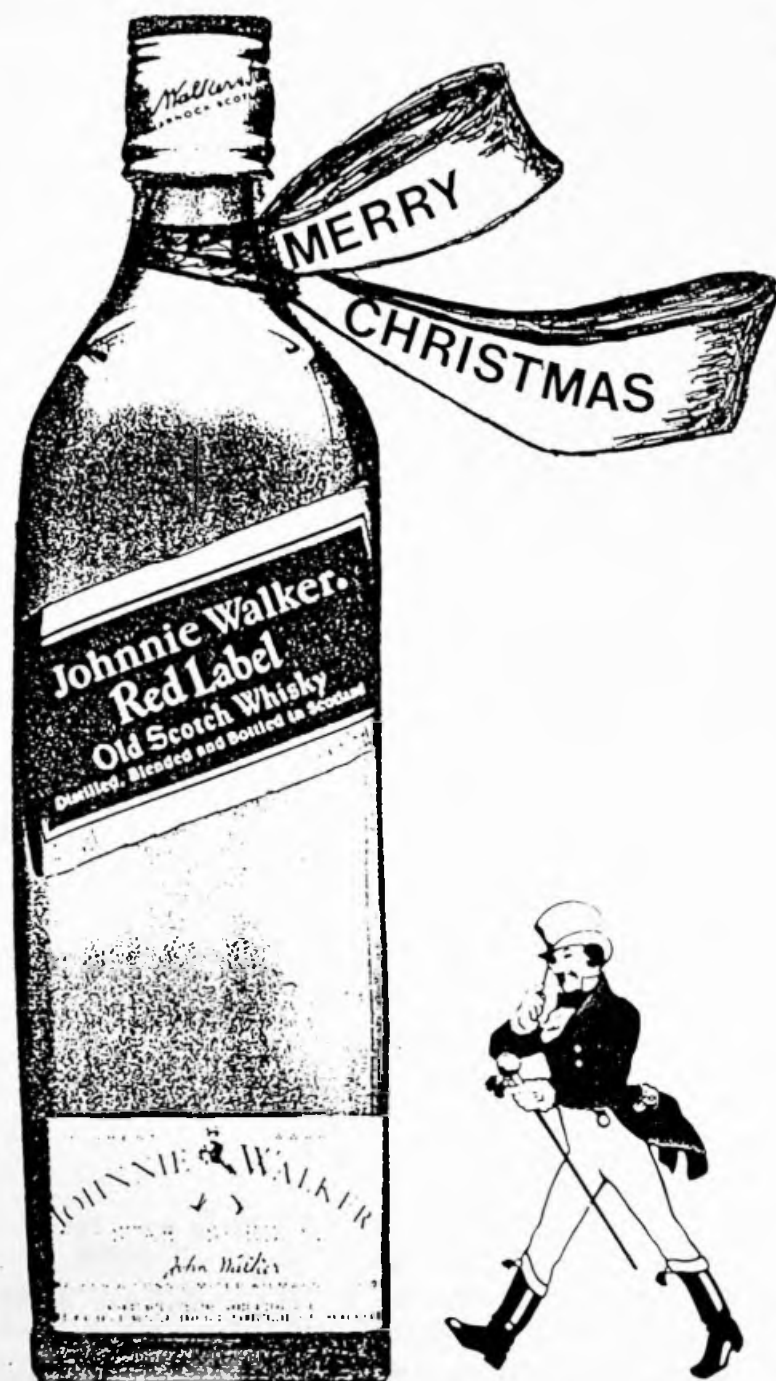
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Penguin News PROFILE

SENIOR CIVILIAN NURSING OFFICER

MAY is the important month in the life of Mandy Harrod, 31-year-old Chief Nursing Officer (Matron, we used to call it) at the King Edward Hospital, Stanley.

For May was the month she began her second tour of duty here - the one in which she began dating her future husband Keith Heathman, boss of the Keith Heathman Contract Shearing Gang - and it was also the month, this year, when she became Chief Nursing Officer.

Although born in Coventry, Mandy spent most of her childhood in Bedfordshire before her family moved north to Macclesfield.

At first after leaving school with A-levels, she wanted to be an archeologist - "But I wasn't clever enough" - so she became a chamber maid instead and worked at a posh country hotel while deciding what to do next.

"It was quite an eye-opener," she said. "I used to do the early morning teas and catch all sorts of people doing all sorts of things."

"I suppose I was a bit naive at the time. Manchester United football club used to use the hotel and that was really an eye-opener."

After five months of having her eyes opened by footballers and clients alike, Mandy decided to become a nurse. She trained at the Leighton Hospital, Crewe, then went on to do midwifery at King's College, London.

In May (again!) 1984, she joined the prestigious Westminster Hospital as a sister. It was while there that she volunteered for duty in the Falklands. At first nothing happened. Then, suddenly, she was given just two weeks to pack her bags and go.

She stayed for nine months, then returned home. The next year she was seconded again. But this time she was given less than a week to pack her bags. She stayed from May until July, but was back again in November the same year as a sister.

And how does she feel about being accepted by the Islanders? "Everybody is very friendly", she says. "And I get a good welcome wherever I go. And I feel like an islander. But I think I shall always be known as a 'fuddy duddy person from the UK'" - which is how she was described by a six-year-old in Goose Green.

It was at a Goose Green two-nighter that Mandy first met fiance Keith. She had been appointed attendant nurse at the steer riding and he had been deputed to look after her. "Unfortunately, he took part and disappeared over the horizon and I didn't see him again..."

Their first date was more than a little unusual. Keith picked her up at six in the morning and took her into the camp to load wood. "It was jolly heavy," Mandy remembers. "And it was in the middle of a snow storm."



Matron Mandy loses her heart in the Islands

Her wedding, too, must seem more than a little unusual to a girl brought up in the ultra-conventional environment of the UK Home Counties. For when she and Keith marry next month the ceremony will take place in the shearing shed at Estancia farm where Keith's brother Tony is the owner.

It had been hoped that Tony Heathman would be able to marry the couple in what they believed was the tradition of the Camp where farm managers used to officiate at weddings. However, this custom does not apply where communications are good enough to enable the registrar or a priest to reach the settlement - as is the case at Estancia. So the ceremony, next week, will be conducted by Canon Gerald Murphy.

Back in the hospital, Mandy is quick to point out that she is only the civilian Chief Nursing Officer and that she has a military counterpart. In fact, although the hospital is run jointly by the civil and military the patients are mixed together and separated into side wards according to complaint rather than status. The staff, too, work together as one team.

So much so in that even the matron lends a hand on the ward if the staff are hard pressed.

"I think I should be expected to help out," she says.

So is there any big difference between nurs-

ing in the UK and nursing here in the Falklands? Yes. In the UK everything is specialised. There are medical wards, orthopaedic wards, surgical wards and so on. At the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Stanley there is one ward for everyone.

Also, there is a much higher ratio of foreigners being treated compared with most UK hospitals. Mandy finds the Taiwanese and Japanese are inclined to stick together and laugh a lot while the Poles and Russians often speak a bit of English and are model patients - "very polite" - although the Russians are not allowed to leave the hospital.

It is the Koreans Mandy is dubious about. "Frankly, they are difficult," she says. "Totally different. They obviously have no respect for women in their culture."

And how is she finding the management side? "It takes time to learn to be a boss," she says. "Is she there yet? 'It's coming,'" she replies laconically.

Although she realises she will never be accepted as a true Falkland Islander, there can be no doubt that it is not only Mandy's heart that has been captured here. She is beginning to think and react like an islander. Asked if there was anything she disliked about the Falklands - the weather for example - she just laughed.

"Do you know," she said. "The last time I was home on leave I actually missed the wind."

FALKLAND FINANCE

Growing trade with S America

THIS week saw the opening of the Islands' first film developing and printing laboratory - Falkland Printz.

The annual general meeting of the Association of Business in the Falklands was held and members aired their views on the problems experienced in the growing trade with South America.

There was particular concern on additional charges and increased pricing.

Sterling under pressure

THE week opened with the US dollar unchanged but Sterling under pressure from a strong Deutschmark.

There was little impact as a result of the Malta summit and the market showed virtually no reaction following the expected win of Mrs Thatcher in her party's leadership election.

The US dollar - Sterling exchange rate moved in the range 1.5626 to 1.58 during the week.

US dollar deposit rates opened easier with Sterling rates unchanged and this trend continued throughout the week.

There was no movement in rates locally as a result.

NORMAN BLACK

Now Cookes claim eviction

THE Cooke family left the Falklands last week in the midst of a new row.

Mrs Sandra Cooke had been deported and her husband, Richard, asked to leave.

Mrs Cooke took her three children with her.

But two days before leaving they were told to leave their home. Mr Cooke claimed this was an eviction as the Government refused to pay to shelter the family for the rest of their time on the Islands.

SOME OF THE ANSWERS

CLLR Short asked about plans to extend the television service to all Camp.

Chief Executive Ronald Sampson said there were no firm plans but SSVc were preparing a project. The estimated cost was not to exceed £200,000. If installation costs were met, service and maintenance would be borne by them.

CLLR Terry Peck was told that the total cost of recruiting, housing, salary and transportation of the recently departed Environmental Health Officer and his family was £10,403.16.

CLLR Norma Edwards asked if contract shearers could be given priority on FIGAS flights during the shearing season.

The Chief Executive said this already happened. Only last minute changes or bookings could not be guaranteed.

In another answer to Mrs Edwards he said the Government was not considering the purchase of a mobile stone crusher as one would cost £600,000. The term 'mobile' was relative. Parts of the machine weighed 40 tons.

Financial Secretary John Buckland-James told CLLR Ronald Binnie that £32,462 was owed by fishing companies to the Government. He told CLLR Gerard Robson that total expenditure of Falkland Tourism had been £2,144,000 while income totalled £360,000.

CLLR Gerard Robson was told there were no plans to establish a Princes and Incomes Board.

The Chief Executive told CLLR Gavin Short there were no plans to renew Stanley's sewerage system. However, there were funds in 1991 to extend the output pipes.

Legco buries Seamount

AT what the Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton, called "the first real working session" of the new Legco, members decided to cut the country's losses and bury the Seamount scandal.

Only CLLR Gavin Short said he saw the Boyd report into the affair as a beginning and not an end. "If these people have broken the laws of our Islands, then I feel they should be brought to justice," he said.

"For surely the law cannot be waived for one set of people and not another."

The feeling of the rest of the members was summed up by CLLR Norma Edwards when she said: "I think we could chew the cud for ever more and to no advantage really."

"The only thing you could accuse people of is mismanagement of company books and to do this would take so much money... just throwing good money after bad."

She thought the bill for taking legal action could be £250,000 and enough money had already been lost.

We must learn from what had happened "and hope to God it never happens again - we must make sure it doesn't."

CLLR Terry Peck said the word 'mismanagement' was the understatement of the year... and when one looked at the lack of control and accountability, "the mind just boggles."

"And," he continued, "I still find it very difficult to accept that all these people were making the same mistakes day after day, month after month."

But he could not personally justify spending more money on bringing these people to account.

CLLR Ronald Binnie maintained that a large share of the blame lay with those who employed those at the top. The British Government paid three-and-a-half of the salaries of the four people involved.

"The sorry part of it is that it is FIG money that has paid the bill, not the British Government."

The Attorney General then spoke

One man stands his ground as angry councillors agree not to throw good money after bad



Binnie (left): 'Why us?' Short (above): He stood alone. Edwards: Never again

"so that the public should know what the situation is."

"It is absolutely correct that there have been manifest and widespread breaches of the Companies Act in relation to the keeping of accounts and financial records by those concerned not only with Seamount but also, as Mr Boyd makes clear, in relation to subsidiaries of Stanley Fisheries generally."

"There is no excuse whatsoever for that. The result, of course, has been a lack of financial information to the directors of the company which the Act directed should be available for the proper management of a company."

One councillor, he said, had referred to the fine being £200. That was correct. It is also an offence which carries a maximum prison sentence of six months.

He agreed with Mr Boyd that those responsible were the executive directors of Stanley Fisheries none of whom were in the Falkland Islands.

Furthermore "they could not be brought back against their will for trial here... because those offences are not extraditable offences."

He continued: "Honourable members are absolutely right in pointing out that the cost, even were that not so, of mounting a prosecution would be very considerable indeed. A figure of £250,000 would not, perhaps, be an exaggeration."

Mr Lang went on to explain why the costs would be so high.

"To bring a prosecution of that kind one would necessarily have to look at the accounts and accounting records of all the companies forming part of Stanley Fisheries group and one would have to employ accountants to provide expert evidence of what expenditure and commitments had been duly and properly recorded and what had not."

"That would be a massive exercise and would involve a team of accountants with a very considerable expenditure."



The trial too might be lengthy with the sort of evidence that could occupy many days of expert witnesses, cross-examination and the rest.

There was, too, the possible question of fraud - "whether anybody, to put it bluntly, may have lined his own pocket."

Mr Boyd concluded, on the evidence available to him, that there was no evidence of fraud and Mr Lang agreed with that.

The Attorney General continued: "If it were sought to establish very definitely that there was no fraud then the sort of investigation that would have to be carried out, even if it could be carried out, would be extremely time-consuming and expensive and would require a great deal of manpower and effort."

"And at the end of the day one might come up with the answer I firmly expect, that there would be no evidence of fraud."

Grossly incompetent management did not amount to a criminal offence.

He had considered the question of civil proceedings, but "the object of these proceedings could only be to recover a substantial part of the large loss that has been incurred."

"It is by no means certain in law that such an action could successfully be brought."

"I don't say that it couldn't be but there would be a prospect that any such action might not succeed."

"What one could be absolutely certain about is that the cost of bringing an action of that kind would be enormous in terms of money and in terms of time and diversion of effort."

"It is not a road on which I would advise any person to embark."

He hoped the public would understand why the councillors were of that view and why he shared it with them.

Chief Executive Ronald Sampson whose resolution 'That this House notes the contents of the report by Mr Stewart Boyd QC into the affairs of Seamount Ltd.' was passed said he came to bury Seamount, not to raise it.

"Burying something is the only decent thing to do with matter that is offensive and distasteful," he said.

It was an expensive way to learn, but, he assured Council, the lessons had been learned.

Three-way attack on dental queue

THE waiting list for dental treatment was being attacked on three fronts, CLLR Gavin Short was told.

Chief Executive Ronald Sampson said the Crown Agents had been asked to recruit a locum to cover the next high fishing season.

The locum would help to meet the high demand of emergency treatment from the fishing fleet and help to shorten the waiting list.

Consideration was also being given to making better use of the dentist's time.

For example, it might be possible to fly Camp patients in for treatment, rather than to have the dentist visiting settlements where he might treat only two people in a day.

The possibility of recruiting another full-time dentist was also being considered.

Star tracks

CHIEF Executive Ronald Sampson told CLLR Ronald Binnie that the Camp track network had not yet been finalised. However, the routes were expected to be split into two groups.

The first: MPA - Goose Green, Darwin - St Carlos, Port Howard - Chartres, Chartres - Roy Cove/Hill Cove. The second: Fox Bay - Port Stephens, Fox Bay - Chartres, San Carlos - Douglas Station, Douglas Station - Teal Inlet, Goose Green - North Arm.



Peck: Pollution at sea

Islands ready for oil slick

FALKLAND plans for dealing with oil pollution were outlined to the Council by Chief Executive Ronald Sampson.

Answering CLLR Terry Peck, he said the Government could call upon Stanley Services, who, although they had little experience in dealing with emergencies of this kind did have a contingency plan for accidents ashore.

They possessed only a 200-litre stock of detergent and one backpack sprayer.

The Government would also hope to use the tugs Typhoon and Saronic bay, although they were privately owned. The vessels were equipped to deal with any bunkering spills.

The Forces carried a large stock of special equipment at Mare Harbour that could be deployed in Oil Mariner or by helicopter and the Government had been assured that the military would co-operate fully.

An emergency plan had been drawn up.

CLLR Peck suggested that as the Government owned 45 per cent of Stanley Services they should ensure that their stocks of detergent were "realistic".

Private funds for estate?

THE cost of building 100 serviced houses in the development area east of Stanley could be about £6 million, Chief Executive Ronald Sampson told CLLR Terry Peck.

This was an estimated figure. The return to Government would depend on the final valuation compared with building and servicing costs - and, of course, the value of cash discounts.

There was a possibility that private funds would be used for the development with Government's part being restricted to services.

A report would be made in due course.

The regrets of a former Chief Executive

THE following statement received "out of the blue" from former Chief Executive, Brian Cummings, was read to the Council by CLLR Harold Rowlands:

"It is a matter of concern to me that I cannot be present in Legislative Council to contribute to the debate on the Seamount report. I would have liked the opportunity."

I would like to apologise in public to councillors and to the people of the Falkland Islands for my part in the Seamount affair. It is a matter of the utmost regret that action and inaction by me may have contributed to the loss of substantial funds through the collapse of the

Seamount joint venture company. That Seamount failed is in itself an indictment of my stewardship.

Mr Boyd conducted the enquiry as he saw fit in accordance with topics for consideration given to him by H. E. The Governor. It is a great pity that a public enquiry was not held as this would have allowed for an open scrutiny of the most significant financial event in the Islands' recent history.

As the former chairman of Stanley Fisheries I find it puzzling as to the reasons why oral evidence was not taken from all persons who had legal responsibilities relevant to the subject of the enquiry. I also find it strange that not one

principal joint venture partner gave evidence. I know for certain that some of that evidence was material.

That Mr Boyd dismisses so lightly the recruitment problems faced in the Falkland Islands and the pressures under which public servants worked is a matter of profound regret to me. My performance was judged solely as a full-time executive chairman of a company when the reality was totally different.

In Stanley Fisheries the need to create a competent and harmonious management team working to a single purpose was paramount. It was not there at the critical time and a major crisis was inevitable.

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For Norman and June, it's a fast developing business

ONE of 1989's commercial success stories in the Falkland Islands is Falkland Printz - a business for developing and printing colour photographs.

From the moment Governor Hugh Fullerton cut the green tape across the front door in the new shopping centre at Mount Pleasant early last week and declared the shop open, the place has been swamped with customers and film.

Says proprietor Norman Clark who shares the business with his wife June: "It's incredible. People seem to have been waiting for us . . . hoarding film if you like."

"We even had one film in showing the Royal Marine band last time it was here."

It all started when Norman and June spotted a gap in the market, checked their savings, then went for it. They realised that people were just not prepared to wait weeks before seeing their photographs developed; that half the fun is seeing what you have got in your camera as soon as possible.

So they started Falkland Printz where photographers - both amateur and professional - can take their colour films to be developed or printed on site - and their negatives, too. Originally it was intended to supply a one-hour turnaround at Mount Pleasant and a 24-hour service from Stanley.

But things have not worked out that way.

The Clarks are having to pay the price of success. So many customers have been putting their films in to be processed that they have found it impossible to maintain that sort of speed and keep to the high standard of quality they have set themselves.

"And we are certainly not sacrificing quality under any circumstances," says Norman. "Pictures mean a great deal to people . . . weddings, family outings, the kids growing up or sending something back home so the folks can see what you've been up to. It would be quite wrong just to rush through them."

Meanwhile June, too, has been



The Governor takes the tape-cutting scissors from Norman Clark



ABOVE: Members of the Falkland Islands business community pose for the camera at the opening ceremony



LEFT: Governor and Mrs Fullerton chat with Alister Montgomery the engineer from Noritsu (UK)

PICTURE NORMAN CLARK

finding out the true meaning of success. "We had expected that after a bit of time we would employ someone to help us - as the business built up," she said. "But we've already had to get

someone in and we've only been going a week."

The busy shop's champagne-and-all-the-trimmings opening ceremony was also attended by Mrs Fullerton, herself a keen

photographer, the Commander, British Forces, Falkland Islands, Major General Paul Stevenson, and Mrs Stevenson.

Leading members of the Falklands business community and FIDC were also present.

Norman, who holds the British Empire Medal, is a former Royal Marine who first came to the Islands with the services. He and June live on the Jersey Estate in Stanley with their two sons and an Alsatian dog.

JUNE and NORMAN would like to thank everyone who has helped them to open on time. Their thanks go also to their newfound customers for support and patience during the start-up phase

Diary of a Farmer's Wife

OR AN EVERYDAY STORY OF CAMP FOLK

Doctor? I'm Mickey Mouse and my batteries are flat

LAST time I mentioned the dry weather it rained nonstop for ages, so I will stick to safer topics.

The journeyings of Cable & Wireless personnel are of great interest to most folk in Camp, since their arrival in a settlement signals the start of much-improved communications for people in that area.

The 'good old days' of the R/T will soon be something to be reminisced over and - by the lonely - missed.

The poor conditions of recent weeks have caused considerable problems for the long-suffering operators, especially Eileen, not to mention those of us wanting to get messages through to town.

Bad radio conditions cause many a mix-up in messages, through no fault of the operator concerned.

My favourite mix-up memory will will always be that of the two tea services arrived one day, courtesy of FIGAS. It took me a while to figure out that they represented the

geranium pots and saucers ordered some days previously.

The present doctor's hour, or rather half-hour, will soon vanish, to be replaced by phone-in consultations that could well prove more fruitful for the doctors.

At present they have to contend not only with diabolic radio conditions, flat batteries and Mickey Mouse voices but that natural reluctance on the part of patients to discuss their more personal symptoms in front of the entire Islands.

My contribution to shearing is the usual bake-in. I should have organised sponsors for every pound of flour used, including the burnt offerings hurled through the scullery window to waiting hens.

I would have made a fortune for charity... perhaps the League for Downtrodden Farmers' Wives. (No, I haven't heard of it either, but it could catch on).

The horses are all fat, shiny and lazy but are in for a rude awakening - daughter and friend arrive tomorrow!

Houdini chick has left us for the Great Chicken Coop in the Sky - victim not of his own daring but of a mysterious lurgy that saw off all but three of that brood.

A second clutch of seven has just hatched, plus a late arrival now in the airing cupboard.

I hope this little family are luckier than the last bunch.

Telephone surgery queuing could be arranged on an answering phone with soothing music being played to waiting patients or, even better, a pre-recorded selection of symptom-linked remedies: *Backache? Take one pink pill daily for a week and call back if not better by then.*

Shearing time approaches rapidly. The Boss has started to move the dry sheep nearer to home, in between concreting bits of the new shearing shed which is half-built. (We will use our neighbour's shed until it is ready.)

He has also done some new cladding on it but after losing painfully two rounds of *Snakes and Ladders* has decided to wait for the rare calm spells of weather - which often mean working in the near dark.

The pups love the concreting bit. If it is finished without paw marks in it I shall be amazed.

The very soul of a nation

I HAVE always been a keen supporter of a new senior school for the Falkland Islands.

If it has to be an expensive Rolls Royce one, I'll support that too.

And if it's a smart light airy building of some architectural

merit and it blends attractively into its surroundings like the swimming pool, that's absolutely marvellous.

Judging by the architect's drawings of the external layout I would say "so far, so good."

Internally it's impressive too, except for the position of the Art

and Craft room.

If you dig out last week's *Penguin News* and take a look at the drawings you will probably see what I mean. For those without *Penguin News* at their fingertips, let me explain.

The Art and Craft room is stuck in the southwest corner of the ground floor. Because of the lie of the land in that area the room will overlook rocks and tree stumps and will have precious little natural light.

It should be on the northwest corner of the main building above the library. It should be there so that our potential artists (school children and night class students alike) can be inspired by some of the Falklands finest scenery - the harbour, the hills, the ridge, the amazing skies, the interesting architecture as well as the rocks and the trees and can benefit at all times from the brilliant natural light.

Ask any Falkland artist why they choose to work in a room facing north and how an art room in elevated position, with masses of glass and incredible views of north and west could be nothing short of inspirational.

And then wonder why the geography room was chosen to go on that very spot.

I'm not suggesting the views would be wasted on a geography class but I do think they could be put to better use by a group of aspiring artists.

Artists should be encouraged, nurtured, revered. Artists add colour and character to their community. They are its soul.

WOMAN about TOWN

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LETTERS

We are bankers and not in the business of owning property

IN the article *Woman about Town* in *Penguin News* of December 1, 1989, I should like to take the opportunity to express my concern over the inaccuracies contained therein.

1. Standard Chartered Bank has not had, does not have now and has no intention in the future of "going to own a fair share of the Falkland Islands". It is in the business of banking not land or property ownership.

2. Although presently the only bank in the Islands we, like any other bank or building society, are required to seek a licence to operate.

We also have to bid for all available banking business (including Government's!). Government does not "put more and more business Standard Chartered's way" as implied in the article.

3. With regard to mortgages, discussions have been held with

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Government and FIDC as to how the bank may assist to extend mortgage facilities to a wider number of people and companies in the Falklands than was previously possible.

It is hoped to turn these discussions into a concrete mortgage scheme very shortly.

We trust whoever wrote the article was not seriously suggesting that this bank reduce its share of business by calling in a number of its loans/advances with the ac-

companying difficulties this would cause the borrowers in the Islands?

We are proud to be serving the public in the Falkland Islands, to be a major employer and to be the only bank that contributes to the Government's tax revenues, thus directly benefiting the Islands!

But your columnist is, of course, entitled to his or her view.

**NORMAN BLACK, Manager,
Standard Chartered Bank,
Stanley**

That jam again

I WOULD like to thank Mr Spruce for explaining the price of jam. For years we women have been moan, moan, moan about prices - and jam in particular.

If *Woman about Town* had written to FIC, only she would have had the answer. Now we all know.

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*O buoy! The light's going
 and we must get a move on*

A SLIGHT swell was running as the FIC launch *Speedwell* landed a party on the rocks in a small cove. Their job: to help place a light on Mengeary Point.

The day was beautifully calm and it felt like a picnic.

At about 5pm, the big Chinook landed a man before flying back to FIPASS for its 3,500kg cargo.

Five minutes later, the crew, Squadron Leader Byron, Sgt Wright and L/Cpl Cornish, were hovering above the site.

The position had been marked with a white trian-

gle and it took less than 10 minutes to put their load right on target, solar panels facing north. The buoy, 7 meters high and 2.5 meters in diameter, had been lying offshore, but maintenance problems meant it was often out of order.

Then FISHOPPS John Clark and Dave Graham; Les Halliday, harbour master, Taff Davies and Montana Short of Sullivan Shipping and Robin Goodwin and Terry Hawksworth of FIC decided on the Mengeary site, provided the base were sound.

The old bottle shed on the site was demolished and the base of the buoy cleaned with needle guns. Steve Beldham welded on girders to support a maintenance ladder and the whole thing was painted bright orange.

Then it was a case of readjusting the lenses and replacing the old pearl bulbs with new 150w clear ones.



WATCHING WITH PENGUIN NEWS

VIDEOS

A CHINSTRAP penguin has been sighted in the Falkland Islands on Saunders Neck.

It was spotted by Sgt Dave Osborne from MPA among a colony of Gentoos on November 23.

Meanwhile the Gento chick at the Saunders and Sea Lions colonies have begun appearing.

The story in our last edition about the Red Baron (the local red backed hawk at MPA) attacking people who approached his nest should emphasise the fact that it is not a good idea to approach nest sites anyway, since this invariably leads to unacceptable disturbance of the bird.

It is, for example, often illegal in the UK and licences are required to photograph many species at their nests.

Finally, please remember that if penguins get up from their eggs because of your approach, you are too close.

There are always scavengers ready to pounce and your presence may have destroyed an egg.

The Gentoos on Bertha's beach look increasingly like Custer's cavalrymen making their last stand. I half expect to see arrows in the sand around them.

Those that are left are brave, stubborn birds. They should be given the space and chance to add their genetic stock to the species.

If you approach slowly and quietly, stopping when they start to move and waiting, you can still get reasonably close.

Then someone after you can enjoy their presence.

DIGBY MUNNS

BIRDING

ORDEAL BY INNOCENCE

Donald Sutherland stars in Agatha Christie tastefully gory tale set in Dartmouth. Cameo parts by Faye Dunaway, Ian McShane and others.

For Christie fans this is a goody. Who-dun-it rating not so high but an absorbing interpretation with Dave Clark Five music that may jar.

Not to be confused with Miss Marples/Hercule Poirot stereotypes.

THE DRESSMAKER

Evocative to those who lived in times when Nigger was acceptable as a cat's name.

Liverpool 1944, Plowright and Whitelaw contrasting sisters influencing Jane Horrocks in first fumbles in cinema back row. Strong family drama; *Brookside* could learn a lot from this.

Billie Whitelaw won Best Actress award as Margot but don't let that discourage you. Over 15.

SCANDAL

Not to be on should the vicar visit. The Profumo truths titillating more than fiction.

John Hurt well cast as the key cat's paw Stephen Ward. Christine Keeler and Mandy Rice Davis are almost forgivable in sensitive, impudent portrayals. Some full frontal exposure could offend.

Swinging Sixties at its extremes - fascinating even if you know how it ends. Great music.

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JOY THROUGH STRENGTH



JUST look at these guys from MPA - they are meant to be enjoying themselves! They were taking part in the Strongest Man in the Falklands contest which was won by Corporal Chris Hill of the RAF. Second was another RAF corporal, Daz Walker and third, Leading Seaman Phil Campbell.

Stanley triumphant with last-minute goal

STANLEY won the traditional Battle Day first team fixture, narrowly beating HMS Penelope with a last-minute goal by mid-fielder Gavin Clifton.

Gavin with central defender Darren Livermore and keeper Tony Sykes shone on a brilliantly warm and sunny afternoon.

Big Paul Williams opened Stanley's account against the run of play, scoring with a vicious short range shot, following a corner.

Penelope equalised almost immediately

Stanley fell behind early in the second half but more good work by Williams gave Glenn Ross the chance to equalise. Clifton's late goal then ensured a winning start to the season for Stanley.

Both teams then relaxed at

SPORTS REPORTS by PATRICK WATTS

Monty's where Kevin and Jan are sponsoring the first team this season.

They have presented a full set of red shirts, white shorts and red stockings. A Monty's track suit will complete the kit.

The local club has also received a gift of a full kit by courtesy of Capt Graham Botterill of J. Marr who has close connections with Hull City FC.

The kit, yellow shirts and socks and black shorts - Hull's first team colours - are being used by the second team and by the Mustangs.

Look out Lookout!

THE Stanley B team kept up their good form following their 4 - 4 draw with the first team the previous week by defeating Lookout Camp 3 - 1.

A deflected shot by Daren Han-nath opened the scoring for Stanley but Lookout equalised before half-time.

A Ramon Miranda penalty put Stanley ahead and Miranda scored the winner with an excellent cross from the left late in the game.

Full marks to the linesman, a member of the Lookout unit, who attracted the referee's attention to a handball in his team's penalty box.

STANLEY SERVICES LEAGUE

REDSOX 6 (G. Ross 2, R. Miranda, B. Watson, P. Escott, J. Curtis o.g.)
CELTIC 1 (G. Hobman pen)

A depleted Celtic did well to restrict a rampant Redsox to just one goal in the first half.

But they could not contain the Reds in the second period and with Ross and Philips combining well, Redsox soon put the result beyond doubt.

The match was played in wet but calm conditions that allowed plenty of good football.

MUSTANGS 3 (G. Tyrell 2, D. Clifton)
DYNAMOS 1 (D. McCormick)

LEAGUE toppers Mustangs had to fight hard to retain their unbeaten record against bottom team Dynamos and despite a strong wind at their backs had only Garry Tyrell's goal to show at the end of 45 minutes.

Tyrell scored again but but Dale McCormick headed an excellent goal to make it 2 - 1.

Mustangs were relieved when Darren Clifton scored their third just before the final whistle

REDSOX 4 (G. Ross 2, P. Philips, J. Curtis o.g.)
CELTIC 2 (T. Bowles, G. Hobman)

REDSOX raced into a two-goal lead within 15 minutes through captain Ross and Paul Philips who exchanged passes before Philips blasted the ball into the net.

However, Celtic gradually got into the game and Troyd Bowles headed a superb goal from a cross by Chris Clarke.

Celtic's captain, Gonzalo Hobman, scored with a well-flighted free kick to equalise but Redsox regained the initiative and made the game safe through Ross who took his season's tally to six and an own goal by Curtis who otherwise had an excellent game.

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